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WORLD PROGRESSING
 "Without vision the people perish" It is only by peering ahead into the misty future in order to discern the first gleam of the sun of perfection that humanity may hope to progress. It is because of faith in the innate goodness of humanity and of the coming of a rule of justice, mercy and truth, that man struggles for the good of his fellows.

It is not true that the world is growing worse and that nations have hopelessly turned their feet from the path of peace and progress. It is only that the conception of right and wrong has become more vivid, that we today note the sordidness and vice among men and women; the trickery and evasion of politicians and the overt acts of one nation that arouse the resentment of another.

When was it that men were not cruel, brutal and merciless, criminal and unjust? When was it that nation did not arm against nation and seek by the prowess of armies to wrest from neighboring peoples their territories and their possessions?

History is in the main the recording of perfidy and strife, of man's inhumanity to man; of the crushing of the weak by the strong; of great empires being built from the ruins of

subjugated peoples.

Today one is shocked by vice and crime because he is conscious of their enormity. Things which in the time of the fathers were so common as to be regarded as ordinary, today send a thrill of horror through the hearts of the people because the popular standard has been infinitely raised—the popular abhorrence of the vicious, the depraved and the unjust intensified.

Whether or not crime has increased is a question. Possibly it is not an increase in crime but rather a knowledge of crime more widely diffused through the vastly enhanced facilities for gathering and scattering the news, that leads to the fear of a moral breakdown of the people.

The regeneration of man is a slow process, but a long step has been taken through realization of the difference between good and evil. It is through altruism controlled by judgment, faith in the high destiny of mankind, that the world shall be ultimately saved. Vision that keeps man consistently working for the uplift of his race will eventually be vindicated. Without it, humanity must sink back into the dark slough of paganism.

MAKE CHRISTMAS SAFE
 Christmas is nearly here. We will soon read of the Christmas trees that were ignited through careless use of candles or electric wiring. We will read of the houses that were burned down as a result and we will read of children and grown people whose Christmas parties were turned into occasions for mourning due to death by fire caused by carelessness in handling inflammable materials in connection with Christmas festivities.

What a pity that a day of rejoicing will be turned into a day of sorrow in many homes as a result of pure carelessness.

What a wonderful thing it would

be if every family would make it a point to see that every possible fire hazard was eliminated from Christmas festivities.

Think of the saving that would result in lives and property on this great day.

SMALL TOWN DAILY AND WEEKLY
 The story of the newspaper published in the country town or smaller city has significance for the student of American society. The influence of this class of newspaper is close, constant and pervasive.

When the paper appreciates its opportunities and is judiciously conducted, it becomes a member of every family within its field in a way that the great newspaper of the larger city cannot rival.

The small town paper is never a product of wealth, its capital consisting of the editor's brains and its plant, of copy paper, paste, scissors, table and waste basket.

The success of such newspapers is owing chiefly to the courage and persistence of the proprietor and to the support of the community. The loyalty of the editor and of the paper to the community is an asset to any town and deserves its friendship.

There is a strong bond of influence between country weekly and smaller cities dailies and their readers that can never exist in the relation of the metropolitan daily and the public.

The New York World says everybody ought to buy a new suit of clothes. We like the idea, says Houston Post. Some of the men are so shiny-seated that we can't understand how they manage to keep in their chairs without using sandpaper cushions.

O. A. C. FARM REMINDERS

 "No progressive orchardist should stand for the neglect of orchard trees adjacent to his property which will result in the development of diseases and pests which will spread to his own trees," asserts H. P. Baras, plant pathologist at the O. S. C. experiment station. "Such pests and diseases make the problem of producing clean fruit and healthy trees more difficult."

"The state horticultural law provides the method by which such cases can be handled. Appeal to your county fruit inspector or to the state board of horticulture who have the enforcement of the law in charge. Keep after them until the offending property is cleaned up."

Placing the roosters in the breeding pen this month is advisable in order that they may become accustomed to their surroundings and acquainted with the balance of the flock before eggs are saved for hatch-

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Justice always been pictured as a woman?—Tacoma Ledger.

Conditions in Mexico City are said to be desperate because of a shortage of water. They can't be so bad considering that the supply of pulque and mescal is reported to be abundant.—Tacoma Ledger.

TRADE SHIRTS IN STREET
 Pink Envious of Purple, and Vice Versa, With Startling Result on Busy Thoroughfare.

New York.—A pink shirt and a purple one changed backs in Madison avenue, the principal thoroughfare of Ashbury Park, N. J., while scores of persons watched.

Wearing a purple shirt, Milan Ross, real estate dealer, met his friend, Irving Newman, an official of the Ashbury Park and Ocean Grove bank, who was attired in the pink. Each admired the other's shirt. Ross suggested the change and Newman agreed.

Both started to remove their shirts and a crowd became interested. Newman got his off, but fled to a telephone booth when the crowd came closer. Ross, undismayed, continued to change. He hung his own on an ice cream sign while he put on Ross'.

Draughty houses and damp poultry litter are to be guarded against, particularly at this season of the year.

A palatable wet mash will bring pullets into production when they are slow to lay. It is advisable to feed it in such a manner that the activity of the bird will not be interfered with during the day. A hungry hen is a working hen.

Bishop of Paris says the United States holds the key to world peace well, as soon as Europe quits plastering the keyhole up with mud, probably Uncle Sam will use his key—Tacoma Ledger.

Why should there be so much surprise because Ohio has picked a woman for supreme court judge? Hasn't

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