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THE DEADLY BATHTUB.

The bathtub has become a deadly weapon.

Statistics of an accident insurance company show that it paid twice as many claims for injuries inflicted by bathtubs as for falling from stepladders.

This is only further evidence of the fact that wolves often masquerade in sheep's clothing.

For centuries many respectable families have kept bathtubs around the house and have permitted the children to play with them. We have been told that cleanliness is next to godliness and that a power greater than any on earth will protect from pneumonia and influenza all those not afraid to look a bathtub in the face and dare it to do its worst.

And now we must place the bathtub in the category with the gun that we didn't know was loaded.

A loving father may come home tired at night and decide to treat himself to a refreshing tub. All unsuspectingly he may go into the bathroom, a splash of water may be heard, and then there may be flowers and a granite monument to record his deeds of kindness and of daring.

An accident in a bathtub may happen when the occupant thereof reaches to an electric connection and that mysterious force, electricity, finds an inviting circuit. Or the bathtub may tip up at one end and the bather falls backward to crash against the enameled sides of the receptacle. Or taking a bath may be too sudden a shock for the nervous system, the daring bather loses consciousness and drowns in a few inches of water.

Physicians who have been recommending cold tubs and hot tubs for the cure of illness may have to revise their prescriptions and proudly and loudly announce a great advance in medicine.

Well, anyway, meeting death in a bathtub is not nearly so mussy as blowing out one's brain.

There are a lot of figure-heads in the navy department—and not all of them are used for ornamental purposes on battleships.

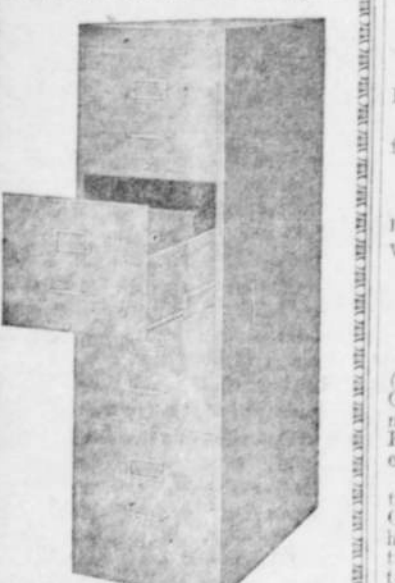


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THE GUARD IS IN ERROR.

The Eugene Guard makes the easy error in a recent issue of saying that the purpose of the new assessment law recently enacted by the legislature is to produce more tax money. Such is not the case. Regardless of how much the assessed valuation of the state or of any county may be increased, the amount of taxes that may be collected by any tax levying body will not be increased, as that is governed by the 6 per cent tax limitation constitutional amendment, which requires that all tax levies be made in dollars and cents and that the amount levied in any year shall not exceed by more than 6 per cent the amount levied the preceding year.

The Guard really should have known better than to make the error which it did make, for it was but a short time ago that The Guard was explaining that an increase in assessed valuation would not increase millage taxes to any greater extent than any other taxes might be increased, the millages having been specifically limited by a separate law of the late session to the 6 per cent increase applying to all tax levies.

The purpose, and the only purpose, of the new assessment law is to relieve real property of an unfair portion of taxes and to equalize assessments between owners of personal property. The objects of the new law are above criticism. It is only the method to be used that can be justly criticized.

The Guard believes the new assessment law will be knocked out because the emergency clause was attached.

While there is a chance for this writer to be in error, he believes that a law providing a new method of assessment does not come under the provisions of the constitution which inhibit application of the emergency clause to acts regulating taxation or exemption. The new assessment law does not create a new method of taxation or change the present method of taxation. Changing the method of fixing valuations of property for assessment purposes is not necessarily regulation of taxation.

Eugene Guard: Elbert Bede in his Cottage Grove Sentinel remarks that through easier phone connections Eugene has become a Cottage Grove suburb. Which causes us to state that although we understand the recent flood did move that city five miles closer, to our certain knowledge Eugene is making no plans for requesting joint incorporation with their lively municipality.

If astronomers want to open up conversation with one of the planets, why not try Venus. She would be more likely to answer back.

American school children would be delighted to live in Russia, where there are 90 public holidays.

Most of us would cash in at 50 per cent on most of the things that we know are going to happen.

Kissing is said to shorten life. Well, life would seem long without kissing.

Good Ad-vice
I saw a man in retail trade who'd run a little ad, proclaiming to a curious world the sort of stuff he had. He'd make a little headway with the notice he inserted. Then quit till to the other shops his new-found trade reverted.

If he had kept on telling, in a little daily space, the virtues of the various wares kept in his little place, He would have held attention till the buyers got the habit—The hound's continuous running is required to catch a rabbit.
—Strickland Gillian, in Printers Ink.

A Family Secret.
The Goo!—Willie, did you know I was going to marry your sister? The Terror—Yeh—When did you find out?

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GOOD ENGLISH AND THE LORD'S MERCY.

LA GRANDE, Ore., April 1.—(Editor The Sentinel, Cottage Grove.)—Am with you in your noble stand about teaching good English in our public schools and everywhere.

Over 20 years ago I worked in the Champion mine at Oregon, Ore., and after several months' hard work there I took a vacation trip to your town, Cottage Grove, to rest up a little. In those days there were several saloons in your town and as I never was much of a patron of them anywhere, I missed learning the meaning of the usual sign on their doors, "Minors not allowed."

I wanted only one or two glasses of beer a day, but because of my respect for the law and thinking that the term "minor" was the same as "minor" never went into the saloons despite the fact that I was of age. I did not miss much worth speaking of, but the saloon missed a dime or so from my pocket.

This does not mean that I regret

my ignorance of correct English because of having missed an evil or some unseemly place or condition. My idea is to bring out a higher thought, namely, the importance of Bible-grammar. It is the infallible basis of correct language and of definite moral and social economic truth.

You just talk about teaching correct English, and of course punctuation and good ink and all that and I wish you to make the most of it, even though they make those pay thy very last mite, etc. Our educational institutions, including our fine ideal popular churches, are admirably good on correct English and grammar. I think, and win prizes on that. But what gets my goat and runs away with it is the obvious fact that when it comes to their reading and explaining the word of God in respect to his definite truth and justice, they in effect make it look like a dummy or scarecrow or senseless fable, to say the least, and clothe it in purple and fine linen. Yet, even the real monkeys know and imitate better than that.

Now, what is the basic reason for all that mysterious human camouflage and supplanting of the real meaning and effect of the word of God? Do we wonder then that rank atheism and genesis of organic evolution infests the world's institutions and undermines them for a chaotic fall? What have the pulpits now? Minors or underlings?

I would like to give you several illustrations but I fear they would take too much space. However, what would you think of this? Suppose that you have a fine home and garden and upon taking a long vacation far away you hire someone to take care of your home, your precious things and your garden. And suppose you show him how you attend to things yourself and ask him to care for them in the same manner. In that case you would be a wise master in commanding him with the conditional term, "Whatever you do that will be all right with me." I think you'd lose your case in the legal courts of good sense, even though

your ignorance of correct English because of having missed an evil or some unseemly place or condition. My idea is to bring out a higher thought, namely, the importance of Bible-grammar. It is the infallible basis of correct language and of definite moral and social economic truth.

your hired one had turned everything upside down like a wild bull in a glass house and plowed up your garden and trampled into the mire your precious things like pigs do, and even did his worst which so done as such he thought was right! Of course you would not be such an easy mark as to give any such unconditional instructions. And do you think the Lord in his infallible infinite wisdom did basically and grammatically any different than that?

Now, isn't that sign enough from heaven, so to say? I think you can see my point now.

When your office crew disregards or violates either directly or in effect, your absolute necessary working directions, and refuse to be corrected, think you would chase them off soon and in good English. Now don't blame the Lord.

The nations chase themselves as a natural consequence of following their own private ideals of self-determined justice in stripping Peter to pay Paul, and vice versa—world civilization, so to say.

Sincerely yours for the Lord's mercy.

B. ARENDROTH,
201 Fir street, La Grande, Ore.

CRUEL CRIMES OF THE CENTURY.

(Portland Spectator.)
By the oddest of coincidences, three of our most noted journalists lost at practically the same time a while ago some of their most cherished possessions. You may at once snigger, and suggest that gentlemen who spend much of their time warning us to avoid red-light districts and to be on our guard against "sure-thing games" and bunco artists, should have had sense enough to keep away from the legislature. But, indeed, the distinguished journalists were not near the legislature when they were bereft of their belongings. Mr. Claude Ingalls, the theologic and versatile editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, was at an Oregon Agricultural College dance, when someone, mayhap a co-ed, stole his white kid gloves; Mr. Elbert Bede, the brilliant and debonair film editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel, was on the golf links, when he was dispossessed of his pearl-crepe spats; and Mr. Bruce Dennis, the erudite and rhetorically-political editor of the Klamath Falls Herald, was attending a Lincoln Day banquet at Medford, when he was robbed of his power to make a speech. I venture to think that we have here a trilogy of calamities for which the journalistic and criminal his-

tory of Oregon can produce no precedent. Speculation could easily amuse itself by considering the circumstances that surround the bereavement of Mr. Ingalls; but we shall not pursue an investigation which, necessarily, must disclose what ever extraordinary reasons Mr. Ingalls had for directing himself of his dress clothes at a flapper dance. At these bizarre affairs, it is no uncommon thing for a gentleman to doff his topper, in-temperance, and scotch and even his evening coat; but authorities on social etiquette, including the society editors of the Yantown Daily Six-Shooter and the Bull Run Morning Cocktail, agree that to appear without the white kids is an unpardonable solecism. So, that Mr. Ingalls may have nothing to mourn more serious than the loss of his kids, we shall let the matter drop. As to the disappearance of Mr. Bede's spats, that seems to be a legitimate and understandable affair, whether they were stolen while Mr. Bede was wearing them or after he had taken them off, if by some saucy and sly-fingered thief they were removed from the Bedean feet which they graced and adorned, may we not heartily congratulate the new owner on his cunning and the old owner on his condition?

But as to the loss sustained by Mr. Dennis—that is another thing, again. That of which Mr. Dennis was robbed, was taken from him by duress and violence, and while he knows his ravishers, the force and method of their crime make it impossible for him to proceed against them. He was invited to speak at a banquet with which the Republicans of Medford are wont to celebrate Lincoln Day. Many of the prominent citizens of Jackson county had paid their tributes of eloquence to the memory of Lincoln, when the toastmaster arose, and saying, "We have with us tonight, one who," etc., introduced Mr. Dennis, who was welcomed with cheers. "The speeches we have heard tonight," he said, "were very fine and beautiful," and here the orators of the evening flushed prettily, and modestly refrained from joining in the applause—very splendid orations, but the tributes paid to Lincoln were mostly bunk."

Then was committed against Mr. Dennis the cruelest crime of the century—a malfeasance that not only stole from him his opportunity to deliver a great oration, but which shamelessly deprived him of the power of free speech—an insupportable right guaranteed by the constitution. At the word "bunk," arose Bud Anderson, noted leader of political thought in Jackson county, and said: "Fellow-citizens, this would be a lovely time to sing 'America.' Let us all join." And while singing that noble anthem, the publicists of certain county filed from the banquet hall, which was shortly deserted by all but Mr. Dennis.

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