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An instrument has been perfected whereby damaged heart valves may be repaired. Such an announcement makes the layman shiver, but it is of the highest importance. Damaged heart valves are among the few ailments that are increasing in modern times, and anything that makes it possible to treat them is to be welcomed. Like the discovery of insulin, this perfection of the cardiocope, for so is the new device named, is peculiarly timely, as dealing with an ailment that hitherto has been gaining rather than losing, in the struggle with science. The cardiocope was devised and the necessary technique of the valve operation worked out by experiments on animals.

More Americans are being born than are dying. Census figures show that close to twenty-three babies were born last year for each 1,000 population, with only twelve deaths. That gives us an excess of eleven births a year for each 1,000 population. It means that Americans are increasing in number nearly 1,200,000 a year without the aid of immigration. At that rate, it won't be many centuries until we have as many people as China. Nature will kill off the surplus by wars and disease epidemics if we get too many. Increasing population, when it reaches a certain point, breeds its own destruction.

The first radio broadcast station to change its wave length, in accord with the recommendations by the Hoover conference, is WNAC, Boston. Hereafter it will send on 286 meters. Other stations are falling in line. The radio bug's big pest is not so much the jumbling of concerts as Morse code interference. Amateurs, sending Morse, should be encouraged because from their ranks will come the future wireless inventors. Revolutionary radio changes are inevitable. It may be necessary later to restrict amateurs to certain hours of day or night.

The first American newspaper (Public Occurrences. Both Foreign and Domestic) was started in Boston 233 years ago. It was a monthly, with a blank page for readers to write down "reflections of a very high nature." You can imagine anyone doing that now! Newspapers have changed, but not any more so than readers. Your favorite reading is a better mirror than your looking glass.

Spending records in the United States have set a new mark, says a headline. We have heretofore observed that if it weren't for the new marks the spending records would decline.

A glass case from which air is gradually removed is used in Paris to treat aspirants for new altitude records, and is guaranteed to furnish all customary discomforts of the real thing excepting a long fall.

The most disarming of eternal triangles, however, is the coal man, the ice man and the poorhouse.

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New Mail Route Proposed For Moro

A petition for a new rural route is being signed by patrons of Moro post-office for a route of approximately 25 miles. As mapped by the petitioners the new route will leave Moro and go north to DeMoss, thence west to the Amidon farm, thence north to the base line road on top of Gordon ridge, thence west to the old wheat road to Sigs, thence south past the farms operated by Sayrs, Powell, Landry, and Barr to Erskine school house, thence west to the Pape farm, thence south to the corner north of the O. P. Aing farm, thence north to Moro.

R. C. Byers drove over the proposed route Thursday afternoon and presented the petition to those he met who lived along the new proposed route. More than fifty signed the petition the first day, and more will sign when they are given the opportunity.

It is requested by Mr. Byers that all who are interested and will be credited by the new route call at the postoffice and sign the petition. While the new route will not have as many patrons as some routes in the Willamette valley, it will handle as much business as valley routes with double the number of patrons to be served.

You know how 110 volts of electricity feels when you touch a live wire or accidentally stick your finger in the electric light socket. Multiply that voltage 20,000 times and you have the terrific power with which they are experimenting in the General Electric laboratories at Pittsfield, Mass. We are chafing tremendous forces. But we're still a good many laps behind nature. Steinmetz says a real bolt of lightning is twenty-five times as powerful as the artificially produced force in Pittsfield. And yet people have been struck by lightning and lived afterward. In your list of wonders, give the human body a place near the top.

Wink your eyes if you would save your eyesight, says a New Jersey scientist. But what profiteth it a man if he save his eyesight and lose his life or get a mauling within an inch of it? Winking is not as safe as it sounds on the lips of science. In these days of the athletic girl and quick-handed escorts, it is indulged in at the risk of injury—which may be fatal to body and limb. With maulers in high disfavor, how is a lassie or her lad to know that the winker is merely trying to save his eyesight? If one feels inclined to wink to save his eyesight, he would do well to wait till the space in front is vacant.

It's queer how our lives mysteriously are linked to others, paths criss-crossing time and again. Spiritualists believe we travel through eternity in "circles" or groups. Near Rochester, N. Y., a farmer saves a drunken man from drowning. An hour later, home-bound, the farmer's auto hits and fractures the skull of the drunk as he unexpectedly staggers out onto the road from the darkness. That is fate's criss-crossing, with a vengeance. The victim is thinking it over in the hereafter.

Bobbed hair women, it is reported, pour forth such an avalanche of conversation when they visit barber shops to have their locks sheared that barbers find themselves distanced. Now barbers will know how men customers sometimes feel.

Boys' Day in Industry

Boys Take Over Directorship of Big Corporation



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How many of us have called on some big executive and in his private office wondered just how it would feel to be in that man's shoes? All of us! During Boys' Week in New York they celebrated the "Boys' Day in Industry" and all the boys in this picture realized just how it feels to be a big executive, for they were elected to run the J. C. Penney Company, the largest chain of department stores in the world.

They made a record in their jobs and now everyone is talking about them—an eighteen year old President, a sixteen year old Treasurer and a sixteen year old Sales Manager too. Can you imagine an Educational Director of a large company as fifteen years old? And he was good! They are all in the picture and this letter shows how they felt after their experience (and, incidentally, there are few "grown ups" who could write a better letter):

Sincerely,
PHIL JOHNSON,
Boy Treasurer.

County Voters Reject Income Tax

Less than one third of the registered voters of Sherman county had interest enough in the income tax measure to vote Tuesday on the question of more state taxes and a larger army of state tax eating employees.

The total vote cast in Sherman county was 525. Of this number 179 voted yes and 347 voted no. Grass Valley was the only precinct in Sherman county to cast a majority vote in favor of the income tax measure. Following is the official canvas of the vote cast in this county by precincts:

Precinct	Yes	No
Rufus	28	29
Locust	9	27
Klondike	5	27
Monkland	3	26
Erskine	5	21
Michigan	4	16
Rutledge	5	18
Kent	28	42
Grass Valley	38	26
Moro	34	57
Wasco	20	64
Total	179	347

Closely related to the picking of wild flowers out in the country is the devastation suffered by the city parks. So easily explicable as to be almost pardonable is the hunger of the tenement dwellers for something green or gayly colored to take home, but they sin in deepest ignorance when they do this, and they rob themselves when they draw from the sound belief that the parks belong to the people the false conclusion of a right to appropriate to private enjoyment anything the parks contain. Doctor Straubemuller, president of the New York School Garden association, told a terrible tale about an East side park where several thousand plants were set out one day to form an encircling hedge, and that night every one of the plants was taken away! He, too, however, said that the automobilists were the worst offenders, and added that of the automobilists the women were the most ruthless because their misguided love of flowers was stronger than that of men.

The "teleph" attachment to a "phone" has long been known to many. But the tele-vision apparatus attached to a radio is something new. Paris dispatches tell of a demonstration by M. Repp of seeing by a sort of photo-telephonic system—and it is said that if logically projected the idea may one day enable a man to look through his tele-visionary apparatus and actually see for himself if he really has a backbone. Scientists are being amazed at the demonstrations of seeing around the curve of the earth for distances practically unlimited. The new wonder follows the announcement from New York that immense currents of power may be presently transmitted by means of the radio tube from Niagara via wireless to New York city.

Miss Nora Ellis, confessed slayer of Gordon Mettles, waived examination at her preliminary hearing in the justice of the peace court in Pendleton. She was remanded to the custody of the sheriff to await the action of the grand jury, which will meet in December.

Managers report that melancholy conditions abroad have not prevented the customary supply of amusing European novelties for the coming theatrical season. It is the old story of Pierrot who must forget his own sorrows in order to make others laugh.

Now one jungleologist declares that there are as many languages among the monkeys as among humans. The various tribes are a unit probably only in their love of peanuts and the propensity to scratch.

Grangers Want Tax Law Repealed

Columbia county farmers and taxpayers are unanimous in opposition to the state conservation tax commission. The Pomona grange of that county at its quarterly meeting held this week, condemned the measure and the working of the commission in drastic terms and the members subscribed to a fund for a special election for its repeal. A petition will be circulated and from the sentiment expressed in every quarter no one will refuse to sign the repeal petition.

The farmers contend that the law takes away from them every vestige of a voice in the expenditure of any of the money they pay in for taxes and is undemocratic in its actions and claim its provision is "taxation without representation." All granges in the state will be asked to cooperate with the Pomona grange. The originators of the bill were subjects of much censure. Every section of Columbia county was represented at the meeting.

To the Japanese the cherry blossom has a symbolism akin to that of the bluebird in other countries, and they speak of it as "Sakura—Symbol of Happiness." By instinct an artistic and poetic nation, Japan knows spring as the season of the eye, and in the cherry blossom this finds its most perfect expression, writes Norman C. McLeod in Nature Magazine. To the Japanese blossom time is a season of rejoicing which takes the form of a national fête. Through this festival the Japanese manifest the love for beauty typical of the race. It is their one dominant expression. The botanists of Japan tell us that the superb development of these blossoms is a blending of the generous spirit of nature and the handiwork of man. To bring the flowers to their present perfection has involved a scientific labor of centuries. Three thousand trees planted in Washington, D. C., were the gift of the city of Tokyo to the city of Washington, in 1912, as a token of friendship and international courtesy to the American people. They are one of the scenic marvels of the nation's capital.

The United States employs 322,788 people in the regular Post Office department, and 80,485 persons are indirectly connected with the big business of mail communication. It might be asked what the 80,485 persons do. These are clerks at third and fourth-class offices, messengers, screen wagon contractors and employees, carriers for offices having special supply, clerks in charge of contract stations, star route contractors and steamboat contractors and their employees.

Can you figure this out? Deposits in all banks in the country now total \$48,000,000,000. Yet the treasury department reports that the country's total stocks of money (gold, silver and paper) total only about \$8,500,000,000. In other words, there's five times as much money deposited in the banks as there is in existence, says the Boston Transcript. Many of us would like to understand the system and use it when we bank.

We may be wrong about it, but our notion, remarks the Houston Post, is there is more in a gallon of sweat to solve the world's problem than there is in a barrel of ink, and more in the grunting of a hard-worked mule than in a two-hour oration.

Ohio's new law which compels young women to get their fathers' consent before marriage just possibly was conceived by the Humane society, as against the present custom of the young man doing the asking, widely regarded as a relic of barbarism.

Another intelligence test is a good stretch of road and a car that will do gaily when wide open.

Voters Refuse Sheep Leadership

During the past year automobile drivers have found that the principal talking point of many new cars is breaking power. The brakes are more important from the standpoint of safety than the motor. The same is true in state and national life, yet political agitators would make the motor more powerful and weaken the brakes. It is easier to pass laws than to get rid of them after they have been passed. The need today is for less rather than more legislation, for a tendency to go slow rather than to run wild.

Governor Pierce toured the Willamette valley section of the state, preceding election day, advocating the passage of the income tax measure and at each of his speaking dates he stated that the bill was imperfect, faulty, and did not tax those whom it was designed and hoped to reach.

Wm. Pollman, state senator from Baker county, was another who ardently advocated the new tax measure. He had more than a little to do with the passage of the measure by the state legislature and urging the people to adopt it, and notwithstanding all this he did not vote for its final enactment into state law. He shifted his civic duty by patting his vote.

When the doctor decries his own prescription for bodily ills and refuses to swallow his own mixture the suffering patient had better not blindly follow the too freely proffered advice. More than likely it will react against the man who is careless with his voting endorsement of measures that is said to hit "the other fellow." It may hit the voter hardest.

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Dated at Moro, Oregon, November 6th, 1923.
(Signed) C. L. Montgomery.

NOTICE to whom it may concern: From and after this date, the County of Sherman, State of Oregon, will no longer be responsible for any bill of any kind contracted by Mrs. Orritt. Dated and first published this 9th day of November, 1923, by order of the County Court.
E. D. McKee, Judge.

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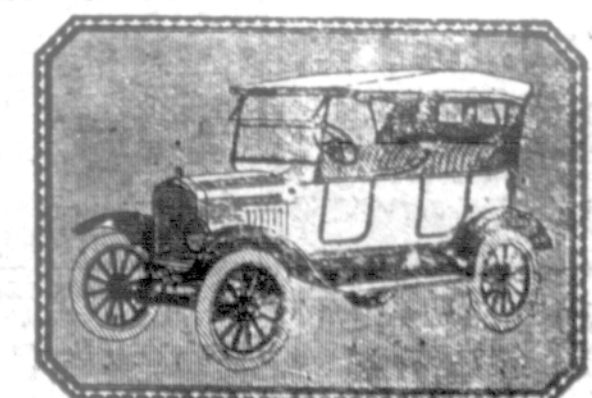
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