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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1915.

A henpecked husband is a man the title to whose nerve is in his wife's name.

If a pan keeps on hammering at the Celestial Kingdom, how long can Chinaware?

The Balkan situation is made more critical by the balkin' of some of the allied powers.

The three R's in many a sport's college education stand for revelry, relaxation and rot.

The diplomatic way to call a man a liar is to tell him that he speaks like a war correspondent.

The health crank has prepared a careful regimen and has begun to sow his Quaker Oats.

All men are liars except the war bureaucrats who send out the censored news—to let them tell it.

The baldheaded man has few friends among the tonsorial artists. In their judgment he has no head for business.

You'd better not trace your family tree too far back, Reginald. You might get hung up where the same fate happened to your ancestor.

We always have something to be thankful for. The Ford joke is about to strike the trail to oblivion via the route of the mother-in-law test.

With the circus coming and the sore eyes thinning the ranks of the boys and girls at school, the kids are in for a brief season of genuine happiness.

Don't kick on the music teacher for charging you fifty dollars for giving your daughter music lessons. Forty-five of it may be for having to listen to her.

People are getting frightfully particular. Saw a man the other day who declined to give a recommendation to a fellow he didn't know anything about.

It is highly important that the national expense account be held down, but in framing the program for navy expansion the administration is leaving out revenue cutters.

A BETTER DAY FOR PRISONERS

A great deal has been said and much has been done to solve the problem of the prisoner who has been convicted of crime and is serving his sentence in a penal institution.

It may be laid down as a fundamental principle of safe and orderly government that crime must be punished, for only thus can society be preserved in its progress to higher levels of living.

There is one method of reaching the prisoner—and the most promising in our judgment—that has been the least tried of all reform ideas. What we mean is the effort to befriend the man whom the law has punished with stripes at the time when he most needs it—when he finishes his term in prison and is ready to be turned out into the world whose laws he has violated.

The machinery of our courts grinds slowly but surely, sending men by the scores to prisons for their misdeeds. This is necessary for society's protection, but generally the prisoner's moral welfare is lost sight of as soon as his conviction is obtained.

The act passed by the last general assembly creating a state board of charities and corrections will take up this important work. It is to be hoped, and organize it upon an efficient and practical basis.

EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL SERVICE

This is an old, old subject, and yet its agitation today is as new and fresh as it was when it was first started. It is one of the leading planks in the platform of the new social order, and slowly but surely some improvement in the direction of equality is being made.

This introduction might very well lead up to an assault upon the inequality existing between the salaries paid male and female teachers, but we are going to fall asleep at the switch this time and let our train of our rambling thoughts run into a siding while we discuss something entirely different.

A very gross inequality exists in the matter of the compensation paid to county officials. Some of the officers, like those of the supervisor, the superintendent of education and others, are paid a straight salary, while others are based partly or wholly on the fee system.

The fee system is regarded too little in the light of a burden because it is an indirect tax, and yet the fees come out of the people just as much as the taxes they pay directly out of their pockets for the support of state and county government.

The fee system is out of date. It was originally based upon conditions that are out of harmony with conditions such as we have today. It is undemocratic and unfair, and it ought to be abolished.

BACK TO THE LAND

"Back to the land" is a cry that has been shouted through megaphones and heralded by the beating of tom-toms for a long time by those who are deeply concerned over the gradual movement of people from the rural districts to the cities.

The reason is apparent to those who stop to think. People are not going to leave the easier life of the city to go back to the farms until the opportunities on the farms are as inviting as they are in town, or until the prospect of making conditions as bright or brighter are shown more conclusively than they are today.

Agriculture is undergoing a slow revolution, but only the surface has been touched, as it were, in stirring up the rich soil of progress. If present activities continue as they are now being conducted in this and other states, the turning point will soon be reached, and then men and women, especially the younger set, will be eager to go to the farms where more freedom, more advantages of a healthier sort, and more genuine happiness can be enjoyed.

High-sounding words and lustrous pen pictures are too often employed to paint conditions that do not exist, and this habit of glossing over the truth has been hurtful. Farm life must be made profitable and more attractive, for upon its full development depends our prosperity as a people.

PREJUDICE

Some obscure early English writer speaks of prejudice as the child of ignorance. His definition is simpler and more to the point than the ones in the dictionary, for it hits the nail squarely on the head while the learned men who compile our word vocabularies usually miss the mark and bruise their thumbs in trying to convey to us the subtleties of meaning.

Prejudice stalks his brazen form into the church, into every social gathering, into politics, and into all human efforts especially that are directed toward the accomplishment of good. The best of men fall a victim to its baneful influence, and, as for the women—oh, well, we don't want to stir up anything just at this time.

Prejudice has a full opportunity for the display of its talents in political life. If prejudice rules your actions and you belong to a faction, or if you are a eyed-in-the-wool partisan of some skilful and magnetic apostle of the wind, all that your faction or friend does has the stamp of righteousness upon it, signed, sealed and delivered.

You would be honest—how righteously honest you would be!—and you couldn't be made to see but one way even if truth should rise up and show you a diagram of your error.

Prejudice makes a man blind to his own faults, but magnifies the little shortcomings of others into acts of supreme tragedy and injustice. It is a disease that is hard to cure, because when the optician comes around to pluck it out of the victim's eyes the victim gets mad and swears that his vision is free from it and as clear as the noonday sun.

As the old English writer said, prejudice is the child of ignorance. It is also the father of much of the injustice and cruelty and suffering in the world today.

Old King Cotton has put a few fancy touches to his throne and is looking mighty sassy.

The mossback stands with his back to the front and tries desperately to stem the tide of progress.

Our idea of an irresistible force striking an immovable body is when foolish little Cupid lets 'er fly at the heart of an old maid.

A LINE O' DOPE

Weather Forecast—Fair Saturday and Sunday.

The county tax books opened yesterday for the payment of taxes but there was no rush on the part of the taxpayers to pay up. However, quite a few called in the treasurer's office during the day and got the matter off their hands.

"I will have a four reel Charlie Chaplin one day next week at the Bijou," stated Manager A. M. Pinkston yesterday afternoon. He stated that this was a good feature and one that had just been released.

Mr. B. L. Caughman of Columbia has been spending this week in the city with relatives. Mr. Caughman's son, Kenneth Caughman, is quarterback on the Auburn team. Mr. Caughman states that he wants to see the deserving team win this afternoon makes no difference which one it is.

New reached the city yesterday to the effect that Richard McAllister, a white man living below Iva, was shot through the back of the neck Thursday night. Yesterday he was walking about and seemed little worse for the bullet having passed through the back of his neck.

The fixtures for the Chiquola barber shop are arriving and the place is being put in shape ready for trade. This shop will be located in the basement under the lobby of the hotel and is ideally situated.

Mr. Dean Simpson will have charge of the place and is supervising the arrangement of the fixtures. These consist of three handsome chairs, large mirrors, two stands having a marble base; shoe shine stand with large marble base, a desk and writing table, besides the other usual accessories.

Several merchants of the city yesterday got busy and dressed the show windows of their stores in Clemson colors. Some of these are the prettiest ever seen in this city and two especially deserve mention, those of Smith, Garrett & Barton and of Fant's Book Store. It would be well worth one's time to see these.

Weather Bureau Work

People are prone to carp at the work of the weather bureau, and the bureau is not infallible in its prognostications any more than are the federal district judges always right in their decisions. Fallibility is the attribute of mankind and it will persist in spite of the severest attempts to overcome it by scientific research.

The transport Buford was chartered to carry the Twenty-seventh Infantry from Galveston to Manila and was all ready to sail when the news of the great hurricane coming from the Caribbean sea was announced through the weather bureau and its connections. In the old time before the creation of the bureau the ship would have sailed directly into the teeth of the hurricane, because there were no evidences at that time of the existence of a storm of great magnitude prevailing.

Warned by the advice of the weather bureau, the vessel remained at her dock until the storm had vented its fury on the sea, and then sailed for her destination on a presumably safe and successful voyage.

Vandalia, Ill.—Six hours after she had been pronounced dead by the family physician, Mrs. Lydia, 70 years old, arose, walked into an adjoining room and greeted the chief mourner.

St. Louis Falls, S. D.—Dollan Wyatt, 18, is dead here because she laughed. She began to laugh while sitting pens, and a pen lodged in her bronchial tube, choking her to death.

SOUTHERN CHINA BALKS AT PLAN FOR MONARCHY

Canton, China, Sept. 5.—Southern China does not take kindly to the movement to make Yuan Shi-kai emperor. Southern China, in fact, seldom takes kindly to any movement emanating from the northern part of the republic.

Many progressive Cantonese have become extremely wealthy through the development of the mines in the Strait settlements. Others have made great fortunes in Java. And most of the wealthy Chinese in the United States are from the Canton neighborhood.

Even before the society for the preservation of peace set forth its plan for the restoration of the empire, there was extreme dissatisfaction with General Lung, the military governor named by President Yuan Shi-kai to direct affairs in Canton. War conditions made business bad.

Southern China has been under the influence of Hong Kong so long, and through its extensive foreign trade is so closely in touch with the outside world, that it resents the domination of northern China. The desire for a separate government in Southern China is always uppermost in the minds of the reform element.

Every precaution is taken now to protect Canton against revolutionists. The baggage of passengers arriving either by rail or water from Hoik Kong is carefully searched. Chinese men and women are examined thoroughly to make sure they have no firearms nor bombs upon their persons.

Apparently there is no effective leadership for the sentiment against the restoration of the empire. Sun Yat-sen is thoroughly discredited in Canton and all southern China. The reformers believe he tricked them and pay no attention to the movement against President Yuan Shi-kai which he is attempting to promote from Tokio.

Wily Mother. A mother in Newcastle, England, according to Tit-Bits, sent her little boy on an errand, and said: "Now, Harry, go to Smith, the grover in Northumberland street, and get a pound of the best treacle, said she handed the young hopeful a couple of jugs. When the boy had gone, the vicar's wife said: "You didn't tell him to get anything else other jug. Is he going to leave it at the shop?"

Case of Necessity. Recently Smith hired a horse for a center along the pike, but the animal having neither a sweet nature nor a great desire to work strenuously, began to buck, and the rider was unceremoniously thrown through the air and dropped by the wayside.

He'll, Smith, smilingly remarked a friend the following day: "I saw you out horsebacking yesterday."

"You did?" responded Smith, beginning to wonder a bit.

"Yes," continued the other, his smile broadening. "What made you drop down so quickly?"

"Case of necessity," answered Smith. "Did you see anything up where I was to hold on to?"

Advertisement for B. O. Cranst Co. featuring suits and overcoats for hard-to-fit men. Includes text: 'Suits and overcoats for the hard-to-fit man. Stout men, very tall men, very short men, often have trouble in getting clothes that fit; and often when they go to get fitted the style is lacking.'

Advertisement for South's Industrial Activities Booming. Includes text: 'South's Industrial Activities Booming. Aggressive Spirit Noted in Development Works of All Kinds. Baltimore, Oct. 13.—Reviewing the business conditions of the South for the week, the Manufacturers Record reports broadening activities in many directions.'