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VICTORY WITH GOD—Dread not, neither be afraid. * * * The Lord your God * * * shall fight for you * * *—Deut. 1:29, 30

Money makes the motor go a lot faster than the mare ever did.

The greatest problem most cities face today is how to deal with the parking sneaker—the fellow that spies the one space left just after you have, and who horns in ahead of you and walks off.

Over \$158,000,000 was expended in the support of state universities and colleges in the United States during the year ending June 30, 1925. And nothing bought during the whole twelvemonth was cheaper at the price, in spite of the jokes made regularly about college students.

Governor Hartley, of Washington, writes a letter to a political critic who wants a debate telling him to "toddie over to Yakima—and drum up his own crowd." The letter was full of undignified language. Perhaps it was provoked by something equally bad, but how unfortunate it is that a state must have a chief executive who cannot avoid such things. A governor's office and responsibilities are such that the man who holds them certainly should be big enough, once he is in office, to serve the people and forget political vulgarities.

A HOSPITALITY RECORD.

Realtors who are in La Grande again this morning after a trip to Wallowa Lake are loud in their praise of the convention held here and of the hospitality accorded them by La Grande people. One prominent real estate dealer from Tacoma says that such excellent treatment has never been experienced in all the years he has been attending the conventions. The confusion that resulted in housing visitors the first day has been forgotten, he is sure, and everyone is returning home happy.

People of the city who aided in taking care of the visitors deserve much praise for this hospitality. The Tacoma gentleman and his family were housed in the home of a railroad engineer and they could not say enough complimentary things about the treatment received. They returned from Wallowa Lake last night to find that their host—whose family is visiting out of town—had washed and ironed the soiled linen that had been left. Perhaps the host decided it was a small courtesy to perform, since he was doing his own laundry anyhow, but the thoughtfulness was highly appreciated and will help make La Grande's hospitality long remembered. Citizens who thus went out of their way to do the considerate thing for visiting realtors are to be commended on their civic spirit.

Those who made the trip to Wallowa Lake report the same degree of entertainment and courtesy there as experienced in La Grande. They were particularly impressed with the beauties of the Grande Ronde and Wallowa valleys that were unfolded on the drive and the community is fortunate that such a trip could be given outside real estate people. We talk much of the wonders of our agricultural lands, but we talk too frequently among ourselves and fail to tell the outside world about it. Mr. Culver's prediction that vast crowds of people from all over the world are coming to the Pacific Coast in the next few years is but an echo of similar views by other great men who have faith in and knowledge of the Northwest and what it offers. We hope that the real estate convention's sessions in La Grande will help emphasize to the people of Eastern Oregon the real opportunities that are theirs.



OFFICE CAT
By Junius
The kind of mother who used to say that her twelve-year-old daughter was six, so that she could travel on half-fare, now says she's sixteen, so that she can drive the car.

When a bad dog bites a tax assessor, you never hear of anybody but the assessor wanting to kill the dog.

"I liked that young fellow you were with the other night, so I asked him to dinner this evening," said the hardware merchant to his daughter. "I told him to drop round in his business clothes." "Oh, father!" said the girl, "he's a swimming instructor."

The house-to-house canvasser had talked for a hour. "This egg-beater," he said, "speaks for itself." "Then," interrupted the housewife, "suppose you keep quiet for a moment and give it a chance."

A critic says that modern girls are just educated dolls. He may be right, but they don't squeal for "Pa-pa and Ma-ma" when they're squeezed.

When a couple gets married who have billed and coded for years, the cooling stops, but the billing goes on.

EPIGRAMS

Here lies Constellation Mars, who loved to gaze up at the stars; An auto came; his eyes were dim; And now the stars gaze down on him!

Marriage is a gamble; gambling is a vice; draw your own conclusion.

Perceval: "That was the most unkindest cut of all, as the poet says."

Penelope: "What was that?" "I showed her one of my boyhood pictures with my father holding me on his knee, and she said, 'My, who is the ventriloquist?'"

SMITH TELLS OF EXPENSES

CHICAGO, July 26. (AP)—Frank L. Smith testified today before the senate campaign funds committee that his successful fight for the Illinois republican senatorial nomination cost approximately \$250,000, of which Senator Insull, Chicago traction magnate, gave \$100,000.

Charges repeated to the senate by Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, were that Smith's campaign had cost \$2,000,000 and that more than \$1,000,000 had been spent on behalf of Senator W. B. McKinley, the defeated candidate. Smith, who is chairman of the Illinois commerce commission, told the committee that his information as to Insull's contribution was given to him by Allen G. Moore, former congressman. He recalled no other contributions, except Moore's own and \$700 in small checks that came to me.

Tells All He Knows.
"Then do you want this committee to understand that Mr. Insull was the sole backer of your campaign?" asked Reed.

"I am telling all that I know of the contributions," answered Smith. "The witness said that bill board advertising in his behalf was taken care of by Mr. Wrigley." (William Wrigley, Chicago capitalist.)

Colonel Smith, the first witness called in the Illinois primary investigation, reiterated that all the raising of funds was in the hands of Allen Moore, former congressman, and that "I told him I wasn't going to worry about it."

Anti-Court People With Him.
Smith said he received the support in Cook county of the "elements of the Crowe-Barrett faction who believed in the U. S. stay-out of the world court."

Who were they? Reed asked. "William Hale Thompson, Robert E. Crowe (states attorney) and Charles V. Barrett," Smith replied.

This questioning ended Smith read a statement which Reed had declined to hear at the start. It assailed the charges against him, disavowed dishonest expenditures and called for the names of his advisers.

Stops Attack.
Reed baited him in the midst of it at a reference to "the senator from Arkansas"—Senator Caraway, who repeated to the senate charges that more than two million dollars had been spent in the Illinois primary.

"This committee is not going to permit itself to be used as a forum for attack on the members of the U. S. senate or any one else," Reed declared.

WORTH \$100,000,000?
CHICAGO, July 26. (AP)—One hundred million dollars was suggested to Federal Judge James H. Wilkinson as the minimum sale for the bankrupt Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad by D. C. Swayne, representing Kuhn, Loeb and company and the National City Bank of New York.

One man has named his flier "Narnal the Flying Tea."

UNCLE AMOS SAYS SUMMER BOARDERS ARE THE BUNK



THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

La Grande, Oregon, July 24, 1926.
To the Editor of The Observer: Dear Sir: I was up to the high school athletic field and saw myself the patriotic and historical pageant. It was absolutely wonderful from start to finish. It was clean and instructive.

A boy or girl would learn more in one night of the pageant performance from a historical standpoint than they could possibly learn in school in ten years. Things that are heard are only remembered a little time because they go in our ear and out the other but things that are seen are remembered a life time because there are no holes in the back of the head to let the knowledge escape.

All the characters were so good that it looked like they were made for the part that they played. It would take pages to describe the thrills that came to me in seeing the passing of the pioneers, the great and noble men of our nation from the time of George Washington to the late Woodrow Wilson.

The singing was filled with deep feeling or in other words the soul of the songs was wanted out so beautifully upon the night air that it made the hard seats feel like they were reclining couches.

The announcer could be heard by everyone. He spoke slow and distinct and at the same time gave full vent to his patriotic feeling.

Chief Joseph, by R. J. Hammer, was especially good. He not only looked like the one he characterized but his very soul was put into the part so much that it made me forget that this was only a pageant but it seemed that old Chief Joseph, that noble Indian of the past had actually come back to life.

Now then in conclusion let us give three cheers for the American Legion. What do you say about putting our heads together and having a pageant every year in the city of La Grande. Pendleton has his round-ups, Union her stock shows, Portland her rose carnivals, Spokane has her apple shows and La Grande has only one thing and that's her depot and that is about rotted down. All these cities have a right to these different things as they are fitting for the respective places.

Where in the west is a city that is more fitted for a historical pageant than La Grande? I say there is not a city in the west that is more fitted for that purpose. This is the old battlefield of our forefathers. Many of the things in history we read about happened right here in the Grande Ronde valley. Furthermore many of the old pioneers that are close to a hundred years old live here right now. These old people will soon be gone so let us give them flowers by erecting a living monument to them in a living, moving, form of a historical pageant once a year in La Grande.

I am for it. What about you?
CLAUD C. PRATT.

Winston Churchill Defies Senator Borah

LONDON, July 26. (AP)—Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, shown Senator Borah's statement that he was conducting a "campaign of vilification" against the United States designed to secure cancellation of the war debts is quoted by the Excelsior, Telegraph as saying:

"I invite the senator to quote any passages from any speech or written statement of mine on which he relies to justify such a complaint."

SHAW THREE SCORE AND 10

LONDON, July 26. (AP)—George Bernard Shaw, one time scornful Irish iconoclast, now somewhat mollified by years, celebrated his 70th birthday today.

On his natal day, G. B. S. is not the man with the bristling red beard of the eighties, but a benign elderly gentleman of home-quiet men with a white hair suit, an earnest and trim and seemingly as youthful as ever and still adhering to his creed of being plunged to the neck in the line of his time.

Tonight in the house of commons he will be an honored guest at a dinner and people generally are looking for the birth of still another of the phytan controversies in which for years he has participated with great zest.

It had been hoped that an arrangement could be made by which his speech would be broadcast, but Mr. Shaw declined to pledge himself not to engage in controversial utterances. Wherefore the listeners-in are disappointed, for Mr. Shaw is a remarkable after-dinner speaker as he is a satirist.

Riches Literary Man.
Mr. Shaw probably is the richest literary man alive. He collects royalties from all parts of the world. Would-be newspaper interviewers scarcely are ever able to make their way through the barred entrance to his home in Adelphi Terrace to obtain the socialist's views on the topics of the day. Sometimes they write lists of questions and G. B. S. places his professional fee after each something as follows: views on Ireland, 50 pounds; on women, 100 pounds; on America, 500 pounds.

For his views on the British government he charges only 10 shillings and if he is in a particularly generous mood they are given gratis.

His portrait, either in photographs or caricatures, faced one of the pages of almost every newspaper in London today. In addition the gossip and editorial columns dwell upon his personality, achievements, wit, paradoxicalness and physical youthfulness.

Eulogistic Poems.
The Times printed eulogistic

poems in his honor. Other newspapers recalled incidents in his career, his rise to fame, the fundamental seriousness back of his humor, his generosity and the like. His adolescence, boyish cold calculations, is the envy and admiration of every one.

Another man, equally eminent and equally juvenile—the Earl of Balfour—celebrated his 75th birthday yesterday. Lord Balfour received appreciative notices in the newspapers but his career did not attract the columnists like that of G. B. S.

Fires and Accidents Delay Buster Keaton

EUGENE, Ore., July 26. (AP)—Forest fires and an accident during the filming of "The General" at Chip creek yesterday, and late Saturday afternoon, sent three men to local hospitals and six men to the Cottage Grove hospital and delayed the work of Buster Keaton and his men about one day.

The work of the national guard



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from Eugene and Corvallis was completed last night with the firing of a battle scene. The local troops arrived here last night and the Corvallis men passed through Eugene on their way home this morning.
William Lynn, of Cottage Grove, was seriously injured about the head, shoulders and back, and H. Trullitt, Cottage Grove, received minor bruises, when an artillery team became uncontrolled, pulling the cannon cart at a rapid rate of speed over rough ground and rocks, throwing the men from the wagon.
Henry Baird, Cottage Grove, was brought here in an unconscious condition, due to being overcome by heat and fatigue in fighting the fires that burned for about five miles along the O. P. and E. railway right-of-way. The men taken to the Cottage hospital were not in a serious condition.

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