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**Rippling Rhymes**  
Walt Mason

**INHERITANCE TAX**

It is the meanest tax of all, that desecrates the bier and  
pall, and lifts the bundle of a corpse—such goings-on I can't  
indorse. Through all his days man pays the tax on autos,  
income, pups and shacks; with tax collectors on his trail he  
struggles on to gain some kale, that when he dies his wife  
and kids may walk, with crape upon their lids, afar from  
all the wolves of want, from poverty and famine gaunt.  
And when he's dead and in his box, all done with toiling  
for the rocks, behind the hearse and muffled drum the  
beastly tax collectors come. They see the widow, wet with  
tears, the dirge still sounding in her ears. "Our govern-  
ment, for which we blush," they say, "has sent us, in a rush,  
to size up what your husband left, to cinch the weeping  
and bereft. It is a ghoully thing to do, like robbing graves,  
it seems to you; and we feel much like twenty cents, since  
we are moral married gents; but we are agents of the law,  
we do our stunt and then withdraw." And so the widow's  
little roll, with which she planned to purchase coal, and  
lollipops and lutes and lyres, and gasoline and rubber tires,  
is ripped and ravaged so the state may buy new hinges for  
its gate. This taxing widows is a game that ought to bring  
a blush of shame of any nation, state or town that strips a  
dead man when he's down.

I shall not want—The Lord  
is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my  
life; and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord for ever.  
Psalm 23:1-6.

**FEDERAL ROAD AID**

In spite of agreement with the gen-  
eral doctrine laid down by President  
Coolidge that the federal govern-  
ment, in the interest both of econ-  
omy and the best governmental prin-  
ciples, should cease to mix in affairs  
of the states, it may properly be  
urged that the withdrawal which he  
urges should not extend to the mat-  
ter of road construction.

The principle of federal aid for  
road construction is now in its tenth  
year. A good many hundreds of miles  
of federal aid highways have been  
built in that time all over the nation  
and it is now possible to say what  
federal aid does for highway con-  
struction. According to a recent  
statement of Secretary Jardine, "it  
provides considerable sums of money  
for needed construction and thus fur-  
nishes means for building gaps in  
highways that would otherwise not  
be filled. It insures a certain con-  
centration of funds on a selected sys-  
tem of roads which is reasonably ade-  
quate to serve perhaps as much as  
50 per cent of all highway traffic;  
and it also insures standardization  
on a high plane and uniformity of  
construction."

The matter of standardization  
seems to us especially important  
since without the one authority there  
might be as many kinds of road as  
there are states and there would  
hardly be any such agreement as to  
connecting roads between the states  
as now exists. For reasons analo-  
gous to those which led the makers  
of the constitution to make commerce  
between the several states the subject  
of federal regulation, the business of  
federal road aid should be continued.

So far as economy is concerned it  
is the fact that if no federal funds  
were spent on roads there would be  
that much more money in the treasury.  
However, since there is collected  
in excise taxes on motor ve-  
hicles and parts a much greater sum  
than is spent by the government on  
roads, it does not seem at all im-  
proper or unfair to go on with the  
road work.

The Southern Pacific objects to  
construction by the Oregon Trunk  
saying that its new Natron line is all  
that is needed to give access to Por-  
tland from South Central Oregon.  
May be, but how about access to  
Southern Oregon and California from  
this section.

In Klamath Falls a new high  
school has been named the Fremont  
school, thereby helping to perpetuate  
the name of the explorer in the coun-  
try he traversed.

The American Legion must have  
known that it would get a warm re-  
ception in Central Oregon—although  
possibly such a darned hot one was  
not expected.

**Bomber Dives to Ground,  
Aviation Sergeant Dies**

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)  
MITCHELL FIELD, News York,  
June 26.—Sergeant Douglas E. Lo-  
gan of the 61st service squadron was  
killed when a huge Martin bomber  
suddenly plunged to the ground here  
today. Three other passengers es-  
caped serious injury.

Logan's home was in Biebee, Ariz.

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**DEFENSE TEST  
ORDERS ISSUED**

**Purpose Is Explained By  
George White**

**Oregon's Quota of One Day  
Volunteers to be En-  
rolled On the 4th**

MEDFORD, June 26.—Brigadier  
General George A. White, as chair-  
man of the Oregon Defense Test day  
general committee appointed by Gov-  
ernor Pierce, has issued a bulletin of  
instructions and suggestions for the  
guidance of local workers in enroll-  
ing Oregon's quota of 30,000 one day  
volunteers for Defense day, July 4,  
in the short time available.

Last year nearly 46,000 patriotic  
Oregon citizens signed enrollment  
lists as one day volunteers in the  
United States army. July 4, named  
by President Coolidge for this year's  
defense test, was fixed upon so late  
that some revision has had to be  
made in the program.

Time is too short to obtain the re-  
quired enlistments through the  
signed enrollment method, as in  
1924. General White therefore asks  
the mayors' committees, veterans, re-  
serve corps officers and other De-  
fense day workers to administer the  
oath of enlistment and make enroll-  
ments orally of groups of citizens en-  
masse at public meetings. This is  
to supplement written enrollments.

All one day volunteers who have  
made holiday plans in advance for  
the Fourth, is is further announced,  
will be excused from other duty than  
that of taking the oath.

"In other words," says General  
White's instructions, "taking the  
oath as a one day volunteer will not  
interfere in any way with previous  
plans for the Fourth, and will place

no further obligation upon the one  
day volunteer for 1925."  
Importance of enrolling women as  
one day volunteers in the army nurse  
corps also is stressed.

**New Avalanche Feared  
Into Wyoming Valley**

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)  
JACKSON, Wyo., June 26.—Fear  
of a second avalanche of rocks and  
dirt in the famous Jackson Hole re-  
gion near here has held up scores of  
tourists whose way to the south was  
effectually blocked by Tuesday's gi-  
gantic earth slide.

Traffic over all roads in the region  
has been forbidden. The Gros Ven-  
tre highway was obliterated and  
highway officials do not believe it  
safe to construct even a temporary  
road through the stricken territory.

Tremors felt yesterday are believed  
to be the warning that a second av-  
alanche is pending. Chief mountain  
is known to be considerably weakened  
by the first slide. Mountaineers  
pointed out that the movements may  
continue until the entire peak is flat-  
tened.

**Son of Rich Man Taken,  
Alleged Society Thief**

(U. P. Leased Wire to The Bend Bulletin)  
LOS ANGELES, June 26.—Jack  
Durand, adopted son of Scott Dur-  
and, Chicago millionaire, was placed  
in the county jail here today and  
held for authorities in Illinois, where  
he is wanted on charges of directing  
a series of "society robberies."

The youth was arrested at an  
amusement resort at Venice, near the  
beach. He was working at a conces-  
sion as a black faced comedian where  
the customers, by hitting the right  
spot with a baseball, tumbled him off  
a trapeze into a pool of water.

He was a sensation from the start,  
not because of the class of his vic-  
tims, but because of the terrific  
punching that he showed in win-

**The Wall Flower**  
By MARION RUBINCAM

PARIS

Chapter 77

For the next several days, Pan had  
little time to worry over herself or  
Gloria either. Gloria kept them all  
too busy.

Though George had plenty of  
things to keep him in London, he  
dropped them and followed Gloria to  
Paris. To Pan, this was proof posi-  
tive that he was in love.

George was different too. Most of  
his cynicism was gone, the little ex-  
pression of amused doubt and dis-  
trust that was so characteristic of  
his face in the early days of the  
winter was almost entirely absent.  
George, when he looked at Gloria,  
showed nothing but affection and  
pity.

They struck a cold wind on the  
channel and a rough, choppy sea.  
The train people who had started off  
so gaily on a delightful morning, be-  
came transformed suddenly into pale,  
bedraggled looking tourists who huddled  
under rugs wherever the deck  
afforded shelter, who lay back in  
hmp attitudes and seemed the last  
word in misery.

Even Pan, who had not had a  
touch of sea sickness on the ocean,  
retired to the women's lounge at  
George's suggestion, where she lay  
on a cretonne couch and stared un-  
happily at a port hole above her  
head, whose gay curtain flapped out-  
wards and dropped back again, with  
every sidewise rolling of the boat.

"George says the seventh wave is  
always the worst," Frankie reported,  
coming in to see how she was doing.  
"We went over a big one that time.  
It's just like being in the road mend-  
ing machine, isn't it, and going over  
big lumps in the road?"

Pan didn't dare answer. She man-  
aged to nod and lay still, thinking  
how useless she was to the world in  
general and Gloria in particular, and  
wondering whether she would ever  
be the same again.

Just when her misery was most  
acute, the water became calm. They  
were entering the breakwater at Ca-  
lais. And the misery departed as  
suddenly and inexplicably as it had  
come, and she sat up, feeling very  
foolish and very much ashamed.  
Other passengers were doing the  
same, past unhappiness still in their  
glazed eyes.

"Your hair looks funny," Frankie  
observed. "Come along, we're there."

And just as instantly as they had  
become limp wrecks, the various pas-  
sengers began to smile and revive,  
and when they were through the cus-  
toms, they went chattering into the  
station restaurant and ordered lunch-  
ons and wine.

"I never thought I'd want any-  
thing to eat again," Pan remarked  
as she ate omelette and asparagus.

"Yes, it's the worst thing in the  
world, it's more acute than a tooth-  
ache or a broken heart," Gloria said  
lightly. "It's worst of all because it  
has no element of tragedy. It's only  
a joke, but dreadful while it lasts."

In Paris, Gloria had one of her  
sudden attacks of economy and put  
them all in a tiny hotel—one, it hap-  
pened, where she knew the propri-  
etress, a chubby old lady who wel-  
comed Gloria as a daughter and  
Frankie as a lost grandchild, telling  
him in his mother's arms. She  
would be delighted to look after him  
while the ladies shopped.

So, sometimes with Gloria, who  
was now earnestly buying furniture  
and hangings and embroideries, and  
sometimes with Frankie, Pan ex-  
plored Paris. She found, as is the  
sad fate of so many Americans in  
reaching that city of varied delights,  
that her school French was perfectly  
useless. She could not even under-  
stand the chubby Madame Rollande

when that lady spoke very slowly.  
As for the conversation on the  
streets, it was a mad jumble of syl-  
lables.

"Your mother knows what they're  
saying, though," she observed sadly  
to Frankie, after asking a policeman  
the way to their hotel and not know-  
ing a word of his answer.

"Oh yes," said Frankie cheerfully.  
"Mother knows every language. I  
suppose."

He believed it. For Gloria, if she  
was a bad mother according to Norris  
City standards, had accomplished one  
thing which few mothers achieve,  
and the Norris City type of mothers  
never at all—she had made herself  
a great heroine in the eyes of her  
small son. Gloria was the most lov-  
able, fascinating, amusing and daz-  
zling of personalities to the child—a  
feeling he was to carry all through  
his life.

Together the girl and the child  
explored the Louvre, seeing that most  
amazing collection of old masters  
there. Pan still too ignorant to know  
the very good from the mediocre, but  
standing in religious awe before some  
masterpiece of Leonardo or Raphael,  
and not knowing how the mood of  
worship came over her. Together  
they wandered the streets, climbed  
the Eiffel tower in the series of ele-  
vators—this to Frankie's intense de-  
light—journeyed to the palace of  
Versailles, where Pan read Frankie  
stories of Louis XIV to improve his  
mind—walked often to the Arc de  
Triomphe where they could see al-  
most the whole city from its radiat-  
ing avenues, and rested when ex-  
hausted, at the Bois de Boulogne  
where Frankie played in the woods  
and Pan sat quietly and read. In the  
evenings, with George and Gloria she  
dined and went to plays and the op-  
era, and home exhausted, to sleep as  
soon as she touched the pillow. Gloria  
kave them no time to be unhappy.

Tomorrow—A Return.

**Elevated Trains Collide  
At White Sox Grounds**

CHICAGO, June 26.—One man  
was killed, five were seriously in-  
jured and a score were slightly hurt  
today when two elevated trains  
crashed here at the entrance to the  
White Sox park. The dead man is  
Pierce Moore, 34, an engineer for the  
elevated lines.

The accident occurred as an ex-  
press train, which does not usually  
stop at the station, slowed up to let  
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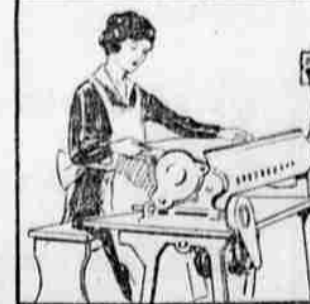
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