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IT ISN'T YOUR TOWN—IT'S YOU.
 If you want to live in the kind of a town
 Like the kind of a town you like,
 You needn't slip your clothes in a grip
 And start on a long, long hike.
 You'll only find what you left behind,
 For there's nothing that's really new.
 It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town
 It isn't your town—it's you!
 Real towns are not made by men afraid
 Lest somebody else gets ahead,
 When everyone works and nobody shirks
 You can raise a town from the dead.
 And if while you make your personal stake
 Your neighbor can make one too,
 Your town will be what you want to see,
 It isn't your town—it's you.
 —Unknown Author.

SUPPORT FROM WESTON.

CLARK Wood of the Weston Leader takes up the Cold Springs road proposition in a column long editorial this week and declares he is for the move, "tooth and nail." He has always advocated bonding for permanent roads and rejoices that farmers are showing a keen interest in the enterprise. The only objection offered by the Leader is complimentary. It is argued no \$100,000 subscription should be necessary and that county bonds should be voted for the entire amount needed. This on the ground the road will benefit the entire county and should be built wholly at the public expense. This is encouraging. If a bonding plan would be good the scheme suggested by Mr. Earmhart is still better. The reason for the subscription of course is to eliminate any possible criticism that might be made to the effect those nearest the road will be most benefited and should pay more than others. There are other features that make the Cold Springs proposition attractive. Pendleton will be taxed along with the rest of the county to pay for this road. Yet it is no selfish move for Pendleton, Adams, Athena and Weston will have just as good service from such a road as will Pendleton. The same will be true of Milton and Freewater excepting their haul will be longer. Through such a road the greater portion of the county will have direct connection with the open river and the consumers will secure substantial benefits continuously from lower freight rates. On outgoing freight such as wheat, fruit and wool there will be such benefits for the producers that the first cost of the road loses its importance.

THEY ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE.

ALL thoughtful Americans will endorse President Wilson's announced intention of proceeding with caution and calmness in dealing with the various warring nations. We will set forth our rights but will not take a blustering, trouble seeking course. The situation calls for such an attitude. The European nations are temporarily insane, so to speak. Each nation has become a paranoic. They think of one thing only—military success. Whatever will help the allies win is welcomed by

the allies and opposed by the Germans and vice versa. When a human being becomes crazed his friends become more tolerant because of his state. The United States can well assume this attitude towards the European nations. They are all our friends and they are all good people. The British view that the Germans are all fiends and the German view that Britons are in league with the Devil are each in error. The people are alright. It is the war that is wrong. Were the American government to hold the fighting nations to that degree of responsibility they would have to face in normal times we could very quickly get into serious trouble ourselves and the game would not be worth the cost.

IT MAY LAST 14 MINUTES.

COL. Henry Watterson, noted editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, may be a fossil politically speaking, but his mind seems able to grasp some new features in the world's progress. Commenting on the launching of a new \$14,000,000 United States Battleship March 16, the Colonel said: "Some day, in the event of war, a little submarine may run alongside this \$14,000,000 terror of the sea, which bears guns heavy enough to splinter the rock of Gibraltar, and discharge a torpedo that will sink the vessel in less than 14 minutes."

The showing made by the German submarines justifies such a prediction. Scarcely a day passes that does not report the sinking of from one to three British or French merchantmen by submarines. Yet all the time the English home fleet, double in strength the total German fleet; is on guard but unable to save British shipping or to seek out and destroy the German navy. When a few pinhead submarines, so to speak, with a handful of men each can terrorize the sea and destroy battleships or merchantmen with ease it is time to wonder if the day of the battleship is not fast passing.

WICKED ITALY.

ITALY is awakening to the need of ships and a government ship purchase bill has been introduced in the Italian parliament. It will now be in order for Messrs Root, Lodge, Smoot et al to devote themselves to some \$500,000 speeches explaining to the Italian senators the wickedness that lurks in the proposal. Let them show that no

government should interfere with piracy on the high seas when that piracy takes the form of exorbitant charters due to war conditions. Let our filibusterers also show the Italians how they will become involved in war with some one somewhere if they take practical steps to relieve the shipping shortage and care for Italian trade. This, though other nations may state in advance they will not object. As long as there are heretics anywhere who would serve the public instead of mammon our anti-ship purchase critics have a sacred duty to perform. On to Rome.

Now is the time for all good people to make ready for that clean-up day set by the council and the civic club; make Pendleton the cleanest town of its size in the world.

Business is rushing these days in Davy Jones' locker.

Some people think the law is crazier than Harry Thaw.

Capturing the Dardanelles is proving no walkaway.

It is a good year for construction work.

Lower freight rates is a cause all should aid.

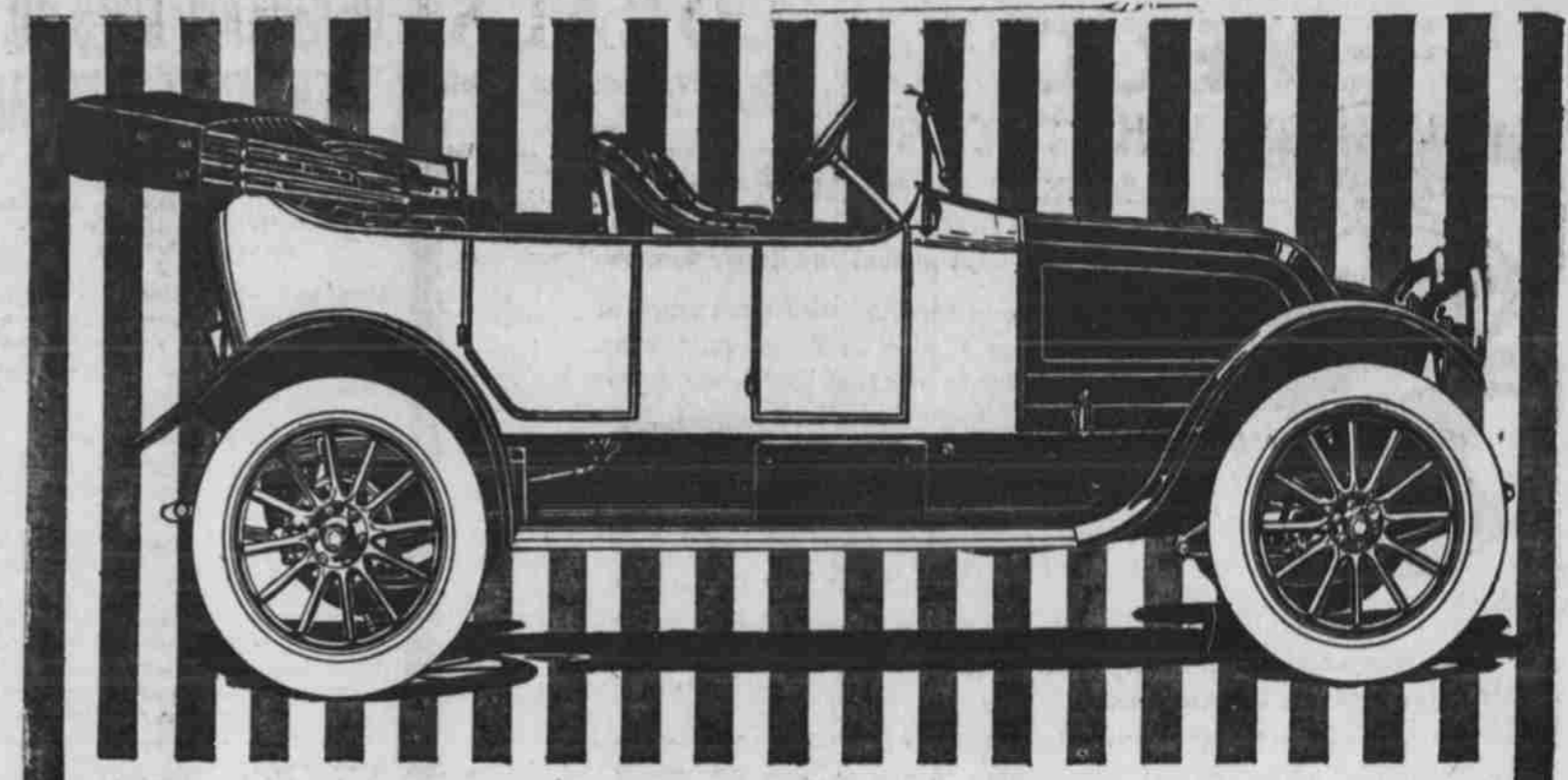
THIS MAY ENTERTAIN

A DAILY NOVELETTE.

Samson awoke with a start. "Etsoons!" he shouted. "What means this darn light headed feeling?" Bewildered, he ran his hands over the place where his hair used to be. "Gone!" he shouted. "Went!" At the same moment he spied a trembling figure at the foot of the bed. "Delliah!" he cried. "Thou has did this! Thou hast shorn me of my beauty and my strength. Oh, wherefore?" "Forgive me, Sam," whispered Delliah. "Forgive me! Sam, hast heard of Cheops Alcibiades' hair clipper?" "Jest not, woman," cried Samson. "It is not jest—it is jest truth," replied Delliah. "Sam, Cheops Alcibiades himself told me that he would put my picture in his ads in all the magazines if I could get thee to cut thy famous hair with his new clipper. You know what wonderfully artistic pictures Al uses for advertisement! I didn't want to disturb your rest by asking thee so I just went ahead and clipped, and oh, Sam, it works beautifully!" "Delliah," said the shorn giant, "thinkst thou that thou canst get my picture in along with thine?" "For in them days it was much as it is now."

Cruel and Unusual Punishment.

"Doesn't our choir sing at the prison any more?" "No, several of the prisoners objected on the ground that it wasn't included in their sentences."—Stray Stories.



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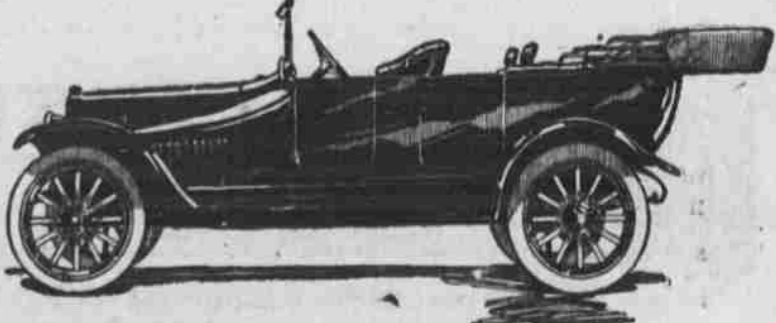
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