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I walk beside the sea and muse, among the surge lashed rocks; the waves roll up and wet my shoes, and spoil my green silk socks. It seems to me the oceans sound is one great endless knell; its waters are the battle ground of all that in them dwell. Like cannibals fish make their meals of relatives that pass; the swordfish fills itself with eels, the dolphin eats the bass. All fishes are avoiding foes by every futile means; the salted codfish bristles, pursuing canned sardines. I sense an endless tragedy where'er the breakers boom, the thrilling epic of the sea, that tells of death and doom. And if I bade the warfare cease, I'd simply waste my breath; in vain I'd preach a balmy peace to those whose trade is death. Until the end of stars and suns the hungry fish will slay; the big will chase the little ones, and stow the same away. The sharks would look on me with mirth, or bid me amble hence, just as the people do on earth, when I talk peace and sense. And on the land as in the sea red blood must always flow; alas, alas, and woe is it, that such things should be so.—
Walt Mason.

If you want to be loved don't contradict people, even if you're sure you're right; don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend; don't underrate anything because you don't possess it; don't believe everybody else is happier than you; don't conclude that you have never had any opportunities in life; don't believe all the evil you hear; don't repeat gossip, even if it does interest a crowd; don't jeer at anybody's religious belief. Learn to hide your aches and pains under a pleasant smile. Few care whether you have the earache, headache, or rheumatism. Learn to attend to your own business—a very important point. Do not try to be anything else but a gentleman or gentlewoman, and that means one who has consideration for the whole world, and whose life is governed by the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would be done by."—
Fythian Guest.

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ROGERS.

Sam A. Koser, Secretary of State, says: The belief has developed in some sections of the state that persons under the age of sixteen years may, under certain circumstances, obtain licenses or permits to operate motor vehicles. Such is not the case. The Operator's Law specifically prohibits the issuance of a license or permit to any person under the age of sixteen years, whether or not such person be the owner of motor vehicle, and the same section further enacts that "No person, who is the owner or custodian of any motor vehicle, shall permit any person who is less than sixteen years of age to operate or drive any such motor vehicle or employ any person to operate or drive any such motor vehicle who is less than eighteen years of age and a licensed operator or chauffeur." In no part of the law is there any authority given to the Secretary of State or any other officer to issue to a person less than sixteen years of age a license or permit to operate a motor vehicle, under any circumstances whatever.

The French minister of war has issued his final statistics as to other fatalities during the war so far as his country is concerned. The exact number of killed is 1,362,872. Few of us have ever seen that many men in our whole lives. None of us can imagine what it would look like to see them all in a great field at one time. But if one can imagine that every man he has ever seen in his whole life should be killed, and that a mountain hundreds of feet high should be composed of corpses, he would get some idea of this terrible slaughter. It would have required 3000 trains to transport these soldiers while they were living. In single file they would have formed a column more than 800 miles long, allowing a space of only two feet between them. At one time we had 50,000 soldiers at Camp Sherman—and it seemed the whole face of the earth for miles around was covered with men. France lost as many soldiers as would have occupied 27 such camps. Our regiments averaged about 3500 men. France lost in killed and wounded 400 such regiments as ours.

The Mt. Scott Herald has the following to say: While the local paper is always boosting for its community, many people neglect to boost for the paper. It deserves a good word, just as much as any other business of the community. Many people think it sounds smart to refer to the home paper as the "rag," etc. Even some so-called business men speak condescendingly and even sneeringly of the "little" local paper, and apparently do not realize that while they are comparing it to the metropolitan papers, much to its discredit, their own little business, compared to the large down town emporiums, is in exactly the same class as the local paper. Loyalty to your town includes the home paper, which always boosts, if it is the right sort. How would you, Mr. Business Man, like to have some one sneer at your little store, and have it said that your stock was "a cheap John outfit," etc.? The local paper is your best friend. It stands up for your town. Try speaking a good word for it.

A big time is expected at the Portland Woolen Mill Club picnic tomorrow, Saturday. An interesting program of events has been prepared, which include base ball game, lunch, 100 yard dash, ladies' 50 yard dash, sack race, ladies' potato race, cigar race, 50 yard dash for children under 12 years, race for children under 6 years, three legged race, relay race, blind-fold race, pie eating contest, tug of war, ladies' ball throwing contest, ladies' ball game, ladies' 50 yard swimming race, men's 100 yard swimming race, 200 yard swimming relay race, and dancing will wind up the day of pleasure and recreation.

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Communication

It is painful to know some laboring men declare they will cast their vote for Eugene V. Debs for president of the United States. If dissatisfied with the regular nominees better stay away from the polls than cast a vote for one convicted of a crime against the government. Think of Debs in the presidential chair, Who would his subordinates be? High minded men and women who believe in law and order? No. Perhaps men and women would be pardoned from the Federal prisons and appointed to various positions of trust and honor. Will any one give a solitary reason why the cost of living would be less or wages higher with radicals in power? This is not a pie picture; it is a mere statement of facts undeniable. Voter, think it over carefully before casting your ballot. You would be the loser in the end. People with money can live through hard times. Are you prepared to offer yourself a martyr to honor your worst enemies? Floyd Ramp of Roseburg was a promising young lawyer, but he listened to the voice of the tempter and is now a convict on McNeil's Island. At one time the writer guarded prisoners on McNeil's Island. To the credit of most of the prisoners they were loyal. One traitor to the flag started to make a speech within the prison walls and was promptly knocked down by a fellow prisoner. This was a violation of prison rules, but the punishment was not at all severe. There appeared to be an unwritten law justifying the act. A Puget Sound lawyer was serving a term for aiding opium smugglers. He was an exceptionally brilliant young man. His friends wanted him to run for district attorney after receiving a pardon. This man had some honor. He said: "No. While I do not believe I was justly convicted one convicted of crime and then honored with a position of trust would have a deterrent effect upon the minds of boys growing up into manhood. If I am allowed to practice my profession I am satisfied." A few of the boys who followed the flag a few months ago are dissatisfied and want to vote for

Debs. Some of the boys did not get a square deal, but Debs and his followers could do nothing. All honor to the boys who fought for the flag, no matter what their belief may be. But think it over; you cannot afford to be disloyal now when you were ready and willing to make the supreme sacrifice when duty called.—D. E. Vernon.

The girls of the I. G. H. Y. Club went to Lake Grove last Saturday evening for a picnic and camping trip. They arrived late Saturday evening and made camp with the aid of flashlights. Saturday evening was spent in singing, roasting weinies and telling stories around the campfire. Sunday was spent in eating, taking pictures, swimming and boating. The most popular member of the party and one which just had to be carried was a thirty pound watermelon. Come on, you I. G. H. Y. girls who did not go. You don't know how much fun you missed. We are going to have another trip pretty soon. Plan to go. You'll not be sorry.—Reported.

Work on the James John high school, which is being repaired, is progressing rapidly. All four walls are being rebuilt, following out orders of the school board. According to present indications of the progress of the work, the building will probably be ready early in October. The children attending the James John high school will be housed for the first month of the term in other schools in the district. D. A. Groat, city school superintendent, will make arrangements so that the pupils may be accommodated.

Mrs. S. V. Bodge returned July 25th to her home with her daughter, Mrs. G. B. Nickerson, 446 E. Chicago street. She had been ill at the Portland Sanitarium for four weeks, but was improving so little that she decided to return home. Her illness is the result of influenza, from which she suffered last Spring.

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