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Editorial Program

- I. Make Springfield the Industrial Center of Western Oregon. II. Develop a Strong Trading Point; Build a City of Contented Homes. III. Improve Living Conditions on the Farm. Promote the Raising of Purebred Livestock and the Growing of Fruit; Work for Better Markets. IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

SIDEWALKS

The city has ordered rebuilt several miles of sidewalk during this summer. A hearty response is being met from the property owners in making the needed improvements to the city, according to reports received at the city hall.

The response the property owners are giving to the sidewalk plans is a commendable manifestation of civic pride.

GOOD BOY, DAN—GO IT!

One of these days the world probably will be quite familiar with the name Dan Glass. Perhaps it will shine in the world of art, though it may stand out in the world of commerce; or in the realms of science, invention, or the professions.

Dan Glass has won a prize. Some folks think there is not very much to that, of course. Many a boy has won a prize. BUT this prize comes after sifting out the one boy in the whole United States who could best interpret the character of "Old Pop" a figure made famous by the newspapers in publishing the comic strip, "Folks in our Town."

More than three thousand boys, competed in this contest—to be exact 3,120. Dan Glass won after a competent jury of newspaper artists had passed upon the work of the contestants. The winning on this prize means more than the ability to draw. It shows tenacity of purpose, a determination to perform the task allotted without shirking in a single detail.

In years to come, possibly Dan Glass will look upon the simple prize he won by his efforts as the beacon, lighted by his own industry. What a splendid inspiration is Dan Glass to the boys of America. Good boy, Dan! Go it!

A half truth soon expands into a whole lie.

Don't forget this is cleanup week.

Many of the roads leading out of Springfield are in poor condition. Complaints come to us frequently as to the condition of certain of our highways. As soon as the roads will permit working the county court can make some needed improvements in this section.

A man never feels so crushed as after he has listened to his wife's description of the man she had picked as her ideal, before she met him.

A little learning is often a dangerous thing—it leads one to put down the wrong word in crossword puzzles.

When a speculator is successful he is known as a financier; when he is unsuccessful he is known as a failure.

How did they serve refreshments before lettuce leaves were invented?

The closer a man is the more distant are his friends.

Never try to show off your radio before company.

Life is something like a vaudeville show; one keeps thinking the next act will be better.

Editorial Comment

UNCLE SAM: EPICURE

Coffee from Brazil on our breakfast tables, and tea from the Mowery Kingdom at lunch, are commonplace of our day to day lives; bee business undertakes tasks even more notable for the satisfaction of our capricious palates.

IDLE CUT-OVER LAND

By the President, Calvin Coolidge Strange as it may seem, the American people, bred for many generations to forest life, drawing no small measure of their wealth from the forest, have not yet acquired the sense of timber as a crop.

PROFIT IS AN IRON RULER

Trade practices sometimes run counter to our usual theories of economy. For instance, the United States is both an importer and exporter of butter. What a paradoxical condition if we did not know some of the preventing effects of buying and selling!

We imported 19,494,816 pounds of butter in 1924, and the same year we exported 8,256,622 pounds. From Denmark we imported 7,182,414 pounds of butter and to Denmark we sold 277,461 pounds in 1924.

Our butter imports come from Denmark, England, Canada, Argentina, Holland, Australia, New Zealand and other countries. From distant New Zealand we bought 4,312,507 pounds of butter last year. From Argentina we bought 2,158,587 pounds.

Mexico was the largest buyer of American butter, taking 947,772 pounds. Cuba was second with purchases of \$44,909 pounds, and Panama third with 743,819 pounds.

In addition to the foregoing countries, we sold butter to Germany, Haiti, Peru, Trinidad, the Philippine Islands, the Dominican republic the Virgin Islands and Honduras—Oregon Farmer.

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

ABOVE THE KNEES, PLEASE 20 MILLION FEET A DAY SALMON BUT NOT CHILDREN AN OLD BIBLE

Paris rulers of fashion say to women all over the world: "Wear your skirts above your knees and paint your ears red." And the pathetic fact is that millions of women will wear skirts so short as to be silly, and paint their ears without loss of time.

The short skirt, in reason, is sensible, a step toward common sense, and away from microbes. Red ears, when natural, indicate good blood condition. But for women to wear skirts that would look foolish on a child, paint artificial health on their ears, curl their lashes and color their eyelids, that seems too much.

We can estimate the wealth under ground in this country. The Harland Oil Company strikes a new oil well in its Colorado territory. The roar of the gas, rushing out, twenty million feet a day, can be heard for six miles. If gas were worth one dollar a thousand, which is called "a cheap, confiscatory price," how much would that well yield in money?

And the wealth in the ground is perhaps less than the wealth in the air. Floating above every farm, waiting to be taken out and used, is enough nitrogen to fertilize many such farms. We buy nitrogen hauled all the way from South America, and there are billions of tons of it above our heads.

And what is the wealth below the waters of the oceans, seas and lakes, that cover the greater part of the earth?

Here and there, along the Pacific Coast, you see oil wells out in the ocean.

Men eventually will explore the ocean's bed, as they now explore Alaska, or Africa, and give to the farms, from the air, the nitrogen they need. Henry Ford would do it now, if he had Muscle Shoals.

The Supreme Court decides that the game and fish act is constitutional. The National Government therefore has power, where game and fish are concerned, to protect the interest of the people.

The Monterey Fish Product Company must now discontinue turning into fertilizer fish fit for human food.

What about an act that would prevent exploiters of child labor turning young lives into dividends and grinding up children into profits? Isn't that worse than grinding good salmon into fertilizer?

The Supreme Court was not able to uphold the constitutionality of an act to protect children, although certain so-called "radical" justices on that bench did uphold it.

However, our highest court does find a way to protect fish and game.

About a hundred years ago, in a Vermont log cabin, a young mother read to her children old Bible stories, about the whale that swallowed Jonah, Elijah and his chariot of fire and the fig tree that withered under Divine rebuke.

That mother was poor and all her people were poor, and ours was a young and poor nation then.

The old Bible from that log cabin, carefully wrapped up, was taken to the broad platform before the Capitol. With his hand on that Bible, Calvin Coolidge swore to do his duty as President of the United States. He is the grandson of the New England woman that owned the Bible, 100 years ago.

This is the land of opportunity and growth. What will it be in years to come, if the 112,000,000 now here work as hard and hopefully as men and women did in the days of Calvin Coolidge's grandmother?

The Judge's Josh

THE WORM THAT TURNS, AT LEAST, EXERCISES ITS LIVER.



STOVE-LEAGUE BARBERING

By Thomas W. Wilkinson "While us and the rest of the folks is settin here and plannin for the future of our nation we should ha' ought to get the ladies hair combed out. What I mean is to settle that question. Cause it keeps bobbing up and it should be cut short. For instants there is a short fat lady.

this week" and he said "You mean appointment, don't you?" and I said "No cause she was disappointed the last time you tried to make her hair look like a tumble weed in a storm."

BLONDE BESS OPINES "The lips that touch liquor shall never touch mine—because I've got the cellar locked up."

Estate of Philo Wilcox. NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT Notice is hereby given that Sarah C. McBees has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, in and for Lane County, her final report as Administratrix of the estate of Philo Wilcox, deceased; and that on October 15th day of May, 1925 at the court room thereof in Eugene, Oregon, have been by the Court fixed as the time and place for hearing objections to said report and for the final settlement of the estate of said deceased.



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