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## AN EDITORIAL SERMONETTE

Roosevelt called it the strenuous life. The Internationa prophet of fire and water-
The prophet with a remarkable pair of legs. As a boy he must have been the fastest and best long distance runner his life. His run from Carmel to Jezreel before King Ahab's chariot was anything from 30 to 40 miles; nor did he stop running at Jezreel-he seemed to get his second wind there. It came in a fiery threat from the mad Queen Jezebel: "So let the gods do to me, and more also. if I make not thy life slew) by tomorrow about this time. Elijah took a new start and ran all the way to Beer-sheba- 80 miles south; and he took a third start there and hot footed it to Mt. Horeb, 200 miles further south.

He had asked for death under the juniper tree at Beervere worn to a frazzle.

- Butat Mt. Horeb he heard the still small voice that comGhissioned him anew for the strenuous life.

There are many lesons taught in this story-
But the main lesson, in the opinion of the writ editorial sermonette is the one of faithfulness writer of this your life: faithette, is the one of faithfulness to the plan of your life; faithfulness to your place and your duties. Not by The useful life is the working life. Rest is rust. You can-serve only by ser

The useful life serves on to the last. It knows no juniper dree letting down and slipping back. It takes no account of its own ease and comfort: reckons not with danger-
4. And it dies in the harness.

## PERHAPS YOU COULD DO BETTER

In this corner of The Statesman of last Sunday mention was made of the nineteenth centenary that is to be celebrated in Canada and the United States, and around the
pecially where the Y. M. C. A. forces operate-
The nineteenth centenary of the public labors of Jesus of
*Nazareth-
And the writer promised to attempt to explain the reason why the beginning of this celebration is to be made on Noof prayer, instead of in 1930; for Jesus began his public ministry when he was 30, and the Christian era began with His birth.
The date of the birth of Christ was fixed by a Roman
monk as occurring in the year 753 after the founding of monk as occurring in the year 753 after the founding of
Rome. That this was not the exact year of the birth of the all over Christendom, and now the world around and in all all over Christendom, and now the world around and in and countries, is too firmly established to be changed. It is certain
from the Gospel of Matthew, that Jesus was born before the death of Herod the Great (spring of 750 anno urbis conditae). The nativity-therefore can scarcely be placed later than the autumn of 749 (A. U. C.), or 5 to 4 B. C. It is generally con-
ceded by scholars today that He was born B. C. 4 . seded by scholars today that He was born B. C. 4.
But according to Irenaeus Jesus was born B, C. 3 . Clement stated: "Our Lord was born in the 28th year of the reign of Augystus;" or 3 B. C. Hippolytus held that Jesus was born
B. C. 2. and Clement, knowing that the exact time could not now in any way be established.
The idea of the centenary was originated in the Y. M. C. A. of Canada, and it has been taken up by the International
Y. M. C. A., and is being pushed and spread under the direc Y. M. C. A., and is being pushed and spread under the direc
tion of Mr, Mott, the outstanding world figure of that far flung service organization.
Perhaps the reader could do better in explaining why the three years. If so, the reader is invited to make the attempt. three years. If so, the reader is invited to make
MORE MODEL CITIES HERE
Mayor Walker of New York is deeply impressed with the things municipal that he saw in Europe, but finds little that couid be borrowed "sor beneficial application in America, del , the "spick and span cleanliness" of Berlin; he thrilled to the "modern vitality and ancient loveliness" o Rome. He was especially interested in the progress oberving ing program of the Italian capital. But, like ess observing
European tourists, Mayor Walker's tour probably will have its prineipal reaction in increased admiration for American cities and the American method.
One does not tour Asia to discover new industrial methods, nor does the traveler in Siam find anything helpful in transportation,modes. Had he wished only to get new views and Walker would have done better to tour America. In Ger many, where hygiene is a boagt propaganasize, onl the
metropolis is elen.. Ir the village, sinks empty their grease and dirty water into cobbled streets with shallow gutters and
no sidewalks. Many days each month, especially in the vineyard districts where sewage fis hauled in carts through the
streets to the grape terrac
suportable to Americans-
And in the ordinary European village, manure piles lie against the backs and sides of homes as they are piled in barn
yards in American rural sections. If European conditions yards in American rural sections. If European conditions existed in cities and towns like Eugene, Albany, Corvallis,
McMinnville, Dallas, Woodburn, Salem, Aurora, the value of McMinnville, Dallas, Woodburn, Salem, Au
the best corner lots would be much smaller.
Mayor Walker admired the progressive spirit of Dublin-
Oregon and California-
Say Klamath Falls and Eugene and Salem and a score or more of the state to the south of us.
Dr. Milliken can shoot his cosmic ray through ten feet of solid metal. That would be a great agency to get a new idea into the dome of solid iv

The curator of the Wilder brain collection at Cornell has concluded after recent studies that the brain of woman need new for a lot of mere men-the ladies have been aware of it this long time.

There are 63 employes of the Salem postoffice-and only ne of them a woman. Almost an Eveless Eden. But the force is more efficient. $\qquad$
Can't the Salem Chamber of Commerce get connected up with the big irrigation interests looking this way-and tell be had; and thus relieve a possible bad unemployment situation here?


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