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The highway of the upright is to depart from evil; he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul. Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall. Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. Proverbs

God and You

A LENTEN MEDITATION

By the Rev. Charles Stelzle

God fights your battles. It is prophesied that "one shall slay a thousand, but two shall put thousand to flight.' But if that two are God and You, you have a majority that car

more the world.

You need not sear your soul with bitterness because of the malice of those who say all manner of evil against you, falsely. grisome day the slanderer will come face to face with God and he ting that instead of fighting you, he has been fighting the

THE SLANDER OF SALEM

Earl Race was one of a great many Salem people who persocially expressed to The Statesman and its editor yesterday resentment at the impression given out by the principal of the Salem high school that drinking by our high school students is general, and that the people of Salem are indifferent to this boyish depravity, and are rather disposed to take it as a joking matter-

And that prohibition is a failure in Salem.

Mr. Race has been in Salem a long time. He was for several years city recorder, and in that position assisted in parents understood his interview law enforcement.

He said all old Salemites remember very distinctly the drink. I wonder the girls aren't. 285,000 board feet, log scale. In among the youth than there used time when Salem had 18 saloons, and he declared that they averaged at least 1000 gallons of various brands of liquors, or •18,000 gallons in all; perhaps a great deal more, counting the wholesale liquor house that operated here then-

And he defies any one to show him that there are 50 gallons of booze in Salem now.

And he declares that the people of Salem are not indifferent to law enforcement. Almost to the last man and woman here, the people of Salem are alert and anxious for the observance of our laws; especially the laws against the sale and keeping of intoxicants.

He believes the slander against the good name of Salem ought to be nailed; that those who utter it ought to be called million; and the hundred million. upon to attempt to prove it, which they cannot do, for it is not true. They are merely rumor mongers; traducers of the good name of Salem.

CHINESE REVOLUTION SUCCEEDS

Associated Press dispatches in The Statesman of yesterday told of the activities of the Cantonese armies in the vicinity of Tsingtau and Cheefoo and southern Honan prov-

And this means a great deal to those acquainted with Chinese geography.

At Shanghai the nationalist forces were only about 800 travel in a class of their own. miles or half way from Canton to Pekin. They are now, at Cheefoo and in Honan province, only about 200 miles from

This means the very early ending of the Chinese revolution and the complete dominance of that great country by the tablished, and with larger forces forces fighting for a republic.

North of Pekin there is only Chang, the Mukden ex-bandit the erection of the state office and war lord, and his hireling army will be easily disposed of by the victorious Cantonese forces and the well drilled and equipped forces of Marshal Feng, the Chinese Christian general, who is northeast of Pekin. He whipped old Chang and in Salem, paying no attention, exsent him back to Mukden with his ragged forces twice, when cepting in a joking manner, to the he was much less completely prepared with a fighting mach- students? Of course, you do not ine than he has now, with 176,000 thoroughly drilled and like it-because it is not so. You loyal troops, devoted to the ideals of the present revolution.

OUR GROWING HEAD LETTUCE INDUSTRY

The Salem district is the largest shipper of head lettuce is not a failure. It is a greater from a survey of juvenile delinin Oregon, and that industry has great possibilities of growth success every day, and will go on quency made in New York for the here, and will no doubt become in time a major industry in our increasing family of industries on the land-

With the use of irrigation it will no doubt grow in time STUMPAGE SALE POLICY to the stature of a gigantic industry, shipping thousands of cars annually. It is possible to put 100,000 acres of land in the Santiam irrigation district under water, running from new crop by proper provision Salem east to Mehama, north to cover Salem prairie, and south to Marion and Jefferson. All of this 100,000 acres, with proper cultural methods and the use of the right fertilizers, can be made to yield a high quality head lettuce.

Our head lettuce industry is one of our newest operations tions of the memorial had been in here It started with the shipment of six cars three years effect, and those few represent with the production of a total output of what would the efforts of the department to have fifled fifteen cars the second year, with 21 cars last year, and a prospect for a larger output this year.

Through the ambitious experimenting, venturesome spirit and untiring industry of the group of farmers, mostly Ameri- to Fred Herrick is an illustration canized Japanese, on the Labish Meadows lands north of of how national forest sales are and this city is on the way towards becoming a great head cal residents and lead to the con-

letture center—

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ly needed common carrier railroads. The forester informs me

likely that some of the lettuce crops will be found to be better conclude that the present jazzy ing, and establishing" a building A similar case involving the preme court where the adapted to different locations; though none of them will be better flavored or have larger heads than the Labish lettuce.

Roy K. Fukuda, the pioneer and leading spirit of that group of vegetable growers, who started the now wonderfully successful celery industry there, commenced experimenting every lover of Salem and its with head lettuce several years ago.

The head lettuce growers are still experimenting, and will never be through.

They want the best, the same as they have attained with their celery; the best that can be produced in this country, or any country.

Whenever they can be certain of having attained this point, and can convince the consumers of the fact "the sky to make a public statement in will be the limit" to the expansion of the industry. There has been going on and there is still under way an enormous expansion of the head lettuce markets in this country. Nearly everybody is eating lettuce, and the best trade wants head lettuce, and the best quality obtainable of head lettuce. California, the largest producer of head lettuce is now making shipments to England.

The Labish farmers, Japanese and American, are by no means through experimenting with new vegetables with a view to producing them on a commercial scale, in car lot on any man's breath. shipments. They are experimenting with asparagus, with new varieties of onions, and with a lot of other vegetables. I've talked with many of them. Their "million dollar highway" will be more than a ten million When I was a boy, liquor was dollar highway before many years; that is, the proposed paved county market road through their district will have cure it before prohibition than it hauled over it more than ten million dollars' worth of produce annually.

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE ment, must be signed by the must be written on one aide paper only, and should not be than 150 words.

Driven to Drink

Editor Statesman: I do not care to answer any the charges of drinking made by Prof. Nelson of pupils in the Salem high school. They are too absurd, but I would like to say this: ter understood by them, than he would lead you to believe their greatly.

-Numb Skull. Safem: March 31, 1927.

Bits For Breakfast

* * * And, under this head, head let-

ettuce consider lettuce

5 5 5 For that humble vegetable has ecome an aristocrat of the breakfast table, and more particularly of the dinner table. The lettuce with in Oregon comes from logs grown a college education, the head let- part of the state west of the Castuce, has become the favorite both of the four hundred and the four

Our grocers must take advantage of this appetite, and furnish, as can be furnished here, great ficient to play a large part in any quantities of the tenderest, crispest head lettuce produced, and build up a gigantic lettuce indus-

5 5 5

Built on quality, following the ines of least resistance, taking addations. They get above the dead gon." level of mere competition. They There is always room at the top.

3 3 3 Salem is getting a good many apartment houses; but there will be need for a good many, with the new industries being and to be esof state employes that will follow

How do you. Mr. Ordinary Citizen, like the idea of being classed ents. While we are long since with the indifferent crowd here familiar with the unworthy mogeneral drinking of the high school are not indifferent. And there is no such thing as general drinking by high school students. It is a straw man, set up to throw verbal towards more general good-towards the ideal of a sober nation.

TO REMAIN AS IN PAST

while harvesting the old is an essential feature of our policy.

"Under these policies few large sales have been made in Oregon or elsewhere which would not have been made if the recommendasalvage deteriorating timber before there was further loss to the United States.

"The large gale made on the Malheur National forest in 1923

now being conducted for a large

est, which sale the residents of ious to see made, and which will facilities in the vicinity of that

"Large sales, the terms of which allow 15 years or more for cutting of timber, are made at irregular intervals as opportunities arise to carry out the policies I have mentioned. It happens that there have as the subject, would be called been no very large sales of nation- soon, If Prof. Nelson cannot express al forest timber in Oregon during himself before the student body the past year or two, although the

in the Capial Journal, then I say 582,000 board feet and the church. reported as exceeding 4,200,000. fellows who now drink wouldn't 000 board feet, and, although definite figures are not yet available. the 1926 lumber production in the state was probably at least as

"Only between five per cent-and six per cent of the lumber sawed cade mountains, the Douglas fir region, less than three per cent of the lumber cut originates on national forests. These figures indicate that national forest timber current overproduction in Oregon. They also indicate the conservation of the timber sale policy now in effect as contrasted with the pressure to sell against which the memorial protests.

"After careful consideration of cantage of our soil and showers the memorial, I do not feel I could and sunshine that make a superior consistently make changes in the product possible. You can't stop existing policies for the sale of industries built on such solid foun- national forest stumpage in Ore-

NELSON OPINION RAISES FURORE OF DISCUSSION (Continue) from page 1.)

been prepared by Rev. Thomas Acheson, president of the Salem Ministerial as ociation:

"No one cin observe without deep concern the recent statements of Principal Nelson to the local press relative to prohibition and its effects upon high school studtives of certain interests which seek statements derogatory to prohibition, we feel the issue raised here should not be permitted to go

unchallenged Doubts Statement

"We would take serious issue with the statement that drinking among young people is on the inrocks at, and build up a theory of crease. We rather doubt that Prothe failure of prohibition. And fessor Nelson is quoted correctly that is not so, either. Prohibition here. On this very issue we quote years 1910 and 1925.

"From an average of 19 per housand of population during the wet years, juvenile delinquency had fallen during the dry years to an average of 11 for every ten housand of population.

"But to debate this point is beside the mark. It does not take any stretch of the imagination to

ploitation of youth by unscrupy- of B and 15th streets, a restricted lous commercial interests would lead to far greater excesses among mission yesterday to delay his ap-

youth is that Professor Nelson ed in police court yesterday aftercalls attention to a condition that none, but application to the city has been allowed to pass unchalf attorney gained approval for an lenged-namely that drink is at the disposal of minors in this city and that some are having access to it. We deplore the fact that such a condition exists, but more than this, that apparently Professor Nelson has been driven order to secure proper action.

"I do not believe there is any more drinking today than there was before prohibition," said Reverend Norman K. Tully, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. "In those days. I knew some boys who drank; I do not know any now. Then, I was familiar with the location of many blind tigers; I do not know where any are now. I have not seen a drunken man in Salem since I have been here, nor have I smelled the odor of liquor

"I don't believe boys are any worse now than they used to be. many times offered to me. I believe it was easier for boys to prois now. I consider Professor Nelson's article very unwise.

While we believe that the percentage of students who drink is small and that certain interests sale on the Ochoco national for- are bent on unfair exaggeration of Prineville and its vicinity are anx- to know what our law enforcement officers are doing? They help to maintain and possibly may have been appointed and have extend common carrier railroad sworn to guard the sacred interests of the people. Surely the public must become suspicious if inaction continues.'

Meeting Expected Rev. Acheson indicated that a special meeting of the ministerial association, with law enforcement

"While I am a staunch objector to liquor in any form. I believe of the high school so as to be bet- cut, including that under sales Professor Nelson is in a great made previously, has not changed measure right in his contentions." declared Rev. E. J. Harrington, pastor of the Free Methodist no wonder the boys are driven to amount cut was less than 229,- but that there is more drinking 1926, the sales totaled 107,556.- to be. The boys drink for the 000 board feet, and the amount sake of sport. They don't like it. cut was 236,661 board feet. Lum- If liquor was available to everyber sawed in Oregon in 1925 was body at low prices, most of the

> "If it is true that the boys who Professor Nelson speaks of know where liquor may be obtained, they should be called before the grand jury," declared Reverend F. C. Taylor last night. liquor drinking in Salem, I am very sure that the facts will not bear out Professor Nelson's con-

touch it.

"I feel it is most unfortunate that Professor Nelson permitted himself to be quoted in the way he was. It was very unwise and can only create an erroneous impression of conditions here.'

Alexander Hirsekorn, accused of "locating, building, construct-



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residential zone, was granted peryouth were the saloon still here. | peal until 4 o'clock next Monday. "The thing that should arouse Mr. Hirsekorn, under the 24 hour appeal limit, was to have appear-

> Hirsekorn, it is said, continued construction work for the laundry building in spite of his failure to obtain sanction from the zoning commission. A complaint was filed by Fred A. Williams, as private attorney for the city.

Ray Smith has been retained by Hirsekorn as attorney. When the case to a higher court should the ordinance be sustained here he said Mr. Hirsekorn had the matter under consideration, but was not prepared to make a statement

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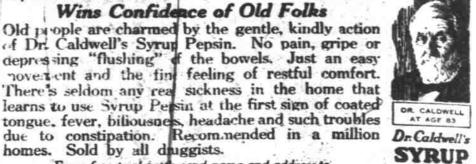
tendency aroused by a ruthless ex- for laundry purposes at the corner Portland zoning commission law courts action in sustaining the was recently carried to the su- city ordinance was confirmed.



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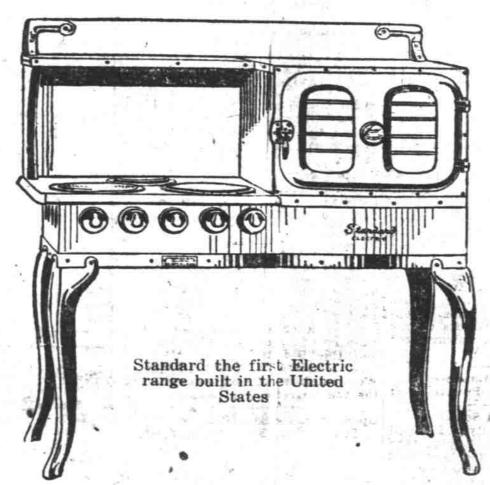
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