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## Thou Shalt Not Kill

THOU shalt not kill. Oh, that that commandment could ring in the ears of every individual until they became so impressed with the supreme importance of it that murder would be removed entirely from the category of crimes. The pain and anguish and untold suffering which would be eliminated, if men would only heed the command.

If murder affected only those who commit the crime and those who are killed some of its curses would be removed, but it leaves its brand upon the relatives and friends of the principals, and casts a most depressing effect upon all residents of those communities in which it is committed. It aids in filling our penitentiaries; it forces representatives of the law to frequently claim the lives of those who commit it, and entails an expense which adds much to the weight of the burden borne by taxpayers.

But, like other crimes, murder will not cease until the millennium. So long as men are possessed of false pride, so long as men permit anger to usurp the place of judgment, so long as men carry revolvers, so long as men whose minds become inflamed from booze continue drinking that poison, just so long will men continue slaying their fellowmen.

The crime of murder is increasing in the United States at an appalling rate. It has become a blight upon our much vaunted civilization, and where it will end, unless the right-thinking people make an organized effort to blot it out, God only knows.

There is need for eradicating many of the causes contributing to it, and there is as much demand for an increased number of executions of those who engage in it. Human life is valued entirely too cheaply and those who slay men with as little concern as they would kill a beast must be impressed with the fact that the rule of "a life for a life" still holds good.

There are too few hangings. There are too many commuted sentences, too many paroles, and too many pardons for those who murder in cold blood with a secure feeling that they will not only escape legal death, but that they will serve only a few years, at most, in the penitentiary.

Unpardonable delay in the prosecution of murderers through dilatory tactics of defending attorneys, who are permitted one postponement after another by the acquiescence of prosecutors and judges who have not the intestinal stamina to say "no" to the petitions filed for delays, is adding rapidly to the growing number of homicides.

Maudlin sympathy on the part of some members of juries hearing murder trials, and on the part of citizens in general, is another force contributing to the deplorable number of murders committed in this country.

Guns, booze, fits of anger, and other forces are contributors to the crime which is putting organized government to shame, but prompt and vigorous action on the part of those whose duty it is to convict criminals and administer justice will go a long, long way in aiding potential killers to heed the commandment, "THOU SHALT NOT KILL."

## EDITORIALS FROM OVER THE NATION

### Medals Now

Eddington, famous English astronomer, is given the "honorary freedom of the town"—his birthplace—in recognition of his work in life. On a scroll the town council all wrote: "Kendal is determined it will not leave the recognition of its most famous son to a future generation." We ought to do more of that in American towns. Do you know a man or a woman who has served faithfully? Let him know you know it. He will be little pleased and little interested when he is dead.

### Kept Promises

Too many of us are not willing to keep, on dark days, the promises made in brighter hours. Many regard promises as only fair weather matters. Perhaps the promises are made to others, perhaps to ourselves. One recalls the noble lines of Matthew Arnold: "Tasks in hours of insight will not can be through hours of sloom fulfilled."

### Youth and Religion

The young Rabbi Brenner of Philadelphia opens the doors of his Liberal temple. His church is undenominational in that clergymen, authors, statesmen, diplomats will deliver addresses there. Significant is the rabbi's remark that "youth's desperate cry for religion is thunderous to him who does not close his ears."

### Young and Old

It was brought to this writer's attention the other day that a well-known manufacturing firm had made a rule to employ no one over 40. Strange that so many

about. We got a theory and then try to make the facts fit the theory. We do not look deep enough. People don't always wear on their coats what they really think, what they really want.

### Inspiration

Speaking of Emerson one reads: "A rush of thoughts is the only concrete prosperity that can come to us." Few of us ever get such a rush, and so we are poor indeed.

### Einstein Made Plain

Omaha World-Herald: Just as we had begun to feel that we had at last explained Prof. Einstein's theory to the satisfaction of every one, along comes a letter from an estimable friend who says it is not yet quite clear to him. There are a few details he wants ironed out. The easiest method of procedure would seem to be to go through the whole thing again from the beginning. It won't take long, as there are only seven other people in the world who understand the theory, and they seem to have read it without leaving forwarding addresses.

The Einstein theory, then, lays down the broad general hypothesis that the world is sadly in need of a theory of some kind. "The crying need of this generation," said Prof. Einstein in his now immortal Gettysburg address, "is a theory, and what school boy does not recall the famous words of one of Shakespeare's characters: 'A theory, a theory, my kingdom for a theory!' Ruskin went a step farther by insisting that "we can live without a theory but not so well." It is true that Bismark (it may have been Knute Rockne) maintained that "it is a condition we face and not a theory," but this was before the time of Einstein, and the famous old warrior must be judged in the light of his generation. It would appear to be the consensus of opinion.

### How Fast We've Come

Some might be interested to know that the first brick paving was laid in Charleston, W. Va. And it was no longer ago than 1872. Most of the mechanical world as we know it now has been devised in a few years. One wonders what man was doing in the fifty or a hundred thousand years he has been walking up and down the earth. Not that he has done much better of late or is doing much better now if he continues to confine so much of his effort to paving and such.

### Excitement Fades

When the things that used to stir and excite and upset us do so no longer we ought not to regret; we ought to rejoice. Contentment comes with the stillness of the years.

### Timely Quotations From People in the Public Eye

Most freshmen regard the football coach as if he's a deity on duty for the season.—Knute Rockne, Notre Dame coach.

Soup and suppers will never win the world for Christ.—Rev. Jacob W. Knapp, D. D.

The first qualification of a poet is a private income.—Ivor Brown.

While actions speak louder than words, some employers' ears are better than their eyes.—Evelyn Hilliard.

Thankfulness is an attitude that comes from a reasoned consideration of our past life with its responsibilities, and a vision of the great opportunities for which we have been put here in this world.—Loring A. Schuler, editor of the Ladies' Home Journal.

Pellicians of the old school close their eyes to facts, or meet them with the traditional remedy of a mere empiricism.—Edouard Herriot, ex-premier of France.

## Daily CAPITOL News Letter

Legislatures. Oregon's Laws. Salaries. Sessions.

BY DENNIS LANDRY United Press Staff Correspondent

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 29. (UP) Legislatures of 40 out of 48 states of the Union will convene in January, 1931.

OREGON as well as 35 other states to meet in January, have set time limits to their sessions.

OREGON session is limited to 40 days. That is the lowest, while sessions of other states vary from 50 to Connecticut's 137.

Some 60 Day SIXTY-DAY sessions are called in January in Arizona, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Delaware, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

SESSIONS in Alabama and Kansas are scheduled for 50 days, Indiana calls for 61 days, Maryland and Minnesota 90, Tennessee 75, Mississippi 90 and Iowa 100 days.

No Limit STATES of California, Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey, South Carolina, Maine, Michigan, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Wisconsin have set no limit.

OREGON will be represented by 30 senators in the next session. Of the states to hold sessions in January, only six will have a smaller number of senators than Oregon. They are Arizona, Nevada, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and West Virginia.

TERMS of office for senators vary from one to four years. Oregon is one of 29 states to elect senators for four-year terms.

NEW HAMPSHIRE will have 42 representatives in the next session, the highest of any state. Oregon will have 60 and is one of 15 states to have less than 100 representatives.

Salaries Paid EXCEPT in six states, representatives, including those of Oregon, are elected to two-year terms. New Jersey and New York select their every year, while Alabama, Louisiana, Maryland and Mississippi elect every four years.

SALARIES of legislative members range from \$3 a day paid by Oregon, Kansas and Michigan, to the \$15 a day of Arizona and the \$,000 per session of Pennsylvania.

### Applicants For Judgeship Have Grown to Fifty

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 29. (AP) The number of Portland attorneys who are candidates of the Multnomah county circuit judge position left vacant by the death of Judge John H. Stevenson grew to 55 today when a number of additional names were placed before Governor Norblad. Some of the aspirants have applied in person, but most of them are being urged upon the governor by friends.

Governor Norblad said that he is a believer in a non-partisan judiciary, and that in making the appointment he will not be ruled by the party affiliation of the candidates.

Of the 19,000,000 acres in South Carolina only about 4,000,000 are under cultivation.

## Not Hard, But Not Easy

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**VERTICAL**

41 Tidings. 42 Lightly. 43 Self. 44 To perform. 45 Carol. 46 Cuckoo. 47 One. 48 Oak. 49 To scatter. 50 Disagreeably sharp.

**YESTERDAY'S ANSWER**

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## EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO IN KLAMATH

After several stormy sessions in which crimes of all sorts were considered, the Klamath county grand jury was formally discharged by the court today after serving since last June. As expected, the jury didn't consider any new business, but returned indictments only against six men who had been bound over to the jury, and against one man who is no longer in this section.

In its report the grand jury confined itself to a criticism of the methods in effect in the management of the county jail, and the recommendation is made that the circuit court take action in the event of the occasion.

A supplemental unofficial report was added to the official report of the grand jury as follows: We further report: That we are glad that we are done; That we will never do it again; That we are sorry for the next grand jury; That we have heard enough.

No indictment was returned by the grand jury just discharged against Chenoweth Umpqua, the Indian who is charged with the murder of Frank Jack, another Indian, in Port Klamath a few weeks ago. This fact was reported to indicate that the Indian might not have to face a trial, but the report was denied this afternoon by District Attorney Kaykendall. The charge will be taken up at the session of the next grand jury, which will meet next week.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

WIDOW DESPERATELY IN NEED OF WORK

Klamath Falls, Ore. Nov. 27, 1930  
Editor Evening Herald: What is the unemployed woman going to do? I have walked the streets here almost begging for work and have gone to the Salvation Army and Chamber of Commerce. I am a widow. My father and mother were Oregon pioneers and my father was an Indian war veteran. I find that 90 per cent of the women working are married. They have husbands making a good living and have their homes, yet they hold the jobs some of us need so badly with rent past due, money all gone. I am getting desperate and no work. We do not want charity, but a decent job.

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## TO THE PUBLIC

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## Mrs. Steers Hurt In Auto Smash-up

Mrs. Raymond Steers, of 2121 White avenue, is a patient at the Hillside hospital, where he received medical aid. Mrs. Steers will be confined to the hospital for about two weeks, but Mr. Steers was only slightly injured and was released Wednesday.

## ARCHBISHOP DOWLING DIES IN ST. PAUL

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 29. (AP)—Archbishop Austin Dowling, 62, head of the Roman Catholic diocese of St. Paul died at 11:15 a. m. here today.

Complications, caused by a heart ailment from which he had suffered for several years, caused death after a critical illness of a month.

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