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Spaulding a Billiken?

THE Portland Journal jumps all over Charles Spaulding because he "publicly attacks his colleagues. He attacks the engineers. He makes insinuations," etc., und so weiter, et al. And the Journal proceeds to attack him personally in a vicious, below-the-belt fashion.

All because the Journal has H. B. Van Duzer on the commission as its pet. Van Duzer is a SACRED NAME which must not be taken in vain. Van Duzer must be allowed to continue to run the commission. Van Duzer must be allowed to call the commission to meet at his own whim as to time and place. With the Journal it is Van Duzer this and Van Duzer that, till the whole highway program is vanduzered to the limit.

The Journal is extremely solicitous about any concesions to contractors and tries to make out that Spaulding is a teel of wicked, conniving contractors who want to slip something over on the state. But when it comes to any irregularity within the highway department which Spaulding would like to bring to light of day, why the Journal goes hush, hush; you mustn't touch the ark of the covenant which grades of the elementary schools is Van Duzer.

Well, Van Duzer has been a very good member of the commission; has given generously of his time and his ability. But we ask the Journal, is this to be a one-man commission? Is Van Duzer to have the full say about the highways of

The Journal insists that these "indefensible attacks by Spaulding on his unoffending colleagues be stopped, that he become an orderly and sane commissioner such as Oregon has always had." In other words, Charley, shut up and let the Journal and its man run the highway program of the state. is an increased incidence of tu-Well, now as we understood at the time, Spaulding was

put on the commission by Gov. Meier not to be "an orderly and sane commissioner", to just be a billiken, "say no evil, ing the school period. This time speak no evil, hear no evil". Instead he was put on there to in the child's life has come to be probe into the whole works, bring to light whatever of inef-ficiency, slothfulness or graft might have developed during needed. Our high schools today for copies of the 1871 and 1872 none; but why try to bottle every- should curtefl rather than thing up like the Journal is trying to do? Open the door and crease the school work, curricu-

of the things he advocates and has confidence in the general health, that year-around schools The Statesman does not agree with Spaulding in some administration of the highway department under Klein, but Spaulding is a member of the commission duly appointed by the governor and we object to his being vanduzered by the portland Journal or anyone else.

What health problems are question in the governor and we object to his being vanduzered by the portland Journal or anyone else.

What health problems are question in the governor and write that question or the Marion county department of health. The

In the Week's News

CUNDAY again. "O day of rest and gladness" as the hymn runs. It gives us a chance to look back over a week as stirring as any in the decade. How fast things happen, how crowded with big news are the day's papers. Pause a moment and reflect on the happenings of the past week:

Great Britain suspended the gold standard, and for a week markets have vibrated as wildly as a crazy ammeter on an automobile.

Three transatlantic fliers, given up for lost, are picked up by a passing ship after they had clung to floating wreckage for 148 hours. Great industries slash wages, and the old agreement

with Pres. Hoover in 1929 to maintain wages is cast aside in the face of economic necessity. War looms in the far east, but the threat fades as pressure from other countries induces Japan to cease further ag-

gression in Manchuria. The American Legion meets in Detroit; endorses resubmission of the 18th amendment; withholds pleas for cash bo-

And the week was no less busy in local affairs. Here is a list of the "big stories" of the week:

Public schools open; Willamette university classes re-City council turns down proposal for election on big

bond issue for Santiam water. Football starts again.

Great drive to support prohibition carried forward by Allied Forces. Salem stores put on Fall Opening.

State fair opens, the 77th exhibition. Now how is that for a week of stirring events? Is the day of the newspaper done? Well hardly. So long as things happen the facts must be set down accurately, quickly, clearly; and there is no substitute for the modern daily newspaper as a means of keeping people informed.

Take Your Choice

THE swinging jaws in pool halls and pullmans, in parlors and pantries have made many and wide assignment of the causes of the hard times. Here is a list, which is by ne means complete, and every one of them is regarded by Phyte Pathology, of Petrograd, individuals or groups as the sure-fire cause of the flattening Russia, was one of the most inof business. We often find papers J'aming it all on one cause today and then tomorrow have a different scapegoat for the ills of the times. Take your pick, or add to the list as you

Prohibition War Reparations Tariff Low price of silver Hoover Armaments Gold standard Low price of wheat The dole Wall Street

And the cures are just as many and as uncertain as the

Mayor Baker has to blow back his \$600 salary for the extra menth he spent in France. It's an ill wind, etc. Now the men are debating whether it is safer to go deer hunt- sidered best to ke

So far the men haven't thought of dressing up like Mr. Empress Zugenie.

or to accompany wife to a bridge party.

School

By C. C. DAUER, M. D. Marion County Dept. of Health A few days ago there appeared in one of the Portland papers the the 77th Oregon state fair, statement that a certain man advocated with

the idea of shortening the number school; in er words the school year sconer than is usually the case now. An editorial

a plan but one argument, the Dr. C. C. Daner most important of all, against such a plan was not mentioned, the effect on the child's health.

Many people do not realize or drain on the vitality of many children. If this vitality reaches below a certain level, the child's health is endangered. Studies have been made which have definitely shown that at the end of the school year children show more evidences of physical de-

of growth take place, both physical and mental. Schooling is necessary because of this mental growth but it is anything but ideal for him to be in school while rapid physical growth occurs.

Half-Time Advised Competent medical authority advises that if any change takes place, in so far as hours of school are concerned, there should be fewer hours. It has been especially advised that children in the first and second be in school but half of the day. Such a plan can not be put into operation under the present-day educational system but it does have its merits. Another period of school life-

during which fewer hours of school are advisable is during the adolescent age, a time of rapid physical growth as well as a period of emotional instability. This period of school life has been found to be one when there berculosis. More cases of tuberculosis in children develop at this period than any other time durlar and extra-curricular.

For the reasons given, it is evwould be very unwise,

answer will appear in this column. Hausshould be signed, but will not be used in

Y est erdays . . Of Old Salem

Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days

September 27, 1906 The Washington state democratic convention yesterday endorsed W. J. Bryan for president

Coach W. T. Reid, who is a the head of the Harvard football this year, is probably the highest salaried football coach in the country. Reid last year received \$3,500. He received \$1,500 from other sources, so that his salary was \$5,000 a year.

A self-confessed thief, Roy Sanders, 19, occupies a cell in the Marion county jail, awaiting the action of the circuit court. On Tuesday afternoon Sanders stole a ladies' hunting case gold watch, three rings, some money and a number of hop tickets at a hopyard near Lincoln.

September 27, 1921 Police are searching for a lone bandit who early yesterday en-tered the Oregon State bank of Jefferson, and, after locking L. W. Howell, a bookkeeper, in the vault, made good his escape with \$3.340 in currency and silver.

A Holstein bull weighing 3,000 pounds, from the William Bishop Puget Sound heard at Chimacum Wash, is one of the outstanding attractions of the state fair cat-tle show. This is the largest animal of any kind—save an ele-phant—ever exhibited in Salem.

Professor A. de Jaczewski, di rector, Institute of Mycology and terested visitors to the Oregon state fair yesterday. He had never before witnessed a similar exposition where products of erchard, farm and garden were on display for competitive purposes.

Daily I hought

"You may be as orthodox as the devil and as wicked."-John

School at Larwood

Year Around BITS for BREAKFAST

The 77th state fair:

The Oregon state fair now in session has been advertised as the 70th. It is more than that, It is

A magazine article tells of this state fair being a celebration of the 70th birthday of the insti-tution. Its 70th birthday fellof away back in 1924; seven years

One will find in the Salem Di-

"The first agricultural society address, In this address the establishment of woolen mills, the introduction of the Cashmere or Angora goat and the steam plowwere recommended. The following year the officers were R. C. Geer, president; Joseph Cox, vice president; Joseph G. Wilson, secretary, and C. A. Reed, treasurer.

"The society held several fairs, and for some time was an active and energetic organization, but, fects than are found at the beginning of the term.

Children are compelled to attend school during the period of
their lives when great increases
of growth take place, both physyears, and if the society failed to perform their part of the contract the land should revert to Marton county. The society so far have fulfilled their part of the contract."

> Joseph G. Wilson became prominent; held several important offices and was elected to congress, L. F. Grever edited The annual Oregon state fair. Statesman in the absence of Hon. A. Bush, was elected to congress, chosen as governor twice, and went to the United States senate. Raiph C. Geer was the pioneer nurseryman, held important effi-ces, and was a leader in many ways. The address of Grever brought fruit; two years later the first woolen mill (first on the coast) was organized here, and was opened the following year, with a grand ball, lighted by hundreds of candles, at which Lieut. Phil Sheridan was a prominent

The article quoted from the 1872 Directory was written by Rev. L. H. Judson, passenger on the Lausanne, living in the house that was the first private

The deed from Marion county to the Oregon State Agricultural society was made July 7, 1864. Fairs had been held each year up to that time, and they have been held every year since, including the one of 1864. The deed to Marion county was made on April 1, 1863.

The state fair became a true state fair, belonging to the com-monwealth, in 1891. The legislature of that year passed an act taking over the property. The deed from the Oregon State Agricultural society to the State Board of Agriculture was made November 6, 1891. Since then the property has belonged to the state, and the fair has been man-aged under acts of the legisla-

Clearly, the first Oregon fair was in 1854. That makes this the 77th Oregon state fair. By no construction can it be said to be only the 70th state fair. As Rev. Judson wrote, the society that originated it was "the first agricultural society on the Pacific coast," and, by the same sign, the fair of 1854, on the grounds where the present fair is being held, was the first agricultural fair on the Pacific coast. It is the daddy of them all.

The amount of land owned has been increased several times. But the original tract is still a part of the holdings. The grove used for the camp grounds is a part of the original tract;

Who is responsible for calling this the 70th Oregon state fair the writer does not know. By what set of facts he or she reasoned in reaching the conclusion he is unable to get from the incidents in connection with fair's history.

It is not a matter of vital lm-portance, of course. But it is oldest fair west of the Rockies, longer than is made to appear in Miss Velta Hendrecks of

the announcements of this year. And the writer understands this mistake dates back several years.

Governor Withycombs, gon's chief executive from 1915 to 1919, made the frequent that Oregon had the best and a vacant country house, and largest state fair west of Minne- Frank Severn is kidnaped and

This distinction can still be rightfully claimed for our fair. And each one, for a long time, has been bigger and better than

ized at Salem April 6, 1854, Gov- and improvements. The exhibits The first agricultural fair was in the present holdings will ere held at Salem October 11, 1854. long be overcowded, with a con-Hon. L. F. Grover delivered the tinuance of the progress of the last few years.

More rooms will be soon required, and it would be wise for the management to be looking forward to securing additional land, if it may be bought or optioned, on terms such as available resources will justify-with a little leeway for an optimistic vision of what the future has in store for our section and our state.

Seventy-seven years. Not long, But quite a span, in measuring the whole history of Oregon Three more years, and the 80th anniversary may be celebrated, with offerings attracting wider attention. Then the 85th, and the 90th, the 95th. And what a great time may be looked forward to by the younger members of the community (like the writer) in 1954!

Be sure that you do not miss it. Nor the present great 77th

The Safety Letters from

Statesman Readers SAFETY VALVE Salem, Ore., Sept. 25.
To the editor: Noting the hue

and cry anent the conducting of case, but he forgot to light it as the state fair on Sunday, I am he turned a suddenly startled moved to wonder if it would be face towards the other man. better to have no fair. Since it is a mooted question as to just -oh, that's absurd. Must be! which day is the Lord's day, and leaving nothing to chance at least two days are eliminated.

A Real Prison

Rather than go to the fair on these days, we might but on a long face and talk about the deession, or try in some manner to make our neighbor as miserable and unhappy as ourselves. It may be a blessing to have somebody to attend to our busi-

ness for us, tell us what we may may or may not do on certain days. Where we may go and what we shall spend our money for but it is not compatible with human We should probably invite the morons who can't get along without such unholy entertainment, to

pack themselves off to some oth-

er city, state or country, as they

have been doing for a number of years, and spend their money where it is appreciated, and let the old town sleep. However, owing to the untiring efforts of some of our public spirited citizens, elaborate plans have been effected that we may refresh oursives with some of the beauties and wonders of nature, art and science. What could be more fitting, even on a "Lord's

day"? The fair is worthy of our support-that is if we may do so without offending any gods, or being put in jail. On with the Fair.

BROOKS, Sept. 26-Brooks public school opened Monday with a large enrollment and prospects point to about 26 more pupils in the next week or so, as soon as the onion and different crops are taken care of. Several children are ill at their homes and unable to go to school this

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Streeter have had as their guests the past worthy of pride that we have the week Rev. and Mrs. Chalvar Gabriel and children Mariam and and that it has lived seven years Earl and Mrs. Gabriel's sister

LAY SERMON

"I don't know any gospel of that kind.
My gospel has in it the breaking of
pelson bars and shackles, the bringing
forth of prisoners, and if I can't preach
that I wen't preach at all." — Henry
Ward Beecher, That was Beecher's report of the beginning of his ministry in the great Plymouth church of the great Plymouth church Brooklyn.

At the present time there ems to be nothing very heroic about preaching against slavery. today. South as well as north lists human slayery among the social sine which deserved to be stamped out. Yet a century ago it was a bold preacher even in the Gets New Shingles abolition of the slavery traffic.

It was one of those forbidden sub-LARWOOD, Sept. 26 — E. Krumi and Clair Wilkes have completed the ahingling of the school house. Although it is not being used this year, it was considered best to keep it in good repair.

And when Beecher wont to Discovery to the second sec

"PREACHING THE GOSPEL" | abstract and not in the concrete: Why den't you go on and preach the salvation of the individual soul without touching the individual or social conscience. Beecher, great preacher that he was, put no gag to his lips, no rein to the pulsing of his great heart. Still Times have changed.

there are those who urge preachers to preach only "the meaning of course their are those who decry any move of preachers to proclaim a new so-The world recognizes it as a curse cial order, to challenge old ideas in politics, in economics, in social controls. "Preach the gospel," But there are Beechers today who do not hesitate to he prophets of a better day, to condemp social curses such as the saloon, industrial autocracy, militarism, war. They are the flaming torches of happiness than past centuries a visit with Mrs. McKee's par-have enjoyed. The Beechers are ents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Magness. not dead. They are in fact the Rev. and Mrs. Liening, Sr., exsidered best to keep it in good And when Beecher went to Plynot dead. They are in fact the repair.

Mrs. Roscoe Gaines is having as company this week, Miss Faye Collins of Lebanon.

And when Beecher went to Plynot dead. They are in fact the great advocates of reform now as in the past, offending many, but day where they will spend several days visiting at the home of their which was merely religion in the tian endeavor.

Katharine Faring, granddaugh-ter of a Russian prince, is the rightful owner of the missing Czarina rubies of sinister fame and fabulous value. Trying to recover them for her, Paul Federoff is murdered at Monkeilver,

READ THIS FIRST

carried there unconscious. His servant, Creyke, is murdered. Jim Wynter, friend of Severn

and of Katharine, tries to rescue Severn, injured and drugged; he rectory for 1872 an article that the one before. This is true of the awakens in the home of mysterwas lifted from the 1871 Direct-fair of this year. It is the biggest, lous Dr. Martell. Recovering he takes Katharine and his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grayson, to It is spread over more ground. Severn's country home, Beggar's on the Pacific coast was organ- It has more and better buildings Court. There a search reveals a concealed stairway and a locked erner John W. Davis, president, are larger and better, generally, door in the ruins of an ancient and Joseph G. Wilson, secretary. The whole of the 200-odd acres chapel. The stub of one of Dr. chapel. The stub of one of Dr. Martell's cigarets lies on the stairs.

Sant, Severn's lawyer, suddenly appears.

NOW GO ON

CHAPTER XXIX Sant stared, then gave a laugh. "But you aren't serious? Oh. 1 know Martin's got the wind up about this place. He exaggerates the danger, no doubt - but a lump of solid stone came down zonk close by him one memorable day, and since then he's lived in daily expectation of the whole place collapsing!"

"What's behind that locked door, Sant?" demanded Wynter abruptly.

"Blessed if I know! Can't say am particularly inquisitive, elther. A colony of rats, I expect. I've never seen the inside of the crypt and don't know anyone who has. There's been no key so far as I know since I had to do with the place," Sant said. "I once tried some old keys I found in the house. No luck at all."
"You didn't mention this crypt

to the police the night Seve n disappeared," said Wynter suddealy. "Well, no, frankly, I never thought of it. Not that there would have been much point in

doing so, would there, even if I had?" "Doesn't it strike you as likely that it was here Severn was brought after he'd been kidnaped?, We know he wasn't driven away from Beggar's Court till hours later."

Sant had struck a match for a cigaret he had taken from his "I hadn't thought of that. But

A Real Prison "How do we know that? Severn might even have been lying laughed. here in the open between these walls, gagged and unable to cry yesterday afternoon?" put in Wyn-likely to have a key or even to out—and neither the police nor ter quickly. I, only a few yards away, with been better hidden if it had been deliberately contrived, could it?" he asked pointedly.

doorway once in a blue moon."

Wynter gave a shrug. Well, someone's been through that doorway and down those steps within the last two or three days, anyway," he retorted. "And I fancy I could put a name to that someone first guess. Sant, why should Martell be interested in this underground door?"

Sant seemed astonished at the point-blank challenge. 'Martell?" he echoed. why on earth should you suppose it-or even that Martell has ever been to Beggar's Court?" "Well, I was rather under the impression I saw his face at one of the windows within the last half hour. Martin protested to the contrary and conjured up a son of his in Buenos Aires as

evidence. By the way, has Martin son in Buenos Aires?" "Blessed if I know! But I'm getting a bit fogged, Wynter. Do you mean you saw Martell here

stone, Minnesota. Among the Brooks boys who are attending University of Eugene this fall are San Ramp, Fred McCloughry and Ernest Garbar-

Mrs. Wilford LaFountaine and children Wilford Jr. and Lewella of Independence were guests this week of Mrs. LaFountaine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Otto in Brooks. Other guests at the Otto home were Mr. and Mrs. Orval Otto of Labish Center, Irving Sears and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wesolowski. Mr. LaFountaine has come to eastern Oregon on a deer hunting trip.

John Dunlavy has been ill the

past week at his home and is now improving. Mrs. C. D. Naylor has also been on the sick list but is getting better.

Men Return From Successful Hunt In Ukiah District

JEFFERSON, Sept. 26. - Earl Lynes and Tom Hale returned from a hunting trip in the Ukiah district recently. They got a deer which weighed 120 pounds, dress-Mrs. G. W. Humphrey returned

ard Humphrey and family at Eugene. She will remain at home for a few days before going to Portsocial progress, the champions of a new days before going to Port-a more wholesome society with more of human liberty and human tored to Wheatland Thursday for

at Beggar's Court? First I've let a bid of daylight into those

heard of it." "Oh, Martin says it was a Jim Wynter's mind was made stranger I saw. Meanwhile, I've up on that point and something just come upon this lying here." in his voice left Sant in no doubt Wynter showed Sant the cigaret of it. end with an Egyptian name just "And what do you expect to below the gold tip. "When Martind there?"
tell gave me a similar cigaret Wynter gave a shrug. yesterday, he appeared to think "My dear man, how on earth he was about the one person in can I tell? We may find nothing. London who smoked this hrand." The point is that we can't afford Sant stared frowningly at it. to neglect a chance.

"The Czarina's Rubies" By SIDNEY WARWICK

and he chuckled. piece of detective work, Wynter. connected in any way with this Pity there should be just one locked door? If so, and if there flaw is ft," he remarked. "One of was nothing behind that door, why markell's cigarets, no doubt, but had Martin betrayed that curious—I hate to throw cold water on marked anxiety? such deductive brilliance, my "Wynter's dead right, of dear fellow — unfortunately not smoked or drepped here by Mar-"What's your objection to having

"And your reasons?" asked "Well, you see, Martell shoved

"Then you have been here since

as much as a suspicion of that bring me to this depressing spot? crypt doorway. It could hardly have Though I certainly was at Beggar's Court last night; you see, had to run down to see the police about poor Creyke. None the less, Sant stare at him as if puz-justing." And Sant laughed. "Mar-"How do you mean, deliberate- tin, my dear fellow-that's the ly contrived? Good Lord, Wynter culprit! I've long suspected Mar--but of course, you're . joking? | tin of a penchant for my cigarets, Just the way the ivy grows-and and this proves it-not that I rewhy shouldn't it? So far as I member leaving my cigaret case know no one goes through that lying about. Must have done, I suppose. It wouldn't be the first time. But goodness knows what Martin should have been doing

here in these ruins!' It was a possible explanation, of course. Only in that case Martin must have dropped it either last night or today. And that half smoked cigaret certainly had the appearance of having been exposed to the weather much than that. It was stained as if with damp, and there had been no rain for two days. However, Wynter did not refer to it further.

"But about this underground door," he said very decisively, Sant, key or no key, it's got to be opened. Opened at once. "Because you imagine Severn was brought here? Oh, I'm sure you're all wrong, Wynter," broke out Sant with sudden impatience.

Determined "Oh, that's quite pessible, of course," Wynter said carelessly. But if we don't take steps to prove it one way or the other we wrong. Anyway, it's up to us to an answer."

Then his face suddenly cleared And not only that, Martin's manifest eagerness to keep them "Congratulations on a sound away from those rules-was that

"Wynter's dead right, of "What's your objection to having that door opened, Sant?" he asked bluntly. Sant laughed.

"Only that there's no key that some of those cigarets into my I know of at Beggar's Court—and case yesterday. I'd happened to praise a cigaret of his I was smoking at my place whilst you were upstairs changing. Only hope he didn't think it was a hint," Sant be right-though I find it difficult to persuade myself that the know of the existence of the

(To Be Continued Tomorrow)

New Views

Yesterday Statesman reporters ssked this question: "Whom do you think will get the democratic iomination for president

Allan Carson, lawyer: "I be lieve it will be Roosevelt. You think Smith? He's promised not to run but that doesn't mean anything from a democrat—or a republican, either.

Fred Weinman, Brooks farmer: "I don't know who it will be, but I think there will be a change. Not a republican, er. Maybe a democrat; the pendents have never been cessful, It will depend a good deal upon the stand on wet and dry issue. I think the depression has killed the republicans."

Madalene L. Callin, school principal: "I think Franklin D. Roosevelt has the best chance of anyone mentioned so far."

Mrs. W. H. Dancy, honsewife: "Oh, don't ask me. I don't know, anyway I am a republican.

Mrs. T. Gross, housewifes 1'1 wait until the democrats decide shan't know whether I'm right or that question, before I venture

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