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GOD'S CONSTANCY—The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and
gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth. Keep-
ing mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin,
and that will by no means clear the guilty." Ex. 34:6, 7.

STILL WATER IN THE WILLAMETTE RIVER

"I have read with interest the copy of the editorial. I am asking Congressman Crumpacker, who is the Oregon member of the committee on rivers and harbors, to have included in the pending river and harbor bill a survey of the Willamette river between Portland and Salem. This is the first step under existing law. I think this survey will be agreed to. Then when it is being made we can submit to the engineers proposals for the improvement, including locks, wing dams, etc."

The above paragraph was contained in a letter received yesterday by the editor of The Statesman from Congressman W. C. Hawley, dated at Washington, D. C., April 14.

There had been sent to Mr. Hawley a carbon copy of the editorial, headed, "Permanently Improve the Willamette," printed in The Statesman of April 10th.

There is no doubt but the item will be carried in the pending river and harbor bill, for Congressman Hawley is in the habit of getting what he goes after—

And he will have the help of Congressman Crumpacker, for still water from Salem to Portland will benefit all of his constituents. Also, this item will have the support of Senator McNary, who has also taken and is taking an interest in keeping the Willamette river navigable the year through.

There is no doubt that the people of the Willamette valley can get this improvement, if they will get squarely behind the movement. Eugene is interested, and so is Albany and Corvallis, and all the other cities and towns in the Willamette valley, and all the country surrounding the cities and towns, too.

Give Salem still water to Portland, allowing barges and boats to pass up and down the year through, unloading directly onto and from ocean going vessels at Portland, connecting our shippers by water with all the world's ports, and we will get more factories than we could secure in any other way. A far sighted Salem business man said yesterday that there is no other one thing that would help Salem so much.

It is thought two sixteen foot dams located between Salem and Wilsonville would do the trick.

Would perhaps not take more than a half dozen such dams, with locks, to give still water in the Willamette from Eugene to Salem.

When you travel up through the Willamette valley now you see no widening of the valley but you do see increase of the area farmed. Down by the river there are former pastures that by trenching, draining and plowing are being turned into fields for onions and other small vegetables. You see timber lots that are becoming strawberry patches. You see waste acres, never before used for any good purpose that are being subdued to grow bulbs and other specialized crops that often net hundreds of dollars an acre each year.—Portland Journal.

BACK TO NATURE?

This is the time of the year to get out your copy of Bryant or Best Poems and read "Thanatopsis."

"To him who in the love of Nature holds
Communion with her visible forms, she speaks
A various language; for his gayer hours
She has a voice of gladness, and a smile
And eloquence of beauty, and she glides
Into his darker musings, with a mild
And healing sympathy, that steals away
Their sharpness, ere he is aware!"

And to the end of its 87 lines.

This is the proper time of the year for Henry Fairfield Osborn to be repeating his belief that humankind stands in need of a return to the immediate contact with Nature which men had in Cro-Magnon days. He said:

"The cave boy certainly had advantages which our boys have ceased to enjoy. He was surrounded on all sides by vibrant Nature, full of inspiring and wonderful phenomena, which filled him with reverence and awe, if not with superstition. On restoration of the privileges enjoyed by the cave boy on coming for the first time into direct vision of the wonders and beauty of Nature, not only boys and girls but men and women, young and old, feel a thrill which they may never have experienced before."

But perhaps Professor Osborn erred when he voiced this opinion—

For is not man really as close to Nature now as ever?

In the words of Goethe: "Nature! We are surrounded by her and locked in her clasp; powerless to leave her, and powerless to come closer to her. Unasked and unwarned she takes us up into the whirl of her dance, and hurries on with us till we are weary and fall from her arms."

NATURE is embodied in electricity, the radio, the automobile and the thousand and one other conquests and harnessings of Nature's other vibrations, pulses and manifestations, in which the modern man is making himself increasingly expert—

Just as much as in trees and rivers and beasts.

Obviously, we do stand much less close to the Nature of the cave man. But would he have preferred his made of

contact to ours? He hunted, fished, ran, jumped and climbed strictly in order to exist.

In those days Nature meant a constant struggle for food, cold and heat, unchecked floods, avalanches and plagues, sabre-toothed tigers and other visitors unpleasant to encounter in the course of a stroll.

DINNER STORIES

A German who had been severely and carefully stepped on by a booby Irishman who plowed his



way through the crowded car, said, "Mine front, I know that mine feet was meant to be walked on but dot brivilege belongs to me."

As the train neared the city the passengers straightened up in their seats and began to gather together their belongings. The colored porter approached the jovial-faced gentleman, saying with a smile:

"Shall I brush you off, sah?"

"No," he replied. "I prefer to get off in the usual manner."

"Hullo! What is the matter with your wife?" said a man to his neighbor, who was noted for his fast horses. "I see she has her hand in a sling. I suppose it's that new trotter of yours. I saw her out with it yesterday, and I thought no good would come of it. Reckless driving, I suppose, eh?"

"Yes," was the reply, "reckless driving—but not of the horse."

"What then?"

"A nail."

A Scot visited a specialist and was told that he might die at any

moment. He returned by a slow train to his native land.

At each station he left the train, ran through the barrier, came back and re-entered the train. At last the guard asked him what his maneuver meant. "I may die any moment," explained the Scot. "So I am only looking from station to station."

Gold Beach—State will let contract for Pistol River and Hunter's creek bridges.

Notice of the Improvement of Lee Street Between Twenty-Second Street and Twenty-Fourth Street.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve Lee street from the east line of Twenty-second street to the west line of Twenty-fourth street, at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with six inch cement concrete pavement in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor which were adopted by the Common Council April 5th, 1926, now on file in the office of the City Recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

The Common Council hereby declares its purpose and intention to make the above described improvement by and through the street improvement department of the City of Salem, Oregon.

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Notice of the Improvement of Nineteenth Street Between Ferry Street and Bellevue Street.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve Nineteenth street from the south line of Ferry street to the north line of Bellevue street at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with six inch cement concrete pavement in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor which were adopted by the Common Council April 5th, 1926, now on file in the office of the City Recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

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Bits For Breakfast

Bully for Congressman Hawley—

He is in the campaign for still water from Salem to Portland—

And if anybody will help, this campaign will win. Do you know of any thing that would do Salem more good?

Do you know how much waste the Valley Packing company has. It consists of the hair of the hogs and the bones of the animals killed. These are burned. Even these are not wasted, in the larger packing houses. But the machinery for treating the hair is prohibitively expensive for the present. Later our local factory will come to this. There is a sale for the hair, properly prepared. For everything that goes through a packing house—excepting the squeal of the pig.

Nearly all the hides from the Valley Packing company's plant go to Japan. The fact is, 75 per cent of all the hides from this coast go to that country. This has been so for about three years. The packers do not know what is done with them—but likely they go into leather for the trade of Japan and China, and the other Oriental countries, learning western ways.

Mr. Van Duzer, member of the state highway commission gave a good talk at the Salem Chamber of Commerce noon luncheon, yesterday, and so did Governor Pierce and Tom Kay, who followed with a few well chosen words. Oregon has the best highway system in the United States. The thing to do is to keep on keeping on, till after the peak load is passed, and then some. Let no monkey wrench be thrown into the machinery. A few adjustments as to license fees on old cars would be all right. But no other changes should be made or thought of; at least not for four to six years, or longer.

Did you know that roast pork was supposed to have originated in early China when a hut burned down and a pig burned to death in it.

Notice of the Improvement of McCoy Avenue Between Hunt Street and Erixon Street.

Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve McCoy Avenue from the south line of Hunt street to the south line of Erixon street at the expense of the abutting and adjacent property, except the street and alley intersections the expense of which will be assumed by the City of Salem, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with six inch cement concrete pavement in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor which were adopted by the Common Council April 5th, 1926, now on file in the office of the City Recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

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EVE'S TWO LOVERS

EDGAR POE NORRIS

FIFTEEN
The honeymooners were at breakfast. Eve looked really across the breakfast that had been laid in their room. She was in that mood that comes from the thought, "no one ever has been so divinely happy as this before." She got up to go and sit in Clay's lap, taking the newspaper from his hands and tossing it away. "Always reading the paper," she pouted.

"I was just looking at the ads for men. I think I'd like to live in Chicago. How about you?" "Oh, it's so BIG." She kissed him.

Clay laughed. "You'd soon get over that, small town girl. There are shows all the time; big bathing beaches in summer, everything."

Eve regarded him intently. "You aren't serious, are you?" "If I could find a good job."

"No, honey, let's not think of living now."

Her husband frowned impatiently. "You don't think I want to be tied to Central City forever, do you? Now's the time for us to get started elsewhere, before we have any responsibilities."

"Yes, I know honey," Eve replied, coolly. "we want to be wherever our chances are best, but we'll have to have something to start on first. You have a very good position in Central City, and with my working, too, it won't be long."

Clay cut in. "You AREN'T going to work?"

The bride gave him a patient smile. "I'll have to have a patient smile, anyway, we ought to have some money first."

"Well, if we had enough to buy a little farm—"

"Farm?" His eyes opened wide.

"Yes, I've always dreamed of having a little place where I could raise flowers and chickens and dogs and cats and horses—"

"You're thinking of a ranch."

Eve pulled her husband's head around so that her eyes looked into his. "Really, Clay, we must think of a place to live. Your mother said—"

He colored. He had suspected that his mother had had something to say about them coming there to live. "Oh, we'll take a little house," he interrupted, taking phrases of hers.

"We'll have to have furniture, and oh, a thousand things. It takes a frightful lot of junk just for two persons to start house-keeping with. Living alone, a man or a woman gets along with a trunk; when they marry, they have to have a whole houseful of furniture—"

"Of course we won't have to get everything at first."

"If we located in Chicago we could take a furnished apartment. That would save—"

Worry wrinkled Eve's brow.

(To be continued.)
In the next installment: More Tears.

LIVING and LOVING

FLORENCE VINCENT

All By Myself!

"All by Myself!" A sorrowful plaint for a lonely plight when we were a flapper! A song of Thanksgiving for a golden hour now that we are older grown!

For age can wither and custom stale the infinite variety even of our friends if we see too much of them.

We are a firm believer in friendship.

Friends are as necessary to our development as showers are to growing things.

Each friend brings to our spirit the one particular gift of his own. A Sense of Humor, for instance.

How very many of us have been given a lift over the rough spots on the road by a comrade's blessed capacity for seeing the "funny side of things!"

Good Cheer! Many a dismal outlook has grown brighter after a glance through the borrowed rosy specs of a happy hearted neighbor.

Faith and Generosity! Invaluable donations of one friend to another less broadminded.

Poetic Feeling! To the prosaic, practical matter of fact person such a gift is the key to beauty's treasure stores.

Mutual giving and taking is the crux of true friendship.

Let us have friends, indeed, and

the express company has attempted to eliminate all so-called inactive rates heretofore carried. The new tariff results in both increases and decreases owing to the numerous changes in the express structure as a whole and represents the company's efforts in bringing its special commodity tariffs into line with the recently established system of block rates under the general classification.

This adjustment places Oregon intrastate rates to a parity with interstate rates, and rates applying intrastate in adjoining states.

HALL PROTESTS ACTION

WISCONSIN EDUCATOR WILL HEAD OREGON UNIVERSITY

MADISON, Wis., April 19.—(By Associated Press.)—Action of the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin in barring acceptance of gifts from incorporated educational foundations "influenced considerably" his acceptance of the presidency of the University of Oregon, A. B. Hall, professor of political science, said today.

Professor Hall is the second member of the faculty to resign within a month who has the re-

SOME SUNDAY SERMONS FROM SALEM PULPITS

"THE SIN OF SILENCE"
Sermon by Dr. N. K. Tully, First Presbyterian church, Sunday.

Paul says, "Necessity is laid on me; woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." Not only are Christians held accountable for every "idle speech," but also for every selfish silence. Paul is always under the constraint of duty, and moves on the principle of exceeding the bounds of mere obligation.

He insisted on the universal obligation of speech for Christ. The commission is permanent. The duty of the whole church is the duty of each member of the church. It is the abuse of the voluntary principle to fancy that we may or may not speak for our Lord as we choose. Christ's ideal church is an active propaganda, an active army marching into war.

Thus He sent out the Twelve and Seventy. Our excuses are all insufficient. New conditions of church membership are needed, conditions which will require active speech for Christ.

The penalty of silence is heavy in this life and heavier in the next life. If we refuse to testify,

we rob ourselves of full communion with Christ; we deprive ourselves of sympathy with men; we keep all the miseries of a self-absorbed life; we lose our best means of strengthening our faith; and we have none to say they owe their lives to us. A very imperfect faith may save a man, for there is such a thing as being saved "yet so as thru faith." There is also an "abundant entrance" into the kingdom. It is speaking for Christ which wins for the church member that abundant entrance.

Paul points us to the glad obedience which transcends obligation. There is the principle of added service. The artist, the student, the servant, the trader gives more than mere duty requires if he would make progress. The world tries to exchange minimum effort for maximum gain. It is a waste of time to accommodate religion to worldliness. We need "an extravagance of service" to displace our reluctance to work; then the kingdom of heaven will give a chance amongst us.

gents' action as a reason. Prof. V. A. C. Hemmip resigned as head of the school of education, to accept an offer by Yale university.

"A few of us at the University of Wisconsin," Professor Hall explained, were maturing plans for field work and had been expecting to get the necessary funds from the educational foundations that are encouraging research work.

"The action of the board, of course, made such plans impossible."

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STATE EDITORS TO MEET

ASSOCIATION TO GATHER AT PRINEVILLE JUNE 18

PORTLAND, April 19.—(A.P.)—The annual convention of the Oregon Editorial association will be Friday and Saturday, June 18 and 19, at Prineville. The date was set at a luncheon of officials of the newspaper organization here today. The program, as tentatively outlined will include addresses by Dr. C. A. Prosser, in

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