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THIS WORLD'S MAINTENANCE—John said, And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.—John 12:32.

Insanity isn't increasing. It just seems that way because we have found new uses for it.

Getting the battery charged is not nearly so much of a problem to the average motorist as finding a place to get the gasoline charged.

A local stock-market casualty has had his last winter's hat cleaned, too, making him one hundred per cent in that respect.

A 13 month year would never do. There would be a Friday the thirteenth in every month and once every year there would be a Friday the thirteenth in the thirteenth month.

Winston Churchill toured Canada and returned to London, not to disparage and condemn but to laud and marvel. The statesman made an observation of significance in noting that since 1900 the dominion developed to the westward and in predicting that during the next 25 years its growth will be toward the North. For several years the development has been toward the North. Territories recently inaccessible are now being opened for their timber, waterpower, minerals, grazing grounds, fisheries and fertile soil. Hudson Bay is being made a link in a new grain route from Manitoba and Saskatchewan to Liverpool. The world today offers few nations with such bright prospects as those of the Dominion of Canada. They compel the interest and attention of Winston Churchill and others of like caliber.

### BOYS AND GIRLS ARE BETTER

Sensational reports of juvenile crime have been so loud and prolonged that the public has come to have a kind of blind belief in the increasing wickedness of the younger generation. Hence it is with a feeling of shock that one runs across government statistics showing diminution of juvenile misconduct.

With stories of 18 year-old bandits in the newspapers every day it seems impossible that the official report can be accurate. Yet a survey carefully covering fourteen scattered cities reveal a decrease in the delinquency rate in nine and an increase in only four. The number of juvenile delinquents being committed to correctional institutions is smaller everywhere.

It is easy to prophesy ruin for all the youngsters because a few with inflated imaginations and distorted notions of their relation to society are spectacularly criminal. It is not an uncommon thing to find almost ascetic children with parents infected with the jazz spirit. But the souls-minded child escapes the publicity given the jazz-mad members of his generation.

Parents find themselves thinking of the children as more gay and naughty than their elders were in their youth, not because of any excess in the surplus energy given off by modern youth but because modern methods of giving it off are strange to the older generation. Many always looks upon new things with certain misgivings. But now boys and girls have governmental evidence of improvement in their behavior and proof that potting in the front seat of a parked automobile is no naughtier than spooning in the only seat of a buggy behind a horse that knows the way home but isn't too eager to get there.

### Overnight News Briefs

By The Associated Press  
DANGER—A child was distributed when a girl exploded here and she was sent to hospital. Her mother was notified by the police and she was taken to the hospital.

Oregon City—J. J. Wainwright, proprietor of the Lake Oregon, Ore., was held up and robbed of \$1 by two robbers.

Fair City—Mrs. Billie Woodson, 77, died here last night after a long illness.

Wagon—William Mackay, 41, of Baker, who pleaded guilty to robbing a mail train, was sentenced to prison.

### THE AMERICAN BIRD



### Abe Martin



This is the season when we all move these paper an' exercise for our money than anything else. "Parlin's gone exercise an' when that's said all's said," remarked Jake Bentley today.

### I. C. C. RAILROAD MERGER PLAN IS REVEALED TODAY

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patch states that the plan is not viewed in responsible quarters as an unusual affair, but the general impression is that it is intended as a guide for the ultimate reorganization and puts the burden of proof on the carriers.

In the east, the New York Central and Pennsylvania systems would be left substantially as they are. The Wabash is scheduled to receive the Lehigh Valley, the Pittsburgh and West Virginia, the Western Maryland, the Wheeling and Lake Erie and an interest in the Chesapeake and Ohio railway of Indiana.

The Chesapeake and Ohio, in addition to the Erie, Pere Marquette and Rocking Valley, already controlled by the Van Sweringen, would be absorbed by the addition of the Delaware and Hudson, while the important New England bridge lines around the Metropolitan area of New York—the Lehigh and New England and the Lehigh and Hudson River—would go to

the New Haven. The three main systems in the south would be the Southern, the Atlantic Coast line and the Illinois Central.

In the west, the outstanding provision is the exclusion of the Burlington from the northern group and its use as the basis of a separate system. The various systems would be based on the Burlington, the St. Paul, the Atchison, the Rock Island, the Southern Pacific, the Missouri Pacific, the Union Pacific, the Chicago and North-western, and the Great Northern and Northern Pacific taken as one.

O. W. TO APPEAL  
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 20 (AP)—DeWitt announcement that the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company would test in court the Interstate Commerce Commission's order to build the cross-state railroad was made today by Arthur C. Spencer, general counsel for the line. The O. W. R. & N., subsidiary of the Union Pacific System, was ordered to construct the line from Crane, Ore., to Crescent Lake, Ore.

Spencer made no further comment on the road's plans but it was believed a test suit would be filed soon in some Oregon court.

### WANTS LOGGING ROAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (AP)—The Clackamas Eastern railroad sought authority from the interstate commerce commission to acquire a logging road in Clackamas county, Oregon, formerly operated by the Portland Southern railroad, and to extend its lines four miles. The road extends from Clackamas station southeasterly through Carver. It is owned by the Securities Savings and Trust company.

Sometimes men do not get to the front because they are back there.

### SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR HOLIDAYS

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nan, La Verda Puckett, Geraldine Ansell, Althea Asars, Arvetha Gibson, Dorothy Kaling and Helen Helman. Santa Claus was portrayed by Belmont Oehlertree. "The Waiting For the 25th" was a clever dialogue given by Mike Blykovich and Douglas Buchanan, and Alta Twomey sang a song "Christmas Dances." The dialogue "A Dollar a Day" given by George Wilson and Charles Brooks gave the audience an idea on how to clothe and feed a family of six boys successively on a dollar a day. A song was given by the school "Christmas Should be Bright and Gay" and Vera La Verda Puckett spoke a piece "The Little Lights at Christmas Time."

Last on the program was a dialogue "The One That Failed" given by Wendell Hales and June Turner. It was a warning not to

have little children hang up too large a stocking or Santa may think they are grown up and give presents accordingly.

The windows of the school were beautiful in their decorations of the Three Wise Men and Santa ready to go down the chimney. The sand table portrayed the old-fashioned lamp posts, children singing Christmas carols, and the church and forest in the distance.

### ARKANSAS GROUP IS ACQUITTED OF FRANKLIN 'DEATH'

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feud" was responsible for the charges.

The Linnoy girl said Greenway and Hester attacked her on the night last March. She asserted Franklin was snatched by a band of men. At the time she said she and Franklin were on their way to be married.

### FIVE HURLED TO DEATH IN WASHINGTON

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member of congress in an airplane accident. A year or more ago Representative Thaddeus Sweet was in a fatal crash in New York state. First arrivals at Helling field after the accident were met at the gates by sentries who had orders to allow no one to enter, but even these precautions failed to prevent news of the accident from leaking out.

The assistant secretary of war in charge of aviation, E. Truice Davidson, was one of the first to be informed, but in the confusion which ensued even he had only incomplete information. Likewise word was transmitted to the White House, but with the exception of names of those killed, no details were available.

### Cause of Wreck Uncertain

Weather conditions were perfect for flying, with hardly a cloud in the sky when the plane ascended. The cause of the accident, therefore, must be attributed to other than atmospheric conditions. The crash occurred, some ground observers said, when Captain Dinger attempted to bank his plane with the wind. It seemed to come down as if such a maneuver was intended and then it failed to rise at the proper time.

The wrecked machine was a Pukker 115-motored plane known as the "C-1." These ships have unusual power. All of those aboard were killed.

Mr. Davidson went immediately to the field. He said the plane which he had used himself, was turned over to Representative Kaynor for the trip. It was considered one of the best planes in the fleet.

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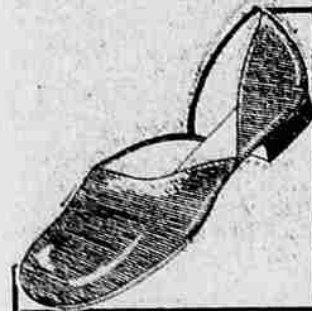
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