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July 24, 1927 Show us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation. Psalm 55:7.

YOUTH HAS THREE LAUGHS

Montavilla Flowers, educator and publicist, contributes a valuable article to the July World's Work on "Young America in Revolution." An editorial note prefacing the article states that Mr. Flowers' survey extended from coast to coast, covering ninety-two high schools and polling the opinions of nearly 100,000 students.

And he finds that large percentages of the students have never had a serious talk with their parents about life work. Many who had had such a talk were advised not to follow in their parents' footsteps, but to seek an easier life. In several high schools enrolling more than a thousand pupils he found in each only four or five students who planned to be farmers, politicians, or ministers.

But the National Education Association reports, recently rendered, would tend to show other influences. One official reported that 25,000 young people were studying gardening. Social undercurrents among high school students cannot be trusted too far, and one should be cautious about making broad deductions from them.

It is no new thing for parents to advise their sons and daughters to not follow in their footsteps. This is very well illustrated by the experience of the editor of the New York Herald of a dozen or more years ago. He had a score or more of the leaders in the professional and business life of the country interviewed.

"Would you have your son or daughter follow in your footsteps?" A great banker was interviewed, and a great lawyer, and doctor and railroad man and insurance man and editor, preacher, dentist, captain of industry, jeweler, packer, baker, commission man, and so on down the list, including some of the women leaders in various lines.

Result: Not one wanted his son or her daughter to follow in his or her footsteps. It was too hard. There were too many pitfalls; too many difficulties. The compensations for the effort and pains and worry were inadequate.

If there are not enough farmers, the profession of farming must be elevated. It must be placed towards the top as a high calling. Haysed jokes must be taboo. The schools must teach agriculture, as some of them are doing. Farming must be called chemistry, which it is growing to be, and will become more so.

The same as to preachers— And as to politicians, there will never be a dearth, of a sort. But our country ought to come up to the ideals of the British, where big men serve their country as a patriotic duty, without salary, or without considering the money compensation.

Portland would be better served by a mayor without a salary. A big man would take the office on such terms. The same as to the greater Salem of the immediate and distant future. One of the best superintendents the Oregon penitentiary ever had was the late A. Bush. The salary was \$1000 a year. He turned the \$1000 a year into books to start the penitentiary library.

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CLAMATH FALLS, July 23.—(AP)—A light shower and a few hours of cloudiness today brought the Klamath Falls basin its first relief from heat this week, and kept the mercury below the 90 degree mark. Temperatures for the week reached a peak Friday with a reading of 93 degrees.

EUGENE, July 23.—(AP)—Eugene had prospects for a rainy Sunday tonight after a torrid day during which the mercury climbed to the 97 degree mark, a new record for 1927. A thunder storm broke at six o'clock tonight and rain began to fall.

ASTORIA, July 23.—(AP)—Astoria had its hottest day of the year today, with the thermometer climbing to 77 degrees just before noon. A cool southwest breeze from the ocean soon sent it down however and tonight the weather is fair, but cool.

the theory that game must needs go as a nation grows old. We, on the other hand, have assumed that as the nation expands, the game will decrease—and we do not know what to do about it.

The commissioner goes on to say that it is the part of wisdom for us to do as the English gamekeeper does—keep down the predatory species that destroy the game, give the game favorable conditions for nesting and breeding, keep an adequate breeding stock; in other words, use the same constructive methods as the farmer employs in maintaining his flocks and herds.

THE MOST IMPORTANT FARMING ENDEAVOR

Ivan Stewart paid a visit the other day to the Greymere farm, Marion, Oregon, owned and operated by Warren Gray and Mrs. Gray, and he furnishes Statesman readers with some information that is interesting concerning the building up of their pure bred Jersey dairy herd. They believe dairying is the best bet yet in the farming line, and the solidest, with the greatest future, considering the constant and rapid growth of the population of our country, and the increasing per capita consumption of dairy products.

And their arguments are worth considering. Any way, dairying is the most useful of farming operations. We could not get along as an achieving people with robust health without milk.

The Statesman in this column said something the other day about the marketing of California rice in China. Following, from an exchange, is something more on the reason why: "In China it takes three men, at 15 to 20 cents a day, to bring up one acre of rice. In California it takes one man at \$5 a day to till 90 acres of rice with power machinery. By hand, it would take about 270 Mongolians to care for 90 acres at a wage cost of \$40 to \$50 a day. That's why California can send rice to China and sell it cheaper than the Chinese can grow it."

Hon. A. M. LaFollett, very seriously ill as this paragraph is written, has been a prominent and picturesque figure in Marion county and Oregon politics for many years. He pioneered the loganberry here, being the first to grow this great bush fruit on a commercial scale, securing his start of canes from Dr. J. A. Richardson, once mayor of Salem, who brought the first planting from California.

The Statesman's big press will be on the water at Philadelphia bound for Portland through the canal in a few days. The shipment did not catch the boat for which it was routed, on Friday. The press and its equipment (what press people call the "plant") weigh 100,000 pounds.

Bits For Breakfast

Celestial fireworks— Graciously furnished to celebrate the end of the hottest day in our history.

It was sporty weather. Just a light shower to cool the atmosphere, along with the electrical storm in the evening, in Salem; in the Ankeny bottom section a drenching rain.

Oh, yes, it was good corn weather yesterday, as well as the right temperature to hop off or bump off the hop lice and send them west.

The Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., Salem's second linen mill, has orders for all the linen yarn that the spinning machines can turn out. This is a line that is profitable. Most Belfast district mills spinning yarn do nothing else. They sell the yarn to the weavers.

An even 300 jobless people applied for work at the Salem Y free employment bureau for the week ending Friday night, and 165 were sent to work. There will be the same kind of a story till pears and evergreen blackberries come on; and a surplus till hop picking time, when there will not be enough to go around properly.

What a pity more of the jobless have not more vision; more initiative—there are so very many things crying to be done; useful and profitable things.

As long as the world's reputation is growing isn't it entirely possible that if sin is increasing so is virtue?

It can be said in favor of the old dime novel as compared with its modern successor, that when a boy was taught reading one he looked scared, but he didn't blush as he does today.

Necessities are those things you buy before landing the rest of your earnings to a car manufacturer and the gas man.—Times-Gazette.

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EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

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ASKS THAT WILLOS AND KELLEY BE GIVEN LIFE

Editor Statesman: As a resident of this capital city, I wish to present some things to the readers of your paper, and the general community, which I feel should be stated with emphasis.

There are two boys in the state penitentiary of Oregon, Mr. Willos and Mr. Kelley, who, I am told, are to be executed soon for taking part in an effort to escape from the local prison. If I am correctly informed they are not charged with actual murder. It is not shown that they had any intention of killing, or that they would have killed any one. Yet, because they were in the "jail break" in which others did commit murder they are to die as felons. These boys, I am assured, have shown clearly that they did not kill, that they were seeking their liberty only. Yet they must die.

Now, I wish to say very emphatically that I have none of the modern sob-sister sentiment regarding criminals. If a man deliberately commits crime, makes it his profession, goes armed to achieve murder, or schools himself to be a menace and a danger to the community let that man reap what he sows. But are we to hang men because they wish to escape from prison? Even a wolf will gnaw down his cage that he may regain his wind-swept range, and shall the human breast feel less than this? If I were in prison, innocent or guilty, I would try to get out. So would any other human. Let us be honest. And so far as I am able to learn this was the crime of Willos and his companion. Those actually guilty of murder in this case are dead. My own feelings in the matter are that Willos and Kelley should not be hanged at all. Let them live to repay the state what it has been out to redeem themselves; to endure such a sentence as their actual transgression merits.

What a picture is presented to the people of Oregon and the world. The three D'Autremont brothers kill four men in COLD BLOOD; they admit it. They premeditated their crime. They planned it. They confess the whole ghastly slaughter together. They even crack jokes, and comment on what God Almighty compounded in their system, one stating that a little too much "intestines" were thrown in. Hugh D'Autremont was pictured as having "blazing eyes," and very untamed in his spirit. After pleading not guilty, after costing the state nearly twenty thousand dollars in court expenses, and fifteen thousand in rewards, this trio, dripping with innocent blood, and covered with inexcusable murder—these widow-makers and out-laws, are given life sentences. They were very hard. They even commented on the flowers in the prison yard, etc. etc.

I am making this parallel because I know that thousands in Oregon are making it with me. And what I want to know is: Why are these three cold-blooded murderers sent to the pen for life, with the assurance of an average of only ten years for a life, while

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Willos and his companion, who killed no one; did not, I am informed, even try to kill any one, are to be hanged for the murders committed by others?

Emphatically, by every rule of justice, for the very consistency of the courts themselves, these boys should not hang since the D'Autremont killers did not. I am publishing this statement of my own feelings hoping that others will do the same. What have the ministers to say? What have the mothers and the general public in their thoughts. Give Willos and Kelley what the state gave the three killers in southern Oregon, and that will be justice. Nothing else will be.

—GUY FITCH PHELPS. Salem, Or., July 21, 1927.

COOLIDGE PANS FOR GOLD IN OLD DAKOTA CANYON

(Continued from page 1.) the bumpy drive jerked her from side to side.

"Isn't that kind of hard on you, Calvin?" she asked as the procession rumbled on its way up the hill.

"Oh, no," Mr. Coolidge replied.

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"I like the exercise." Camera men rushed from hillside to crag as the drive proceeded, catching this view of the president from all angles and he laid a hand so hard on the rear of the wagon, helping the horses pull their load, that his shirt and suspenders showed below his vest.

Mrs. Coolidge took on a slightly worried expression, as if she felt such strenuous exercise might have dire consequences.

Mr. Coolidge however, appeared to enjoy the event as much as any of his party of 30 which followed him closely on foot and in straw-laden lumber wagons.

Finally, after an hour's ride the president and Mrs. Coolidge reached the McKelvie camp. The former governor had met them at the station to direct them into the fastnesses of the mountain, and Mrs. McKelvie greeted her distinguished guests as they reached the spacious log cabin which nestles among pine trees and close by a swiftly-moving creek.

"Hello, don't," Mrs. Coolidge greeted her hosts. "I'm simply delighted to be here, and what a hill."

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