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A MUCH NEEDED PRAYER... Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10.

WHAT WOULD HE HAVE DONE? There is a former employee of the Oregon penitentiary butting his head against the Legislature and trying to stir up something against the present management of the institution.

What would this man consider adequate? Would he want them boiled in oil? Would he have them drawn and quartered? Or shot at sunrise?

Some member of the Legislature, if he has time from his various duties to bother with this fellow, might ask him to be specific. Just what does he want done with a man who, having escaped from the penitentiary, is captured and returned—or returns of his own accord?

The fact is, the chances for escapes ought to be reduced to a minimum. The industries inside the wall ought to be built up, as they are being built up, to employ all the men; or nearly all of them. The wall ought to be extended, as planned.

There are some prisoners who may be trusted, absolutely—who will not run away. But they are few in proportion to the whole number; and they are generally the ones the inexperienced man would not pick out as being trustworthy in that respect.

As for investigating the present management of the penitentiary, the more it is investigated the plainer will it appear that it is very good; comparing very favorably with the best in the country, and headed towards still better conditions.

SUGAR BEETS IN MICHIGAN "Contracts practically the same as those offered last year, will be offered to sugar beet growers this year by the Michigan Sugar Co., it was announced at the Owosso plant.

"Under the terms of the so-called 45-55 contract to be offered again this year, the farmers are paid 45 per cent of the value of the sugar extracted from their beets, and the 55 per cent goes to the company which furnish the labor.

"The company during the past year, had over 16,000 acres of beets under contract, with 3000 growers in the Owosso territory. The growers have been paid their guarantee of seven dollars per ton, for last year's beets and on February 15 will receive their bonus, based on the '45-55' contract.

The above is from the Register-Union, Ovid, Mich., of the 22nd. There are 17 beet sugar factories in Michigan, that state standing well up to Utah with 19 factories, and to Colorado with 18, and California 13.

The fifty-fifty contract with the growers of sugar beets is very general throughout the country. In Michigan, as indicated, it is a 45-55 contract; but the factory there seems to put up the money for cultivation; or more probably advances it.

It is the fifty-fifty contract that is to be offered our Salem district growers, up to 750 acres for experimental purposes this year, by the Utah-Idaho company, if the railroads will give the proper freight rate to the factory being built at Bellingham.

The American Railway Express Company is to put into effect on March 1st lower rates on nearly everything. This will amount to a reduction in the cost of expressage on articles to and from Salem giving a saving of 10 to 25 per cent.

because the rates here have been proportionately too high; and the East is set back somewhat, because that section has been getting off too easy proportionately.

THE OLD STORY On the first page of the Polk County Observer this week there is a double column head giving Polk county news items of thirty years ago. Here is the first item: "Our legislators at Salem are not sitting idle. They are presenting an over-abundance of bills to be acted upon. Better do a little more repealing and not so much enacting."

Since that time thousands of bills have been enacted into law in Oregon and the legislature is still busy at work as much as if there hadn't been a legislature between then and now. If there were too many laws thirty years ago and some in need of repealing, just think what the situation is today. Multiply this by 48, and add a liberally minded congress to the total and you will see how many laws there are in the country.

It is absolutely impossible for any one man to keep track of all the laws, either in the state or nation. We are still holding to the belief that a law is a panacea for our ills and we are using our government more and more as a vehicle to do our business. Old-fashioned men used to deplore government in business, but now all work in some phase of it. That there is too much government is apparent. Just what we are going to do about it does not yet appear to be known.

RUSHING IN SUPPLIES The city of Nome, in Alaska, has an epidemic with no anti-toxin. Dog teams are being rushed at topmost speed to send in aid. Wherever there is suffering there is a great effort to relieve it. There is no use talking the world is getting better, more neighborly, more unselfish, more helpful.

Nome is one of the out-of-the-way places of the world, a place of which we seldom hear, and yet the call for help has met a thrill of response everywhere and the world is watching the progress of the dog teams as they make their relief trip to western Alaska.

A BUGABOO Now they tell us that the child labor amendment is socialism. The country doesn't fear socialism any more. It knows that there is no such thing as an organized socialist party. Socialism means so many things to so many different people that there is no way of defining it. Whatever we don't like is socialism, and whatever we do like is statesmanship.

Unquestionably, the tendency of the times is to be helpful, and if this be socialism, then the country is quite generally socialistic. But socialism held up as a bugaboo does not frighten anyone any more. We are doing so many things that our fathers would have thought socialistic that we just laugh and go on.

EXTRANEOUS MATTER They have a curious custom in congress of attaching riders to measures. For instance, the senate has been laboring over a postal increase bill. So far so good. However, when the measure came up for final passage an amendment was tacked onto it which limited the campaign expenses of congressmen and senators. The two subject matters have nothing in common.

It is a parliamentary practice that is wrong and makes no end of trouble. Congress is always getting in trouble by riders tacked on to measures where the subject matter is entirely different. That may be a great parliamentary body but it has some childish ways of doing things.

BE CAREFUL This spring when so much pruning will be done it will be mighty easy to butcher a tree, rather than trim it. A butchered tree means long, lingering illness for the tree and generally ultimate death. Some trees can recover, but they have a long spell of depression before doing so.

Pruning and trimming should be done carefully and no man should simply delegate these tasks to the hired man. They are the work of an expert, and the owner should either do it himself or employ someone who knows how.

PROTECTING WRITERS The writers of the country are being organized to fight for a copyright law protecting themselves against the movies and radio. They need something like this because an author is just as

much entitled to his royalty from a radio as he is from a reader. The radio is a new thing and we do not quite know how to handle it, but we will grope around until we do find a proper way of doing so.

STILL CREATING Despite the fact that Oregon has about all the government it can support, a principal business of the legislature is to create more government and therefore more offices, and still further more expenditures. We would not relinquish the government we have, but certainly we can wait a while before taking on any more.

There is such a thing as too much government, and all government is expensive. ADVANCE THE SEED The proposition to advance seed to the farmers in eastern Oregon is a good one. It is not putting the state in business, it is simply using the state as an agency for the people to loan to a part of their own number those things they must have in order to prosper. It is good politics. It is good business, and it is neighborly. It ought to pass.

Merchants to Gather to Hear Discussion of Bills The merchants of Salem are to meet at the Gray Belle Monday evening at 6 o'clock to discuss legislation now pending in the state legislature. Certain bills and acts which are affecting the

interests of the merchants are to be discussed. The merchants are unable to secure more than 48 reservations at the Gray Belle for that date and these already have been taken. Consequently, just a limited number will be able to hear O. F. Tate of Portland, secretary of the State Merchants' association, explain various bills and measures now before the state legislature.

Ab, well; Britain is entitled to just as many French promises as Uncle Sam receives.

SALT BY BERT MOSES Keeping up with neighbors is a sure way to keep broke.

Self-preservation is Nature's first law; to dodge taxes is a close second. Very few women understand the difference between flattery and admiration. Human nature moves slowly toward good things and fast toward things that are bad.

It's a mean man that takes from you an umbrella that you took from some one else. No matter how good an idea may be, if the public isn't ready for it, it won't work.

Hez Heck says: "Take style and curiosity out of a gal's life, and all that remains is a desire to gad." The merchants are unable to secure more than 48 reservations at the Gray Belle for that date and these already have been taken.

A Kindly Apology. After all—or was it my vanity speaking?—his voice and manner had been undoubtedly sincere and like most other men recant to their marriage vows, Harry Underwood no doubt cherished the conviction that if he only had married the right woman he could have been the subject of any one of the time-worn similes concerning truth.

"Please forgive me for laughing," I said softly. "I—I—really didn't mean to, but—somehow—" "The idea of me as a magnet-and-pole proposition sort of upset you?" Mr. Underwood queried. "I'll admit it is a bit ludicrous, considering my record. But don't you ever forget—I'll ever forget, Lady Fair, that with you—oh, what's the use!"

He broke off disgruntledly, and then he hastened to add: "You'd stand by and see me boiled in oil if it would save the Dicky-bird from the pain of having a feather or two pulled out. I might as well cut out the maple syrup-and-honey talk, though it's the sincerest I ever spieled, and get down to cases."

His voice deepened strangely with the last words, and his whole manner changed. He was neither the devil-may-care, ne'er-do-well, nor the sentimental pretty speech maker when he spoke again, but the sombre man of mystery of whom I had had a glimpse or two before.

Madge Is Terrified. "You think, of course, that I'm a totally irresponsible jack-in-the-box," he said with a suspicion of bitterness, more than a hint of cold wrath in his voice. "And the Lord knows I've given you and everybody else reason to think so. But there's one subject upon which I am absolutely straight goods and authority—that is the danger of your running around the country alone. If the Dicky-bird didn't need killing for this last stunt, he'd deserve it for not looking after you better. Believe me, little one, when I see him, as I'm going to make it my business to do in the next few hours—I'm going to scare the suspenders off him about you."

"Don't be absurd," I said pettishly, with a lively fear of such a representation to Dicky, and a half-rightened curiosity as to his meaning, although, indeed, I had a strong suspicion of what was going on in his brain. "These aren't the middle ages. I'm in no danger."

MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS Adele Garrison's New Phase of REVELATIONS OF A WIFE Copyright by Newspaper Feature Service

CHAPTER 372. ASTONISHING FACETS HARRY UNDERWOOD CALMLY DISCLOSED TO MADGE. "That's right!" Mr. Underwood exclaimed sullenly. "Laugh your darn fool head off when a guy's just handed you the sincerest spiel of his whole life! But that's a woman every time. They're all alike—not an ounce of appreciation or discernment in the whole tribe of 'em!"

He made the announcement with the air of a man who had at least rivalled Einstein. And morbidly depressed as I was I could not resist another smile, which luckily Mr. Underwood, absorbed in his grievance, did not notice.

I could have retorted that my flamboyant speech and sulkiness when I failed to appreciate it had proved to me again that men did not differ much in their mental and emotional processes. But I wisely repressed it. Instead, I prepared to apologize for my involuntary rudeness.

VERSATILE SELECTIONS OFFERED IN CONCERT (Continued from page 1) ity of design with hymnal racks and brass tabs. The hymnal racks are built underneath the pews. In the dome, as well as in the windows, amber and lavender art glass is used. The organ console is at the right of the broad rostrum, the woodwork of which is all in ivory, with old ivory used for the walls. Pillars, pews, and dome all combine to make this auditorium one of the most beautiful and distinctive as any in Salem.

The new pipe organ, built by the two brothers of the Guenther company of Portland, who represent the third generation in pipe organ work, instead of pneumatic, is under entire electrical control. There are 652 pipes, with 22 stops, 12 couplers and 19 pistons, with the swell organ effects equaling 75 per cent. Over 30 miles of wires are used in this splendidly constructed instrument with its expression comprising a pedal, great and swell organ. A motor of two horse-power is used.

The architect for the edifice was Harold D. Marsh of Portland, with Wenger brothers as contractors. Insofar as possible the materials used in the construction and in the furnishing were purchased of local merchants.

SILVERTON MAN SEEKING FAMILY Russian Resident Goes to Canada to Bring Wife to United States SILVERTON, Jan. 30.—(Special to The Statesman.)—After trying for two years to get his wife and five children from Russia to the United States, A. La Fleure of Silvertown has gone to Canada to make an effort to get his family into that country, as emigration laws are said not to be as strict there as here.

Mr. La Fleure some time ago placed money for the transportation of the family with a steamship company and a few days ago the company returned his money, telling him that it was impossible to get the family through. Since Mr. La Fleure left Russia, 13 years ago, his family has grown up and it is now almost time for his oldest son to serve four years in the Russian army. This, according to Mr. La Fleure, is an ordeal to be avoided, as the pay is but 22 cents per month and the fare and treatment is anything but pleasant.

Purchasing Agency Powers For Board of Control Under a bill introduced yesterday by Representative Burdick, the state board of control would be required to act as a purchasing agency for all state activities. The board would also prescribe the forms and adopt rules and regulations not inconsistent with the law as shall be necessary to administration.

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FOR SALE—Miscellaneous 8 FORDSON TRACTOR, WITH TANDUM DISC and bottom plow, for sale or trade for livestock or automobile. Might take a loan. JOHN H. SCOTT 305 Oregon Bldg. 8:11.

Fruit Trees Walnuts and shrunberry. High and Early. Fruited Nuts. J. J. Mainland, Prop. Phone 1140-M. 8:11-11.

FOR SALE—OLD NEWSPAPERS, 11 cents a bundle. Circulation department Oregon Statesman. FOR SALE—42 SHARES, (\$50 EACH) United Drug Co. (Brazill) 1st preferred stock, 7 per cent guaranteed, payable quarterly. Wm. Neimeyer, 175 N. Commercial. 8:11.

Cross Word Puzzle SNAPPY THINKING No. 283

ACROSS 1 Mediocore 6 Girl's name 11 One of the Apostles 12 Enlarge 13 A famous sorceress 15 Nickname of a man 16 Fowl 17 Plant 18 Eastern state 19 Upsets 21 Obstruct 23 Of the (It) 25 Donkey 26 Change 28 Goddess 29 Pronoun (poss) 30 Pastry 31 Negative 33 Point 35 Diphthong 36 Mates 37 Period 39 Child's name for mother 40 Cyst 41 Tree 42 Is 44 Stagger 47 Sincere 49 By 50 Our country 52 24 hours 53 Soak 54 Suffix of ordinal numbers 54 Excite 57 Cornered 59 Greek letter 60 Ova 62 Suffix denoting state 63 The king in one of Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales." 64 By 65 Obsolete (sb) 66 A secretion of the liver. 67 Prefix meaning joined 69 One of the senses 71 Until (Contr) 72 Needs 74 Bows 75 Elevates

DOWN 1 Arrange 2 And (Lat) 3 Amounts due 4 Goddess of the rainbow 5 Interposes 6 Enzymes 7 Frosted 8 Large sea duck 9 Physician (ab) 10 Praise 11 Fondle 14 Greek letter 20 Legal seals (ab) 22 By 24 Pasture 26 To trouble 32 Eggs 29 Short syllable followed by a long one 32 Fish 33 Opera by Flotow 36 Equally 38 Girl's name 43 Appreciates 45 Dine 46 Players on a musical instrument 47 Quiver 48 Color 49 Assault 51 Plume 54 Fish 56 Royal Guard (ab) 58 Part of "to be" (Lat) 59 Cry of a sheep 61 Song 63 Same as 63 across 64 Postscript (ab) 68 Bone (Lat) 70 Behold 73 Civil Engineer (ab)

FUTURE DATES January 27-31 inclusive—Annual penitentiary show. February 3, Tuesday—Third annual concert, Women's Auxiliary, Y.M.C.A. First Methodist church. February 7, Saturday—Debate, Willamette University vs. University of West Virginia. February 9 to 18—Annual Red Cross drive. March 12 to 14, Thursday to Saturday—Annual Oregon State Championship basketball tournament, Willamette University. March 14, Saturday—Oregon Physical Education association meeting, Willamette University.

ANSWER TOMORROW

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