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THOU SHALT ALSO DECREE A THING, and it shall be established unto thee; and the light shall shine upon thy ways.—Job 27: 28.

## OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



### OFFICE CAT

By Junius

#### LETTUCE PRAY

There was a girl in school. She had to be handled with care. She was so green she was utterly perishable.

Slippery Joe—very thin  
Pretty girl—tumbled in  
Saw a boy—on the bank  
Gave a shriek—then she sank  
Boy on bank—heard her shout  
Jumped right in—helped her out  
Now he's here—very nice  
But—she had—to break the ice.

#### WE MEN

Father (to his bright son):  
"What's wrong?"  
Son (10 years old): "I've had a scene with your wife."

We know of no more uninteresting conversationalist than the man who gets enthusiastic about his golf when we want to discuss our tennis.

#### JOB FOR A GENERATION.

During national forest week the newspaper-reading public was informed that when the United States came into the possession of the white man it had primitive forests covering more than 800,000,000 acres and that today it has only 138,000,000 acres of virgin forests, 250,000,000 acres of second growth timber or young growth and 81,000,000 acres of land which have produced nothing but brush.

These statistics convince the average persons, possessing an average amount of foresight, that national forest week should be extended to cover fifty-two weeks in a year and for every year until the production of new timber in this country equals or exceeds the consumption of virgin timber.

Upon the trees man depends for his lumber, often his water supply, many of his pastimes and for much of nature's beauty. Just 42 per cent of the American forest primeval has survived the woodman's ax. It is within the power of this century to restore to the next century much of this natural heritage of which the last century robbed the present.

#### LAWBREAKING ALIENS.

In discussing prohibition enforcement problems Wayne R. Wheeler says: "The lawless alien in our midst is one of the most fertile sources of disorder. Unable to appreciate the significance of our institutions and careless about our ideals, too many of these immigrants adopt careers of crime as the shortest road to the wealth they seek in this El Dorado."

Placing on the immigrant the blame for prohibition's crime breeding is unfair and unjust. If the alien was the chief malefactor under the Volstead act then those sections of the country which have little or no immigration population would be of less concern to the enforcement agencies than they have proven to be.

"Lawless aliens" were not the mountaineers who for years before national prohibition engaged in the illicit business of making and selling moonshine. Aliens, either lawless or law-abiding, do not live in some sections of the country where the liquor laws are the most flagrantly violated.

It is because many immigrants do not "appreciate the significance of our institutions" that unscrupulous enforcement agents have made the alien the "goal" of prohibition enforcement.

## Radio Chats

(By Powell Crossley, Jr.)  
Radio interference is one of the commonest of all radio topics today.

Interference may be divided into two classifications, man made and natural:

(1) That due to transmitting or broadcasting stations other than the one from which it is desired to receive; that due to alternating current electric transmission lines and various other alternating current electric devices, and

(2) That due to electrical storms and other atmospheric disturbances.

Selectivity is the measure of the ability of a set to tune out the undesired stations and receive only the ones you wish to hear. It is also called "sharpness of tuning."

Well-designed receiving sets will tune out completely stations operating on a wave length differing but a few meters from that of the desired station. Even when another station is heard at the same time, its signals are usually so faint as to cause no inconvenience. Interference from broadcasting stations is called "station interference."

Electric power plants in the immediate vicinity, light and power transmission lines, trolley wires, X-ray machines, vibrators, elevated railways, transformers on poles, and various other apparatus employed in the production, transmission, or use of alternating current, sometimes cause a continual humming sound in the headphones and speaker. This type of interference may be guarded against by taking certain precautions in erecting aerials.

The second class of interference is due to electrical storms and atmospheric disturbances. Electrical storms set up waves, and these same kind as radio waves, and these sometimes cause clicking, hissing and crashing sounds in the phones or speaker. Such interference is called "static."

Why argue about who is head of the house? The boss of the happiest home we have seen is four months old.

## Bombing Plans Menace To Civilization, Expert Says

LONDON (AP)—Unless flying machines are regulated death will be rained down by the square mile in the next European war, is the prediction made by J. M. Spaight, author of "Aircraft in War," and other books. In his latest publication "Air Power and War Rights," in which he makes an appeal for the limitation of air armaments.

"Let there be no doubt about it," writes Mr. Spaight. "Unless air power is regulated and controlled it will destroy civilization itself. Aircraft have a terrible lesson in store for mankind. Shall we ever learn the lesson properly until it is hurled at us in thunder and flame?" he asks, and answers as follows:

"Sometimes one counts whether we shall. It is admitted that air raids will be far more terrible in future wars than they were in 1918, but it is doubtful whether the appalling menace to civilization which his admission involves is grasped by the general public."

Mr. Spaight was the British member of the commission of jurists on laws of war at The Hague, in 1922-23, and of these rules he says: "It is doubtful whether such rules for air bombardment as those drawn up by the jurists at The Hague in January-February, 1923, will save the world's great cities."

The joker in The Hague rules says Mr. Spaight, is this: The regulations solemnly declared that military objectives alone are to be liable to bombardment; they are "obligingly and tactfully vague as to what military objectives are actually."

In the event of another war outbreak, with recollections of 1914 in mind, virtually all the countryside of every nation involved would become engaged in war work of some kind, every public building turned into a war center, and since every town would contain war works of one kind or another, every town would be bombed, with the people in it.

The next war may be over almost before the armies get into action, Mr. Spaight suggests; London, Paris or Berlin may be reduced to ruins, tangled with corpses, before a single land battle has been fought. Air power will start in to land the knockout blow as soon as war is declared, or even before.

Bombing by all means should be limited only to property used for war purposes. That, he avers, is the only remedy.

#### Sheep Killer Is Bagged

MARSHFIELD, Ore.—Dr. L. Boyd, with a sheep ranch a few miles from Coquille, lost 15 of his flock and decided to vindicate the reputation of a black bear, which was the disturbing element in the affair. Lloyd Jarvis, a hunter of the Coquille valley, was called in and bagged the bear after a chase of a mile, shooting it from a tree where Jarvis' dogs drove the animal. Dr. Boyd rewarded Jarvis with a few of \$100 and the hunter reserved the carcass.

## FUGITIVES' AUTO FOUND

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Officers discovered along a roadside in the middle valley the automobile used Tuesday afternoon in kidnaping Mrs. Helen Barr, young Bend matron, the driver, declared by Mrs. Helen V. Johnson, police matron, to have been Bob Jones, ex-Klamath Falls policeman, evidently abandoned the car hastily, leaving a suitcase and camp equipment.

Jones was seen yesterday driving through the middle valley alone. Officers presumed that he had dropped Mrs. Barr, who was being taken from Bend to the Salem industrial school for girls to serve a three-year sentence on a liquor charge, near some point where she could walk to an O-W. U. & N. station.

## JURY BLAMES COUNCIL

MARSHFIELD, Ore.—The coroner's jury in the case of the fire in the Noble building here, which caused six deaths, last night returned its verdict, laying its blame there might be on the Marshfield city council. G. W. Stokes, state deputy fire marshal, said that it was up to the city to enforce state recommendations.

The marshal's office, however, had never made any recommendations to provide more escapes from the building than were on it when burned.

The jury said that had any inspection been made the Koppes apartment and two others in the building would have been closed to occupancy.

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#### Parachute as Used Today

Lake Apparatus of 1799

LONDON (AP)—The Royal Air Force today is using a parachute perfected by an American, which first was brought out and discussed in the history of the use of parachutes in aeronautics.

#### Water Assured To London.

LONDON (AP)—Erected at a cost of \$10,000,000, the metropolitan water board's new storage reservoir at Littleton, Middlesex, to hold 6,500,000,000 gallons, will be completed in a few weeks. This will assure London against all likely droughts.

## Refuse To Sign referendum Petitions On Bus And Truck Bill



The State Highway Commission has just let two contracts; one for reconstructing 11 1/2 miles of highway between McMinnville and Sheridan, a portion of which is shown above, at a cost of more than \$96,000.00, and another for 10 miles of the Columbia River Highway between Svenson and Astoria at a cost of more than \$261,000.00.

Their portable paving plants are constantly repairing the highways at great cost and the Highway Engineer has estimated that it will cost the Commission \$50,000.00 to patch and repair the Pacific Highway between Salem and Oregon City.

The heavy commercial freight trucks and motor busses have done the greater part of this damage within the past two years.

The taxpayers and private car owners pay at least 95 cents out of every dollar of this bill.

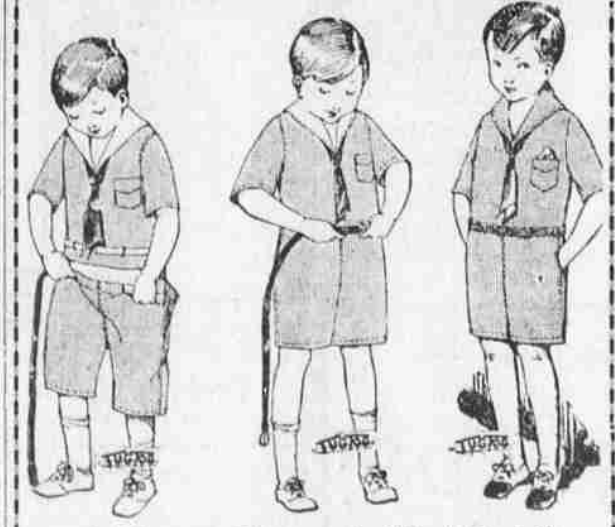
Referendum petitions are being circulated by the Motor Bus and Freight Truck Associations to submit the "Bus and Truck Bill" passed at the last session of the Legislature for vote by the people in November, 1926. The effective date, unless referred, is May 28, 1925. By these referending petitions operators of commercial busses and trucks hope to put off for 18 months the date when they must start paying for at least a portion of the damage they are doing to the road.

This Bus and Truck measure should not be held up to permit the commercial operators to escape payment of a fair part of the cost of repairing the road destruction done by their operations.

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