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REAL SERVICE:—By love serve one another.—Galatians 5:13.

## A REPUTATION TO MAINTAIN

Erected to the north and to the south of Ashland are huge road signs, artistically painted and calling attention to Ashland's auto camp ground. Among other things the signs bear the following statement: "The finest auto camp ground in the world." Heretofore Ashland has maintained an auto camp that bears out the statement, but in this connection it is timely to call attention to the fact that Ashland has a reputation to maintain. The best auto camps and the best parks are somewhat like prizefighters, the best today and in the discard tomorrow.

According to thousands who have visited the local auto camp it was, until this year, the best to be found in the country in towns the size of Ashland and twenty times its size. But, during the past year other towns have not been asleep to the advantages of catering to the tourist and have expended large sums in providing modern camps, some of which excel the one in which Ashland holds so much of pride. Private capital is being drafted in the construction and operating of auto camp grounds in many cities and towns, and is realizing liberal profits. The coming year will witness even greater strides by the wide-awake points in an effort to secure and hold the trade of tourists. Competition, as keen as that which exists in all other lines of business, will prevail in the future and the town that wins is the town that is alive to the tourist trade, a source of revenue that is growing by leaps and bounds.

The natural location and the natural beautiful surroundings of the Ashland camp are such that it is envied far and wide and are features that will cost other towns thousands to provide, making it evident that all that is required to maintain the popularity of the local camp is to enlarge it and equip it with modern comforts and conveniences.

The present age is characterized by the never-ending race for supremacy. It is true with respects to all lines of business and endeavor. The community that senses the situation and acts accordingly is the one which the public will applaud in the future and the town to which people will be attracted. Peter B. Kyne loves a "go-getter," and the world loves a "go-getter." Let's go out and get the tourist trade and maintain the reputation that has been heralded to all parts of the North American continent.

## FAMILY TREES

An old man, who has amassed a fair share of this world's goods, spent some time in collecting a history of his family. He compiled a rather large volume, and then had only eight copies of it printed, giving one to each of his seven children—four sons and three daughters and keeping one himself.

It was a remarkable document and showed that a great-uncle had absconded while executor of an estate, a cousin had killed a man while on a drunken spree, another cousin had eloped with a married woman, while a brother-in-law had died while under indictment for forgery. The good records of the family were set down along with the bad. Nothing was concealed or apologized for, and while there was more good than bad in the record as a whole it was bad enough.

His explanation was: "My children were getting foolish notions into their heads. They were beginning to think themselves better than other people, and I wanted to show them that they were wrong."

I wanted to show them that a person can only be what he makes himself, and no better. Pride of ancestry is all right in a way, but pride of personal conduct is a much better thing. Much good might be accomplished if other men would compile their family histories and print them—for private circulation.

It's the man at the wheel, not the auto, that makes the trouble.

The fellow who don't believe in a vacation is the one whose work is so poor he fears they'll find out while he's away how useless he is.

Reports have it that one of the S. P. train bandits was seen in Medford, which indicates that one or more of the much hunted men will be enjoying a stroll in beautiful Lithia park some time during the present week.

Bad habits, like weeds, flourish without cultivation.

The value of the manufacturing plants of the General Electric Co. has increased from approximately \$4,000,000 in 1893, to \$167,000,000 in 1923, and the square feet of factory floor space from 400,000 to over 25,000,000 (on Dec. 31, 1923). The number of employees has grown from 4,000 to over 74,000.

West coast sawmills for past week report cut 22 per cent above normal.

## THE FORUM

Articles of timely interest are welcomed under this head. Communications must bear the signature of the author.

## SOME OBSERVATIONS AND COMPARISONS

I am daily pilled with questions as to my observations in Southern California and comparisons with Southern Oregon. Why is it that, especially the southern cities of California are making such phenomenal growth and the surrounding deserts are made to blossom as the rose, while the cities and towns of southern Oregon are, comparatively, plodding along at a snail's pace?

There is no question that Oregon, and especially southern Oregon is in every way far ahead of Southern California in natural resources. The apples, peaches, melons, berries and other fruits and vegetables that are particularly adapted to this northern region are superior to the same species produced in Southern California. I did not see a single apple, peach or pear produced in Southern California that at all compares with like products in Rogue River valley. Semi-tropical fruits, of course we do not produce and Southern California out does us in walnuts, but in the run of domestic berries we beat them. Even the grapes of Southern Oregon are better than they produce. We have better soil, better water and a greater abundance of it. Our forests are a wonder to the world and they have no forests. We are richer in mineral products and in the variety of our minerals we are immeasurably ahead of them, yet in industrial and commercial progress they are immeasurably ahead of us. Rogue river valley, take it year in and out, one year with another has the best climate on the Pacific Coast, yet on the basis of climate Southern California has climate as the foundation of its wonderful progress. Climate is now only one of the items exploited in their advertisements. The ambition of Los Angeles has no limit less than becoming the greatest city in the world not only in population but in manufacturing and industrial relations and its phenomenal growth and versatility of occupations promise a fulfillment of their ambition. From 12,000 people 43 years ago they challenge the world to dispute that they have a million now. On their signs may be read the peg they have set for the next four years as 1,250,000. They count on an accretion of 100,000 during the coming winter months.

Why the largest saw-mill and lumbering establishment in Southern California, located at San Diego drafts its logs down the Columbia river and is owned and managed by Oregon men and capital and is known as the "Benson Lumber Co." Thousands of Oregonians itching under the slow progress of our state are seeking the sunny deserts of California, because they do things there. Capital is kept out of Oregon because of our freak laws and meddlesome activity of small minds whose jealousy and avarice resist the efforts of outside people to develop Oregon resources and themselves refuse to do it. We ought to co-operate, not only among ourselves but with intelligent, inspired activity from the outside. We ought to invite instead of repel those who would furnish the means of developing our unparalleled resources.

The money that has developed Southern California came to it from the outside world because it was invited and welcomed. The people who have started the oil shale development here at Ashland came from Southern California wonderful full of the spirit of miraculous achievement that built them over into the doers of big things. How have they been received here. Court proceedings to hamper them built upon a freak law enacted in 1917, which, if not in its purpose, at least in its effect has, and will continue to keep out capital that would develop our resources. Local jealousy persists in throwing monkey wrenches into the machinery of progress. The slow progress we have made with God's greatest abundance about us is because we sleep to great purposes, and rise with our little energy to small things. The worship of the dollar is the devotion of small minds and the shackles wrapped in a napkin and hidden away do not multiply.

C. B. Watson.

## WIFE'S EYES, VOICE, SPEECH CITED IN ALIMONY PROTEST

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—His wife's alleged abnormally high-pitched voice, her speaking eyes and her habit of "making long speeches" were urged upon Supreme Court Justice Van Sicten in Brooklyn by Louis Spivik, a cigar salesman as reason why he should not be compelled to pay alimony pending trial of her suit for separation.

Mrs. Spivik alleged that her husband left her May 7th last.

## KIN OF NAPOLEON INGRATES

His Sister Pauline Alone Was Faithful to the Emperor to the End.

With one exception Napoleon's brothers and sisters proved to be incompetent, ungrateful, or openly his foes. Napoleon made his eldest brother, Joseph, king of Spain, and Spain proved almost as deadly to him as did Russia.

He made his youngest brother, Jerome, who deserted his American wife at the behest of Napoleon, king of Westphalia, says the Detroit News, and Jerome turned the palace into a pigsty and brought discredit on the very name of Bonaparte. His brother Louis, for whom he had starved himself, he placed upon the throne of Holland, and Louis promptly devoted himself to his own interests, conniving at many things which were inimical to France. He was planning high advancement for his brother, Lucien, when Lucien married a disreputable actress and fled with her to England, where he was received by the most persistent of all Napoleon's enemies. Napoleon's three sisters have been styled "the three crowned courtesans." He made Elsie a princess in her own right, and gave her the grand duchy of Tuscany. He married Caroline to Marshal Murat, and they became respectively king and queen of Naples. Caroline urged her husband to turn against his former chief, and Elsie threw in her fortunes with the Murats. For Pauline he did very little, yet she alone stood by him to the end. He gave her a marriage dowry of half a million francs when she married the Prince Borghese.

## THEY TIRE OF GIVING LIFT

Motorists Find Their Kindness to Strangers on Road Sometimes Is Grossly Abused.

Any automobilist going out West, particularly on the roads leading to New Rochelle and Rye Beach, will find himself besieged by young men and boys seeking "a lift." Occasionally but not so often two girls "walking" will ask a similar favor.

One man complains that he even went out of his way to be obliging to his "guests," but that now the world may walk for all he'll care, says the New York Sun and Globe. The other day, hailed by three youths, he stopped and they all piled in. The man's wife was with him on the front seat and passing through New Rochelle she remembered there was a call she wished to make.

The three alighted grumbling. Later the automobilist found that his passengers had burned holes in his floor mat, and scuffed the woodwork of the panels on the front seat.

"You got off lightly," a friend remarked. "I make it a point to give no one a lift, for I understand that in the event of an accident a self-invited guest could sue me and likely obtain substantial damages."

## Naming Pullmans a Task.

The first pullman car was a remodeled Chicago & Alton day coach, No. 9, and continued with its original designation. It was first decided to letter pullman car A, B, C, etc., but when 26 cars had been lettered, numbering was resumed. However, to avoid conflict with railroad car numbers, it was decided to give each pullman car a baptismal name, copying the custom of naming locomotives in the '70s after officials and other celebrities, says the Detroit News. "The Pioneer" was the first name used on a pullman car. Later names of women, flowers, birds, cities, towns, rivers, lakes, soldiers, poets, battlefields and camps were adopted. There are now so many pullman cars that it has been found necessary to take names from ancient history.

## Alligator Car Fights Captor.

Porter Davis, local fisherman, caught a mammoth alligator measuring six feet and five inches in length and weighing 114 pounds on a trot line out in the Ohio river a short distance below the gravel pit, says the Mount Vernon (O.) Democrat. Davis said the creature put up a game fight, coming at him in his skiff with his mouth open and its long teeth gleaming. Davis used a grab hook in landing the gar. The creature was kept alive and exhibited by Davis on the court square. Fishermen say the gar could inflict serious injury to swimmers and that it constitutes a warning to the host of small boys going into the river near the gravel pit.

## "Fat King" Claims Award.

The "Fat King," as Maj. G. W. Ellis of the British army, was known to the troops in France during the war, in a claimant before the royal commission of awards to inventors. The claim is for an invention that the major perfected whereby the food waste at camps and bases was treated in such a way that the fat was separated from the rest of the refuse, sent back to England and used for the manufacture of glycerine.

## Patent Given to the People.

For the benefit of the public, the government has patented a water-resisting glue developed by one of its research departments. Any person may obtain the directions for its manufacture by applying to the bureau. It is an improvement on a glue made during the war by adding certain copper salts to the old formula, giving it more strength, resistance to moisture, and better working qualities.—Popular Mechanics.

Astoria retaining walls near completion.

Banks to construct \$200,000 gal. reservoir for new water system.

North Bend will erect big wharf.

Klamath county votes \$233,000 road bonds.

Northwest sheep growers get revenue of \$55,000,000 for this year.

## Japanese Women's Pillows.

The cedar-wood pillows found in the tomb of old King Tut-Ankh-Amen, in Egypt, exactly resemble the wooden pillows in use today in Japan. It must be difficult to find any sleep-inducing virtue in these so-called cushions, and one must be much determined to sleep to be able to do so under the conditions. The reason for the hard substance of these pillows is explained by the imperative necessity of not disturbing the complicated headgear of the Japanese women. Only the women of the middle class still use these hard pillows, as they do their hair only once a month and cannot bear to see it untidy between times.

## First Schoolbooks.

The first schoolbooks used by the children of the early American colonists were known as horn books. They were not books such as we have today, but were strips of wood about 4½ by 2 inches. On each strip of wood was placed a sheet of paper on which was printed, in the upper half, the alphabet and simple syllables, and in the lower half the Lord's prayer. The printed page was covered by a transparent sheet of horn. The horn, the paper and the wood were bound along the edges by strips of brass tacked down by small nails. From the horn book the colonists' children learned their letters.

## Platinum in Oregon.

Platinum is so rare a metal, and at the same time so useful that when some time ago it was announced that it had been discovered in considerable quantity in southern Oregon great interest was immediately excited. It occurs in the black sand of the old channel placer deposits. During the last few years a method has been devised of saving the sand, which was formerly thrown away by the gold miners, and of mining the platinum at the same time with the gold. A few platinum nuggets as large as coffee grains have been found, but most of the metal is in very small grains.

## Hammering Pipes.

Sometimes water-pipes seem to knock, or hammer. This is usually due to the presence of air in the pipe. The supply has perhaps been turned off at the main and the water drawn off, in which case the pipe has become full of air. The turning on of the tap will then bring about a conflict between the air and water, the latter "bouncing," as it were, against anything like a bend that stops its progress. Or again, the sudden shutting off of a tap may bounce a ball valve, causing the ball to jump in the cistern, its motion being transmitted all down the pipe it serves.

## What Is Islam?

An Arabic word, meaning "complete and entire submission of body and soul to God, His will and His service, as well as to all those articles of faith, commands, and ordinances revealed to and ordained by Mohammed, His prophet." It is the proper name of the religion generally known as Mohammedanism, and consists in an observance of the following five duties: Declaring that there is but one God; reciting prayers daily; giving legal alms; observing the month of Ramadan as a fast; making one pilgrimage to Mecca during a lifetime.



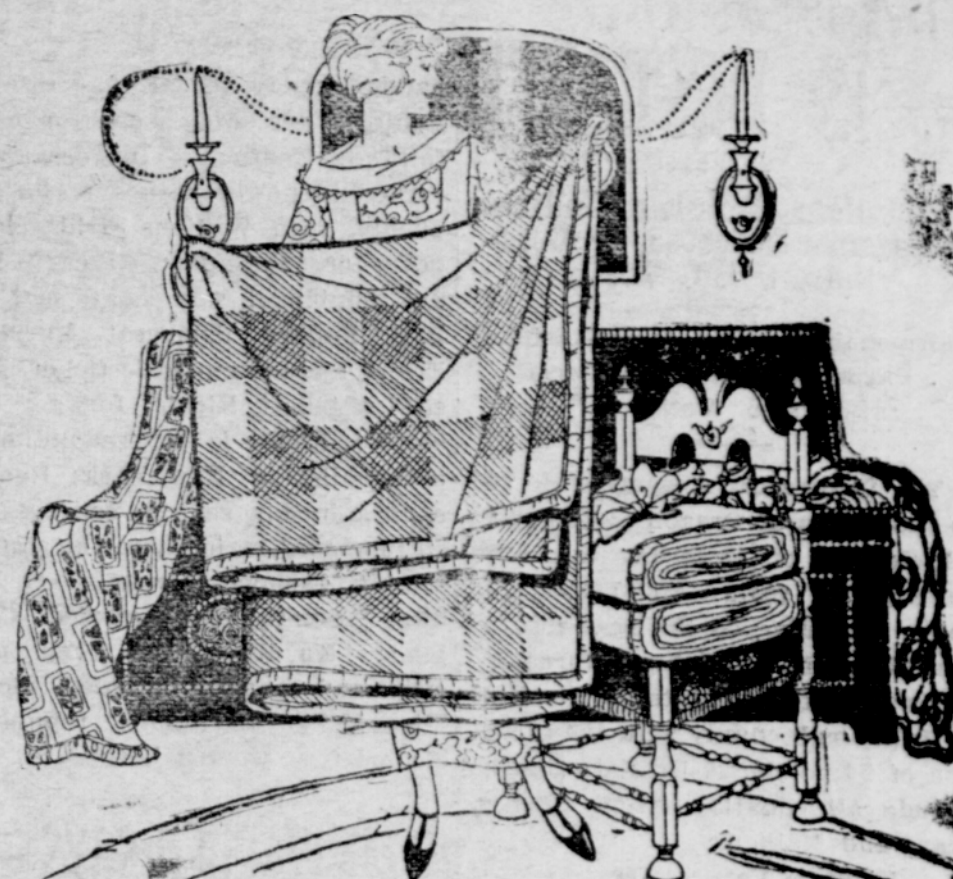
Diner—What's this fowl, waiter?  
Waiter—Rock—rock—what do you call 'em, sir? Barred Rock, I think.  
Diner—It's rock all right—but why haven't you barred it?

University of Oregon introduces course of study in dancing.

Mapleton to have new shingle mill.

Clackamas county paying \$184.90 per day interest.

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