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The Guard serves the city of Eugene and Lane county, a territory as large as the state of New Jersey and one of the richest areas in the Northwest. The city had on Jan 1, 1928, a population estimated at 25,000; the Eugene trading area (radius 70 miles) a population in excess of 50,000.

Second only to Portland is the Eugene market. Center of a rich agricultural area, a division terminal of the Southern Pacific railroad and the Northern lines, home of the University of Oregon. One of the lowest hydro-electric power rates in the United States is bringing Eugene forward rapidly as a industrial and commercial center.

NORRIS REFUSES.

SENATOR NORRIS of Nebraska is reported unwilling to accept the presidential nomination tendered him by the Farmer-Labor party, and so far as his personal welfare is concerned he is undoubtedly making a wise decision for to organize an effective third party at this late day is a task which is beyond a man of his years and would involve the sacrifice of his usefulness as a liberal leader in the Republican party.

It is very doubtful if this is yet the year for the formation of a new party. The Republican party is unimpaired in vitality. The Democratic party, although far removed from its basic principles, has received through the nomination of Al Smith and his personal program a tremendous access of energy and enthusiasm. There is great discontent in many sections but this is not a good year to attract attention from personalities to principles.

But in the next four years, no matter who wins this time, there may come amazing changes. The nomination of Smith will break the old sharp alignments in the South. For many years this has loomed as inevitable for as the South has been industrialized great numbers of its people have been inclined toward Republican doctrine by every economic and social interest except tradition. Now that tradition is about to be broken these people may never return to the Democratic fold.

In the South, in the Middle West, and in every part of the country there are great numbers of other people who are not satisfied with the economic doctrines of either party. These people are the nucleus of a truly liberal faction and it is exceedingly doubtful if they will ever pass willingly into a Democratic party which can never be more than nominally liberal under Smith and Tammany control.

The greatest danger in the Democratic course is that the party has severed old ties to espouse the prohibition issue, and while that is a great issue in this campaign it can never be a permanent issue. No other part of its program is convincing. Parties can win with personalities but they can endure only with principles which carry through. The Democratic party has long claimed to be the vehicle of liberalism but personal liberty is a much more limited conveyance. It may find the old bandwagon pre-empted when the joy ride with Al Smith is through.

THE SOVIET FLIER.

AMONG the heroes of the Nobile rescue work in the Arctic let us not overlook Chukhnovsky, the courageous Russian soviet flier, to whom two of the three members of the party which Dr. Finn Malmgren tried to lead across the ice owe their lives. His skill and his persistence, after nearly everyone had given up hope, saved them from the lingering horrors of starvation and sent the Soviet icebreaker Krassin to their aid.

Chukhnovsky and four other Russians have been forced down near Northeast land, but fortunately their plight does not seem to be serious. Bravely he wireless his co-workers not to mind him but to hurry to save the others whose plight was so desperate. This they did and the entire crew of the Krassin shares in the glory.

We may not agree with the Russians in their theories of economic brotherhood and internationalism but in this emergency they have proved themselves generous and brave. We have only to look down the list of heroes, Italians, Norwegians, Czechs, Americans, Russians, Swedes, to agree that humanity and courage are international, indeed.

TO CURE INSANITY

OVER in Medford they are trying a man who ran down a nine-year-old boy with his automobile and ran away leaving the child to die along the highway. The man had been drinking. In court he offered to plead guilty to involuntary manslaughter but not to reckless driving. The child, he babbled, was "something God threw in the way." This brought up the question of his sanity.

Sane or insane, the place for this fellow is in the penitentiary for the longest possible term at the hardest possible labor. There is nothing so effective as a long term at hard labor to remedy this type of insanity and incidentally to warn the lunatic fringe of drivers who try to mix driving with drinking.

Lane county recently set a wholesome example with the speedy disposal of a similar case. Let's hope the people down in Medford will be equally prompt and sensible in disposing of this driver.

WHAT OTHER NEWSPAPERS SAY

Remus-Heath Greer
(NEA Service)

We Americans, as the whole world knows, are a people of laws. Whatever our faults, we insist that our statutes be respected and obeyed.

The latest dangerous lawbreaker to learn this is named Heath Greer.

Heath Greer lived in the Laurel Run region of mountainous Kentucky. He quarreled with a friend, one Luther Partin, drew a gun and shot him dead. He has been sentenced to a life term in prison. The murder was not premeditated, so he couldn't very well be hanged; but a life term will serve to teach him that America's laws cannot be defied with impunity.

The only trouble is that Heath Greer is just 13 years old.

The judge that sentenced him did not let that stand in his way, however. Law is law, and the judge was familiar with it. Murder is murder. Life in prison, the judge said, was the only sentence he could give.

On the day that Heath Greer left for the reformatory, where he will live until he is old enough to enter the penitentiary to serve time with the other murderers, the doors of Ohio's hospital for the criminally insane, at Lima, swung open and George Remus walked out a free man. Remus had killed his wife, planning the deed in advance, and had been acquitted, according to law, by virtue of insanity. Now he has demonstrated, again according to law, that the insanity which made him a murderer has happily left him; so Ohio's law decrees that he cannot be confined any longer.

It is from such examples as these that we free-born Americans draw that admiration for law which distinguishes us above all other peoples. Liberty, we are fond of saying, can only be had by respect for law. Heath Greer doubtless will absorb that lesson during the next three or four decades of confinement.

One wonders, though, just where the states of Kentucky and Ohio stand in all this. Has no one brought any action against them? Ohio rears a bootlegger and sees him commit a shocking murder; it grabs at him and discovers its own law compels it to set him free. Has no citizen of Ohio any ground for action there?

And Kentucky. Kentucky rears a mountain white lad in the backwoods country; a boy who says he carried a gun "because all the other boys did, some of 'em little than me"; a boy who saw all his elders carrying guns every day of their lives; a boy who saw such children as did not carry guns carrying bottles to their play; a boy who was sinned against by society from the day of his birth. Kentucky sees this lad, in hot anger, use the gun he was carrying. Kentucky pounces on him, appalled—and finds that its own law compels it to send him to prison for life. Has no Kentuckian grounds for action against his state?

What are we to make of these two cases, anyway—unless it is that our methods of dealing with crime would be a disgrace to Fiji Islanders? Are we 100 per cent stupid, after all? When a dangerous criminal commits a brutal murder must we slap his wrist and set him free? When an ignorant backwoods boy does something much less criminal must we jail him forever instead of trying to find out what is wrong and making it right?

The millenium isn't at hand yet, despite our mass production and boom days on Wall street. We have a few jobs to do. Ohio and Kentucky can tell you what they are.

This date in AMERICAN HISTORY

JULY 13

1584—Sir Walter Raleigh's expedition landed in Virginia.

1753—College of Philadelphia (University of Pennsylvania) chartered.

1787—Law passed forbidding slavery north of the Ohio river.

1865—Barnum's museum in New York burned.

Mail Bag

"QUESTIONINGS"

Of what is love
That he should hear my sigh,
And yet pass me by.

Of what are dreams
That they should come to me,
And yet never be.

Of what are tears
That they should glisten in my eye,
And yet should die.

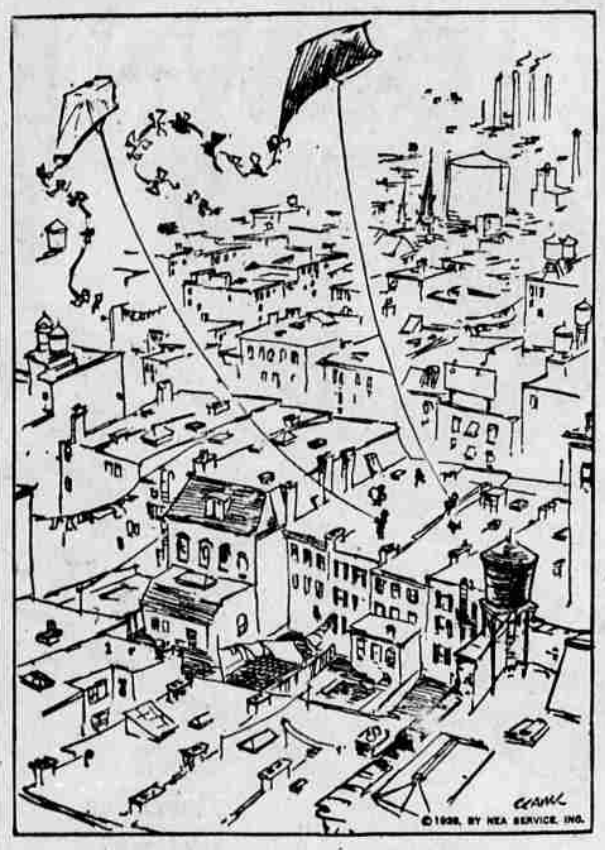
Of what are smiles
That they should flicker on my lips,
And yet cannot forget.

Of what is God
That he should see me slowly die,
And yet not hear my cry.

DANNY DEAR.

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE — Annie Collects — By HAROLD GRAY

SIDE GLANCES — By George Clark



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HEALTH AND DIET ADVICE

By DR. FRANK McCOY

Author of "The Fast Way to Health"

Questions in Regard To Health and Diet Will Be Answered By Dr. McCoy Who Can Be Addressed in Care of This Paper

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PREVENTING BLOOD POISONING

In any case where an injury has pierced through the skin it is important to remember that cleanliness is far more important than the application of antiseptics. The latter, while valuable, usually do not reach very deeply, and the application of iodine or any other antiseptic to a punctured wound that may reach in a half-inch or more, is not very effective.

While a physician may use antiseptics, boiled water is about the best thing that a layman can use to wash out a wound. This does not mean washing the wound in any water, because the latter may be full of disease germs unless it has been previously heated to a high temperature. All dirt, blood clots, splinters and other foreign substances should be washed or pulled out. After the part has been cleansed thoroughly by the water which is allowed to cool to a moderate temperature, it may then be treated with the antiseptics. The danger of using the antiseptic first is that it may coagulate the tissue and seal in some poisonous matter that could have otherwise been removed.

If the cut is wide, it is well to bring the edges together with very narrow strips of adhesive which may be cut in the form of two triangles with the narrow ends joined together. The narrow part may be placed over the cut, but by no means allow the entire opening to be covered, since there must be adequate room for drainage of any poisons that may form. After this the cut should be covered with sterile gauze which may be obtained from any drugstore, or if this is not obtainable one should use cloths that have been boiled or baked.

Accidental injuries are almost inevitable, and it is advisable that every household have a simple first aid kit on hand to care for these emergencies.

Blood poisoning is not the common occurrence that it was a half century ago. This is because of the improved sanitary measures that are now employed. It is possible that at some future time a surgical asepis will be so improved that dying from blood poisoning will no longer occur.

When blood poisoning develops in the person who received ordinary antiseptic measures, it is usually because his blood is of poor quality and this permits the infection to spread. It is wonderful to see the effect of diet on these cases. If the rich foods like starches and fats and proteins are eliminated from the diet, and fresh fruits and non-starchy vegetables are substituted, the body seems to take a new lease on life, and the healing processes take place more rapidly.

When a child runs a nail into its foot, it is not as important for the mother to see if the nail was rusty as to see that the foot is soaked in clean hot water. Even if blood poisoning is actually forming, one should soak the foot and leg into hot water, and every ten minutes dip the leg and foot into very cold water for one minute. This may be continued for several hours, to stimulate the circulation and assist the body to wall off, or the blood to carry away, the pus. By using this method on children I have, within a few days, seen the expulsion through the original opening of objects like splinters, sand, glass and enamel.

Most of the soaking should be done the first day, and the process may be repeated for perhaps an hour on each following day until the wound attains a healthy appearance after which it is only necessary to cover the wound with a sterile bandage to prevent dirt from entering.

THE TINYMITES

(Read the story, then color the picture)

"HO, ho! That bear can't upset me," laughed Clowny. "You shall shortly see. I'll wrestle him and throw him down upon his back real quick. Perhaps you'll say that I am wrong, but watch me now. You'll see I'm strong. I used to wrestle long ago. I'm really pretty slick."

He grabbed the small bear by the nose and loudly shouted, "Well here goes!" And then he tried to throw the bear, but very shortly found, that Mister Bear refused to slip. He wriggled out of Clowny's grip, and climbed all over Clowny till he landed on the ground.

"Hit, ha!" the Tinies laughed aloud. The little bear stood up real proud. "He's thrown you," shouted Scouty. "He knows how to be real rough. Get up and try your luck once more." Then Clowny promptly said, "What for? The bear ha showned me fairly, and I think I've had enough."

The little bear then ran away. The Tinymites heard someone say, "Hello, there bunch. I'm back again. Now, all guess, if you can, just who it is behind this tree." They looked to see whom they could see. Then Coppy cried, "Hurray! It's our friend the hunter man."

The hunter then stepped into view, Said he, "I knew that I'd find you. Your bears have gone, but don't you care. If you'll follow me, I'll show you something else that's fine. Now everybody form in line, and trail along this pathway. Then a funny sight you'll see."

They reached a bank, not far away and then they heard the hunter say, "Look down upon the stream below, but don't get scared and run." The Tinies looked and all cried, "Gee! That's just as funny as can be." They saw a hippopotamus just basking in the sun.

(The Tinies have a hippo ride in the next story).

HETER GOLF

HERE'S A SHADY ONE

SHADE TREES are pretty welcome during the hot summer months and today's letter golf puzzle is about them. Par is 10, but perhaps you can beat the solution on the classified page.

S	H	A	D	E
T	R	E	E	S

The Rules

1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on the classified page.

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