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THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS TREES

No one who follows the papers can fail to have noticed how many accounts of school and church Christmas festivities stated that the Christmas tree used was a permanent affair growing cheerfully out in the school or church yard, or in some places conveniently near.

There is such need of forest conservation, so many uses for any wood which is cut down in the process of necessary clearing, that there is a very general feeling of approval when the Christmas tree is left a permanent growing thing.

This awakening interest in the conservation of our evergreen forests is most desirable, and right now, when the smell of pine and balsam is fresh in everybody's nostrils, it is an excellent time to further the good cause. If people will begin immediately to interest themselves intelligently in the Christmas tree business, to plant their own trees, and to demand that those brought for sale on the local markets be cut under such restrictions as shall conserve and not destroy our forests, more actual good will be accomplished than by all the eleventh-hour measures proposed late this year when the question will be not how the tree was obtained, but how to get one for the celebration.

STOP BURNING UP HOMES

The housing problem is one of the great issues of the day. All unnecessary construction was forbidden during the war, and now that the restrictions have been withdrawn the high prices of materials and labor and industrial troubles have tended to reduce the amount of building. In many industrial centers newcomers are unable to get homes to live in, rents have gone up, and the situation has become so serious that state and municipal commissions are seeking a solution.

Why not stop burning up the existing buildings, if there are not enough to go around and more cannot be built under existing conditions. Thousands of homes are burned each month, most of them through carelessness. If housing is so important, if homes are so hard to find why not be careful with those that we have? Apply prevention methods. Be careful about matches, smoking, lighting and heating apparatus and gasoline. Clear out the rubbish, inspect the flues, watch the shingle roofs. Conservation is the order of the day, and if the shortage of dwellings will cause householders to be careful about the fire hazards of their homes one criminal cause of that shortage will be greatly reduced.

As soon as things quiet down in Fiume, D'Annunzio intends to fly from Japan to America. And does he intend to hold America for the Japs as he held Fiume for the Italians?

According to the papers, a "Stream of Whiskey Flows From Coast to Coast" for exportation. Now all join in singing that grand old hymn, "Shall we gather at the river?"

It is said that 95 per cent of the people of Hungary want a king, but the other 5 per cent are keeping awful still about wanting to be it!

JOINT SALE

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Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

A Happy Time—
Christmas in the United States demonstrated the fact that there is a plentiful supply of prosperity in the land, comments the Woodburn Independent. Americans are surely spenders and as a general rule they have great big hearts. The saloons being closed, millions had more with which to purchase gifts.

A Bad Reason—
A Parkside correspondent to the New York Times, owning 240 acres and cultivating only 25, states that there are ten farms leading from the railroad to his house and of these only two are inhabited by the owners. He gives the reason—bad roads.

Don't Worry, Mr. Editor—
What is the matter with us? What has become of our boasted resourcefulness? Where is the man who will show us the way to a solution of our difficulties? If ever vision, and a high order of wisdom and courage, were needed in the United States, they are needed now raves the Pendleton Tribune.

Two Vices Do Not Equal one Virtue—
(Arthur Perry in the Smudge Pot)
An acquaintance some time since started chewing gum to break himself of the cigarette habit and now has both of them.

The Man Who Succeeds—
Men who like their jobs are so interested in their work that they haven't time or inclination to think about unrest or take part in unrest demonstrations, the Dalles Chronicle points out.

Hillsboro "Rips" Poor Guessers—
Hillsboro's Rip Van Winkles should take a trip down the highway to Portland, advises the Hillsboro Argus. Those who predicted we should always wade in the mud were poor guessers.

Wives Who Embroider—
Wives really ought not to put in more than half time embroidering pannies and things on lingerie when husbands have only one night-gown—and no buttons on that.—Myrtle Point American.

Everybody Sing—
Dr. Poling could make lyric sky-larks out of a flock of jack daws if they'd only lend him a lively inclination for a few minutes. Let's lend him ours; and in the course of a few days get the song habit so confirmed in our systems that we can go home and surprise the kids by blowing bubbles all over the place.—Gazette-Times.

Without a Kick in It

Since kicks are unlawful and knockers taboo
By H. & A.

A Day in the Shop (Resumed)
The second boss comes in, with the foreman, Betsy Ross, Mr. Hill and Miss K. soon after. The stage is all set. Up goes the curtain. Mr. Hill and Betsy Ross fish the spacebands out of their machines with screwdrivers, shine them up on graphite boards, ditch a fat handful of yesterday's copy and tune the linotypes up. They throw some switches, sit down and their fingers begin to jazz and two-step all over the big 90-character keyboards.

Before the rest of the shop has gotten down to the grind Mr. Hill may jump up, looking a few unspoken thoughts; he says something about the dinged cold weather, and sets his old stove under his keyboard to warm up the 20,000 parts in his machine so that they will run easily. Soon he sits down and his fingers go to shimmying again.

The copy-hooks are well-laden, with the Gates items right on top, for it is well known that the boss likes to get the country stuff in the sheet first thing. The night editor has been sneaking around, and he has shoved out a bunch of copy of various importance, but which the gang regards collectively as bunk, what with poetry (illeged); jokes, and like dry material. It is a reprehensible layout, and the typos are tired when they first see it. Betsy has a bright day, tho, if there is any country correspondence, she grabs it all and sets it swiftly. She likes to note where J. P. Jones called on Marie Browne Sunday. It is next

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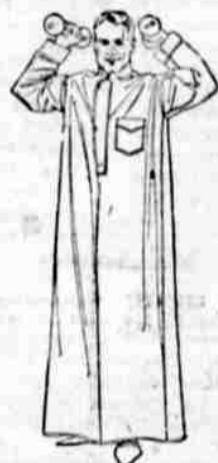
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thing to being a party to rural life, she avers, to read about it. (More later if our physical intactness is still preserved).

Our Turn Next, Madam
I hold it true, what'er befall,
I feel it when I lonely am;
'Tis better to be kissed by all
Than to be kissed by just one man

Poor Harvard
Oregon, Oregon, Or-Or-Or—
Oregon, Oregon, Or-Or-Or—
Our Bust—
Bust Harvard.

Father Goose Rhymes
The boy stood on the bank's poop-deck
And cashed his dad's ten-thousand check
To buy of peanuts half a peck
Wherewith to feed his mon-key.
His dad came in and saw his son
But dad, he merely grinned at him
And bought a million-dollar pin
Whichwith to deck his Dol-ly.

Our Barometer Reading
Half a dol, half a dol,
Half a Dol. higher;
Pants, shirts, spuds,—all
Come dear to the buyer.
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