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THE SHORT CUT TO HAPPINESS

This is not the title of a new book, so far as we know, but if it were it would no doubt be one of the season's best sellers, for nearly all people are looking for a short cut to happiness.

People may be divided into two classes. The majority seek immediate pleasures, while others remain steadfast in the belief that the only real and lasting happiness is that gained from self-sacrifice and long years of striving. The short cut to happiness as a mere statement becomes a paradox unless "happiness" is defined. Does happiness mean the immediate fruits of indulgence or the ultimate harvest of achievement? When this question is answered all may know whether there is a short route to happiness.

Contrary to more or less popular opinion, the short cut to happiness is the long road of perseverance. We hear so often the rather innocent, but artful, expression, "O well, we only live once; let's have a good time now." Such argument is persuasive even appealing and alluring. But when meant to sacrifice the future needs for present follies it becomes deception and empty platitudes.

Look about us; see the men and women who have reached the sixties, seventies, eighties and more. Can you pick those who have found the short cut to happiness? Do you see poverty or comfort? Do you see stalwart bodies or forms bent with the fruitage of dissipation? Ask THEM if there is an easy way to success—a pleasant pathway to peace, an easy detour to life's destiny. There is the only answer that rings true to experience.

Present pleasures? Yes, all that can be crowded into the short span of life; but pleasures that hold the balance of power between good and evil, and hold it conqueringly toward the good and victoriously toward the bad. One short cut to happiness is the daily satisfaction of having been true enough to serve others the full measure of what was due them, and having been strong enough to retain the rightful reward of what was due one's self. This can be done in play as well as in work, in health as well as in illness, in sports as well as in business, in joy as well as in pain, to the world as well as to the family. This is a straight and sure road to the tranquil land of Clear-Conscience-and-Contentment.

TURNING LIGHT ON THE MOVIES

The movie industry is under investigation of the Department of Justice of the United States for alleged violation of the anti-trust laws. The film companies deny the existence of unlawful combines and price-fixing. Whether anything damaging results to the motion picture industry it was inevitable that this, the fourth largest industry in the United States, should sooner or later be held under strict government scrutiny.

Moving pictures are close to the people, and have an influence economically as well as morally in relation to everyday life. Then should not the people thru their own government agencies want to get close enough to the business offices of the studios and film exchanges to find out what is going on? When an industry gets big enough to be in a class with wheat, steel and oil it must be prepared to show a bright face under darkening shadow of monopoly.

It is to be hoped that no trust laws have been violated. And even if there have been no serious infractions the best thing that could happen to the film magnates is a thorough probe which, if it shows innocence should be as reliable in vindication as it might otherwise be in evidence of guilt.

THE FIVE MONTHS OF COMPARATIVE SAFETY

Ft. Wayne, Indiana, has just gone thru five months without a single automobile accident fatality due, it is said, to a campaign by the National Safety Council in cooperation with Ft. Wayne's schools, newspapers, radio stations and police and fire departments.

Fine! And it is our opinion that the agencies named could be depended upon to put over almost anything they tried anywhere else.

When you get the schools formulating public opinion, the radio stations and newspapers distributing it, and the police and fire departments enforcing it you've got a combination that's hard to beat. Other towns and cities may have even a better record, but Ft. Wayne happened to make the front page. Besides, it is a city of about 100,000 people, who are certainly to be congratulated. It was a splendid accomplishment.

Our town is almost full of hustling, thrifty people. A few try to hold up the buildings on the main street, but so long as they do nothing worse they are not hurting anybody but themselves. Rest is beneficial. But pure, unadulterated loafing the innocent enough, does not necessarily make a man want to set the world on fire the next day.

Next to medicine there's nothing that will make a sick man well quicker than to tell him he's been chosen to head a parade.

There no announcements have been made, our guess is that the radiator ornament on Henry's new model will be three balls.

A good man is known by the company he keeps. A good town is known by the good will that it gives away. Good will is expressed by fair dealing.

The American laborer makes five times as much as a laborer in Europe. But the rub comes in remembering that America has five times more "easy payment" plans than Europe.

BEAVERTON LOCALS.

Wm. Shake was arrested at the logging camp above Mountaineer by Deputy Sheriff Dooley. He admitted taking a woman's purse which was left on one of the stages.

J. W. Raynard, prominent Beaverton business man was a Hillsboro visitor Monday on business. Mr. Raynard has purchased the oak grove, a little over three acres, just west of Beaverton as an investment. He may possibly make a recreation center out of it. (Hillsboro Argus)

Mrs. W. H. Pierce, daughter Evelyn, of Portland, Mrs. M. L. Hardingham, Mrs. A. B. Clement and family, Mrs. Ethel Edwards and son John and Mrs. W. O. Hockens enjoyed a picnic in the Hocken's grove Sunday.

J. Marlow, of Portland, has purchased the 4 room modern house on Wheeler avenue, Aloha, from A. W. Buchanan. The deal was made thru Harry McLeod of the Beaverton Realty Company.

Last week was housecleaning time at W. E. Pegg's undertaking parlor. All the curtains were laundered and rehung.

M. W. Manning is having his building repainted this week.

According to a new road map recently printed and distributed along the Highway, Beaverton is listed with a population of 350, Reedville 200 and Cornelius 500. Of what use to the motoring public are maps that do not show the latest available information including the population figures of today and not that of 1900.

Mr. Francis Davies, formerly of route 3 Beaverton, now of Minneapolis, Minnesota is visiting with his father, Mr. A. M. Davies at Neetarts this week. Mr. Davies spent several days visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. George Blosser visited with relatives in Hillsboro Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Desinger went to Tacoma, Washington this week to attend Saengerfest there.

Mrs. M. J. Evans, Eva and Elsie Whitworth and Earl Evans motored Saturday night to Port Townsend, Washington where they will spend a two weeks vacation. Mr. Evans returned Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McFarlan of Tacoma Washington are spending the week visiting with Mrs. McFarlan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hughson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Shellenberger and children and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Denny and children camped on Scroggins creek in Patten Valley over the week end.

Miss Alice Johnson is recovering from the mumps.

Beatrice Ingram, fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ingram is seriously ill with appendicitis at Smiths Hospital in Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ford motored from Berkeley, California to visit with their aunt Mrs. W. E. Squires, Friday. Mrs. Quintel of Portland, mother of Mrs. Ford, also visited with Mrs. Squires Friday.

Eight Beaverton Shriners and their families picniced at the Oaks Thursday at the Shriners picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Petch visited in McMinnville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Summers, Mrs. Elmer Stipe, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. Doy Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. William Boyd enjoyed a picnic and a swim at Balm Grove Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Gorham were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wheeler in Portland Sunday.

Mr. E. J. Hecox sold the remainder of his stock of the Little Brown Jug Confectionery this week and will move to his new location in Portland soon.

Mr. L. R. Dean and son Harold spent the week end fishing on the North Umpqua river at Idlewild resort near Roseburg.

Mrs. Jack Saur and son Bobbie who have been visiting with Mrs. Saur's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Telft last week, returned to their home in Hood River.

Mrs. Thomas J. Hannigan of Portland, mother of Mrs. B. A. Rose is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Rose this week.

Word has been received that John Dugan who left here seriously ill, arrived at his sisters home in Wisconsin safely.

Mrs. H. J. Cox and daughters Bernice and Lois who have been spending the summer with relatives in Chicago, Illinois, returned to their home here Thursday.

Mrs. Guy Carr left Saturday for a short visit in Seattle, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Rose and sons Thomas and David spent the week end at Rockaway.

Crete and John Gray left Sunday morning for a four weeks session of the Post Summer School at the University of Oregon.

The Methodist Evangelistic camp meeting services end this week after three weeks here. Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Evangelists, will rest for a week and then continue their meetings at Tigard.

Mrs. Ray Mahler spent Saturday and Sunday with her husband Mr. Ray Mahler at Dallas where he is engaged in hauling wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Swenson gave a party Thursday in honor of Mrs. Bert Taylor formerly of Beaverton.

Mrs. Mand Miller of Portland is visiting at the home of her daughter Mrs. Ray Mahler.

Mrs. Vernon McCurdy of Stockton, California, her mother, Mrs. Walter Harris and sisters, Vivian and Dorothy motored around the Mt. Hood Loop Sunday.

Miss Suzanne Heban and Jack Heban, guests of Miss Ruth Haulenbeck, left Friday for their home in Tulsa Oklahoma.

Mrs. W. H. Miller, of Portland, is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. T. G. Hetu.

The daughter of Mrs. Albert Wedner who was operated on last week is greatly improved and she and her mother are visiting with Beaverton friends this week. They lived in Dr. Hetu's house several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Humbert will leave Sunday for a trip to Seaside. Mr. and Mrs. A. Powell will return Sunday.

A. B. Clements has purchased a Buick sedan. Mr. Skee wrote the insurance.

Messrs Marsh and Clements drove to Hillsboro and attended the court hearing in regards to the adjustment of damages for the proposed widening of Canyon road.

Judge E. E. Swenson and family enjoyed a picnic on the Molalla river Sunday.

Mrs. A. C. Adams, Bellingham, Wash., and Miss Ruth Zaither, of Los Angeles are visiting R. P. Adams this week. Mr. Adams is Mrs. Adams son and Miss Ruth Zaither is her sister.

W. L. Finley brought back the two coons to C. A. Hanna this week. He was able to take several good pictures of them. The coons have grown since being away and are nearly as large as their parents.

C. F. Hedge has painted a "No Parking" sign on the entrance to his driveway. The other evening he had to wait a long time for the occupants of a car to move before he could drive his car into the garage.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Freeman were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Larsen, Friday and heard their family orchestra consisting of three daughters and two sons. This orchestra may be heard at the Beaver Theatre soon.

C. E. Hedge rented a furnished house at First and Betts streets.

to Harry Doan of Rochester, N. Y. There are two boys and a girl in the family who will attend school here this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Barnes spent the week end at Neskowin Beach.

Mrs. M. C. McKercher was hostess Wednesday afternoon at an informal tea at her home on Lombard street, honoring Mrs. Henry Desinger of Knappa. Those enjoying the affair were Mrs. C. L. Hall, Mrs. L. L. Lasevell, Mrs. Guy Carr, Mrs. J. R. Metzler, Mrs. W. L. Cady, Mrs. Charles Acka, Mrs. Henry Desinger, Mrs. J. R. Talburt and her mother Mrs. C. J. Gould and Mrs. F. W. Livermore Jr.

MAPLEWOOD.

Mrs. C. L. Lincoln returned Sunday from La Grande where she stayed several days, with her son Charles Lincoln who has been very ill from a sun stroke. He is now recovering.

Mrs. Goff and daughter Iris are spending a month with Mr. Goff at Powder Oregon.

Mrs. Joe Zander of Woodland, Washington, has been visiting her sister Mrs. A. Norsell for a week.

Wade Henderson is very ill and was taken to St. Vincents Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Kellington are the proud parents of a new baby boy.

Mrs. W. Lyons is spending a few days at Camp Lewis Wash., where Mr. Lyons is employed.

Miss Elenore McDonald is convalescing at the Portland Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bowers attended the Pacific Singers Convention at Tacoma Washington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Freise are in Tacoma Washington visiting their daughter.

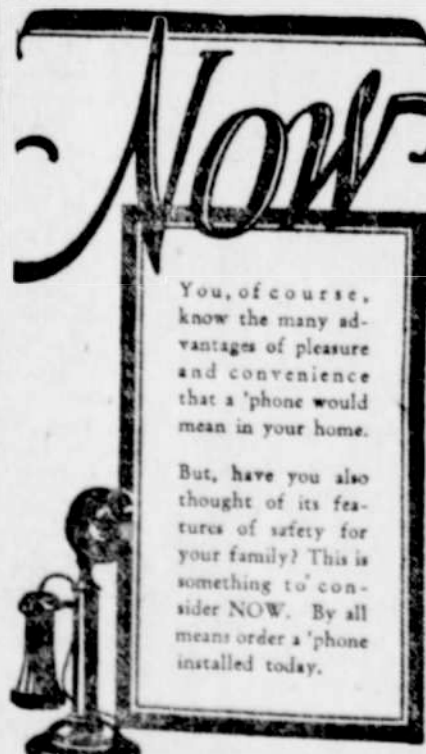
COLLEGES SHOW INTEREST IN GAS INDUSTRY

Colleges and Universities are looking with increasing favor upon the gas industry, according to the large number of institutions that are offering courses in gas engineering and allied subjects. Recent announcement by the American Gas Association that the sales of manufactured gas set a new record for all time in 1926 testifies to the potential development of this century-old utility service. In its announcement the Association claimed that relatively new uses for gas, such as house heating, industrial and factory heating operations, and automatic hot water service, are becoming increasingly popular in all sections of the country.

At present courses in gas engineering are offered at the following institutions: Johns Hopkins, University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin, University of Illinois, Ohio State College, and University of Louisville. A graduate of the 1928 class at Johns Hopkins was the first student to be awarded the degree in gas engineering.

The Homes Study Course on Manufactured Gas conducted at Columbia University now has an enrollment of more than 1000 students. Fuel engineering courses are offered at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Pennsylvania, and short courses on the use of gas for industrial operations are given at M. I. T. and the University of Illinois. Other courses that cover the gas meter, utility accounting and economics are also offered at 15 colleges and Universities.

Leading executives in the gas industry are enthusiastic about the interest being taken by colleges and universities in the gas utility. Recently one member of the "Old Guard", a time honored group of men who have spent their lifetime in the gas industry said that the most significant trend of the past five years was the increasing numbers of college men entering the gas business.



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