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Moral courage to be just and honest, do one's duty and withstand temptations to evil characterizes the noblest man and the finest woman. Without such courage no life achieves real success.

Last week brought the 400th anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific by Balboa. It also saw the first boat move under its own power in the canal that links the greatest of oceans to the most important one.

If one thousandth of the intelligence and effort devoted to war were given to the expansion of intelligence and the spread and strengthening of moral principles society would know nothing of the suffering, pauperism and degradation wrought by war except as it read history.

Efforts to provide the best and most practical instruction in all lines of agriculture, for the benefit of the farmers who take the Farmers' Week course at the Oregon Agricultural College, have been unusually successful this year. The course opens December 8, and closes December 13.

An authority on problems connected with children, states that more than half of the cases considered by juvenile courts spring from thwarting of the normal child's natural longing for play. Yet there are intelligent men who honestly question the service and indispensableness of public playgrounds and recreation centers in keeping the boy from minor misdemeanors.

It is probable that the exposition guards from February 20 to December 4, 1915, and for some days before and after those dates, the opening and closing days of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, will consist of detachments of troops of the United States army. The strength of the force has not yet been determined, but it is thought that it will include a regiment of infantry and a troop of cavalry. At any rate, the guards will be a strictly military body.

At this time when every one must devote more attention to the little economies because of the gradual increase in the high cost of living, and especially in view of the fact that to help the Pacific coast, it has been found necessary to import Australian meats, it is interesting to note that Lovelock, Nevada, has become one of the largest livestock feeding points in the country, and possibly the largest. At present, there are 406,000 sheep and 30,000 cattle being fed at that place for the market.

Special Telegraphic Service

By a mixture of Wireless, Postal Western Union, Bell Telephone, and Grapevine; the last named generally recognized by newspaper men; we are reliably informed that a pure, crystal, white blanket has been sent to the residents of this county as a meritorious Christmas present that has been designed to be received before the Holiday Season, but which may be delayed en route and if so it is with the good intentions of the consignor and the possible fact that it could not be delivered at an earlier date.

It is expected that those who may receive this present, so generously sent free of all expense, except carriage, that they will be ready to receive the crystal robe in question and be sure to see that proper care will be given it so that other articles of the same nature may follow in proper order with as little delay as possible incident to rough traveling which may ensue when such a long trip, full of exposure, is taken into consideration.

It is expected that all who may read this article will take proper steps to safeguard such a present as they will soon receive and which can not again be sent them if for any reason they do not receive their proper apportionment until next Holiday Season. It is only at this time of year that these consignments are sent out to deserving communities and if for any reason you do not understand why your robe is delayed beyond a reasonable length of time do not ask the editor who wrote this in a moment of wondering what he would write in the way of "copy" as it would be, in the language of Dante, snow use.

The secretary of state has sent notices to the 16,000 Oregonians fortunate enough to own an automobile or motor truck that their licenses will expire the last of this month and that contributions towards the good roads fund is needed by the state. All money received from the registrations of motor vehicles, less the administration expenses, is annually apportioned to the several counties in proportion to the number of registered vehicles in each. According to estimates made, the licenses for next year ought to exceed \$75,000.

Nine out of ten disputes between nations originate and continue through mutual ignorance of foreign deals, points of view and purposes. The same force rules in relations between individuals. Not seldom two men have no better reasons for mutual scorn than the fact that neither really knows the other. "Why" a friend asked Lamb, the English essayist, "do you hate that man? You don't know him." Charles genially retorted: "That's precisely why I hate him."

The home was born of love and is dedicated to good will and social service. Its heads have a high calling, none higher in life, and should strive to make and keep themselves worthy. The aged, the poor, the young and even the rich, when they conduct themselves simply and graciously, should be welcome guests of the home.

As the first legal step towards increasing the weight limit of parcel post packages to include as much as fifty pounds to the package was the referring to the interstate commerce commission by the post master general of the new proposed rates on November 24th raising the limit to fifty pounds.

A truce of a few days has been declared in favor of turkey by the gastronomist of the year 1913.

A Strife of Tongues

BY REV. A. J. ADAMS

Some words don't mean what once they meant.

This is fact;
Like leaden ball whose force is spent
They've no impact.
Words, like men, are born to die;
They're called obsolete.
Their etymology, I don't know why,
Is rank deceit.
Words, nowadays, don't mean just what
They one time meant.
If, perchance, you have forgot
Recall that word prevent.
David in those old, primeval times
When words were young,
Did not write for foreign climes
Nor dream of Latin tongue.

The word prevent, from David's pen
Meant "come before"
But shame to say, by later men
It meaneth that no more.
Prevent is to hinder, in prose or song.
So dictionaries say;
And words once meaningful and strong
With wicked pen they slay.
Another word doth the scriptures hold,
It's that word conversation
This word now smacks of age and mold
Not fit for preservation;
Citizenship is better far than conversation
Let this be granted;
But after, write the bold interrogation
Is the better word supplanted?

I ought to be ashamed; perhaps,
I make apology;
For pointing out a word that caps
The climax in etymology.
This outlandish word is "cynosure"
It's spelling all bewail,
It's etymology means, I'm sure,
The dog's tail.
That you may see we don't mistake
Or take for granted
Funk & Wagnall or Webster take
They never ranted;
No, this is neither conceit nor fun
Not at all;
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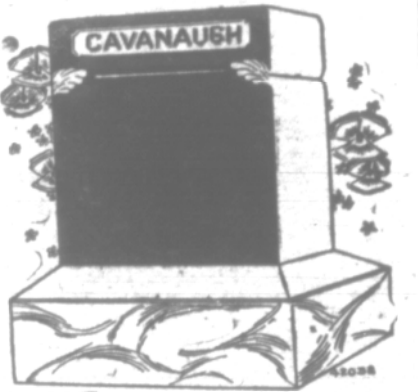
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