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**JUSTICE HOLMES RETIRES**

AFTER 30 years of valiant service as a judge of the supreme court of the United States, Oliver Wendell Holmes retires. The son of a famous father, the New England poet, Justice Holmes has earned perhaps even greater and more lasting fame than his father.

The character of the man is written into the hundreds of opinions which he rendered or helped to render during his long service to the nation. Among the lawyers and judges of a period during which the law tended to become a highly technical craft rather than a learned profession, Justice Holmes was pre-eminent as a scholar. More than that, he was a philosopher.

It was his duty as a member of the supreme court to help to make the law of the land by interpreting the fundamental principles of the constitution, and he brought to that task a vision of American government as an agency not merely for the protection of vested rights and property interests but for the development of human rights and human freedom.

They have called him the great liberal of the supreme court bench. Some men and some interests have feared him as a radical. It seems almost strange that in this country a champion of human rights should need even the special designation of liberal. Yet in a period during which business was sanctified and government dedicated to its service, Justice Holmes became almost unique because he clung so tenaciously to the ideal of government as the servant of the people.

"Justice Holmes dissents!"

The phrase became famous. People always wanted to know why Justice Holmes dissented. Here was no demagogue catering to public fancy but a sober scholar versed in the traditions and aspirations of his people. In his 30 years on the supreme bench, Justice Holmes became a leading influence in American government, and much of our law is due to his liberal interpretation.

There has been something very valiant about the service of this fine old gentleman to his nation, and it ought not to be forgotten that during the Civil War he won distinction as a soldier. He was incorruptible not only in his practices but in his ideals. His courage never faltered. There is something very brave even in the simple ceremony of his retirement.

Justice Holmes has earned the few years of rest which remain for him, and carries with him the affection and respect which few men have won as servants of the people.

**THE PHI BETA CONCERT**

BECAUSE it is a university town, Eugene has opportunities to hear many noted musicians who are known to most communities only by the press reports, the radio or the phonograph records. The amazing turnout for the appearance of Georges Enesco Sunday testified to the support the town gives good music at popular prices.

Thursday evening, Eugene has another opportunity to hear an exceptional musician, Paul Engberg, a young baritone from our own Northwest who has made an enviable reputation in opera in Europe. He has consented to sing here to help Phi Beta raise the money for its annual scholarships at the school of music by means of which several young women of Eugene are finding it possible to get a musical education.

The Engberg concert in the music auditorium deserves wide support. It is an opportunity to hear a man who has not only a fine voice but is a master musician, and it is an opportunity to support Phi Beta and the university in a real educational undertaking.

**DAWES FOR PRESIDENT**

CHARLIE DAWES was born interesting and the chances are he will pass through this life in some interesting fashion. After noticing "Coolidge luck," Charlie was persuaded to take a chance of the vice-presidency, but "Coolidge luck" still held and Charlie got out of that pigeon hole after one term. Nevertheless, he managed to speak the truth to the senate once or twice while he was in there. Which is about as much as any man can do with the vice-presidency.

Then Charlie went to the great Court of St. James as America's No. 1 ambassador. Charlie did various startling things. He smoked that upside-down pipe of his even in the presence of royalty. And what was that story about dropping a chunk of ice down some duchess' back at a state dinner? Really! But Charlie seemed to make the British like him, despite his breezy ways.

Now Charlie comes bouncing home ostensibly for a "little vacation" before the big disarmament conference and gives out the news that when the conference is over, he is through with ambassadoring. Wants to get back to dear old Chi and play around that bark of his and maybe strum the fiddle. (Charlie is quite a fiddler; he's written songs and not for Tin Pan Alley either). Of course, the boys in the press rooms jump to the hunch that Charlie must be getting the presidential bee again.

"Damn nonsense!" says Charlie with a freedom he hasn't shown since the good old days of "Hell'n Maria'n!"

Of course, the boys near the White House make haste to point out that a break between Mr. Hoover and Mr. Dawes would be impossible. Why, Dawes lunched with the president when he got back from London, didn't he? Why should they have to quarrel over a little thing like that?

Furthermore, the impulsive Charlie makes haste to announce that he's for Herbert, first and last. Why shouldn't he be? But one scans the quotes in vain for the "will not run" or "do not choose" that might clinch the matter. Of course, if Herbert runs, Chas., always a good Republican, will support him.

It may be recalled, however, that a few weeks ago at the beginning of the great Japanese movement to drive bandits out of Manchuria, Mr. Stim-

son got all set for rather active American co-operation with the League of Nations and that Mr. Dawes (and his pipe) suddenly appeared in Paris out of the London fog and in a few rather curt sentences seemed to put the "ki-bosh" on American participation. It never was made quite clear whether Stimson or Mr. Dawes represented the official American policy.

Anyhow, Mr. Dawes is quitting the dull job of ambassadoring and he'll be just a private citizen of Chicago, somewhat less conspicuous than Al Capone himself, about the time the Republicans gather in that peaceful burg next summer to hold what is known as a convention. The Great Lakes region is rather notorious for lightning striking. Of course Mr. Hoovers' health seems to be good. Even if his record is a tough tune for the ballyhoo bands of the G. O. P., it would be a difficult thing to break away from Hoover, even with Hi Johnson and the whole insurgent gang ra'rin'.

Yet lightning might strike in Chicago, and if it does Charlie Dawes isn't going to be 6000 miles away in knee britches. No sir, Charlie is always interesting.

**OUR LIVING STANDARD**

THE long awaited report on comparative living costs for American and European workmen, compiled by the International Labor Office at the request of Henry Ford, who wanted to know how much he should pay his European employees to put them on a par with his workers in Detroit, has at last been made public. It is a highly interesting document.

Living costs in Detroit are shown to be substantially higher than those abroad. Those of the Paris factory hand, for instance, are only about 80 per cent of those of the Detroit; in Manchester, the figure is about 75 per cent; in Berlin, slightly below 90 per cent. Part of America's high wages are eaten up by higher living costs.

But not all. The report shows that the American enjoys a far higher standard of living. Autos, radios, electric refrigerators and washing machines have a part in the Americans' life. The European workman never sees them.

Business is still turning the corner, but we have hopes to see it walking up and down the street about April 15. Blue River Bill says, "Yeah, just about the time a fellow wants to turn out and fish."

Apparently I must play loose ladies—Ruth Chatterton, movie actress.

**WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK**

**STATE CONTROL**

(The Astorian Record)  
GOVERNOR MEIER, in his recently announced tax legislative program, takes up the delicate matter of state control over local tax levies and bond issues. Established a few decades ago, such a control would probably have been of great value. The tax spenders and bond issuers were in the saddle. The state treasury was regarded as inexhaustible, and the taxpayers as an unfeeling source of revenue.

Today the average taxpayer is better informed and public officials have learned that retrenchment and economy records are the paths toward a continuous tenure in office.

State control over bond issues, impartially administered, is still a valuable and probably feasible measure, but state control over each of the thousands of tax levies in the state is another matter. Whether or not the benefits would balance the confusion, delays, and uncertainties, caused by the possibility of appeal by small taxpayer groups on almost every levy question to a state tax body; and, also, the expenditures involved in hearings, investigations, and additional state employees needed for such work is questionable.

**WASHINGTON LETTER**

By RODNEY DUTCHER  
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—In 1920, when wheat sold for \$3 a bushel, 1000 bushels of the grain would retire a \$3000 mortgage on a farm. At the bottom of the wheat price depression last October, when wheat hit the lowest prices in modern history, it would have taken 12,000 bushels to retire the same mortgage, and even today conditions are not very much better.

But this isn't the complete picture, for the federal farm board insists that practically all the reduction in retail food prices that have occurred recently have been taken out of the farmer's hide.

"Farmers are receiving much less for live hogs than is justified by prices consumers are paying for pork products," says C. B. Denman, a member of the board, as he quotes prices on a certain day of last month.

These show that prices at New York retail markets for good grade pork chops averaged 28 cents a pound, a reduction of 7 cents or 21 per cent from the price of the same day one year before; ham, 22 cents a pound, a reduction of 7 1/2 cents or 25 per cent; sliced bacon, 32 cents a pound, a reduction of 9 cents or 22 per cent; lard, 13 1/2 cents a pound, a reduction of 3 cents or 18 per cent.

In the same week, prices of live hogs in Chicago averaged \$4.18 per 100 lbs., compared to \$7.92 for the corresponding week in 1930, a reduction of \$3.74 or 47 per cent.

"With agencies between the farmer and the consumer making little or no reductions in their margins, practically all the burden of supplying the consumer with low-priced pork products is being carried by the farmer," says Denman. "The percentage farmers receive of retail prices of pork products is the smallest on record. Current retail prices are considerably higher prices for hogs than farmers are receiving."

Addressing the Institute of American Meat Packers in New York recently, Denman called upon them to narrow the gap between producer and consumer.

**SIDE GLANCES**



"I haven't told her anything. I couldn't quit work, anyway. And besides, the doctor might be wrong."

**INSANITY IS LIKELY TO RESULT FROM PHYSICAL OR MENTAL STRAIN**

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN  
(Editor Journal of American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine)

INSANITY means mental disturbance. There is no single condition that can be called insanity. There are many mental diseases divided in groups according to their causes and their manifestations. In a recent consideration of the subject Dr. H. L. Levin has divided the causes of mental disease into two large groups—the predisposing causes and the exciting causes.

The predisposing causes are those which have long existed within the individual or in his surroundings. Thus, predisposing causes of tuberculosis include a constitution that gives way readily, an environment that is crowded and dark and a failure of proper nutrition.

The exciting cause is the germ of tuberculosis, which is usually conveyed from an infected person in the vicinity to one who is not infected. The exciting causes of mental disease are usually the immediate circumstances or conditions which precipitate the actual attack.

Dr. Levin compares the onset of mental disease, therefore, to a stick of dynamite. The constitution of the stick of dynamite is a predisposing cause, but it takes an electrical spark to set it off and to bring about an explosion.

The predisposing causes of mental disease include certain stages in human existence which are unbalanced states. These are the ages from 11 to 14, in which the child passes from adolescence to maturity, and period from 45 to 55, when the body has reached the end of maturity and begins to break down.

Another predisposing cause of mental disturbance is the strain of modern civilization. The human body is not built to go on interminably at high speed. Following a crash in the market, many human beings suffer continuously with strain, and some of them succumb.

The exciting causes of mental disease also include physical factors such

as sudden infections, poisons, injuries to the head that involve the brain and complete exhaustion from prolonged physical strain, or from hemorrhage.

In other instances mental derangement follows a sudden emotional shock such as the sudden death of a loved one, or a financial or social reverse.

A consideration of the causes of mental disease indicates at once that many if not most, of them are controllable.

**MAIL BAG**

IT'S QUITE TRUE  
EUGENE, Ore.—(To the Editor)—In answer to the question why lawyers, doctors, dentists, and undertakers have not quit prices:

I have no statistics about how many monthly statements a doctor sends before the patient pays or what is the monthly percentage of patients who do pay; but I do know that usually groceries, clothes, and amusements easily come from the family budget and that the doctor's bill is allowed to run on from month to month. If the money stops, the credit at the grocery, the bakery and the haberdashery also stops; and only silver opens the door to the movie palace.

But the doctor and the dentist (being firms of one and human indi-

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viduals) run toward the call of pain while the lawyer and the undertaker come also to take care of human needs. Remuneration cannot be considered when time is pressing.

Afterwards, the doctor waits. Imagine his predicament when he may at last be paid in cord wood (enough to last two years), potatoes (12 sacks), popcorn (five bushels), or 25 hours of gardening labor (the doctor has no garden). With the above, the doctor is expected to pay for the college education of three children. Should you advise appointing a commission to investigate the possibilities of receiving potatoes for payment? Something's got to be done, and pretty d. q!

SHRINERS  
The Shrine of Eugene requested to meet at the Masonic Temple Thursday, Jan. 14th, at 7:30 P. M. Entertainment, refreshments, election.—Ed. Adv.

GEO. N. McLEAN—INSURANCE

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**Jeannette Cramer**

Home Economics Editor  
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New ways to serve  
**WILLIAMS MILK MAID BREAD**  
by Jeannette Cramer  
Home Economics Editor  
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**Gingham Toast Sandwiches**  
12 slices bread  
1 cup butter  
Cream the butter with the sugar and cinnamon. Spread on half of the bread slices, press the others lightly over, and toast.

**Cheese Toast Straws**  
8 tablespoons grated cheddar cheese  
1 egg yolk  
1 egg white  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
Cream the butter with the sugar and cinnamon. Spread on bread. Cut each slice in four strips and toast in a very moderate oven, 225 degrees, until crisp and brown.

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**Williams MILK MAID BREAD**