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QUILL POINTS

Broker: A toll bridge on the road to the poor house.

Smile for today: As hopeless as a fat woman's search for a coat she likes.

A little learning isn't the only thing that's dangerous. There is a little margin.

You can recognize the road to success by the friends discarded along the way.

What's the use? If you make \$5000 more a year, it just costs you \$7000 more a year to live up to it.

A man's vanity is pleased when two women struggle to possess him, but they would battle as hard if he were an \$9-cent stocking at the bargain counter.

A genius is an individual who is content with crusts if they are spread thick with praise.

"You can get what you pay for," says an advertiser. Yeah! Try paying for a \$1000 policy on a \$3000 property.

The Reds can't do much in a land where everybody has sneaking sympathy for a rich man who must go to jail.

Americanism: A firm belief in man's inalienable right to treat his betters as equals.

Funnyman Rogers gets his humor from the Indian side of the family they say. Possibly a descendant of Minnie Ha Ha.

Some of the old classics seem to have queer endings, and doubtless the editors cut them short to fit around the advertising.

Alas! The enrichment of bootleggers will cause historians to think "Easy Street" and abbreviation of "Speakeasy Street."

The long string of ears held back by a slow one up front indicates that everything has speeded up except love.

The bar association urges the repeal of laws that can't be enforced. But if there's no way to dodge the law, how can lawyers make a living?

What's the use? When everybody began to buy Christmas cards instead of presents, the things became as expensive as a nice trinket from the 10-cent store.

Productions like "Gold Diggers of Broadway" demonstrate that the movies can provide wonderful entertainment if they don't use movie stars.

Sealskin isn't fashionable this season, and now many a rabbit that dreamed great dreams must be a mere beaver.

Correct this sentence: "I know a dozen great men," said the writer, "but I never drag their names into my stuff to show how important I am."

"The right people control the law's machinery," says an editor. Anyway the law seldom jails the right people.

A medicine cabinet is a bathroom convenience in which you keep tubes, jars and bottles that contain no medicine.

Still, movie stars aren't the only ones. So many people spoil a good impression when they begin to talk.

The "criminal element" comprises those who frisk the public without paying office rent.

A traveler is a person who begins every fifth sentence with the words: "When I was in Europe."

Unwritten Law Banned As Defense for Crime of Murder By Italians; Maintain Letter of Law Is Order

By Andree Berding, Associated Press Staff Writer. ROME. — Murder in the heat of blood, murder for reasons of honor, and murder under "temporary insanity" are stripped of all pretext for defense and made not only but plain murder throughout Italy by an order which Alfredo Rocco, minister of justice, directed the judges and prosecutors of the court of appeals and the courts of assize.

Sharply inveighing against "morbid sentimentalism" in murder trials, the minister ordered the judges to change their judicial point of view so that murderers of the classes mentioned will not be granted acquittals.

Thus falls another choice fetter of this hot-blooded nation. For generations the belief has been cherished that a husband who murdered the lover of his wife should be freed, that murder committed while the blood was up was not murder, even that murder committed during the blowing of a sarooce—a hot, humid, irritating wind from the African deserts—was excusable.

Juries would not convict in such cases, and judges readily freed the prisoners. Only recently a husband who had slain a suitor of his wife was acquitted. Minister Rocco called special attention to this case.

The order directed that judges should admit pleas of temporary insanity only with extreme caution. And even if this plea should actually secure an acquittal, the prisoner was not to be freed, but is to be regarded as a maniac and treated as such.

"Although the fascist regime has undertaken a work of vast social regeneration, there still persist some prejudices and remnants of barbarism and of traditional semi-anarchy," said the order. "Not

last and least is the so-called law of killing for pretended reasons of honor—a law retained in the mind of the people to such an extent that they believe that circumstances alone induce the crime of passion. They therefore believe that a husband whose blood was aroused by jealousy and suspicion of conjugal betrayal should be acquitted of murder.

"Verdicts, therefore almost always scandalous, as that pronounced recently in the capital itself, are frequent, legalizing through morbid sentimentalism attempts against the sanctity of human life proclaimed invariable by religion and the law. Following with close attention the assize trials for murder, I have seen with deep sorrow that even in the fascist regime, not only do the citizen-jurors augment the discredit of the institution of the jury, but the judges themselves, sometimes do not do what is possible for avoiding such acquittals.

"While the work of the fascist government is intensified to educate public opinion by destroying superstitions and prejudices and holding up human life as a divine gift, while more vigorous protection is given to human life in the new penal code, it is necessary that the judges make this work efficacious. I recommend that the prosecutors maintain the letter and spirit of the legislation, without revealing uncertainty over the culpability of the accused, or, worse, lending themselves to morbid sentimentalism.

"Only by these methods can we avoid acquittals that threaten the moral fibre of the nation."

Coal Rivals Corn DES MOINES, Iowa. — Iowa the corn state, mines coal valued at \$16,000,000 annually.

PROCLAMATION

The harvest season in the Rogue River valley has again come to a close, and we are minded of the custom of our forefathers, who, with barely enough food garnered from their harvest to carry them through the winter, turned their thoughts toward Almighty God in praise and thanksgiving for the blessings of peace and plenty.

By custom this became an annual event in the lives of the founders of this great commonwealth, and each year at the close of the harvest season there were called together to render thanks to God in one voice. By custom they came to look to the president of our country to set aside a day of rejoicing and praise for peace and bounteous crops, and this custom has been perpetuated through the ages of past generations down to the present time. It is therefore fitting and proper that we, in this favored section of the Pacific slope, the Eden of the cascade country, the Rogue River valley, pause, in observance of the custom of our forefathers and reverently give thanks to Him who reigneth over all.

During the year coming to a close we have been at peace in all sections of our own country, and with other nations beyond the seas. Our farms have yielded normal crops, and the industrial centers have given employment to the mass population who must earn their living by their daily toil. Our country has kept pace with former years in scientific and educational advancement, and we have reason to believe that we stand on the threshold of a new era in the progress of transportation and commerce.

In the Rogue River valley we have just harvested abundant farm and orchard crops of the greatest value in our history, and God has given us protection against disaster. It is therefore expedient and proper that we, in the Rogue River valley, in conformity with the proclamation of the president of the United States, solemnly and solemnly observe Thursday, November 28 as Thanksgiving Day; that we rest from our daily toil, and gather at our accustomed places of worship there to render thanks to Almighty God for the blessings of this year.

Therefore I, A. W. Pipes, mayor of the city of Medford, proclaim Thursday, November 28, as a day of thanksgiving in Medford and earnestly urge our people to close their places of business and join heartily in proper and sacred observance of the day.

A. W. PIPES, Mayor of Medford

MEXICO CITY. — Believing that singing helps the soldier on his marches and in his work, the war department has set aside part of its 1930 budget for teachers to train Mexico's troops in vocal arts.

CONSTANTINOPLE. — The Turkish tobacco monopoly announces that last year this city's \$50,000 people smoked \$5,000,000 worth of cigarettes. The number of fags exceeded a billion.

BRUSSA, Turkey. — A Turkish aviator set this ancient town awafire recently when he flew back and forth between the minarets of the famous Oulou Djami mosque. The minarets are about 150 feet apart.

KINGSTON, Jamaica. — Rum duties netted the Jamaican government \$600,000 in the first six months of the fiscal year. This is an increase of \$80,000 over the same period last year. Total customs receipts in the same time were more than \$2,000,000.

GENEVA. — Press galleries of the projected new assembly hall of the League of Nations are designed to accommodate 600 journalists and newspapermen. In the limited space where the league has met for years, the reporters have been packed in like sardines.

PROCLAMATION Executive Department, Salem, Oregon, November 13, 1929.

The turn of the year brings us again to the season when man, impelled by an age-old and world-wide impulse, has been wont to offer his human thanks to Almighty God for the fulfillment of His ancient promise that while the earth remaineth seed time and harvest shall not fail.

Our national observance of an annual day of thanksgiving was instituted when our Pilgrim forefathers gathered together to make grateful acknowledgment for the bountiful crops on which depended their survival. Since that first American harvest, progress along innumerable lines has added to the comfort, the efficiency and the security of our lives. Wealth and high position have been vouchsafed us as a nation. Manifest and great opportunities have been opened up to us as individuals. Social and economic changes have been vast, but the spiritual truth remains steadfast that material achievements are made fruitful only by guidance and strength from a power which is above and beyond human endeavors. Eternal and universal in the hearts of thoughtful men is the prayer, "Establish Thou the work of our hands."

Now, therefore, I, I. L. Patterson, governor of the state of Oregon, in conformity with the proclamation of the president of the United States, do proclaim Thursday, November 28th, 1929, as Thanksgiving Day, and do hereby set it aside as a public holiday.

Let us, on this day, give thought to man's fellowship with nature in the husbandry of the fruitful earth, first source of all wealth. Let us acknowledge the ties of family affection and renew the bond of hearth and home. Let us confirm and strengthen the will to peace, stronger now than ever before in the hearts of men. Let us share our abundance with the less fortunate, and let us humbly dedicate our power and prosperity to the service of Almighty God.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of Oregon to be hereunto affixed this 15th day of November, A. D. 1929.

I. L. PATTERSON, Governor.

HAL E. HOSS, Secretary of State.

Farm Pointers

By Frank L. Weller

WASHINGTON. — In Irving W. Schoenfeld, one of the best field men in the bureau of agricultural economics, the farm board has indicated a second time the probable scope of its future research in factors affecting market and prices.

The first time when the board, by order of the President, took over bodily the bureau's division of cooperative marketing.

There is no suggestion that the board intends to absorb the whole bureau or any other part of it, but the law provides that the President may turn over to it any governmental agency it needs.

Schoenfeld is a former assistant chief of the bureau. He has been chairman of the federal crop reporting board and was in charge of research work when the bureau laid plans to interpret price trends.

By reason of senatorial opposition the bureau no longer forecasts the price trend of cotton, but it does predict trends in other farm commodities. The service constantly is becoming of more importance to the board. It makes continuous use, too, of the crop reporting board. As it expands it may find that these two branches, and others of the bureau, could be operated with greater efficiency if attached to the board.

Various research, service and regulatory activities of the bureau in the Pacific northwest have been coordinated under Schoenfeld's direction.

While he is to represent the farm board, his services still are to be available to the bureau, particularly in connection with economic and marketing research work of special interest to the board.

BUDAPEST. — Twelve Hungarian police magistrates here took lessons in automobile driving to fit themselves to decide technical points involved in traffic cases.

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SAVE AND HAVE

Are You a Contented Driver?

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CONSULT YOUR DOCTOR

If you begin to feel symptoms of "flu." Often a light case develops into a serious illness that will work a physical and financial hardship on you.

Your doctor will advise you to go to a good hospital. He knows that you'll be well taken care of—have a clean, airy room, eat correct, scientifically prepared foods and receive the attention of graduate nurses.

The cost is moderate, too, when you stop to consider that it costs less to stay at a hospital than at a first class hotel.

Community Hospital