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That the biggest benefits from prohibition have come to those members of the working classes who were the best patrons of the saloons in the old days, goes without question. One cannot drink booze and have automobiles, phonographs, radios and the other instruments with which we surround us in our effort to be comfortable, no more than one can have his cake after having eaten it. Business men who tried the combination of operating an establishment and drinking liquor invariably failed. By exactly the same token that shows the present prosperity of workers can be seen just how well prohibition is being enforced.

Everything is fair in love and war, so the saying goes, and Sherman had his celebrated fling at it when, in inelegant language, perhaps, he declared war was hell. So when the dispatches relate that mutinous Chinese soldiers recently shot in the back and killed 3000 white Russian soldiers, we fall back upon the old saying quoted and the forceful language of William Tecumseh to smooth out our feelings of horror.

Our laws have a pernicious habit of stepping on their own toes. An instance of this is shown in a decision of the United States court of appeals at New York, which says the government may not seize automobiles as carriers of intoxicants upon which there are chattel mortgages. This makes it easy to avoid the penalty of carriers and almost nullifies the law respecting that phase of it.

A move is on foot to abolish the federal trade commission, it being claimed it fails to function properly. It has become the custom that in order to provide a place at the public crib for lame duck politicians whom the voters repudiate for congress to establish some sort of a commission or board to take care of them.

Residents of a Mexican state oppose the building of roads and attack the builders. They say the highways are only for motorists, and will do away with the mule. We do not need to laugh at them. Our forefathers looked upon the telegraph and the coming of the railroads as little short of the work of satan.

Nearly everybody is discussing General Mitchell and his exposure of the rottenness in the United States navy and everybody seems to be standing up for Mitchell except a few hard-boiled machine men. Mitchell has the popularity and the other fellows have the power.

Infant mortality is causing alarm in Mexico. It is said that of 1000 deaths, 500 are of children under 10 years of age. The health department traces the cause for this to the habit of mothers imbibing alcohol. Their "personal liberty" is not interfered with down in our neighboring republic.

It will be interesting to watch what effect a new law down in Australia, which is to be tried out for the first

time, will have. It imposes a penalty of \$10 on all persons qualified who fail to register and exercise their right of franchise.

Let no town or city be proud of the fact that the open mouth of a cold, cruel cannon is constantly levelled from the public grounds at a peaceful and unoffending populace. Some day these relics of horror will be banished to a yawning obscurity.

Mail order houses are advocating a dollar bill smaller in dimensions. That's not what we want. We want a dollar with value enough to take it out of the chicken feed class when we come to pay our taxes.

The controller of the currency announces that on September 28 the total resources of the banks of the U.S. and possessions was 24 billion dollars. A sum quite beyond our comprehension. But he'll have to show us.

Do your Christmas shopping early is not what is worrying the head of the family. It is what a pair of Sox and a knit tie will eventually cost him when he comes to settle the bills for the rest of the household.

Dean Inge, great British divine, says there is no heaven but says nothing about the other place. Delinquent subscribers will please make a note of this, says an exchange.

The man who can escape alimony and dodge the income tax these days is a lucky individual. They are the two items which keep the financial world upset.

The modern dairy farmer, now that winter has "set" in, does his best to see that the calves are kept warm and dry. How the modern flapper stands it, no one knows.

The Baltimore Sun, sternly Democratic, says if the Democratic party in New York has but one man in it who can win, something must be wrong with the party.

THANKSGIVING PRAISE

Alone, dear Lord, of all my nights and days,
I cannot sing Thy goodness, far too vast
For my weak utterance. Let me humbly cast
Upon the sweep of universal praise
My single tribute; let the morning raise
My anthems for me; let the storied past,
In varied halleluahs nobly massed,
Exalt the infinite story of Thy ways.
Where'er the blossoms glad in loveliness
Reflect Thy beauty, or the bird's bright song
Has holy skill the Father's love to bless,
Or where the shining stars through ages long
The soul of worship silently express,
Grant me a lowly place in that thanksgiving throng.
—Amos R. Wells, in the Continent.

SOME SPUDS IN IDAHO

Adam Sawdust this week sent us a clipping from a St. Anthony, Ida., paper containing an editorial upon the crop condition which dispels all of their pessimism and discouragement. The paper says:
"Now, as if by magic, this fertile soil has produced a crop that has made many of our farmers rich over night. The story reads like a fable. It seems impossible and unbelievable that hundreds of our potato raisers have cleared from \$20,000 to \$100,000 on the crop that they have planted and matured within the last four months. Many are tenants. Fifty thousand acres of this upper valley was planted to potatoes. Many of the best fields produced 300 sacks of No. 1 potatoes to the acre, each sack weighing 120 pounds. The grower can sell his potatoes for \$3 per hundred on the farm, or a total of \$900 per acre for his crop. It costs less than 50 cents per hundred to raise the crop and deliver it to market. This leaves the grower of the maximum yield a net profit, on each acre of \$750, or 7 1-2 per cent net on a valuation of \$10,000 per acre for his land. It sounds like fiction, like the story of a mining camp, but cold figures do not lie.
There is nothing unusual about our yield this year. Idaho is a sure crop country. For 50 years we have produced a bumper crop. In all that time we have not had one single year of failure."

DO IT NOW

Have you applied for certificate of title to your motor vehicle. The secretary of state cannot honor applications for 1926 licenses unless title has been first secured from that official.
Have you applied for your 1926 motor vehicle license? If not, do it now and relieve yourself of worry later.
Have you ascertained whether the headlights on your car conform to the present law requirements. If not, do it now and save yourself liability to arrest.
The light law requires that "when operated at night time over and upon a wet, hard surfaced highway and meeting an approaching vehicle, the driver of a motor vehicle shall dim his headlights."
It is estimated that 500 acres of land in Sutherlin valley will be producing peppermint next year. Arrangements are being made for a large distilling plant at Sutherlin.
The Pine Valley grange has been organized at Halfway with an initial membership of 56. Sam Y.

FAITH IN STRANGERS

The days have not yet come when the unsophisticated countryman has ceased to be uncooled by smooth-tongued sharpers. Every day we hear of some one being duped, all because of innocent faith in strangers. If we would confine our dealings as much as possible to people we know, we would fare much better. Instead of sending our money away to people we never saw and never expect to see, or with smooth downtown advertisers, let's spend it where we know who gets it. The biggest reason is that the fellow we know has to face us daily and he can't afford to "sting" us. He has a reputation for square dealing that he wants to keep. He's your local merchant—your friend. Learn to know him better. It pays you because he has to make it do so.—Sellwood Bee.

NO CHRISTMAS MAIL DELIVERY

An advance Christmas present for postmasters, mail carriers and most other postal employes was sent out by Postmaster General New last week in the form of an announcement that no deliveries of ordinary mail would be made Christmas day. From midnight, December 25, all postal operations will be suspended, except the maintenance of special delivery and the relaying of mails so that they will be ready when normal delivery is resumed. Postmasters are instructed to suspend all work on December 25, except to retain on duty on Christmas day only such employes as are required to make the regular holiday dispatches of first class mail to the trains and to receive, but not to work incoming mail from the trains. There will be no rural delivery.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Estacada hotel will serve the following menu Thanksgiving day, from 12:30 to 7 o'clock:
Toke Point Oyster in Cream
Roast Young Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Roast Leg of Pork, Apple Sauce
Creamed Cauliflower
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Mashed in Cream Potatoes
Stewed Corn Baked Beans
Baked Squash
Fruit Salad Combination Salad
Huckleberry Pie Apple Pie
Squash Pie Lemon Pie
Any Old Drink, with Walnuts
Per plate, \$1.00.

Dearth was elected master.

Potato stealing is general over Deschutes county this fall. Eighty sacks were stolen Saturday night from the farm of W. E. Eberhardt, just west of Bend.

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