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REALIZING VALUES IN BOYS

The world has been a long time in awakening to the value of its boys.

Mules, horses, dogs, cats, hogs and sundry other animals must be carefully developed, of course. No argument whatever as to that. But boys, what good are they any way?

Simply to state the palpable situation is to raise the curtain upon a picture which portrays one of the most sordid and suicidal aspects of so-called civilization.

Men have swelled with egotistical bombosity as they dilated on the fine points in certain strains of livestock or some particular method for the development of swine. And these same men have wondered what was wrong with the fellow who counseled similar attention to boys.

Schools and other institutions have been provided for those fortunate enough to be able to avail themselves of them, but with all these splendid helps it is still a startling fact that the world realizes on almost as many through its penitentiaries and reformatories as from its educational establishments. This is not to disparage the work of the schools by any means, but rather to conserve and extend it by inspiring, encouraging and guiding the boys carefully and with undoubted certainty through that all-important formative period of their lives which determines the destinies of many if not all of them.

The present awakening is doubly significant in its demonstration of a growing appreciation for higher standards of value than those by which we measure grain and livestock.

Salem is just now experiencing a growing enthusiasm for the conservation of boys, and it is safe to say the city has never been moved by a better impulse.

But much greater assurance than the fad or caprice of any one community is the fact that the wave of interest in boys is indeed worldwide. This fact warrants the conclusion that the value of this awakening to future generations can hardly be over-estimated.

Bound up in the boy movement may easily be the best solution of the most disturbing problems now faced by mankind.

A tithe of the money and energy expended in the late war, had it been used as vigorously in ways now developing for getting the boys lined up for what is really best in the mental, moral and spiritual world, could and unquestionably would have made the war with its terrible tolls impossible.

The Boy Scouts is an organization that is just now engaging commendable attention in Salem, and not in Salem only, for it is a worldwide boy-conserving movement. It is deserving of every possible consideration. No mistake can be made in giving it our unre-served support. It has undergone the shafts of opposition on the ground that it was a military movement to teach the arts of destruction, but from all this it has emerged with flying colors and its second burst of speed is greater than its first. It is a boy-developing movement with a big, vital, living program all conceived and outlined in the genuine boy spirit. It makes undiluted pleasure of the most valuable training and instruction and inculcates in a wonderful way those most necessary assets of any human being, namely, initiative and preparedness.

Parents will one day count it a fine privilege for their boy to have been a Scout, and will never regret the support that they gave the Scoutmaster in his plans for the equal good of their boy with all the others.

The meeting of the South Dakota legislature had to be postponed on account of the floods. Every cloud has its silver lining.

The Mexican election is officially set for July 4. Wonder if there is anybody down there running on the platform that "he kept us out of war?"

Wanted, every cabbage man to tell The Statesman about successful cabbage growing here. Today or tomorrow.

Clear the railway tracks of the nonessentials and make a clear way for the essentials. The country is in no mood to be trifled with. Move the freight.

When Russia is in doubt she merely keeps both eyes on the Japanese. The nation has been taught by experience.

The thermometer on the shores of Lake Michigan fluctuates more points in an hour than at any other point in the known world. And that is a bad omen for Hiram. There will be zero weather for him after the first ballot.

President Wilson witnessed with delight the parade of the Ringling circus in Washington. But they claim that he has expressed no desire to see the elephant who will make his triumphal entry into the national capital at high noon on March 4, 1291.

Uncle "Sephus Daniels claims that his signature was forged to an important public document. If both the secretary of the navy and Admiral Sims had been as hot-footed after the Germans as they are after

told that he "pulled a boner" when he selected cabbage as a slogan subject; and that he cannot prove that cabbage growing and shipping and manufacturing ought to be considered as one of the fifty-two basic industries of Salem. Are these people who are saying this correct? We want to hear from all the men hereabouts who think otherwise; who can help to prove that this is a good cabbage country. And we must hear from them today or tomorrow. Not from the cabbage heads, now, but from the men who know.

An opportunity such as they may never see again is open to the conservative investor in the purchase of Liberty bonds. It is time they began to grasp it. At the present low quotations nothing surpasses them in security, for if such a revolution as would prevent the government redeeming its pledges in full should occur it would mean chaos and utter collapse of every industry and utility activity in the nation. And that is not going to happen.

Fannie Hurst, the authoress, has just told the world that five years ago she married a New York artist, that they live apart, visit their apartments only by appointment, that she bears her maiden name and in public treats her husband merely as an acquaintance. That relation is not a marriage, but merely a convenience. If the custom became general it would not be long until the last man would be awaiting the death that would extinguish the human race.

GONE TO SEED.

Once more by a vote of three to one congress clings to its garden-seed privilege and makes an appropriation of \$250,000 to secure the seeds to be given to constituents. It is getting difficult to find people to plant the seeds and few seem able to make them grow. The idea seems to have taken root a good deal better than the seeds. There is no question about congress going to seed, however.—Los Angeles Times.

TALES OF THE TIGER.

An American publisher offers Clemenceau \$200,000 as advance royalty on his memoirs, but the Tiger isn't ready to do business yet and is not certain that he will pen them. But the Frenchman's reminiscences would be wonderfully interesting and now is the time for him to get them out of his system. Even a year or two might dull their value from a publisher's standpoint, and the ex-premier is already at \$0.

SENATE REFORMS.

The senate is trying to reform itself. The proposition to reduce the number of committees from 77 to 30 is slated for adoption and the committee meetings will be scheduled so that they do not conflict. If possible an effort will be made to get away from the seniority rule so that a chairmanship may go to a recognized expert instead of merely to a senator who has hung his hat on the same peg for 18 years. This reform is almost impossible to expect, but serious efforts are being made to establish it. There may be some hope for the United States senate yet.

THE AIR SUPPLY.

Experts continue to urge the creation of an air department upon the same plans as the army and navy. We may be shy on an army and the navy may need rebuilding, but there is always plenty of air.

In the last 12 months congress has wasted enough of it to float 120,000 airplanes and run 62,000 windmills. Yet there is a lot of it left under sensible conservation, and a government air department might be able to take charge of the situation to the great advantage of the future. Yet we would be in favor of rationing the supply for Hiram Johnson and the other bitter-enders.

By the way, some one just remarked that both ends are bitter enough.

SERVING UNCLE SAM.

The railway labor board was considered as an emergency creation, but is already preparing to go into perpetuity. Its first step was to ask congress for an appropriation of \$400,000 for the purpose of establishing permanent offices and equipping the same with richly-upholstered furniture.

When a man serves his country in these stirring times he doesn't want merely his bare hands for his drawn sword. His first requisition is for an oriental rug and a mahogany desk. And we will say for him that he gets it.

SWEET THINGS.

Government investigators report that a Mormon refinery in Utah has been realizing a net profit of a fraction over 14 cents a pound on all sugar sold since May 1. The company was charging wholesalers 22 cents a pound for sugar that had cost

GATHER PAPER TWICE YEARLY

Boy Scouts Encouraged by Success of Recent Campaign in Salem

Because of the success of the recent paper drive conducted by the Boy Scouts of the city, that organization has voted to make semi-annual collections of all the old paper in Salem in order to help increase the budget and partially defray running expenses.

During the last few weeks the lads of Salem have gathered more than 60,000 pounds of paper. This will sell for about 4 cents a pound, making a substantial fund for this year's treasury.

Thanksgiving vacation next November, when schools in the city close for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, will be the occasion for another collection and all citizens are urged to save their old papers and magazines for the boys next fall.

The Boy Scouts club is one of the strongest organizations in the city and furnishes clean, wholesome recreation for younger lads under capable leadership. The boys are taught to take an interest in civic affairs and a pride in their city. It is considered one of the best methods of keeping lads from the streets and from questionable places of amusement. In saving old papers the citizens of Salem are given an excellent opportunity to help this organization.

FILIPINOS SEEK FREEDOM

CHICAGO, May 22.—A Filipino commission headed by J. C. Devera will petition the republican national convention for a plank in the party platform declaring for absolute independence of the Philippine islands, according to J. P. Melusuo of Washington, a Filipino press representative who arrived today. He said the commission would arrive next week.

STORM FILLS BASEMENT.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 22.—Violent wind, rain and hail storms prevailed in Southeast and Northeast Nebraska tonight. At Lincoln there was a heavy fall of rain but damage was confined to flooding of basements and overflow of lawns.

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FIREMAN'S TERRIBLE ORDEAL

BALTIMORE, Md., May 22.—Dr. J. M. Finney, a Johns Hopkins hospital surgeon, who was consulting surgeon on General Pershing's staff during the war, at the scene of a railroad wreck at Woodbrook, Md., today borrow a farmer's saw and severed the leg of a fireman to release him from the wreckage. The victim was so badly crushed that he died later.

CROWN PRINCE VISITS PARENTS

THE HAGUE, May 22.—The former German crown prince left Wieringen today for a short visit with his mother at the new residence of the former German emperor and empress at Dora. Frederick William was accompanied by a Dutch official.

DROP IN FURS

ST. LOUIS, May 22.—Sales on today's session of the international fur exchange amounted to \$1,350,000. Five hundred and fifty marmot skins brought more than \$1,100,000, averaging around \$2 apiece, a 17 1/2 per cent decline from February prices. Australian red fox declined 30 per cent and South American and Andean red fox 25 per cent.

BAKERS ARRESTED.

MADRID, May 21.—Several members of the Bakers' union committee were arrested today, after which the union at a meeting decided to continue the strike until all demands were granted.

The authorities assert that the bread supply is becoming normal but half-mile bread lines stood throughout the day in front of the various depots.

HEAVYWEIGHTS TO BOX.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 22.—Bob Martin, heavyweight boxing champion of the A. E. F., and Bob Fitzsimmons have been signed to meet in a 10-round no-decision bout here either on June 4 or June 7. It was announced tonight.

It will soon be so that house servants will fill their engagements by airplanes. There is nothing so good for them.

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Of course Fashion whispers in her own subtle way, "Your shoes, my dear, must always be in the mode".

But your heart—your heart says, "Above all, they must be comfortable. For shame if you could not follow the veterans in parade! For shame if you could not stand, hours if need be, until they pass—these noble men! To them all honor is due".

Both Fashion and your heart speak wisely. And both have their way in the Red Cross Shoe! The trimmest, smartest models of the season, distinctive examples of the mode, have in them that famous "bends with your foot" comfort—comfort that you'd never dream of finding in shoes so trig and stylish.

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each other the Huns would have quit long before they did.

See here, neighbors. The Statesman Salem slogan editor is being

FUTURE DATES

May 25, Tuesday—Lecture at armory by R. H. Kroh of Akron, Ohio.
May 26, Wednesday—Opening of Greater Willamette campaign.
May 26-27, Wednesday and Thursday—Apollo club concert, Grand theatre.
May 27, Thursday—Baby clinic at Commercial club.
May 28, Friday—Veterans visit Salem schools and address students.
May 29, Saturday—Baseball, Salem high vs. Eugene high, Eugene.
May 29, Saturday—William Howard Taft speaks at armory.
May 30, Sunday—Baseball, Albany vs. Salem.
May 30, Sunday—Decoration day.
May 31, Monday—Salem stores to be closed in celebration of Memorial day.
June 1, Tuesday—Salem-Portland air service begins.
June 2, 4, 5 and 6—Salem Tennis tournament.
June 4, Friday—Baseball, Salem high vs. McMinnville high, McMinnville.
June 5, Saturday—Annual picnic of Oregon Duroc Jersey Breeders' association, Salem.
June 6, Sunday—Baccalaureate Sunday for Kimball School of Theology at First Methodist church.
June 6, Sunday—Baccalaureate sermon for high school graduating class at Leslie Methodist church.
June 11, Friday—Blooded Jersey sale at State fair grounds.
June 11, Friday—Commencement day address for Kimball School of Theology at 2:30 p. m. in Assembly hall.
June 11, Friday—Salem schools close.
June 12, Sunday—Baseball, Woodburn vs. Salem.
June 14, Monday—Play day.
June 14 to 17—Officers' schools for Oregon National Guard at Vancouver and Fort Stevens.
June 19 and 20—National gypsy-tour motorcycle events in Salem.
June 22, 23 and 24—Imperial convalescence of Mystic Shrine in Portland.
June 25, Wednesday—Imperial convalescence of Mystic Shrine to visit Salem.
June 24, 25 and 26—Portland Rose festival.
June 26, Saturday—Letter Carriers' convention in Salem.
July 5 to 24—Summer school for rural pastors at Willamette university.
July 6 to 26—Annual encampment of Oregon National Guard, infantry and engineers at Camp Lewis, artillery at Fort Stevens.
July 18 to 24—Salem Chautauqua.
July 22, 23 and 24—State Elks convention in Salem.
September 27 to October 2—Oregon state fair.