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There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise: The ants are a little people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer. Proverbs 30:24-25.

HELP THE YWCA CAMPAIGN

The YWCA workers were busy yesterday, the first day of their campaign for \$7000, the amount necessary to keep the institution's activities going for the next year—

And a very fair showing was made—
But only what may be considered a good start. This business is as much your business as it is that of the young women in the active canvass, or the faithful heads and directors of the institution—

And it is your duty to give the young women a kindly welcome. It is your duty, and it should be your sought for privilege, to make your pledge promptly and speed them on the way with a note of cheer and a pledge of help in inducing others to accord them the same just treatment.

The man or woman is not a loyal Salemite who will by word or deed or gesture make this work hard for those who are sufficiently unselfish to engage in it.

We are getting more and more small industries in the city that are complements to our industries on the land. It is the best kind of business for you to give them your loyal support.

ANOMALIES

"For many years we have been informed that what the Willamette valley and other great agricultural regions needed was a market for the products of the soil; that is, a living, dependable market.

"Accepting this as the underlying reason why Oregon's tremendous land resources were so lightly developed, in comparison with others of the Pacific area, the Chamber of Commerce has sought diligently for products which could be harvested here in commercial quantities, and which could be sold after they were produced. In this worthy quest all other thoughtful forces have been engaged.

"Sugar beet was tried at various times. At last a combination of conditions developed which made it possible to secure a sugar beet factory in the Willamette valley provided the necessary acreage was signed up. The Chamber thought there could be no doubt about the acreage, as it could be taken under the same terms and conditions governing other Pacific coast sugar beet acreage.

"A campaign was put on, the Chamber participating, to get the signatures. The acreage needed was not secured. The most usual explanation was that of the lands declared best adapted to sugar beets, were laid out in more profitable crops.

"All this is true. There are more than 200,000 acres of lands in the Willamette valley between Corvallis and Portland adapted to the production of sugar beets, under present conditions, and 5,000 acres is enough to sustain one good beet factory. Yet when the need for a full test was asked, this 5,000 acres could not be found, nor even 1,000 acres for a more modest try-out.

"There are 5,000,000 acres of commercial agricultural land in the Willamette valley, according to the soil experts. Of this total, but a relatively small portion is intensively cultivated. Some should be drained, some irrigated during July and August, some yet should be cleared of stumps, and large areas should be brought back to normal fertility which was impaired through single crop operations over long periods.

"If there was ever a place anywhere in creation that should have THE SUGAR BEET INDUSTRY, INVOLVING INTENSIVE CULTIVATION METHODS AND ROTATION OF CROPS, it is the Willamette valley. Beets will grow there in splendid manner. They become a perfect complement to the great dairy industry which must make its home in the valley. They fit into a great, stable, enduring economic system for the west side territory, in fact for the whole of the state.

"There is only one recourse in the premises. Sugar beets must be grown in the valley. Another effort must be made to get the industry established. If the next fails, more efforts must follow. Where there is an opportunity and a need, the issue of which means state prosperity, all public-spirited people have but one order: Keep trying until you win."

The above is from the "Portland Commerce," organ of the Portland Chamber of Commerce. It speaks truth. It is the right spirit. It is a resolution which, persisted in, will win. And it should win on the next trial.

SIXTY YEARS OF ORATORY

In the upper house of congress last Thursday, Senator Copeland of New York asked unanimous consent to have printed in the Congressional Record an editorial from the New York World of Feb. 8, relating to the 60 years of work for the senate by Mr. Shuey, under the heading, "Sixty Years of Senatorial Oratory." This article is remarkable in several respects. The spirit of it might apply to the orators who have come and gone in the Oregon legislature. The article follows:

"Apropos of remarkable old men, is there any more amazing than Theodore F. Shuey, who has just commenced, at the age of 82, his sixtieth year as stenographer of the United States senate? What a long procession of senators have passed in review before him and out of sight and out of the public mind? Here is a man who might be justified in some cynicism on human pride and ambition. How many senators who loomed large in their little day have passed completely from the memory of man? When Mr. Shuey began to ply his pen on senatorial eloquence we were in the midst of the mad days of reconstruction. He reported during his first session the speeches of Charles Sumner, Lyman Trumbull, James A. Bayard, Thomas A. Hendricks, Zack Chandler, Reverdy Johnson, Roscoe Conkling, William Pitt Fessenden, and others whose names are but letters making sounds. Blaine had not yet entered the senate. And yet the men lost to memory and even to history there was more than one pompous fellow feeling sure that he was bound for an immortality of fame.

"During the last 60 years the pen of Shuey has reported them all. He knows the vanities, the foibles, the struts, and poses of them all, and perhaps he has corrected the grammar of more than one. They came, saw, were conquered, and passed beyond the mists of the years, and this old man continued on to the service of others doomed to the same end. How he must smile at times today when he notes the same complacency and assurance in men he knows will join the others in the shadows that are too deep to penetrate and too uninteresting to explore. Unknown to the multitude he has done his work perfectly, and an essential work—more perfectly than most senators, many of whom may have patronized him at times. How many a quiet chuckle he must have had."

AND THAT MUCH MORE

(Portland Journal.)

"The Eugene Guard prints a record of what makes Eugene grow and prosper. Here is a part of it: Fruits, vegetables and nuts, \$2,000,000; wool and mohair, \$1,500,000; dairy products, \$1,000,000; poultry, \$1,000,000; hay and grain, \$2,500,000. All of this, it must be noted, came not from inside but outside Eugene's city limits. It is the country around the town that largely builds the town."

The above from the Portland Journal is well put. In Salem and her surrounding territory another thing is being done and attempted—

And that is a linking up of the industries on the land with the industries in the city—

Manufacturing and merchandising and shipping the raw materials coming from the farms and thus building a Gibraltar prosperity. There is scarcely a limit to such expansion.

Bits For Breakfast

Likely Wednesday next—

That is the guess as to the time the legislature will adjourn sine die.

The 40 days will be up Friday night, but it is the general idea that the business in hand cannot be finished then.

Several more small industries that may become large ones are no the carpet for Salem. Fine kind of growth.

The worst thing about knocking is the fact that in due time the knocker begins to believe he is right.

Life's book has pictures for the benefit of those who are willing to turn the pages.

New York police have commenced raids on its local theaters and propose to put a stop to the ribald and indecent plays that are staged in that city nightly. The whole cast in the "Virgin Man" were placed under arrest in a most recent raid in a prominent New York theater.

The Tacoma Times says: "Every cent of tax money, in the long run, comes out of real estate. It must, that's the only place from which it can come." That may be true in Washington, but a friend at the writer's elbow declares that here in Oregon the automobile owner is the goat, both in the short and long run.

SENATE BILLS

The following new bills were introduced in the senate yesterday:

SB 272, by Jones—Providing for issuing permits to sell drugs and medicines to dealers.
SB 273, by committee on irrigation—Relating to establishment of boundary lines of drainage districts.

SB 274, by Judiciary committee—Relating to wills.

SB 275, by committee on medicine—Relating to appointment of county and city health officers.

SB 276, by Eddy—Relating to collection of license fees for taking crabs in the Umpqua river at Winchester.

SB 277, by Hall—To prohibit livestock running at large upon certain lands in Curry county, and to provide for their redemption when taken up.

Two Farmers Injured When Wagon Is Struck by Car

D. A. Howard received torn ligaments and a sprained ankle, and R. C. Rogers was badly bruised about the body when their wagon was struck by an automobile driven by Harry Levy on the Pacific highway north of Salem late Monday night, according to a report filed at the sheriff's office here.

The two men were driving home to their farms near Brooks when

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OFFICE BUILDING BILL MEETS FAVOR

John B. Giesy Tells Kiwanis Club Progress; Believes Bill Will Pass

The bill calling for construction of a new office building for the state is not in any sense an appropriation bill, and should not have gone to the ways and means committee, Representative John B. Giesy of Salem declared in the course of a talk before the Kiwanis club Tuesday noon. The bill will soon be reported out favorably, Giesy believes, and will be passed by both houses in due course.

The legislature fortunately for the state, includes 26 new members this term, who are not bound to any course other than service to the public good, Giesy said.

The house is still solidly behind Governor Patterson's program, he averred.

With 609 house bills and 245 senate bills coming before them, the legislators have not sufficient time to give all of them due consideration, he declared; all that any member can do is to look them over and investigate carefully those that look suspicious.

Just why the opinions of 30 men in the senate should be able to override the opinions of 60 men in the house, elected by the same constituency, Giesy is unable to see. He recounted the fate of a bill he introduced relating to factory inspection. The house passed it unanimously, but the senate defeated it.

CONGRESS SCENE OF FIST BATTLE

Blanton and Bloom Come to Blows; Bystanders Are Chief Sufferers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (AP)—Two congressmen, Tom Blanton, of Texas, and Sol Bloom of New York, today broke up a house committee meeting by engaging in a hand to hand scuffle in which the chief sufferers were the bystanders.

The encounter caused one woman to stand on a chair and pray, resulted in two men spectators coming to blows, and spread confusion and rumors of sanguinary warfare. It was the third time in less than a week that members of the house and senate have started fights without carrying them to the point of harming each other.

"The official committee reporter failed to move fast enough to dodge the battling arm of the participants and received a punch on the jaw. He dropped a pocket knife in trying to get out of the way and until he claimed ownership a report was current that another spectator had attempted to stab either Bloom or Blanton.

The rumpus began when Bloom took exception to treatment by the committee of a witness, the Rev. H. M. Lawson of Washington, who was making a statement in opposition to a Sunday blue law for the District of Columbia. Blanton accused Bloom, who is interested in several New York theatres, of improperly defending motion pictures interests. Bloom said one of Blanton's statements was "not true." Blanton countered with a lunge at his antagonist and when they were separated a moment later, the Texas had the New Yorker pinned down to the committee table. Afterward Blanton insisted he simply had held Bloom's wrists, but Bloom thought otherwise.

"This thing will not stop here," Bloom said. "I propose to find out whether a witness making a statement before any committee can be bullied and whether any member of congress can resent such treatment without some fighting congressman wanting to punish him on the jaw."

DEAN STRAUB SAW LINCOLN'S BODY

Describes Long Line Waiting People to See Remains of Martyr

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene.—(Special)—John Straub, dean emeritus of men at the University, is one of the few living persons who saw the body of Abraham Lincoln after the assassination, as it lay in state. That was in the spring of 1865, at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, and so vivid was the impression Dean Straub received, that he still remembers every detail.

"My father took me to see him," Dean Straub explained. "The body was at the State House, where the Continental Congress used to meet, and where the Liberty Bell had been rung. There were two long, long lines waiting to see him that afternoon. One of the lines came from Delaware Avenue, where the river is, and reached through Second, Third, Fourth streets, on up to Sixth, where Independence Hall is. Six blocks long, and as each block is a far-thing in length, that makes three-fourths of a mile. And the other line coming from the east, was just as long."

"The doors were to close at three o'clock," Dean Straub said, "and thousands were waiting, who would not get there in time. A woman offered my father twenty-five dollars—which was a great deal of money in those days—if he would give our places in the line to her and her son. As I was just a little fellow then, and my father wanted me to see the President—he refused."

Dean Straub described the position of the body as it lay in state, in the middle of a big rotunda. The occasion was one of the most solemn, as Dean Straub explains. President Lincoln's casket, as the speaker remembered it, was of the very best mahogany, with gold handles. Guards were placed about the room, and always the two lines were moving through, one on each side of the casket.

Dean Straub relates how his father impressed the sight upon him. "Look at Lincoln's face," my father told me, "and then look at the face of all these guards about the room. Now look at his face again."

"And I looked," Dean Straub said emphatically. "And I shall always remember it. I wish that I were an artist or sculptor, I could reproduce that face exactly from memory—such a firm, kindly mouth, and a chin which receded, ever so slightly. Such a strong, fatherly face."

"What a pity that man had to die!" Professor Straub went on reminiscently. "He would have done so much for the South—welcomed them back like renegade children. And how he would have run those carpet-baggers out

of there! It was a pity he had to die."

"Since that time," Dean Straub referred to Lincoln's face, "I have never seen a picture of him which satisfies me. They all reproduce the stern, set lines, which were all smoothed out after his death. No, the pictures are unsatisfactory. Take for instance, this one which has been displayed in a store for the last few days—a horrible thing; no character to it—a regular flap-jack face. Lincoln was not like that."

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE
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The Oregon senate has an outstanding character in the person of R. R. Butler of The Dalles, Oregon.

Senator Butler is a polished Southern gentleman, a man with an exceptional legal mind. His reasoning and logic is sound, his views and ideas are respected by his colleagues.

He is considered the best orator in the state, and when he talks on a subject of legislation in the senate, every man hears what he has to say. He is always kind and courteous to fellow-members and for that reason has the friendship of every member in the senate, as far as I have been able to observe.

Senator Butler does not make himself conspicuous by debating and arguing frivolous affairs of state, his big work is done in committee meetings, he makes only few speeches during each session, he apparently is content to sit and listen to his colleagues wrangle over matters that have already been settled in the committee rooms.

He is one of the coolest, deliberate men in the senate, never gets excited, therefore his mind is open to conviction, and his judgment carries weight and responsibility.

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