

Our great thoughts, our great affections, the truths of our life, never leave us. Surely they can not separate from our consciousness, shall follow it whithersoever that shall go, and are of their nature divine and immortal.—Thackeray.

His Fighting Clothes

MENTION has been made several times on this page of the fight of the blind United States senator from Minnesota, Thomas D. Schall of Minneapolis, for his bill providing for government plants in various sections of the country for the conversion of farm wastes into commercial products.

Including the making of news print and other paper products from corn stalks, grain and rice straw and the pulp of sugar cane.

Now Senator Schall is pushing a new bill he introduced in the upper house January 8th, calling for a senate committee to investigate the activities of Canadian news print manufacturers who are charged by him of having to raise a fund that is already above \$16,000,000 for buying the bonds and preferred stocks of American newspapers, conditioned upon the signing of 15 year contracts by the same newspapers for the purchase from Canadian mills of their newspaper supplies.

Senator Schall charges that this is an attempt to head off the movement for making news paper in the United States from farm wastes.

It looks from this distance like an interesting scrap. The blind senator surely has his fighting clothes on.

The people of Salem, where there is a paper cult, with a lot of paper mill stock held here, are certain to be interested in the scrap. It is conceivable that the paper mills of the United States may benefit from the outcome, rather than be injured, at the expense of Canadian manufacturers.

And this would certainly happen in case a protective duty should be placed upon print paper, which now comes in free, though other papers are charged at rates running up to five cents a pound plus 20 per cent ad valorem.

The fight now being waged will certainly be noted by the ways and means committee which is giving hearings preparatory to the framing of the new tariff law.

And former activities indicate that Mr. Hoover is in favor of utilization of farm wastes, and he will be president when the new tariff bill is ready to be introduced.

More Than That

SAYS the Eugene Register:

"What the governor has to say in his message about the penitentiary is altogether heartening and reflects great credit upon his administration. The place is overcrowded but the prisoners are better cared for than ever before, the per capita cost of their care has been substantially lowered, the men are well fed and their surroundings are kept spotlessly clean and best of all every man is kept at work who is able to work. The result of all this is that there have been no prison disorders. The flax industry at which many prisoners are employed has undergone great development and is showing a profit from its operation."

More than that. The flax industry, operated under the revolving fund law, to which the last 1927 legislature contributed \$200,000, has reached the point where it is taking on 4500 acres of flax this year, against 3000 last year, without asking for any money at the present session, and will from now on ask no more help, for a continually expanding program up to 10,000 acres of flax.

After which—soon after—that industry with the other prison industries will make the institution self supporting.

And the flax industry pays wages to all prison inmates working in it. No other prison industry does this.

This more than justifies the confidence of members of past legislatures who had the vision to establish the flax industry.

For, up to the opening of last year, it was believed it would be necessary to ask for \$200,000 more at the present session, and a like sum from one or two following sessions, in order to provide for the expansion that is to take place "on its own."

All this is leading to making the penitentiary an industrial plant; keeping every one busy, which is the first prerequisite of reformatory treatment. The Oregon prison is growing into a model institution, which will be the pride of all the people of the state.

High Praise

THE Corvallis Gazette-Times calls the record of Governor Patterson, taking his accomplishments in the past two years as shown by his message as a test, "a record that will be a monument to the governor far more imposing than any he may hereafter acquire of marble or of granite."

Referring specifically to the fact that he "found an empty treasury and legislative appropriations so far in excess of possible receipts that the state faced an impending deficit of \$3,300,000. This the governor reduced by the drastic action of vetoing appropriations for \$1,300,000."

Found the state and its departments paying all kinds of prices for the same material; secured a central purchasing department which has saved \$200,000 in a year.

Rejuvenated the penitentiary and state industries managements, which has brought about wonderful results; putting the flax industry on a sound and paying basis.

Reorganized the paroling of boys at the state training school, to their benefit, and saving \$42,000.

Lowered the veterans' aid commission's deficit over \$1,300,000.

Changed the deficit of the grain inspection department to a \$22,000 profit to the general fund, etc., etc.

This is high praise—and deserving.

Poking Up Slow Pokes

A NEW YORK man who persisted in driving along a busy street at a very low speed was arrested and taken to court by a patrolman.

But the judge was obliged to free him because he could find no law prohibiting slow driving.

Which case has brought about a general demand in the metropolis for such a law or ordinance.

And experts are saying the slow poke is often a greater danger than the speeder. They say it is the slow poke who causes drivers to break out of traffic lanes in an effort to make reasonable time, and that the slow poke is also responsible for the custom of passing on the right—another source of crashes.

There is a demand in many cities for the elimination of the slow poke from the traffic of all busy streets. This is done by ordinance in most large cities, specifying the thoroughfares from which the slow poke tribe is excluded.

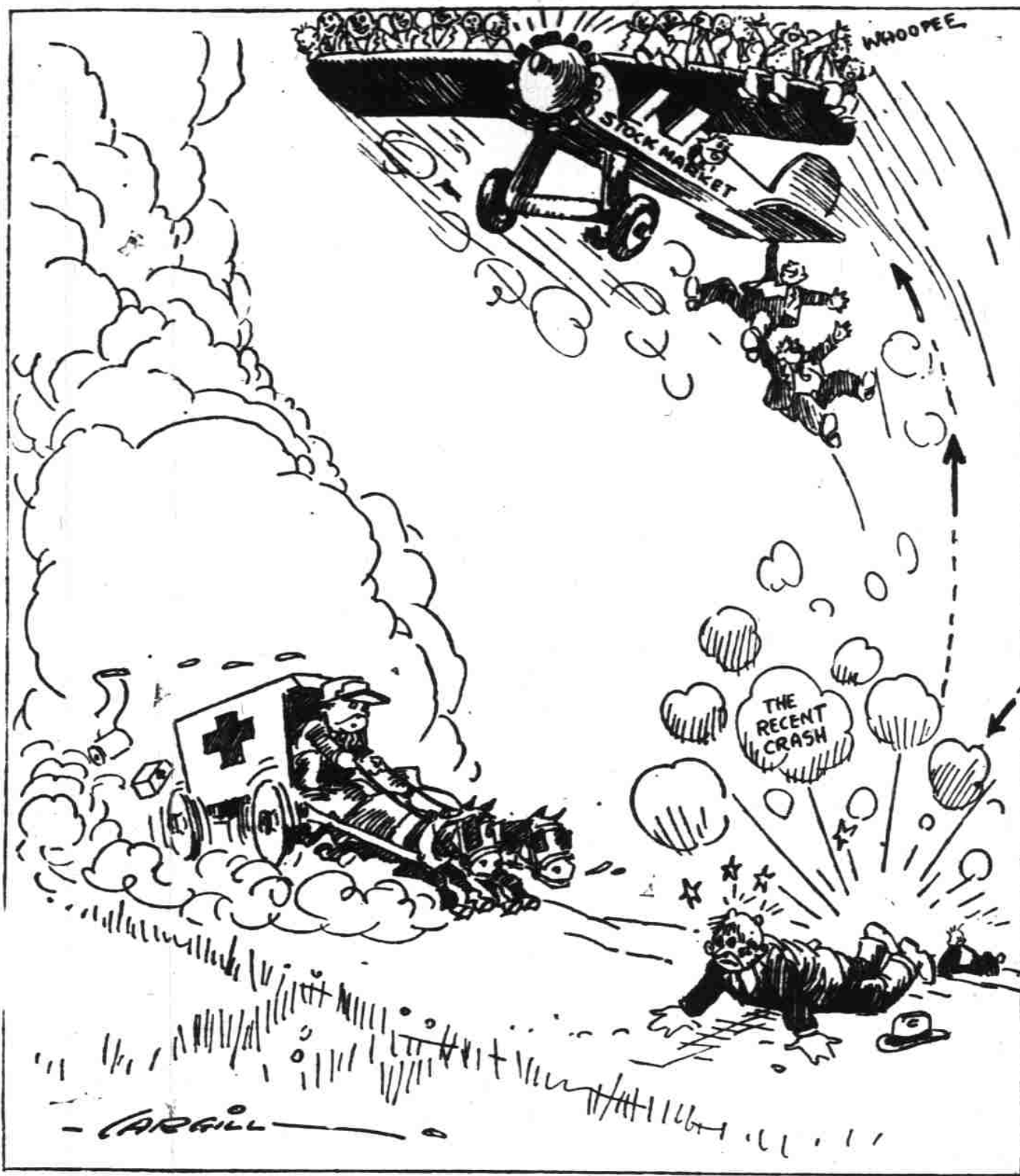
When young Edgar Grimes of Linn county won the Four-H club championship of the United States he leaped into national wide fame. Now, the dispatches tell, he receives "fan" letters from all over the country, is besought for stories of his life for publication, makes appearances before motion picture cameras and is generally lionized. Edgar's experience demonstrates anew that if you do something in a bigger and better way than anybody else does it the world will give you homage.—Eugene Register.

Through the forethought of Secretary of State Hoss, Bull Run water will be supplied to members of the legislature during the session. The sarcastic comment of an oldtime observer that the water will be used only for chasers is doubtless wholly unjustified.—Eugene Register.

Over 1500 Marines have been ordered home from Nicaragua, much to the chagrin and disappointment of those who accused this nation of imperialism in sending them there. They are leaving the Nicaraguans in the first state of peace they have enjoyed for a century.

The Question Mark

(How Much Longer Will This One Stay Up?)



Who's Who & Timely Views

By ANDREW MELLON

Secretary of the Treasury

Andrew William Mellon was born at Pittsburgh, Pa. March 24, 1855. He was educated at the Western University of Pennsylvania (now University of Pittsburgh). He was president of the Mellon National bank at Pittsburgh, retiring in 1921 to accept the office of secretary of the treasury which he has since held. He is a director or officer of various financial and industrial corporations and has also been engaged in development of coal, coke and iron enterprises. He is chairman of several federal boards.

There is ample money for all legitimate business undertakings despite the considerable amount of gold exported during the last year. Government finances are in a sound condition and additional reductions in the public debt have reduced it to manageable proportions.

During the last year the country has made steady progress. Early in the year the volume of business began to show marked improvement over the months of 1927, and this improvement has continued. It has been evident in manufacturing, in steel production, car loading, automobile production, building contracts, and sales of goods to consumers. All of this is evidence also that buying power has been sustained and that, on the whole,

satisfactory employment conditions have prevailed. Prices in basic industries have not been unduly high and have remained fairly stable, nor does there seem to be any immediate danger of excessive demand sending prices to such high levels as to make a slump in activity and consequently in prices inevitable. In the industrial world conditions seem to be on an even keel; and it is much better to have them so, with a slight upward tendency, as at present.

In the financial world, there is sufficient money available for all legitimate undertakings. A considerable amount of gold has been exported during the past year. But it has not seriously impaired our credit resources while, at the same time, it has helped to establish the gold standard more firmly in Europe and to stabilize foreign currencies with resulting benefits to our import and export trade.

In so far as the government is concerned, the finances are in a sound condition. The debt has been reduced to manageable proportions; the revenues are ample for our needs; and during the past year there has been another reduction of taxes, the full benefit of which will be more generally felt during the coming year.

For all of the reasons, I look forward with confidence to continued progress throughout the year.

schools and there is need of another.

The Bohemians' ball at the Tioza hall one evening last week was one of the most brilliant society functions in several seasons.

Old Oregon's Yesterdays

Town Talks from The Statesman

Man Our Fathers Read

Jan. 16, 1904

A series of lectures for men will be given Sunday afternoons at the Y. M. C. A. by the Rev. W. C. Kantner, D. D.

Prof. E. D. Reaser of the Monmouth Normal school was a Salem visitor.

Baseball talk is already in the air, with the C. A. A. C. club directors to hold a meeting shortly, to make plans for the new season.

Lieutenant William Darwent and H. E. Wiemann, Salvation Army workers here the past six months, have been assigned to other posts, the former to Grants Pass and Mr. Wiemann to Seattle.

Thirty-seven teachers are now engaged in the Salem public

The Way of the World

LEADERSHIP

Prof. Dyer, Vanderbilt university, hits the mark when he says in a public address that democratic government with a great, intelligent leadership is a failure. "The founders of our government," he says, "meant it to be run on a majority rule system FOR and OF but not BY the people. The people couldn't run a peanut stand successfully, much less a successful government."

Prof. Dyer, who is one of the most famous and able students of government in America, believes the country needs a responsible aristocracy. It's not a popular word—but he's probably right.

THE DARKEST DAY

"During the darkest hour of my life no word of sympathy or offer of help from any member of my family came to me, and I hungered for it as the wanderer in the desert thirsts for water. The pride that kept me silent as a neglected and unwanted child, stayed with me through life."

These words, to be found in the will of the great motion picture actor, Theodore Robert, are chill with tragedy. One's indifference to people in general, even to fairly well known acquaintances, can be easily understood. Some people are by temperament indifferent, uncommunicative, unemotional. But to withhold sympathy and help from a member of one's family is indication of the failure to grow up out of savagery and barbarism of the lowest order.

To find that sort of disloyalty among civilized people is always a disheartening discovery.

OLD AND ACTIVE

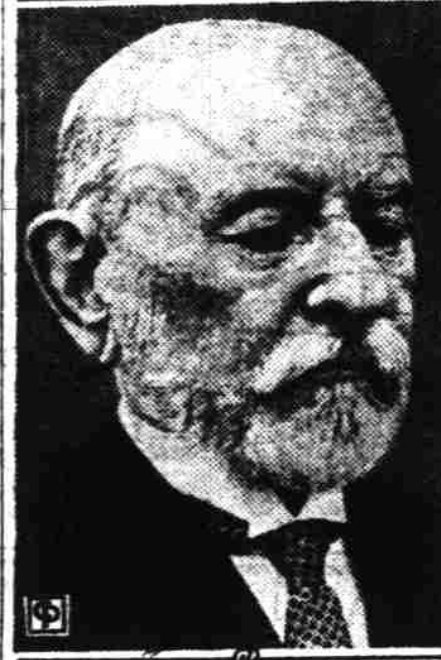
Theophilus King, head of a Massachusetts trust company, set up a fund on his sixty-eighth birthday. Every year since then he has made it a practice to give away some thousands of dollars to churches and various organizations. Now Mr. King is 84 years old. On his birthday a short time ago he gave away a few more thousands to worthy causes. Here is a wise man. He knows what to do with money and he has some fun giving it away while he yet lives. It is an inspiring sight to see a man old in years but active in heart.

NOT LAZY

If you think you are too tired to walk to work, just put it down to the fact that you are getting hopelessly soft. Think of the Chinese coolie. He pushes a wheelbarrow loaded with eight persons. Try that on your way down town.

The Grab Bag

January 16, 1929



Who am I? What until recently was my vocation? What important post did I hold in New York City for many years?

What colonial divine, associate pastor of North Church, in Boston, took a prominent part in the Salem witchcraft investigations?

Who was the husband of Helen of Troy?

Whose voice calls Mohammedans to prayer from the minaret?

"Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity." Where is this passage found in the Bible?

Today in the Past
On this date, in 1920, the prohibition amendment to the constitution of the United States went into effect.

Today's Horoscope

Persons born under this degree of Capricorn are earnest workers and possess much talent. They have a faculty of seeing beneath the exterior of persons.

A Daily Thought

"Flattery was formerly a vice; it has now become the fashion."—Syrus.

Answers to Foregoing Questions

1. William T. Hornaday; zoologist; director of the New York zoological park.
2. Cotton Mather.
3. Menelaus.
4. The muezzin.
5. Ephesians, vi. 24.

THE ONE MINUTE PULPIT

Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.

The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them.—Proverbs xx, 11, 12.

Poems that Live

LEISURE

WHAT is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.
No time to stand beneath the boughs
And stare as long as sheep or cows.

No time to see, when woods we pass,
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.

No time to see, in broad daylight,
Streams full of stars, like skies at night.

No time to turn at Beauty's glance,
And watch her feet, how they can dance.

No time to wait till her mouth can Enrich that smile her eyes began.

A poor life this if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.

—William H. Davies (1870—)

RETURN FROM HOSPITAL
INDEPENDENCE, Ore., Jan. 15. (Special)—Dr. Dugan returned Monday from the Salem general hospital where he had been a patient for some time.

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. Hendricks

As to flax prices—
Some farmer is reported to have said that the state is making too much from treating the product, and the grower too little for producing it.

Well, it is a free field. Let a group of farmers organize and establish a threshing, retting and scutching plant. They can thus supply themselves with work the year through—if they put in humidifiers and drying facilities. Then they can have all the profits, of both growing and manufacturing.

After a while, the profits will be larger, for the state has led the way; has introduced the right kind of machinery, and the proper methods—and it is building up a supply of pedigreed seed. In a few years, there will be enough of this for all—and it will about treble the chance of a successful independent plant.

There should be many of these, throughout the valley, and when they are established their management will mean the flax to be reasonable; but they will not want the state to pay such high prices as to make it impossible for them to run their plants at a reasonable profit. It must be understood that the state has available labor at a lower cost than anyone else can provide it.

Is it as good as free labor? Well there is being operated at the state plant here with seven prison laborers a scutching machine that it takes nine men to operate in a mill in eastern Canada—the only other machine of the kind in North America—and the seven prisoners do more work than the nine free men; produce a larger daily output.

The Salem Y free employment

office is sending out 25 owners of land in the Salem, recting the fact are large numbers of the to the office looking for every job"; many have large families and some of them with

Farmers with land fences to build or repair, cut, trees to prune, or are asked to help in various situations.

"The situation is more than many people realize the letter, and every day, however, that the state does a man is to help him to self—and that is what a do for many people just

The employment office at 245, and the secretary at 254 North Front street is a call that deserves attention. Last week, about 40 connected with jobs; but this week, there have been calls for workers.

We are a rich people, the majority still can remember the floor when construction is to visit.

Feeding the Belgians was a comparatively simple. It wasn't necessary to wait for a vacancy in the case of job hunters.

The dead can't speak, no protest from inside the when it fails to pass the front.

Americanism: Punishing the thief who steals but once, thinking it isn't wrong to smuggle if you don't make a business of it.

A Georgia Indian condemned to die, wept when they cut his hair but faced death cheerfully. The flapper complex seems to be spreading.

MONMOUTH, SUVER GRANGES INSTALL

MONMOUTH, Jan. 15.—(Special)—Joint installation was held January 12 in Monmouth Grange hall for Monmouth Grange No. 476 and for Suver Grange No. 633. Miss Bertha Beck of Albany, secretary of the state grange, installed the following officers:

Monmouth Grange: W. J. Stockholm, master; Jesse V. Johnson, overseer; Mrs. T. J. Edwards, lecturer; T. J. Edwards, steward; George Kurre, assistant steward; Mrs. Addie Calbreath, chaplain; J. L. Murdock, treasurer; Mrs. Beulah Craven, secretary; George McLaughlin, gatekeeper; Miss Alice Butler, Ceres; Mrs. William Riddell Jr., Pomona; Mrs. Lettie Johnson, Flora; Mrs. W. J. Stockholm, lady assistant steward; Mrs. George Kurre, musician.

Suver Grange: Mrs. E. G. Harris, master; Charles Allen, overseer; Mrs. W. W. Kesler, lecturer; John Allen, steward; W. W. Kesler, assistant steward; Mrs. M. I. Conger, chaplain; E. G. Harris, treasurer; Mrs. Mabel Kerr, secretary; T. P. Oglesbee, gatekeeper; Mrs. Nellie Lamb, Ceres; Mrs. O. J. Bagley, Pomona; Mrs. T. P. Oglesbee, Iora; Mrs. B. R. Douglas, lady assistant steward.

FORTY MISSIONARY MEMBERS ATTEND

SILVERTON, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Christian church met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Merriman, with 40 members and visitors present. Mrs. Grace Palmer led the meeting. The women in Mrs. Young's division were hostesses. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Pitney of Portland is in Silvertown this week, caring for her mother, Mrs. Carl of South First street, who is ill with the influenza.

The Rev. and Mrs. Livingstone of the Christian church are leading a series of meetings which will be held each evening this week in the church. These services are in the form of "get acquainted" meetings. The Rev. and Mrs. Livingstone came to Silvertown in December in answer to a call by the church. Mr. Livingstone's pastorate officially began the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Handford left Silvertown Saturday for a month's visit in southern California and old Mexico.

Telephone Wires Add to Facility Of Local Service

LAKE LABISH, Jan. 15.—(Special)—The Telephone company, with a big crew of men, is passing along Pacific highway today adding four more wires to the 76 already on the poles. Further down the line toward Portland, 26 green wires are being added to the 126 already on the poles to the workers employed here.

"The great increase in business necessitating these additional wires, is merely keeping step with the progress of industry down this Willamette valley," according to the foreman in charge of the job. Ten truck loads of onions, the very cream of the crop, Brown Australians and Yellow Danvers, went down the Pacific highway toward Portland points today from Lake Labish growers.

ADDRESSES STUDENTS

Members of the Salem High School Girls' League voted the address which Mrs. Kate W. Johnson, dean of women at O. S. U. gave before their body Tuesday morning as one of the best of the year. Dean Johnson talked upon "The Value of Education," putting her remarks with apt references to her own experience.

By Swat

High Pressure Pete

