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OUR OLD ENEMY OVERPRODUCTION.

ERTAIN ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHERS, dur ing the hard times some years ago, discovered, as they thought, that the trouble was "over-ion." If prices were low and farming and manunger and cold, the only remedy was to stop or cut

The fact is that what was needed more than anything was greater volume of money and more use of it, since this need has been supplied we have heard e about "overproduction," though now is a proper e to resurrect that curious economic theory, on a difent but quite as sensible a basis as it was builded on

The trouble during the hard times was "overprodu and now the same evil lights as a fly in the oint on," and now the same evil lights as a Hy in the ointnent of our great prosperity. Some people persist in
nying that there are not cars enough, but our "overpronection" economic doctor should rise on his hind legs
and point out that the trouble is not a scarcity of cars
at too great an amount of freight. The people of the
est are producing too much to send east, and are buyg too much to be brought west. The farmers have
oduced too much wheat and corn and cattle; the alls are cutting too much lumber; the great industrial implements. The soil is too rich. The forests are large. The manufacturers are too industrious and ful. This is the trouble, gentlemen, "overproduc-

Not only is this theory as reasonable as it was dur-g the hard times, but it has actually been advanced nd maintained by a New Jersey railway operating of-cial, and his opinion has been approved by various rail-ray periodicals. The remedy is not in more freight cars, vay periodicals. The remedy is not in more neighbout in half the people taking a vacation for a year.

Actuary McClintock of the New York Life says the public mind is confused with regard to the insurance pusiness. Mr. McClintock must be credited with telling the truth in this instance, at least. But the public mind nning to understand some things better than it did awhile ago.

RAISE THE IMPROVEMENT STANDARD.

HE PEOPLE of the east side are beginning to sit up and take notice of things. Although they exceed in population the west side of the city are very far behind it in all those improvements a go to make up the most comfortable surroundgs. Heretofore they have been perfectly satisfied to ke what was offered them. They accepted it without rotest and doubtless with thankfulness. But now they re reached a stage that they want what they are en-

An east side station would be a great convenience or people who travel. It is probably true that under he charter they are entitled to it but leaving aside that eature of the case there is actual need for just this iment and it should be conceded to a section of the ity which has long borne much and that, too, without

But there are other features of the case that should end themselves to the people of the east side. have been far behind where they should be in the of public improvements. Their streets usually are in bad condition during the winter months, some of them practically impassable. In the matter of sidewalks they have been away behind the age in many sections and in some parts of all sections. This is particularly true of the wide reaches of vacant ground which may be holder may show enterprise in building a home and while almost invariably he puts down a good sidewalk in front of it the vacant lot owner who profits by his enterprise does nothing and usually makes no pretense of even putting down a sidewalk. Every observant man has discovered that building follows in the wake of good streets and sidewalks and the east side property owners should take this lesson to heart, but the authorities ould not rest until the larger owners of vacant lots have done their little to help in the matter of good sidewalks for in other respects their contribution is small enough to the general welfare.

The Russian government is fortunately well rid of the war with Japan, but it has even worse troubles on hand at home. It looks like the beginning of the end of the Romanoff dynasty.

GIVE THEM THE BENEFIT OF THE LAW.

THE INDIVIDUALS managing the so-called Japanese Art exhibit appear to be artists in more lines than one. They seem to have risen beyond the wildest flights of mere bunko men and invaded the domain of cold-blooded highway robbery. There is usually very little sympathy for the person who in attempting to get something for nothing winds up by getting nothing for something, but this does not appear to be a case of the kind. During the progress of the fair there were a good many raw practices on the part of some of the concessionaires that ordinarily would not have been tolerated. Encouraged by their immunity the deft men who are managing the Japanese art exhibit seem to have mped to the conclusion that having stood so much the Portland public would stand anything-having been ore or less bunkoed they would just as cheerfully stand it to be robbed.

But their work was a little too coarse and raw. There are things for which even bargain-counter experience will not stand. Sheriff Word acted promptly in closing up-the headquarters but no one should rest content until me of these enterprising people are behind the bars where they seem to properly belong.

The Tammany fellows are not quite so cocky as they were. This is a reform year in which many things may happen and in which the impossible becomes possible.

THE CHINESE BOYCOTT FALLS FLAT.

ATE DISPATCHES indicate that the Chinese overal printed interviews with well-informed Journal printed interviews with well-informed hen the movement began, showing that it was ed to failure, owing to the temperament of the a few men, nursed by competitive foreigners and is ing a-bornin.' Chinese multitudes, while quick to me up in anti-foreign sentiment, destroying everying that disturbs the sleep of centuries, cannot sustain a patient struggle of a successful boycott. Their needs many, and the temptation to buy a good, cheap icle is overpowering.

While the boycott is harmless, it leaves, its lesson ich should not pass unheeded. America is the harsh-

est of all countries with the Chinese immigr lished rules of admission did not create the hostile senti ment in China that application of shose rules en-gendered. One merchant who is havillated by rough treatment when trying to reach this land, becomes a living anathema for America. Students who seek cul-ture and western refinement, with too much pride to harbor the thought of permanent residence away from acturing were unprofitable, the nature of the ailment ture and western refinement, with too much pride to harbor the thought of permanent residence away from home, are rebuffed with all the brutality that is accorded to the sold profitably; no matter if hundreds at could not be sold profitably; no matter if hundreds the scheming, cunning coolie. It is really such abuses of administration that is the burden of China's complaint today.

If Americans would avert boycott and more far-reaching although quieter movements, their best work is with their own officers, so that treaty regulations will be en forced in a sense conceding that the Chinese are people of intelligence and pride.

The only sure thing about a sure thing game is that

THE TWO MARYLAND SENATORS.

CENATOR RAYNER OF MARYLAND has com out flatfooted against the proposed disfran-chisement constitutional amendment which the Gorman machine is striving to have adopted. This amendment aims to disfranchise most of the negro voters of the state, but would also, if fairly enforced, disfranchise a good many foreign-born citizens also. Moreover, the Gorman machine aims to secure absolute control of elections by securing the appointment of elec-tion boards, which will have unusual and arbitrary pow-ers. In brief, it seeks to control elections in Maryland hereafter by foul means, if, as certainly would happen, fair and honest elections would not go the machine's

way.

The governor of Maryland, Warfield, a Democrat, i opposed to the amendment and to the Gorman machine's purpose; so is Attorney-General Bryan, a Democrat. and recently Senator Rayner, also a Democrat, declared himself against the Gorman program. After stating that he had no personal feeling against members of the "organization," Senator Rayner declared himself "the mortal foe of the system and its methods."

What a contrast between a man who talks and thinks like this and Gorman, the secretive, wire-pulling, burrowing, tricky boss, who seeks for nothing but to make the "organization," the "system," all powerful, and to be himself its leader and master.

Gorman is universally credited with selling out the

Democratic party to the sugar trust in 1894 with his tariff of "perfidy and dishonor;" he is a prominent member of that treacherous group of senators, "enemies of the republic," mostly Republicans, who always repre-sent private as against public interests in legislation; he within his sphere of action is the incarnation of crookedness in politics," the Quay of Maryland,

Maryland and the whole country are to be congratulated, under these circumstances, that Senator Rayner spoke out as he has done. It looks very much as though the Gorman machine would be badly crushed if not en-tirely annihilated next month, and 'tis a consummation devoutly to be wished.

"Yankee Boodle" is the song writer's contribution to nsurance literature in New York.

A FORSWORN SOUTHERN GOVERNOR.

71TH EXCEEDING BAD TASTE, impossible in a man fit for his position, Governor Jeff Davis of Arkansas improved the opportunity offered by the president's visit to make a harangue it justification of lynching negroes guilty of committing assaults on white women. It is to the credit of the audience that it manifested disapproval of the hoodlum governor's sentiments, and applauded the president's reonse, in which, while saving that such assaulters s be hunted down and punished to the limit of the law, further declared that lynching is a crime equally meriting condign punishment, and that white men who lynch negroes guilty of assault or murder put themselves on an equality with their victims.

The crime of which negroes are so often accused is one calculated to arouse mob violence more than any other, and if lynching weresever justifiable it would be in these cases; but the trouble is not only that lynching in any case, whatever the provocation, is a lawless ac and conducive to lawlessness in other ways, but if indulged in at all it becomes common, and negroes are lynched for other crimes, some of them not meriting death, and often even on mere accusation or suspicion, which subsequent events prove to have been unwar ranted.

A governor sworn to execute the laws is the last man in a state to advocate lawlessness, especially a form of lawlessness involving murder by a mob. Governor Vardeman of Mississippi is an extreme anti-negro manthat is, with respect to negro citizenship, equality and education, but he is determinedly opposed to lynching under any circumstances, and more than once has pre vented it. But this rowdy governor of Arkansas is a different type of man and official, one that is a disgrace to Arkansas and who would be a disgrace to the country if he should succeed in breaking into the senate, as he is trying to do.

THE CRY FOR MORE CARS.

TN OREGON, as well as elsewhere throughout the far west and middle west, the cry is for more cars. Thousands more cars are needed to move the crops of Mississippi valley and other states, and other products, and merchandise. The railroads have been adding largely to their rolling stock and the car manufacturers are doing their best to supply the demand, but come far short of doing so, and at many points the urgent, incessant cry is for more cars.

In Oregon the demand comes not so much from grain handlers as from lumber manufacturers, who are all busy now. Many new mills have been built in the state during the past year, and mills that have been idle have started up. The lumber industry, large as it has been in the past, in Oregon, will be greater this year than ever, and will increase in volume for years to come. Oregon has a vast amount of timber, about one sixth of all the timber in the United States, and more and more lumber is being consumed every year. It is easy to see, therefore, one reason why there is an urgent demand for more freight cars, and that this demand will be greater year

by year. The railroads must and probably do recognize these facts. They may be doing all they can just now, but they should learn from this and former shortages of cars to prepare in time for the great fall traffic. It is

SMALL CHANGE

Candidate Ivins has astonished New York Republicans by turning out to be not only alive but lively. The leaders are even beginning to feel alightly alarmed lest he might best McCiclian, whom they are really for.

Neither merit nor system, think the

Fortunately the county commissioners have no authority to contract for advertising signs on the bridges, for which let us be duly thankful.

Good time to trim up trees and let in If there is a slump, rising real estate

Judge Cameron's position with regard o boys under 21 procuring liquor in alcons—that they as well as the sa-son-keeper who sells it to them on their

How big is your life insurance divi-

No football fatality for two days. Well, if Tom Edison thinks eating and sleeping are unnecessary, he needn't do either, but he must not expect other people to follow his example.

that the "merit system" would cause trouble. But the specifically raised sal-aries will stick, and so their beneficia-ries will be satisfied.

One good thing about October is, it

Foraker, who will lead the opposition Foraker, who will lead the opposition to the president's railroad regulation policy in the senate, may thereby secure the support of the railroads and trusts for the nomination for president in 1908, but at the same time he will turn about 3,000,000 votes away from him if he should be nominated.

Salem Statesman: Frank C. Bake who was prominently identified with the Lewis and Clark exposition, is at the Palace.—San Francisco Chronicle. And not a word about that peace conference. Such is fame.

How can any one expect me to be otherwise than ugly, with all hope of that senatorship extinguished forever?—H. W. S.

It is nearly time for the Christma

Being emperor of China is rather a dublous job, while the old Empress Tei An is alive. She has thrown the em-peror into jail again, and may take a notion to suggest suicide to him any day.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

New Madras flouring mili has started

The creamery interests of Union, I. Grande, North Powder, Baker City and Pendleton were consolidated this week and the entire business will be run under the name of the Blue Mountain Cream-

A Coos bay man sells apples delivered on board steamer for 25 cents a box, if the purchaser furnishes the boxes.

Horsethieves operating in southern Umatilla county.

While a San Francisco lawyer was hunting geese near Lakeview he accidently touched the trigger and emptied one barrel of the gun in his left foot, tearing an ugly hole in the side of the foot and blowing off three-toes, and now he doesn't want anybody to say goose to him, or gun either.

Nearly a quarter of a million dollars has been spent in Klamath Falls this year in buildings alone.

Medford real estate men, says the Medford real estate men, says the Southern Oregonian, are in receipt of more inquiries than ever about Jackson county lands. These inquiries are from eastern people and are the fruits of the Lewis and Clark exposition.

A Gold Hill girl. 3 years old, fell from a wagon, one wheel of which and two wheels of a trail wagon, each vehicle being loaded with over a ton's weight, passed over her body, and yet she was not killed, and will probably recover.

An Evans creek man raised 10 tons of onions, which he has sold at 2 cents a pound.

Boys are busy fishing all the time now, says the Gold Beach Globe,

Fossil religiously active.

A Pendleton man has left for Nogent, France, and Brussels, Belgium, where he will select another shipment of 30 fine horses to import to the Ruby stables in that city. This will be the third lot of fine stallions imported by Mr. Ruby. There is an active demand for such horses in eastern Oregon and Idaho.

Threshing still in progress in the more elevated regions of eastern Oregon. Pilot Rock will have a water system

Cigarette smoking by boys is commin Prairie City and the Miner urges forcement of the law.

Stock thieves being convicted Crook county. Fossil has a new paper, the Star, and its motto is Emerson's apothegm: "Hitch your wagon to a star." We hope the Fossil Star does not mean to intimate that it is a hitching post.

BATHING DIVIDES SOCIETY

Birth, wealth nor braiss cannot fix such an impassable gulf between two persons as a difference on the question of bathing. This is the pronouncement of Miss M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr college, and she made it in an address to the students at the opening exercises of that institution.

Miss Thomas also says that it is the difference of which bathing is the symbol that makes marriages between people of different social habits so disastrous. Her address as it deals with the bathing question, follows:

"But spart from the chief occupation of study and reading there are other sides of your college life that are important. You are here in a community acting on and being acted on by the mutual give and take of a common life. I have spoken of the written human learning and accumulated experience that soon will be removed to its home in our new library. But we have also accumulated much wisdom in regard to the best ways of living together in a civilised way, which we must follow if we would not lose much valuable time and temper.

"One of these bits of wiedom is that we gain in influence and power over our fellows if we pay attention even to such details as our dress and appearance. Even the lowest savage knows this. He sticks a few feathers in his hair, and she puts on a few beads when they appear in public. It is, of course carried much too far among civilized women, and above all, among American women, but I assure you that a well-groomed woman, scrupulously clean and women, but I assure you that a well-groomed woman, scrupulously clean and well cared for, who pays attention to her hands and hair and clothes, enjoys double the success and influence that is experienced by a slovenly woman. This difference can exist between two women who wear clothes of precisely the same cost, just as we may imagine that it could exist between two savage women who wore no clothes at all.

"The older students will perhaps re-member my exploy that in my own gen-

"The older students will perhaps remember my saying that in my own generation, and, of course, in your generation, a great gulf is fixed that no democracy or socialistic theories could bridge between men and women that take a bath every day and men and women that do not. Earlier than my generation, in your grandmother's time, a daily plunge was not as universal in the United States as it is now. For many years before your grandmother's generation a daily tub was in England the hallmark of a well-bred person in spite of the fact that no English houses then had bathrooms. I beg those of you, if there are any such in college who do not already, to acquire this essentially civilized habit. You will find it becomes one of your daily pleasures. Personally I know of no greater privation than to be compelled to do without it.

"It is the difference of which bathing is a symbol that makes marriages between people of different social habits so disastrous. You will remamber that in one of Henry James' stories he speaks of the smell of rubber diffused by English women abroad because they always traveled with their rubber tubs among the—from the Anglo-Saxon point of view—dirty foreigners who do not bathe daily.

"Another habit, which, like bathing, has nothing to do with expense and yet which also constitutes a great social difference, is the habit of washing your face and hands, smoothing your face and hands, smoothing your faces for dinner. A large body of experience proves to us that people are not agreeable to each other or to themselves in the evening unless they have gone through this necessary form. Everyone can make some change, and especially those of you who are fortunate enough to own two gowns owe it to yourselves to form the habit now while you are in "It is the difference of which bathing

Travel between Drain and Coos bay to form the habit now while you are in college of putting on a different gown for dinner. You do not wish to separate yourng the past year 442 sheep have been killed within a radius of the respective from well-bred people by your personal careleseness in little your personal carelessness in little things. What I have said about chang-ing one's out of door every day dress in the evening holds still more for neat-ness in dress at all times."

He Took a Chicken.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.
Once upon a time a youth, who has commenced to navigate the sea of matrony, went to his father and said Father, who should be boss, I or m

Then the old man smiled and said Then the old man smiled and said: "Here are 100 chickens and a team of horses. Hitch up the horses, load the chickens into the wagon, and wherever you can find a man and his wife dwelling, stop and make inquiry as to who is the boss. Wherever you find a womarunning things leave a chicken. If you come to a place where the man is is control, give him one of the horses."

After 75 chickens had been disposed of he came to a house and made the usual inquiry.

"I'm the boss o' this ranch," said the man.

man.

"Got to show me."

So the wife was called, and she affirmed her husband's assertion.

"Take whichever horse you want,"
was the boy's reply.

So the husband said: "Til take the bay." But the wife didn't like the bay horse, and she called her husband aside and talked to him. He returned and said: "I believe I'll take the gray horse."

"Not much," said Missouri. "You"!" "Not much," said Missouri, "You'D take a chicken!"

Gibraltar Is Crumbling.

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From the Chicago Chronicle.

The public is not aware that the great rock of Gibraltar is tumbling down—that its crumbling, rotting masses must be continually bound together with huge patches of masonry and coment.

Yet they who sall past Gibraltar cannot fall to notice on the eastern slope of the fortress enormous silver-colored patches gleaming in the sun. These patches, in some cases 30 or 40 feet square, are the proof of Gibraltar's disintegration. Of thick, strong cement, they keep huge spurs of the cliff's side from tumbling into the blue sea.

Bea captains, cruising in the Mediterranean, say that Gibraltar has been rotting and crumbling for many years, but that of late the disintegration has gone

ranean, say that Gibraltar has been rotting and crumbling for many years, but that of late the disintegration has gone on at a faster rate than heretofore.

They say that the stone forming this imposing cliff is rotten stone, and that in a little while the phrase, "the strength of Gibraltar," will be meaningless.

He Had to Stand Up.

From the San Francisco Chronicle.
An American doctor built an elegant home: his bathroom was exceptionally beautiful, being of white marble with silver hardways; a music-box was concealed in the troom. After completion of the home an Englishman came to visit the doctor. Now, the English always show great respect for their sovereign and their country, and this one was no exception.

pleasant surprise as he bathy, pleasant surprise as he bathyom, so left his friend in the bathyom. About an hour later the English found his host in the drawing. The doctor immediately asked whe guest thought of the bathyoom. Englishman replied: "It is because the control of the bathyom.

e my music-box! and his guest with great disgust is tones: "Bah! That music-box! The track old thing played God Bave the ing, and I had to stand up the whole me I was trying to baths."

THE LOST GASSAWAY DAVIS

Pittsburg Cor. New York Werld.
Gassaway Davis, son of J. H. Davis of Davia, West Virginia, and nephew of Henry Gassaway Davis, who is missing, and for whom the police all over the country have been asked to help to find him, has spent all of his life in the lap of luxury with the exception of the last year. His father is wealthy in his own name, and his uncle, Henry Gassaway Davis, for whom he was named has always fairly idolised him. While he was still in his teens he was taken to Washington by his uncle, and for one term served as a page in the senste. Then he came back to Wast Virginia for a while, but he was not coptent. He longed to be doing something. So he decided to drift out in the world alone and see if as a young man without a name to boost him along he could make a tiving for himself.

One day, s. little more than a year ago, Davis disappeared from his home in West Virginia. His relatives did not hear from him for several days and gone to Homestead, assumed the name of Oliver Hall, and was working as a locomotive freman. Although they tried hard to induce him to return and resume his place in his home and in society, young Davis replied that he was perfectly happy in his present position and for his relatives not to worry about him.

No more popular man than Oliver No more popular man than Oliver hale no reason why Christian people should not dance if they dance in proper places, with proper company, in the proper company. Pittsburg Cor. New York World.

him.

No more popular man than Oliver Hall lived in Homestead. He lived in a little room in a boarding-house, such as befitted his position as a locomotive fireman; got up early, ate breakfast with the other men, carried his dinner in a pail to the yards and ate it on his engine, went home for aurors and ment

a pail to the yards and ate it on his engine, went home for supper and spent his evenings as any of the thousands of other young workmen.

Boon after his arrival in Homestead, Davis' uncle was stumping the county in his campaign for the vice-presidency. People in Homestead are now trying to recall what young Davis said and did, but none recall that he said or did anything to betray his disguise. He said he was a Democrat, and that he would case his vote for Parker and Davis.

Davis left his house on September 25 with his dimer pail, as usual, but instead of going to the steel works he went to a barber shop in Homestead and had his Van Dyke beard shaved off. That is the last Homestead has seen of Oliver Hall.

gan an inquiry and learned that Hall had left Homestead without leaving an address. His relatives are of the opinion that he has gone to some other city for the purpose of more completely hiding himself. There is no suspicion of him having met foul play, as he was too well liked and fully able to take care of himself, being a giant, built on the pattern of his uncle.

When he was young Davis learned a great deal about railroading on his Uncle Henry's road in West Virginia, and that experience stood him in good stead

that experience stood him in good stead when he drifted out in the world alone.

they would permit the sale of liquor there or not. Governor Herrick insisted on having the maximum number of voters in a district cut down to 1,500, finally compromising on 2,000, and had other changes made, all favorable to the saloon interest. The result was that while under the law as signed by the governor the people of small residence districts could, and in many instances did, keep saloons from jostling their homes, the distance it was necessary to travel for a drink was always so short that no deaths from thirst were ever reported to the health authorities. As further consequence no religious convention has met in Ohio within six months without denouncing Herrick, and the Anti-Saloon league is waging a merciless war against him. The Republican revoit on this issue alone is sextensive, or at least so noisy, that the Democraty are counting on it to give them the state. Perhaps it may, but the Democracy has often been cruelly deceived when it has been beguiled into "pandering to the better element."

Keeping Time by Wireless.

Dr. Max Reithoffer, professor in the rechnical High school of Vienna, in con-unction with Herr Karl Morewets, the junction with Herr Karl Morawets, the government inspector of clocks, has completed a system of synchronising clocks by means of wireless telegraphy. The plan has been submitted to the city council, and permission has been se-cured for regulating the public clocks by this agency. The city clocks are to be served free by the system, but for synchronising private timepieces a small

SOME MAXIMS FOR YOUNG MEN

MORAL.

versity.

1. Be a clean, wholesome, vigorous young animal. That is the foundation for everything cise in life.

2. This involves not condescending to the ordinary vices of life. You must avoid drunkenness and licentiousness.

3. Sports are legitimate satisfactions, but if they are made the main end they cease to be durable satisfactions.

4. To attain all these things we must have intellectual power and ambition.

5. A young man ought to get here in college a capacity for rapid and keen meallectual labor.

6. You must have a spotless reputs-

6. You must have a spotless reputa-tion. It comes from living on honor. T. It is not enough to be honest, how-ever, the honorable man must be gen-

LEWIS AND CLARK

them; but toward evening two chiefs, with 15 men, came over in a small cance. They proved to be two principal chiefs of the tribes at and above the falls, who had been absent on a hunting excursion as we passed their residence. Each of them on their arrival made us a present of deer's fleece and small white

A TEMPERANCE WAR

Samuel E Moffett, writing in Colliers for October 14, discusses the fall campaign in the state of Ohio under the heading of 'The War of the Ohio Cittee,' and among other things says:

It sounds funny to hear a Democratialk about electing a governor of Ohio, especially one who was beaten as bedly as Tom Johnson was when he ran two years ago for that very office. Eleven months ago, Ohio gave a plurality of 15,621 for Theodore Rocsevelt. I might be thought that a campaign in the state would be too one sided to be interesting, but in Ohio a political right is alwayse case of 'you never can left of the company of th

Unjust Discrimination.

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From the Heppner Gazette.

When a poor mailcarrier who braves the storms of winter through the mud and snow for just about compensation to buy grub and horse feed is a little late, after suffering the terrors of a night drive of 40 or 50 miles, his delay being caused by a breakdown or a severe storm, he is promptly fined 350 by the frondlad rules of the postmaster-general, but when the railroad company, carrying much more important mail—is not on time once a week, and is fate all the way from one to four hours, not a word is said. The local postmasters are not required to report the railroad delays. There is mighty poor justice in this, and this does not alter the facts as they now exist.

First Get the Wealth.

Mr. Rockefeller says there are things more satisfying than amassing wealth-after you have got the wealth.