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PEACE SURE NOW.

One of Toozee Leaves for Europe to Be One of Ford Peace Party.

Lamar Toozee, president of the University student body, and chosen by the advisory committee of the University faculty to accompany Henry Ford to Europe with his peace envoy, left Portland this morning expecting to arrive in New York to catch the steamer Oskar II. Toozee did not know when he left here whether or not he would be able to make the first ship. He will arrive in New York Saturday morning at 9:40 and the ship sails at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He is going by the O. W. R. and N. out of Portland and will catch the Twentieth Century Limited out of Chicago.—Eugene Register.

ABE'S BIG REPUTATION.

Corvallis Boy Traces Him Away Back Into Early Days of Bible.

According to the Corvallis G. T. our Abe has some rep. reaching back numerously. Here it is: Half-back Abraham of O. A. C. is more famous than his many admirers have any idea of. The Murphy family were discussing the Sunday Oregonian article which said Our Abe was known all over the U. S. as one of the best players that had ever lived. Eight-year-old Howard was very much interested and contributed his share of the praise by saying, "Yes, and our Sunday School teacher spoke about him today. She said God sent a message to Abraham."

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Can You Go Straight?

The above question is not intended to be personal. We are quite sure that you are a good, steady going citizen; but, all the same, we are equally sure that you cannot walk straight without the help of your eyes. Naturally your tendency is to walk in a circle, and you would do this if your eyes were not constantly correcting the tendency.

You may easily test this. Place two stakes in your garden about eight feet apart, take up a position some sixty feet away, get some one to blindfold you and then try to walk between the two stakes. You will find that you are going in a circle.

Why? The explanation is very simple. You walk faster with one foot than with the other. Everybody does. One leg always takes a longer stride, with the result that you naturally walk more to one side than the other. Men who have been lost in the Australian bush have marked the trees they passed and found that they again and again returned to their starting tree after describing a complete circle.—Dundee Advertiser.

Unique Bible Character.

One of the few men in the Bible who have nothing recorded against them is Joseph of Arimathea. Every one of the evangelists has a good word to say for Joseph. One says he "was an honorable counselor," another that he "was a just man," another that he was a "secret disciple." Only one of the evangelists speaks of the birth of Christ, but all four of them erect a monument to Joseph of Arimathea. When he became a disciple we are not told. Dr. Andrew Bonar of Scotland says he can just imagine that Nicodemus may have been moved by Joseph of Arimathea to believe in Christ. At all events, Nicodemus didn't come out very boldly himself. He didn't get his discipleship until very clear. They were both members of the sanhedrin, but it is evident that none knew that Joseph was a secret disciple until a certain night.—Christian Herald.

Who Discovered the Kangaroo?

W. B. Alexander of the Western Australian museum at Perth, W. A., has recently corrected a popular mistake in the history of natural history. The discovery of the kangaroo family is generally credited to Sir Joseph Banks and is supposed to have occurred during Captain Cook's first voyage in 1770. This date, it appears, is nearly 150

years too late. When the Dutch East India company's ship, the Batavia, under command of Captain Pelsart, was wrecked on the Abrolhos islands in 1629 the survivors encountered another strange thing: the Dama wallaby, the first member of the kangaroo family known to Europeans. Captain Pelsart described it as a species of cat about the size of a hare, noted its remarkable hind legs and described in considerable detail the abdominal pouch for the young and the use of it.

An Ancient English Inn.

Among the inns that put forward a claim to antiquity place must be found for "Ye Old King James and Ye Tinkler," which still "carries on" its business at White Webb's Lane, near Waltham Cross. It claims to have been established well over a thousand years ago and came by its present unique title through King James I. visiting it during a royal hunt in Enfield Chase and meeting with a tinkler imbibing his modest cup of malt who desired to see a king. His majesty promised his wish should be granted and took him on his horse to where his nobles were assembled, throwing off his incognito at the proper dramatic moment, to the great confusion of the tinkler, whose embarrassment was salved by a knighthood and commemorated in a ballad.—London Chronicle.

We Should Not Worry.

"Worry would kill a horse," says Mrs. Clara Z. Moore, health expert. "There is no sickness more insidious, no drug more poisonous, than the continued effects of worry."

"Proper physical exercise will remove the worry and the first out condition that causes it. A sick body often produces a sick mind, and the opposite is also true that a sick mind causes a sick body."

"The moral is, 'If you do not want to be sick do not worry.'—Chautauqua News

Drunken Elephants.

The fruit of the umugami tree of South Africa yields a strong intoxicating drink. Elephants are said to be very fond of it, becoming quite tipsy, staggering about, playing antics, screaming so as to be heard for a mile and sometimes having tremendous and sometimes fatal fights.

New Today

Whitney's jitney station will be open all day Sunday. Three jitneys. Call 71 both phones. n27-30

FORMER LINN COUNTY MAN TELLS OF THE BIG WAR

August Binding Gives the German Side of European Conduct.

Dorcheek, Germany, Nov. 1, 1915. I have been a reader of the Democrat for a good many years, nearly forty, and can say the paper has always been fair to everybody, but many other chroniclers have not done so well, so I will state you a few facts about this terrible war, which almost the whole world has taken a hand in. If it wasn't for the sense of the head officers the jingoists would be crowding the U. S. into it also. Indirectly America has done much to lengthen and increase misery by furnishing ammunition to the enemy. Every body here believes the war would have come to an end before this if the American factories had not delivered any war needs. The French and English papers and telegram reports through false statements and misrepresentations have tried, and mostly succeeded in working the whole world up against Germany. In their war reports they have whipped the German army at every battle, and the truth is the German army occupies most of Belgium and a great deal of French territory. The Russians by their reports have raided the whole of German territory and have whipped the German-Austrian armies right along. The truth is, the Germans have taken enough Russian territory to cover up half of the German empire, and over 2,000,000 Russian soldiers as prisoners. The English papers use a big howl about the German airships flying over London, throwing bombs, setting buildings afire, killing people and children. Of course this is a sad thing, but it is war. The first flying machine started after the war was French, and threw bombs down on the open town of Shergart, killing women and children, and hundreds of English and French airplanes have done the same thing right along, and that is only just and right to them, but if Germany in self defense has to do the same thing, it is cruel and barbarous. Belgium's men and women have killed and mutilated German soldiers, but the very papers will turn the truth around and make it appear as if the German soldiers had done the cruel things. French soldiers have thrown rocks at German soldiers and spit in their faces. There are probably three or four times as many French and English soldiers in Germany, but they have been treated decently.

German prisoners, officers and soldiers, have been put in jail by French and English authorities and treated like common criminals; but after Germany put in a protest through America, they have acted more fair to the German prisoners. In French and English towns German business men have been mistreated, and millions worth of their property destroyed, while not one cent's worth of English property and French property has been destroyed in the whole German empire. The Russians have driven our men and women ahead of their soldiers, so Germans had to kill them first if they shot at all. And in their retreat in their own country they drive their own people ahead of their army, and they have to starve and die by the thousands, burn their own villages and towns, kill all the live stock they cannot take with them, and destroy everything when they have time to do so, in their own country at that. Two hours on the railroad from here brings us into a country where a battle took place, where whole towns and hundreds of villages and farming houses were burned down. Some got away ahead of the Russians, but most of them were taken by surprise and had to stay. Thousands were killed by epidemic and thousands of others were shot by the Russian Cossacks, without cause, just because citizens of an enemy country. If all the countries had such a peaceable, deep religious man at the head of their governments as Emperor William, we would not have this terrible war. Crops have been very fair, no starvation for next year.

With best wishes for your good health,

AUG. BINDING.

Elks' Memorial—

The annual memorial services of the Elks will be held next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the temple. Hon. Gus Moser, of Portland, will deliver the address and L. G. Lewelling, of this city, will give the eulogy. Rev. G. H. Young will offer the invocation and pronounce the benediction. In the musical part Miss Blanche Hammel will sing and Miss Schultz, of Salem will be heard in a violin solo.

New York's Municipal Library.

There is one library owned and managed by the city of New York about which there is probably less known outside of the circles of the legal profession and students of municipal affairs than any other library in that town. And this, curiously enough, in spite of the fact that the volumes on its shelves are subpoenaed in court more than the general public knows anything about. This institution is the city library, in the city hall, and it has on its shelves 10,000 volumes. The official reason for this library's being is to furnish a complete and official record of the municipal affairs and history of the city of New York. From the viewpoint of the bibliophile or the historian the most valuable books in the library are the records of the town in the days when the Dutch ruled Manhattan and it was known as New Amsterdam. The old Dutch records consist of seven fat volumes covering the period between 1647 and 1674.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Life and Its Creations.

Creation is the way life's records of experience look from the outside. Every cell in your body is a moving picture film of life's experience. The soul of the film is indestructible life itself, and life knows it without eyes or ears. The body of this movie film self of you is the mere outward appearance of it. Bergson calls it the "scum" around the edges of the stream of life, and he says this "scum" grows thicker and thicker until finally the stream of life is choked and the cell is sloughed off. Then something happens to the body as a whole.

Life flows through its organized channels until it loses interest and slows down, the channels eventually accumulating enough scum to keep life from playing freely. Thereupon life drops the body, and goes playing somewhere else, while the body itself disintegrates to its original thoughtless, the "building blocks" of the eternal child which is life.—Nautilus.

Da Vinci's Career.

Leonardo da Vinci was a great Italian painter and sculptor, architect and civil and military engineer, a scientific inventor and a man of universal genius. He was born in Vinci, near Florence, in 1452. Two of his earlier productions are still extant—"The Adoration of the Magi" in the gallery of the Uffizi at Florence, and "The Virgin of the Rocks" in the British National gallery. His great painting of the "Lord's Supper" was finished in 1498. The original has been wholly defaced; but, judging from copies, this work is universally regarded as one of the greatest ever produced. In 1489 he painted his celebrated portrait of Mona Lisa del Giocondo. In 1507 he painted a Madonna and child.

His extant works are few, and some of those attributed to him are believed to have been executed by his pupils. He died May 2, 1519.

Moths That Eat Your Clothes.

The little clothes moth is grayish yellow. It is not the whitest moth that eats up clothing. The caterpillar is the real perpetrator of all the damage done to garments. All the flying moth does is lay eggs, for it has no mouth for food. But the winged moth is the source of mischief "higher up," for its eggs hatch hungry little worms. They are fancy little worms that eat our clothes, for each lives in a little case or jacket adapted to its growth in a curious way. Without leaving its case the clothes worm makes silts and inserts gores on the sides and also lengthens its jacket to meet its needs. The fresh material needed comes from the clothing wool, fur or feathers on or near which the crafty moth has laid its almost invisible eggs for this very purpose.—Exchange

His Handicap.

On his first visit he looked around for a possible partner at a game and approached a stout gentleman whose deportment suggested social standing. "Certainly, sir," replied the latter in answer to the newcomer's invitation. Then, as they approached the first tee, he went on: "By the way, I'm a four man. What are you?" The novice was startled, but after a minute's consideration he said: "Foreman, are ye? Well, I'm a straw hat manufacturer"—Beck's Weekly.

Giving Credit.

"Poor Tompkins never gets credit for what he does." "That's the fate of some men." "His secretary gets the credit for all the speeches he makes, his wife gets the credit for his manners, and his daughters get the credit for his ability to dance."—Baltimore Sun

Between Girls.

"What are you reading so intently?" "Balzac. I have to put up on Balzac because my beau is interested in Balzac. Don't you ever put up on the things which interest your beau?" "I don't have to," answered the other girl. "My beau is interested in me."—Buffalo News.

An Ancient Custom.

"I wonder if men have always complained about the food their wives prepared for them," said one woman. "I guess so," replied the other. "Adam started it."

The New Cook.

Wife: This pudding is a sample of the new cook's work. What do you think of it? Hub: I'd call it mediocre. Wife: No, dear, it's taplow.—Exchange

A great career, though talked in the end, is still a landmark of human energy.—Samuel Butler

Do You Want to Keep Warm These Cold Days?

New Balmarue Overcoats



Just received by express three shipments of the latest Balmarue overcoats to sell for \$12.50 to \$20.00. Balmarue is rather short, heavy cloth, unlined, making just the right weight for this valley. Shoulders are medium width, with loose back. "The best dress overcoat and the neatest overgarment I have ever seen" is what the fellow says.

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BUSINESS IMPROVING.

Eugene Paper Reports Decided Improvement in Business of That City.

The business in Eugene is returning to something like normal is the testimony of the business men of the city. This is especially true among the merchants, who report trade as being far better than for a corresponding period last year.

The outlook for Christmas shopping and for further improved conditions during the winter is extremely good. Some of the merchants say that they expect the biggest holiday business that they have enjoyed in years. Of the merchants who have expressed themselves, every one reports an improved condition. The early part of the year was not up to the standard, but since the summer months, business has begun to pick up, gains being recorded in September, October and November.

The future looks very encouraging to all lines of business.—Eugene Register.

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