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THERE IS NOTHING NEW

It begins to look as if there isn't anything you can hide from the human mind any more. Aside from a few minor mysteries like death and the hereafter, mankind has at last solved the many problems that have afflicted the world for so many centuries.

The answer, it has been discovered, is amazingly simple. Just attribute every evil to one or more of the following: (a) the aftermath of the war; (b) jazz; (c) radio; (d) movies; (e) the automobile.

It is true that there have been a few notable exceptions, as for instance, when Columbus stood against the field in claiming that the earth is round and not flat.

However, this is a new day, and when you hear the preponderant majority claiming that you can make snakes out of horse hairs or that it is jazz and the Wicked Six that are sending youth to the bow wows, you had better just believe it and save yourself time.

The only thing that puzzles some people is that we had all or most of these ills before we ever dreamed of the war, before we had invented movies, radios or automobiles, and when jazz was not and had never been.

POLITICAL GUESSES

Political writers, politicians and others may be expected to flood the news columns with their predictions from now until the presidential election is over in November.

There is one strange thing, though, about political predictions. No matter how wild they may be, there will be some to believe them, and after time proves them to be merely foolish guesses those making the predictions will have lost nothing in prestige.

Ordinarily when one "talks through his hat" and subsequent events show him up he is more or less discredited as a prophet. Not so in politics. For example, Charles D. Hilles, who declared on the eve of the presidential election in 1912 that Taft would win over Wilson and Roosevelt, is now getting considerable space for his forecasts of coming events, in spite of the fact that in 1912 Taft carried only two states.

Well, people have to read a certain amount of trash anyway, so possibly foolish political dope is as harmless as anything they could waste their time on.

MOVIE CENSORSHIP

During a recent debate on the question, "Should there be a Federal supervision of motion pictures?" the affirmative was upheld by Canon, W. S. Chase of Brooklyn, who incidentally indulged in some loose talk on the subject.

He declared among other things that the motion picture is a school of crime, and attributed the kidnapping and killing of Marion Parker by the young fiend Hickman, to the fact that the murderer was a frequenter of the movies.

That such a statement is not only ridiculous but vicious, is evident to any sane person. In all cases in which motion pictures deal with crime

Doing His Best



the criminal is brought to justice before the story ends. We have never seen a picture in which the criminal escaped. Therefore, there is nothing in moving picture plots which might encourage a person to believe that he could commit a crime and get away with it.

Federal censorship and supervision of motion pictures would merely add another lot of office holders, with authority to harass producers and an already overburdened public. If such a thing were possible, any censorship which might be invoked had better be applied to such idle talk as Rev. Chase indulged in concerning the cause of crime.

TO LEND DIGNITY

The announcement that an Eastern university English class is engaged in research in preparation for a debate on the question, "Do gentlemen prefer blondes?" is extremely diverting. It refutes the base libel that colleges are of little utility except to provide football teams for the gladiatorial games of the twentieth century American.

Anita Loos' Little book, whose title bravely affirms that "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," is the frank diary of a gold-digger. There isn't a gentleman in the book, but as piece of literature, reflecting a phase of the life and times of the day, it is of some value.

The university debators will lend dignity to the subject. They will perform a valuable public service if they answer the questions for all time. Then the rest of the world can go about more serious business, and the collegians can look a little into Shakespeare, Milton, Hawthorne, Browning, DeQuincy, Macaulay, Carlyle, Stevenson and others of the pre-Loos era in literature.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

Messages tapped out against the hull of the S-4 by some disciplined sailor tell the tragic tale of disaster. At first, when communication was established the men asked:

"How long will you be now?" "A little later in heavy taps, they asked. "Will you raise us soon?"

And, finally, after hours and hours had passed, the final query sounded, "Is there any hope?" And the men above, working as hard as they could, fighting the sea and facing death themselves, could in mercy send no reply.

The only answer came with death and the victims had to go to another world to hear the reply.

When mail order catalogs come into Ashland there are some people who just have to send their money out of town to find out that the merchandise is about the same as usual.

Every citizen should remember to talk about Ashland when away from home. If we don't advertise our town nobody else will.

Correct this sentence: "She knew he was about to propose and she took advantage of Leap Year."

If some mens heads were as well filled as their shoes they would be better off.

Farm Pointers

Alfalfa growers in the northwest have long profited by the discovery made a number of years ago that sulfur is a good fertilizer on many semi-arid basaltic types of soil. Scientists have been puzzled however as to the direction of sulfur on the soil and as to its final effect.

(a) That some soils may have a sulfate content which is unfavorably low for best growth of alfalfa, especially early in the growth period. (b) That sulfur oxidizes to sulfate and brings additional calcium and other bases in solution; (c) that sulfur in moderate amounts improves the reaction of arid soils for alfalfa nutrition; (d) that the sulfur applications which are of contest benefit will depend on the soil at hand; and (e) that ordinary applications of sulfur for alfalfa on the arid basaltic soils or those liberally supplied with calcium compounds is probably good practice, especially where the growth secured is consumed on the farm.

County agents of Oregon report that fall sown grain in many of the northern western sections of the state on the low undrained lands, was injured considerably by the recent period of freezing temperatures. Similar land having the advantage of tilling carried winter grain uninjured. This is a repetition of last February when grain froze out on the wet lands.

The Oregon Drainage association, which is now the drainage section of the Oregon Reclamation Congress will hold its annual winter meeting at Corvallis February 12, announces Dr. W. L. Powers, secretary, and chief soils at O. A. C. At this meeting the latest developments of drainage practices will be presented.

Lake County sheepmen sell 60,000 fleeces 1928 wool at 33c a pound.

Of 94 autos stolen in Eugene last year 91 were recovered.

Congress asked for \$35,000 for inside improvements at Oregon Caver.

During 1927, 91,346 tourist autos registered in Oregon.

Salem built six large apartment houses during 1927.

Corvallis—\$20,000 greenhouse is built for State College.

Stanfield—Broom factory here gets its broom corn from local growers.

OREGON Or a Romance and Adventure in and of the West By DAVID MARK 216 Central Ave., Ashland, Oregon

"He differs in many ways but chiefly 2 said Judge B.," in that formerly he had pagan-political characteristics. In his form he was Politico-democratic-republican. Now he has Christian characteristics, and his form is Industrio-commercial. When former Oregons functioned they brought forth politics, which because it favored or stimulated covetousness which is idoltry, which because in former ages in spite of imperial ukase was the worship of the peoples of the small towns of the Roman Empire and the Latin name of Paganus (a village) gives us the word pagan meaning an idol worshiper. Thus it can easily be seen that it was the immorality of politics, legalized exploitations that corrupted everything it touched and it touched everything. Politics or legalized exploitations touched business the administration, which many peoples wrongly call government, the home, the school, the church, the lodge and the collectively or society. Politics blinded the eyes and debased the thoughts of the people. Politics, legalized exploitation created prejudice, in the hearts of well meaning but deceived and deluded peoples. This delusion was so much that they thought they were doing God's service by hating and persecuting the righteous.

Our Oregon, when he functions brings forth christianity in government, industry and commerce the concept of Jesus Christ influences the mind of the Court puts a heart of flesh in all activities of the people. For the benefit of our host, who were not with us in the cave we will state that Oregon is a successor to a fictitious or legal person, or municipal corporation, that the people living within the territorial limits as described to Congress at the time of his admission into the family, or union of states. He exists in the mind of the Judiciary. His form, characteristics, privileges, rights, powers, obligations and duties are discerned by the Courts upon their inquiry into the provisions of the Constitution plus any laws that were constitutional at the time of his admission.

Briefly, Oregon is a government by law, as interpreted by the Court. The present Oregon is a child of our bosom. We can never lose him as heretofore when he automatically became the child of sinister interests. He differs from his predecessor in that when he functions he brings forth Christian, industrial-commercialism. His heart is set on righteousness, because the Golden Rule, as taught by Jesus the Christ is recognized by the Court as being or existing in the constitutional law.

The possibility of his conception and birth, or creation, and his recognition as being what I stated he was a moment ago, began with the birth of Christian, co-operative-Industrio-commercial cities. His existence is the latest child of the people began with their adoption of the Amendment to the Constitution that added a fourth Department to it, which is known as A Department of Industry and Commerce. In his heart and in his soul he hates the things his predecessor loved. His predecessor supported parasitism and protected the parasites. Oregon, Our Oregon, gives justice to all. It was impossible for his predecessors to do so. The evil shadow of his predecessor follows him. Hence; the present disturbance and the cause why we are here, Doubtless times will lessen the shadow until it disappears. When the evil and evil influence of legalized exploitation, which is politics, that has for ages influenced the courts will no longer do so, the shadow will be oblit.

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Astoria's fire loss in 1927 was only \$17,997, and is steadily decreasing.

Colossians 3,5 Myres General History P. 307.