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If that comet wishes for a general inspection it must come into view before 3 o'clock in the morning.

Wall street has often scared an Administration with a little panic of its own manufacture. But it is not so with President Roosevelt; you must show him.

In New York a man was put in jail recently for stealing three potatoes. Figured on that line what would have been the verdict against the Standard Oil Company?

The story is now in circulation that the officers of the defunct Oregon Trust and Savings Bank gave personal friends a tip so that they might withdraw deposits.

Rev. Everett M. Hill of Portland preached a sermon Sunday in which he indicated that man should be woman's master. There are a lot of men who stand ready to accept sermons along that line.

Secretary Garfield instructed his under secretaries that they need not swear to their personal expenses when on service for the department. But Secretary Cotelyou, who pays the bills, said they must swear to them in order to get the money, and what he said goes.

The publisher of the Eugene Guard says merchants in his town want him to puff their business "just to fill up." Oregon City business men know too well the value of advertising to expect the papers here to "fill up" in that way. They realize that advertising is worth money, and willingly pay for it. Nothing like doing business in a town where merchants appreciate the value of the press and of advertising space.

The Salem Journal says: "Whether President Roosevelt is right or wrong his course has certainly made Wall street not only sit up and take notice, but to rear up and howl like a poisoned coyote." Well, when Wall street howls you are safe in hazarding a guess that something is being done for the good of the masses. What is good for the masses is generally bad for the robbers of Wall street, and well they know it.

Wall street set up a howl about Secretary Bonaparte and said he had been talking too much. It was intimated that he could do the amende honorable by resigning. And now Secretary Bonaparte has shocked Wall street by saying he has no intention of resigning. The President seems to have men about him who will take no dictation from Wall street, Standard Oil or Steel Trust. That is as it should be.

A Salem citizen rises to his feet to ask the city officials to do something towards having the weeds and overhanging trees trimmed along the walks in that city. If Oregon City people could be induced to cut the grass and weeds along their walks, and prune back shade trees that annoy the passerby, it would add greatly to neatness of the appearance of the city and attract visitors and prove a good advertisement for Oregon City and Oregon.

Certain editors and philosophers are having long-winded discussions at this time on "What it costs to rear a child." The chances are that the majority of the writers who have entered the "contest" never had any children, or else made a dismal failure of rearing them, and they are one and all setting the figures very high. If the average boy or girl is given an even chance its dollars to doughnuts that he will be worth more in keeping the old people from rusting than the cost of rearing will foot up to.

The Wall street gang calling attention to the fact that they can create a panic if they want to, and when they want to, will get them nothing. That is, it won't get them anything they want, but it may call attention to the fact in such a way that the country will take it up and fix Wall street so that its power will be nil. It is not always wise to show one's strength, for often an enemy is led to plan for future encounters according to this new display of power. And the nation may find it wise to accept Wall street at its own estimate; and at once proceed to trim it down where there will be no danger.

HARRIMAN GETS CAUGHT.

It is an old saying that when a man wins he tells his friends but when he loses he carefully safeguards his secret. Harriman has been touted as a great financier and business man, but there is another side to it. Last year he bought for the Union Pacific Aichison preferred at 104 and the common at 92. They sold last week at 91 and 82. Baltimore and Ohio he bought at 120. It sold at 88 1/2. St. Paul was taken at 162 1/2, compared with the present selling price of 117 1/2. Northwestern was bought at 206. Last week it was 138 1/2. Illinois Central at 175, against 139 now, and New York Central 137 1/2 or 38 points higher than recent quotation. On an investment of \$131,000,000 there is a shrinkage of about 30 per cent. Money easily made, as it was from Northern Pacific and Great Northern, is sometimes reinvested with poor judgment.

And all this in spite of his shrewdest manipulation and strenuous efforts to "make good."

WHOSE OX IS GORED?

There are many people in the world who do not want others to do what they themselves have put under the ban, or what they themselves believe to be wrong or injurious. And so far they are right in the matter. It is their privilege to wish others to do as they do; it is their privilege to wish others to refrain from doing things that are an injury to them; and it is their privilege to induce others, by moral suasion, to refrain from doing what they may think wrong or injurious.

But right here is where their privilege ends. Not so their strenuous efforts in many instances. Having conceived the idea that a thing is wrong, or unhealthy, or filthy, or unsightly, they at once set out to not only put a moral ban on the thing itself but to force the individual or individuals who indulge in it to give it up and, as they term it, "reform."

The latest freak of this character to come to the front is a rich woman in New York city who wants the police to put a stop to women and children chewing gum in public. She says that when tired of chewing they spit their gum out in the street and that she steps on it or picks it up with her skirts and carries it home and onto her carpets, and she feels outraged in the matter.

This woman is like many another, in that she can see but one side to a proposition. At the present time there is no law against her looking as to where she steps, against raising her skirts while she passes the offending gum, or against having her skirts made shorter—which would be a wise thing to do for a dozen good and sufficient reasons—the only side to the proposition which she can see is that of the "offensive" gum. And to save her from a trifling effort she would strip the privileges of thousands of women and children, any one of whom has the same right to the enjoyment of "life, liberty and happiness" that she has—though she would scarce accept that interpretation.

PRISON EVILS vs. WHIPPING POST

Certain people are rushing into print with their views against what they are pleased to term the "inhuman whipping post." Some milder punishment must be found, they clamor, and then chatter away as if they had been through all the details and knew all about it.

What is the matter with the whipping post? Will it produce the evil effects on a dozen chosen victims that a term in the penitentiary or the common prison? And who is punished the most in a prison sentence, the victim or the two score of honest people who must pay for his keep in idleness?

A man is adjudged guilty of stealing chickens. Under the present method he is sentenced to ninety days in the workhouse. While there the community that sends him up must pay the workhouse keeper thirty cents a day for his keep and allow him to wring all the labor possible out of the man. The man is kept imprisoned in a foul den—and it cannot long remain otherwise—associating with companions more evil than himself. He gets no better morally and is made worse physically and all the time the community pays thirty cents a day for his trip down the hill of morals. And when he comes out he is a hero in the eyes of a certain class and is lionized as such.

Suppose, on the other hand, he is given twenty lashes by a duly authorized agent. He escapes the moral contamination, the physical degeneration, the community saves the \$27 board bill and you will not hear him bragging over his whipping, and no so that its power will be nil. It is his friend will lionize him on account of his stripes. Which is the more humane; which is the more apt to cause him to stop and consider before again committing the same crime; which will bring about the better condition to the individual and community? There are two sides to the question of a whipping post.

Many merchants oppose parcels post on the supposition that a parcels post would foster mail order houses. While perhaps this would prove true to some extent it will take more than the killing of the parcels post idea to drive out mail order houses. A parcels post would prove of as much benefit to the local merchant as to the big mail order houses. The mail order houses cannot successfully compete with local houses that are up-to-date; it is the class of trade that frets and annoys the local merchant that is the most profitable to the mail order house. There is nothing in the parcels post that need intimidate the local merchant willing to give good value for what he receives.

A Portland man recently caught with the goods on him walked out that it was the fault of a woman. The woman in the case was probably less to blame than he, and temptation from a woman is not sufficient excuse for lack of backbone on the part of any man.

THE MAKING OF OLD KOREA.

When Japan took hold of Korean affairs the peninsula was almost destitute of roads, waterworks, hospitals, schools and banks, and the treasury was so depleted that no funds were available for such works. It was Japan that raised \$5,000,000 for Korean needs, of which \$750,000 was at once allotted to the building of high roads connecting the chief harbors and cities. A common school system on the Japanese plan was created, and the other needed works were promptly and efficiently undertaken. Courts of justice had been mere auction rooms, where judicial favor was given to the highest cash bidder, and the royal or imperial court was a veritable sink of corruption. These have been reformed by the Japanese, and are rapidly being put upon a basis which would be creditable to any civilized land.

It will not do to retort that while bestowing these blessings Japan has robbed Korea of something still more precious:

For what avail the plow or sail,
Or land, or life, if freedom fall?
For as a matter of fact, freedom has not failed, but has been enlarged to the Korean people. Freedom as a nation has not failed because as a nation Korea has for centuries had no freedom. She has now and then exchanged one master for another, but has always been under some master. It was best that she should now be under one who will not oppress her for his own selfish profit, but will reform and upraise her for her own good.—New York Tribune.

NO TAXES HERE.

Harrisville, the county seat of Ritchie county, W. Va., will be without any municipal taxation this year for the first time in the old town's history. The announcement has just been made by the mayor, Romeo H. Freer, a former attorney general of the state. Harrisville owns its own electric lighting plant, and the profit from its operation combined with the interest on the town's money in banks will afford ample revenue for all estimated municipal expense, so that no corporate tax will be laid. No other town in West Virginia ever enjoyed this distinction.

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PERSONALS

Miss Veda Williams is visiting friends in Roseburg.

Rev. J. R. Landsborough, of the Presbyterian church is enjoying a vacation at Seaside.

Miss Eva Moulton is spending her vacation at Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cheney are spending a few days at Seaside.

Dr. C. H. Melsner has as guest, his brother, Mr. E. C. Melsner of Iowa. Chief of Police and Mrs. Burns are home from an enjoyable sojourn at Seaside.

Mrs. George C. Brownell and son, Ambrose, are home for a short stay at Seaside.

Mrs. W. E. Pratt and Miss Kate Barclay visited with friends in Newberg last Friday.

Attorney O. W. Eastham is home from a ten-day rest at Hot Lake and Baker City.

Mr. Ralph Oakley of Coos Bay is visiting his parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. Clarence Oakley.

Mrs. A. M. Lamont and Miss Claribel Lamont are guests at the home of Mrs. Rosina Fouts.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Frost and son, Melville are home after a pleasant sojourn at Ocean Park.

Miss Maude Turley of Astoria is a guest of the Misses Hilda and Myrtle Tooze of Gladstone.

Misses Edith Cheney and Nannie Cochran are home after a pleasant visit with friends at McMinnville.

Mrs. Robert J. Goodfellow is visiting friends in Tacoma and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thompson.

Mr. Allen Fairclough, who had an operation performed in a Portland hospital this week, is reported as improving.

Mr. Leo Rosenstein will leave shortly for Ithaca, N. Y., to enter the civil engineering department of Cornell University.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marrs and son, and Miss Ova Marrs, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chinn, have gone to Sand Lake for a short stay.

Capt. M. D. Phillips of Oregon City is visiting in Albany for a few days renewing old acquaintances and doing business.—Albany Herald.

Mayor and Mrs. E. G. Caulfield are spending a couple of weeks at Seaside, having joined the Oregon City colony at that popular resort.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw of Chicago are visiting Oregon City friends. Mrs. Shaw was a Miss Minnie Ackerman and formerly resided here.

Messrs. Carl and Joseph Ganong, sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Ganong, left Monday night for Palo Alto, where they will attend Stanford University.

Recorder Walter Dimick is home from his vacation, spent in Tillamook county, and reports a fine time. Mrs. Dimick will not return for some days yet.

Miss Martha F. Draper has gone to the coast for a short rest. While there she will be the guest of Mrs. John W. Bleckford of Seaside and Miss Laura Pope of Tioga.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Caulfield and daughter, Edna, and son, Wallace and Raymond, and Miss Edna Daulton, returned home Saturday from a camping trip at Mount Hood.

Mr. E. C. Thomas, proprietor of the Enterprise, is attending the meeting of the Oregon Editorial Association which convenes at Astoria and Seaside, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Miss Josephine Newton, who has been visiting friends in this city, returned Monday to her duties in a Philadelphia hospital. She expects to visit Oregon City again in two years.

Master Arthur Zinsner disturbed a nest of yellowjackets Wednesday and was badly stung by the pests. At first fears were entertained that the stings might prove serious, but at last accounts he was getting along nicely.

Miss Lizzie Pankratz, who has been living at Katchikan, Alaska, for the past four years is visiting friends in Oregon City and vicinity. As Miss Pankratz expects to return to Alaska within a few weeks it is safe to say that she likes the country and her work there.

WOULD MERGE ELEVATORS

Farmers of Minnesota to Combine for Better Conditions.

A big merger of farmers' elevators in Minneapolis is to be formed at a meeting called to take place in Minneapolis September 5, by presidents and the managers. It is said, of the several elevators throughout the state. The plan is to secure the co-operation of 200 farmers' elevators in the state into one central organization. It is estimated that fully 20,000 farmers will be represented at the meeting. The farmers surrounding the towns where such elevators are operated usually own stock in them, and thus are interested in the movement to merge them in order to secure better grading, better terminal facilities and better means of marketing their grain.

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Fined at Sutherland on their wedding day for willful damage while drunk, a young couple could not obtain the required money and were driven off to prison amid the cheers of a hundred of the bride's girl friends.

Among the causes of rural depopulation in England are the attractions of cities, the conversion of arable land into pasture, the consolidation of farms, the use of labor saving machinery, the low average wage of \$3.50 a week, the craze to get rich quick, the spirit of the age and its restless desire for amusement.

DON'T LET CHILDREN—

Read at dusk or by firelight. Read ill printed books nor one in small type.

Have a light too near the eyes, the heat and glare being injurious. Read too long at a time.

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