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ALL ARE INVITED:—Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths.—Isaiah 2:3.

PRAYER:—

"Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come."

WHAT WOULD ROOSEVELT DO?

In California the La Follette propagandists have attempted to drape La Follette in the garments of Roosevelt. Their false representations have brought an indignant protest from Mrs. Corinne Roosevelt Robinson, sister of Theodore Roosevelt. In a recent telegram to Albert Searles of Los Angeles, formerly a Roosevelt Progressive, she said:

"My brother, Theodore Roosevelt, denounced La Follette in 1915, in 1917 and 1918 as the most dangerous and sinister influence in America. He called him his country's greatest menace. Any Roosevelt Progressive who gets behind La Follette is a traitor to Theodore Roosevelt. I am convinced that were my brother alive he would be fighting for Coolidge and Davis, as I am."

La Follette was quoted in a recent address as saying that all the Roosevelt Progressives in California are solidly behind his (La Follette's) candidacy. Some of these may have been misled by false representations of the La Follette supporters. But Theodore Roosevelt's sister has torn the mask from La Follette's face; and those who cherish the memory of Roosevelt can no longer be deceived.

The fact is that not only in New England, where some of the leading Democratic newspapers, such as the Boston Post, and many leading members of that party are supporting Coolidge, but in the Middle West, where La Follette propagandists are the most active, and on the Pacific Coast, many thousands of voters will support the Coolidge electors.

Though casting their ballots for Democratic nominees in state, district and county contests. And the same thing will be very general with the former supporters of Roosevelt.

In all the states where it is appreciated that the electoral votes will go to either Coolidge or La Follette, Democrats in large numbers will take no chances. They will not throw their votes away on Davis, however much they may admire their party candidate. They will consider that they can best serve their country by making certain that the electoral vote of the state in which they reside is not cast for La Follette.

The Coolidge Non Partisan League, with headquarters at 565 Fifth avenue, New York, has been organized, and it is doing very active work. Reports from all over the country prove to the managers of this movement that business men and women and people of large affairs, and thousands of others in all walks of life, irrespective of party, are rallying to the Coolidge standard.

The Statesman has an inquiry about the practicability of sowing flax in the fall. There was some volunteer flax harvested in the Dallas district last summer, the first to be brought to the state flax plant, that turned out very well. At that time, the writer suggested that here was a matter that deserved to be experimented with. The fact is, it is now being experimented with. Superintendent Crawford of the state flax plant has already furnished some seed to farmers with what he considers the right kind of land for fall sowing, and several small fields have already been planted; not exceeding five acres in any one field. In case the fall sown flax does not make a crop, the state will lose the seed, and the farmer will lose his labor and expense of preparing the ground. If it turns out well, a gain will have been made by the experiment for the flax industry, and for the individual farmers. On those conditions, Mr. Crawford is willing to risk about 100 acres, but not more. If any farmer wishes to make a larger experiment than with five acres, he is at liberty to do so, on his own responsibility.

OUR SCHOOLS

The schools are the dearest things to the hearts of the people that we have. They embody our hope for our children and our country in the future. So far few have been deprived enough to lay impious hands upon the schools. They have been allowed to function because they have been doing such a great work, and have been very little hampered.

Just now sensation mongers are stirring up the patrons of the city schools, threatening all sorts of things, and declaring they are preparing to unearth worlds of scandal. All because they do not like one man who is teaching in the schools. It is hard to understand how men can become so depraved, but they do, and we have a case of it right here now.

No one defends hazing. It is a bad practice, and yet it has been practiced for years in the Salem high school and nothing done about it. It isn't fair to simply wake up suddenly and expel boys from school for hazing. If the rule was to be enforced this year, it should have been announced at the opening of the school year, and then if the boys disobeyed the injunction they ought to be expelled, but when they were just following the custom of years, which has been un molested, we contend that it was a prank and not a crime.

This is not criticism of Profes-

or Hug, for whom we entertain the highest regard. It is simply a statement of candid opinion that these boys should be reinstated, and notice be served that any further infraction of that rule would meet with drastic punishment. As usual, a cripple is being put forward to take the brunt of the universal condemnation of the spewing out of bile on the schools of the city. This man is not to blame. The man back of him simply got tired of being licked every week in another town and when he came to Salem conceived the idea of putting a cripple ahead as a buffer in order to protect himself. The public is very rightly placing the responsibility where it belongs, on the principal—not on the agent. J. L. B.

THAT SCHOOL FUND

There is something about a democratic campaign that makes the men in it feel emboldened to put before the people untrue statements for the purpose of deception. A great paper like the Oregon Journal should not lend itself to such a campaign. It is not only lending itself, but it is leading. Day after day it is publishing statements calculated to arouse resentment in the people in hopes it will cause them to vote the democratic ticket. The Journal is smart enough to know that even if they should get away with the election the people would find out the truth and resent it later. Hap-

pily every statement made is being challenged, and the proof brought into the rebuttal demonstrates clearly that the irreducible school fund is not in bad shape, but is in good shape. Of course there have been some bad loans, and there always will be, but the loans were made for the purpose of helping the farmers, and it is to be expected that some of them will be unable to make the grade. In the cases where the land has been taken by the state, subsequent sales have fully protected this irreducible fund.

At the present time there is an effort being made to loan this money to the bonding companies. They pay about 4 1/2 per cent net. The state is now getting 6 per cent net. To sell to the bonding companies would be to turn the state money over to speculation, and the loss is liable to be appalling. There have been recent incidents in Oregon of frightful losses through this very sort of speculation. It was never intended for the people of Oregon to use one dollar for speculative purposes. The rate to the farmers is 6 per cent. In addition to getting 1 1/2 per cent additional interest over the bond investment, the farmers of Oregon are being helped.

Let us examine carefully into some of these alleged losses. In a report for which the state paid \$1200 under date of June 30th, which was not made public until the Democratic Oregon Journal began using it six weeks before the election, 602 notes are called into question and described as delinquent. This amounts to \$1,135,000. No foreclosure proceedings had been instituted. In order to make it appear that this large number of notes and mortgages are doubtful, interest is figured as delinquent after six months. As a matter of fact the interest was paid on all of these 602 notes in full in the year 1923 and all but a small percentage of them in the fall of 1923. Therefore on June 30th, when this audit was made, there were over 520 of the 602 notes on which there was not one year's interest due, and yet for purely political purposes the land board is exploiting farmers' notes as delinquent and in bad shape.

There is little question about the farmers being able to pay their interest in full this year. In addition to attempting to influence the campaign this is an attack upon the farmers of the state, an effort to cripple 602 of them, and hold them up as failures. It is not believed by competent judges that the state will ever lose one dollar of these 602 notes.

THE LAST DAY

A newspaper should not have to use its space for the purpose of urging people to do their plain duty, but it is a fact that a good many hundred people in Salem are not registered. This is supposed to be the year of the big vote. You are urged to register regardless of how you are going to vote. If we have a government participated in by practically all the people we are bound to have better government than if we have less than a 50 per cent vote. The registration books close at 5 o'clock this evening. They have been kept open nights in order to accommodate late comers who have to work during opening hours. If any workman has failed to register he owes it to himself and his country to take the time today to register. If any business man has been so busy that he neglected to register he should remedy that neglect by registering today. The books close at 5 o'clock.

RAYMOND ROBINS COMING

If there is a greater orator in America than Raymond Robins this writer has not heard him. Mr. Robins is not only an orator but he is a deep thinker. He started life as a miner, working for years in the coal mines. He went north and found the end of the rainbow in Alaska. He prospected there for a long time and finally at his feet found great wealth. He came home, invested his money and since that time he and his wife have devoted their entire time to welfare and uplift work. Both are talented speakers. Both are devoted to human welfare.

Mr. Robins is coming to Portland on October 8, and he ought to have an immense crowd. He will help every man who hears him. He is an inspirational talker. He reasons fairly and pronounces candidly. Raymond Robins is one of the great men of America.

WELL DONE

The county court has decided to submit to the people the proposition of continuing health work along progressive lines. Twenty-four hundred dollars will be appropriated if the people express themselves favorably for health work in the county. There is so much to do in the way of teaching

the people health and instructing them practically that the county will spend this money with better effect than considerable of the money is spent, and just as well as the best of it is spent. The board is anxious to give the people what they want, and it does not want to be extravagant. If the people want this health work they will have it, and our prediction is that they are going to express themselves as wanting it.

COMING STRONG

In the Literary Digest 1924 presidential poll, President Coolidge is still coming strong. There are 19 states represented in the current week and Oregon is one of them. Six hundred and eighty-nine thousand and nineteen votes are accounted for and of this Coolidge gets 397,522; Davis 118,259, and La Follette 164,366.

A curious thing about the vote is that 137,306 did not vote for president four years ago. In that election of the votes cast in this poll 402,186 were republicans, which shows that Coolidge comes within 3,000 of holding the republican vote when Harding had a landslide. In that election the democrats cast 141,868 votes, while there is for Davis in this poll 118,259. It is of interest also that La Follette runs considerably ahead of Davis in the poll. In California La Follette continues to run strong. The vote there being, Coolidge, 54,324; Davis, 6124, and La Follette 38,926.

The vote in Oregon so far is small, but Coolidge leads by a gratifying majority. Of the votes so far cast Coolidge received 1455; Davis, 389, and La Follette 468.

There is a fight all over the United States for president. In the east it is between Coolidge and Davis, but in a good many places in the west it is between Coolidge and La Follette.

A JOKE

The men who are seeking to get the income tax repeal are perpetrating a great joke. We hope they enjoy it because it certainly isn't fooling anybody. They are asking for public contributions to carry on the work and nullify the will of the people.

We submit that this is the biggest joke that has been perpetrated in Oregon in years and the only reason there isn't a universal noise heard all over the state is because there are not so many horses around as there used to be, and automobiles can't laugh.

WELCOME TO OREGON

The La Grande Observer announces that Mr. Appleby, an Iowa newspaper man, has purchased an interest in the paper with Bruce Dennis and will be business manager. We happen to know considerable about Mr. Appleby and he is not only a valuable acquisition to the La Grande Observer, but to Oregon as well. We need builders; we need constructive men, and Mr. Appleby will take his position in the forward lines.

An easy mark may be a man who bought German war bonds and now is rich.

FUTURE DATES

October 8 to 16—YMCA campaign for \$200,000 building.
October 10, Friday—Recital at Waller hall by Prof. Horace Rahakopf for benefit of Salem Women's club house.
October 11-12, Saturday and Sunday—Veterans of Foreign Wars departmental council and ceremonial.
November 11, Tuesday—Armistice day.
November 20-22, Third Annual Orea Show and Industrial Exhibit, auspices Chamber of Commerce.

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The Fun Shop

By Amy W. Eggleston
She danced divinely, I lost my head,
And these were the wise, wise words I said:

"Ah, love, could we thus forever serenely through life glide,
Always in step together, happily side by side.

"With my strong arm to guide you, your soft hand on my sleeve,
Headless of jolts and jostles, smoothly our way we'll weave.

"Life would be all harmony, oh, sweetest partner mine,
Life would be all melody, danced to an air divine."

She dropped her head with a pretty pout:
"What would we do when our pumps wore out?"

Black: "I got even with my talkative barber."
Smith: "Did you silence him?"
Black: "Very effectively. I sent my wife to him."
—E. H. SHAFOR.

Judging from the sound, a good many patrons of restaurants never in putting the din in dinner.

Protection Wanted
Florian: "Chief, Ah needs protection! Ah got a unanimous letter this mornin' which says: 'Nigger, let my chickens alone.'"
Chief of Police: "Why protection? Just leave the chickens alone."

Florian: "But this is a unanimous letter! How is it I know whose chickens to let alone?"
—Mrs. M. Gibson.

WALLY THE MYSTIC
He'll Answer Your Questions—Somehow.
Salvation's free, and so's advice. The kind that Wally gives is nice because he tells you what to do. Consult him freely. This means YOU.

An Olfactory Problem
Dear Wally:
Help me if you can. I am a most unhappy man. You see, dear Wally, I don't smell. What shall I do? Yours,
DING DONG BELL.

Dear Ding Dong:
Here's our best advice: Don't try to smell. It isn't nice. Besides there are enough who do to more than compensate for you.

Better Than Dynamite
Dear Wally:
Help me if you can. An undesirable young man Has got my daughter hypnotized. How can I break it?
AGONIZED.

Dear Agonized:
Here is a scheme Don't nag or argue; that won't do. Just have the young man board with you.

Stingy
"Is there an old discarded tooth brush about the house, dear? I want it for my typewriter."
"The idea! Why don't you pay the poor girl enough so she can afford to buy a new one?"
—George Erickson.

A Rusher
Violet: "Is that your brother who plays football?"
Rose: "Yes, my dear. He's mixed up in all those games."
—Jack Utley.

His Job
The soap box orator was going strong.
"Women!" he exclaimed, "are the salvation of this wicked old world! As social reformers they will clean up everything in time."
"Yes," shouted the married man in the audience, "everything but the dishes in the kitchen sink."
—E. H. D.

A Cure For Forgetfulness
Ted, aged four, was going to a party and his mother told him over and over that he must thank his hostess and be sure and tell her what a good time he had had. When he arrived home she said: "Well, Teddy, did you thank your hostess and tell her that you had a lovely time?"
"Yes mother," replied Ted, "I told her just as soon as I got there so I wouldn't forget."
—Isabel M. L. Hummer

Nowadays when a mother comes home and finds cigarette ashes on the piano she doesn't know whether her daughter had a young man or girl caller.

The "Blue" Cow
"I'd like to run," said Mrs. Cow. "And I could as fine as milk— But I'm afraid I might fall down And maybe strain my milk."
—Ophelia Legg

The Sky's Their Limit
"Aren't there any laws against the smoke nuisance in this town?"
"No, flappers can smoke as much as they like."
—Edith Morrish

Well Screened
"Mabel is crazy to go into the movies. She imagines that her face would screen well."
"Perhaps it would. I've noticed that she looks better with a veil on than without one."
—Margalet Srevord

The Jingle-Jangle Counter
Here's a truth that's plain enough. It takes some sand to make a bluff.
—John E. Zielfeldt.

Fish have scales and clocks have weights. Many a "peach" has lots of "dates."
—Julius Ballou.

For applause good actors look; Bales of cotton get the hook.
—Vesta Bartels

THE EDITOR'S GOSSIP SHOP
Regarding the "Wally The Mystic" series:
You may send in questions on etiquette, and we will have Wally answer them in his column.
Select the most difficult and embarrassing situations possible—problems on etiquette which, if answered at all, will permit of something clever and humorous.
Preferably, the situations on etiquette involving boys and girls, men and women, etc., afford the best opportunities for Wally.

Rough Stuff
Hetty: "Did they kiss and make up?"
Betty: "Yes, they kissed and she had to make up."
—Andrew Rockwell.

Father (to daughter, reprovingly): "More and more rouge on your cheeks, eh? Are you trying to make me see red?"

He's Be A Counter
Howell: "When angry, you should count one hundred."
Powell: "If I followed that rule every time I got mad, I should become an expert mathematician."
—H. I. Horton.

Safety First
Carr: "You didn't stay up in the airplane very long."
Barr: "No. As soon as the pilot began doing stunts I told him it was time to get down to earth."
—Bessie Frank.

The Jingle-Jangle Counter.
Be it up in the mountains or down a ravine.

You can't make waffles on a sewing machine.
—R. S. C.

Sometimes hugging's not displeasing; Sponge stand a lot of squeezing.
—Sheba Juster.

When the sun is hot, men like to doze; It takes the moon to make them propose.
—John E. Zielfeldt.

What's correct is apt to please; Some say roquefort's quite 'the cheese.
—Julius Ballou.

The vogue of many books has fled; Thermometers are always read.
—L. B. Hennessy.

Horse Play
"This gun kicks something fierce," said the pistol expert. "Maybe it's a Colt," suggested the horseman.
—O. F.

TYPHOON HITS GUAM
GUAM, Oct. 2.—(By The Associated Press.)—Thirty native houses were destroyed and damage amounting to \$200,000 has been done to naval and civil government property here by a typhoon. There were no casualties. Twenty-eight inches of rain fell in 30 hours.

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE
Father Buck Is Willing
Editor Statesman:
I am very grateful to Mr. Slicaller for his letter of appreciation of the bust of St. Joan of Arc, in last Sunday's Statesman, and I wish to say I have notified Hartman Brothers that they may place it in the window again if they care to do so. It is inspiring to me and I am glad to know it is inspiring to others also. Many have spoken and written to me about the beauty of the work, and I am glad to loan the bust for as long as it is wanted.
I am having two beautiful statues, life-sized, of the same marble and by the same sculptor, one of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the other of St. Joseph, placed in my church on either side of the main altar, and would take this occasion to invite everyone to see them. The church is open daily and one may visit it at any time. Sincerely,
(REV.) J. R. BUCK.

Whether Gen. Lang or Gen. Slin or Gen. Wu or Gen. Chi or Gen. Tso is getting ahead in China is not very clear to the American observer. But they can always bank on Gen. Disorder in the oriental republic.

Government of Mexico Would Save Children
MEXICO CITY, Sept. 2.—(AP.)—More than 50 per cent of the children born in Mexico never reach their first birthday, the federal department of health has announced in a bulletin with which it opened a child saving campaign. "Thousands of these little ones die because of improper alimentation," the department asserts.

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