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**BUILDING AN ALTAR**— "And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there; and make there an altar unto God." Gen 28:1.

**PRAYER**— May every home in our land, Lord, build a family altar unto Thee.

## A REAL SERVICE

One of the sanest situations which has developed in quasi-political circles recently is the statement that the state board of regents desires J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of education, who was selected to assume the presidency of the Ashland normal at the beginning of the previous month, to retain both positions until the opening of the local school.

There has been a persistent, under-current demand that Mr. Churchill resign as superintendent of education, ostensibly in order that the political pie would be made bigger by one more appointment being available. While this has been expressed mainly in "guesses" as to what Mr. Churchill would do, to one who read between the lines the politicians undoubtedly wanted him to resign immediately so that somebody else could be appointed.

If he had resigned January 1, there would have immediately been two positions, each paying salary and with each causing necessary expense for stenographers and other incidentals, with of course the normal school fund depleted to the tune of several hundred dollars a month. As it stands now, Mr. Churchill is doing the work of both positions rather competently, without any additional expense.

There are so many situations where hysteria and disregard of the public's welfare — and money — are exhibited that when an incident based on economy and efficiency does come to light we feel like crowing about it and congratulating the official or officials who are handling it.

## IMPROVEMENTS PROFITABLE

The writer has not personally made any investigation as to the advisability of the gutter, sidewalk and curb improvements which were suggested in a petition to the city council this week and therefore cannot make a statement that all of these specific improvements are justified.

However, it is rare that sidewalk, gutter and curb improvements are not justified and profitable investments. Property without these in a majority of cases is slow moving in the real estate market as long as there is property with these improvements for sale. As a comparison the property without always has a value lower than that with the improvements.

From a casual acquaintance with the streets mentioned in the petition, the writer knows that there are too few sidewalks, gutters and curbs in the section which the petition included and that, therefore, the petition deserves the earnest attention of the councilmen and the property owners who would be affected.

While all sections of Ashland should take a pride in the laying of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, the property owners in the immediate vicinity of the new normal and grammar schools should especially feel a deep pride in making these improvements and making their property and streets present the best appearance possible.

A local man who appeared before the county court recently is reported to have complained that he "didn't want to go to jail, as he was a hard working man and was afraid he would get soft if he was sent to jail." Judge Hartzell promptly eliminated this danger by sending him to the Kelly Butte rockpile for six months.

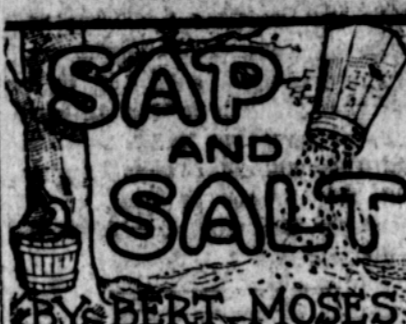
Most of us kicking about where we are should be glad we aren't where we are not.

Some people wonder why they do not get on, when they are merely trying to get by.

You will make a poor job of growing old unless you take your time about it.

We don't know why girls leave home, but sometimes they leave home because they can't pay the taxes.

## His Ticket to Tell the World



When you don't know what to do suppose you don't.

A hug contains at least twice as many thrills as an embrace.

Faith is as necessary in enjoying hash as it is in enjoying religion.

What is right and what is wrong? You will know one from t'other the next day.

Is there any man who thinks he gets his money's worth out of the taxes he pays?

While we cannot choose our relatives we have the blessed privilege of picking out our enemies, and friends.

Hex Hoek says: "With all the advantages of our schools and colleges, there is still 'one born every minute.'"

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## STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

By CHARLES P. STEWART  
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—There's something pathetic in the sight of one of the big cats—a lion or a tiger, say—pacing his cage in a zoo, to and fro, to and fro monotonously to and fro.

And those noble eagles! Lookit 'em. The eagle! The emblem of our freedom! Sitting on a dummy tree in a big coop made out of chicken wire, out at the Smithsonian Institution's Rock Creek park zoological garden!

What a sacrifice!

Well there was a certain society that, some time ago, felt that way about it.

It didn't believe in holding wild critters in captivity.

It met and adopted resolutions to that effect. It protested, in particular against the imprisonment of American eagles — "the noble bird that has been chosen to typify the proud, free and lofty spirit of America."

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those who are not in the habit of reading the bookcase.

No, according to Ned Hillister, don't waste any sympathy on the wild animals you see in zoos.

To be sorry for persecuted animals is all right. Frequently their trainers' methods are cruel. All that is doubtful is if they like their mistreatment.

But varmints which are permitted simply to lie around and stay wild are in great luck, and in spite of their captivity but actually because of it.

So Hillister alleges.

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