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## ARE THEY IN COTTAGE GROVE?

The following from an exchange so neatly expresses our sentiments that we reprint it:

"We just couldn't help it. We did not mean to listen, but the girl using the telephone was standing very close."

"A young man had called her up and she was saying: 'I'm awfully sorry, but mother doesn't want me to go to the dance tonight.' I hope you will not be inconvenienced. I am awfully sorry."

"And she did it so gracefully and so sweetly—just to please her mother."

"The girl is popular and she loves to dance. She is not a girl who has all the pleasures of the rich, either. She really wanted to go to that dance. You could tell it by her voice. She wasn't turning the young man down because she didn't care to go. She was denying herself just to please her mother."

"How we would like to print her name. Such girls are so rare today—this day of the one-step and the fox-trot, etc."

"We have felt better and stronger ever since we overheard the girl talking over the telephone."

Well might the editor who wrote the above have been deeply impressed with the telephone conversation he overheard.

In these days when young men and young women seem to think even less of the wishes and pleasures of mother and father than when we were young, at which time they were had enough, the Lord knows, an incident like that quoted is really refreshing.

Undoubtedly there are some girls in Cottage Grove like the one referred to. Possibly the majority of girls are like this one, but we greatly doubt it. Mother and father are too old-fashioned. They lived too long ago. They

have no sympathy with the needs and temperament of the young man and woman of today. This idea of complying with the wishes of mother and father is out of date, behind the times and too old foggy for serious consideration.

Boys and girls of today have got to be doing something. They've got more pep than when mother and father were young. A young man and young woman can't be anything unless they're continually on the go. If parents didn't intend to let their boy or girl do what other boys and girls are doing, if they didn't intend to let them take their proper position in the social affairs of the community, they shouldn't have brought them into the world. Boys and girls of today have got the pep, bang and go that young folks 25 years ago didn't have. They can't be tied down like young folks used to be.

Possibly so, possibly so, but some of that pep, bang and go wouldn't be a bad thing to demonstrate on the wood-pile for dad or in the dishpan for ma. It wouldn't be a bad thing to save for future need when these same young folks are engaged in rearing families which may be as thoughtless of their parents as a large number of the young people of today.

And did some of these young folks ever happen to notice that the young folks who do respect the wishes of their parents, who are not chagrined by being caught with their hands in a dishpan for mother or manipulating an ax for dad, are making as much progress, if not more, than those who can't stand the restraint of home ties.

Only a year or two ago we saw a young man walk up to his dad out in the yard in broad daylight, where the whole world might see, and put one arm around that dad, holding the position for some time. Quite evidently it did not occur to him that he was doing anything the rising young man with such disregard for the new ways of the world could not hope to get anywhere alongside the young man who travelled with the boys. Yet, exceedingly strange to relate, this young man is holding as fine a position, if not a better one, than any of those who might have scoffed at his affection for dad and is drawing a salary which those who might have scoffed at him would like to be earning. More than that, he is saving a large part of it, an example worthy of emulation.

Now we know what our parents meant when they told us we would see things differently some day, and the generation coming up will have to go through the same experience. It seems the only way for many to learn.

**POOR OLD BILL.**  
It has cost the German government since the war nearly eleven millions of dollars to keep the ex-kaiser in something like the style to which he has been accustomed.

In business circles it is customary, when a man quits his job, to cut off his expense account, but such does not seem to be the manner of procedure in Germany, for old Bill quit without so much as the customary notice due from an employe to his employers.

In business circles, when a man wrecks a business, it is customary, not only to cut off his salary but to put him in jail. Certainly old Bill put the German government on the blink and rifled the treasury, and yet the German people are spending five millions of dollars a year for his support. Possibly they think it is worth that much to have him stay out of the country.

It strikes us as ridiculous that the present German government whines of its poverty and accuses the allies of trying to grind Germany to the ground when that government is able to pour money out like water to one who wrecked their country and quit his job. What right have they to appeal to us when every hour old Bill is given enough to keep one poor family an entire year. The income paid old Bill in a year's time would keep nearly 9000 families for the same length of time.

As long as the German government conducts its affairs on this extravagant basis, no sympathy should be expected from those to whom it owes billions in indemnity. The proper thing to do would be to make old Bill pay off the national debt from his earnings as a woodsawyer.

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**THE EUGENE REGISTER**

The Eugene Register recently took up the cudgels for more home rule in the matter of fixing salaries for county officers.

On the face of it it seems that some power within the taxing district should fix such salaries. Theoretically such a theory is correct, but we doubt if such a system would work well in practice. Two salary-fixing boards would be necessary, one to fix the salaries of the county court, if that be made the salary-fixing board, and then the county court to fix the other salaries. We can easily imagine the squabbles among the official family which would result from such a system. Counties have been saved much money because salaries could not be fixed on the spur of the moment, if that be considered an advantage. Fixing of salaries by the legislature, while not an ideal method, seems better than to have county officials practically fixing their own salaries, but it seems to us a still better method would be for a legislative committee to fix uniform salaries throughout the state, population, territory and assessed valuation to be taken into consideration. That method would be an impartial one and more than likely an equitable one.

Eugene Register: If Commissioner Sharp's talents as a road-builder are at all comparable to his ability as an orator, he ought to be able to build all the roads of the county single-handed.

**THINGS WE THINK**  
Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

Trying to go ahead too fast puts many people far behind.

You never enjoy a vacation half as much as you expect to.

Many marry as an investment and have to make up a deficit.

Good cooking is the best thing in the world for a man's morals.

How can there be love at first sight when love is said to be blind?

Doing nothing at the right time is somewhat of an accomplishment.

Many people are like frogs—croaking when they are right in the swim.

You're a sucker if you bite on all the fish stories that are being told.

You do not have to be a "stick" to be a spoke in the wheel of progress.

Your eyes are out of kilter if they see everything that goes on before them.

He who always goes along his own way is likely to spend many lonesome hours.

Money considerations have broken up more friendships than all other things combined.

You can not make others happy without getting some pleasure out of it yourself.

Very few people do with their wealth what they promised they would before they got it.

Don't go to law to get even with anyone. You never can get even with your lawyer.

Divorce suits are becoming the rage. The dear ladies certainly need something to wear.

Many a woman makes the claim that her hubby is an open book. We have seen blank books.

Men who go to the pen may not necessarily be writers, but they are usually authors of crime.

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You just can't keep a woman from telling how much her husband is making, provided it is enough to talk about.

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Many people escape being criminals by never being tempted. As an example, you never yet heard of a news paper man getting pinched for "sweating" \$20 gold pieces.

Rockefeller is talking of giving back the money which the people have entrusted to his kindly care for safe keeping. We would be pleased to receipt for our pro rata at any moment.

Do not encourage anyone, whether it be a child at school or a man in an office, in the disobedience of his superior, for when you do you strike a blow at the success of the school or business life.

To be happy, make others happy.

Remorse seldom comes from success.

Hot air doesn't raise anyone permanently.

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You may be brilliant by nature, but never brainy.

Might may make right—but it just as often makes fight.

Run away from trouble—the exercise will do you good, anyway.

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