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DON'T BE A BEAR ON THE SALEM DISTRICT

The famous remark of the elder J. P. Morgan that no man can afford to be a bear on the United States might appropriately be applied locally.

To the Salem district—and to Salem. There is a case in point, of the nurserymen supplying this territory with fruit and nut trees. Suitable prune trees in large quantities are becoming all too scarce right now, and walnut and filbert trees of the right varieties are hard to get at any price.

We have here the best district in the world for the growing of Franquette walnuts, and the pollenizers of the Franquette; and we have here the center of the filbert industry of the United States, the most suitable for the growing of Barcelona filbert trees and the pollenizers of the Barcelona. We have here the premier country of the world for the production of the Italian or Oregon type of prunes, and perhaps the same may be truthfully said of several other varieties, new and old.

The list might be extended to include two or three varieties of pears and apples, and the Oregon gooseberry and the Munger black raspberry, and two or three varieties of strawberries, and the leading varieties of both sweet and sour cherries, and loganberries and evergreen blackberries.

And there should be a movement of some kind inaugurated to see to it that the nurserymen of this section specialize on the fruits and nuts on which our section has a virtual franchise.

To the end that the planting of these varieties of trees and bushes and vines may in the future not be hampered by the scarcity of nursery stock.

And there should be continuous advertising campaigns and the proper kind of propaganda work carried on consistently.

For our people cannot plant too many of the crops in which this section excels; cannot overdo the things we can do better and more profitably than other sections.

Provided, of course, that our manufacturing and marketing and shipping and financial facilities keep pace with the producers.

No one can afford to be a bear on the Salem district, or, by the same sign, on Salem, if all will work harmoniously and everlastingly along the lines that are already marked out and known to be the lines of least resistance.

For this is assuredly the country of diversity and the land of opportunity.

Senator Hiram Johnson is against the Pacific quadrupact. Of course he is. If there is a chance for him to be against an administrative policy he may be expected to take it. To the watchful eye of the buzzsaw statesman we are embarking on a dangerous partnership with the Mikado. If the venturesome warriors of Iceland should dream of conquest and should send their navy to attack Japan it might become the painful duty of Uncle Sam to send out a tug from San Francisco warning the hostile ships off of our ocean. It might even be necessary to call out the reserves and Senator Borah. It will never do for us to expose ourselves to a possible entanglement of this character.—Los Angeles Times.

Georgetown University has created a department of diplomacy. It was the idea of Charles A. Dana that the newspapers of the United States furnished the world's best school

for such training; and all along they have supplied a large share of the men for diplomatic positions.

The National Woman's party will concentrate its forces on the campaigning for a constitutional amendment providing for an absolute equality of women with men before the law. The will bring them within the draft in the next war and, a neighboring paragrapher suggests, also permit them to be punched for calling somebody a liar.

The latest Portuguese cabinet has resigned. The people are also so.

The 1925 fair is to be followed by a sesqui-centennial fair at Philadelphia in 1926.

It is announced that President Wilson approves the general features of the arms parity program. Praise by Sir Hubert is praise indeed.

Great Britain may hold a general election next month, but David Lloyd George will be put to his trumps to equal the high mark scored by President Harding in November, 1920.

The new silver dollars have appeared. Dig down and see if you have one. They portray generally the advent of peace and are symbolic of the new era upon which the nation, through the armament conference, is entering.

Elihu Root asked that his resolution in relation to submarines should be acted on as he prepared it, instead of being referred to a committee of lawyers to be "gummed" up. Being something of a lawyer himself, he appreciated the danger.

About a million people in the United States will be interested in learning whether Ambassador George Harvey was driving his Ford when he suffered injury a couple of days ago in an automobile wreck. He ordinarily drives a Ford, even on the streets of London.

George Wharton Pepper is the new senator from Pennsylvania, sworn in yesterday, to take the place of Penrose. Not Tom Pepper, but George Wharton. If Senator Pepper can inject a lot of pep into the upper branch of the federal law making body, and speed it up, all will be forgiven.

A delegation representing the Southern Tariff association interviewed the senate finance committee yesterday, demanding higher protective tariff duties. Sentiment has radically changed in this respect in the south. The hearing of yesterday indicates that something is doing now in getting the tariff matter out of the way. For which the Lord be praised!

The late Senator Penrose represented the Cameron dynasty in the politics of Pennsylvania. His death means the end of that rule. The senator never married. He lived alone in Philadelphia, and

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STANDARDS ON WHEELS

In standardizing the automobile industry the engineers have now agreed upon the names for fourteen types of buzz wagons. They range from roadster to landaulet, limousine, but touring car is obliterated. They are all supposed to be touring cars. Apparently the engineers are trying to make the word "berline" answer for the ordinary four or five-passenger car with the flexible top. This is the French form for the Berlin, which was a two-seated and topped carriage made in the capital of Prussia nearly 200 years ago. How can we expect to find peace in a world that is busy riding around in Henry Ford's Berlines?

Various indications of continued improvement in business are to be noted, among them the growth of output in various industrial lines. Recessions in the prices of agricultural commodities, notably wheat and cotton are, however, seriously regarded as being indicative of less satisfactory conditions for the farmer. This makes the problem of financing an adequate acreage for the new year important, and lays a large burden of responsibility upon the country bank.

The most important development in the money market now to be awaited seems to be the new funding and financing plan of the treasury department, which should make its appearance shortly. This plan will provide for the maturities falling due during the coming months and the rate of interest which is offered will probably be in an important sense a pacemaker for the investment and money market in general.

The continued firmness in the price of bonds and the relatively small range of movements in most branches of the market points to the belief that conditions there have become fairly fixed. Not only the presence of a large and continuous supply of government interest bearing obligations, but also the better opportunities which are likely to be opened abroad militate against the belief that extremely cheap money is to be expected as an incident of the early future, except perhaps from time to time, for very short periods; nevertheless, with a federal reserve ratio of 71.1 per cent, as shown this week, and with the comparatively small demand for bank accommodations, it can be taken for granted that the supplies for a long time ahead will be adequate to meet all requirements, and that high rates are a thing of the past.

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gold of Russia, stolen from the treasury of the former czar's government.

But even the \$30,000,000 secured in that way, and all the other vast sums being contributed, is not enough to provide food for the millions of starving Russians—and, indeed, many thousands have already starved to death.

So there is no question concerning the need of more flour and other foodstuffs than all the agencies so far working have the resources to supply.

And there are few who will begrudge food to those starving people, even though they may have nothing but loathing and contempt for the tyrants at the head of Russian affairs who live in comparative luxury while allowing their own millions to starve, and while plotting against the system of government which fosters a great people on this side of the Atlantic in their ability and their willingness to come to the relief of their suffering millions.

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CLEANING UP

The head of the anti-Saloon League says that 75 per cent of America is bone dry. It is possible that this is so. We hear a good deal about the frailties of New York, Chicago and the big cities or the big cellars, but after all they are but a small portion of the country. There are thousands of communities in which the bootlegger has no standing or existence. Pretty soon he may be pushed off the map entirely.

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TAMMANY AND RUSSIA

Followers of Lenin say that the new Russia at least has no Tammany. Possibly this is intended as a knock on New York, but it is hard to figure out that Tammany could do any more damage to Russia than has already been done. Tammany is usually good-natured and makes pretense of caring for its own. Soviet rule in Russia is surly and cannot even feather its own nest. If Russia can find nothing more to be thankful for than that it has no Tammany it is in a sad way at best. A course of Tammany might help Russia.

FUTURE DATES

January 12 and 13, Thursday and Friday—Basketball, Willamette University vs. Whitman College. January 19-21—Ella May's Grand

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Broccoli meeting today. The broccoli growers are to meet at the Salem Commercial club rooms at 2 o'clock.

The harvesting and marketing of the coming broccoli crop are the main matters to be considered today. Some of the older growers in Independence neighborhood are already ordering their crates. Next month, the broccoli will be rolling out and bringing back the gold dollars from the big eastern cities.

McMinnville college gets a big lift and a new name. As Linfield college, it is likely to have a big future, with the great Baptist church of this section behind it.

The friends of Willamette university will have to get busy before long, on the campaign to add to the Rockefeller offer enough to make up a new million dollar endowment fund. Forest Grove and McMinnville are in the lists, and active.

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EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

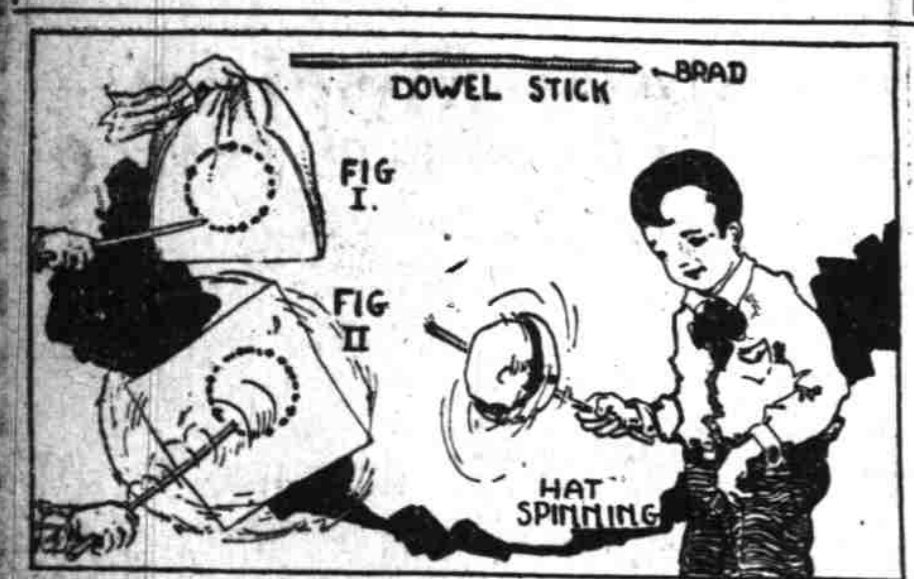
Willie Should be Accommodating Editor Statesman: Certain resolutions recently published in both Salem papers remind me of the two little boys who were supposed to be sitting in playful, mutual enjoyment on the sunlit lawn, when one of them was heard lustily bawling. His mother ran to the door and anxiously inquired: "Why, Jack, what's the matter? Did Willie strike you?" "No-o-o—-bon-hoo; but he won't let me stick pins in him." —ON-LOOKER.

Read the Classified Ads.

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EASY JUGGLING LESSON 8



Rasso, one of the most widely known professional jugglers, has prepared a series of ten lessons in easy juggling especially for the readers of this newspaper. This is the eighth lesson. Another one next week.

Cloth and Hat Spinning. It is more a matter of knowing the "secret" rather than, contrary to the opinion of the average audience, unusual ability that will enable you to spin a cloth on the end of a stick just as you may have seen jugglers—Japanese jugglers, perhaps—do in the theater.

Obtain a heavy piece of cloth about 18 inches square. A tablecloth about that size will do if you have one and can persuade mother to allow you to use it. For a few cents you may purchase at the hardware shop a dowel stick about two feet long, which will serve as the spinning stick. In one end of it hammer a brad, allowing it to project about three-sixteenths of an inch. Cut off the head and file the wire to a point.

Starting the Spin. Hold the cloth up before you

wide wrist movement is not necessary. Never allow the speed of the spinning stick to be less than that of the revolving cloth. The stick, because of the brad, is caught in the cloth, and if the stick does not rotate with the cloth it will tangle.

Another equally effective stunt that is often seen on the stage is the spinning of a hat on a stick.

Use a soft, round hat. Toss it into the air before you, making it spin. As it descends catch the brim on the side lightly with the spinning stick and give the hat an easy upward push. This will renew its spinning and cause it to ascend again. Each time it comes down catch the side of the brim with the stick and send the hat back up.

Next week I shall tell you how to pull a tablecloth off a table fully set with dishes, without disturbing a one.

TODAY'S PUZZLE. Change "ride" to "walk" in four moves. As you know, a "move" consists of a change of a letter. Each letter-change must make a new word. Answer to yesterday's: Word, odor, ode, drew.

ONE REEL YARNS

WHERE THINGS HAPPEN. Wilbur scratched his head, chewed his pencil, and fligeted. "What's the matter?" his mother asked, looking up from her sewing.

"I have to write a theme," he complained, "and I can't think of a thing to write about. Some sort of a story, it has to be. Gee, I wish I lived where things happen."

"What do you mean by that?" "Oh, these places you read about in stories. Wish I lived in Mexico, and then I could write about bandits and raids and things. Or wish I lived out west and then I could write about cow-



TODAY ONLY RETURNED BY POPULAR DEMAND

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