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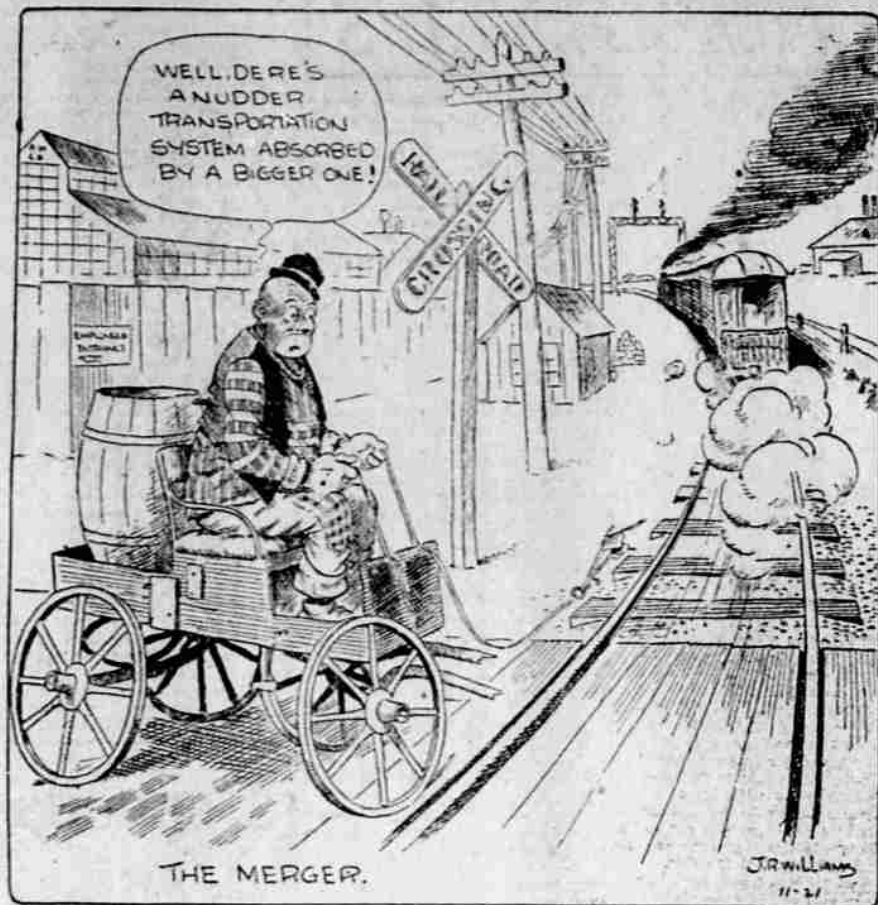
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ETERNAL PROTECTION.—The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.—Psalm 121: 5.

OUT OUR WAY

By WILLIAMS



THE MERGER.

Poets' Corner

MY OLD HOME OF LONG AGO
(By John B. Hunter)

When hope again with life at best,
And winter slowly receding;
Under the skies of Golden West—
When springtime sun is softly
shining;
When o'er the land is evergreen,
And mating birds are singing low
To Oregon I'm drawing near—
To my old home of long ago.

I've seen the skies of sunny France,
Paris with all its gayful tone;
I've seen the Alps of Switzerland
With its snow peaks and glacier
dome.

With loving mood to all I've seen,
In memories I cannot forgo
My Oregon—land of my dreams,
My dear old home of long ago.

There is an age in life coming
When all out here older must grow,
An age the heart needs rewarmed
With memories of dear long ago.
When my heart songs are declining
And needs true love for them to
go.

To Oregon I'm turning,
To my old home of long ago.

The following is a gratuitous suggestion for an advertising slogan—"Brake linings are cheaper than coffin linings."

MARION CORN SHOW OPENS

SALEM, Ore.—The annual Marion-Polk county corn show opened here with the largest number of exhibits ever assembled at a similar event held in this vicinity. The show is being held in the state armory and will continue until Saturday night.

The last hanging in England for sheep stealing occurred in 1875. To the plea of the three thieves that three men ought not to die for one sheep, the judge replied: "You are not hanged for stealing the sheep, but that sheep shall not be stolen."

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Poverty ends when the spirit of saving begins to be born. The amount saved is unimportant—the BIG thing is to MAKE THE START.

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La Grande National Bank
La Grande, Oregon



A bridegroom never actually realizes the meaning of "the bond of matrimony" until he discovers that somebody has been using his toothbrush to clean her jewelry.

It's a wise cork that knows its own pop.
Judge to Prisoner—"Seems to me I have seen your face before."
Prisoner—"Yes, sir, I'm the young man who helped your son build a radio set."
Judge—"Twenty years?"

The Czechs-Slovaks are absorbing education all right. They can now not only spell the name of their country, but can spell it a dozen different ways.
"Is this milk pasteurized?"
"I guess so. I bought the cow from a preacher."

BOBBY KNEW THE ANSWER
One Bobby was in a store with his mother when he was given candy by one of the clerks.
"What must you say, Bobbie?"
"Charge it," he replied.

Restaurant Manager (to orchestra conductor)—"I wish you'd display a little more tact in choosing the music. We've got the worshipful company of umbrella makers dining here this evening and you've just played 'It Ain't Gonna Rain No More!'"

ETIQUETTE NOTE
Any guest who ever used the "guest towel" in the bathroom is never invited again.

A girl does not have to have a pretty face to be beautiful—figuratively speaking.

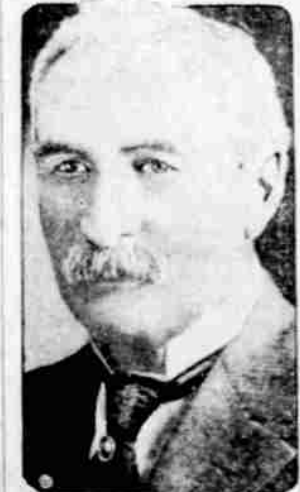
She—"Did you ever realize anything on those oil investments?"
He—"Yes, I realized what a jackass I was to buy them."

Boatlegger (to bean fishing)—"Have any luck?"
Man—"No."

Boatlegger—"Try some of this on your boat."
Man pours something from bottle over the worms on the hook and lowers it into the water.

When a great splash of water is heard and the time is up, the boatlegger has a struggle on a

Still At It



William Mulholland, of Los Angeles, started his career as a ditch digger. At 51 he's still digging ditches—only in a different way. For now he's in charge of a project to bring water all the way from the Colorado river to southern California over a 1500-mile canal and across wide deserts, to supply 1,000,000 people.

That big hole in the family budget is where the turkey went through.

Perhaps mother kept that schoolgirl complexion by occasionally walking five or ten miles past a lot of drug stores.

In the last generation, says a medical writer, man has learned to put off death an additional ten years. Now if someone would only show us how we could accomplish the same result with taxes, most of the certain things of life would be eliminated.

With new automobile licenses, income tax payments, and Christmas expenses all crowded into the month of December it is easy to understand why most winter characters are pictured with grey heads. Jack Frost isn't the only killing influence we have at this season.

Bruce Dennis, who has been travelling about over the Northwest quite a bit since getting rid of the newspaper business, says that there's nothing but praise for La Grande and how good a town it is, wherever he goes. And here in La Grande we hear constantly of some other town and how much better it is. It's always the distant pasture that's especially green.

THIS HEADLIGHT LAW.

When the new Oregon law governing headlights on automobiles was passed by the last legislature it was looked upon as one of the most progressive and comprehensive of my state in the union. Probably it is. But the excellence of a law isn't entirely in its wording on the code books of the state. It's in the administration and enforcement it receives. That is a factor that has turned Oregon's auto light law from what seemed to be a good measure into a very poor one.

As is usually the case with such laws, about 50 per cent of the citizens effected are quick to comply with its requirement and the other 50 per cent pay no attention to it. All any citizen needs to do in checking up on the situation is to take a drive on one of our highways any evening. He will have no difficulty in picking out the cars he passes which have not complied with the law and do not have properly adjusted lights. There are hundreds of them and not one out of ten retains the old habit of dimming to avoid blinding a passing motorist. And on a wet road, when all cars are required to dim according to the new law, no more than 10 per cent will comply.

Any car owner who has given the matter attention has come to the conclusion that the new law—under present conditions—is worse than the old law, and full enforcement is the only means of getting reasonable results. State highway officials have delayed giving their attention to the law somewhat, probably, due to the time required to get all cars through the light adjusting stations. But such delay is no longer necessary. Car owners, if they have really been intent on the job, have had plenty of time to get a light certificate. Cars with lights out of adjustment indicate conclusively that their owners are careless or willing violators. There's no half-way measure excusable.

If officials will enforce the law, it will be a constructive measure. If they are to give it little attention, we will be worse off than we were before. And the result will be an increase in highway accidents, constantly growing hazards, and destruction of any pleasure there might have been in driving at night. It's up to the driving public to show which they prefer.

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