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MONDAY, MARCH 9.

Mr. Warren And Some Tendencies.

FOR the attorney general of the United States the president of the United States is responsible. There is nothing in the record of President Coolidge to justify fear that he would select for that office a man who is not qualified and disposed to administer it for the whole people. It would seem, therefore, that the senate would make no mistake in confirming the appointment of Charles B. Warren, of Michigan. And in the end it is altogether likely that the nomination will be confirmed.

All this one may say while yet regretting that the president did not make a selection of one less prominently identified than Warren with the so-called sugar trust. Public recollection of price manipulation and restriction of various kinds in sugar in recent years is rather keen.

Opponents in and out of the senate of the Warren appointment are laying much stress upon the declared need of a strong hand in trust control these days. Some of them charge that the country is in the beginning of a new era of combination in business comparable to that which led to the enactment of the Sherman law and the prosecutions thereunder. It is true that the present is an era of business combination and co-operation in many lines, with less competition than formerly, but the tendency is not dangerous now as it was in the years preceding the Sherman act and other laws for the regulation of what is termed big business. There is ample law nowadays to regulate such tendencies for the public protection, if the law is administered.

The whole theory of government dealings with business nowadays is one of regulation and not of prevention or prohibition of mergers. As regards railroads and other utilities this policy extends even to the discouragement or prevention of costly duplications of service, involving as they must duplications also of cost to the public. The government's policy is one of middle ground between the compelling of ruinous competition and that of resort to public ownership, with its attendant evils of tax burden, top-heavy bureaucracy and poor service.

The best answer, perhaps, to the charge that the government is trending towards favoritism to big business in its policy is to point to its recent efforts, which are still pending, to encourage similar combination among the farmers for their own mutual advantage. Practically all students of economic problems are agreed that the farmers cannot become permanently prosperous unless they do co-operate with each other, both in their production methods and in marketing. Thus far fruition of this effort has been retarded from two causes. One is lack of full participation by all farmers. Some of them continue to eye the plan askance. The other is difference of opinion as to just how the plan should be carried into effect. There is progress toward the overcoming of both these hindrances. Within the next very few years, unless all signs fail, there will be general resort in agriculture to methods of co-operation similar to those in other lines of business and industry.

The Cottage Grove Sentinel says that after perusing a number of exchanges, it is inclined to revise a preconceived view and admit that sometimes there is a difference between good English and newspaper English. It cites as one of its list of horrible examples "exhilirating" and says that word, "despite its common use," is in no standard dictionary. We confess that we hadn't observed common use of the word in just that form and readily agree that it is in no standard dictionary. But the Sentinel's lesson in orthography is refreshing, not to say exhilarating.

Isn't the joke rather on the Parent-Teacher association of Portland? After leading the movement for the proper care and safeguarding of children through the years, that organization gets itself chided by the juvenile court for seeking a permit for participation by a large group of children in an evening stage performance in which the association is interested, whereupon it hastily abandons its request.

We had forgotten whether we paid the last installment of last year's state income tax or not. Today we found the receipt. This convinces us that one of the fairest things the late legislature did was to make provision to enforce collection of the outstanding portion of that tax from everybody in Oregon. Oh my, yes.

Mrs. Laura M. Pierce, wife of Governor Pierce, who died Sunday, was the daughter of a sturdy pioneer family and had lived in Oregon all her life. She was a helpful wife and a good mother. The sympathy of all the state will go out to Governor Pierce in his bereavement.

In declining to hold a revival series in Portland, Rev. William A. Sunday merely follows out his set rule, which is to go nowhere except by unanimous call of the evangelical churches. In Portland that unanimity was lacking.

Eugene's postoffice receipts for February showed a greater increase over the corresponding month of a year ago than those of the Portland postoffice. Eugene, as has been heretofore remarked, is stepping along these days.

There can be no further doubt about it; the groundhog, on his nameday this year, pulled a faux pas, a boner, a blunder and an error. Spring was not six weeks away, as his shadow told him. It is here now.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Dr. Fosdick's "Farewell" Sermon
(New York World)

Rev. Dr. Henry Emerson Fosdick preached his farewell sermon yesterday as associate minister of the First Presbyterian church. It was one of the worst days of winter for people to be out, but for all that they came out in such numbers to hear Dr. Fosdick that many were turned away.

This has been the usual experience of the church with Dr. Fosdick's preaching. The New York presbytery recognized it when that body sat upon his case and condemned him for what in the last analysis had been a purely superficial nonconformity with the creed. He had been "producing an unusual impression." "Few such challenging voices have ever been heard in this city in defense of religion."

Nevertheless, Dr. Fosdick has to go. He has to leave the orthodox Christian ministry. He is a heretic. It is camparatively nothing that he is able to make such an appeal to the people, and especially to the young folks. What of that, and at this time when complaint is city-wide and Nation-wide of growing absence from the pews of young people? A small matter, evidently, with the governing powers of this orthodox communion.

But it may not remain a small matter. The overflowing pews of the First Presbyterian church are still in active protest. They refuse to accept his latest sermon as the last or farewell sermon. They intend to appeal to the next General Assembly of the Presbyterian church. They hope to get him back, and it is hoped that they will succeed.

Ain't It the Truth?
(Harrisburg Bulletin)

The feel of a spade and a rake is thrilling. There's a contact that puts joy in the heart of the homey man. The smell of fresh earth as each shovelful is turned to the sun fills more than the nostrils. It's at once medicine and music. For whoever made garden in the first warm days of spring without breathing a song, and who, as he brushed a bit of perspiration from his brow but felt better in body and soul. Nobody worth while.

Was It Repealed, Brother Boyd?
(Dallas Itemizer)

The editors of our esteemed contemporaries the Salem Statesman and the Salem Capital Journal, should take a course in "civics" as applied to Oregon affairs. The Statesman recently commented editorially on a section of the Oregon state constitution which denies the right of suffrage to negroes. Apparently the writer is ignorant of the fact that that particular section of the constitution was repealed by the people a few years ago. In a news story the Capital Journal stated that Judge Belt was "recently appointed to the supreme court by Governor Pierce."

Taking Chances
(Pendleton East Oregonian)

General Mitchell is to be reduced to the rank of colonel because of his gallant fight for a unified air service. He is an airman of vision and nerve and shortcomings in the air that he took a daring course in hopes of accomplishing something. Now he must pay the price.

The general can afford it. He sought to serve his country and a demotion while humiliating is not the highest sacrifice the soldier is willing to make. At times men do more.

If the air service is improved as a result of General Mitchell's efforts, that will be his reward. If results are not attained it will not be because Mitchell did not try hard and risk much.

If we need preparedness at all we need it in the air and we do not have it. The present theory at Washington seems to be that our reliance should be upon battleships and that old tubs with short range guns are just as good as modern ships with long range guns. We have scrapped all our good new ships and refuse to increase the range of our fleet so as to place it on a pa rwith the British fleet. We won't join the fire department and we are letting our insurance lapse. Perhaps nothing will happen but the risk is needless.

25 Years Ago

(From The Guard of March 9, 1900)

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The farmers are now very much in favor of some dry weather so they can do their spring sowing of grain.

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The annual election of Eugene school district will be held at the city hall next Monday, March 12. A. E. Wheeler w illact as judge, J. M. Wil- Wheeler will act as judge, J. M. Wil-

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A new floor has been laid in the Eugene hotel office.

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The rain has raised the river only two or three feet.

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Edward F. Judkins and Miss Clarice M. Deane were married Wednesday.

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President Strong of the university left today for Albany.

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Dispatch from Salem under date of March 7 in today's Oregonian says the "Steamer Eugene which has been tied up at Portland for some time, passed up the river today."

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F. Smith, of Walker, C. E. Montgomery of Cottage Grove, and Mrs. G. H. Kelly of Wendling, are all visitors in Eugene today.

Tom Sims Says—

Aerial defense probe has ended. Its words for 10 weeks placed end to end reached no conclusion.

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Navy says our aviators are all up in the air. Availors claim our navy is all at sea. That leaves our defense up a tree.

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The democratic party is out of debt, so we look for more predictions of the end of the world soon.

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They are still arguing over Muscle Shoals. Much water has gone over the dam since they started.

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A squirrel bit two pepole in Albany, Ala., and we can prove it.

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A school for parrots has been started in Texas. Teach them to talk. Hope it eliminates the static.

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Prince of Wales is going to South Africa. If he sees summer on the way he can tell her we have decided to keep spring.

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The paper says a swindler caught in Chicago is wanted in Los Angeles, but hasn't Los Angeles enough of them?

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News from Turkey. Doctors have found a man with his heart on the right side. This will make the Greeks mad.

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A mad married man tells us the preacher should have asked him "Any previous military service?"

CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

DEKALB, Ill., March 9.—Jacob Haish, inventor of barbed wire, and said to be the oldest bank president in the United States, today celebrated his 90th birthday. He is president of the Haish State bank.

Hope Springs Eternal

TWO NEW SENATORS OVERSEAS MEN

Means of Colorado and Bingham of Connecticutt Regarded as Likely Friends of Soldiers Generally

By HARRY B. HUNT
(NEA Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, March 9.—Two active champions of the World War service man landed in the United States senate as a result of recent elections. These are Rice W. Means of Colorado, elected Nov. 4 to complete the term of the late Senator Nicholson, and Hiram Bingham of Connecticut, chosen at a special election Dec. 16 to fill the vacancy due to Senator Brandegee's suicide.

Both Means and Bingham saw overseas service in the recent affair with Germany, Means as a lieutenant colonel, commanding the Fourth U. S. Infantry in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. Bingham as a major in command of the great flying school at Lavoudun.

Something of the attitude these two civilian fighters may be expected to reveal toward soldier legislation during their terms in the senate was disclosed during the debate on a measure providing for retirement, with pay equivalent to that allowed regular disability, of reserve officers who suffer 30 per cent or more disability in the service.

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"We are now urging civilians to accept commissions in the Reserve Corps. We are urging them to accept commissions in the National Guard. They are told that in time of emergency the outcome will depend upon them and their ability to lead men.

"We say to them: 'When we take you into the army we will give you the same rank, the same uniform, the same pay and emoluments of office—everything that an army officer has.

"'But—if you go to the front and are wounded, you will not receive the retirement privilege or the compensation that will be received by the regular army officer.

"'We are going to hold out something on you. We are going to hold out the retirement privilege.'"

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Bingham, championing equally with Means the proposal for disability retirement for reserve officers, equal with that of regulars, maintains further that officers retired because of equal disabilities, should have equal pay, regardless of their respective rank.

"Under the proposed retirement schedule," Bingham told his fellow senators, "if I had been disabled while flying as a major, and had lost two fingers of one hand, I would be entitled to be placed upon the retired list of the army and for the rest of my life receive a salary of $2250 a year.

"But if my mechanic, riding in the front seat, having only the grade of sergeants, had been similarly injured, he would receive for that same disability only $360 a year.

"Some of us were more lucky than others and got higher ranks. Because of my luck in having been commissioned a major, I would have received, under the plan proposed, if disabled, seven times as much as my sergeant.

"That is not justice to the service man—at least it does not seem so to me."

As the World Wags

By FRANK FAY EDDY

SPORT in America perhaps reveals our national character about as completely as anything could. It is generally assumed, especially by foreign observers, that America stands expressed best in its business activities. But in our own soul of souls we know that really the American is typically a sportsman and that he makes of business a game.

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LIKEWISE Americans make a business of sport. No matter what game we import we analyze it, train men in its science and play it with desperate energy to win—always to win.

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BASKETBALL twenty-five years ago was not regarded as a game for real athletes. It was played just for fun as a kind of a Y. M. C. A. activity. But it had wonderful possibilities and rapidly grew in popularity. With popularity came the inevitable scientific study of the game until it is now the favorite mid-season sport in the intercollegiate world.

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NO GAME calls for more versatility and endurance in a player as it is now played. Only a man with a cool head and perfect muscular coordination can play it in fast company. He must be trained to hardness and have a fighting heart. Especially he must know the science of perfect team play. It is a game which exhibits the young American at his best and expresses the driving energy, the practical genius and the craving for results which characterize our nations with all its faults.

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THAT BATTLE last Thursday between the Oregon and the Aggie teams was about as fast and hard an exhibition of kaleidoscopic action as one sees in many a day. The breathless tension with which the great crowd watched the contest was significant. It indicated that there in the armory some thousands of Americans witnessing a living picture of the peculiar combination of energy and idealisms which are essentially American.

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GOLF is another game which Americans have done much to remodel from a recreation into a great scientific game. It is the American propensity for game analysis which has studied each different kind of stroke for every conceivable kind of situation. It is American genius which has evolved the game into a complicated science, which becomes the despair of the beginner.

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UNQUESTIONABLY we overdo this sort of thing. Inevitably we make the successful players of all our games professionals since it happens that only a man who gives about all his time and energy to playing a game can hope to excell at it according to the standard set by American demands. In doing this we surely lose quite a lot of the fun of playing although in no sense sacrificing true sportsmanship.

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OTHER NATIONS play at their games. We work at them. Naturally we annex most of the records in athletic events. But we miss much of the fun for which games were invented. As individuals we are prone to spend ourselves in the particular business game we take up. But we eagerly pay money to witness athletic stars or wonder teams play games in the same spirit we play at the business game. It may be deplorable in some aspects of the case that such is the truth of the matter. But the truth it is and it si quite useless to try to preach another point of view into a nation which instinctively plays and works with such a characteristic intensity and always to win.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

THUS SAITH THE LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel. Fear not; for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou are mine.—Isaiah 43:1.

Bible Question
(Look up the answer)

Is it well to sit in judgment over another?—Matt. 7:1.

In Lighter Vein

Eager for More.
(Springfield Republican)

The biggest attendance of representatives seen during the present session was in the house at Washington Friday, and the explanation is the bill increasing their pay.

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Just Dreaming.
(Boston Globe)

What this country really needs for the benefit of everyone is some scheme to boost the price of wheat and at the same time reduce the price of flour.

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Her Boy's Superiority.
(The Argonaut)

It was the duty of the truant officer to visit the parents of those pupils who failed to attend school. One day he made a call at the home of a boy who had not put in a single appearance in class for many weeks.

"Why doesn't Mickey go to school" he asked the mother.

"Mickey is now past his thirteenth year," said his mother, "an' me an' his father think he's after havin' schoolin' enough."

"Schooling enough!" replied the officer. "Why, I did not finish my education until I was a good bit odler than that."

"Be that so?" said the woman, in amazement. Then, reassuringly, after a thoughtful pause: "Well, sorr, ye see, that boy of ours has b-r-r-nins!"

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Drawing the Line.
(Everybody's Magazine)

A man from the tall timber, visiting the city for the first time, entered a restaurant. Not being able to read the bill of fare, and not desiring to display his ignorance, he told the waiter to bring him a little of everything good.

He was served with soup, celery, crabs and grapenuts.

When the waiter brought in a plate of shrimp, the customer strenuously objected.

"Lookie here, man! I done drunk your dishwater, chawed up your bouquet, ate your bugs, made the sawdust disappear, but I'll be doggone if I'm gonna eat them dern grasshoppers!"

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Two Admonitions.
(Boston Herald)

Watch your step and the other fellow's steering.

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But She Always Knows.
(Toledo Blade)

A successful marriage is one where the wife is boss but doesn't know it.

Oregon Briefs

The Medford Y. M. C. A. campaign to raise $3000 was begun last week with eight teams of citizens, the Girl Reserves and Boy Scouts in the field.

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Bob Pressey, dairyman, poet, editorial writer and all-around coast booster, has been chosen secretary of the Bandon chamber of commerce.

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The Klamath Lumber & Box company's plant at Klamath Falls began operations last week with two shifts and a force of 80 men.

A. A. Wilkinson, prominent Bonanza rancher, suffered serious injuries recently when a hand grenade, a souvenir from the battlefields of France, exploded in his hands.

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Because of illness, Mrs. Loisvine Duval, serving a 60-day sentence in the Deschutes county jail following conviction on a liquor charge, has been pardoned by Governor Pierce.

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Parties returning from the "gold field" 10 miles east of Paisley report that thousands of tons of ore are in sight and that many claims are being staked out. Paisley and Lakeview are almost deserted.

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Klamath county wool growers will be urged to join the Pacific Wool Growers' association during the week of March 19 to 24, when three wool experts will visit the county and hold a series of meetings.

Rowell's Comment

By CHESTER H. ROWELL

HONORED be the public man who dares to tell his people the truth! This seems to be a quality of William M. Jardine, the new secretary of agriculture.

He insists that 10 per cent of the farmers' troubles can be cured by legislation, and he is for that legislation.

The other 90 per cent must be remedied by the farmers themselves, and their associates, the business men of their communities, and he is for organization and education to do that.

He is no reactionary, who is against even the 10 per cent of legal remedy needed, and no conservative, who would do nothing and let the 90 per cent take care of itself, but an aggressive leader, who believes in doing things.

Only, the first thing is to find out what can be done, and to have the courage to tell the truth about it.

That is what you expect of an expert, in anything else. It ought to be commoner in politics and government.

Fellowship of Prayer

Daily Lenten Bible reading and meditation prepared for Commission on Evangelism of Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

MONDAY

The Spring of Life.

Read Luke 6.39-49. Text: 6:45. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

Meditation—In the mind of Christ life is very much like a stream flowing from a hidden spring. The spring is the soul. The stream consists in the words and deeds of daily living. That which determines the quality of life is the nature of the soul. This is God given and God renewed whatever the human heart is open to divine influences. Every man must take care that the springs of his life are pure and that no seifish interests divert or defile the streams of influence that flow into the life of the world.

"It is only the true discipline whose inmost being has been touched by the spirit, that can hope for success in heart con maintain unfailing goodwill only when it is in vital connection with the great contral heart which pulses out goodwill eternally."

Prayer—Eternal Father, create within us clean hearts. Search out the dark places and illuminate them with thy gracious spirit. May the life of Christ draw us with its alluring power that we may know the healing of his presence. Amen.

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DR. SUN WORSE

PEKING, March 9—(AP)—A change for the worse was noted today by physicians attending Dr. Sum Yat-Sen, south China leader, who has been ill here since he underwent an operation for cancer of the liver on January 28. Dr. Sun was reported weaker today.

KURDS TAKE CITY

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 9.—Advices from Angora say the rebels in Kurdistan have occupied Kadykejy, five kilometers from Diarbekr and that the Turkish authorities have taken measures to prevent the capture of the latter city and Kharput.

NOTICE

Fred E. Smith, lawyer, has removed his office to suite 445-446 Miner building on east Ninth street. m13

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