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CITY NOISES

It is strange that many persons habitually have their radio on with a volume as loud as can be produced—and with doors and windows open. There was a time when radio receiving sets were something of a wonder, and when people somewhat naturally took pride in showing off their sets and letting their neighbors know they owned one. But radio ownership is now too universal to afford those early thrills.

When there was but one loudspeaker in the neighborhood, the neighbors being just as eager as the owner to listen in, extended to the owner certain privileges in the way of power, late hours and open windows. It was a sort of community set. But it was inevitable that those privileges should be surrendered or withdrawn when the neighborhood had few radioless homes. It is a communal law that the rights of one leave off where the rights of another begin.

Conditions have become very acute in some congested areas. Things have reached such a pitch in New York that an anti-noise ordinance has been passed and modern vigilante committees have been organized to enforce obedience.

An age that has done everything its ingenuity can devise to make a bedlam of life has not proved so ingenious in abating noise.

"URBAN" A MISLEADING TERM

The 1930 census figures for rural and urban inhabitants show that the latter now constitute about 60 per cent of the population. In the last census the urban for the first time went into the majority, but since 1900 the increase in the urban percentage was very nearly 6 per cent each decade.

But measured by effects rather than by arithmetical ratios, the 1930 census will still leave the rural element in a majority. The census bureau uses the term "urban" in a highly technical manner, including under that classification all population centers of more than 2,500 inhabitants.

Thousands of villages and hundreds of towns are urban by definition though rural for almost every purpose of sociological or political inquiry and generalization. For that matter, not every city of 100,000 will automatically qualify on the side of the new urban "liberal" alignment and against the old rural "conservative" alignment.

So when the census says the country is 60 per cent urban that does not mean that legislation from now on will be dictated by urban thought or that future presidents will belong to that classification.

There are only 93 cities of 100,000 population or more and having a total population of 36,500,000. The nation's population, according to the latest census figures, is over 122,000,000. That gives the urban side only about 25 per cent of the power.

There are thousands of ways a person may get into trouble but talking too little is not one of them.

It is not so much what you know as how well you use what you know.

The News Used To Be:

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO
(From Observer, Monday, Aug. 21, 1905)

Joseph A. Velthans, La Grande young man, rescued Arthur Perkins, of Rock Creek, from drowning.

Recorder Snook says there are 165 licensed dogs in La Grande.

Arthur May and Ethel E. Hamlin were married Sunday.

S. R. Haworth has the contract for the Wallowa bank's stone building.

Kolb and Dill are to appear at Steward's Opera house.

TEN YEARS AGO
(From Observer, Friday, Aug. 20, 1920)

The Central Labor council voted to go to Baker for the Labor day celebration.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hensley, Aug. 16, a four and a quarter pound son.

ONE YEAR AGO
(From Observer, Aug. 21, Wednesday, 1929)

Union county sheep top the market at ram sale at Pendleton.

The grasshoppers are beginning to become a serious menace to gardens at Wallowa.

Chats With Parents

CULTIVATING CONFIDENCE
By Alice Judson Peale

A child needs above everything to feel confident of himself. He must stand well in his own esteem if he is to develop his own best capabilities and become a happy, effective person.

The funny, delightful things that children do and say make amusing anecdotes which we are tempted to tell to our friends.

We must be careful, however, never to do this if there is a remote possibility that they will hear for there is perhaps nothing more devastating to a child than to think that he has made himself ludicrous.

When it is necessary for us to criticise we must do it constructively, emphasizing what the child has done well, implying his short-comings only by our suggestion as to how he may do better. We should make our criticisms objective.

In praise, it is wise to draw the child's attention to the thing he has done well, not to himself. In criticism, we should point out the thing he has done wrong, as a thing outside of himself, a mistake, an unfortunate happening, not as a part of his character.

Perhaps the most important element in keeping a child's confidence in himself intact is in providing him with genuine security in his home. He must be sure without giving the matter a moment's thought that his home rests on a solid foundation.

When he has reason to doubt the stability of his parents' relation to each other, when he is permitted to feel the reverberations of their economic struggle, his fundamental sense of security is threatened.

He must be sure too of his parents' love for him. They may censure, they may punish, they may be disappointed in him and angry sometimes, but never for a moment must he have reason to feel that they have ceased to love him.

Clark Wood Says

"It is not a proud distinction to be a tightwad," says the Oregon Journal. Generally, however, the tightwads have and hold what the loosewads haven't.

"Lions and tigers are too weak in lung power to run more than a mile." But a long lead is advisable if you want to try this out.

We aren't so sure that the modern tendency toward all play and no work will make Jack a keen boy.

Indications of petroleum have been found near Burns, Oregon—and oil, we suppose, would be good for Burns.

Forced liquidation sometimes results from frequent liquid-dating.

Paris reports with seeming enthusiasm that highly explosive rockets will be used in Europe's next war. Evidently the common soldier is expected to rejoice over the prospect of becoming rocket instead of cannon fodder.

Dorothy Dix declares that "no man has a right to get married until he is ready to settle down." And also and often, to settle up.

Voters are assured of ample assistance in choosing the right angle from which to view Oregon's triangular gubernatorial campaign.

Health Talks

STANDARD BODIES

The modern craze for weight reduction to conform to the artificial standard of the bygone form reminds one of the tale about the barbaric Russian czar.

This tyrannical potentate desired to have corps of bodyguards of one standard height and so as the tale goes, he measured his recruits in a standard bed and those that were too short were stretched, while those that were too long were cut to size. This fantastic tale well expresses the illogic of mass reduction in the effort to conform to an alleged physical ideal.

Science has long recognized that there are three dominant physical types of human beings, and many intermediate types. There is, for example, the long thin type, the short and squatty type, and the so-called average type. Then there are combinations which are hybrid or mixed types.

These types of constitutions differ radically from each other and make it relatively impossible to establish an average height and weight table which is applicable within narrow limits to any large number of individuals.

Constitution and type must be taken into account whenever the effort is made to determine the ideal weight for any individual. This in turn implies a careful examination before reduction is undertaken.

To attempt marked reduction without this information is unwise and to measure one's self against the standard table is to follow the practices of the Russian czar of our tale.

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer

WASHINGTON — Staid, serious Rep. John Charles Linthicum of Maryland believes that within a short while he will be in position to enjoy the satisfaction of victory after a 12-year battle with congress.

For just that number of years Linthicum has persistently fought to have a bill passed—one that, because he has been so consistently turned back, he has come to regard as a sort of an affair of honor.

That bill is to have congress declare the "Star Spangled Banner" the national anthem of this country.

Since 1918 he has had a bill to this effect before the house of representatives almost continuously. But until this year, invariably the bill has died in committee or else crowded out in the rush of legislation.

A short while before the 71st congress adjourned however, the house did vote for passage of the measure. It went to the senate, but never came out of committee.

UNDAUNTED

The Maryland chapter of the National Society of United States Daughters of 1812 first interested him in the matter. At the request of this organization he introduced the measure for the first time in March, 1918. But after-war conditions and the accompanying rush of legislation prevented his bill getting very far.

He reintroduced it in April of 1921, but it met the same fate.

In January, 1923, it was introduced for the third time. Interest had increased. The house judiciary committee called representatives of various patriotic organizations to Washington and obtained their views.

Four other representatives in the meantime had introduced similar bills. But in the closing hours of the 68th congress the bill was caught in the jam and died.

Not to be daunted, Linthicum came back to the next congress and for the fourth time introduced his bill. This time it didn't even get out of committee.

AN AFFAIR OF HONOR

By this time Linthicum had come to regard his bill as something akin to an affair of honor. He was determined that the house should have an opportunity to make an expression of some sort.

Therefore when President Hoover convened the special session in April of 1929, despite the fact that it was to be limited to consideration only to tariff and farm relief, at the first opportunity he dropped his bill in the hopper for the fifth time.

And he pushed it to the point that exactly a year later the house did take it up, passed it and sent it to the senate.

Linthicum's contention is that the "Star Spangled Banner" is now considered by all as the national anthem. Since 1889, under orders from the navy department, the "Star Spangled Banner" is played at both morning and evening colors.

The anthem for the service, he says, certainly should be the anthem for the people.

Radio Programs

THURSDAY PROGRAMS

National Broadcasting Co.: 7:30, Amos and Andy; 7:45, symphony hour; 8, dance music hour; 9, Memory Lane; 9:30, Piano Paintings; 10, National singers; 10:30, Musical Echoes; 11 to 12, dance music.

Columbia Broadcasting system: 8, Melody hour; 8:30, features; 9:30, Singing Strings; 10, dance music.

Northwest Broadcasting system: 8, Argentines and soloists; 9, woodwind ensemble; 10, sunshine program; 12, Revellers.

Tacoma

KVI (760): 8, orchestra; 8:30, Nocturne; 9, CBS; 12 to 1, organ.

Seattle

KJR (970): 8, NBS; 10:30, Song Birds; 11, dance orchesra; 12, NBS.

Oakland

KLX (880): 8, feature; 8:30 to 10:30, baseball; 10:30 to 12, dance program.

KGC (790): 7:30 to 12, NBC programs.

Denver

KOA (830): 7:30, NBC; 7:45, baritone; 8, NBC; 9, mixed quartet; 9:30 to 11, NBC.

Portland

KGW (620): 7:30, NBC; 8:45, Mac and Al; 9, NBC; 10, Cecil and Sally; 10:15, dance band; 11 to 12, organ.

KEX (1180): 8, singers, farmers service; 8:30, In Days of Old; 9, NBS; K. Angelus; 10:30, orchestra; 11:30, news, orchestra; 12, NBS.

San Francisco

KPC (680): 8, NBC; 9, movie stars; 9:30, concert; 10 to 12, dance music.

KFRC (610): 8, CBS; 10, Cecil Wright, news; 10:20 to 1, dance music.

Salt Lake City

KSL (1130): 7:30, NBC; 7:45, music; 8, NBC; 9, organ; 9:30, entertainers; 10, dance music; 11, Vagabond.

Spokane

KHQ (590): 6, concert hour; 7, orchestra; 7:20, NBC; 10, dance band.

Los Angeles

KFI (640): 7:45, NBC; 8:45, play; 9:15, feature; 9:30, concert orchestra; 10 to 12, NBC.

KNX (1050): 8, musical program; 9, Nomads; 9:30, music; 10 to 1, dance music.

KHJ (900): 8, orchestra and singers; 9, CBS; 10, news, dance music; 12 to 1, organ.

THE OPEN COURT

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

To the Editor:

The Observer had a fine editorial Tuesday on the death of A. J. Martin, and I read it with much appreciation. But I have to admit that it is not the memory of his loyalty that makes me quickly sad when I realize he is gone. I respected his loyalty. But I loved him because he got such a jolly punch out of living.

He had found that "to be alive, even to breathe, is a delight." He saw the little things in a rosy glow. What a fine, pungent little daily column he could have written on his daily "beat" about town.

Remember him, sitting in the lobby of the old Sommer and later, the Sacajawea, reading his Oregonian; trudging up the old Fourth hill towards home of a wintry snowy afternoon, wearing his heavy coat and cap, pulled down low; or watching the train come in at the depot.

A fine trim little figure he always was. Nothing benign or stately about "A. J." at 86. He was as brisk, alert and observing as ever. Not himself a creator, he made living his art. He observed the beauty and strength of the Sacajawea as he watched, daily, its erection. Or he had a new comment on the way the band had played "Stars and Stripes Forever" last night. Or he told you about the particularly fine turkey he had roasted Thanksgiving. In short he got a great "kick" out of whatever was going on, and he had the knack of sharing it with other people in his conversation. A chat with him as he stopped for a minute on his daily stroll about town was exhilarating, restful—the more so if he railed you a bit.

With him gone, there will be a little dull spot, a missing tang in the "personality" of La Grande.

A READER.

GLIDER FLIERS FIND USE FOR FREAK VALLEY WINDS

ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP)—Glider enthusiasts have found a use for the almost perpetual winds of Kittitas valley near here, formerly in ill repute.

The peculiar air currents and contour of the valley are ideal for gliding, it was discovered, and an attempt is planned to set an endurance gliding record there.

Night flights in an illuminated glider, believed to be the first ever tried, are planned by Glenn W. Snook, prominent pilot during the Ellensburg rodeo, September 4, 5 and 6.

Abandon Search For The Body Of Van Lear Black

NEW YORK, Aug. 20 (AP)—Search by airplanes for the body of Van Lear Black, who vanished from his yacht Sabalo off the New Jersey coast on Monday evening, was abandoned today.

Three planes which pressed the hunt for the Baltimore publisher for three hours this morning reported there was such a strong tide out to sea with ocean currents moving away from shore in such volume that little hope remained for the present the body would be found near the coastline.

Coast guard boats, engaged since yesterday with planes, the Sabalo itself, and the naval dirigible Los Angeles in the search, still were standing by today. However, Paul Patterson, editor of the Baltimore Sun, of whose publishing company Mr. Black was chairman of the board, said the yacht was about to leave the site where the publisher was missed at about 8 o'clock on Monday evening after having apparently fallen over a deck rail from his craft.

A report of the accident was made today to the New York office of the steamboat inspection service by Captain Kelley of the Sabalo. He was asked to return tomorrow morning with one other witness to complete the formality of recording the tragedy. Captain Kelley was accompanied today by the chief engineer of the yacht, A. W. May.

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Disappearance of Van Lear Black, Baltimore publisher and globe trotter from aboard his yacht was greeted as a noteworthy event in the London press today.

Several morning papers recalled in detail his sensational flights in costly machines over the world and some printed his picture. His journalistic enterprise also was noted.

ROME, Aug. 20 (AP)—News of disappearance of Van Lear Black, Baltimore publisher was received regretfully today by all aviation circles in Italy. Military and civilian fliers gathered here for the forthcoming around-Italy race in small touring planes deplored his loss, terming him one of the real pioneers in popularizing touring by airplane.

ELECTRIC TOWERS FOR PYLONS

CHICAGO (AP)—Three high tension electric towers, 84 feet high and shrouded in checkered canvas, will serve as pylons marking closed circuit courses in the national air races here August 23-September 1.

80 WEST POINTERS TO FLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—[illegible] of graduation have 80 of the [illegible] West Point cadets graduated in June will report to Brooks field, Texas, and March field, California, for aviation training.

MAY REQUIRE SPARE BULBS

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP)—To combat the problem of the "one-eyed car," Connecticut motorists may be required to carry spare bulbs. [illegible], state motor vehicle commissioner, says that the state may invoke its right to prescribe equipment.

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