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YOUR BETTER SELF.

- You're not the wrong you've committed.
- You're not the fault that is past.
- You're simply the good, ever present.
- The good that will last.
- You're not the word that's called failure.
- You're what you're intended to be.
- Through the world pass on unheeding.
- God and the best of us see.
- You're not the live coals of sinning.
- You're not the burn it will leave.
- You're simply your pure aspiration.
- Your warmest desire to retrieve.
- You're not the life past re-claiming.
- Nor the soul too dark for the light.
- To reach that place of the spirit.
- That is calm, that is true, that is right.
- You're not the ashes remaining.
- Of yesterday's burnt-out fire.
- You're simply by life's clean hearthstone.
- The light that mounts higher and higher.

—G. M. D. Koester.

IS IT OVER OR JUST STARTED?

As the war situation stands at present the following seems a fair summary of conditions.

Germany has taken Belgium and is holding a substantial portion of France. No further headway is being made towards a French invasion yet the French and their allies have not driven the enemy backwards to any extent.

In the east the Germans have taken all or most of Russian Poland including Warsaw. This dome the chief attention is now directed to the Balkans. Serbia is being overrun and seems in line for the same subjection as Belgium.

The allies control the sea but on the land they have met with reverse after reverse. With a larger number of men in the field they have lacked the striking power of the kaiser's forces. Whether this has been due to inadequate generalship or to lack of munitions is not clearly apparent.

At home England has been in a bad way through dissatisfaction with the ministry's work and the results accomplished. The same is true in France as shown by the resignation of the entire cabinet yesterday. Do these things mean the allies have been whipped and that peace may soon be at hand on a basis of Germany victorious? Or have the enemies of Germany merely found their weak spots and now plan to get in shape for hard fighting yet to come? Only time can tell, but it is possible the real war has not yet happened.

CAUSE VS. EFFECT

MISS BOUSANQUET, probably the best authority in England on social settlement work, as Jane Addams is in America, has written a book on such work, the problems of which are much the same everywhere. The conclusion of her study is that "one of the most potent means of making poverty more poor is for the more fortunate to fling it doles from its superfluity," and that "the only way to work towards the millennium is to study the causes of human misery rather than the results." It would seem that anyone who ever found a pin

pricking a crying child would know this—they do know it—yet the fact remains that it is easier, and much more spectacular, to doctor results than investigate causes. Once very pious souls believed that poverty and disease with their attending miseries were sent of God for punishment, or, if the sufferer were very pious, then to test his faith and endurance. That this belief still lingers in some minds is evidenced by utterances in the pulpit and in the public print. San Francisco Star.

THE TRADE COMMISSION'S CHANCE

THAT the fluctuations in oil prices caused by the Standard Oil Co. were indicative of some great market group recalling the older days of the trust has from the first been suspected. Now it is figured that they have already brought gains of \$90,000,000 to that company. Half of this is said to have been made by buying up crude oil at controlled prices, which it forced to very low figures. Having accumulated nearly 70,000,000 barrels of crude, it now permits the price to advance sufficiently to make nearly 75 cents a barrel. While it sold gasoline in the neighborhood of 20 cents in the East, it made the retail price 8.9 cents all summer long in the Mississippi valley, the independents being forced to meet the price. A very Standard Oil-esque stroke is charged in a report to the effect that the trust itself secretly bought vast quantities of gasoline of its competitors at these prices, on every gallon of which it has already made a profit of several cents since the late advance.

If the facts are as alleged, wherein does the unscrambled oil trust differ from its status in its former years of odious practice? The new trade commission will never have a better chance to show that it is worth while. "Due process of law" might be so applied as to leave no doubt that the Clayton act is a useful reinforcement of former trust-busting facilities.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

An 11 mill city tax will be somewhat high but think of poor La Grande with a 19 mill levy for next year.

Doors of all public places should open outwards; the fire at Peabody is another illustration of the fact.

Unhappy the minister whose country has not been able to wage successful war.

For some reason the wheat market seems to have a temporary weakness of the heart.

PREMIUMS ANNOUNCED.

(Continued from page one.)

1:20 p. m.—Address by F. A. Fawcett, editor of the Western Farmer, one of the directors and livestock manager of the Spokane Interstate Fair.

Address by Prof. R. B. Hiltz of Oregon Agricultural College. Addresses by other prominent speakers.

Announcement of the result of the milk contest.

The list of premiums to be awarded are:

- Cattle**—Registered Jersey Cattle.
 - Class 1—Best bull, 2 years old and over, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 2—Best bull, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 3—Best bull calf, 1 month old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.
 - Class 4—Best cow, 2 years old and over, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 5—Best heifer, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 6—Best heifer calf, 3 months old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.
 - Class 7—Champion bull, \$5.
 - Class 8—Champion cow or heifer, \$5.
- Registered Holsteins (RHIP).**
 - Class 9—Best bull, 2 years old and over, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 10—Best bull, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 11—Best bull calf, 3 months old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.
 - Class 12—Best cow, 2 years old and over, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 13—Best heifer, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 14—Best heifer calf, 3 months old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.
 - Class 15—Champion bull \$5.
 - Class 16—Champion cow or heifer \$5.
- Grade Cows.**
 - Class 17—Best cow, 2 years old and over, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 18—Best cow, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 19—Best heifer, 1 year old and under, first \$10, second \$5.
 - Class 20—Best heifer calf, 3 months old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.

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THE DAYLIGHT

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- months old and under 1 year, first \$5, second \$2.
- Class 21—Champion cow or heifer—Babcock milk test (By O-W, H & N. Co.)
- Swine**—Registered Duroc Jersey.
 - Class 22—Best boar, 1 year and over, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 23—Best boar, under 1 year and over 3 months, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 24—Best sow, 1 year and over, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 25—Best sow, under 1 year and over 3 months, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 26—Champion boar, any age, \$5.
 - Class 27—Champion sow, any age, \$5.
- Registered Poland Chins.**
 - Class 28—Best boar, 1 year and over, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 29—Best boar, under 1 year and over three months, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 30—Best sow, 1 year and over, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 31—Best sow, under 1 year and over 3 months, first \$5, second \$2.50.
 - Class 32—Champion boar, any age, \$5.
 - Class 33—Champion sow, any age, \$5.
- Special Premiums.**
 - Class 34—Grand champion boar, ribbon.
 - Class 35—Grand champion sow, ribbon.
 - Class 36—Best fat barrow, \$5.

Charles Cowen's Seattle Apartment House



This is the picture of the architect's prospective and first floor plan of an apartment house which Charles Cowen contemplates building in Seattle. It will face the beautiful Cowen Park. The ground on which it stands has a frontage of 211 feet on Park Place, 178 feet on Ravenna Boulevard, 148 feet on 15th Avenue N. E., and 42 feet on East 58th Street.

This is to be an L-shaped building, having a 112 foot triangular court in which the main entrance will be built; also a beautiful fountain with a large basin, around some of which water lilies will be planted. This court will be parked up, with shrubbery, etc.

The building will be solid masonry faced with high priced pressed brick, with terra cotta trimmings and cornice.