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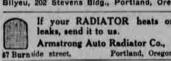
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#### OF MR. DICKENS ANOTHER VIEW

North American Review Writer Asserts That He Was Side. Tracked Actor.

Had Dickens lived in the Twentieth century, the Freudians, taking one shrewd, amused, infuriatingly perspicacious look at him, would have an alyzed him on the spot. They would have noted his clumsy efforts at playwriting, his adoration of Macready, his wistful lotterings at the stage door, of which the faint, unmistakable aroms was ever the breath of his nostrils. and his disarming readiness to laugh and cry at the most ordinary of performances in any theater. They would have noted his pantomimic gyrations when in the throes of composition. They would have known that the young novelist who walked the nightmantled streets of Paris in an agony of sympathy for the dying Paul Dom- peace. was a side-tracked actor, writes Alexander Woollcott in the North American Review. They would have Many a worm has turned, only to noted his own incongruous capacity get itself bruised on the other side.

for self plty, his grotesque sensitive ness to the most piddling of criticism, his comically transparent excuses for appearing in amateur dramatics, his gallant and undenlably Thesplan appearance and his flamboyant raiment, rings and all, which distressed his sedate friends but satisfied something within him. They would have noted all these things and published in some obscure journal an article written to demonstrate that Mr. Dickens was suffering from an exhibition complex. This would have maddened him. He would have dictated 16 furious letters demanding retruction, growing the red der in the face as he paced the floor because he would have known that it was all quite true. That half-smothered desire gnawed at him through all the years of his growth until at last it found an outlet which brought him

Not Always Helpful.

## MAY BE REMNANT OF LOST TRIBES

Descendants of Israelitish Captives fled from Urumis, Persia, going over Carried Into Babylonia 26 Centuries Ago Reach Erivan.

Chicago.—Thirteen families, be-lieved to be remnants of the lost tribes carried into captivity by Babylonia 26 with the lost tribes, according to the centuries ago, have reached Erivan, cablegram. Armenia, according to a cablegram re-

the mountains with ox teams and on

A rabbi, Vanock Siminiv, carried

Only 47 adults and 33 children out ceived by the local branch of the Near of the large number that started made East rullef, it was announced. They the journey safely, the advices said.

## THE MEANEST MAN

By WILL M. MAUPIN

T'VE heard of men so awful mean They'd skin a flea for hide and tallow;

Or lick a soup bowl slick and clean, No matter if 'twere deep or shallow. I've heard of men so mean of heart They'd squeeze down hard on ev'ry

Until the goddess fell apart And was compelled to loudly "holler."

I've heard of men so mean and "near" The thought of wear gave them keen

And so they climbed the fence for fear To swing the gate would wear out hinges

And once I knew a man so mean His heart was wont to quickly flutter If children at his board were seen To use molasses on bread and butter.

But of all men described as mean There's one who's worse than all the

others: His heart so small, his soul so lean, That all good thoughts he quickly

He is so mean, and always was, That as excuse for never giving He says there is no Santa Claus-And he's the meanest fellow living. ( by Will M. Maupin.)

## Something to Think About By F. A. WALKER

HAPPINESS

IF YOU would get your full share of happiness out of life, you must at all times contribute happiness to others.

When a little cloud of doubt comes between you and your dearest friend, or an angry word pops off unexpectedly in a heated argument, hasten with-out delay to obliterate it. If you have been at fault lose not a moment in

making an apology.

Do not brood over imagined offenses, for it is often that brooding adds fuel to a flame which, if let alone, would die out of its own accord.

Many lives have been utterly wrecked and thousands of hopes blasted by bestowing too much thought on petty trifles and idle words whose meanings had been so warped and twisted that they became monstrous offenders, when in reality they were mere feather-weight nothings.

There is an innate proneness in all and beautiful, head our frall craft toward darkness to make love to our own ugly souls, while we bestow hate upon the fair souls of our intimates.

And while we habitually do these absurd things, we become more and more estranged and less inclined to be reasonable.

Even while we are in these deplorable humors, Happiness stands smileternal puzzle to ourselves and our

the door when Content would enter and abide in peace?

Preaching one thing and practicing another has more to do with the cheerfulness and the gloom of the world than most of us suspect, yet many of to the legislature. us, wittingly or ignorantly, continue to pursue the folly without pausing to consider the result.

After all, happiness is not far away, and if we bemoan its loss with sincerity, all we have to do to reclaim it is to sacrifice pique and pride, and pay court to it like a passionate lover. (D. 1932, by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

### Has Anyone Laughed At You Because -

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Your Get-away here le: Here is a case where you have to believe you are right and then "go to it." If you honest-ly don't think you are right, be glad of the laughter which 11. by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

## STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

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Salem.-George P. Litchfield, for the last 14 years bailiff of the Marion county court, celebrated the anniversary of his first New Year in Oregon 60 years ago Monday.

Salem.-Earl L. Fisher was elected state tax commissioner to succeed Frank K. Lovell, who has resigned because of ill health. Mr. Fisher was elected for a four-year term, starting January 1, 1923.

Salem.-Horace Sykes and James S. Gleason, deputy state fire marshals, have begun the task of inspecting the state house and all state institutions, with a view of eliminating any fire hazards that may exist at the present

Eugene.-Nearly all churches of Eugene Sunday took ballots on whether or not the Fatty Arbuckle pictures should be shown here, and there was a large majority against it, according to announcement of members of the ministerial union.

Bend.-Whoever is to be the postmaster at the Bend office received an advance in salary Monday for next year, receipts so far this year automatically putting the office in the \$2900 class. During the present year the salary has been \$2800.

Salem.-The state emergency board, at a meeting held in Salem Saturday. authorized a deficiency appropriation in the amount of \$1500 for the Oregon nation guard. The appropriation was requested by George A. White, adjutant-general of the state.

Salem.-There was one fatality in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending December 28, according to a report prepared here by the state industrial accident commission. The victim was George L. Carlile, mill boss of Cottage Grove.

Klamath Falls .-- A fine of \$50 and costs, a total of \$57.60, was imposed on Manager McGinnis of the White Pelican hotel in the justice court Saturday for serving trout last summer at 75 cents a portion when the state game commission visited here in July.

Eugene.-The Lammers Bros.' sawmill near Cottage Grove has been sold by Sheriff Stickels for the taxes due habitation.—Robert Louis Stevenson. of us to sail under false colors and to misjudge our most intimate friends, a little over \$600, or the exact amount so we turn our backs upon the bright of taxes due. The plant has a capacity of 15,000 feet of lumber daily and is worth many times the sale price.

> Astoria - Edward Kimberley was drowned in the Lewis and Clark river about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon by falling overboard from a fishing boat in which he was en route to Astoria with three companions. His body had

Salem.-Amendment of the present Who among the earthly hordes can laws so as to authorize the state treasurer to borrow money to care for pretending to seek Content, yet locking the immediate needs of the commonwealth instead of indorsing warrants 'not paid for want of funds," will be recommended by Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state, in his blennial report

but within our own doubting hearts, the past two months, will resume with a full force this week. This property, which is the most efficiently equipped mine in the Gold Hill district, has been reopened and re-equipped since the war at an expense of \$80,000.

> Medford - The War Eagle Mine company of Medford, which owns a large quicksilver mine about 20 miles from Medford, with one of the most extensive deposits in the United States of that metal, is preparing to force in about 90 days. An additional big deposit was discovered last week on the company's holdings.

Hillsboro.-Washington county lays no claim to being classified among counties depending upon drainage, yet Hartford Times. the farmers of this county find that the use of drain tile in certain sections improves crop production to the extent that a number of small drainage districts have been formed, the results from which prove the merit of drainage on small tracts.

Astoria.-While the insurance adjusters say it is yet too early to give any accurate figures on the loss sustained through the Astoria conflagration, Charles A. Craft, assistant general agent of the Phoenix company, said that, taking as a basis the average ratio of insurance to the value by the will the act was directed. of property on which insurance has been adjusted, he estimated the loss on buildings and merchandise stocks at approximately \$7,000,000, on which the insurance was \$2,500,000. He estimated the city's loss through the destruction of streets, sewers and water mains at \$2,000,000.

# The Secret of Being a Convincing Talker

How I Learned It in One Evening.

rould have picked him for any such sudden rise. I knew, too, that the Treasurer of the Great Eastern had to be a big man, and I wondered how in the world Jordan landed the place.

The first chance I got, I walked into Jordan's prew office and after congratulating him warmly, I asked him to let me "in" on the details of how be jumped shead so quickly. His story is so intensely interesting that I am going to repeat it as closely as I remember.

"Til tell you just how it happened, George, because you may pick up a pointer or two that will help you.

"You remember how acared I used to be whenever I had to talk to the chief! You remember how you used to tell me that every time I opened my mouth I put my foot into it, meaning of course that every time I spoke I got into trouble! You remember when Raipch Sinton left to take charge of the Western of fice and I was asked to present him with the loving cup the boys gave him, how flustared I was and how I couldn't say a word because thore were people around! You remember how confused I used to be every time I met new people! I couldn't say what I wanted to say when I wanted to any it; and I determined that if there was any possible chance to learn how to talk I was going to do it.

"The first thing I did was to buy a number of books on public speaking, but they seemed to be meant for those who wanted to become orators, whereas what I wanted to bear was not only how to speak in public speaking entitled "Mastery of Speech." I sent for them and in a few days they arrived. I glanced through the entire eight lessons, reading the headings and a bout an hour the whole secret of effective speaking was opened to me.

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Death sentences of 11 non-commissioned officers of the Philippine coning beside us, but we stubbornly refuse not been recovered. He was about stabulary were commuted to life imto put out your arms to embrace her. 23 years of age and left a widow but prisonment and life sentences of 66 And in this manner we become an no children. privates were commuted to 17 years' imprisonment by Leonard Wood, governor-general of the Philippines. The sentences grew out of the riots of December 15, 1920, between the Philippine constabulary and the native police, during which four Americans and seven Filipinos were killed.

## His Two Best Friends.

See this last and this hammer (said the poor cobbier); that last and that Gold Hill.—The Millionaire mine, hammer are the best two friends I three miles out from Gold Hill, which have in the world. Nobody else will has been partially closed down for be my friend because I want a friend. -Oliver Goldsmith.

Airplane Fought Caterpillars.

A plague of caterpillars, near Sevenoaks, England, was exterminated by scattering insecticide from an air-

The Cat in Olden Times.

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How I Learned It in One Evening.

By GEORGE RAYMOND

I found that there was a right way and a large of the center of the office. Jordan and I had started with the Great Eastern Machinery Company, within a month of each other, four years ago. A year ago, Jordan was taken into the accounting division and I was sent out as anknown of the control of the