

"Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.

Prison Management

Pierce Administration Monumental Mistake

Incompetence is the chief characteristic of administration of every branch of the state government in which Governor Pierce has had his own sweet way. The prison administration has been the special responsibility of the governor, and the recent outbreak is simply one more example of what can happen when we elect a man who puts politics ahead of principle and who is ready to sacrifice public welfare to make room for his political pets.

Dalrymple apparently failed to distinguish himself by even one trace of competence. We do not join in branding him a coward, but his courage, if he had any, was not coupled with anything resembling judgment. He seemed entirely helpless to deal with a situation invited by his own inability to prevent it. The extent to which Dalrymple was paralyzed by Governor Pierce's political interference with prison management can only be conjectured. Pierce must carry the responsibility for Dalrymple's laxity, as Pierce was solely responsible for the appointment and also for whatever interference from above to which he permitted his appointee to be subjected.

We doubt not that Governor Pierce will wring sympathy from the audiences to whom he confides the difficulties he has had in prison administration as well as in tax matters and every other governmental branch or undertaking. He may emerge as the hero of his own mistakes. But neither he nor his newspaper apologists can keep all the people hypnotized all the time, so we look for a sufficient resurgence of common sense to effect his permanent retirement from office next year.

And how the Pierce administration will stand out for years to come as the most monumental mistake of the people of Oregon in the exercise of their electoral franchise!—Oregon Voter.

Golden Rule Is Needed

Begin In Schools With Youngsters

Frederick D. Underwood, president of the Erie railroad company, says:

"There is a maxim to the effect that everyone should 'pull his weight in the boat.' Whoever fails puts greater burden on the others for, 'willy-nilly,' everyone is pulling and being pulled. The question is: Are we pulling a fair share? If not, why not? Are we willing to pull or are we expecting others to labor harder at the oar that we may labor less? Is the axiom that everyone should pull his weight possible in the operations of the world?"

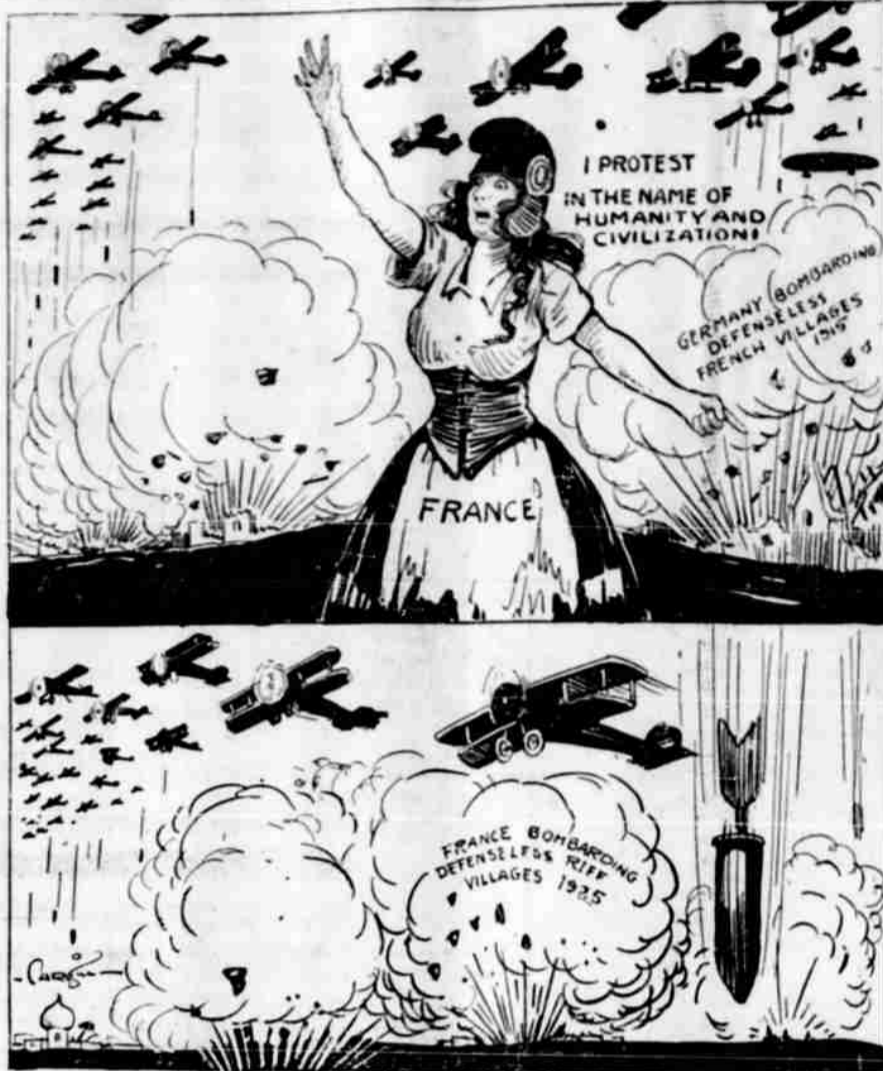
"The remedy for our troubles is within reach, but so far has not been reached. They would be over were the so-called Golden Rule in universal operation. It is so simple and so obviously would bring relief that its general acceptance is well worth pulling for.

"Opinions agree that the point is in kindergartens, schools and all institutions of learning. Some children are taught nothing at home; some little more than that. When the Golden Rule is introduced as a fundamental feature into all educational institutions, it will be helpful. Family discipline and churches cannot be depended upon. Other needs in the home supplant the fundamentals. The churches work one short day in seven and many people are not church goers; but, in our universal school law, which enforces the attendance of every child, is the logical starting point for the plan. Catch them young. Drill them all alike. When one thinks what could be accomplished in this respect in a comparatively few years, it is impressive. Impress on children the wisdom of logical thinking, the unwisdom of emotional surmises, the difference between impulses and facts, and that eloquence is not always accurate."

Senator Charles Curtis, republican leader in the senate, says that taxes ought to be reduced by \$500,000,000, and that this could be done if costly overlapping and duplication were avoided under a careful plan of department reorganization. Well, why not "reorganize," the public is crying for tax reduction and less government red tape.

If he is wholly selfish in little things, the thing that keeps him from being a pirate is expediency.

What's in a Name?



Sunny Dick Says

Dorothy Ellingson Verdict—Man-slaughter. Temporarily Insane.—Which, the girl or the jury?

That long-awaited summer vacation will soon be a mere memory of mosquitos, yellow jackets (have you been to Lake of the Woods?), leaky rowboats, and—drat it!—that fancy board bill.

Snowing at Crater Lake. Early Winter Predicted—Sandy Claws is going to avoid that Christmas rush this year.

Portland Prohibits Make \$160,000 Booze Seizure—That settles it. There'll be no more conventions for the Rose City this year.

The present automobile price cutting war is rough on rats for the second-hand dealers, but, oh, boy! It's peaches and cream for us poor walking men.

Sheriff's Office Releases Two Suspects in Navarro Murder—That is all right. If the true murderer isn't in Mexico by this time he deserves to be caught.

News Scores Two Clean Beats on Capture of Convicts. 1800 Copies Sold. No Financial Gain.—Look at us and do your best, eh, News? Say, did you give those copies away?

One Dead and One Fatally Wounded by Police in Los Angeles Bank Robbery—Next thing we know a law will be passed prohibiting police from carrying arms.

Fire Destroys Ferryboat Near New Orleans. Many Jump Overboard.—Darn clever scheme, that.

Murray Is Double Crossed by Tramp. Results in Capture of All Three Convicts.—The damnable scoundrel! To betray three murderers!

The Oregon-California Hydro-Electric Company, a New Corporation, Starts \$20,000,000 Power Project Near Portland—Watch for the announcement that they have bought up one of the Klamath Newspapers—announced by the paper they didn't buy.

Les Congo's Place "Kicked In." Congo Not Caught—Naturally not. Some thoughtful officer had doubtless suggested to Les that he take a trip to Honolulu or Roseburg, or somewhere.

The Pirates of Vengeance to Be Presented Soon—If I were a transient here I would be tempted to make some unkind remarks about the pirates of Klamath Falls.

Klamath Falls Girl First to Enter Sewing in County Fair. Previous Completion of Five Pieces a Prerequisite—Our idea of prerequisites would be to prove she could sew on a man's pants buttons and darn socks.

The big newspapers, in their usual "human interest," sob story way, explain that Governor Miriam A. Ferguson of Texas could not sleep all night, knowing a boy was to be executed. "Suddenly leaping from bed, she went to the telephone and ordered a communication of sentence." That's a new way to cure insomnia.—Baker Democrat.

If Sir John Suckling, who wrote the lines, "Her feet beneath her petticoat, like little mice, stole in and out," back in the seventeenth century, were alive today, he would have to revise his verse upward and substitute dimpled knees for her feet.—Astoria Budget.

Charlie Chaplin used to make a new film every month or two, and thrive on it. Now he makes a film every two or three years, and the dispatches say he is suffering from the effects of overwork.—Eugene Guard.



Dinner Stories

John, suburbanite, kissed his wife goodbye in the morning, and, telling her he would be home at six o'clock that evening, got into his auto and started for town.

As six o'clock his hubby has appeared, and the little wife began to get nervous. When the hour of midnight arrived she could bear the suspense no longer, so she aroused her father and sent him off to the telegraph office with six telegrams to as many brother Elks living in town, asking each if her husband was stopping with him over night.

Morning came, and the frantic wife had received no intelligence of the missing man. As dawn appeared, a farm wagon containing a farmer and the derelict husband drove up to the house, while behind the wagon trailed the broken down auto. Almost simultaneously came a messenger boy with an answer to one of the telegrams, followed at intervals by five others. All of them read:

"Yes; John is spending the night with me."

A certain young man's friends thought he was dead, but he was only in a state of coma. When, in ample time to avoid being buried, he showed signs of life, he was asked how it seemed to be dead.

"Dead?" he exclaimed. "I wasn't dead. I knew all that was going on. And I knew I wasn't dead, too, because my feet were cold and I was hungry."

"But how did that fact make you think you were still alive," asked one of the curious.

"Well, this way; I knew that if I were in heaven I wouldn't be hungry. And if I were in the other place my feet wouldn't be cold."

An old couple came in from the country, with a big basket of lunch, to see the circus. The lunch was heavy. The old wife was carrying it. As they crossed a street, the husband held out his hand and said, "Gimme that basket, Hannah."

The poor old woman surrendered the basket with a grateful look. "That's real kind o' yo, Joshua," she quavered.

Heart and Home Problem

By MRS. ELIZABETH THOMPSON

There's One In Every Family

In every large family, it seems, there's an exasperating person like this:

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I have a relative who visits me at times, the mother of a family, whom I consider more rude and ill-bred than any child I ever saw. She goes all over the house, asking what I paid for things, and even pulls out bureau drawers and peeps into my closets and examines every article of my wardrobe, asking the price of anything new. Then if I take her anywhere or my friends drop in she makes all sorts of cutting remarks about them, especially about their looks and clothes, and will ask the most personal questions about them, it seems to me with the thought in mind of prying into their past history, hoping to unearth some scandal. I admit I'm at a loss how to handle such a visitor. My first impulse, when she is rummaging in my closet and personal belongings, is to tell her to mind her own business, but she is a woman and a near relative, so I can't, or, at least, feel it would not be polite. It hurts me deeply to hear her make hateful, unjust, untruthful remarks about my friends whom she doesn't know, but if I defend them it ends in a quarrel. If I keep silent I feel mean over it, for I almost seem to be sanctioning the cruel remarks she makes. When she asks me a question I can answer, but know if I do it will hurt a friend's reputation what shall I do? If I say I don't know, it is a falsehood. Above everything, I wish I could make her see how ill-mannered she really is without being rude myself. Trying to divert her mind

does no good, for it is to pry into my friends' mine nothing short of satisfy her. I don't act the same way every she has very few friends would you do? Why be so patient and ate of such a pest? hide behind a veil abuses at every one her visits, and especially ly, if asked. What protect your personal to the extent of blunt "I do not their affairs" in test your friends frank refusal to tect you. Later will hear things you you, but you need PRISONER of girl in my room have to stay home, day nights. When I answer is always swimming, can't with my girl friends to see them. And if place I always have my parents. Sometimes feel like running tell me what to do my place.

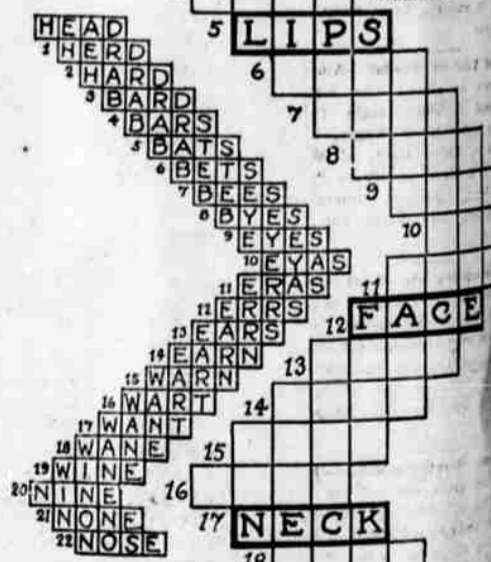
UNDECIDED I believe, is a form of In denying you the constant himself, the man is showing a selfish should not tolerate are not engaged. All selfish in this respect, to be so it others.

STEP-WORD PUZZLE
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This is chapter 2 of the anatomical step-word which began yesterday. The solution to yesterday's chapter 1, published below, how to step from HEAD to NOSE in 22 steps. Today you are to step from NOSE to ARMS in 26 steps. Use the definitions listed herewith as guides in the proper word for each. Each word is to differ from the one on the step directly above it by one letter only. Chapter 3 will be tomorrow: ARMS to CHIN in 26 steps, with HAND on step 1. If you have solved the puzzle with the aid of definitions, try to solve it without waiting for definitions.



- DEFINITIONS:**
- 1—A flower
 - 2—Ascend
 - 3—Mature
 - 4—Tears
 - 5—How the cat drinks
 - 6—Siestas
 - 7—The back of the neck
 - 8—A narrow band of linen
 - 9—A weed that grows among grain
 - 10—A sum paid for a journey
 - 11—An aromatic spice
 - 12—Small rodents
 - 13—Pleasing to the senses
 - 14—A slight cut
 - 15—A stroke with the beak
 - 16—A pointed instrument
 - 17—A color
 - 18—A cone-bearing tree
 - 19—To take dinner
 - 20—Ten cents
 - 21—An obscure
 - 22—Points a weapon before