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**Camouflaged Philosophy.**

This war-weary world longs to settle down to peace and settle up for the war.

An anarchist is always impractical, even when undertaking to plant a bomb.

There are some foreigners who won't have to ask for permits to leave the country.

Some men are as untrusting in their chosen callings as is a German propagandist.

On the other hand, the summer will be just as short for the fellow who rocks the boat.

Perhaps the League of Nations ought to organize a sort of juvenile court for those little new nations.

Boy scout ethics embody all the primitive virtues and nurture good citizenship. Lend a hand!

Suffrage for women is the happiest solution possible of the problem of silencing militant suffragists.

Mars can't see the things we do here on earth, and we ought to be thankful in many instances.

Motorists are now compelled to admit that there are worse explosions than those of collapsing tires.

Bolshevism does not need to be taught. It is simply the ignorant expression of inherent perversity.

Returning Yanks seem likely to testify that Russia is the best place to be out of that they were ever in.

The farmer boy's new goal may not lead to the city, but his father's automobile certainly knows the way.

The only time an anarchist's bomb ever helps improve existing conditions is when it kills the person planting it.

The government never succeeds in imposing a luxury tax that keeps up with the direct gains of the profiteer.

Thrift may be a cure for bolshevism but it won't cure the bolshevik who never works and never has money to save.

The condition of the peas and tomato plants in city gardens bears further witness that this is good corn weather.

Having left the piano, to become a statesman, Paderewski will find it much the same—they want something popular.

But think how much worse our public debt of more than \$25,000,000,000 would be if some one could foreclose the mortgage!

Any airman who thinks the NC-4 did not do a good job is now at liberty to go after that \$35,000 prize to the first to fly to Australia.

A chance to own a farm will make many a soldier glad that on his return he could not step into the job he gave up in order to fight.

Even busy Czecho-Slovakia has found time to pass a law punishing profiteers. We Americans seem to be a long-suffering people.

No husband, however, will have grounds for complaining that while studying the League of Nations draft his wife let the steak burn.

A man with Paderewski's experience with press agents speaks with expert authority when he warns people not to believe all they see in print.

They have given a telephone operator in the war a distinguished service medal. Here is hoping they don't tell her it was a mistake; beg pardon.

The anarchist who blew himself to bits could not possibly foresee what an interesting part he was to take in a process of orderly reconstruction.

The people who publicly declare themselves bolshevists should at least be subject to the restraint necessary to bring them under the scrutiny of alienists.

In the laying season hen's eggs are of almost priceless value for the same reason that so many other things are dear—somebody needs the money, or thinks he does.

Fencing off Mexico from the United States is suggested. Though that is what is usually done with undesirable neighbors, there is no disposition in this case to build a "spite fence."

Uncle Sam's war department is to place on the market nearly 5,000,000 yards of gauze. Can the fashion authorities who design stage clothes afford to overlook this chance to select bargains?

**NECESSARY TO KEEP BOOKS**

Without Accurate Accounts No Form of Business Can Be Successfully Carried On.

Accountancy, which is the science of systematizing business, has a history that runs back at least 4,000 years. Very early in the development of nations it was found that in commerce as well as in the affairs of state, systematic and careful account-keeping were indispensable. These systems were, at first, crude and laborious, but they at least kept the finances of the nation and the marts of trade from being chaotic.

The invention of double entry book-keeping early in the fifteenth century by the merchants and bankers of Venice gave to the commerce of Europe an invaluable trade instrument, and one without which the great commercial enterprises of the later centuries could hardly have existed.

And so it has been on down to the present time; there has been a parallel progress between the accomplishment of commerce and the science of accounting, and it is known to every man in business that the former could not continue without the latter. Even the most unbusinesslike people know this much, and we can hardly imagine anyone silly enough to attempt to carry on any kind of a business enterprise without keeping books.

Bookkeeping, as a formal subject of study, is taught in most of the public and private schools of this country, but it is only that form of bookkeeping that applies to the affairs of the merchant or the shopkeeper. The public has yet to learn that bookkeeping is quite as necessary to the prosperity of the wageworker, the salaried man, the farmer and the housekeeper as it is to the shopkeeper, the merchant or the manufacturer.—Exchange.

**FLOWERS' HOURS OF SLEEP**

That They Differ is a Proof of Adaptability of Everything in Nature.

That flowers sleep is evident to the most casual observer. The beautiful daisy opens at sunrise and closes at sunset, whence its name "day's eye." The morning glory opens its flower with the day. The "four o'clock" awakes at four o'clock in the morning, but closes its eyes in the middle of the day, and the dandelion is in full bloom only while there is strong light. The habit of some flowers is certainly curious, and furnishes one of the many instances which prove the singular adaptability of everything in nature. The reason is found in the method by which this class of flowers is fertilized. Flowers which are fertilized by night flying insects derive no advantage from being open by day; and, on the other hand, those which are fertilized by bees would gain nothing by being open at night. Nay, it would be a disadvantage, because it would render them liable to be robbed of their honey and pollen by insects which are incapable of fertilizing them. It is possible, then, that the closing of flowers may have reference to the habit of insects, and it may be observed, also, in support of this, that wind-fertilized flowers never sleep.

**Blind Horses.**  
 The manner in which blind horses get about without coming to more harm than they do is remarkable. They rarely, if ever, hit their heads against a fence or stone wall, and will sheer off when they come near one. It appears from careful observation that it is neither shade nor shelter which warns them of the danger. On an absolutely sunless and windless day their behavior is the same. Their olfactory nerves doubtless become very sensitive, for they will poke their heads downward in search of water fifty yards before they come to a stream crossing the roadway.

It cannot be an abnormally developed sense of hearing which lends them to do this, for they will act alike though the water be a stagnant pool. Men who have been blind for any great length of time develop somewhat similar instincts to blind horses.

**"Catch the Dog!"**  
 "Mrs. Howe was always thoughtful of animals. During the reign at 241 Beacon street of the little fox terrier Patch, it often fell to her lot to take him out to walk, and she felt this to be a grave responsibility.  
 "One day Patch ran away on Beacon street, and would not come when she called him. At this instant Doctor Holmes, passing, paused for a friendly greeting.  
 "Mrs. Howe," he said, "I trust this fine morning—"  
 "Catch the dog!" cried Mrs. Howe. One author flew one way, one the other; between them Patch was caught and brought in triumph home."—From the Life of Julia Ward Howe, by her daughters.

**Women and Mice.**  
 It is contended that woman's fear of mice arises from their being classed as vermin. The fact that rats carry disease and plague is not disputed. Mice may not be quite so dangerous. Their bites and scratches are trifling. But they carry disease and dirt, and a baby sleeping in a cradle, for instance, may suffer in consequence. Mothers have for ages been affected by this dread, and in seeking to protect their offspring from contact with mice have unconsciously, we are told, bred that feeling of nervousness which has provided the comic artist with his periodical picture.

**Notice to Creditors.**

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of E. R. Cox, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of E. R. Cox, deceased, by the above entitled court. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present them to me at Athens, Oregon, or to my attorney, Homer I. Watts, at his office in Athens, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All claims must be verified as by law required.

Dated at Athens, Oregon, this 6th day of June, 1919. A. M. JOHNSON, Administrator.

**Notice to Creditors.**

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of George W. Gross, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executor of the last will and testament of George W. Gross, deceased, by the above entitled court; and that all persons having claims against the above entitled estate should present them to either of us in Athens, Oregon, or to our attorney, Homer I. Watts, at his office in Athens, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice; said claims to be verified as by law required.

Dated at Athens, Oregon, this 13th day of June, 1919. Sarah J. Gross, Homer I. Watts, Executrix, Attorney, James F. Gross, Executor.

**Notice to Creditors.**

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Jennie G. Watts, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Jennie G. Watts, deceased, by the above entitled court. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them to me at my office in Athens, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All claims must be verified as by law required.

Dated at Athens, Oregon, this 6th day of June, 1919. HOMER I. WATTS, Administrator.

A lot of fellows can't decide whether to neglect their gardens or their office work.

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