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THE OMNISCIENT GUIDE:—The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord. Psalm 37:23.
PRAYER:—Enable us, O Lord, to study Thy word faithfully. Then it shall be a lamp to our feet and a guide to our path.

NEARLY ALL AMERICANS DECENT

Nearly all normal Americans are decent. How is this statement to be proved? It is easy—
 It can be proved by the movies. Fifteen million people go to the movies every day in America. Over a year ago, the heads of the great moving picture producing houses of the United States resolved that they would "prevent the prevalent type of book and play from becoming the prevalent type of picture;" and that they would not in their profession "offend common decency."

Why did they do this?
 Mostly, because it was good business. The American people, for the most part, want decent movies. They are their own censors. An obscene movie may get by for a short run in some section of any one of the great cities—
 But it will not get by in the decent sections there, nor in the thousands of small cities and towns.

Result, indecent movies are not being made. It is just not being done.
 Put a long mark up on the slate of your memory, for the fact that nearly all the normal people of the United States are decent.

"\$18,500 REALIZED ON TWELVE ACRES"

(Woodburn Independent.)
 "On 12 acres of rich beaverdam land at Lake Labish, near Gervais, Perry Seely and the Kunze Brothers raised onion sets that brought them the handsome sum of \$18,500.

"These made almost 11 carloads, 6 of which were contracted to the Fred Dose commission house at Woodburn, the remainder going to other parties. All were shipped to the eastern markets, where Mr. Dose has orders for many carloads to be delivered next season.

"In addition to this 12 acre yield, Mr. Seely and the Kunze boys utilized another tract of onion land. The product of onion sets from this 12 acre tract amounted to 180,000 pounds for 6 cars at 4 1/2 cents to the producers; 1 car, 30,000 pounds, at 5 cents; 1 car, 30,000 pounds, 6 cents; 1 car, 30,000 pounds, 7 cents, and 1 2-3 cars, 50,000 pounds, 10 cents, the aggregate receipts reaching \$18,500.

"While this section is considered a great berry center, it is also attractive as a wonderful producer of onions, the foregoing figures conclusively proving that a small tract of only 12 acres can be highly profitable.

"This beaverdam soil is especially adapted to the raising of onions and onion sets and for this reason both have a good marketable price. Ten acres of such ground, cleared, at Lake Labish, recently sold at \$1,000 an acre. The 12 acres that brought such rich returns were part of the old Hayes farm.

"It is very doubtful if any section of the United States, with any other crop, can make as good showing on the same amount of acreage. This is a return to the producers of about \$1,542 per acre. It is, therefore, not surprising, that this beaverdam land commands a purchase price of \$1,000 an acre and is considered cheap at that figure."

The above, from the Woodburn Independent, makes a splendid showing for the beaverdam soil of the Salem district—

And the writer had in mind calling the especial attention to this showing of the scouts who are spying out the land for the Czechoslovak colonists looking this way—

But the announcement has been made that they have already selected Oregon, where they will buy land and help make this state the most prosperous section of the world; and the writer happens to know that the leaders favor the Willamette valley, with an especial preference for the Salem district.

But we do not confine our bonanza crops to onion sets, or to onions. We have the land of diversity.

There is a long list in which we excel, including flax, filberts, walnuts, prunes, dairying, loganberries, strawberries, apples, raspberries, mint, blackberries, cherries, pears, gooseberries, celery, head lettuce, sugar beets, poultry, bulbs, goats, sheep, etc., etc.

In a large number of products, we have what amounts to a franchise; that is, we can produce them of better quality or to better advantage or at lower cost than other sections—we are above the dead line of mere competition on an equal basis.

This is the case of flax, which the Czechoslovaks will understand. And of sugar. These two industries alone are capable of supporting here in the Salem district twenty times the present population.

It is a fine thing to know that Czechoslovaks of the United States who want to get back to the land, and have the money to buy it, and the industry and love of it to work it and work it well, are now headed towards Oregon; particularly towards the Willamette valley, and still more especially towards the Salem district—

A half million of them, and then a great many more. They will help wonderfully in a lot of development work that needs to be done in this district. They will powerfully speed up the good times coming.

REGARDING ADOPTION

According to the Oregon Magazine Donegan Wiggins has projected a plan for getting Albert Richard Wetjen back to the United States which is novel and which ought to be effective. It will be recalled that Wetjen came into the United States without going through the usual port of

land he found he would have to stay there until the next quota. It was then the discussion as to how he was to get back arose. Here is what the Oregon Magazine says about it:

"About three years ago Mr. Wetjen, who had been assea for some time, came into the United States without the formality of advising our then secretary of state, Charles E. Hughes, or his associates in the immigration department. Now that they have found it out they seem peeved, and now that he is out they won't let him in again—only a six months' leave. Then some other folks are peeved, including Dick's friends and neighbors, for Dick is a good neighbor and a bully good fellow, and has lots of knowledge about the world and human nature. He is just as good a storyteller as he is a writer."

Here comes a sequel to it. Donegan Wiggins is all wrought up about this treatment of his friend Dick, and is willing to submit to blood transfusion to get his pal back home again. To quote further: "Don is a restless sort of dreamer and has a brand of vision all his own, has formulated a self-sacrificing plan that will not entail the spilling of blood—at least not him. Don admits it is a big idea and one of the kind that is so big it is simple—almost childish in fact. Don is a bachelor and having no children, is willing to adopt Dick as his own little boy child. Now, isn't that sweet? It is all lovely—all but just one thing. Don is afraid to ask his father. Don's papa may not let Don adopt Dick."

We submit that this is a plan that ought to prove successful, and if the immigration department does not accept it, the city of Salem should rise en masse and offer to adopt this distinguished citizen now sojourning in London because we want him here. He is an asset and a mighty good one.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION

The Silverton Appeal makes this pertinent suggestion:

"The sorrow of the governor touches the hearts of the state. The time should come speedily when our public officials, from the president down, should be freed, by law, from the petty, and destructive and venomous satire which now seems to be their common lot. The men whom we elect to fill our high offices should be shown the honor and courtesy which their rank demands while they remain in office."

It is certainly true we are giving our public officials a fair show. We condemn them the moment they go into office and continue to condemn them until their term of office expires. The average statesman has to wait until he dies in order to get recognition for his services. Then it is too late to do him any good. The outstanding disgrace of America is its treatment of public officials.

A CONVENTION CITY

Salem has ambitions to become a convention city and is making some progress. There are a number of things necessary in making a convention city. The hotels have a good deal to do with it because in many instances they raise their rates for conventions. There are also a lot of other requirements that a city must meet. They have been outlined by a student of such things as follows:

1. A convention hall ample in space and other accommodations for large gatherings and with good acoustic properties.

2. Ample and excellent hotel accommodations at reasonable prices.

3. A probability of pleasant weather, when the conventions are held.

4. Assurance of local interest in the proposed conventions and helpful cooperation.
 Salem has no intentions of aspiring to be a national convention city. Portland is the only city in Oregon that has any chance for that. What we do aspire to is to entertain conventions in the northwest. First of all we need an auditorium. Another thing we need is a building in the auto park not for conventions but for nightly gatherings of tourists. We could just as well attract tourists from all over the country.

A STRONG MAN

Senator Smoot of Utah is one of the strongest men in the senate. He is a leader who is always on the job and he has fought every inch of his way. At first he had a hard time keeping from being expelled from the senate, but he won his way, and since all question to his seat was dropped he has become a national figure. The senate needs men like Smoot, men who take a national view, who believe in party organization, and yet are fair in all their conduct. Smoot is as clean a statesman as there is in the United States and there are mighty few of them more intelligent.

THE GUILTY ONES

Chief Justice Wheeler of Connecticut it out with a declaration that if the man who is bribed is more guilty than the briber, by the same process of reasoning a man who buys liquor from a bootlegger is more guilty than the bootlegger. There would be no bootlegging if there were no purchasers, says this judge. Connecticut is putting both in the same catalog and giving the same punishment to both, and we submit that this sort of a law is not only absolutely fair but it is justified by the attitude of many of our citizens.

There is one class of opponents of prohibition who can not consistently object to the proposed Connecticut law—those citizens who condemned the method of helping law enforcement by the assistance of detectives, by them opprobriously termed "stool pigeons." They are indignant when agents of the law, in advancement of law enforcement "tempt other, to commit crimes or misdemeanors," but seem to think that it is permissible for them to tempt these same law breakers to violate the laws, as is done every time a purchase is made of illicit liquor.

GONE TO STAY

The liquor traffic can no more come back than the buffalo. It belongs to yesterday as much as the covered wagon. The law is violated, of course, but no more than every great law is violated upon initiation. The fight is only to increase the alcoholic content which indicates the strength of public sentiment. No one dares to ask that the saloon come back. Light wine and beer will not come back. They are gone to stay.



THE ULTIMATE THRILL

By M. L. Frankel
 No struggles titanic
 Have thrown in a panic
 My slow-going, prosaic life;
 I've seldom, if ever,
 Run off with another man's wife.
 I've written no tomes
 Full of high-sounding pomes,
 Such drivel I never have driven;
 But once a much-drammer
 I wrote (called "Life's Glamour,"
 And so I can say that I've lived!
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THE BEST

Mr. Peater: "There, my dear, is a laughing hyena. Ha laughs at almost anything."
 Mrs. Peate: "Try one of your stories on him, John."

Tuning In!

Political Speaker: "What is it that troubles this country most? Answer me that!"
 Voice from Audience: "Static!"
 —Gertrude.

The Secret Is Out

"I always silt my furnace ashes. That's my regular morning job, including Sunday."
 "Do you think you save enough fuel by it to pay for your labor?"
 "Maybe not, but I don't know any easier way to get out of going to church."
 —Austin Webber.

WILD WILLIES

Willie, in a pot of stew,
 Popped a tulip-bulb or two;
 Papa said at tea that night:
 "Ma, these onions ain't quite right."
 —Phillip Davidson.

How They Figure It Out

Augustine: "Tom is engaged to a nice, sensible girl."
 Marie: "Goodness! Is she as homely as all that, dear?"
 —Symphorosa Mattie

A SEAL STORY

By Dr. Walter E. Traprock
 One of my most profitable adventures was when, as a young man, I was prospecting among the vast salt deposits of southern Russia.
 These lie at a level considerably lower than that of the nearby Caspian Sea. During the course of a severe storm—the Caspian broke its bounds and flowed into

MAKING GAINS

It is true that the church has gone through a most distressing period and unfriendly critics have seized upon this to say that the church was decadent and must pass away. However, there is proof that the church is a living vital influence today. The total church membership in the United States is 46,142,000. The evangelistic gain in 1924 was 336,000. The church is changing; creed does not bind as it did. There is a better feeling all around, but religion is stronger than it ever was, and the church is coming back. It has profited by the scourge of the war. A table before us shows that while some churches have lost, the general gain has been so commendable that the church may be said to be more vital than it has ever been.

EVERYDAY THINGS

The announcement that the river Shannon, known in song and story, is to be harnessed to furnish electric power, will come as a startling surprise and a shock to the world. That river has been sung more than any river in the world. And even Nottingham forest, made famous by Robin Hood, now known more in drama than in literature, is to have a railroad run through it. Already gasoline launches are churning up the Road to Mandalay. The river Jordan is to have a dam. With so much literary desecration it is no wonder that the river Shannon should be turned to the prosaic use of furnishing power to feed people rather than used in poetry to thrill them. Ireland is one of the last countries to fall in line in giving modern progress the right of way over poetry and sentiment.

LENTE TALKS THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST JOHN

Rev. ERNEST H. SHANKS, Pastor of the First Baptist Church
 MARCH 15, 1925
 John 7:25-36. Debate in the Temple. The People Divided. 25-27. Jesus Declares Himself. 28, 29. Many Believe on Him. 30, 31. Quibble of the Pharisees. 32-36. Key: "Know."
 Memory verses: 28, 29, 33, 34.

INTOLERANCE is a great sin when it gets into the heart. One I should never tolerate sin in any form. But the spirit of intolerance for those who may differ from us in matters of belief is contrary to God. Patiently to show them when they are wrong, and lovingly to help them into the right is like the spirit of Christ. It is no contradiction to denounce the wrong, while at the same time show tenderness to the wrong-doer. The quibbling Pharisees were very wrong, yet Jesus loved them enough to pray for them and to seek to turn them to God. How fine it would be if more people would seek to have the Christ-spirit.

28. "Ye both know Me, and know whence I am: and I am not come of Myself, but He that sent Me is true, Whom ye know not."
 29. "But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He hath sent me."
 30. "Yet a little while I am with you, and then I go unto Him that sent Me."
 31. "Ye shall seek Me and shall not find Me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come."

Love Divine, all loves excelling,
 Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
 Fix in us Thy humble dwelling.
 All Thy faithful mercies crown:
 Jesus Thou art all compassion,
 Pure unbounded love Thou art;
 Visit us with Thy salvation,
 Enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
 Into every troubled breast;
 Let us all in Thee inherit,
 Let us find Thy promised rest;
 Take away the love of sinning,
 Alpha and Omega be;
 End of faith, as its beginning,
 Set our hearts at liberty.—WESLEY.

make her neither happier nor more content. The husband who is never content with what his wife does for him is a breeder of domestic friction, and he is usually the same in business affairs.

Discontent among members of churches is certain to either disrupt the body or drive a worthy pastor to another field. Likewise a disgruntled pastor will disorganize an otherwise forward-going church.

Of course discontent with faulty conditions, civic or social, is justifiable and will bring about a reform. Discontent with stagnation in business, civic lethargy, and absence of community development, is proper. It will induce growth and advancement.

MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS

Adèle Garrison's New Phase of REVELATIONS OF A WIFE
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MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS ... CHAPTER 408

THE DOUBLE ASSURANCE DON RAMON GAVE MADGE THAT THEY WERE SAFE FROM DR. PETTIT'S INTERFERENCE.

For a bewildered minute or two I could not imagine what Harry Underwood meant me to understand by his request for a piece of paper and a string to wrap up the pieces of wire which he had managed that no one beside myself should see. But mechanically I produced the articles for which he asked—it is my invariable practice to carry with me the wrapping for an extra parcel—and watched him with puzzled eyes as he turned his back to us, speedily made a small, compact parcel, and came back to the side of Brother Bill who had resumed his seat at the wheel of the car.

"I have so great a fear that I will forget this, he said soverly that I wish to confide it to you now. When the gentleman who arrived in so great a hurry this morning, left in likewise haste, he lost this from his car. I am a motorist myself and I know he will miss it before he has gone very far. Unfortunately it has slipped my memory up to now. Will you be so kind as to convey this to the good lady of the hotel, and ask her to give it to the so-called gentleman with my compliments, should he miss it?"

THOUGHTS FOR EVERY DAY

By Editor J. B. Farker of The Conway (Arkansas) News
 Ben Franklin said that discontents arise from our desires for things we do not need often than from real wants.

One of the most tragical mistakes of men and women is to suffer from discontent.
 The discontented citizen is an embargo upon his community. He is out of harmony with both himself and his neighbors, and he is a source of trouble in civic affairs.

The discontented wife is a heavy load that some uncomplaining husbands carry, but he's an unhappy man just the same. The wife's wants are well supplied, but discontent has gripped her and is disturbing other things that she doesn't need and their possession will

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COAL

If I had expressed myself unreservedly as our modern psycho-analysis advise, I should have shouted with laughter and joy, and would have effusively thanked Mr. Underwood. Instead, I murmured a conventional "Thank you, you are very kind," and the next minute Brother Bill's motor car was carrying Claire and me away from the station.

We rode several minutes in silence, I re-veling in the freedom from worry which Harry Underwood's little speech had given me. The sound of Claire Foster's voice tremulous, uneasy, made me realize that she had not the certainty of Dr. Pettit's inability to find us that I possessed.

"Aren't you afraid that Herbert may by some chance find out our road?" she asked. "You know what a demon driver he is. He would be over to Nantucket in no time, if he once found the road."

"Not a chance in the world," I returned truthfully. "Mrs. Barker gave him to understand that we had gone to Caldwell, and he'll go straight there, that is, if those queer things from his car, which the old gentleman picked up, do not delay him even longer. The old chap seemed to think they were necessary."

"What a queer old duck he is," she commented, and I saw that she had brightened perceptibly with the assurance I had given her.

Indeed she made no further reference to the physician during the rest of the drive, and I think she was as relaxed and rested as I when promptly at the end of the hour Brother Bill drew up his car to the station platform at Nantucket.

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