



**TAKE TIME TO THINK IT OVER.**

There is a man, now old in years but still very vigorous, who built up the largest company of its kind in this country. One of his younger associates was recently giving me some sidelights on his character and methods.

"Whenever we had some especially big problem on hand the same thing invariably happened," he said. "It might be a building program involving the investment of millions, or the launching of a new product, or a plan for extending our operations into a foreign country. 'Always, in the midst of our discussions, the Old Man would bring his fist down on the desk with a bang. 'We will stop right here,' he would say. 'We will not decide a single thing. I am going away to the country for two weeks to rest and fish. When I come back I will tell you how to run this company.' My informant said that the Old Man invariably returned with a better perspective, clearer vision and fresh courage.

Years ago I read a biography of Benjamin Disraeli who began life, as you will recall, as a writer with publishing ambitions. He conceived the idea of a magazine, and was bold enough to hope that he might persuade Sir Walter Scott to be its editor.

He took the train to the city where Scott lived and arrived late

in the afternoon. Instead of making his call at once, he registered at the hotel, ordered a comfortable room, and went to bed.

In recording the experience, he said that he had made up his mind, even in those early days, never to attempt a difficult interview when he was tired.

Two men of my acquaintance were thrown out of employment by a merger. They were men of ability for whom opportunities were sure to open sooner or later.

The first man proceeded to worry himself into a state of nervous inefficiency. He hurried around among his friends; he let fear show in his eyes and face.

The other man went away. When I met him last he was sun-browned and rested; he had purchased some new clothes, and was starting out serenely to conquer the world.

Most of us have to take our vacations at stated intervals, which are fixed by the routine of business rather than by our personal desires. But it is possible for even the blindest of us to avoid the mistake of making important decisions when our minds are weary or worried.

Lots of times the best thing we can do is to say: "I shall now turn my back on this desk and leave the office, and I will not think about this thing again tonight."

"Tomorrow will be a new day and, if I am rested, a day full of much more courage and wisdom. So my decision will be sounder and braver than it can possibly be today."

ing a great wall of fortifications along the German border. Why not? French territory has been invaded by enemies from the North many times in 120 years. If anything like that had happened to us, we would have a thousand forts and a million soldiers along the Canadian border.

**IRRIGON**

MRS. W. C. ISOM.

Mrs. Frank Brace had another attack of flu and was taken to the Hermiston hospital Tuesday. She returned home Friday.

William Grabel, Mrs. Doc McCoy and Mrs. Chas. McFall, all of Imbler, Ore., were visiting the John Grabel and Emmett McCoy families this week.

A little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Connel Monday. Mother and baby doing well.

Miss Edith Stallard, county health nurse of Heppner, visited the school Wednesday. An examination was given of the eyes and ears of a number of the grade and high school students.

Mrs. A. C. Houghton and Mrs. Roscoe Williams were Umatilla visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Fredrickson, Mrs. Sam Smith and Mrs. A. C. Houghton spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Roscoe Williams.

Mrs. Chas. Stewart gave a party at her home for her Sunday school class Saturday which was enjoyed by all the little folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom were Umatilla visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scarlet and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leicht and family Sunday.

Earl Isom made a trip to Hermiston Wednesday and returned with a used Ford coupe which he purchased there.

Mr. and Mrs. Batie Rand are the proud parents of a baby boy born Monday, April 27. Mrs. Rand is in the Pendleton hospital.

Wesley Chaney was in Hermiston on business Monday.

Mrs. Jess Oliver and son, Floyd and Donald Isom attended the dance at Echo Saturday night.

Fred Markham and Jess Oliver left Friday for different points in Oregon, Idaho and Montana where they will shear sheep.

Harry Davis of The Daleis is visiting the Coryells.

The severe wind of last week did a great deal of damage to outbuildings, gardens and fruit in this vicinity. A number of beds of new settings of strawberries were entirely blown out.

Mrs. Harvey Warner entertained a number of the girls of her Sunday school class Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Newlywed—We hadn't been married a week when he hit me with a piece of sponge cake.

Judge—Disorderly Conduct. Five dollars and costs.

Mrs. Newlywed (sobbing)—And I'd made the cake with my own hands.

Judge—Assault with a deadly weapon—one year.

Tom: "I'd like to give my fiancée a surprise for her anniversary present."

Jerry: "Why not tell her what your income really is?"

Hutsinpiiler—But why did you buy a dachshund for the children?

Haasenpfeffer—So that they can all pet him at once.

Mayme—Luke declares he'll go crazy if I don't marry him.

Lucy—Ah! Then there's no hope for him either way.

**SPRAYING WEEDS FOUND EFFECTIVE**

Chlorates Used to Clean Up Areas Inaccessible to Cultivation.

With the effectiveness of chlorate sprays and dusts in controlling weeds practically established, Oregon farmers are now in a position to clean up fence rows and eradicate small patches of weeds that formerly made field cultivation for weed control a rather hopeless task, says E. R. Jackman, farm crops specialist of the Oregon State college Extension Service.

Interest in the use of these chemicals has increased rapidly throughout the state recently as a result of a campaign carried on during the past three years by county agents. More than 300,000 pounds of chemicals approximately one-third of which was sodium chlorate and the rest calcium chlorate were used in Oregon last year, Jackman reports.

Observations made to date show sodium chlorate to be more effective than calcium chlorate, he says.

These chemicals are too expensive for use on a large scale, Jackman says, and the chief value of their discovery lies in the fact that farmers are now able to clean up small patches of weeds such as quack grass, Canada thistle, morning glory and others in their fields and along fence rows and roadsides, thus making it possible to clean cultivated fields without having them immediately reinfested from adjacent areas where cultivation is impossible.

Fall or late summer has been found the best time for application, and weeds seem to be killed more easily on land unplowed for several years. Much of the killing of the roots apparently does not take place until the spring following application. Spraying has been found

more effective than dusting for summer use.

**Hints on Camping Food And Equipment Offered**

Another Oregon spring has sent out its "call to the wild" and people everywhere are responding to the urge to get out and "rough it," for awhile.

For some this means merely an occasional afternoon picnic in the woods, while others prefer a more extended camping trip. The former can take as much equipment as they can pack in the car and still have room for the children, but the latter group will do well to keep in mind the slogan of the true woodsmen, "Travel light but travel right."

A few suggestions as to how this maxim can be followed in the matter of food and cooking equipment are offered by Miss Willetta Moore, who has taught classes in camp cookery for a number of years. It is best, she says, to select foods that are high in nutritional value, small in bulk and light in weight. Energy foods are essential because of the great amount of energy expended on such trips. For that reason, sugar is better than saccharine as a sweetening agent in spite of its greater bulk because of its high energy value.

It is well to avoid canned foods as much as possible, with the exception of tomatoes, which have a place in the camp supplies because of their vitamin and mineral content. Dehydrated vegetables offer variety as well as food value.

Cloth bags are much better than cans or boxes for packing groceries, Miss Moore says. They are less bulky on the return trip, and if dipped in paraffin, will keep sandwiches and other foods fresh. A very thin coating of paraffin is applied so that it will not crack. These bags can be rolled up and used again.

As personal equipment, each per-

son needs a canteen, a water proof match box, a compass, a first aid kit and a combination mess kit, says Miss Moore. It is always a good idea to make a list of all supplies and equipment needed and check off the items as they are packed.

First Shark: "What's that funny looking two-legged thing that just fell into the water?"

Second Shark: "Dunno, but I'll bite."

The teacher was putting ques-

tions to the class. "What do we call a man," he asked, "who keeps on talking and talking when people are no longer interested?"

"Please, sir," replied a boy, "a teacher."

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**LONGWORTH**

A great gentleman whom I am proud to have known as a friend passed when Nicholas Longworth died. Politically we often disagreed. Personally Nick Longworth had the happy faculty of making and keeping friends, regardless of their political or other beliefs. Born to the purple, he was never a snob.

At his home, "Rockwood," the stately mansion built by his grandfather on the banks of the Ohio river near Cincinnati, he had one of the largest collections of letters and documents relating to the early history and settlement of the Northwest Territory. The first Nicholas Longworth had the idea of establishing great vineyards along the Ohio, which reminded him of the Rhine. He brought German grape-cultivators and wine-makers from the Rhenish Palatinate, and so established the first German colony in what was then the West. He produced a wine from succupernong grapes which was the subject of one of Longfellow's best poems. The poet often visited him. Once, Nick told me, his grandfather commented on the similarity of the names "Longworth" and "Longfellow," to which the poet replied with a line from one of Pope's poems: "Worth makes the man, the want of it the fellow."

**WAR**

Twenty years ago presumably intelligent Americans were assuring each other that there would never be another great war. Intelligent Europeans never shared American optimism about war's impossibility. They smile at the thought that the "last" war was a "war to end war." They set up the League of Nations, which will act as a deterrent of war until some powerful nation decides to ignore it. And they laugh in their sleeves when everybody suggests that the era of permanent peace has arrived.

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William Hale Thompson.

James Joseph Walker, the suave and personally popular Mayor of New York, is under fire because of revelations of grave corruption in the city's police department and minor courts. Back of Walker is a political gang which calls itself Democratic. Mr. Walker has not yet shown signs of renouncing Tammany Hall and leading the movement to clean up the city.

Foolish partisans support incompetent local officials because of the party names attached to the political gangs which control them. Almost the only cities in which there is anything like honest and efficient administration of the people's government are those in which the administrative machinery has been turned over to a non-partisan commission and a City Manager. New York and Chicago will come to that in time.

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**RUSSIA**

Nobody but a Russian can understand the Russians. Hence, nobody in this country really understands what the Soviet government is trying to do and how it hopes to accomplish it. William C. White, who learned Russian and lived four years among the Russian people in cities and villages, comes nearest to it in his book, "These Russians."

Two or three things seem clear after reading this book. One is that the Russian people, much more akin to the Chinese than to any Europeans, place a trifling value on human life. Another is that the rulers who are promoting the "Five-Year-Plan" are trying to make Russia as much like the United States as they can, so far as material progress goes. And another unescapable conclusion is that, unless something happens, all of the people of Russia will become slaves under military discipline.

Well, Army life isn't so bad—for the officers.

**EMPLOYMENT**

Edward A. Filene, famous Boston merchant who has long been active in many programs of social welfare, says that the problem of unemployment, because of seasonal or general business depressions, can be solved by State legislation, requiring all industries to set aside a given percentage of their payrolls for a fund to carry their employees over in dull times.

The state would not go into the job insurance business under Mr. Filene's plan, but doubtless insurance companies would, and every employer of labor would have to carry it. One result, its author thinks, would be no more business depressions, because the buying power of the mass would never be diminished by reason of unemployment.

**MAYORS**

Anton Joseph Cermak, the new Mayor of Chicago, was elected not because he is a Democrat but because the people of Chicago were disgusted with the rule of the political gang which calls itself Republican, and its Mayor, the blatant



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