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A FAITHFUL STEWARD—"And there was set food before him to eat; but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand." Gen. 24:33

DO NOT ABOLISH THE PAROLE BOARD

The convention of district attorneys of Oregon passed a resolution on Friday calling for the abolition of the parole board or restriction of its power.

The parole board ought not to be abolished—
But the law under which it operates should be amended. It should be amended in a way that it will scarcely be possible at the present time to have it done. Yet every modern penologist and criminologist who has made a study of these things with an open mind, including practically all the high class prison officials in this and other advanced countries, will agree that it is the right way—

That is, that prison commitments should be indeterminate; absolutely so.

But the most important complement of this system must be a scientifically operating parole board, administered under the rules of common sense and humanity as well of those of strict legal requirements. In fact, such would necessarily be a condition precedent.

It is as much the business of the state to reform the man convicted of crime as to confine him for the sake of protecting society against his activities—

And in fact in Oregon, under our Constitution, we have not the right to administer justice retributively—

For the wise founders of our state wrote into our fundamental law these words: "Laws for the punishment of crime shall be founded on the principles of reformation, and not of vindictive justice."

Oregon is under the new dispensation. It is not "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" state.

It would be a feather in the cap of Oregon if she should be the first state to step out and go the whole way—make all commitments for felony absolutely indeterminate.

That is the scientific way. No man guilty of crime can be turned from criminal ways merely by administering a long or a short sentence, like so many pills or so many drops of medicine for some physical ailment. The long term or the short term is not the required thing for what society needs in handling the convicted man. He can either be made over into a self supporting and law abiding citizen or he cannot. In most cases, he can; perhaps in more than 85 per cent of all cases—

And if he cannot he should never be given his freedom, to again prey upon society and add up court costs and be a general nuisance to the world and himself.

Common sense is what we need all along the line. We need it in the making of the laws; in the administering of them; in the prison officials from the bottom up and the top down.

We need the study of penology and criminology in our universities, producing trained officials and creating a public sentiment in favor of common sense—

Then, before long, everybody who thinks things through will agree with all of the above.

WAITING FOR SECOND WIND

The ambitious man may wisely take as his slogan the advice a famous college athletic coach always bawls to his men when they enter a contest:

"Don't stop running until your second wind comes."
No man becomes an athlete who quits when his muscles first commence to groan under exertion.

The man who always stops at the first sign of fatigue never accomplishes notable things.

No man becomes powerful or effective in the emergencies of life unless he has trained himself to continue until the second wind comes.

No man becomes a scholar who stops studying when the subject loses interest and when he becomes weary of it.

No man becomes a writer who abandons his ambition when his first stories are returned.

The sick and debilitated may succumb to the first fatigue but a healthy man will gain in power and courage by straining himself to his limit and resting later—

As witness John F. Stevens, Thomas A. Edison, Henry Ford, and scores of thousands of others.

There is, we are told, no royal road to the acquisition of endurance—
Only by enduring is it attained.

The motor must have electricity, the steam-engine water and coal, and the human body accomplishes nothing without ENERGY.

Surplus energy—too little energy. This is youth and age. The main difference between youth and age is not, as we are told, that youth looks forward to life, and old age to death—

But in the fact that in youth the juices of the body are fresh, its structures are elastic, and its adrenal, thyroid, pituitary and other glands, as well as the flexibility of the bones and joints, impart a feeling of vigor, ready courage and recklessness—

Whereas the declining mobility of the structures of the aged sends to their consciousness a feeling of uncertainty and fear which is expressed in over conservatism and a clinging to the accustomed. Our radicals, our innovators, are young. Youth, a bright new machine, manufactures far more

ENERGY than is needed merely to live, and this surplus power is what he sells to make his way in the world. According to the amount of EXTRA energy he manufactures does he prosper and progress.

On the other hand, age a machine decreasingly efficient, generates only enough power to turn its own wheels, and has none to spare. He has nothing to offer the world but experience, and that is the commonest commodity.

Hits For Breakfast

Ready very soon—

The flax contracts.

Whatever the final decision on the schedule of prices, there will be a rush for acreage; so those wishing to grow flax (for the state would do well to hurry.

It is quite likely that there will be a considerable acreage contracted for by the linen companies. The state will have seed enough for all the acreage that is likely to be planted—enough for about 4000 acres, by the first of March. The cleaning is going on at the penitentiary plant a hour a day, every day in the week. The seed is being both cleaned and tested for germination.

The Dallas Chamber of Commerce had an interesting noon luncheon meeting yesterday at the hotel in that city—with a meal and a quality of service that were both fine, comparing favorably with the bigger cities. It was a flax meeting, and Governor Pierce and Col. W. B. Bartram were the principal speakers. After the luncheon, there was a meeting at the court house, where there was a general discussion with the growers of Polk county, with quite a number of Marion county growers also present.

The main matter under discussion was the proposed schedule of prices to be paid by the state for flax. As this schedule will likely be the one also for the linen companies, it is a matter of importance; important also for governing future years, as to just what the grades of length, etc., ought to be. But the decision must be arrived at quickly, and the contracts gotten ready, for farmers who are to grow flax must know it very soon.

One is newly impressed with the beauties of the Polk county orchard districts every time he makes a drive to Dallas over the state highway. That is one of Oregon's show places worth showing.

WOMEN TURN DOWN CLUB HOUSE DEAL

Ballot Reveals Desire to Build Own Home at Some Future Date

The Salem Professional and Business Women's club has voted down the proposition of buying its own home. At least for the present, the club will continue to hold its meetings in the auditorium of the Salem chamber of commerce.

One of the chief reasons is said to be that the price asked for the proposed location was too high. The location being voted upon is the house on Marion street near the corner of Church street. Price asked of the club was \$10,000, it is understood.

Result of the vote, which was taken by mail, revealed a sentiment that the club should wait until it can build a new home, fitted expressly for the needs of the club.

Willamette and Umpqua valley brocolli is expected to yield 2,000 cars.

General Markets

Portland Hay
PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Buying prices: Valley timothy \$20; do. eastern Oregon \$22.50; alfalfa \$19.50; clover nominal; oat hay \$20; oat and vetch \$21;

straw \$9 per ton. Selling prices \$2 a ton more.

Portland Grain Futures
PORTLAND, Jan. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Wheat, BBB, hard white, bluestem, Baart, soft white, January, February \$1.60; western white, January \$1.59; February \$1.60; hard winter, northern spring, January, February \$1.56; western red, January, February \$1.55.

Oats—No. 2, white feed and No. 2, gray, January, February, March \$2.00.

Barley—No. 2, 46-pound, January, February, March \$30.50; No. 3, 14-pound, January, February, March \$30.

Corn—No. 3 EY shipment, January, February, March \$34.

Millrun—Standard, January \$28; February, March \$28.50.

Livestock

PORTLAND, Jan. 23.—Cattle steady; receipts 40; calves none; steers good \$8.50@8.75; medium \$7.50@8.50; common \$6.50@7.50; canners and cutter steers \$5.50@6.50; heifers, good \$6.75@7.60 common and medium \$5.25@6.75; cows, good \$6.25@6.75; common and medium \$4.50@6.25; canners and cutters \$2.50@4.50; bulls, good, beef (yearlings excluded) \$4.25@5.50; common to medium (canners and bolognas) \$3.50@4.25; calves medium to choice (milk feds excluded) \$7.00@9.00; culls and commons \$4.50@7.00; vealers, medium to choice \$10.00@12.00;

calls and common \$5.00@10.00.

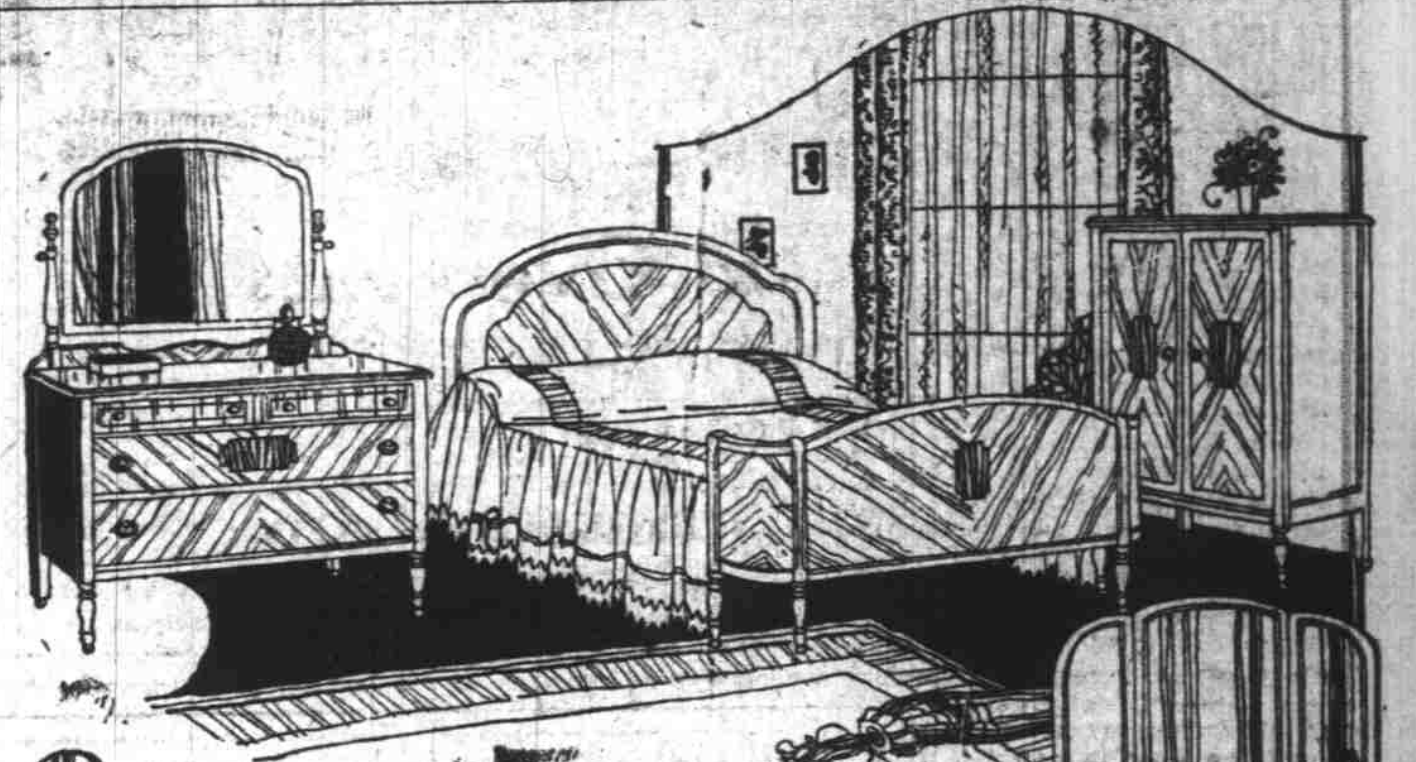
Hogs steady; receipts 240; heavyweights (250 to 350 pounds) \$9.50@11.50; slaughter pigs (90 to 130) medium good and choice \$12.00@13.00; feeder and stocker pigs (70 to 130 pounds) medium, good and choice \$11.50@13.00.

(Soft or oily hogs and roasting pigs excluded in above quotations).

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Sheep steady; receipts none; lambs good and choice (Mt. Adams) \$14.00@15.50; lambs medium to good (valley) \$13.00@15.50; heavyweights (92 lbs. up) \$11.00@13.00; all weights, culls and common \$10.00@13.00; yearling wethers, medium to choice \$9.00@12.00; ewes, common to choice \$5.00@8.50; canners and culls \$2.50@5.00.



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The man who thought a buggy was good enough

In the old days, a solid, conservative citizen might sniff and tell you he didn't read advertising.

He didn't think so much of the horseless carriage, either. The telephone was newfangled, and an insult to the United States mails.

As for radio, aeroplanes, wireless photography—if they had been born then, he probably would have thought them a bit immoral.

But he's changed. He's been educated. His point of view has been made broader and more modern. He has been civilized—by the automobile, the telephone, radio, advertising.

Every single one has opened up new paths for him, taught him new things. Advertising, especially. Advertising tells him the newest things to wear, the best things to eat. Advertising tells his wife how to make a home up to date and attractive. Advertising tells him the prices to pay for things he buys, saves him from the old-fashioned ways of doing business—helps him live well, keeps him modern.

Advertising can help you. The advertisements in this newspaper are here to tell you many things that make life more comfortable, more interesting, happier. Read them faithfully. They'll keep you abreast of the times. They'll prevent you from becoming the type of old foggy who—sniff!—doesn't read advertising.

Advertising is the key to modernity