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REMEMBER NOW thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man.—Ecc. 12:1, 13.

Congress failed to take action on 19,000 bills, and in so doing has the country solidly with it. If 19,000 objectionable bills failed to pass, you can imagine how many more finally squirmed through about which there'll be lots of controversy.

EVIDENCE OF GOOD SERVICE.

The safety banner that has been won by the La Grande division of the O.-W. R. & N. and which is to be presented officially to the division by safety officials of the railroad tonight is outstanding evidence of good service, not on the part of employees to the railroad particularly, but rather on the part of employees to the public they seek to serve and carry in safety. The city of La Grande and the railroad division itself should be proud of this achievement, should be proud of the fact that this division has placed itself at the top in a great system and has established a high standard for other workers in other divisions to strive for in an ever-progressing crusade to save human lives.

NEW HOMES FOR OLD.

Announcement by bankers over the country generally of an intention to withhold funds for speculative building enterprise is a definite indication that the acute house shortage which followed the war has passed. La Grande experienced unusual building activity last year and local builders and material dealers predict a year that will be almost equal in volume this season, but the greatest housing need has been satisfied here temporarily. There will be, however, a great deal of remodeling in all parts of the country and a proportionate amount in this section—the U. S. Gypsum Company estimating that 75 per cent of the investment in homes this year will be put into reconstruction of old buildings.

There are 20,697,204 homes in the United States, according to latest census figures. A large manufacturer of bathroom fixtures made a survey based on this report and found that a sufficient number of homes lack sanitary bathrooms to keep the entire bathroom fixture industry working at capacity for 22 years. This shows the tremendous amount of remodeling work to be done if the American standard of living is to be sustained and advanced.

The homes the old folks built are being renewed, improved in construction and beautified. The staggering annual loss in fires is being reduced each year as more frame residences are made fireproof. The basement furnace room, origin of countless fires, is being fireproofed with special material on ceilings and walls separating the furnace from inflammable material. The roof, next greatest fire hazard, is being covered with shingles of asbestos, slate, or composition, and the underside of the rafters finished with the same material used in the basement. The outside of many "revamped" houses is covered with oriental cement stucco.

The old home thus ceases to be a weather beaten shack with peeling paint and becomes clean and gay in its external aspect. The interior is being brightened and beautified in an equally satisfying way, modern materials and methods making all these operations inexpensive. Old homes are blooming again and will yet outlast many of the quickly built speculative houses that you see in the boom cities and the boom additions over the country.

Yesterday In Congress

The Senate rejected the modified McNary-Hangen grain export corporation bill.

The House expressed its "earnest desire" for American participation in the world market.

Washington Gardner, dean of government bureau chiefs, resigned as commissioner of pensions.

Secretary Mellon denied wholesale irregularities had occurred in issue of government securities.

The Senate refused to accept the house public building bill rider in the second deficiency bill and sent it back to conference.

A special house investigating committee reported that part of funds raised by the national disabled soldiers' league had been used improperly.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



Slow motion pictures don't seem so very much deliberate if you have a friend who promised to pay back that ten as soon as possible.

We rail and rant at youth and jazz. And movies put to shame. But though we rail we cannot fail To love 'em just the same.

A La Grande man announces gloomily that the reason his family budget fell down was that it provided for only one of them getting haircuts.

He: "Have you fixed the status of the people who moved next door?"

She: "Yes. They have no car, no radio, no talking machine, no piano. I can't imagine what they have."

He: "Maybe they have a bank account."

We understand that a small town not far from here bought a new fire truck. The chief and boys voted to put up the following motto over the door of the fire house: "May this fire engine be like all the old maids over our village—always ready, but never called for."

"So you let your husband carry a hatch key?"

"Oh, just to humor him. He likes to show it to his friends to let them see how independent he is—but it doesn't fit the door."

What does a cheer leader do with his arms in the winter time?

"My dear, these cakes are hard as stone!"

"I know. Didn't you hear her say, 'Take your pick' when she handed them 'round'?"

The crossword puzzle has lured many a man back to the home from which he was driven evenings by cross words.

OLD STUFF

Two small boys were boasting of the accomplishments of their relatives.

"My uncle," declared one, "has a wooden leg."

"That's nothing," replied the other. "My sister has a cedar chest."

A Boston man traveling in the South got chatting with the little negro boy who was polishing his shoes and inquired his name.

"Gen, ash," was the reply.

"Gen? That's a girl's name isn't it?"

"Ah spells it wit a G, not a J, ash."

"Oh, possibly an abbreviation of General," said the Boston man.

"No, ash," said the boy, "that was the reply. 'Ash' short enough name um 'Genash, xxx, xx, so shall righteousness answer for Me in Time to Come Washington 'arter,' but dey just calls me Gen for short."

LIVES TO A GOOD GIRL

You're too good, by far too good for me. Though bright your eyes and e'er so fair your face, Though fair your form as mortal form can be, Though Venus' self could scarcely match your grace, You bore me just a little, for you see, You are too good.

Flappers like pink but they fall for the long green too.

Two people can live cheaper than one—in a poor house.

Money may not buy happiness exactly, but it does go a long way toward keeping down suspense.

Be careful with the man who is glad to meet you—he may be an agent.

He is a mean man who comes today to tell you something disagreeable that he might have kept to himself till tomorrow.

Trail Extension Sought

PENTHLETON, Ore.—A resolution asking the state and federal forces to co-operate in the extension of the Joaquin Miller trail south from near Pilot Rock, in Clatsop county, through Grant, Harney and Lake counties, has been adopted by the board of managers of the Penton Commercial association. Copies of the resolution were also sent to the Oregon legislature in congress.

in the church service, following the opening concert on Friday evening of this week.

PRESIDENT TAKES OATH AT ONE P. M.

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consciousness of individual senators," Vice President Dawes declared today in his inaugural address.

Rights Overlooked.

"Under the present rules, the rights of the American people are overlooked," he said.

He referred especially to rules which permit a senator to delay proceedings indefinitely by holding the floor. Under this rule a minority or even one can prevent a vote on a measure which two-thirds of the members have agreed to bring to a vote. "Although the constitution gives congress the right to make its own rules," he said, "this does not excuse customs which might put power into the hands of individuals to be used in legislative barter."

British Import Oddities From Corners of World

LONDON (AP)—The Labor Party has gone in for dramatics. The Grand Theatre has been taken over for use on Sunday nights for purposes of recreation and propaganda by the Independent Labor Party and plays written by the party members are being presented from time to time.

The first to be given is a one-act play, "The Tomb," with a Tutankhamun setting, written by J. H. Clynes son of J. R. Clynes, Labor's floor leader in the House of Commons. The Parliamentary Labor Club Dramatic Group has been formed, of which the young Mr. Clynes and his wife are members, and the first performance of "The Tomb" will be on March 13.

British Dresses to Be Exploited LONDON (AP)—A company is being formed with a capital of \$500,000 for the establishment in London and other cities of an exhibition for the sale of model dresses made from English and Scotch dress fabrics. The models will be sold to wholesale houses and particulars supplied of the firms who made them so that wholesalers may then sell to the retail trade.

CHEESE PLANT TO RISE TILLAMOOK, Ore.—A new cheese factory, estimated to cost \$400,000, is being planned by the Cloverleaf Creamery company. Steps have been taken to obtain land near the site of the old factory and construction will start as soon as possible, so as to have the new factory in operation by June 1.

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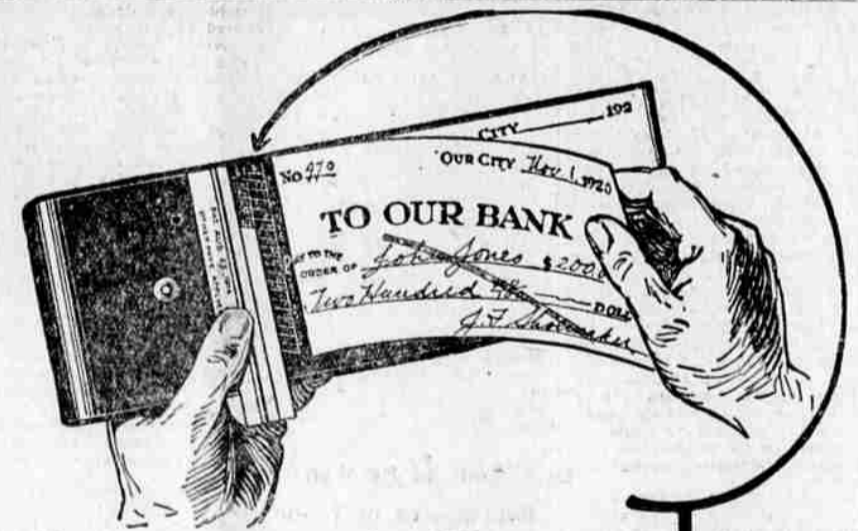
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