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to do thy will; for thy art my God: thy ial credit for his valiancy even in the very spirit is good; lead me into the land of up- valley of death. rightness.—Psalm 143:10.

## THE SHALE OIL PROSPECT

own money and time on the shale oil ven- man nature. ture, We say gambling because every an untried enterprise or field.

If the project of the Hartman Syndicate succeeds it will be worth millions to Ashland. Every property owner here will be ennobled and lightened up the pages of benefitted, every business enterprise will the past. But heroes are not made on the advance, every piece of property will en- battlefield alone. hance materially in value.

production of oil from shale. We believe sage, men who take the jars and shocks of that the Ashland shale is loaded with gas life with unfailing courage. and oil. We know that shales such as are They rise transcendant even over death profitably processed because it is now be- is best in humanity.—Sacramento Bee. ing worked at a profit both in Europe and America.

During the past three or four years hundreds of thousands of dolllars of money have been sent away for shares in Montana, Texas and California oil prospecting ventures. Every dollar of that money went into the biggest possible kind of a gamble for there is no gamble so hazardous as oil prospecting. Of course much of it went into veritable blue sky. The enterprises were handled in distant parts by unknown men, away from the investor, so that he could not keep his eye on the management. Consequently, some of the money has been lost notwithstanding profitable oil was developed.

Why will men fall for foreign blue-sky ventures and refuse to take a chance on a good-looking local enterprise, one that if successful will contribute in a hundred ways to the prosperity of this community. If we are going to gamble why not gamble on a local project that means something to the community more than the mere profit on the stock investment.

The Hartman stock is selling at ten dollars a share. Suppose every property owner in Ashland should invest in ten shares and the whole thing should go bad, the loss to each would be neglible, but suppose the Hartman enterprise should prove votes of congressmen is likely to be that successful, it would be the making of the of adding two more votes to the senate. town. We are not advising anybody to When the farmers of the constitution fixed take stock in the Hartman syndicate. We representation, they made the house of rephold no brief for them. But we do urge resentatives basis one of population, while that if you are going to gamble make it the senate was always to have two members on a home enterprise, that may pay good for each state. The populous states of the dividends not only on the stock you hold, east have begun to irk under the control but will pay higher dividends through its of legislation by such states as Nevada and collaterals than you can ever hope to gain Wyoming, whose senators exercise as much from speculation in foreign enterprises, power as do those of New York or Pennabout which you know nothing and which sylvania. The admission of Alaska is likeare too far removed for you ever to know ly to be opposed because of its small popuanything about their management.

has at least one distinct advantage for the profitable production of oil and gas from shale over any other shale beds we know anything about. For example, the shale beds of southern California are in competition in its oil and gas production with 22 additional tables for the picnic grounds flowing oil and gas wells. The flowing at Lithia Park. No further argument is gass wells are piped all over that section required to prove the growing popularity selling gas to the large consumers at as of that resort. low rate as 25 cents per thousand feet and retailing it for domestic consumption In working for Ashland let's "hew to for 75 cents per thousand, while in Ash- the line and let the chips fall where they land and the Rogue River valley local gas may."

Ashland Daily Tidings sells above two dollars the thousand feet. This natural situation should enable the Daily News Letter? Hartman syndicate to greatly reduce the cost of fuel to local consumers so that everybody could have cheap gas for cooking heating and commercial supposes and ing, heating and commercial purposes and Prince of Wales may set the still leave margin enough in the product styles of London so far as to pay the entire expense of retort produc- clothes go, but the Prime Minis- servants in Buckingham Palace. playing seems to be that the as tion and leave the oil and other by-products ter is setting the styles for During a discussion of the wealthy enthusiasts will tire of to pay dividends on the stock. There is smokers. now a large consumption of gas in the valley and as the company is emphasized to their own private been a devotee of the pipe, and trate, told in a most pained favalley and as the company is enabled to his public espousal of this joy shion of two girls whom he had reduce the price, the consumption will be or vice, as you choose—has giv- helped to find positions in Buckgreatly increased. That alone is a big en pipe-smoking a great boom in ingham Palace as ktichen maids. This would seem to be the moral item in favor of the success of the Hartman enterprise.

### MEN OF COURAGE ARE SALT OF THE that one belongs to the owner, went back to the factory and the terfere with her work. The EARTH

Newspaper dispatches a few days ago dinner, the Prime Minister once brought the news of the death of John A. the King is properly toasted, with most of those who arrive head barber, dismissed Ivy. Then Siddall, editor of the American Magazine, at the age of 49 years, when he was just in of the bulldog type. His lead is is suing a Glasgow paper for the prime of his powers.

With his death, it was revealed that sev- the elite, and those who haven't serting that the paper misquoted eral weeks ago, his physicians warned him a pipe with them feel just as out her on American prohibition. that unless he stopped work, he could live though they had worn tan shoes plains was headlined: 'Hetty

"But I will die in the harness," was his Tobacco shops report that the response and he did so with that same op- sale of pipes in the last two . London has just opened its timism and courage of spirit which marked months has grown in leaps and first public golf course, and now so many of his contributions to the American under the caption of "Sid Says."

Even the sufferings of disease, a cancer in the stomach, failed to lessen his zest in pipes in an exclusive shop in St. and victorious fight for a golf life, or to diminish his vivid interest in what humanity was doing, hoping, dream- has his own blend of tobacco drive off the first tee of the first ing and striving for.

THY WILL, NOT MINE:-Teach me last person to claim for himself any spec-

But it will touch many a responsive chord. Not to flinch before the great mystery; not to moan before a terrible fate; The Tidings likes the curves of the to smile in the face of cruel experience; Hartman Syndicate. They go at things to rise superior to the harshest circumlike men who have confidence in their stances-that is something which appeals enterprise. They are gambline a lot of their to the finest and deepest instincts in hu-

And what better ideal is there than to business venture is more or less of a gam- die in the harness doing that work or carble. Especially is that epithet applied to rying forward that labor to which the best of life has been devoted?

Such heroism on the part of soldiers has

Common life is full of them, most of them Technically we know nothing of the are humble men, unheralded by poet or

piled in the mountains about Ashland are itself. Such are the true salt of the earth, gas and oil bearing. We believe it can be whose living makes for faith in that which

# ALASKA KNOCKS

Alaska's ambition to become a state will be answered as it has been before by the argument that there are not enough people in the land to support a state government. A member of the house committee on territories made the statement and itw as not challenged. There are about 60,-000 inhabitants in Alaska, fewer than half of whom are white.

But the argument of expense is really an absurd one. There are at present 36 distinct bureaus and commissions administering government to the people of Alaska. Each of these bureaus has its corps of secretaries, agents, clerks and various other employes. It is not denied that their functions conflict. Departmental jealousies have interfered when attempts have been made to combine similar bureaus.

When statehood for Alaska becomes a subject for serious consideration, it is probable that a question other than that of expense will determine the action of congress. It is absurd to doubt that the great wealth of coal, timber, fisheries, minerals and furs in that land is sufficient to bear the cost of state government.

The question which will determine the lation. But it will not be from the reason As it appears to us the Ashland field that a small population cannot afford a state government, but because eastern states believe senatorial representation will become more irksome to them.

A local contracting firm has completed

a cigarette in the mouth.

Whenever he is coaxed out for with their evening clothes.

Yrs.

other smokers.

-who prefer to work in a fac- long lines waiting their turn to tory instead of being domestic tee off and their only hope of lack of domestic servants Rob- the novelty of a public course

The pipe is now the favorite ed as few days later," Cust said Ivy Gladys Smith. Ivy took a smoke in all of the exclusive "when we were told that they job as a barber on the proviso clubs, and it is almost a sign had given up their jobs. One that her sweetheart wouldn't inmiddle classes to be seen with other remained at home unem- sweetheart showed up, however,

espurns cigarettes and cigars in England from the United and fills a huge French briar States, but Hetty King, actress, generally followed by most of \$15,000 on a libel charge, as-Kink's Plea for Dry Uncle Sam."

bounds and that the business is the trouble begins. For a hunreturning to the pre-war norm- dred years or more golf has been a rich man's game in England. The Prime Minister buys his Lord Riddell put up a gallant James, where they are made est course for the workingmen. The pecially for him, and where he Prince of Wales foozled the first public course in London and ever

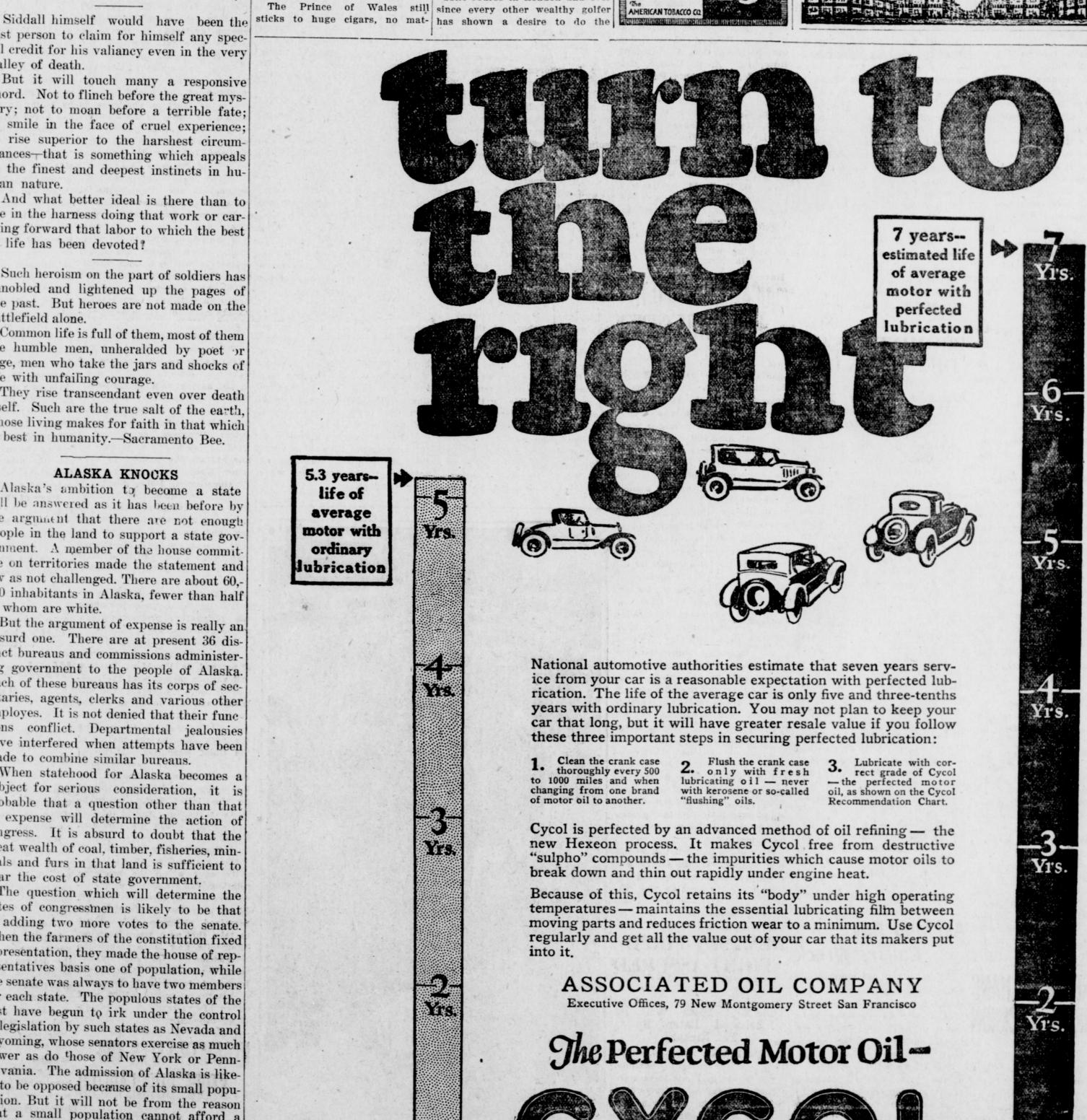
ter what the fashion may be for same thing. Brokers and bank- Ivy sued him. She secured judg- Mrs. Laura Wiley returned Moners, doctors and lawyers, nobles ment for a week's salary in lieu day from a short visit with rela-Horrors! What is England and baronets all roll up to the of notice.

"I was surprised and disgust- to be drawn from the case of and Ivy is alleged to have shaved while she accepted the sweet-Prohibition is a popular topic heart's attentions. Joseph Wass



tives and friends in the northern end of the state. Mrs. Wiley reports a splendid time on the trip.





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