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CLEAN-UP DAY.

For years the Itemizer has been trying to instill enough local pride into the minds of each and every resident of our beautiful little city to get them to keep their premises in as neat a shape as means and time will permit, and has long advocated a general clean-up day for each year. This year finds such a move consummated, and it is now to be found out how much good will come of it, and if the lesson learned will be of lasting benefit. Most any of us have a few hours at our disposal during the day or week, and there is hardly an excuse for the accumulation of debris, uncut grass and other unsightly and untidy things that will be found on some premises. Looks is not the only thing to be considered either, as with the closeness with which residences are now building within our city limits, the piles of refuse, cess-pools, etc., became a serious menace to the public health, which should be taken into consideration by every householder, and all should do their individual part to see that sickness in our midst is given no cause for existence. While it is true that Dallas is noted as one of the healthiest towns in the valley, it is also true that it would not take long or much dirt, offal, etc., to start within our midst an epidemic that might prove very disastrous. As citizens having the well-being of all in mind at all times, it is our duty to continually guard against the likelihood of such a happening, and for such a reason, primarily, a clean-up day has been named, in order that all may work together intelligently to prevent the possibility of such a happening, and at the same time make our homes scenes of beauty and pleasure, rather than just a stopping place—where we get our meals and get our night's rest. That a clean-up day will tend to awaken local pride in the matter we sincerely hope. It has been found to work good results in other towns, and there is no reason why it should not also do the same here. There are no more loyal people to their home town than the citizens of Dallas. Now is the time and opportunity to further show it, and we wot not but what next Saturday will see a much different town—a thing of beauty to everyone who walks our streets, and a source of pride to each one of its loyal inhabitants.

We all admire the steadfast person—the one who is loyal to his friends in the hour of trial. It is he who is their real bulwark of defense. Upon him they rely. They look to him for that encouragement and support which we all profess, but which so few of us practice in the ordinary affairs of life. In like manner, we place but little reliance upon the fickle, wavering or inconsistent friend. He lacks that unswerving purpose which is the real test of a man. He has been termed the fair weather friend. When the skies are clear, he is loud in his protestations of devotion and loyalty. When clouds arise, he becomes timid and eventually classes himself among either avowed enemies or those uncertain friends who are even more dangerous than open enemies. Even a steadfast opponent possesses virtues which those against whom he is arrayed cannot but admire. History abounds in illustrations of the unwisdom of disloyalty and disunion. The wrecks and failures which litter the shores of time may be attributed, in a large degree, to these. The rise and fall of governments, the world's wars, the suffering and want which at times have stalked abroad as a pestilence—all of these may be traced to disloyalty or cowardice on the part of some. Were the people of this world to have full confidence in each other—were they to remain steadfast to each other, it would in a brief span of time become a veritable paradise.

The Itemizer was the first paper in the state of Oregon, and we rather expect in the United States, to nominate Woodrow Wilson as the head of the next democratic ticket. We have never regretted doing so, the more he comes into the limelight going conclusively to show that he is one of the best qualified men in our country for the position. He is a good square man in every sense of the words, and has the brains to cope with his opponents and carry out any policies upon which he may determine. We now wish to offer a running mate for him, such being no less a personage than Hon. Champ Clark. Clark's record is before the public as an open book, and is one of which any man might be proud. Combining the divergent interests of the east and west, as such a ticket would, it becomes all right in geographical measure, and two better men for the positions cannot be found. How does it look?

For President,
Hon. Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey.
For Vice president,
Hon. Champ Clark, of Missouri.

Editor Fiske, of the Dallas Itemizer, turned his paper over to the ministers last week while he took a well earned vacation, and the net result was one column of local news, a three column clipping of an address delivered by President Roosevelt last spring, and editorial and clippings mostly on religious topics. It might be interesting if the experiment were continued longer in order to find out whether readers of the Itemizer prefer

what Editor Fiske furnishes weekly or the radical innovation of last week, but we venture the guess that they prefer the former. The trouble with the average inexperienced person who enters the publishing business for even one week is that he believes a newspaper or magazine is a matter of ideals and that there is a hungry world eager to buy what he chooses to offer, whereas it is a very different matter and the publisher, like every other merchant who has anything to sell, is constantly seeking to learn what his readers want, and that is what he furnishes.—Hillsboro Independent.

The business man of foresight does not take unnecessary chances. It would undermine his stability in business and would imperil his credit. He could not afford to take chances for such chances alone. He must show to others that he takes all possible precautions against the uncertainties of the future and, in like manner, he must give evidence that his methods are discreet and that his central purpose is both present safety and the making of provision against future uncertainties.

Various versions of Woodrow Wilson's expression of contempt for logic in a speech at Portland having fluttered through the newspapers of the country, we are glad to get from C. E. S. Wood in the Pacific Monthly what is doubtless the literal version. Some one in the audience had interrupted Governor Wilson's six Portland speeches at a point where he said he had not yet been able to see the advantage of the recall for judges. "You are illogical!" the auditor shouted; and Governor Wilson made this instant retort: "Yes, I am. Whenever I am illogical I am pretty sure that I am right for in the complexities of human life the logical man generally is bumping against human nature." Paradoxical as it may seem, this is true. But the reason is that "the logical man" who "is generally bumping against human nature" is not logical; or, if logical, his logic proceeds from false or imperfect premises.

In the time of Jefferson a movement for federal highways was begun. In a sort of misty way we recall the old national roads which had so much to do with our development a century ago. Millions of dollars were thus expended until the time of Jackson, when a reaction set in. The federal government was shorn of much of its power and, in like manner, of much of its responsibility. Such matters as highways, waterways, and the like, were regarded as local issues. Their solution was left with those directly affected and, as a result, we have but little to commend our system as regards uniformity or efficiency in the way of creating and sustaining those arteries of inter-communication which should connect us with others and, in harmony with the laws of progression, with the whole country of which we are constituent parts.

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