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WAIT PATIENTLY.—Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. Psalm 27:14.

PRAYER.—O Thou Who art never weary, we wait on Thee. O Thou renew our strength that we may fly like the eagle, and even walk and not faint.

THANK YOU

"The Willamette valley is the best place in the United States to raise flax," declared D. M. Sanson, linen manufacturer of Canada and New York. And it's one of the best places in the world to raise flax. And there will be a day when linen manufacture from Willamette valley flax will be a big industry in Salem and possibly other cities in Oregon. Such an industry is a thing ordained by nature for Western Oregon and the lethargy and inertia of man will not always stand in its way.—Portland Journal.

We hope to have the center of the industry in Salem. But even if all the spinning and weaving were done in Salem, a big linen industry developed in this city would benefit every nook and corner of the Willamette valley, and all of Oregon—

For the production of the raw materials up to the fiber stage will be a big end of the industry—

And, of course, most of the cities of the Willamette valley will in time get linen factories. This is a development that is sure to come. It is on the way now.

The Salem district is developing a honey bee boom. A very good idea. We should have nothing but pure bred golden bees, and ample supplies of late bee pasture. Then we would have the greatest bee country in the world. And there would be little danger of fruit failure from lack of pollination.

"ONE OF OREGON'S NEEDS"

(Eugene Register.)

From the current issue of the Harrisburg Bulletin, we call this pertinent little query:

"Do you know Oregon has 51 dairy herds qualifying in the national honor roll as having an annual production per herd of 300 pounds of butterfat per animal for the year?"

We did not know it, but we are glad to find it out. Having found it out, we venture the guess that the owners of these 51 herds are not complaining about the hard lot of the dairyman. The best figures obtainable indicate that a dairy cow begins to pay her owner a fair profit when she reaches an annual production of 240 pounds of butterfat, and so these cows that have reached the 300-pound mark are real money makers.

The trouble with the dairy business—and dairying has its troubles, the same as everything else—is that production per cow is not high enough. In Lane county, for example, it is estimated by those who ought to know that the average production per cow is around 140 pounds per year. That means that each cow lacks 100 pounds of butterfat of showing a profit. This, of course, is not literally true. There are many cows here that pass the 240-pound mark, but the average is brought down by the large number of animals that fall far below that figure.

The great need is for fewer cows and better ones. The 140-pound cow eats practically as much as her 300-pound sister, but fails to pay for her keep. Her owner, naturally enough, is cynical when he hears it said that dairying is profitable. He works hard but he fails to make money. The trouble is that he is not working with good tools.

Oregon is undeniably a great dairying state. The fact that it has seven of the highest producing Jerseys in the world proves that. Its 51 herds with an average production of 300 pounds per cow is further proof. But it cannot be denied that we need more 300-pound producers.

The above from the Eugene Register is good and timely—And the Oregon dairymen are constantly improving their herds, and making for their state the reputation of being the best dairying country in the world—

In which devoted and more or less unselfish work they have reason to regard themselves as lacking the gratitude and appreciation of a majority of their fellow citizens, as shown by the vote of last November, when the coconut cow of the Orient was given the right of way over the wonderful queens of our home herds.

All the people of Oregon should be joined together with the dairymen in weeding out the 140-pound cow; the ordinary brindle cow, and in bringing the lowest producer above the 240 pound, or even the 300 pound mark. It can be done—Indeed, it can be doubled, and more.

Develop beet sugar factories, and that will help a lot, in furnishing cheap feed from the tops and pulp. So also with the bolls of the flax in developing the flax and linen industries; also the oil meal.

Oregon being naturally a great dairying state, we are derelict if we do not major along dairying lines; think dairying; sympathize with and help dairymen. Set the industry on a pedestal, where it belongs.

WILL GO ON

There is considerable speculation about the future of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad which has now gone into the hands of receivers. Of course its present is cloudy, but the road serves such a wide country and runs through such a rich land that it is bound to succeed.

However—The road is over-capitalized. The bonds must be scaled down. They should be scaled down pro-

portionately so that the losers all lose alike. It will take courage to get a square deal for the various classes of creditors, but it must be done, and when the road is refinanced, the water must be taken out of it.

There is the eternal question of consolidation with another road, and we are inclined to believe in the near future there is going to be a working agreement between all the railroads of the country with regional interests, so there will be an entire elimination of

competition and also a more equitable business distribution. We need all these great lines, and there is business enough to support them, but they cannot continue paying dividends on watered stock. There is such a demand for reduction of freight rates that we must get back to first principles. The transportation act of 1920 authorizes consolidation when voluntarily sought, and emphasis is placed upon the voluntary. The commission, in fact, employed an expert adviser to work out a plan of general regional consolidations. His plan proposed a merger of the Milwaukee with the Great Northern and of the Burlington with the Northern Pacific. The Northern Pacific probably could have been led, with little coaxing, to agree to that plan, for the Burlington, now owned jointly by the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern, is a fine profit earner and has helped to tide over its owners through several lean years. But the Great Northern objected. It did not want to be linked up with a losing system.

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the time is close when they will be entirely fished out of the streams. For if smelt are a good thing, then they are entitled to careful protection, and they should have it before they have gone to join the buffalo, the prairie chicken and other sport propositions.

A DISAPPOINTMENT

The Teapot Dome case is a disappointment. The government at this distance does not appear to have made a case against the defendants and the government was confronted with a mighty stiff case. There is little question about the guilt of the defendant, but there is a mighty grave question about how far it has been proved.

MY MARRIAGE PROBLEMS

Adele Garrison's New Phase of REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

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CHAPTER 415

WHAT CLAIRE THOUGHTLESSLY AND UNINTENTIONALLY DISCLOSED

Our taxi turned from Fifth avenue into the rabbit warren of streets which is in Greenwich Village. And after a series of turns and twistings through narrow streets and around corners which left me without the slightest vestige of direction. It abruptly stopped before a small apartment house. It was of the type which, a number of years ago, replaced many of the old houses of the village, and are now in turn being shoved out of the way by the new and fantastic architecture which holds sway there.

"Here we are," Dicky spoke for the first time since his sulky outbreak at me. "Just tote those bags up to the fourth floor, will you please?"

The chauffeur gathered up the bags, and when Dicky had helped us out, we walked into the tiny scrupulously-clean tiled vestibule, and waited while Dicky unlocked the vestibule door, in feminine fashion both Claire and I took in the names over the letter-boxes as Dicky struggled with the unfamiliar key.

Two bore a single name, evidently that of the conventional head of the household. Of the others, most were inscribed with three or four names apiece, indicating that a group of women shared an apartment. The one in which I was most interested showed the names of Robert Bliss, Elizabeth Bliss, and there was one other which bore the legend George Brill, Margaret Gates, and at which Claire Foster turned an excited face to me.

"What do you know about that?" she whispered. "We have distinguished neighbors."

A Suppressed Retort. I recognized the names as those of two of the most radical members of our new literati. Married as they themselves explained, only out of deference to the ridiculous prejudices of old and ailing parents, as otherwise they would have flung the outworn and useless old rite to the winds, the possessors of a small daughter whom they were rearing according to the ultra-modern ideas, they had occupied much space—far too much. I thought privately—in the magazines and newspapers. But they were undoubtedly good copy. I had supposed Claire Foster to be far too worldly wise to be at all impressed by their names, but she evidently was still an enthusiastic curious and credulous child beneath her armor.

A caustic retort as to the desirability of her adjective trembled on my lips, but I suppressed it.

"Yes," I answered, as we waited for Dicky and the chauffeur with the luggage to lead the way up the unfamiliar staircase, "they would probably die of the disgrace should ever the wife be addressed by her husband's name instead of her own."

"Don't you believe in a wife having a separate identity?" she asked wide-eyed.

"Of course," I returned. The Chauffeur Is Interested. "Then what's wrong with the name plate?"

We rounded the first landing as she put the query. I waited until we had reached the second before replying. I did not care to reveal to her my own private opinion that the people we had been discussing were ahead press agents of themselves, who managed to keep pretty constantly in the limelight with their freakish views and actions, and I needed a few seconds to keep that conviction out of my answer.

"Not a thing," I said lightly. "It's all a matter of personal taste, don't you think?" For my own part, I prefer the same cards over the apartment to which we are going. Robert Bliss, Elizabeth Bliss. That gives the wife a separate identity, and yet has dignity. But, don't mistake me. I neither approve nor disapprove of the other method.

"Well," she giggled nervously, as we mounted the last flight of steps. "It isn't a question which we'll settle here. There are none of us anxious to have our names over the door downstairs."

I knew that she supposed she was speaking in a voice inaudible to anyone but me. Her fresh, young voice, however, has far more carrying power than she dreamed, and the words sounded clearly in the deserted hall. I satisfied myself with a quick glance around that the hall was deserted, then as my eyes came back to the open door of the apartment in front of us I saw the chauffeur waiting for Dicky to count out his fare, cast swift, furtive looks at both Claire and me. And when Dicky had paid and dismissed him, he managed cleverly to give all three of us another look as with apparent assiduousness he inquired if there was anything more he could do for us.

(To be Continued)

The Fun Shop

By MAXSON FOXHALL JUDELL

HERE, WHAT TH— ROGUSH ROLLO

I A Lesson in English

"Always speak politely, dear. Don't use slang; avoid such queer words as 'Shucks' or 'Bunk' or 'Rats.'" "Ma," said Rollo, "you're the cats!"

"If, for instance, you enjoy books or pictures that you see, say so, but do not employ terms like 'Gosh' or 'Hully Gee.' They are common, you'll allow." "Ma," said Rollo, "you're a wow!" —Gertrude

II The Club

We had a Club, up under our eaves, Four of us fellers, "The Secret Four." We went through the trunk-room, back of the trunks, An' rapped three times on the Club-house door. There wasn't any trouble that I can remember 'Till we set the house afire, last September.

'N' we had a swimmin' pool, in our tank; Not very big, but it did pretty well. We'd sneak up when the family was out And splash around. Boy, it was swell! 'N' there wasn't any trouble that I recall 'Till we flooded the living-room, last Fall. —Mrs. Benjamin Runkle

III PROVOKING POLLY

Polly, by her little self, Found a cook-book on the shelf, Chops; also; she quickly took them, Reading as she tried to cook them. "What," she said, the pages turn— "Does one do when chops are burning?" —Violet C. Bibb

II WILD WILLIES

Willie had his picture took. My, he wore a nasty look. her own. "Don't you believe in a wife having a separate identity?" she asked wide-eyed. "Of course," I returned. The Chauffeur Is Interested. "Then what's wrong with the name plate?"

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so I can get your date. I have recently been told by a visitor from the northern part of the state of New York, once a timbered country, that common 2x4 and boxing cost \$45 per 1,000 feet out there; have heard the same from Kansas and Texas; so some of our farmers out here ought to be thinking of growing timber, even if only for self-protection against these high prices.

JOHN BARTNIK, Scotts Mills, Or.

Bits For Breakfast

A bee boom is on— And every fruit man ought to be stung. It cannot get too wild, any more than our poultry boom.

We must weed out the scrub hens and cows and all the rest of the scrubs, high and low. It does not pay to produce scrubs of any kind—even scrub people.

The Slogan man will tell about our head lettuce boom in Thursday's paper. If you have something in your head about head lettuce, please tell the Slogan editor.

The rut is only a small-sized grave. The best way to remember a thing is to try to forget it.

The man with an elastic conscience can always stretch a point, Most politicians will stand for what they think the people will fall for.

Life is a masquerade, and only death has the power to remove the mask. Some little girls have time to play and some have parents who think they have musical talent.

Another puzzle that increases the vocabulary of short and useful words is trying to make ends meet. Now a broker has paid \$13,000 for a seat on the New York Curb. The old town is getting so cluttered up that they will soon be charging a couple of hundred bucks for standing room.

They are learning to appreciate American plumbing on the continent and our tourists who operate on a schedule of a pa-a day are able to get away with it in some of the old towns where the folks only washed when the river was high. Our reputation for cleanliness is such that in some of the newer governments they have the idea that what is mentioned as the American bar must be a bar of soap.

Not A Sticking Kind Three-year old Frank had his curiosity aroused one day when he saw his mother using something out of a tube on her mouth. He asked her what it was. "Toothpaste, my dear," said mother. "Is that what God stuck my teeth in with?" he asked. —Mrs. G. S. Mannes

CROSS WORD LIMERICKS "This high cost of—(1) said Spott, "Makes me most decidedly—(2), Spite of raises in—(3) The thing—(4) to stay Some ten per cent—(5) than I've got!"

1. What we want to be doing for a long time. 2. What we'd like to have it, in the winter. 3. What we all work for. 4. What a tailor makes to hold pieces of cloth together. 5. What we all want, when it comes to money. —Elsie Schilling

TOO Theoretical She specialized in—(1) in efficiency; Her—(2) said she showed proficiency; Though she made a—(3) grade, She is still an—(4) maid; In loving—(5) showed great deficiency.

1. What brings the gray hairs. 2. There is one in every school room. 3. Swell autos go up hills on this. 4. What a clever woman stops becoming. 5. Pronoun describing very interesting half of the population. —John J. McGregor

Editorials of the People

Wants Timber Farmers Editor Statesman: Your editorials, "A Warning," Feb. 26, and "Time for Thinking," March 12, have tempted me to unload something that has been gathering on my mind for some time. We have been told that there is overproduction on the part of the farmers' staple crops, and we know in many sidelines, also, but who has ever heard of an overproduction in timber?

Could we not as well have some timber farmers? If this could set some young man, or even an older one, thinking in that direction, I would be fully paid for this effort. That the plan is practical, I have proved on my own place. My experience is this: an acre will grow an increase of 1,000 feet a year; I have heard of a higher estimate than this, so a small sawmill on a place of 160 acres medium timber could take out 100,000 feet a year forever, besides some land being left for other purposes.

Rough land will grow timber as well as level land, and there may be some who have suitable pieces now, or if they cannot use it themselves they might be willing to exchange it for other property. There are also pieces of the Oregon-California land grant that would suit the purpose if they can be had. To a few interested I would be willing to demonstrate the feasibility of the plan on my own little place, write me,

Many of the Jews, who came to Mary and behold which He did, believed on Him.

But some of them went away to the Pharisees, and told them the things which Jesus had done.

So from that day forth they took counsel that they might put Him to death.

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District Convention is Attended By More Than 400 SILVERTON, Ore., March 23.—(Special)—Four hundred attended the district convention of Rebekahs at Silverton Saturday night. A large representation was present from each of the 12 lodges in the district. Mrs. W. P. Gilkerson, district president presided. Mrs. Gertrude Beach of Woodburn, vice-chairman; Mrs. Elsie Simmeral of Salem, secretary. The district will meet at Salem next year.

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by Rev. ERNEST H. SHANKS, Pastor of the First Baptist Church

MARCH 24, 1925
John 11:45-57. "The Signs Wrought."
Many believe on Jesus. 45, 46.
The High Priests' Counsel. 48-53.
Withdrawal from Jerusalem. 54-57.
Key: "Believe."
Memory verses: 45, 46, 53.

It does seem strange to us that the religious leaders of His day should be determined to destroy His influence and deny His authority. One would think, as he reads the story of His marvelous life, they would have rejoiced in His message and eagerly become His disciples. Intolerance and bigotry blind the eyes to real truth and beauty. The apostle said, "Not many mighty ones" believe and are saved. The proofs of Jesus' ministry could not be denied successfully, and this only seemed to increase their anger. They rejected Him and His message, as if refusing a truth makes it untrue. The shrewdest men of His time pitched their wits against Him to defeat His ministry of love. No doubt they were sincere, but sincerity does not make a man right when he is wrong. What a man believes is of vital importance, and if he believes a lie, his firm belief does not excuse him. The withdrawal of Jesus from their midst was not because He was afraid of them, but because of their refusal. They lost their opportunity and the blessing.

45. Many of the Jews, who came to Mary and behold which He did, believed on Him.

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52. So from that day forth they took counsel that they might put Him to death.