

# Capital Journal

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## BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The Lord will give strength unto his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace.—Psalm 124:8

## Our Bold Brigadier

Brigadier General George Attabay White is leading the embattled hosts under his command in another gallant charge, this time to effect the capture of the political capital of the United States Marshal Clarence R. Hotchkiss. Attacking the senatorial citadel, he has issued the ultimatum that Senators McNary and Stanfield must surrender and that Hotchkiss must go, or the senators will be retired to private life through loss of the votes of the Spanish-American and World War veteran organizations, which the adjutant-general declares he controls as well as those of the military forces of the commonwealth.

Concerning this latest maneuver of the great strategical genius, the Portland Journal says:

Notice has been served on Stanfield, that unless Hotchkiss is "given the rat" he can harbor no expectation of getting any votes at the 1926 primary election from Adjutant General White or any of the army under his command and control. White is supposed to possess a good deal of political power and to be able to sway quite a few votes when he makes up his mind to do so. And votes are the things Senator Stanfield is most eagerly cherishing just now.

We have always suspected that the main object of the state militia was to furnish a fat life job for our military hero, but have wondered the why and what-for of veteran organizations, outside of bonuses and pensions—now we know. They exist to accept orders and deliver the votes for our bold brigadier and further his political plots.

If the senators refuse to obey orders, they will probably be court-martialed and shot at sunrise, just as captains and colonels are demoted and discharged if they don't vote right. Some fearful punishment is probably in reserve to maintain discipline. The luckless Stanfield, like the poor boob who took a drink at Camp Lewis, will probably have his epaulets publicly torn-off by the outraged commander and be drummed out of camp.

If the situation becomes serious, there is but one way the country can be saved. As in 1922, the intrepid adjutant must throw himself into the breach and as "the man of the hour," become a candidate in the 1926 primaries—and get wounded in the windshield again.

## Throwing a Monkey Wrench

Action of the Oregon Public Service Commission in seeking to reopen the Southern Pacific-Union Pacific controversy over the Central Pacific, which was settled satisfactorily to all parties by the Interstate Commerce commission, in order to force the Southern Pacific to grant common-user privilege over railroad extensions under construction, threatens to block and indefinitely delay the railroad building era for Oregon now underway.

Construction of the Natron Cut-off, the purchase of the Strahorn road and the Nevada narrow-gauge line to Susanville, have all been based upon the Central Pacific compromise. Until this issue was settled no construction was undertaken. If the controversy is reopened, construction will unquestionably be halted pending final settlement.

The Great Northern and Northern Pacific propose an extension from Bend to Klamath Falls and the commission seeks to prevent this duplication of lines over a portion of the distance by forcing common user privileges over the new Natron Cut-off. To accomplish this, the Central Pacific settlement is attacked.

The Southern Pacific naturally objects to furnishing a rival with an entrance into a field in which it was a pioneer and had developed. Having risked its capital in construction, it does not seem fair that it should be forced to surrender the advantages secured by its enterprise and foresight and share them with a competitor. If the competitor desires to enter the field, that is its privilege, but it should not be at Southern Pacific expense.

The more money railroads spend in construction in Oregon the better. If they want to build parallel lines and pull-up one of them afterwards, that is their privilege. So we cannot see the wisdom of the commission's attempting to dictate railroad construction policies, especially as it involves postponement of construction already underway. It is throwing a monkey wrench into the railroad construction machine that is likely to smash it.

## My Matrimonial Vacation by Violet Dare

She left early the next evening for California.  
And as I walked to her door the station I wondered if I'd have my job off that way if she had been in.  
When I had seen Virginia off for the little Carolina town where my father lay ill, I went home and began to wonder what substitutes I was going to make for Frank Harrison. Virginia had been given him more than half a thought. Before she left she had said she would be back in a few days. He telephoned to ask if she had lunch with him.  
"She can't," I told him. "She's been called out of town."  
"Well then—why don't you play substitute for her?" he asked. "I'll catch up with you."  
"I'd love it. I'll be ready in half an hour," I told him.  
As soon as we had wormed our way through the city's traffic and got out to a clear stretch of road he asked about Virginia. "I'll catch up with you," he said. "I'll be ready in half an hour," I told him. "I'd love it. I'll be ready in half an hour," I told him.

anything about it. After a little while he began to talk about the substitute, and he didn't mention Virginia to me again for hours.  
We had luncheon at the little inn high above the river, and then down on down a country road. The Spring flowers were just beginning to bloom, and everywhere bits of daisy showed where the early little boys cut.  
"I want to get out and run along the road," I told Frank when I couldn't stand being rushed thru the beautiful scenery any longer. "You drive along, and I'll catch up with you."  
"All right—though why you should want to walk when you might as well drive is more than I can see," he answered.  
"I saw some daisies around a bend of the road, and I walked along through the grass, wishing that I could live in the country all the time. I felt as if I had left all my worries far behind me; as if nothing very complicated could take place in my life. And then, remembering the tangles in which I seemed to involve myself without any trying, I wondered if even in the country I could live simply. There were some children playing around a deserted house, and I stopped and talked to them. They had gathered some wild flowers that lay in a limp heap on the lawn blown down porch, and were trying to make a wreath of them. I sat down and helped them. It was so beautifully quiet that I wished I could live more than ever that I could come out into the country and live.

I stayed there until Frank Harrison came back after me. The children hated to see me go. I turned and waved to them as we drove away. Frank said that he had stopped the car about half a mile further down the road, and waited till he was sure that something had happened to me.  
"Something has," I answered. "While I was down in Nassau I fell in love—really in love. That changes everything."  
"I thought that you fell in love with your husband when you first came back," he said. "Is this the same kind of love?" I told him. "Real love, and this is real."  
He didn't say anything more, and all the way home I sat quietly day-dreaming about Bill Ewing, and the happiness that would come if he were mine.  
"I don't believe you know your own heart," Frank told me, almost savagely. "It changes almost overnight. If your husband wanted to hold you he never should have gone off to the Philippines and left you here."  
"He didn't want to hold me," I answered pettily. "It made me angry for him to criticize me. There was someone else in his life, so I let him go, feeling quite sure that soon there'd be someone else in mine."  
He didn't say anything to that, but drove home so fast and so recklessly that I wondered whether he'd be alive when we got there. I knew that he was upset about Virginia's treatment of him, but really, there was no reason why he should take it out on me!  
For the first time since Jim's departure I felt really lonely that evening. I'd always had so many engagements that I'd wished I could quarrel with some of them. Now, suddenly, I hadn't any. Nobody but Nick and his wife and Frank Atwood knew that I was home, of course, still it seemed strange not to have anything to do.

Tomorrow—A Warning.

## Willamette Sports Policies and Results Scored by Old Grads

General criticism of Willamette university policies, particularly as regards relations between the university and the alumni, was expressed by members of the alumni meeting in their annual business meeting here yesterday afternoon. Abolishment of the athletic council by action of the associated students several months ago came in for severe criticism. Formerly the athletic council determined the athletic policy of the school, and had on it two members of the alumni association. Abolishment of the council, and placing matters pertaining to athletics in the hands of the executive committee, consisting of students and no alumni, severs the last connection between alumni and school, it was declared. Former members of the council further stated that they had never been notified of meetings, all business of the council being transacted entirely without their knowledge and consent.  
Claim was made by members of the executive committee during the present year, which took over the authority of the council, that the council, as such, authorized expenditure of too much money. It was stated that the athletic department is now \$1500 in debt.  
Extreme dissatisfaction with the record, particularly in athletics, of the university during the past few years was expressed by many of the old graduates, who recalled times when Willamette teams had defeated Oregon, O. A. S., California and other large schools. It was felt by many that poor judgment in outlining athletic policies, which was meant to be the function of the athletic council, was largely responsible for the poor record of the school.  
"I don't expect to beat all these larger schools every year," said one successful high school coach following the meeting, "although we used to do it once in a while. But I do expect to beat some of these little schools at least every now and then. Willamette has even been beaten by Pacific in football for the last four consecutive years."  
The meeting was held in the library of the university, located in Waller hall. The chapel room, which the alumni had intended to use for a meeting place, was used at the time of alumni meeting for the class day exercises.  
The need for an alumni secretary, paid by the university, came in for considerable comment. "They don't seem to know we're here except when it comes time for a financial campaign," said one alumnus. Comparisons were drawn between policies here and those of other schools, and opinion expressed that one man should be employed whose duty it is to keep in touch with alumni and keep the alumni in touch with one another.

## CHERRIANS WILL PARADE JUNE 19

A little confusion among Cherrians as to parade dates in Portland is set straight by King Bing Perry who confirmed from Rosarian headquarters in Portland yesterday that the Cherrian marching organization will positively march in the parade of Friday, June 19. The parade of Thursday will be a floral parade for floats only and the Cherrians do not contemplate any float.  
On Friday, the 19th, all parade units, including marching clubs, will march through Multnomah field where the big pageant Rosaria is to be staged, and the 17,000 people expected to be seated for the pageant will have a chance to view the parade from their seats. Roy T. Bishop, an old Salem boy, will have charge of the Merrykhanan parade in which the Cherrians will march.  
Cherrians will go to Portland in a caravan and State Traffic Officer Haffey has been requested to furnish an escort for them to Portland.

## GROCCERS TO JOIN IN BIG CHAIN PLAN

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The most modern service and enter into a compact to carry on a friendly competition through clean methods to increase their business.  
The organization will throw into the field a local chain of stores which will be in competition with outside chain stores, local money against outside money, and by a process of collective buying, collective advertising and modernized store methods meet the modern conditions confronting the independent retailers at this time.  
Not Portland Scheme  
This is the plan which will take the place of an organization subsidiary to the Independent Grocers association of Portland proposed some time ago, and it is declared by those favoring it will give to the Willamette valley the finest grocery system of any similar territory in the world.  
The stores in the Triangle system will be standardized throughout with the most effective methods and the cleanest and most sanitary fixtures, under present plans, with every plan put into vogue to give the highest class of service possible to the public and at the same time, through a collective system of buying make a competition possible which will rebound to the benefit of the public in every way.  
It is understood a large number of retailers here, at Albany, Corvallis and other points already have advised their deep interest in the movement and are willing to get into the game and develop a real store system which will give the most up-to-date service possible.  
Wholesalers Expand  
The increase in capitalization of the Willamette Grocery company from \$150,000 to \$250,000 is a separate proposition from the present organization of retail chain stores.  
The stock, however, will be sold to retail grocers throughout the

counties in which the grocery company operates.  
The grocery company was organized five years ago with a capital stock of \$25,000, which later was increased to \$50,000, then to \$100,000, then to \$150,000 and then in this latest move to a quarter of a million dollars.  
The grocery company has centralized in Salem a heavy proportion of the grocery wholesale trade from the counties in which it operates, has materially affected bank clearings here, and last year the firm crossed in the neighborhood of a million and a half dollars.

Ventures Salem Goods  
The Willamette Grocery company also has handled heavily Salem made products such as those of the Cherry City mill, Gideon Stutz company, Valley Packing company, Oregon Packing company, Hunt Brothers, Northwest Canning company, Willamette Valley Prune association and similar concerns operating in this city. The firm also has expended thousands of dollars with farmers in this vicinity annually in the purchase of their products, and has made a specialty in featuring Salem brands and developing local markets for them.  
Increase in capitalization of the firm is another indication of its rapid development, and already a number of grocers have asked to purchase stock under the increased capitalization. The entire amount of increased capital will go to retail grocers in the counties covered in the concern's trade.  
Theodore Roth of Salem has been at the head of the Willamette Grocery company since its inception.

## WOULD BRING BANKERS HERE FOR CONVENTION

"Bring the bankers to Salem next year," is a slogan being advocated by some local business men who called on Salem bankers this morning, urging that they endeavor to land the state convention for this city next year.  
Bankers of the state will convene at Corvallis tomorrow in their annual convention for a two-day session with all Salem banks represented. It is understood that the bankers may favor a move to endeavor to get the state meeting here in 1926.

## NEW INCORPORATIONS

Greer-Callahan company, Eugene, changing the name to R. E. Callahan Furniture company.  
Schwarzholz-Ross & Greene, Portland, changing the name to Ross & Greene.  
Under the blue sky act a permit was issued to Harrison G. Platt and Robert Treat Platt, Portland, to sell bonds in the sum of \$175,000.

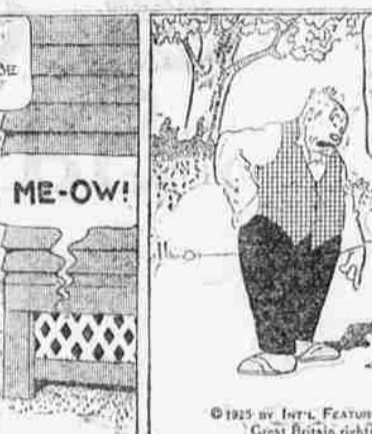
## BRINGING UP FATHER



## BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG



## Barney's Generosity Is Just Over the Limit



## By Billy de Beck



## KRAZY KAT



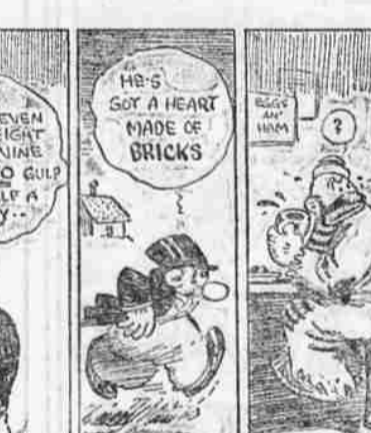
## MUTT AND JEFF



## Over Krazy's Hat



## Little Cicero is a Chip Off the Old Block



## Joe Spivis' Twins!



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