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The Best Time To Live

THE "good old days," which are so regarded because we have conveniently — though perhaps, unconsciously — trained our memories to recall only the good things and forget the bad, weren't as good as they are popularly supposed to have been.

You can take this from Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, dean of the supreme court of the United States, who, in his 90th year, finds the complex life of 1930 richer and more interesting than that of 1865 when, already a lieutenant-colonel at 23, he left the Union army to pursue a career at law. The venerable jurist gives his opinions in the current issue of the Golden Book magazine.

LISTEN to few bits of his wisdom:

"When it is said we are too much occupied with the means of living to live, I answer that the chief worth of civilization is that it makes the means of living more complex, that it calls for great and combined intellectual efforts instead of simple, unco-ordinated ones, in order that the crowd may be fed and clothed and housed and moved from place to place. . . . Because more complex and intense intellectual effort means a fuller and richer life. They mean more life. . . . Life is an end in itself, and the only question of its being worth living is whether you have enough of it."

THOUGH our own experience with life is many, many years less than of Justice Holmes, we believe as he believes. Our mode of living today calls for greater effort than that of a generation back; but we are compensated with richer and fuller lives. We enjoy more conveniences, comforts, pleasures and opportunities than our grandfathers ever thought possible. True, life is faster, competition is keener; but the compensations therefore are abundant.

Regardless of those who pine for "the good old days," we think there has never been a better time to live than the present. And, in addition, we look to the future for improvement. Our children may pay a greater price for their lives, but the compensation will be commensurate with the increase.

Some day a newspaper paragraph is going to read a story on escaped gas or hot air and not even think of making a wisecrack about congress.

A writer in Paris, a news dispatch reads, has become a popular opera star. Proving again that all good things come to him who waits.

It will be just a stroke of fate, of course, that will bring those mixed-up babies together in a Pullman car some day and have them argue about their berths.

Women are to wear skirts longer. And if the business depression continues, they'll be wearing 'em longer than they expect.

The theatrical season is so poor that many actors in Chicago are working in stores. Probably in meat stores, where they can rub elbows with the hams.

EDITORIALS FROM OVER THE NATION

WRITERS' REWARDS

Miami Herald: "Good-by, Dolly Gray" and "Schooldays" are two popular songs of a bygone day which everybody sang or at least remembers. They are still heard occasionally when a singer wants to carry his audience back to "the good old days." William Denight Cobb, who wrote them, died recently and left an estate of only \$329.

The will of the late Edward Stratemeyer, probated at New York about the same time, tells a different story. The author of the "Rover Boys" tales and countless other juvenile books was able to make bequests totaling half a million dollars.

Song writing rewards, however popular the composition, were relatively nothing in Cobb's heyday compared to what they are now. Even now the composer must look sharp if he is to keep others from getting the revenues which are rightfully his. A song once returned only what could be realized through sheet music. Now automatic piano, phonograph radio and the talkies are potential sources of royalty.

Some of the writers of the old-time Western "thrillers" which every schoolboy smuggled into the attic feared no better than Cobb. Stratemeyer was of the modern school which has, along with the secret of popular appeal, the business acumen to be paid handsomely for it. We see this in many fields. The "artistic" whether his medium be

the potboiler or the prize ring, has outgrown his traditional prodigality.

ADVERTISING THE REDS Baltimore Sun: Representative Snell's resolution for the investigation of Communist propaganda in the United States is one of those "fat" legislative moves like the resolution to send the Gold Star mothers abroad. It is superficially unexceptional in motive. Few will lift their voices against it. Yet it is entirely unnecessary. This country is not threatened by the Reds. And one who believes that that little knot of cruel fanatics, who have imposed their deadly tyranny upon the Russian peasants, can put it to work in free and happy America has another guess coming. Our local police can take care of the few foolish Communists we have in our midst. We need no glorification of them by a "national investigation."

SPLIT NURSE FEES Time: Trained nurses in most communities earn \$6 and keep per day. Last week Ethel E. Thomson of Portland, Ore., incoming president of the American Nurses' association, suggested to their convention in Milwaukee that any patient who could not afford that much and yet did not want cheap ward nursing, might put himself under one nurse's care with two or three other patients, who could split her charges. Some hospitals now have such small-group nursing.

DAILY LETTER ON AFFAIRS AT U. S. CAPITAL

Washington Is Still Perturbed Over the Way in Which Private Offices Are Getting Banned by Unknown Privileges—Backer of Senator Norris Is Latest Victim.

BY RODNEY DUTCHER

NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—It is becoming more or less axiomatic around the capital that nobody's desk is safe.

No sooner does the flurry die down over one case of apparent political espionage and pilfering than someone else reports that his office has been entered and some of his papers messed up or stolen.

The latest victim is Judson King, head of the National Popular Government League, who was collecting endorsements from various prominent persons to be published and used in Nebraska to aid the re-election campaign of Senator George W. Norris. King had sorted out statements from about 20 Washington newspaper correspondents who had paid tribute to Norris, and someone seems to have entered his office and pilfered them. His theory is that some anti-Norris element was responsible.

Senators Suffered, Too Most such little incidents seem to have some connection with the Senate. About a year ago people began to whisper in your correspondent's ear about the weird feeling on Capitol hill that mysterious forces were at work "getting something on people."

The "spy scare" early this year when senators thought their offices were being entered and searched for liquor, the reports of other senators that their desks had been opened during the fight against Judge Parker and the more recent breaks into the office of Senator Hiram Johnson of California all helped intensify the feeling of resentful apprehension.

This was vividly described by Paul Y. Anderson, correspondent of the Nation, last month, as follows: "The first thing the observing visitor is likely to remark in Washington nowadays is the atmosphere of suspicion, distrust and dread which pervades almost every department of the national government. Among officials of all ranks one encounters the same feeling of being watched and plotted against by secret enemies. The fear which emanates from the White House has spread over the capital."

"Under a president who sees in nearly every prominent member of his party a secret aspiration for the nomination in 1932—and in every hint of opposition to his policies a conspiracy to wreck his administration—it is not strange that Cabinet members, congressmen, chairmen of commissions, bureau chiefs and secretaries are engaged in suspecting their subordinates and each other of equally dastardly designs. All sense of security has vanished."

Records Are Stolen "Senators' offices are visited at night and their most intimate correspondence read by a visitor wearing cotton gloves. Important records are reported missing from government archives. Guards are increased and doors that have been unlocked since the Civil War are barred for unexplained reasons. It is like living in a dime novel. When the chief shivers everyone else shakes."

Justifiably or not, people here do get excited about that sort of thing. The Senate went to the trouble and expense of having new and better locks put on its office doors recently and guards were reinforced. Half a dozen senators in all have complained of having their precincts rifled this year, and according to them it's no joke at all.

Arlett Injured to Extent of \$10,000

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 2. (AP).—"Buzz" Arlett, star Oakland outfielder, who was hit over the head with a mask by umpire Chet Chadbourne during an argument at Sacramento recently, announced last night that he has instructed his attorney at Oakland to file suit for \$10,000 against the Pacific coast league.

Arlett declared a deal whereby he was to have been sent to the Brooklyn club of the National league was broken up when President Harry Williams upheld Chadbourne.

Arlett suffered a cut over the eye when Chadbourne struck him with his mask.

Charles Foster, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. John Yaden, and his friend, John Mauldin, both Portland boys, are visiting in Klamath Falls at the Yaden home.

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EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO IN KLAMATH

T. R. Miles, well known guide and hunter, is in the city today from Fort Klamath.

"Game is plentiful north of here," said Mr. Miles. "In the vicinity of Diamond Lake there is fine hunting. The country is easy to get into. There is a good wagon road right to Diamond Lake."

What is declared by local men well informed as to the public land laws, to be a scheme whereby the unsuspecting are separated from considerable money by attorneys in California is made public here by the filing of 24 applications yesterday for the purchase of land from the Oregon and California railroad company in the southern part of the county.

According to information obtained at the court house, a uniform fee of \$100 is being charged by California lawyers to the applicants. It is claimed that the applications will result in nothing, as the land involved is now in litigation between the railroad company and the government. Applicants for the land are residents of Dunsmuir, Red Bluff and other California points.

George McLean, convicted horse thief, was taken to Salem this morning by Sheriff William B. Barnes. P. H. McEnery, the well known newspaper man of this city, accompanied the party.

Charged with assault with a deadly weapon, J. Oscar appeared

ed this morning in the justice court in Keno, but the case was dismissed because of the failure of the complaining witness to put in an appearance.

Minister's Wife Has Two Maids Rev. and Mrs. Charles F. Aked arrived in this city last night, accompanied by two maids. They will go to Harrison Lodge on a visit. Rev. Aked was at one time pastor of John L. Rockefeller's Fifth Avenue Baptist church in New York.

Considerable anxiety was occasioned here last night by the report brought here that Dr. Lyman, S. A. Bernardino dentist, and L. G. Buckley, a real estate operator of the same place, had been lost in the vicinity of the huckleberry patch at the Lake O Woods region. The opinion prevails in this city that the two men were caught in a storm which raged over the Lake O Woods region Thursday, and kept under cover.

After spending almost a month in jail in this city and in Portland, Tom Barclay has been discharged. He arrived here last night en route to his home at Yainax. Barclay was arrested on the reservation on July 5th and charged with taking whiskey onto the reservation.

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Daily CAPITOL News Letter

Public Utilities State Taxation Big Contributors County Ratios

SALEM, Aug. 2 (UP).—Public utilities operating in Oregon are very substantial contributors to the cost of government. Earl L. Fisher, chairman of the state tax commission said today in releasing a report on taxation of utilities.

DURING THE tax year 1929, public utilities paid property taxes aggregating \$7,192,363.67, based upon the apportioned valuation of \$189,199,380. Fisher said. The full assessed valuation of the utilities amounted to \$399,115,956, but the former figure represents the taxable value upon which they actually pay taxes and conforms to the standard of under-valuation in the respective counties, ranging from 42 per cent in Clackamas county to 84 per cent in Sherman county. They are taxed upon the same basis as other property, adhering as closely as possible to the rule of uniformity.

Increases Yearly THE AMOUNT of taxes paid by public utilities in this state is increasing every year due largely to the additions, betterments and extension of plants and projects, Fisher said.

THIS YEAR public utilities will pay 14 1/2 per cent of all property taxes levied in Oregon. FOR EVERY dollar that the user pays for water or electric lights to privately-owned public utility companies, for example, 10 cents goes for property taxes for the benefit of the state, county and local government. This does not include other taxes paid, but only property taxes, he said.

S. P. Pays Most The Southern Pacific lines pay more taxes in Oregon than any other taxpayer, their 1929 property tax bill aggregating nearly 1,500,000. The next largest taxpayer is the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company which pays this year \$1,120,000. The former "PRR" company pays \$1,143,221, and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company pays \$672,355.

IN CLASSIFICATIONS, steam railroads pay the most taxes, \$3,770,924. Electric railways, exclusive of street railway companies, pay \$24,649, joint electric and water companies pay \$1,844,831, water and gas companies pay \$461,848, electric companies pay \$318,900, telephone companies pay \$893,556, telegraph companies pay \$62,498, car companies, Pullman, tanks, refrigerators, pay \$59,727, and express companies pay \$6,416.

Klamath Ratio 62 THE RATIO of taxable to the full cash value of property generally in each county as determined by the state tax commission for the year 1929, follows:

BAKER 49, Benton 52, Clackamas 42, Clatsop 72, Columbia 62, Coos 63, Crook 61, Curry 73, Deschutes 43, Douglas 62, Gill-

Timely Quotations From People in the Public Eye

"Art, like morality, consists in drawing the line somewhere." —Gilbert K. Chesterton, author.

"If marriage is to be a success one should obviously begin by marrying the right person." —Count Hermann Keyserling.

"The philosophy of a pig involves no discrepancies and his every act is a perfect expression of his conviction." —Rev. Alvin E. Margery, D. D.

"A specialist is a man who knows more and more about less and less." —Dr. William J. Mayo.

"The United States is the greatest law factory the world has ever known." —Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes.

"Hard knocks make better democratic Americans than diplomats." —Charles Schwab, steel magnate.

lign 81, Grant 72, Harney 70, Hood River 61, Jackson 66, Jefferson 74, Josephine 65, Klamath 62, Lake 77, Lane 54, Lincoln 80, Linn 53, Malheur 58, Marion 54, Morrow 74, Multnomah 54, Polk 45, Sherman 54, Tillamook 73, Umatilla 69, Union 69, Wallowa 66, Wasco 71, Washington 45 and Yamhill 52.

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