

# "CITIZENSHIP"

"I AM A CITIZEN OF NO MEAN CITY."

A Great Man Said That,  
A Founder of Civilization.

For Right on Two Thousand Years His  
Influence Has Held Sway.

What did the words mean?  
What did they imply?

A sense of duty, of accountability, of  
responsibility to the the City

But most of all to the Citizens who  
make up that City.

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Citizenship is not a thing of sentiment  
only, intangible, remote.

It's a thing that lives next door,  
It's a Mutual Benefit Association,  
It means One for All and All for One.  
That one is the City,  
Its Business and its Good Name,  
Its Prosperity and its Progress,  
Its Today and its Tomorrow.

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It took Noah six hundred years to  
know enough to build the ark.

Six hundred good citizens aiding, he  
could have built it in a year.

But Noah did his shopping at home.  
He had faith.

He took the prophets of evil by the  
throat and believed in the rainbow.

Today a city is supported by taxes.

Its taxes are paid by its home-builders,  
its merchants, its factories, its agencies of  
transportation and and supply.

They find the funds for all good works.  
They support churches, schools, univer-  
sities, hospitals.

They donate parks, endow scholarships,  
found institutes of learning.

Their money is made and spent here.

They are approachable, responsible, loy-  
al. You can put your hand on them.

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The peddler rings the bell--  
If you trade with him it is their death  
knell and yours.

The peddler is a fly-by-night.  
He knows nothing of rents and taxes.  
He Knows About Profits.

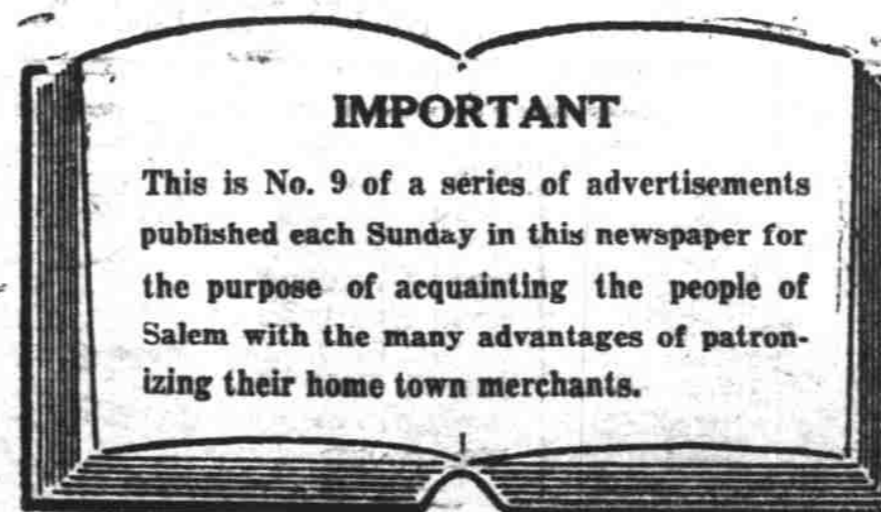
That's All he Cares to Know.  
He asks for your ear and filches your  
citizenship.

He comes.  
And he is gone.  
If you fatten him you cut your neigh-  
bor's throat--And your own.

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You forget that you likewise are  
A CITIZEN OF NO MEAN CITY.

*You'll Profit If You Buy From Local Merchants*

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Editorials Today*



*Help Salem to Grow  
and Prosper*

**Salem Business Men's League**