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LET US REASON TOGETHER, saith the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.—Isaiah 1: 18.

The man with his nose to the grindstone discovers no appreciable abrasion on the stone.

Diligent search has yet to reveal any form of virtue that will cause a severe headache.

We can't help wondering whether students of civilization class knickers as an improvement.

Many a man has made the fatal mistake of looking upon a 100 to 1 shot as an opportunity.

It is doubtful if any man is a big enough hypocrite to show enthusiasm over being refused a loan by his banker.

When a man is paying for an automobile, his grocer is sometimes forced to be patient whether he would or not.

That's the way it goes. When it isn't the buying power of the dollar it is the buying power of a bushel of wheat.

In spite of the number of divorces over the country you don't see many advertisements for the sale of engagement rings.

The economic expert who says that girls are marrying younger might also discourse at length on the fact that they are marrying oftener.

GUARD AGAINST BEING OVER-SOLD.

La Grande has a street lighting problem. No one will deny that. Its importance may be magnified or minimized according to an individual's point of view, but adequate solution of the problem is going to accomplish much in creating the right impression with visitors, both frequent and infrequent, and with newcomers in the city. The city will adopt, we are confident, an improved street lighting plan in the next few weeks, but it is particularly important that we do not allow ourselves to be over-sold in our desire to create a brightly lighted business district. This city planning commission and the City Dads are guarding against, and the original plan and suggestions of the large fixture corporations will be, and should be, reduced considerably from the estimated front foot cost of \$3. A great many standards up and down the street with a wealth of light thrown from them is a happy thought, but full and studied consideration must be given both the question of original cost to the property owners and the upkeep cost to the city. Additions can always be made afterwards but removals will be considerably more difficult.

Yesterday In Washington

The commercial agreement between the United States and Spain was extended one year.
Treasury officials announced that debt adjusting negotiations were in progress with the Latin American nations.
Plans for extensive postal rate hearings in several cities were announced.

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OUT OUR WAY



Money can be saved by keeping so busy earning it that you have no time to spend it.

When "Ideal American Girl" won the contest on account of her beautiful orbs the judges no doubt announced that the "eyes have it."

Wife (tearfully): "You needn't speak to me for a month."
Husband: "Then you intend to have finished talking by that time?"

DID YOU KNOW THAT?
A young man who married a 17-year-old chorus girl found later that she had a former husband and had a son 15 years old. Age nowadays is not so much a matter of cosmetics as cosmetics.

When a book peddler calls that may be regarded as a nuisance; when a bond peddler calls that's flattery.

When you see a sign in a restaurant reading "No tips" always remember apples were banned in the garden of Eden.

FROID PAPA
You ought to see my little son. Exemption is his name. I wrestled with my income tax—And then the baby came!

The difference between a Tuxedo and an ordinary suit of clothes is that you buy the latter.

Fashion writer says the shorter skirts are "restful." Not to the eyes, lady.

A tramp applied at the grounds of a circus for a job. He was informed that he could become a lion-tamer, and all he had to do was to walk into the cage and make the lions eat out of his hand. He was told that the whole secret was in making the lions believe he wasn't afraid of them.
"No," said the tramp, "I don't think I'll take the job. I could not be so deceitful."

HOW TO CURE A COLD
Listen to everything everybody tells you to do for it, and then go to bed and do none of them.

When the papers used to say that a man was knocked out by a bottle they meant that somebody had hit him over the head with it.

The bachelor leads a lonesome life. Deprived of joys of home and wife, he never knows the poor old bug. Where the next kiss is coming from.

"You speak of an impending moral wave."
"Yes, what of it?"
"I was wondering what effect it would have on the one-piece bathing suit."

Gonorrhea growers must not use sulfur in any form after the fruit is set. If they intend to sell to the canneries, says Dr. P. H. Burk, plant pathologist at the agricultural college experiment station. The station suggests that growers try 500 cc. 12 ounces to 1 gallon of water. If mildew is developing, this material should be applied thoroughly and renewed renewal after each rainy spell.

The Massachusetts special tax upon foreign corporations engaged in strictly interstate business was declared unconstitutional by the supreme court.

The biennial convention of the International Council of Women was opened with addresses by its president, Lady Aberdeen, and Secretary Houser.

A Reliable Bank

Reliability that means helpfulness as well as safety—no matter what the emergency.

La Grande National Bank

Sound, Reliable, Progressive

By WILLIAMS Mencken and Stewart Discuss U. S. Conditions

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or less like myself. I notice he trains around with his own kind—that is, the nearest he can come to his own kind. His real reason is, "This is the easiest country in the world to make a living in." In a thoughtless moment he let this bit of information out. It's a good reason, too. A country it's pleasant to live in, nevertheless, less isn't very pleasant if you've nothing to live on.

Mention the fact that you don't like the present-day United States and everybody assumes it's prohibition is one of the symptoms, true enough, but it isn't the disease. The disease is standardization—by law. The entire world is suffering from it but the United States has by far the worst case. Standardization by moral emotion is legitimate but compulsory standardization is going too far.

For instance, some of the neighbors' children aren't allowed to play with my little girl because, according to certain ideas of my own, I won't send her to Sunday school. That's moral emotion and quite all right. But if the neighbors had their way, they'd have a law passed putting me in jail. They may do it yet.

And my system is just an attempt to be right as the neighbors' system, even though they're in a majority. The question whether men descend from monkeys or not can't be settled by a popular vote. If they did they did, no matter what the statisticians think about it. If they didn't they didn't, regardless of any decision at the polls.

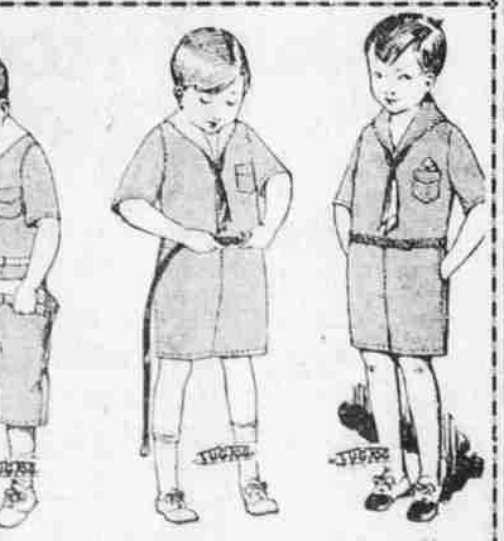
Being an American myself, by a good many generations' descent I could be a son of the American Revolution if I wanted to. I'm eligible—I can say if I please, that I don't like this country the way it is now. I do please and I do say so. If I could, I'd live somewhere else. And if H. L. Mencken would open up, I'll bet he'd have to say the same thing.

noon and the afternoon was spent in various athletics. The freshman and juniors winning 218 points against the Seniors and Sophomores 90 points.

The Nearest Service IS Ford Service

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A Picture Story of "Tug Togs"

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N.W. West & Co.

THE QUALITY STORE

Salmon Catches Good.

ASTORIA, Ore. — Reports from the various packing companies along the waterfront indicate that the first day of the commercial fishing season on the Columbia river resulted in the catch of the fine quality salmon in good quantities. Reports from up and down the river indicate that the best fishing was in the upper river and near Vancouver. However, some large hauls were made off Tongue point and in the vicinity of Atton, Wash.

With malaria starting, this is the time for all good lemons to come to the aid of their country.

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