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Slowly With Great Feeling.
If a body trust a body
And he falls to pay,
May a body ask a body
Please remit today?

Efficiency
"Fine-looking bevy of sten-
ographers you have here."
"Thanks."
"But why are they all red-
faced?"
"Just an idea of our efficiency
expert. He says they reduce the
light bill fifty per cent."

We read in the paper the other
day where some high brow said
that a woman is as young as she
looks and the man is young as
long as he keeps looking.

Start the word around that you
want to buy a new car and when
you get home at night you will
climb over the literature that the
dealers have sent you.

Life insurance agents seem to
have the impression that a man
has no use for the money remain-
ing after the grocer and landlady
have been paid up but to spend
it on premiums.

No Re-Peter
Judge—"What is the charge?"
Policeman—"Intoxicated, your
honor."
Judge (to prisoner)—"What's
your name?"
Prisoner—"Peter Gunn, air."
Judge—"Well, Gunn, I'll dis-
charge you this time, but you must
not get loaded again."

(Dictographed at a local Sunday
school.)
"What is it?" quizzed the SuSa-
day school teacher, "That binds
us together and makes us better
than we are by nature?"
"Corsets" peeped Tiny Tot.

One thing about skirts is that
they are so convenient. For in-
stance: If you ever notice how
helpful they are in getting up-
stairs?

The next door neighbor who has
taken a few, says many a joyride
turns out to be a jaw ride.

While they are putting in all
these gasoline stations for the
motorists, they should erect some
hospitals and cemeteries along the
road.

In the human race back ability
for a lead by a head on the first
lap; bet on Reliability for a place
in every heat; stake on stability as
a sure winner in the long run.

You Can Swear Now, Fellows.
A Chicago minister says that
"hell" and "damn" are permissible
words when properly used. And
there is more proper use for them
in Chicago than elsewhere. One
imagines—Cleveland Plain Dealer
Damn if we know the minister's
name, or does the Plain Dealer say
who the hell he is.

We read by an exchange the
following heading: "Man Shoots
Himself in Basement Blowing Out
Brains."

Papers say that Henry Ford is
going to bring out a tin cow. This
country doesn't need a tin cow to
give milk, it needs one to give
gasoline. Henry should get busy
again.

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Increasing the Taxes

Among the measures to be voted upon at Tuesday's referendum election is the 60 day legislative session and increased pay amendment submitted by the legislature, which reads as follows on the ballot:

To establish the duration of the legislative session at not more than sixty days and of an extra session at not more than twenty days; fixing compensation of members thereof at five dollars per day and three dollars for every twenty miles traveled in going to and returning from their place of meeting upon the most usual routes; prohibiting introduction of any bills after the fortieth day of the legislative session, except appropriation bills and bills pertaining to defense of the state or nation except by consent of four-fifths of the members present, obtained on roll call.

The measure is an old acquaintance, having been repeatedly submitted by the legislature and as often rejected by the people. It provides for lengthening legislative sessions from 40 days to 60 days and increasing legislators pay from \$3 to \$5. There is no reason to believe the people will reverse their former verdicts.

Legislators do not serve for the salary but for honor and service. Five dollars is not sufficient for a good legislator and too much for a poor one. Forty days is ample for all the legislation the state needs and the legislature can now, by adopting and living up to proper rules, eliminate excess legislation.

The legislature can prohibit the introduction of any bill after the twentieth day of the session and so avoid the closing chaos that disgraces every session. The amendment still makes it possible to rush through millions of dollars of appropriations in the final hours without any one except the committee knowing where the money goes. Its net result would be to vastly increase the cost of legislative sessions without any compensating benefits.

If the measure called for a 60 day session every four years, or reduced the session to 20 days biennially, there might be as it is, the measure will make for increased taxation at a something worthwhile accomplished. The longer the session, the more the legislation and the heavier the taxation, time when economy is the need of the hour.

The Marriage Bill

Among important and widely discussed measures on the referendum ballot at Tuesday's election is the "Hygienic Marriage Examination and License Bill," the purpose of which is:

To require both applicants for marriage license to submit to and pass an examination by a regularly licensed and competent physician as to their health, in regard to contagious or communicable venereal disease and mental, and in case of failure to pass such examination prohibiting marriage unless one or both applicants are rendered sterile; to establish requirements of physician's certificate and providing for an appeal from order of county clerk denying a license.

The bill attempts to remedy the propagation of diseased, degenerates, and defectives, and check the progress of the people towards feeble-mindedness and preserve the normal of the race. There is no question but that the greatest menace threatening the future of the country is degeneracy and unless something is done to check it, our civilization will crumble as that of ancient nations, from decay of the race. One has only to visit the state institutions about Salem to see the result of bad heritage.

Though in full sympathy with the aims of the measure, we doubt whether it would accomplish its purpose, for it seems loosely drawn. To make any marriage reform effective, it should be national in scope, for those who wish to avoid state regulations have only to cross the border. Under the bill any physician can be judge of the mental as well as hyposical competency of the applicants, which opens the way to abuse by the unscrupulous. The principal defect, however, is the absence of penalties for violation of its provisions without which it can not be enforced. However, no bill could be drawn that would not arouse opposition and meet objections.

The measure has helped to educate the public with what is destined to become an increasingly important problem that must shortly be solved for the welfare of the nation.

The Grange Plan

The state grange wants to abolish the unpaid highway commission and substitute a single paid highway commissioner, elected by the people.

How would the change improve matters? The expenditure of \$40,000,000 is entirely too much responsibility for one man to shoulder. It would throw the highway program into politics and roads would be built for political purposes. With a politician in charge of highways, we would have the greatest self perpetuating political machine in the history of the state.

Road-building is a scientific problem for experts to handle. The financing is a task for the best financiers. Location is an engineering job. Introduction of politics is fatal and the mistakes of the present commission can be traced to political pressure.

It would be hard to improve upon the present plan—a commission of retired successful business men serving from patriotic motives to uphold the state who must supervise the administration of the highway engineers and assume the responsibility of the greatest enterprise yet undertaken in Oregon.

Another secret "love-nest" of Stillman has been discovered. Like the cuckoo, the philandering banker was at home in many nests.

A Portland woman of 40 has deserted her husband, and daughters, taken the family savings of \$6,000 and eloped with a 20 year old "jazz" boy in a tin lizzy. Life will be a jazz for her, until the youth gets the coin and toddles away leaving her to shimmy.

Action to compel reductions in hotel rates in the Northwest, where war-time prices are maintained, was endorsed by the grand council of the Commercial Travelers. Most hotels do not know the war is over or the cost of living falling.

"Few people realize the charms of living in Colorado" declared the Denver Post, where upon cloudbursts proceeded to attract national attention to them.

City Has Right
To Ban Street
Meetings, Rule

New York, June 4.—The appeal-

late division of the supreme court decided today in Brooklyn that the city of Mount Vernon was within its rights when it refused to allow socialists to hold a street meeting October 2, 1920. The socialists had asserted that the action abridged the rights of free speech.

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First Pictures From War Torn Silesia



Auto Prices Slump Here; Most Agents Protected; Used Cars Largest Loss

Substantial price slashing, calculated to bring a smile of satisfaction to the careworn physiognomy of the prospective purchaser, have been announced recently by a number of Salem automobile agencies. Many of the price cuts amount to several hundred dollars and are held to be indicative of the general downward trend of commodities.

The average dealer in Salem will probably gain by the slump in prices, and but few will lose anything at all. Most of the dealers are protected by the factory on their cars—that is, when a lower price is announced, the dealer is refunded the difference in price on new cars and the price on those bought at the old price.

A few dealers, however, are not protected, it is said, and these will suffer small losses. A general loss will probably be felt by the garages on their "used" cars, for these will naturally be worth less money following the prices descent of new automobiles. Some dealers also will be at a slight loss on their "demonstrator" cars, for the factories do not make provisions for these.

A gratifying slump in the prices of all Studebaker automobiles is shown in the new price list made

available this morning. The light-six touring car, which formerly sold at \$1750 is now sold at \$1575; the light six sedan which was worth \$2490 is now \$2275; the landau is now \$1990 and is now \$1895; the special-six touring, formerly sold at \$2085 now brings \$1895; the four-passenger club roadster, which formerly brought \$2085 is now worth \$1895; the special six roadster is \$1845 instead of \$2085; the special-six coupe was \$3045 but is now \$2795; and the sedan which was \$3145 is now \$2895.

New Models Out
Four new models have been introduced by the Studebaker company, Paul Thompson, of the Marion garage, explained this morning. They are the light-six roadster, which sells at \$1550; the light-six coupe, which brings \$1950; the big-six coupe, at \$3250, and the big-six sedan at \$3350.

Price cutting in all models of Buicks also has been announced. The three-passenger roadster is now \$1735 instead of \$2062; the five-passenger touring is \$1735 instead of \$2062; the three-passenger coupe is \$2385 instead of \$2903; the five passenger sedan is \$2685 instead of \$3224; and the four passenger coupe is \$2575 and

was \$3342; the seven passenger touring is \$2985 instead of \$3266, and the seven passenger sedan is \$2910 instead of \$3662.

Hudsons Lie Lower
Drops in prices of Hudsons, Essexes and Overlands were announced by the local dealer. The seven passenger Hudson and the speedster each have dropped from \$2850 to \$2650. The Essex touring car and roadster, which formerly sold at \$1850 see now and the Essex sedan, which was \$2785, now is \$2635. The "land" "little four" touring and roadster, which sold formerly at \$1070 is now \$855; the sedan is \$1475 instead of \$1675, and the coupe is \$1195 instead of \$1625.

The Elgin also has dropped. The four-passenger sport model, which formerly sold at \$2275, now brings \$1985, and the five-passenger touring car, formerly priced at \$2085, now is \$1835.

Chevrolet Take Drop.
Another make which has hit the toboggan on prices is the Chevrolet. Formerly sold at \$993 the touring car is now worth \$809, and the roadster, which was priced at \$967 is now sold at \$793.

Dodge and Oldsmobile dealers said this morning that no recent price cuts in their automobile have as yet been announced.

Alicia Hammersly
A Woman Who Wouldn't Remarry
By Idah McGlone Gibson
The Noted Writer

Bab's Ideas
"I do not care much," said Bab, "about the 'burning love' that girls are always talking about. It seems to me that is expressed in a proposal of marriage. All I want Duane Benton to say is, 'Bab, will you marry me?' I don't want him to think that I am a supernatural and radiant being who will provide him a life made up of rides on a mental or emotional roller-coaster. If he did, I would disappoint him grievously."
"I am just an average girl, Alix, but for that matter Duane is only an average man. Whatever he may think about it a superwoman would bore him to death."
"Oh, Bab, you are so mistaken. You are a superwoman. You are too brainy and too frank. If you talk like this to Duane you will scare him to death. The man who falls in love with you, Bab, will fall in love with you in spite of your superior mind."
"I don't want him to fall in love with me."
"Isn't one just the same as the other?"
"Not at all. Being in love is something calm, peaceful and rational, something that you can live with every day. Falling in love is something entirely different. If I become Duane Benton's wife—and I fully intend to—I shall expect that he will fall in love with a lot of other women but he never will be in love with any woman but me."
"Where did you get all these quaint ideas?" I asked Bab. "One would think you were over thirty instead of a little over twenty."
"Alix, please forget that I am getting older every day. The idea is not pleasant. And my ideas—they are not quaint, they are just sensible. Perhaps I see things dif-

ferently than you do because I lack your vivid imagination. And then I don't think I am capable of feeling emotions as intensely as you do—for which let me tell you I am profoundly thankful."
"I remember that couplet that you used in your story, 'Her Marriage':
'Weighed in the balance which were dross,
A loveless life, or love and its cost!'
"I should never have asked myself that question and if I had dreamed it I could not have written it in a story like 'Her Marriage' to save my life. I do not think that it would be possible for any man ever to make me as unhappy as you allowed your hero to make your heroine."
"I feel that marriage should be founded upon a reasonable amount of personal liberty if the marriage is to be a success. Your heroine, Alix, in her marriage was so captious about little things when it came to the big thing she was quite ready to forgive. It would be the other way with me. I could forgive a man everything but infidelity."
"But, Bab, why should a woman forgive a man for lying, for small cruelties, for selfishness, harshness, hypocrisy and bad temper which keep her in a state of misery? A woman should be wise enough to know that the sins of the flesh are less culpable than the sins of the soul. I know that I could forgive my husband's unfaithfulness to his marriage vows before I could a constant display of bad temper."
"I am very glad that I could write that story, Bab. I know it was the kind of thing that every woman thinks but doesn't dare

to tell. I am glad that I had the courage to write it."
"I picked up the check and drew it through my fingers, 'This little check, my dear sister, seems to have solved my troubles. I am ready to commence another story right away. I think I shall write to Mr. Early telling him that I shall be in New York soon to see him. Oh, Bab, wouldn't it be wonderful if he offered me a position on the magazine? I would love to be one of the editors of a magazine."
"I'm not sure that you would make a good editor," said Bab thoughtfully, "but go ahead with your writing, Alix. If I were you, though, I wouldn't see that man unless I had to. It strikes me that he is one of those male creatures who is just now at the dangerous age. Yes," she continued, as I looked at her in astonishment, "men come to the dangerous age as well as women, but they differ. You have only to look about you to see everywhere men of forty five and even older, who have suddenly become terrified because of the things that they feel they are missing and have missed. It is the reaction that comes with

the first dim approach of age.
"Men probably feel it later in life than women, but I am sure most of them find it somewhere along the road. I should judge that your editor has just passed that birthday. My guess is he would rather moon and dream over an imaginary woman, than be bothered with the realities of a flesh and blood sweetheart."
Tomorrow—Larry Wheaton.

Juniors Of W.U. Lead In Class Tennis

Juniors of the university here lead at the conclusion of the inter class tennis tournament, the freshmen losing their last chance to tie the third-year men when Mickie down to defeat at the hands of Alden, sophomore representative, this morning. The scores were 6-5, 6-2.

Results of the tennis played yesterday afternoon were as follows in the doubles: Gillette and Sackett, seniors, defeated Alden and Collins, sophomore, 8-6, 6-2; Ramstead and Mickie, freshmen, defeated Davies and Emmel, seniors, 2-6, 6-4, 7-5. In the singles Richards, sophomore, defeated Jackson, senior, 6-3, 6-4; and E. Warren, freshman, defeated A. Warren, junior, 6-4, 6-7.

Japs Withdraw Garrison From Island of Yap

Tokio, June 4.—The naval ministry, it is announced, has ordered the withdrawal of the garrison in the islands of the South Pacific, including the Island of Yap, leaving the protection of the islands, including the wireless installation in Yap, to the police force attached to the civil administration.

Several destroyers, it is added, will remain in the waters as guardships.

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Turner Man Dies at Home Yesterday

J. C. Saswell, for the past two years a resident of Turner, passed away last night at 10 o'clock at the family home at the age of 41. The funeral has been announced for Monday morning at 11 o'clock in the Bethel church.

Mr. Saswell is survived by a wife and five children. Mrs. Laura Ellis of Astoria, Mrs. Loretta Ellis of Turner, Claude Saswell of Prineville, William Saswell of Prineville, Washington Saswell and Toby Saswell of Blanchard, Idaho.

Cafe Fighter Is Given Ten Days In City Bastille

R. H. Edwards, arrested Thursday night for fighting in a local Chinese moodie house, appeared before Judge Race in the police court yesterday afternoon, pleaded guilty to a charge of being drunk and disorderly, and received a sentence of ten days in the city jail.

Big Sums Are Paid For Municipal Bills

Albany, June 4.—The city treasurer has just completed checking up the accounts of the municipality for the month of May and finds that warrants have been issued for nearly \$20,000 to cover the current expenses, including interest on bonds. The accounts show that there has been paid out from the general fund a total of \$1,568.11; sidewalk has been laid to the extent of \$2,655.49; the road and street fund has been drawn upon for sewer work \$211.50 and for park work \$346.71. The light bill for the month amounted to \$1,181.67, and the water bill was \$480.43. A total of \$1,756.51 was paid out as interest on outstanding indebtedness, making the total amount for the month \$18,471.57.

The Youngster Helped Make Its Father Famous



CONINGSBY DAWSON, NOVELIST, and "THE WEE MACGREGOR"

THIS noted author's first novel since the war, titled "The Kingdom Round the Corner," has just come from the press and is already being hailed as one of the greatest romances of recent years. But while Coningsby Dawson has long been internationally known as a novelist, his most recent fame prior to the publication of this last book was gained by his work abroad, under Secretary Hoover, in behalf of the starving children of Central Europe.

With the author, in the picture above, is the real reason why he took part in the relief campaign. The youngster's name is MacGregor Coningsby Dawson, and for the first few months of his life "the Wee MacGregor" was desperately ill and not expected to live. Finally he recovered, and his author-father, while still working on the novel that has just come out, immediately sailed to Europe to aid the youngsters there as a "thank offering" for his own child's recovery.

It is not illogical, under the circumstances, that the new Dawson novel, which was finished after its author had accomplished as much work as he could abroad, should be one in which encouragement and good cheer are closely interwoven with romance and narrowly avoided tragedy.

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