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GIVE SOMETHING FOR CHRISTMAS.

We have been curtailing our Christmas expenditures for several years, for reasons which it is not necessary to repeat.

This year will be no exception, because conditions have not improved appreciably over those of a year ago.

But there is danger of our getting into the condition which will smother the Christmas spirit.

We can not give as we did a few years ago. We can not load our tables as we did a few years ago.

But there is money in the country, that has been demonstrated time and time again when there was some unusual reason for spending it.

We have not ceased spending. So far we have been able to provide for ourselves and for those less fortunate. There is no reason to believe that we shall not be able to continue doing so.

We have not even eliminated all our extravagances, not by any means.

We believe that we have passed the turning point. Millions believe that the new administration will give business a big boost and that a year from now we shall be able to give Christmas presents without hesitancy.

One of our sawmills has received an order that, combined with other business that is certain to come, insures continuous operations until well into next year.

Other mills are receiving inquiries that indicate at least partial operations.

The Southern Pacific seems to have entered the market on a small scale.

A road job will be started tomorrow that will be a great aid to the unemployed of the community.

County and state officers promise tax reductions, and are relieving that burden.

There are many things to make us feel better, that may be an excuse for reviving the holiday spirit.

The way to pave the way for the new administration is to get the holiday spirit, to get into that frame of mind that makes us wish to remember our friends on the great gift-giving day.

Too many who can afford to give at least small gifts have planned to cut their lists to the bone and thereby accentuate the spirit of depression.

We are affected more than we think by the spirits of our little tots. Nothing will raise our spirits more than to see the little ones on Christmas morning, boisterously and happily tearing the wrappings from their gifts.

We can't let them believe that Santa is dead even as a myth.

Let us endeavor to keep the Christmas spirit alive. Let us give something.

POPULAR GOVERNMENT.

We are all agreed that in this great land of the free and home of the brave we have popular government.

It is common practice to think of it as majority government, although more often it is not that.

It often is not majority government because not even a majority go to the polls. In the last election a greater percentage than usual of the vote was cast, but even in that election 50 per cent of the vote was considered a huge one. Probably over the country the average was not that great.

Enough qualified electors probably stayed away from the polls to have overturned practically every election had they gone to the polls and all voted against those who were the winners.

In the presidential election there was a huge vote cast for candidates other than the two leading candidates. The Sentinel has not seen the figures from the various states, but it believes it more than likely that the winning candidate, Hughes, as was his majority over his only real opponent, did not receive an actual majority of the vote cast for all candidates.

In Oregon there were five presidential tickets. The Sentinel has been informed that in some of the eastern states there were as high as 21 presidential tickets.

With such a situation it seems certain that the winner was not actually the choice of a majority.

With 20 to 30 per cent of voters remaining away from the polls, it seems certain beyond a doubt that he did not receive a majority of the number of votes that could have been cast.

If we use our imaginations just a little it is not difficult to suppose a case in which a president of this country could be selected by a comparatively small minority.

Suppose that the five tickets from which Oregon voters had a choice had been almost equally popular. Then suppose slightly over 20 per cent of the voters remained away from the polls. The amount of vote is much greater, probably was some greater in the recent election. In such a case about 15 per cent of those who could have voted would have designated Oregon's choice.

Apply the same idea to states where there were as high as 20 tickets, and less than 5 per cent of the electors could have designated the state's choice.

The election in the city of Portland is a good example to explain the point we are endeavoring to make. There were 13 candidates for mayor—an unlucky number for 12 of them. The winner was selected by a minority of those who did go to the polls. We haven't checked the vote, but it probably was a small minority of those qualified to vote.

It is probable that results would not be greatly changed by some method that guaranteed election by actual majorities, and considerable might be added to our election expenses, but election of our chief officers by minorities would not be a country which believes it has majority government. The majority seldom says what it wants.

Some folks have the idea that they could have a good time doing a lot of naughty things that they know they shouldn't do.

We hear a great deal about following the beaten path, but all progress is made by those who have the nerve to make a new one.

If we would only do today what we plan to do tomorrow, we would save the trouble of again postponing it tomorrow.

The ideal hubby is seldom wedded to the ideal wife—because there are none of either.

Alfalfa Is Successful In Row River Section

County Agent Fletcher Is Given Credit for Getting Ranchers Started on New Hay Crop.

(By JACK HOWARD.)
 Row River, Nov. 14.—(Special.)—For several years considerable attention has been given by the ranchers of this section to the development of alfalfa, and their efforts, the result of encouragement and assistance of County Agent Fletcher, have not been in vain.

It was four years ago that the first small patches were seeded and today the experimental period is over, the several little fields bearing evidence that the crop is not only a success here but that alfalfa has come to stay and is fast being recognized as the essential main crop for dairymen and stock raisers.

Your correspondent has been unable at this time to get data as to the exact number of acres now devoted to the crop in the Row River territory, and it is quite probable that there are a number of small fields not noted in this survey; but the following review is sufficient to convince one of the productivity and value of alfalfa to the south Lane county rancher. It is also proof positive that there is land on every ranch in Lane county well adapted to heavy yields of this succulent hay crop, provided the rancher will do his bit in preparing the seed beds. Close attention must be paid to the thorough cultivation of the soil, to the end that a suitable mulch covers the seed, while lime and landplaster are essential on many fields that have been worn down by a succession of crops.

Charles Teeters, Dorena gardener and keeper of several cows, having observed the success of his neighbors in the propagation of alfalfa, was gratified by having a fine stand and a good yield of hay from his experimental field.

It was three years ago that the Land brothers, across the river from Dorena, made their experiment with alfalfa in a small way. Its rapid and sturdy growth made the boys "hanker" for more. Two years ago they developed a three and one-half acre field. The first year they were well satisfied with the yield, but the abundance of this year's crop has settled the question for all time. The boys are now alfalfa men and no one could convince them that it hasn't come to stay. The best evidence of their faith in the crop is their present preparation of another one and one-half acre field. This year's first crop was cut the middle of June. The only rain it had was just a few days before it was cut, and that rain was if anything a detriment for it only served to lodge some of the seed and mulch was very heavy but at that time large loads, averaging a ton to the load, were mowed. The second crop checked four loads, a ton to the load, the third crop two. The total crop from this three and one-half acre field netted the growers 15 tons.

Clarence McLain, whose ranch is just below the Land brothers' holdings, was one of the first ranchers here to become interested in alfalfa. It was four years ago when he developed a four acre field, following as nearly as possible the suggestions of County Agent Fletcher. The second year he became convinced of the value of the crop, and the following year gave more satisfactory proof, while this year his barns are bulging with the finest of alfalfa hay.

Harry Shearer, a few miles up river, seeded a four-acre field a few years ago. Today he has ten acres and has had an excellent crop this year.

George Layng, the well known rancher and stockman, whose well suited alfalfa and pastures may be found in the very split of the forks of Row river and Mosby creek, now has 15 acres of alfalfa and he is more than pleased with results, although Mr. Layng is frank in admitting that he could have had much heavier yields had he heeded the advice of the county agent and dressed his ground with landplaster and lime.

All seem to agree that the success of alfalfa is a result of careful preparation of the field with a top mulch and a liberal dressing of land plaster and lime.

Decreased Business Reported.
 Portland, Ore., Nov. 11.—An unusually large decrease in current new business, amounting to more than 11 per cent as compared to the previous week, was reported by the Western Pine association today for the week ending November 5. There was a corresponding decrease in unfilled orders. Of the 113 reporting mills, only 45 were operating, and these at an average of 35 per cent of capacity.

Production for the week was 25,326,000 feet, a decrease of 2,398,000 feet; shipments totaled 31,999,000 feet, a decrease of 3,194,000 feet. Orders amounted to 29,207,000 feet, current new business was 3,739,000 feet, and unfilled orders were off 2,682,000 feet.

Butterfly Orchids.
 An orchid from Trinidad is called the butterfly plant because its large yellow and red blossoms poised lightly on slender stalks resemble butterflies hovering on the wing.

Extreme Southern City.
 According to a table of latitudes and longitudes, Port Stanley, Falkland island, at a latitude of 51 degrees 41 minutes and 10 seconds south, is the farthest southern city on the globe.

Diameter of Stars.
 The Naval observatory says that the diameter of Betelgeuse is generally given as between 200,000,000 and 300,000,000 miles. The diameter of Antares is about 400,000,000 miles.

Sir Harry's Recipe.
 One of the best recipes for success that I've come across is to keep other folk good-natured and happy.—Sir Harry Lauder.

Latin Peoples

The races commonly referred to as Latin include those whose languages are derived chiefly from the Latin. These comprise the French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, the peoples of central and South America, Canada and Mexico, etc. It also would include the French speaking sections of Belgium and Switzerland, the people of Rumania whose language is derived from Latin, and others.

Be Healthy and Graceful

If we want to be graceful, we must have good feet. Notice how gracefully the animals walk. They have no shoes to bother them. Badly fitted shoes work mischief with the body. Health is the basis of ease and grace. Keep yourself healthy and graceful by wearing the proper shoes. They must be plenty long enough and wide enough.—Grit.

Dice Thrown for Bibles

Dice were thrown for Bibles at St. Ives, England, recently. The custom is observed annually, and three Anglican and three Nonconformist children each receive a Testament. The custom follows the provisions of the will, dated 1688, of Dr. Robert Wilde, and the cost of the Bibles is defrayed by rents from land known as Bible orchard.

Tomb of Washington

The inscription on the marble slabs on the sarcophagi of George and Martha Washington at Mount Vernon are a sculptured device representing the eagle above the American shield against a drapery of the flag of the Union, and beneath it the single word "Washington." On Martha's are the words "Martha, consort of Washington."

Land of Fancy

Aradia was a province of Greece noted for its picturesque beauty and the simple kindly nature of its inhabitants. Figuratively speaking, Aradia is a place where one enjoys simple happiness, innocent pleasures, and untroubled quiet. It is not to be confused with Acadia or Nova Scotia in Canada.

Original Bicycle

The draisine was the forerunner of the bicycle and was invented by the German Baron Von Drais, about 1817. It had two tandem wheels of equal size, connected by a perch, and was propelled by the rider thrusting with his feet on the ground and guiding by a bar connected with the front wheel.

Technical Term

The word "field" used in physics means a region or space traversed by lines of force—gravitational force, exerted by a body; magnetic force, exerted by a magnetic pole or electric current, or electrostatic charge, exerted by an electrostatic charge.—Exchange.

Stars

Stars shine brightest in the darkest night; grapes come not to the proof till they come to the press. Such is the condition of all God's children; they are then most triumphant when most afflicted.—Bogatsky.

Invisible Ray on Liners

Apparatus for projecting an invisible ray that penetrates fogs is installed on ocean liners. The beam is said to increase by twenty times the distance through which the human eye can see and is as efficient by night as it is by day.

Deadly Flannelette

Twenty years ago the average number of deaths annually from flannelette catching fire was 400 in the British Isles. One coroner had ten inquests on children so burned within nine days.

Costly Purple

Tyrian purple was the only one known to the ancients. In Cicero's day a pound of wool dyed with Tyrian purple cost \$175. Its great cost made Tyrian purple the symbol of rulers and of wealth.

Old Title

The title "dowager" was first used for Catherine of Aragon, widow of Arthur, prince of Wales, who was styled princess dowager until her marriage with Henry VIII.

Park's Distinction

The most easterly national park is the Acadia National park, on an area of 18 square miles, on Mount Desert Island, Maine, and the adjoining mainland.

Weights of Coins

A silver dollar weighs 412½ grains Troy; a half dollar, 129.9 grains; a quarter dollar, 90.45 grains; nickel, 77.8; a penny, 48 grains.

States' Distinction

Pennsylvania and North Carolina were the first states to provide for schools in their constitutions.

Better Traveling

Hard work makes good paving brick for the road to success.—Houghton Line.

And Usually Finds Him

One office that always seeks the man—the tax office.—Houghton Line.

Big City's Beginning

The original (first thirty) settlers of St. Louis arrived at the foot of what is now Walnut street on February 14, 1764. The city of St. Louis, however, was not incorporated until April, 1823.

Tough Hides Misplaced

One of nature's little oversights was putting a hide of that type on a relatively worthless beast, like the rhinoceros. Instead of on the hockey star.—Detroit News.

Unworthiness

If he has been capable of believing me unworthy of his trust, then it is he who is forever unworthy of me.—Voltaire.

Human Development

Dr. Lewellyn F. Barker has explained in Hygiene Magazine how it happens that each individual is different from another. Since no two fertilized egg cells, even from the same parents, except perhaps in the case of identical twins, are ever precisely alike at the start, and no two developing human beings are ever exposed to precisely the same series of environmental influences, each human being is a unique individual, differing somewhat from any other living person, and should be considered as such.

Fast-Flying Birds

The speed of migrating birds has been variously estimated. Airplanes and stop watches have been used to gather information on this point. The slower birds fly about 20 miles per hour, and the fastest birds recorded with accuracy are two species of swifts in India. Their speed was found by E. C. Stuart-Baker to be nearly 200 miles per hour across a two-mile course.

Intaglios

Intaglio is a term applied to any recessed carving, in which no part projects beyond the original face of the material. In some cases, as in gem cutting, the entire relief is reversed. In others, as in some Egyptian wall carvings, the outline is sufficiently incised so as to allow normal relief. This type is sometimes known as cavo rilievo or sunken relief.

Park of Rivers

The Algonquin National park in Ontario, Canada, is a veritable park of lakes and rivers. The total area of the park is about 1,800,000 acres, and within its borders are numberless small and large lakes and a network of about 1,200 rivers. The lakes and streams abound in game fish, and its forests are filled with deer.

"Mavericks"

Maverick is the word used in referring to an unbranded animal, especially a motherless calf, formerly customarily claimed by the first person branding it. The name is said to be derived from Samuel Maverick, a cattle owner in Texas, who did not brand his cattle, his ranch being an island.

Use for Cellophane

A strip of cellophane inside of the sweat band of your hat will prevent perspiration from penetrating and leaving a stain on the outside. This makes very little difference to the fit of the hat, and is especially effective for a hat of light color.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Plugged Teeth With Jade

There was no fear of the dentist's chair among the Mayas of Central America. They beat nature by having cavities drilled in their teeth to make room for jade inlays. Examples of this 1,200-year-old vanity were shown in a Maya display in a Chicago museum recently.

Painting Floors

When painting a floor, have a heavy piece of cardboard a foot long. Hold this against the baseboard to keep the floor paint from splashing them. Have also a small piece of cloth with which the edge of this cardboard can be occasionally wiped off.

Marriage an Ordeal

Among the Menangkabau tribe of central Sumatra marriage is a really serious matter. The bride and groom go through eight solid days of elaborate and solemn ceremonies, culminating in a grand feast of feasting and dancing on the final day.

Shifting Poles

According to many scientists there is a periodic shifting of the latitude of the North and South poles. However, the movement is difficult to detect because it takes place in an area no larger than a baseball diamond.

Sight of Animals

No animal can see in absolute darkness, but the eyes of many of them are so adapted that they can see very well with a minimum of light. The average night is not very dark to an owl or a cat.

Nearing a Decision

A Massachusetts woman has just divorced a husband who had previously divorced her. With game aplomb, much interest attaches to the outcome of the rubber.—Detroit News.

Cultivate the Art

Jud Tunkins says if girls are encouraged to paint their faces, he is in favor of more and better art schools.—Washington Star.

Amber

All real amber, which is a mineralized resin from a certain extinct tree, is at least 600,000 years old.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Papal Nomenclature

A new pope usually takes the name of some predecessor whose sanctity and policy appeal to him particularly.

Night Air Travel

About 40 per cent of the mileage in air transport in this country is flown at night.

Man's Supremacy

Scientists tell us that what has lifted man above the brute creation with which he has so much in common is the fact that he can touch each of his fingers with his thumb. No other living thing can do that. Try experiments with your own hand, and see what a difference it would make if you could not do this simple-seeming act.

Municipal Park Lands

The National Recreation association says that about one-third of the municipal park land has been donated by local citizens. In many other instances, swamps, dumps and waste land have been transformed into parks.

Gourd of Large Growth

The bureau of plant industry says that there is no type of bean which grows from 18 to 25 feet high and has pods 3 feet long. There is a type of gourd, *Legumaria vulgaris*, known as guada bean, guinea hot terbean, or Hercules Club gourd, which comes nearer to these proportions than any other vegetable with which that bureau is familiar. This plant is not a bean, the gourds being members of the cucurbit family, Cucurbitaceae.—Washington Star.

Thoughts Reveal the Man

Do you want to know what a man really is? Go into the picture gallery of his mind, and see what pictures are hung there in the strongest light. Look into the studio of his soul, and see what are the pictures there upon which he most often gazes. Uncover the contents of his imagination. He made that made him. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."—Rev. Edward T. Sullivan.

Grecian Sundials

The Greek historian Herodotus records that his countrymen derived their knowledge of the sundials from the Babylonians, but, the progress made by the Greeks in the study of geometry taught them how to construct a sundial. Some of their dials exist today and are proof of their great ingenuity. The tower of the winds at Athens is one of their most interesting relics.

Annapolis an Old City

Annapolis, Nova Scotia, is the oldest European settlement in North America, north of Florida, having been founded in 1604 by the De Montes and Champlain. It was formerly known as Annapolis Royal and Port Royal. It is situated on Annapolis bay, which opens into the bay of Fundy, noted for its tremendous high tides.

Poppy in History

Fred Richards says: "Since the days of the Sumerians, some five or six thousand years before the birth of Christ, the poppy was known, and in 700 or 800 B. C. it was used in a small way as medicine. By 100 B. C. knowledge of the narcotic qualities of the drug was no longer a secret and Vergil writes of 'the sleep-giving poppy.'"

Clean Phonograph

If you want to clean phonograph records never use a damp cloth. Take a soft cloth and rub on it a little vasoline and use this to wipe off the disks on either side. Be sure that it is well rubbed off. This cleans them without doing any possible harm and is said to improve the tone of old records.

Historic Minister

The name of the minister who married John Rolfe and Pocahontas was Alexander Whitaker. He came to this country in 1611 to convert the Indians. In 1617 he was accidentally drowned in James river and his body was never recovered. He was the first minister of Henrico parish.

Coming of the Dawn

The expression "the scree of dawn" means something like "the avalanche of dawn" or the creeping of the dawn, and is from an Icelandic word verb, scrite, forbear of the English dialect word scride, meaning to stride or move forward.

"Colonial" and "American"

The year 1750 separates early American from Colonial. The period before that year is termed early American in speaking of architecture and furniture, and the period following is termed Colonial.

The Gentleman

What is it to be a gentleman? It is to be honest, to be gentle, to be brave, to be wise; and possessing all these qualities to exercise them in the most graceful outward manner.—Thackeray.

Guinea Fowls

The common, domesticated Guinea fowl is descended from a wild species found on the west coast of Africa. They were raised as table birds by the ancient Greeks and Romans.

Roman Title

"Pontiff" means bridge builder and was originally applied to the ancient pagan priesthood of Rome because the high priests had charge of the bridges over the Tiber river.

Camouflage for Ships

Experiments in camouflage during the World War indicated a mottled pattern of grays was most effective in rendering ships inconspicuous.

Friendship That Is Barter

"A friendship that seeks to measure out favor for favor," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "is only barter."—Washington Star.

Sizing Them Up

Our first impression of a man usually is in inverse ratio to the size of his lodge pin.—Los Angeles Times.

Small Dogs

Yorkshire terriers, the smallest breed of dogs, have been known to weigh as little as ten ounces.

Potent Church Bells

As the "curfew tolled the knell of parting day," so for ages have village bells knelled for the welfare of a departing soul. Once they were held potent against all evils. No longer ago than 1552 the bishop of Malta ordered the church bells to be rung for an hour "to lay a gale of wind." In France up to a decade or two ago it was not unusual to ring church bells to ward off lightning.

Money From Old Bible

By collecting and selling old bibles at Brighton, England, a man raised more than \$1,500 in three years for the British and Foreign Bible society.

NOTICE OF TAX LEVYING BOARD MEETING, CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON, DECEMBER 12, 1932.

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the City of Cottage Grove, Lane county, Oregon, that a meeting of the tax levying board of said city will be held in the council chamber, city hall, Cottage Grove, Oregon, on the 12th day of December, 1932, at the hour of 7:30 p. m. of said day for the purpose of giving any person subject to the tax levy hereinafter prepared, an opportunity to be heard in favor of or against said tax levy.

The following is the total amount of tax money proposed to be expended during the year 1933 and also of the proposed receipts during the year and the taxes proposed to be levied:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL—		
Salaries—7 at \$12.00	\$ 84.00	
Auditing and budget expense	50.00	
LEGAL DEPARTMENT—		
Salary city attorney	240.00	
Printing, office expense	50.00	
HEALTH DEPARTMENT—		
Health officer	120.00	
Fountain, rent	50.00	
POLICE DEPARTMENT—		
Chief of Police	1,200.00	
Night police	1,020.00	
Special police	25.00	
Supplies and miscellaneous	10.00	
Accident insurance	75.00	
FIRE PROTECTION—		
Salaries—Firemen	300.00	
Equipment	100.00	
Equipment, maintenance, repair	50.00	
Supplies	50.00	
Hydrant rent	500.00	
Accident insurance	35.00	
RECORDERS' OFFICE—		
Salary recorder	600.00	
Stationery, supplies	100.00	
STREET LIGHTING		3,250.00
ADVERTISING AND PRINTING		100.00
ELECTIONS		50.00
CITY HALL BUILDING—		
Salary janitor	350.00	
Maintenance, repair	25.00	
Supplies, fuel	225.00	
Miscellaneous	9.00	
RETIREMENT OF WARRANTS		2,100.00
Total		\$10,768.00
Estimated receipts		250.00