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Passing of a King

In the passing of King George V, Great Britain loses an ideal constitutional monarch, one who faithfully lived up to the limitations of his office, who ruled during a troublesome era with a courtesy, ability, tact and intelligence that endeared him to the people of an empire that circles the globe.

Perhaps there have been greater kings than George V, more foreful sovereigns, but none more democratic, conscientious and industrious or who more cheerfully and courageously met the numerous crises occasioned by and growing out of the world war and the ensuing depressions.

It has been an age when thrones were toppled, royal families exiled, and ruthless dictatorships established. But in spite of the assaults of radicals, communists and fascists, the traditional liberty and democracy of Britain has been preserved and the monarchy more firmly established than ever.

Contrary to popular belief in the United States, the king of England is not a mere social figurehead, but an active adviser and participant in government, one who accepts the verdict of the majority and steers his course by it. Shorn of fuedal power, the king has become the beloved symbol of the nation, and George V proved his ability in the directing of British policies.

The new king, Edward VIII is widely known throughout the world, versatile and popular, with perhaps more of the dash of his grandfather Edward VII than of the plodding industry of his father. His wide knowledge of the world and of its people bespeak for his reign a continuation of the traditions that have preserved the British empire.

A $400,000,000 Bonus

The reply of the supreme court to the government's petition that it be granted the usual 25 days for filing a request for a reconsideration of AAA decisions affecting the release of the impounded processing taxes was a curt refusal and an order for the immediate refund of the $200,000,000 to processors.

The government petitioned on the ground that the ruling for processing taxes refunds "destroyed essential safeguards to the orderly and uninterrupted collection of all federal taxes and imperils the normal functioning of government," of the "pay first and litigate afterwards" principle that has always governed. A clarification was asked of the court's opinion, and the contention raised that the ruling reversed an earlier one in a similar case.

So the $200,000,000 which as already been paid by the consumer through higher prices charged by the processors, though the government got none of it, will be returned to the processors, and as it will be impossible to return any part of it to the consumer, it contitutes a bonus to the manufacturer.These impounded taxes were to be paid by the government to the farmers for cooperation in crop control, and as the government is pledged to make these payments to the farmer, the taxpayer will have to pungle up the money, thus paying it twice, once as a consumer and again as taxpayer.

Thus the supreme court decision really means a $400,000,000 swat for the consumer-taxpayer and a $400,000,000 bonus for the middle men, $200,000,000 profit realized by charging higher prices for processed products and $200,000,000 impounded taxes ordered returned. It is a perverted sort of justice.

Facts to be Faced

Defective as it may be in minor respects—defects that can be easily corrected when the legislature meets again a year from now—the so-called sales tax measure upon which the people of Oregon will vote at the special election of January 31 offers the only immediate means of financing pensions for the aged, blind and otherwise afflicted unemployables.

Defeat of the measure will leave the state and the counties without one cent with which to care for these dependents, except to such extent as their needs can be cared for out of direct relief funds.

In Marion county, it is estimated, the amount available for direct relief will be about $6 a month per person—a sum woefully inadequate for the care of any totally incapacitated man or woman.

The wisdom of the legislature in transferring all direct tax pension levies from the pension fund to direct relief purposes when formulating the sales tax program is questionable; particularly so when the substitute plan for financing pensions was made contingent upon a referendum vote. But the condition exists wherein old age pensions must be paid out of sales tax revenues or not at all.

If the sales tax fails there can be no hope of pension funds for a period of three or four months at the least. To find substitute money would require another special session of the legislature, which could not be convened in less than three or four weeks. Its deliberations would consume another two weeks or more, and no tax measure it could devise could become operative in less than 90 days after adjournment.

With a sales tax of one form or another eliminated from consideration—as it would be by an adverse vote on January 31—the problem of where to turn for money would be a real one for the law makers. The operation of the six percent tax increase limitation would restrict the possibility of imposing additional property, income or inheritance levies in an amount necessary to provide the needed funds. To restore the former pension levy would be to rob direct relief of needed money.

The sales tax must be approved or Oregon's aged and blind will be in a sorry plight.

Dance Has Crowd

West Stayton—One of the largest crowds of the season attended the dance Saturday at the club hall. A five piece orchestra furnished music. A hot lunch was served at 11:15. The next dance here will be February 1.

LEAVES FOR ASHLAND

Shaw — Miss Eva Stienchfield, who has been ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Glenn Magee, has returned to Ashland to resume her studies at the Southern Oregon Normal.

MRS. WARD HOME

Falls City—Mrs. Phebie Ward has returned home from a visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Arstill at Forest Grove. Preceding her visit there she had just completed a three weeks' nursing case in Portland.

TIMBER SALE HELD

Silver Falls — At a timber sale conducted by the U. S. land office Roseburg, A. M. Minden and Bernard Minden purchased a 40-acre piece of timber near their sawmill.

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NEVER MIND THE LADY

by David Garth

SYNOPSIS: In a desperate effort to get much needed equipment aboard steamer for his up-river engineering job, Terry Willett has gone to the dock and caught the loading boss in crooked work. They have quarreled, and the man is shot by Allaire West just as he aims at Terry. To protect Allaire, Terry has "taken the rap" with the native police. But Allaire, who is more than half in love with Terry, believes he has boarded ship for his job, and left her alone in land about to be torn with revolution.

Chapter 13

FOX SPEAKS OUT

Action! The city was charged with it and so were the Legations.

Back at his Embassy Fox learned that Ray West had accepted the Old Man's advice and the American polo party would sail for New York via Vera Cruz.

Nor did the Ambassador's advisory powers stop there. He gave the attache to understand that his next brainstorm would draw more than a rebuke—it would entail a transfer to Zanzibar or some other place, if not a dismissal from the Foreign Service.

The Old Man would have said more but he had to take time out to get purple over a Washington despatch and Fox returned to a desk full of cables and messages to be decoded. He felt singularly unimpressed about the threats to his career. What he had done was worth it. He didn't fall in love every day.

All night long he worked. Dent was swearing at the consul who was much mystified over the disappearance of two American seamen and had reported an "overt act" to the Embassy.

The house of the Ministry of Finance had been picketed by police guards against a threatening crowd. The President and his Cabinet were conferring behind locked doors at the Palace. Everybody was looking toward Proplonoire. The atmosphere was lovely for a rest cure.

And the next day the strets and parks were thronged with people.

Fox prayed for the hours to pass. The Vera Cruz ship was to sail at ten that night. And night, he thought, would never come.

At half-past eight the Ambassador took his nose out of a sheaf or feports long enough to order him as an official representative of the Embassy to bid the party Godspeed. Proprieties and amenities must be observed at all times Rule something-or-other of the efficient Foreign officer.

The attache didn't reach the Alvio until shortly after nine. Traffic congestion in the streets was terrible. He scarcely knew whether he'd find Allaire there or not, but finally located her on one of the hotel balconies viewing the lighted panorama of the capital.

The Avenida Georgian stretched across the city from the great hotel, straight as an arrow toward the Capitol building with its brilliantly lighted fountains throwing leaping sprays of changing color to the dark velvet sky.

"Allaire!" he said.

She turned slowly, almost reluctantly.

"Oh—George. Cheerio, son. Beautiful, isn't it?"

"Your boat, Allaire. We'd better go—"

"I don't know whether I will or not."

Her voice was low and measured. A quick stab of panic went through him.

"Allaire—please—"

A moment her eyes dwelt on his strained face, then she smiled.

"I have an idea that you're somewhere behind the Ambassador's urgent proposal. Oh, well, don't worry, George, I won't emoarrass you. I suppose I might as well tag along."

A last minute she lingered, assimilating the vista of dancing lights, the strains of music from a nearby cafe, the pulse of swirling traffic, then his arm in hers they left the balcony and went out into the street.

In the taxi he lit a cigaret and smoked furiously.

"I'm going to ask to be transferred. Or resign or something. Anyway I'm going to the States as soon as I see this rotten mess through."

"You wax emphatic,' she drawled lazily. "And your brow is somewhat fevered," she added, passing a hand over his forehead. "Mr. Fox, are you in love, perchance?"

"Mr. Fox," he admitted grimly, "is plenty in love."

And what is Mr. Fox in love with, pray? His art?"

He said it quite calmly.

"With you, sainted wench."

Allaire glanced at him keenly, lounging sideways against the cushions, her hands clasped against one hip.

"Darling, this is a hell of a time to tell me a thing like that, don't you think?"

"Why? Because I suddenly realize you're really leaving? Back to the States with this place just an interlude in your life.'

He took both of her hands and she yielded them, unresisting. I'm just shooting the works, Allaire—like throwing a last ditch forward pass. I'm crazy about you."

His eyes crinkled at the corners in his boyish grin. "If I'm not original, I can't help it. I'm just trying to ask you to marry me. And I'm going to chase you to the States to ask you again."

She tilted her head back and regarded him in mock estimation.

"Very acceptable. Harvard man, athlete, extraordinary good-looking, rising in the diplomatic service, with enough money to be an Ambassador some day—truly a catch."

"Yes," he commented, "and what I'm catching now is nobody's business. Still," he added, considering, "I haven't been let down so easy since the time I was lowered into a cradle at the age of thirty days."

"Don't, George," she said, swiftly contrite. "I didn't mean it quite like that. But, oh, can't you see—I don't want to talk about those things now. Not here in this place. I've just found out I don't know what it's all about. I have to learn to stop crying for the moon. That's what this queer place finally taught me. There isn't any moon. Will you give me a cigaret?"

"Well," he said, holding a light for her, "that's settled and I'll just have to hope you're still in circulation by the time I get back to the States. Lord, that's a lot to expect."

The girl rested while chin on fist and stared at the top of an idly swinging satin slipper.

"I promise you," she said gently, "I will be."

They swept up to the dock. He escorted her up the gangway and immediately realized any hope of being with her alone before she sailed was void.

The polo party was laughing about "being chased out of town." They referred to Vera Cruz as though it was the name of a Mexican movie actress. Fox lost Allaire in the crowd. He went back to the dock as the whistle blew and eagerly searched the faces at the ship's rail.

VISIT SILVER FALLS

Silver Falls—Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harris and son and Mrs. Milo Harris and children of Drain, all former residents of this community, were recent visitors at the Charles Henry home. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Neal entertained at a Sunday dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barberry of Toledo, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reed, Ronald and Clarine of Silverton.

STARTS FOR MONTANA

Silverton—W. J. Linstad of Kila, Mont., father of Mrs. William Schuster, left Monday for his home after a few days' visit in Silverton. Mr. and Mrs. George Elton entertained at Sunday dinner for Linstad, Mrs. Schuster, Carl and John Walter Schuster and Miss Helen Elton at their home in the Brush Creek district. Helen Elton lived at the Linstad home during her recent stay in Montana.

PENSION CLUB MEETS

Aumsville—The Townsend club will meet in the school dining room Thursday night. A good program is being prepared.

SUNDOWN STORIES

THE LOCKED DOOR

By Mary Graham Bonner

"Did you see Top Notch? Did you talk to him? How is he? What is the matter?" asked the Puddle Muddlers as Willy Nilly returned.

"I didn't see him," Willy Nilly replied, "but I knocked at the door and he spoke to me without opening it. He said he wanted some more food and he wanted me to take it down to him."

"Well, he can't be ill," bleated Sweet Face, the lamb.

"Why don't you go right inside when you take down the food?" sug-

gested Christopher Columbus Crow. "Then you can see for yourself what is the trouble."

"I didn't like to do that when he didn't ask me in," said Willy Nilly slowly, "but I do believe he'd like me to go in and really talk to him. Yes, that is a good suggestion of yours Christopher.

"I'll walk right in when I take down the food."

Willy Nilly fixed up a basket full of delicacies for Top Notch, and just as he was leaving Christopher shouted: "Look, Willy Nilly, there's Top Notch's mirror in the snow!"

"Oh, dear!" sighed Willy Nilly. "Something must be happening or he wouldn't have forgotten his mirror. At least, if he had lost it, he would have been hunting for it."

Willy Nilly went down to Top Noth's shed as fast as his rather long legs could carry his rather short body.

He went right up to the door of Top Notch's shed and tried to lift the latch. But it wouldn't budge. Top Notch had evidently fastened a bolt across it from inside.

"Top Notch!" Willy Nilly cried. "Are you in trouble?"

Tomorrow—"Christopher Helps"

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

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Washington, Jan. 20—Mr. Morgenthau told the senators that it looks as if he will have to tap the bankers' tills for five million dollars more in new loans shortly. He will need it to pay the bonus, relief and the processing tax refund.

Forty-eight hours later, the man who was to handle all this new financing for him quit, without official explanation.

Naturally, all the insiders and outsiders here have been adding up these two ominous events and getting all sorts of answers, including chaos, inflation or whatever may occur to you.

The only certain thing is that most of the current answers are likely to be wrong. No one knows the real answer, including Mr. Morgenthau, who confessed as much.

The way this vast incomprehensible situation is sized up frankly by the best fiscal authorities here is this:

Mr. Morgenthau probably will be able to avoid any greenbacking or inflationary tricks to get his money, if he wants to. Those who know how he and President Roosevelt have worked this money game believe that both of them will want to.

There will probably be no more tricks now with the bookkeeping gold profit. They will need that $1,-800,000,000 for the stabilization fund for a long time yet. There probably will be no action to open the gold market, as asked by the committee for the nation .Nor is there any likelihood of reopening the domestic gold and silver markets.

One thing may be banked on. The taxes you have seen so far are only the beginning of what you will see, after the election.

Personalities—Pleased and displeased fiscal authorities who know Messrs. Roosevelt and Morgenthau thoroughly seem to agree that both are essentially sound money men. That is, they want to spend, but spend within reason. Where the pleased and displeased have disagreed and parted is on the question of where the line of reason lies.

This is supposed to explain the departure of Assistant Treasury Secretary Coolidge. Men with the combination to the treasury vaults say Mr. Coolidge did not suddenly become displeased. Nor was there any definite break on a definte policy.

Rather, they noticed Mr. Coolidge month by month lately becoming more and more depressed with the prospects of raising money to meet more and more expenditures.

Confidence—There is one new reason why the experts believe that Messrs. Roosevelt and Morgenthau may safely raise the money in prospect. It is that the country is no longer finicky on the money question. If recent polls of public opinion are any indication, the people are thinking and talking about spending, unemployment, farm relief, etc., but not about inflation. In fact, the inflationists bloc was so weak on the bonus in Congress the other day that it was unable to put up even a good fight. Two years ago, Mr. Roosevelt had to trick them out of putting something over on him (silver).

The other reasons are the same old ones which have enabled the unpecedented financing done so far. The banks are filled with money, have no place to lend vast sums, except to the government.

Burden—The inside on the tax situation is as clear as the imminence of unexpected spending.

New dealers do not want any new taxes levied before election if they can help it. They may have to impose some excise taxes in connection with the new farm program, but they will hold until the last electoral vote is counted to delay the new general tax legislation which the current situation obviously demands. That is good politics.

It is equally clear where the new burden is going to fall when it does. There is no more real revenue in the rich, because there are so few rich. Nor is there much more to be gained from the poor, and everyone else, by sales and excise taxes. After all, the current state sales taxes are as much as that traffic will bear.

There is only one place the government can get such revenue as is now being talked about. That is in taxes on incomes below $50,000. They will pay the bill.

Glitter—No one here is paying any attention to the new pressure campaign of the committee for the nation. The idea prevalent on the inside here is that opening of the gold market would cause the price of gold to go down, not up.

The reason why the agitation for re-opening of the domestic gold and silver markets is not getting anywhere either is that such action might cause hoarding again. The current financial situation is not yet so settled as to prevent a possible rush into two such basic commodities, out of respect to their fixed value, which, incidentally, has not been entirely fixed during the last six years.

Worse—The tight-lipped secretary of the treasury was conservative in his estimates to the senators. The truth is he will probably have to raise a lot more than $5,000,000,-000 in new money during the next seventeen months.

He took a sub-bottom estimate on the bonus and on undisclosed relief needs. Also, he failed to figure in the new farm program, a possible farm tenant bill and a couple of billion dollars of other possible odds and ends. However, this does not alter his financing chances materially. Nor does the prospect that he will have to do about $6,000,000,000 of refinancing in the next 17 months. Refinancing is comparatively easy.

But if the debt is not upwards of $36,000,000,000 before he gets through, a lot of important silk hats will be eaten around Washington.

MRS. RAMSBY HOSTESS

Silverton — Mrs. Clyde Ramsby was hostess to the members of her bridge club Saturday afternoon. A visiting member was Mrs. Orlo Thompson. Mrs. Martin Warrvick scored high at cards and won the traveling prize.

GUESTS AT RUDDELL HOME

Oak Point—Mr. and Mrs. Byron Ruddell have as their house guests this week, Mr. and Mrs I. W. Ewing of Wenatchee, Wash. Mrs. Ewing is the daughter of Mrs. Ruddell.

LIFE'S BIG MOMENTS

Puff's miles from the ground and he MUST have some air.

(The air isn't useful for breathing up there.)

So into this odd-looking suit Puffy hops,

And over his head the big air-helmet drops.

LEGION SONS SEEK CHARTER

A charter was requested today for 66 sons of paid up members of Capital Post No. 9 eligible for a squadron of the Sons of the American Legion who attended the pot-luck supper prior to the regular meeting of the post Monday night. Al Greenwalt, Portland, state chairman, assisted in the organization. All sons, regardless of age, whose fathers are paid up or who are the sons of deceased veterans are eligible. The post committee is composed of Breyman Boise, chairman; Fred Gahlsdorf, Paul Hendricks, C. W. Bartlett and Dr. C. Ward Davis.

Commander King Bartlett increased the regular post service committee to assist in the sale of tickets for the president's ball to be held January 30. This committee has as members Les Wadsworth, chairman; Dr. W. W. Looney, Willis Vincent, Dr. V. E. Hockett, Newell Williams, Dr. Kinley K. Adams and Roy Nelson. Additional members for the ticket sale are R. H. Bassett, Brazier C. Small, Dr. G. E. Prime, Glen Porter, R. D. Woodrow, Harold Peters, Hans Hofstetter, Robin D. Day and James L. Cooke.

Boy Scout troop 9, sponsored by the post, was reported as the only one in this area which has been awarded 10 merit badges at three consecutive courts of honor, by Robert Budrow, chairman.

William Bliven, post adjutant, announced a meeting of the permanent records committee for his office in the Masonic temple building Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock and of the membership committee at the same time and place Friday evening.

DR. RENFREW HOST

Aurora—Dr. F. C. Renfrew was host recently to members of the Pinochle club. Guests were Gordon Fredrikson, Phaen Sayre, Carl Calef, Melvin Evans, Claude Moreland, Harry Evans and F R. Wilmore.

SEDANS TO MOVE

Auburn—Mr. and Mrs. Sedan are planning to move from the community some time next week.

ANSWERS to QUESTIONS

A reader can get the answer to any question of fact by writing The Capital Journal Information Bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, director, Washington, D. C. Please enclose three cents for reply.

Q. When will the new Zeppelin LZ-129 make its first flight? L.T.

A. It is expected to make its first flight from Friedrichstafen, Germany, to Lakehurst, N. J., late in October.

Q. Who is Lord Tweedsmuir?

A. This is the title recently taken by John Buchan, upon whom a barony has been conferred in connection with his appointment as Governor General Designate of Canada.

Q. Does a man become a Senator when the votes are counted or when he takes his seat in the Senate? T. B. A.

A. When he takes his seat. In a speech made by Senator George in defining the right of Senator Holt to be admitted to the Senate, he said in part: "There is a distinction and a difference between the Senator-elect from the date of the beginning of his term down to the time when he actually assumes the duties of the office of Senator and after that time. . . The election of one of public office does not make him a public officer. Until the person elected has come to the Senate, has entered the body, and has taken his place as a member, he is not in a position, nor does he have the power nor the responsibility to cast a single vote, to register a single official act which could influence any policy of the Government."

Q. Where are the largest waves encountered? A.A.

A. It is difficult to say where the largest waves of the ocean are encountered at all times. Many parts of the ocean, particularly the waters around Cape Horn, are noted for their frequent storms at which time high waves are encountered. Some of the highest waves reported have been in the North Atlantic. These have been about 50 feet high. In the South Atlantic and South Pacific Oceans storm waves have been reported that reach 50 feet in their fullest development. The Bay of Biscay is noteworthy for the height of its waves.

Q. In what years did Anton Lang take the part of Christus in the Passion Play? E.B.

A. Anton Lang played the Christus in the Oberammergau Passion Play in 1900, 1910, 1922. On December 21, 1899, Lang was first elected "Christus." There followed a period devoted to earnest study. In the summer of 1900, Anton Lang played the role of the Christus forty-eight times. Following the production of the play in 1900, Lang traveled extensively in Europe. Later, he visited the Holy Land. In 1910, the town again chose Lang to play the Christus. This choice was repeated in 1922. In that year, 340,000 visitors were drawn to the Bavarian village to witness the play. On October 7 1929, the new elections occurred and Lang was chosen to deliver the prologue of the Passion Play.

Q. When is the Foster Festival in Kentucky? E.J.

A. Every Fourth of July a festival is held at Federal Hill, Bardstown, Kentucky, to honor Stephen Foster. Some of the guests wear costumes of the period and a young man resembling Foster is selected to play the best known of the composer's songs. It was when Foster was 24 that he visited Federal Hill, home of Judge Rowan, and composed My Old Kentucky Home.

FATAL BLAST SHATTERS LOUISIANA COURTHOUSE

This was all that remained of the Jackson parish courthouse at Jonesboro, La., after a mysterious explosion wrecked the building, killed one person and injured several others. Acting Mayor A. C. Holley of Jonesboro discounted the possibility of any connection between the blast and Louisiana's primary election fight in which Long and anti-Long factions were opposed. (Associated Press Photo)

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10. Kind of spice
14. Oil of rose petals
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16. Very black
17. Roman garment
18. Main shock or stress
19. Look after
20. Apparently but not actually fair or just
22. Flushes with success
24. Retards
25. River duck
26. By
28. Compass point
29. Pieces of needlework
32. Place
35. Fall in drops
37. Obtained from the pine
38. Run off secretly
41. Before
42. Range
43. Vexed; colloq.
44. Most excellent
46. Japanese coin
47. False
49. Historical period
52. Symbol for neon
53. Misfortunes
54. Dash to pieces
56. Screened from the light
59. Precious stone
62. Reside
63. Growing out
65. Spoken
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69. Division of a school year
70. Wrench
71. Anglo-Saxon slave

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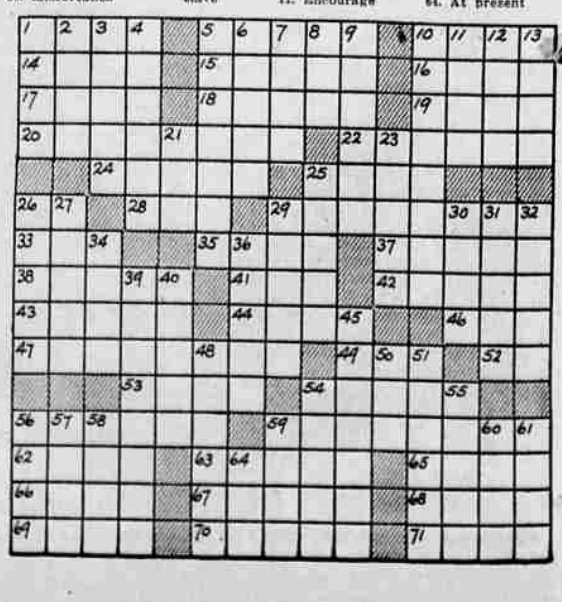
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6. Poison
7. Burden
8. Range of knowledge
9. Consider
10. Resembling metal
11. Encourage
12. Tapering solid
13. Extremes of length
21. Electrified particle
23. Natives of Lapland
25. Binds with narrow fabric
26. Mimics
27. Flower
29. Fathers
30. Son of Seth
31. Mature
32. Public display of temper
34. Kind of balsam
36. Picture puzzle
39. Outer bark of a tree or shrub
40. Ancient Roman official
45. Violent storm
48. Of greatest age
50. Knock
51. On land
54. Gluts
55. Engages for service
56. Long narrow opening
57. Bees' home
58. Assert
59. Hindu garment
60. Water falling from clouds
61. Otherwise
64. At present