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COMMENDABLE WORK

JUDGE BARNARD, Mr. Hurd and Mr. Crowe, the commissioners of Lane county, merit praise for the persistent fight they are now making to get action on the much-bothered-about Siuslaw highway project. They have obtained definite promises of action in September on the equally important section of the Roosevelt highway out of Glenada. They are sticking to the Siuslaw issue in spite of discouragements.

The attitude of the county commissioners is all the more commendable because of the fact that not so long ago Mr. Crowe at least was opposed to the project, and Judge Barnard and Mr. Hurd, while favoring the project, had reservations about the manner in which expenses are apportioned between county, state and federal bureau.

But at the public meeting last summer to push action on the Siuslaw, all three commissioners agreed to drop any and all reservations and get behind the highway wholeheartedly. They're doing just what they promised to do. Judge Barnard is in Portland encamped on the steps of the Southern Pacific and the highway commission. At the Thursday hearing the commissioners appeared in a body.

We believe in spite of all discouraging reports that the technical differences between the state and the railroad over the contract will be settled soon. The Chamber of Commerce committee which made a special appearance earlier in the week did much to make the showing of this county's interest in the road convincing and that's what is needed to swing the reluctant people in Portland. But when the situation is ironed out, a good share of the credit should go to the commissioners. We've sometimes disagreed with them on this and other matters. We've often criticized them and probably will again.

And that's just one more reason why we don't mind saying that we like the spirit they are showing in this matter. Their persistence will have weight with the railroad and the commission.

MEASURING SUCCESS

THE Very Rev. William Ralph Inge, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, in London, presented the other day a new definition of success; and, since he insists that the amount of money one makes has nothing to do with success or lack of it, his definition is worth studying a bit.

"To be successful," says Dean Inge, writing in the current North American Review, "is to have made a right use of our life; to ask what we have got by it is irrelevant."

The politician, fitted by ability and temperament to lead his less fortunate fellow-men on to a better and freer existence, who takes the easier way, subordinates his ideals to his desire for re-election and finally winds up in the United States Senate, a prosperous, contented reactionary who serves a political machine instead of the people as a whole—is he a success or a bitter failure?

The industrialist, who has a chance to give better working and living conditions and greater freedom to a whole mill-town full of underpaid workers but who makes the piling up of dividends his sole concern, so that he dies a multimillionaire and leaves a bitter industrial problem for his successors to deal with—has he "made a right use of his life"?

And to reverse the picture—the lawyer, who could have made millions in the service of wealthy clients, but who chooses instead to devote his life to serving the poor, the downtrodden and the unfortunate who cannot pay for the legal services they need; the lawyer who does this throughout his life, and so dies poor and without fame—do you call him a failure or a success?

We are fond of saying that "money isn't everything," but few of us really believe it, in our hearts. We measure our own success, and the success of others, by financial returns. Dean Inge's remark gives us a new yardstick. It is worth keeping in mind.

THE PANAMA CANAL PAYS

IT isn't so many years ago that certain pessimists would shake their heads when anyone mentioned the Panama Canal.

"Oh, yes," they would say. "It's a great engineering achievement, and it's a military necessity—but it's costing like thunder, and it'll never pay its own way. It will always be a drain on the government purse."

You don't hear much of that kind of talk now. Last year, for instance, the Panama Canal set a new high record. It carried more tonnage than ever before, took in more money—\$27,127,000—and rolled up a neat profit for the year of \$18,000,000.

Evidently that canal was an extremely good business venture.

Al Smith is going to head a company that plans to give New York city an eighty story building. Wonder if they will call it Tammany Tower.

Alas McGurk says it looks like we will have to call a meeting of the League of Nations to settle that controversy over the S. P.'s indemnity on the Siuslaw highway.

That's just the trouble. The three-way setup for building that highway seems to be just about as harmonious as a League of Nations.

The bees are bothering Eugene's coppers, reports our favorite paper. With plenty of cells handy, the cops ought to remedy that quickly.

Have you thought over that school budget matter?

AS OTHERS SEE THINGS

Sues Mabel
 (Salem Capital-Journal)
 That Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt is somewhat reckless in her articles on the inside workings of prohibition and mingles fact with fiction, libel with lies is the charge of Gus O. Nation of St. Louis, ex-director of federal prohibition in Missouri, who has sued the lady for a million dollars damages for slander. Mrs. Willebrandt stated that Heber Nation, a brother of the dry chief, then state labor commissioner, had been tried for conspiracy in connection with the Greisdick brewery and twice convicted by juries, but that the verdict had been set aside because of improper statements by the prosecutor before the jury.

Mr. Nation tells a different story, giving facts which he says cannot be denied, and offers to give \$1000 to anyone if any of the statements he makes cannot be completely proven from government records. In brief, Mr. Nation says:
 The Greisdick brewery was twice caught violating the law and more than 80 men apprehended before Heber Nation was indicted, and that Mrs. Willebrandt each time intervened to prevent the punishment or prosecution of a single one of the 80 arrested. The raids were made upon information obtained and furnished by Heber Nation, and that when faced by the necessity of prosecuting the brewery officials caught in the raid, Mrs. Willebrandt protected them by releasing them and prosecuting instead the citizen who made the raid possible. At the trial Mrs. Willebrandt challenged every juror who believed in prohibition and gave an immunity bath to every bootlegger who would testify against Heber Nation.
 Mr. Nation summarizes his own record in office by the statement that while in service he prepared 281 cases, every one of which resulted in either conviction or a plea

of guilty, and challenges investigation. This is not the first time that Mrs. Willebrandt has padded malicious slander or mixed up politics and prohibition, but the exposure is interesting as showing how the chief of law enforcers has functioned.

Horse Racing
(Corvallis Gazette-Times)

Discussing the closing of the horse racing season at Gresham the Oregonian says that the subject is "too grave to be lightly dismissed." We think that is correct. The league was made the goat of the real promoters of the enterprise just as the firemen or some other organization in Corvallis has been for years of the carnival companies. The grave part of the matter however as we see it is that there should be any state law prohibiting betting on horse racing. The only thing about racing that the state has any right to be interested in is to see that the racing is fair. That is next to impossible and the owners of the ponies have only themselves to blame that much of the agitation against betting was due to the fact that so many races were phoney. We are opposed to all these restrictions that presume to tell a man what he shall do with his own money, time, property or person and believe that we can never boast of being civilized to any great extent till we quit passing regulatory legislation to curb personal liberty or personal action so long as it does not injure another or interfere with his peace or become a public nuisance. That kind of laws are wrong and unnatural and will always be violated more than the laws against the commitment of crimes, that are wrong per se.

TODAY IS THE
ANNIVERSARY
OF

CHARLESTON EARTHQUAKE
 ON Aug. 31, 1886, a violent earthquake, the worst in the history of the United States at that time, did heavy damage in Charleston, S. C.

In this catastrophe, 27 were killed outright and many were fatally injured. Ninety per cent of the buildings were damaged and three-fourths of the town was rendered uninhabitable. Property loss alone was estimated at \$8,000,000, but the damage was soon repaired and today Charleston is the largest city in South Carolina and an important South Atlantic port.

The earthquake of 1886 was only one of many disasters that have caused damage in Charleston. A hurricane and epidemic together devastated the town both in 1609 and 1864. The older and more thickly populated part of the town was burned in 1740 and a hurricane did great damage in 1702.

Charleston was the first English settlement in South Carolina. It was established in 1670 and at first was called Charles Town in honor of Charles II.

TOM SIMS' BARBS

NEW frocks are called "the last word." That's what the ladies want.

A tourist is a person who can find out more about a town in ten minutes than the oldest residents learn in a lifetime.

It may be all right to take an occasional flyer in the stock market, but don't be sold yourself.

The market quotation for a wife in certain African lands is a goat and a cow. It would be crass even to suggest that some investigation be launched there into profiteering. The last name in the New York telephone directory is Zyzzy. Probably some speakers' proprietor.

The horse is supposed to be the friend of man, but this doesn't hold good when you place a jockey on the animal.

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Daily Health Service

Clinic Tragedy Showed Perils
Of Deadly Nitrogen Dioxide

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEE
 Editor Journal of the American Medical Association and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine

IN the Cleveland Clinic disaster, the patients could be divided into two groups; those who died immediately, and those in whom the symptoms were delayed for several hours.

The one who died immediately, succumbed probably to the effects of carbon monoxide, cyanide gases and nitric fumes. They died, as has been described in previous articles in this series, by the immediate shutting off of the breathing and complete asphyxia.

The second group who died were extremely interesting because at first they seemed to be unharmed. Some of them went home and suddenly became ill a few hours later and died before they could be greatly helped. When their lungs were examined after death they were found to be full of fluid, and the blood was found to be thickened.

The substance causing the delayed poisoning of this character was nitrogen dioxide, a dark reddish brown gas. This is perhaps the most dangerous and insidious of all gases. When nitric acid falls on anything organic, nitric oxide is developed and this quickly takes up oxygen from the air, forming nitrogen dioxide or nitrogen tetroxide. Nitric acid will attack a wooden floor, any refugio, or any organic material in its path and develop these red fumes.

Various substances contain "nitro" and give off nitrogen dioxide when they are burned. Anything made of celluloid, such as X-ray films, gun cotton, or dynamite, are examples of this kind of material.

"After the burning or incomplete explosion of dynamite in a tunnel, or the spilling of nitric acid on a wooden floor, or some similar slight mishap," says Henderson and Haggard, "a workman inhales some of the fumes for a time, but is little inconvenienced. He goes home and eats his supper feeling perfectly well. During the night edema (pouring out of fluid) of the lungs develops and before noon, or even before morning, he is dead.

drowned in the fluid poured out in his lungs."

Because it is thought that the thickening of the blood and its inability to carry oxygen are important, injections of blood or of salt solution are made, and sometimes quantities of blood are taken from the veins to relieve the congestion. Oxygen is given to relieve the shortness of oxygen and the blue-nose. In such cases the person is given a mixture of oxygen and air and without the carbon dioxide.

Particularly important is absolute quiet and rest. Neglect of this requirement results in death by sudden heart failure not infrequently.

WASHINGTON
LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
 (NEA Service Writer)
 WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—Senator Cole Blaise, who can always be depended upon to say things that no other senator would say, believes his fellow democrats are making a tactical error when they fight so hard against the republican tariff bills.

"Let the republican majority pass the bill," says the South Carolina statesman, "and next year we ought to be able to elect a democratic senate and a democratic house. The house bill is so bad that if the traffic law finally passed is anything like it it will wipe out the republican majorities and give Hoover two more years in office with a democratic congress."

Of course, this is far from the official democratic attitude. The party is fighting the republican tariff revisions bitterly. Noble as its position may be however, it does not appear to contain the political sagacity of the proposal by Blaise who may make a brief speech point out the evils of the measure, but will otherwise confine himself merely to voting against it.

Sees Republican Losses
 He says the democrats can't possibly lose more than two senate seats in the next election, whereas

the republicans may lose several. Blaise never went to any party caucus to learn what to do. "Nobody ever dictated to me," says he. My daddy never did and my mother didn't try.

He is famous for the fact that he has voted dry while publicly admitting that he took a drink when he wanted one. But he has just returned from South Carolina and now he says:

"Prohibition has got so ridiculous that I've quit fooling with it. There isn't any. I've been looking for it everywhere I've gone and I can't find and prohibition anywhere."

"I've stopped drinking lately, anyway. Take a little drink once in a great while, of course, but you can't get any good liquor now and this bootleg stuff isn't fit to drink. That's why we have so much crime."

"Here we have a large commission investigating crime and lawlessness, but everybody ought to know there are two main causes for it."

"First, temporary insanity caused by bootleg liquor, and

"Second, abolition of the family altar at the fireside."

"I mean by that, the passing of family prayer. I remember when I used to be invited into a home there would be morning prayer and evening prayer, but you never see that any more. There aren't even any blessings at the table any more. We just sit down and go ahead and eat."

"Family prayer used to make the kids sit down and think. It got them thinking about high ideals and Christian doctrines. Now they get up and frolic all day and all night, with movies, swimming, automobiles, dancing and sports."

"Often there aren't any meals at home to say grace over, anyway. Lots of families just eat out because they're too lazy to use can-openers."

Down in South Carolina the sen-

ator found the folks principally interested in good roads and expansion of the textile industry.

Room for Improvement
 "Our Piedmont district will be the textile capital of the world in 10 years," he says. "Everybody's happy there—labor and the mill people are satisfied. Our mill people are our home folks and we haven't got any of that foreign element."

"Wages? Well, wages aren't what they should be and the workers aren't getting a square deal, but I'm hoping the mill owners will remedy that situation themselves."

"I told my mill folks to run out all the L. W. W.'s and drive out the Yankee organizers. We want South Carolina organizers and South Carolina unions. We don't need any Yankees to tell our mill folks what to do."

20 YEARS AGO

(From The Guard, Aug. 31, 1909)
 FIGURES just made public place the Willamette valley wool clip for the season of 1908 at \$1,500,000.

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