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**RICH BLESSINGS**—"Even by the God of thy father, and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee: \* \* \* The blessings of thy father have prevailed \* \* \* unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph."  
—Gen. 49: 25-26.

One thing that doesn't show up in the records is that these youngsters who take up crime were ever consistently spanked. Maybe it's not too late now for some of them.

### ADVENTURE

What unimaginative, apathetic individuals are they who find these dull days sans excitement, adventure, romance, danger, hardship and those "golden" opportunities of old. They are utterly miserable but their misery is inexcusable.

Do they yearn for exploration? What of the several polar expeditions already launched or in preparation? The Roosevelt expedition into Asia was not without dangers and thrills. Louise Delingette, a French woman, has just completed a trip by motor with her husband through the deserts and jungles of Africa. Another exploring party has been lost in the cannibal country of the Upper Amazon for months.

As if in answer to the prayers of those who regret they did not live in the days of the "forty-niners," Ontario is now staking a gold rush rivaling in frenzy and hardships those to California and Alaska. In this new scramble for gold the dogsled has replaced the covered wagon of '49 and is playing as important a role as it did in the Klondike.

### AN AUTOCRATIC ACTION.

In a letter urging the sending of messages to the joint congressional postal committee in the interest of lower postal rates, a New York lawyer charged that the chairman of the committee "intends to do nothing or do something too late for action at this session of congress" and is "unfair and dilatory." As a retaliatory measure the committee closed the doors of its chamber "forever" to the vituperative attorney, establishing what is believed to be a precedent and raising a very nice question as to the right of a congressional committee to take such drastic action against one of its critics.

It is plain how a committee might refuse to head the words of a lobbyist or other interested citizen, but there is grave doubt in the minds of all as to the right of a congressional committee to exclude anyone from a public hearing before it. Freedom of speech gives the citizen the inalienable right to criticize any and all public officials at any and all times. Those entering public life automatically bare themselves to public opinion and surrender some of the protections given the private citizen against libel.

Congress, when it acts contrary to the desires of the voter or newspaper, is open to attack by them. The individual congressman may be criticized with impunity. Why, then, can not a congressional committee or its chairman be censured by a citizen who is convinced that his complaints are well founded? Far better that a committee of congress be unjustly scolded than that a citizen be punished for giving cry to a wrong committed by such a committee.

### OUT OUR WAY



By WILLIAMS

## MAN'S FATE IN PIERCE'S HAND

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 8. (AP)—Whether Archie Cody, cowboy, will be saved from death on the gallows is now up to Governor Pierce. Cody is scheduled to be hanged Friday April 16. Yesterday several relatives and friends of Cody, including his father, Barney W. Cody, of Jacksonville, appeared before the governor and presented a petition signed by several hundred citizens of Jackson county asking that the sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. The governor will not announce a decision until he has read a transcript of the testimony heard at the trial.

Cody was sentenced to death for killing Sheriff Austin Goodman, of Harney county. The killing, however, took place in Malheur county while the sheriff was attempting to arrest Cody for passing a bad check. The sheriff died from a wound in the leg and friends of Cody contend that the wound might have been inflicted by the sheriff's own gun.

Governor Pierce yesterday refused to disturb the sentence passed on M. Albert, of Portland, who was convicted and sentenced to serve a year in the penitentiary for receiving stolen property. He was received at the prison last night.

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**DINE O. A. C. GROUP**  
EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 8. (AP)—A group from the Corvallis chamber of commerce headed by Coach Paul Schuster, of the Oregon Agricultural college, will be guests at noon today of the Eugene chamber of commerce. The occasion is a return visit for the Corvallis representatives of the Eugene chamber of commerce having taken Captain John J. McEwan, Oregon coach to Corvallis a few weeks ago.

**CONSTITUTION CHANGED**  
EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 8. (AP)—Changes in the constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Oregon, dealing with the specific duties of the graduate manager with publications, musical organizations and student managers proposed by a special revision committee were accepted.

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By Junius

## JONES, HAGEN DOPED TO WIN

"Well, Mrs. Johnson," announced the colored physician, after taking her husband's temperature, "ah, has knocked de fever outen him. Dat's one good thing."

"The nurse," was the excited reply. "Does dat mean dat he's going to git well, den?"

"No," replied the doctor, "day's no hope to him; but you has de satisfaction ob knowin' dat he died cured."

A husband always refers to his wife as an angel until she flies off with another fellow.

A man was standing beneath a bridge.

When it crashed down on his head.

"What was caused by fallen arches?"

The coroner's jury said.

Just think how popular the woman are getting to be. Last year it was Mah Jongg and this year it's Ma Ferguson.

One way for a rich man to live to be ninety years old is for him to have a lot of hungry birds who are waiting for him to die.

A little La Grande fellow arrived home from school while the family was at lunch. With a disgusted look on his face, he said: "Mother, some of the boys in my class didn't know how to spell 'sarcastic.'"

"Well, dear," replied his mother, "how do you spell it?"

"Me," he asked. "Oh, I was one of those that didn't know!"

**TIP HENRY PECK OFF!**  
I've lost my temper, lost my health, I've almost lost my life.

And I've lost every speck of wealth, but I can't lose my wife.

A confession magazine offers a prize for the "most colorful romance." Why don't they page Rip Robinson?

"Aren't you nearly ready, dear?"

"I wish you wouldn't keep asking that question, Clarence. I've been telling you for the last hour that I'll be ready in a minute."

When nagging comes in at the

(By the Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Apr. 8.—The dominating positions that Walter Hagen and Bobby Jones occupy in golf stand out in striking relief as the 1926 campaign spreads its frontiers northward.

Nowhere among the deeds of knights of the middle, here or abroad, has there been a record to surpass the achievements of these two stars over the past four years.

In a sport conspicuous for its inconsistencies where champions rise to dizzy heights one day and "flop" with a dull thud the next, the feats of Hagen and Jones gain added lustre by contrast.

Here and in other countries during the last four seasons, Hagen twice lifted the British open championship, missed it once by a stroke on a third occasion and captured the Professional Golfers' Association title for the past two years.

**Jones' Record Good**  
In the same span, Jones, confining his activities chiefly to his homeland, has won the open championship once, finished second in his three other tries for it and gained the national amateur crown twice in succession.

Others have reaped laurels in this time. Sarazen in 1922, Walker in 1924 and Willie McFarlane last season carried off the open championship. Sarazen also held the P. G. A. honors in 1922 and 1923, but none of these stars has quite approached the heights of Hagen and Jones.

The millennium will not have been reached till a Scotchman writes free verse.

It takes a mighty little red hair to put the finishing touches to an awful big temper.

proached the all around, consistent brilliance of Hagen and Jones.

In the last six years of play in the American open championship, Jones has averaged 296 1-3 strokes for each 72-hole test, three strokes better than Hagen's average of 299 1-2. These marks top the performances of all rivals.

In the approaching run-wait of championship events, no competitors will be more feared than these two. Hagen's recently sensational victory over Jones in a 72-hole test in Florida at match play, followed by a medal play victory over Jones in the West Coast open, have boosted Sir Walter's stock but the Georgian is likely to suffer no more than temporary loss of prestige on this account.

Such ace of Mac Smith, "Wild Bill" Melhorn, Harry Cooper, George Von Elm, Macfarlane, Sarazen, Bobby Cruikshank, Johnny Farrell and Archie Compston, the British stars, will have their backers in forthcoming American title tournaments. The shortest odds, however, are likely to be on Jones and Hagen.

**Miss Collett Favored.**  
Among women golfers, Miss Glenna Collett has been the most consistent of American players over the same span which has seen Jones and Hagen in the ascendant. But the Providence girl is likely to face a strenuous battle in defending her hold on the national championship.

Not alone has she such seasoned rivals as Mary K. Browne and Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hard to contend with, but a fresh menace is before her in the rise of such youthful stars as Dorothy Klotz and Virginia Van Wie, both of Chicago, Maureen O'Connell of New Jersey and Helen Payson of Portland, Maine.

The champion's defeats in Florida at the hands of three of these young rivals have indicated the strength of her opposition.

The fellow who doesn't know much, but knows enough not to let others know that he doesn't know, knows more than some of the knowing ones.

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### Durkin's Pal



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## Fishing Season Is Here!

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### To Our Patrons

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