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Dedicated to the service of the people, that no good cause shall lack a champion, and that evil shall thrive unopposed.

STATE FLOWER.

THE Pennsylvania legislature has just adopted the violet as the state flower. This has awakened not a few newspapers throughout the country to the remark that the violet—humble little blossom—seems anything but fitting as the emblem of such a mighty and politically complicated state as Pennsylvania.

"The Indiana legislature, in solemn body assembled, decided on the carnation, the waxy, odoriferous carnation, which is not indigenous to Indiana, as our state flower," says the Indianapolis News in sarcastic comment. In only a few of the states have the legislatures chosen the state flower. Generally this task has been left to the enthusiastic approval of the school children, and with few exceptions it may be said that such selections meet with general support. Who ever heard of school children, accustomed to romping in the fields, declaring in favor of a conservatory plant?"

The Indianapolis paper is wrong. The state flower should be a flower that may be cultivated so it can be grown in profusion and be found when wanted. Oregon has a wild flower for the state flower. Few know what it is and it is never made use of. The rose should be made the state flower of Oregon.

FLYING BOAT USED FOR BUSINESS TRAVEL.

A STRIKING indication of the part that aviation is destined to take in practical problems of transportation is given by a recent tendency, just beginning to manifest itself in America, to use the flying boat in a practical way for ordinary business purposes. For daily travel between Chicago and his home in Lake Forest, a suburb 25 miles north of the business center of the city, Mr. Harold E. McCormick is planning to use a Curtiss flying boat. This flying boat is adapted for use as an aeroplane, but is said to be a stanch and seaworthy boat as well. In ordinary practice it will run in such a way as to skim the surface of the water or to fly a short distance above it, thus eliminating many of the dangers both of flying and of high-speed boating. Several views of Mr. McCormick's up-to-date machine and its unusual features are published in the July Popular Mechanics magazine. The propeller is located at the bow of the boat and pulls the machine along instead of driving it. In this position the propeller drives the air blast through the radiator, making it possible to keep the engines cool for hours when the boat is running at low speed on the water. The hull differs from that of the standard type in having a V-shaped bottom, a feature designed to make it a smoother riding craft in choppy seas. Seats will be provided in the cockpit for four passengers, while the front seat will give room for the driver and one passenger, an arrangement similar to that of the four-passenger automobile. As a matter of safety, the control is arranged so that either of the occupants of the front seat can handle the machine.

Power is supplied by a Curtiss eight-cylinder motor of the latest type. This motor, which is designed for operation at moderately high speeds, is rated at from 90 to 100 hp. and shows 160 brake horsepower at 1800 revolutions per minute. The weight of the motor, exclusive of radiator, is 310 lbs. During recent trials this machine was run at the rate of a mile a minute, flying in the air, and at the rate of 50 miles an hour when operated as a hydroplane.

The hull, which is strongly trussed throughout, is about 30 feet long, has a beam of 4 feet, and weighs 250 lbs. It is provided with eight watertight compartments, any two of which are said to be sufficient to float the entire machine. Over the bow of the boat and extending back to the cockpit is a hood serving the purpose of a wind and spray shield. This shield is hinged at the center and when turned forward it acts as a gang plank, permitting the boat to be run up to a dock head-on and to be lowered and unlashed in that position. Wascels are provided for use in land travel.

TIME WASTED.

THE editor of the Boston Globe doesn't believe the statement of Professor Wiener of Harvard that our methods of teaching children are so crude that their effectiveness is wasted in a measure and the mental possibilities in extreme youth are not developed to their full extent.

The professor's own son has taken the degree of Master of Arts at 18 years of age, and will receive the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Harvard next June. His father is quoted as saying that he could take almost any other child possessing ordinary intelligence and develop him with results similar to that in the case of his own son.

"Frankly," comments the editor

of the Globe, "we don't believe it. Were it proven to be possible, there would still linger in our minds various doubts as to its desirability."

As to the latter point, it is worth considering, of course. It has been so carelessly considered heretofore, indeed, that today men no longer regard themselves equipped to undertake leadership and responsibility at the period when their energy is the greatest because a trifle reckless, and their capacity for acquiring judgment is keenest. The time wasted by youth before thirty is appalling in age when speed has been made the test of everything.

If young Wiener can be made into a Doctor of Philosophy at 18, it would be better for the community to consider the possibility of bringing other children through their educational experience with greater rapidity rather than to dismiss his case as that of a prodigy. The impression is growing that there would be, if baby talk were abolished and if the energies of youth could be centered on preparation for life instead of being dissipated on the pleasures of social affairs.

A SCHOOLHOUSE WITH THE PLAYGROUND INSIDE.

SURROUNDING the lot upon which it stands, the school building on Wadsworth street, Los Angeles, is a new departure in educational structures. Instead of having the playground outside of the building, it is in a large court formed by the walls. Many advantages are claimed for the novel design. The building is easily emptied in case of fire, being only one story high and each classroom having direct exit to the street. Each room receives light and air from two sides.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

The Times will be pleased to publish letters from its readers on all questions of public interest. Each letter must be signed by the writer, and so far as possible be limited to 200 words. In publishing these letters it must be understood that The Times does not endorse the views expressed therein; it is simply affording a means for the voicing of different opinions on all questions affecting the public welfare.

THE JAP QUESTION.

Editor Times: There are a lot of well-meaning folks, who, in their zeal for peace, unwittingly do infinitely more harm than good. It seems to me.

During our Civil War they insisted on "peace at any price." They gave Mr. Lincoln more concern than any element he had to deal with in the house of his alleged friends. By their course they held out false hopes to the South and thereby encouraged it to prosecute the war far beyond the point where the struggle should have ceased.

A few years ago, largely because of them, "Beast Weyer" was encouraged to express the belief that he could march a Spanish army through the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Spain was misled by the indiscreet peace advocates and did not understand the true condition of sentiment in this country, otherwise, probably the Spanish-American war would never have taken place. "War is hell," and then some. Every normal person detests war or the exercise of brute force against people of any sort.

Still under present conditions the exercise of force is sometimes imperative. We are forced to look at things as they really are and not as we would have them. Many persons respect nothing save the mailed fist.

The shades of the gallows, the penitentiary and hell make horde of decent people. Universal peace and universal brotherhood of man are beautiful dreams, dreams that can never be realized in fact until all men are cast in the same mold. Why deceive ourselves?

This Nation cannot and will not permit The Hague or anyone to dictate to us whom we shall allow to land on our shores, whom we shall admit to citizenship, nor whom we shall allow to own the soil of our country.

These are questions we must of necessity for our preservation settle to suit ourselves. They involve more than a few dirty dollars, hence the capitalists of industry will have little to say.

Our late tilt with Spain is alleged to have been the people's war.

There is nothing to prevent another of the same brand.

We are forced to stand by the folks—there is no other way to proceed.

We can pursue no other course if we would. Then why play the politician? Why beckon our adversaries on? Why invite attack by seeming to run away? Why the humiliating spectacle of the gentle zephyrs whistling through the whiskers of the placid Mr. Bryan twice across the continent?

Outsiders are apt to construe our actions as cowardice.

Did not the Spaniards call us cowardly Yankee pigs and was not the world astonished that we would fight? And why?

Would it not be more manly and dignified by our demeanor at least, to say to the nations: "We like you and it would cause us sincere regret to have trouble with you, still there is a limitation to some of your demands beyond which you had best not go?"

The individual who with dignity and unflinching courage stands on his rights is most immune from attack by man or beast.

If we shall be so unfortunate as to have war with Japan, it will be brought about largely by the very people who imagine they are doing everything to prevent it.

GEO. WATKINS.

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LET US TALK IT OVER

GOOD EVENING.

He built a house; time laid it in the dust.

He wrote a book; its title now forgot.

He ruled a city, but his name is not.

On any tablet graven, or where rust Can gather from disuse, or marble bust.

He took a child from out a wretched cot.

Who on the state dishonor may have brought.

And reared him in the christian's hope and trust.

The boy, to manhood grown, became a light.

To many souls, preached for humankind.

The wondrous love of the Omnipotent.

The work has multiplied, like stars at night.

When darkness deepens. Every noble deed.

Lasts longer than a granite monument.

—SARAH K. BOLTON.

AS SLOW AS OUR SHIP.

As slow as our ship in her foamy track.

Against the wind was cleaving.

Her trembling pennant still looked back.

To that dear isle 'twas leaving.

So loath we part from all we love.

From all the links that bind us:

So turn our hearts as on we rove.

To those we've left behind us.

When, round the bowl, of vanished years.

We talk, with joyous seeming—

With smiles that might as well be tears.

So faint, so sad their beaming:

While memory brings us back again.

Each earthly tie that twined us.

Oh, sweet's the cup that circles then.

To those we've left behind us.

—MOORE.

A Coos Bay man and his good resolutions frequently go broke together.

There are some men in Marshfield so lazy that the only thing they work on is the sympathy of their friends.

—HAPPENED IN MARSHFIELD.

At a little social gathering one evening recently there was a humorous incident that is now going the rounds as proving wit of Coos Bay people in general and some of them in particular.

Among those present at this little party was Miss Florence Aiken and Mr. Fred Payne, both of whose engagements was recently announced but who had never been presented.

A mutual friend who disclaimed any intention of what followed, brought them together and at the introduction, "Miss Aiken permit me to present Mr. Payne," someone smiled and when it was added that "she will not be Aiken long" there was a laugh, but when some horrid married man said: "Yes, but Fred is not so fortunate, for with him it will be Payne forever, and before long they will be 'more Payne'."

Then everyone roared and some of them are still laughing.

The man who gets on the job late is the first to be pushed off.

When a girl doesn't know what to do next she hunts the pickle jar.

Many a woman who thinks she is in love is merely jealous.

Even the gift of a gold ring may not induce a small boy to keep his hands clean.

Unless a society but is shocked she is apt to become a wall flower.

The get rich schemes flourished because of selfishness and the insufficiency of the postoffice inspectors.

When a man gets all he thinks he needs he has a large surplus.

Some uncles and aunts seem to forget that children are born to make a noise in the world.

After a man has landed a political job he begins to kick because the salary isn't larger.

Young man, beware of a girl who says she intends to be a spinster.

LUKE MIKE SAYS

At sixteen she wants a Prince Charming with the features of a young god. At thirty a wall-eyed nut with pink whiskers and a same leg looks mighty good to her.

Men are always hollering because their wives can't cook like Mother used to cook, but they won't marry old women with Mother's experience in the cooking line.

Romance is as much a part of a woman as her sex. A faded, worn-out mother who has had three children in three years and whose married life is a colorless grind of washing, scrubbing, cooking and nursing, likes to get the babies to sleep before the thing she married comes home soured and grouchy, so she can get to read another chapter of the cheap novel wherein the Handsome Manly Hero rescues the Beautiful Heroine and they lived Happily Ever After.

A Worker Appreciates This.

Wm. Norris, a resident of Florence, Ore., says: "For the last 14 years my kidneys and bladder incapacitated me for all work. About eight months ago I began using Foley Kidney Pills, and they have done what other medicines failed to do, and now I am feeling fine. I recommend Foley Kidney Pills." Owl Prescription Pharmacy, Frank D. Cohan, Opposite Chandler Hotel, Phone 74.

GEOMETRICAL PHYSIOGONOMY

By the Linotype

A dash, a quad, and a lower case o
A rule, and a capital V;
And a few more sorts of a Roman font.

And this fair youth we see:



A sad young man, and a block-head, too;

He's one whom we'll have to make wise;

So I'll lengthen his month with a one-em dash.

Use capital O's for his eyes.



He's wiser now, yes, but infernally mean.

From such we'd fain stand aloof.

I'll pi his face and scatter the slugs.

And from the pi pull a proof.

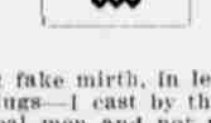


A start afresh; with a curlicue

For a mouth. He still looks mean.

I can't make him happy, for I have now

Exhausted the blame machine.



We can't fake mirth, in lead or life;

But slugs—I cast by the mile.

To be real men and not mere slugs

We've got to cast a snifle.



Some people think it queer that we have no female after-dinner speakers, but there is nothing queer about it.

Women tell all they know before dinner is half over, says an ex-change. If that writer had heard some of Coos Bay's women banquet speakers he would know that there are some excellent female afternoon speakers.

A Kansas judge has decided that a man is the owner of his wife's clothes. If her new bonnet costs too much to suit him he can wear it himself.

CULLINGS FROM COQUILLE.

Coos County Seat News as Told by The Herald.

The Prosper Mill company has ordered a 13x11 Humboldt yarding engine for logging operations.

County Treasurer Dimmick has issued a call for all warrants endorsed prior to April 1, 1912.

Mrs. E. Kelly, who is employed as a teacher in the Marshfield schools, was visiting in this city last week.

The steamer Coquille broke another wheel last Friday and was laid up until another could be put on.

A resolution was passed by the council for the improvement of Front street, and saloon licenses were granted to E. A. Becket, Baxter Bros., J. P. Tupper and A. W. Gatten.

Carl Hermann and Myrtle Philpott were married at Prosper last week. Rev. F. F. Eddy officiating.

Mr. Hermann is engaged in the boat building business at Prosper.

Peter Scott is making a brief visit to San Francisco.

A Thought For Today

A girl may allow her mother to pick out a husband for her, but she asserts herself when it comes to choosing her candy.

You can win mother and daughter both with

Stafford's

RURAL SCHOOL WORK.

School Inspector Golden returned Friday from a visit to the schools at McKinley and the Moon district on the upper North fork. He says that the latter is the third richest district in the county in the matter of assessed valuation, and a new and modern school house will be built this summer. A summer school is in progress, though its usefulness is

somewhat hampered by a drought. Kinley all is serene and a summer school is doing good work in the grade of Prof. Brown, teacher of the school at Myrtle Point.—Coos Bay Herald.

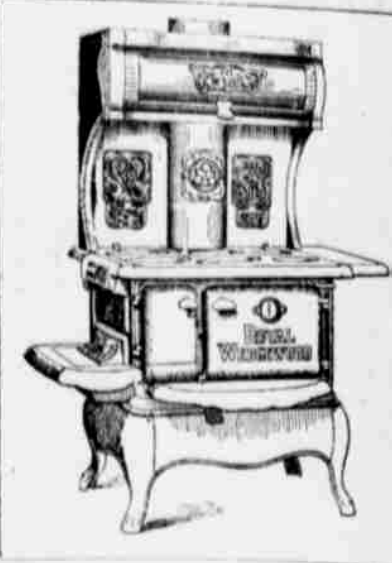
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Perfect Range

and the vexation caused by one which is the reverse.



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Wedgewood

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