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SELF-MASTERY:—Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.—Psalm 19: 13, 14.

If a man doesn't lift his hat to the ladies, he may be ill-bred—or he may be bald.

Some one wants to know if it is less painful to be run over by a car with balloon tires. That's a point worth considering when you are crossing heavy traffic lines.

The plan of the treasury department for the reduction of income tax schedules to a new low mark effecting small incomes will leave little to be desired in that direction by the average wage earner. The man who makes $3000 a year can surely afford to pay an income tax of $5, and one who makes $5000 should be able to pass a tax of $25 on to the government. And neither of them will object seriously to decreased surtaxes and revised schedules generally that will tend to attract capital into active industrial and commercial development.

BEAVER CREEK WATER.

A trip up to the Beaver Creek in-take will convince the average citizen of at least two things—that the road leading there is one to be traveled only in the event of urgent business demands, and that every drop of water available for the city's use in that district is being secured. The fact that the road is far from resembling a boulevard and is not designed for pleasure travel is an incidental matter. The fact that, with the present operations completed, no increased volume of water from Beaver creek will be practical in the future is an important matter.

There is no doubt about the city's money being well spent in improving our present water supply. And there is no doubt about that supply being adequate when the new well is available for emergency operation. The present pipe line will carry all the water to the city that the city requires in periods of high water, and it will carry all the water available in the Beaver creek area during the months of low water. It will not carry, of course, all the water that the city requires during the summer months, but such capacity is unnecessary because the water is not there. In other words, when the city's water consumption jumps in hot weather from a million and a quarter to two million and a quarter gallons the Beaver creek sources will only furnish a million and a quarter, which is not within a quarter of a million gallons of being the pipe line capacity. The difference between the amount available during dry months at Beaver creek and the amount demanded by the city's population—about a million gallons—will have to be supplied from the new well. Previously it has been supplied from Bowman-Hicks. The reservoir at the intake would be used only in greatest emergency.

If the new well proves satisfactory as planned, La Grande will have an adequate supply of water for several years. How many years is a question. If the city grows as much proportionately in the next ten or fifteen years as it has in the past, we will be faced by a similar problem eventually. The system that is now being completed will care for so much population but no more. It is a most economical means of providing water for that population under present circumstances. What kind of a situation we would have if the city did not already have a big investment in the Beaver creek project is a matter for interesting speculation. Even now it is possible to foresee the time when we will have to go to Catherine creek or bring the Minam river under the mountains back of Cove. That might seem like a tremendous undertaking but so would the present Beaver creek development have seemed to the old village of La Grande that numbered its citizens in hundreds rather than in thousands. In the meanwhile our water supply, with the new improvements made, will be adequate for the present and a good share of the future.

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By Junius

Even the man who asks for an upper berth in a sleeping car is sure to want a seat on the aisle when he buys a theater ticket.

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This is the time of the year when the June bride quits trying to make biscuits and begins to depend on the baker.

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Some men are refusing to pay their bills on account of the "unsettled" conditions in Europe.

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A hint to women: Be careful how you tell your age and weight, some cat may get them mixed.

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List among the most dignified lies in the world the following:

"It isn't the money I care about, it's the principle of the thing."

"We appreciate criticism."

"I'd like to go out with you, but I promised the wife I'd come home early tonight."

"If you don't like it, bring it back and your money will be cheerfully refunded."

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BETWEEN DANCES

"Did she strike you agreeably?"

"No, right flat across the jaw."

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If we ever have to give up golf, the language will still be appropriate for a number of different occasions—say, changing a tire on a hot day or after we have smashed our thumb with a hammer. There is nothing like the language of the links to assuage a man's feelings when he is disgruntled or sore about something.

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FOR MEN ONLY

It's a wonderful thing for the women,

The popular permanent wave;

Now it's up to some struggling inventor

To get out a permanent shave.

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Little Tommy (at rubbish dump observing goat nibbling among tin cans)—"Why don't goats give canned milk?"

WATER SITE VISITED BY LOCAL MEN

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normal seasons of the year keeps the pipeline delivering its capacity, but during the dry season—between June 1 and December 1—only 1,250,000 gallons or thereabouts can be relied upon. During the normal season the supply is sufficient, but during dry seasons when the city resorts to irrigation, the supply is inadequate. Estimates place the daily consumption in the summer at from 2,000,000 to 2,250,000 gallons.

The difference between the 1,250,000 that the Beaver creek district has available and the 2,000,000 or more necessary in the summer is expected to be supplied by the deep well, which is being dug near the Second street viaduct. It is estimated that the well will have a 2,000,000-gallon capacity and in low water periods would supply the needs of the city without pumping from Bowman-Hicks.

Visit New Intake

The party, interested in seeing how the water is piped from the Beaver creek district, viewed the new intake, located one mile above the old reservoir station, which is the source of about 500,000 gallons of water. Another half million gallons goes into the pipeline from Hidden springs, which is called a "wonderful spring" by those who saw it yesterday. The west fork of Beaver creek is also being tapped and, with other minor sources of supply furnishing as low as 100,000 gallons daily, the total will be made up.

Difficulties Aired

Mr. Crews pointed out to members of the party the difficulties experienced in securing water, especially the fact that during the winter, with snow from six to 14 feet deep over the pipeline, a break would be next to impossible to repair. "In just such cases would the emergency well take care of the city's needs," he said. He advised the party of the importance of the well, not only in augmenting the water supply but in regard to fire protection.

One of the big benefits of the trip, according to those in the party, was the appreciation of the magnitude of the city water supply problem, realization that the Beaver creek supply is definitely limited and that all is being done that is possible to bring every drop of water from that area to La Grande.

Pipe is on the ground and connections are being made as rapidly as possible.

Two Cars Damaged

Some difficulties were experienced by the party during the trip. F. A. Epling's car suffered a broken connecting rod and ruined engine, and in an attempt to cross a muddy spot in the road Dave Stewart's sedan was backed into a tree, damaging the rear end.

Those who made up the party yesterday were W. C. Crews, city manager; Charles Playle, city commissioner; Ray Williams, W. G. Sawyer, F. B. Appleby, Fred Currey, F. A. Epling, J. E. Reynolds, J. L. Mars, L. S. Weeks, L. L. McKennon, R. F. Tyler, Joe Wood, Dave Stewart, Bird Lewis, A. F. Lytle, Charles Murchison, George Currey, R. A. Benham, Franklin Zurbrich and Earl Reynolds. Roy Hartenbower and others working at the intake met the party there.

DRY BOSS TO USE WAR VET IN RUM WAR

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wine is innocent alongside of poison booze, fake labels and inflated prices.

"And when I send a squad out I expect them to stay out until they have cleaned out the nest. Where enemy doesn't talk there can't be any excuses or alibis."

Hero to Important Post

Hanford MacNider, former head of the American Legion, and much decorated war hero, being sworn in as the new assistant secretary of war, succeeding Dwight F. Davis, who became secretary upon the retirement of John W. Weeks. Left to right: Dwight F. Davis, Assistant Secretary of War MacNider and Col. John R. Randolph, who swore the new assistant into office.

HUNDREDS AT CLUB RECITAL

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platform singers too often resent.

Her first number was Dvorak's "Songs My Mother Taught Me," followed by a delicate rendition of Purcell's little song, "Passing By." The group also included an oriental romance, "The Rose Enslaves the Nightingale" by N. Rimsky Korsakov, and "Rain! Rain! Rain!," a fantasy by Vera L. Gay.

Responding to a call for an encore, she gave a humorous bit called "A Fly Song."

Mrs. French was a capable accompanist, and anticipated nicely the moods of the singer. Regret was expressed by the audience that Mrs. French was not to be heard in a solo.

Two arias in Italian, "O del mio amato ben" (Donaudy) and "O mio Babbino Caro" (Puccini) composed her second group.

Miss McArthur charmed her hearers with three serious piano numbers that revealed her excellent technique and the depth of her sympathy in interpretation. The first, "Variations in E Flat" by Mendelssohn, involved a variety of moods to all of which

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the pianist responded with a numbers: Mrs. H. G. Humphrey, warmth of color and feeling that Twin Falls, temperance; Mrs. is not a common quality. In Erbland, Americanization; Mrs. Rachaninoff's "Melodie" and Brock, Portland, question box. Paff's "Marchen," her melody was at all times nicely distinguished from the accompaniment. She played "Minuetto-Scherzando" by Stavenhagen as an encore.

Mrs. Hoskins' second appearance included a group of French songs, of which "Absence" by Hector Berlioz was probably her triumph of the evening. She was well received in a lilting encore, "Le Cour de mamie." Her concluding four numbers were in English: "The Cloth of Heaven" (Dunhill), "Twilight" (Katherine A. Glen), "The Answer" (Robert Huntington Terry) and "The Dark King's Daughter" (Cambridge Gest).

When the audience showed no intention of calling the concert over, Mrs. Hoskins graciously returned to sing another encore, using "The Lying Little Daisy."

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Election Thursday.

Election of officers is scheduled for early Thursday morning, Mrs. C. D. Weaver of Twin Falls will then give the treasurer's report, and Mrs. Barnes of Boise will report on fulfillment of the corresponding secretary's duties.

Enthusiasm for the national convention will be roused at the afternoon session in talks by the following women: Mrs. Grice of Boise, former president; Mrs. Lock, Mrs. Samuel, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Brock and Mrs. Weaver.

The Rev. H. S. Hamilton, district superintendent of the Methodist conference, will deliver the concluding address Friday evening. His discourse will be preceded by a Queen Esther initiation ceremonial by La Grande members under direction of their leader, Mrs. R. F. Tyler. The girls will meet this evening to perfect their part in the program.

Worship Friday evening will be conducted by Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Brock will dismiss the convention after the address by Mr. Hamilton.

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"Abie's Irish Rose" Attracts Crowd

Large crowds are buying seats at the Salt Lake theater, pictured above, where "Abie's Irish Rose" played for two weeks to capacity houses. The world famous play comes to La Grande on Saturday, for both matinee and night.