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MAKE QUICK DECISIONS.

Wrong to Waste Valuable Time Over Trifling Problems.

There are some folks in this world who never appear to be able to come to a decision on any issue, either big or little. They are constantly harassed by doubt and the fear that they will make the mistake of picking up something by the wrong handle. They spend their lives sitting astride the fence because they lack the courage to get down on either side of it. They strive to propitiate everybody and please nobody.

What more pathetic spectacle than to see a strapping big man chasing back and forth between the bat counter and the mirror on the wall in the agony of doubt and despair over the momentous question as to whether he ought to purchase a straw lid with a red band on it or blue?

Sympathy goes out to the woman who for weeks perplexes her pretty head over the problems as to whether she will have her new gown cut obliquely or on the bias. In the end she has it cut scalloped, and every time she wears it her regret is that she didn't have it made severely plain.

If your processes of decision are going to halt and buck and stall over the color of a hatband or the cut of a gown how can you hope to decide the really serious problems of life? Blessed is he who can marshal his wits in calm judgment, then decide whether he will stay on this side or cross over and burn the bridge behind him.

Rather than dilly-dally and shilly-shally through life, you had better, in the interests of strengthening your moral fiber, make a mistake by a quick decision now and then. Focus the best judgment of which you are capable on the question at issue, then take your stand and hold your ground.—Boston Post.

A glad heart seldom sighs, but a sorrowful mouth often laughs.—Dan's Proverb.

TELEGRAM

Via Wireless

Labrador 12-21-16.

To W. A. Cowley
Mayor Central Point.

Dear Sir:

Will be in Central Point, Sunday Evening at 7:30 p. m. Will be on time so please have all the children in the community in front of the Y. M. C. A. building to greet me, I will have something for every child.
Santa Claus.

Merry Christmas

Arrangements are about complete for our Community Tree. The committees are all working hard to make this one of the most successful Christmas seasons in the history of Central Point.

Program

1. Christmas Bells.
2. March of school children singing "Silent Night".
3. "Joy to the World. Song by Congregation.
4. Scripture Reading Rev. Reed
5. Invocation Rev. Bandy
6. "Tis Heavens Reply" Anthem Chorus.
7. "The Sabbath Morn" Instrumental Duet Misses Cosette Tetherow and June Dunlap.
8. Solo Mrs. Stanley
9. Address Mayor Cowley
10. "The Strange Star" High School Chorus.
11. Listen is Santa Claus Coming Exercise Second Grade.
12. "Santas Ride" Song by Fourth and Fifth Grades

13. Santa Comes.
14. America Conregation and Orchestra
15. Orchestra.

The treat from Santa Claus to the children will be by ticket. Every scholar in school will be given a ticket which they will present at the Christmas Tree and get their treat. All children from 0 age up to school age will go to Cowley's store and get their ticket.

After an Electric Shock.

An effective means of resuscitation after an electric shock is said to be a sharp blow on the soles of the feet without removing the shoes. In all cases, however, it is necessary to pull the tongue from the throat, as the action of the current is to cause a contraction of the muscles, and the tongue is drawn back into the throat, completely sealing the air passage. Part of many first aid equipments consist of a device which will grasp the tongue and hold it in a distended position so that the throat is open to permit of artificial respiration.

Rhode Island and Textiles.

The first cotton mill in the United States was built in Pawtucket in Washington's first administration. The making of textiles has become Rhode Island's first industry. Some 60,000 persons work in it, and its output is about 50 per cent of the manufactured products of the state, which, little as it is, is fourth in the making of cotton goods and third in the making of woolsens and worsteds.

PUSHBALLS ARE COSTLY.

If They Were Cheaper the Game Might Be More Popular.

If some one could invent a pushball that could be made at a reasonable cost the game would be more popular. The enormous cost of pushballs has made it possible for only a very few to own them, and they have been rented out at a high price to those wanting to use them. The pushball is six feet in diameter and costs \$300.

The outside covering of a pushball is made of cowhide leather. This covering is composed of twenty strips, which are sewed together by hand. Each of these strips is between nine and ten feet long, or half the circumference of the ball. The strips are widest in the middle, tapering uniformly to points at either end, the poles of the ball, where they are further secured by leather caps sewed over them.

To get the leather needed for a pushball it is necessary to cut up five or six hides, which makes the cost of the cover very high. It takes two men the better part of a week, moreover, to sew this material together.

The bladder for the ball is made of the best rubber, which is cut into strips and cemented together in such shape that when inflated it will form a globe fitting the leather covering, which is practically indestructible. The very best rubber bladders may give out in two or three years, and a new bladder costs \$150. A large cylinder foot pump suitable for inflating this mighty ball costs \$10.

The game originated in America. The first pushball was made in Newton, Mass., in 1894. This ball had a covering of leather shaped on a wooden form built for the purpose. Four big hides were required. These were cut to form six zones, which were put together with belting hooks. The bladder was made of rubber cloth cut in sections and cemented together. The materials for this ball cost about \$175.

The game is played on a field with a goal at each end, each team trying to push the ball through the opponents' goal. It is sometimes used to get baseball teams in condition during the early days. The game is played in Europe, both in England and on the continent.

One of the most spectacular and thrilling variants of the game is that played by horsemen in the west. It requires two teams of mounted players, whose object also is to drive the ball through the goal of the opposing side. It is pushed by the horses, which must be as well trained as polo ponies to maneuver it dexterously, and the game calls for great expertness in the riders. Cowboy saddles and dress are the correct outfit for this game.—St Nicholas.

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, December 13th, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas T. Vestal of Eagle Point, Oregon, who on November 19, 1913, made Homestead Entry, Serial No. 09194, for the N½ of NW¼, SE¼ of NW¼ and SW¼ of NE¼ of Section 18, Township 35 S., Range 1 E., Willamette Meridian has filed notice of intention to make Final Three-Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before F. Roy Davis, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Medford, Oregon, on the 23rd day of January, 1917.

Claimant names as witnesses: Marshall Minter of Eagle Point, Oregon; Jefferson Conover of Eagle Point, Oregon

Philip McCabe of Eagle Point, Oregon; Robert A. Vestal of Eagle Point, Oregon

W. H. Cannon Register.

ABOUT EXTRAVAGANCE.

Nature Sets an Example, and Many Poor Mortals Follow It.

Extravagance is a relative term usually misapplied. If a man is worth a hundred million it would not be considered extravagant for him to spend a hundred thousand dollars on goldfish if he wanted to. If a family of ten people living on \$1,000 a year should get their pictures taken that would be extravagance.

Extravagance, however, is not exactly buying something you cannot afford. What you cannot afford now you may later, and the very fact that you have bought it may have been the cause of your future prosperity. Extravagance is an exceeding of the speed limit. But who shall say what this is?

One of the chief difficulties in defining extravagance is the general assumption that it is something wicked. Yet extravagance is often necessary. The sun is extravagant—the greatest heat prodigal. So is nature. So is a river. Rain clouds are horrible examples of extravagance. They pour out all their possessions without regard to what they get in return and then fade away. How like some people that is, and what a glorious time they have doing it! Think of spending a million raindrops a minute, knowing it will break you, and not caring!

The chief fault of extravagance, whatever it may be, is not so much in the results it brings about, which may be good or bad, as in the time it wastes. It is immoral because it takes away from our capacity for indulging in the real joys of life.

It isn't the money you spend; it is the time you take to spend it that causes the damage.—Life.

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Stein Block and Benjamin

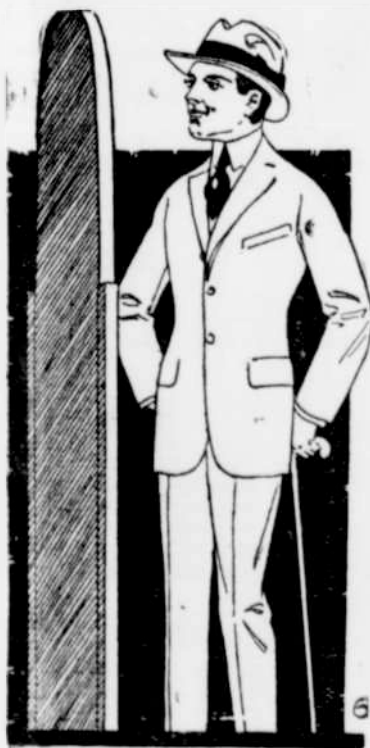
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