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He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.—Psalms 33:5.

An Ounce of Discretion, Now, or

“LAW and order must be preserved, property and life must be protected, transportation of the mails must not be interfered with and interstate commerce must not be interrupted.”

Thus Attorney General Daugherty, speaking for the Federal Government, justifies the mobilization of troops to handle the railroad strike.

The troops are called out on behalf of the public, and no one else. They are not the agents of the railroads. It is just as much their business to protect union men from the railroads, hired strikebreakers as it is to protect non-striking employees from lawless mobs bent on violence.

Disorders have already occurred. Trains have been held up and bombarded. Shops and homes have been dynamited and burned. Men have been kidnapped and beaten.

Into this situation, the Attorney General orders troopers. They can be a force for peace or they can become the fire-brand that will set off one of the nastiest labor-capital confabulations this country has ever seen. Now is the time for Mr. Daugherty and other Federal authorities to think about possible consequences.

Good Job Goes Begging.

WHAT'S the matter with the department of humor at the city hall?

Full twenty-four hours have passed and no one in the Administration has seen what a grand opportunity to laugh adversity into a good \$5,000 a year job lies in the fight the council is making on public dancing and theatricals in parks.

Lawyers advised the mayor the anti-dancing and show ordinance is unconstitutional because it provides no standard by which “folk dancing” can be told from “public dancing.” The administration needn’t worry about that.

Let some expert polish up a politician on plain and fancy steps and appoint him city dance master. Why not? We’ve got a weighmaster. Or, better still, let the mayor be the judge. He said he didn’t know a thing about esthetic dancing. He could watch the dancers and rule out all the steps he didn’t recognize.

THE REFEREE

By ALBERT APPLE.
PASSIONS

Detectives check up and find that New York City’s most sensational crimes occur during summer.

The Thaw, Rosenthal and Elwell cases were staged during the warm months. So are nearly all the other metropolitan murders involving prominent people.

There is no mystery about this. Nor is it coincidence. In hot weather emotions are stronger and the brain languid. In winter, the brain is keener, emotions more under control.

People are blamed or given credit for a lot of deeds that really are due to the weather. Back of the weather is the sun, regulator of the swarm called humanity. The mystery of life has something to do with the sun.

WAGES

How much money do you make? National Bureau of Economic Research figures out that combined wages, salaries and other incomes of all Americans in 1919 averaged \$627 for every man, woman and child.

Multiply \$627 by the number in your family. Compare the total with your 1919 income and you’ll know whether you did better than the average during the boom. Cards have been re-shuffled.

TALK

For twenty-two years John Hope has been a member of the British House of Commons—and has never made a speech.

We need a few John Hopes in Congress, our Parnell House. Congressmen are like the rest of us. The more they talk the less they do. John Hope says he steers clear of oratory because: “A man can do more in life by not talking about it.”

BATHING

Writer Believes One-Piece Suit Is for Comfort.

To the Editor of The Times
Is there some hidden wickedness in one-piece bathing suits which the girls wear so much? Hardly a day passes that we do not read where the police, in some town or another, have conducted a raid, loaded up a bunch of girls and taken them to the jail.

Really now, hasn’t a bathing girl just as much right to be comfortable as a bathing man? Anyone who swims knows that a two-piece suit is a hindrance to comfort, so why do so many people object? A. G.

To the Editor of The Times
As I drove my car into Indianapolis to work yesterday I had occasion through a number of narrow escapes, to realize the general carelessness with which the average person drives an automobile.

Between Emerson Ave. and Meridian St., no less than six cars dashed from cross streets into Washington St., apparently unaware that Washington St. traffic holds the right-of-way. In nearly every one of these cases I had to swerve my car violently in order to avoid a collision.

The only safe thing for a motorist to do in this age is trust nobody but himself, and have no confidence in himself above fifteen miles an hour.

H. M. S.

SURPLUS REVENUE

Canadian Providence Will Have Balance of Five Million.

By United Press
QUEBEC, Quebec, July 14.—Notwithstanding subscriptions to universities, increased grants to expeditions and the redeeming of \$1,000,000 of the provincial debt, surplus revenue for the fiscal year 1921-22 in the province will amount to over \$5,000,000.

DIRECT PRIMARY OPPONENTS HAVE SMALL SUCCESS

Political Leaders Find Governors of States Against Change.

CHOICE FREEDOM VALUABLE

Henry J. Allen, Kansas, Believes Vote Plan Is a Success.

By United News

NEW YORK, July 14.—Efforts of political leaders to do away with the direct primary system will meet with small success, judging from statements made to the United News by Governors of States.

Gov. Henry J. Allen of Kansas says: “The direct primary system gives the public the freedom to act in the choice of their official representatives and this freedom is in itself a valuable safeguard. We are giving the primary too much work in most of the States. The ballot should be shortened and the responsibility of the officers, who are chosen in the primary, thus emphasized and dramatized.”

Harry L. Davis, Governor of Ohio, declares:

“I am in favor of the direct primary system, established after the old convention system had shown frequent inconsistency with the popular need or interest.”

Edward I. Edwards, Governor of New Jersey, emphatically maintains: “It is here to stay and to be extended, rather than abolished.”

Minnesota is one of the States that has retained the direct primary system, but has provided for a preliminary party convention. Governor J. A. O. Preus explains how the system operates:

“This convention met in Minnesota, nominated its candidates and adopted a platform. Each candidate is privileged to have the words ‘recommended by Republican convention’ on the ballot, or if it is a Democratic convention or Farmer-Labor convention, those words go after the names of those candidates.”

UNUSUAL FOLK

By NEA Service

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14.—Stephen Carver of this city is the man-power for an entire railroad. Among the jobs he holds are president, general superintendent, chief of operations, director of maintenance of way, ticket and station agent at several stations, construction foreman, train dispatcher, engineer and train crew, section boss and crew.

Backed by cattlemen Carver started the Portland & Oregon City Railway and had it eighty-five per cent completed before the war. Then lack of funds halted work. So, to preserve his franchise until times get better, Carver runs a home-made auto bus on a regular daily train schedule along the tracks, with Carver as engineer and crew. This is in addition to all his other jobs with the railroad.

By NEA Service

READ GOOD BOOKS

Flappers and Cake Eaters Buy Serious Volumes.

By NORA KAY

Appearances to the contrary, there are a lot of deep thoughts under the Valentine pompadours and scant tresses of the modern youth according to the head of a popular book department. The young people of the present day are fast getting into the highbrow class, the department head says.

“The sugar coated trashily written romances of ten years ago are a thing of the past,” declared the authority. “Young people these days ask for well written, serious books. They want to read the books that are being talked about because of their literary value.”

“Who reads books talked about because of their sensationalism?” she was asked.

“Two kinds of people—the highbrow class seeking good literature from a literary standpoint and the curious class seeking a thrill. But I think,” she continued, “that both classes absorb a little of each.”

By NEA Service

GIVE ME ROOM

By BERTON BRALEY.

I DO not see much fun about a car that’s just a runabout: Two seats are not a awful lot when you have friends to carry.

A TOURING car is big enough to take a lot of luggage. And have of lunch, And thus make riding merry.

A BIG car will take care of you. When there is just a pair of you, And three, or four, Or several more, Can ride when you desire it.

I F on a train you hang along And want take a gang along. The space is there Whenever you require it.

A ND so to me, a touring car is much the most alluring car. And make room therein To take your kin And friends upon excursions.

T O ride the told you like about, And look who you like about—That’s the thing. Made motoring Least selfish of diversions.

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WELL BREED

You do not, unless infirm, lean upon the arm of the gentleman who escorts you by day, though after dark you may accept his support.

When two women are escorted by one man the women walk side by side and the man takes his place on the outside. For him to walk in the center is provincial and in bad taste.

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Come in today and select anything in our store and pay for it while you are enjoying it on the Windsor Easy Payment Plan.

GUARD AMONG FIRST

Indiana’s Citizen Soldiers Organization Ranks High.

Indiana’s National Guard ranks among the first ten in the United States, according to Adj’t Gen. Harry B. Smith.

There are 4,922 officers and enlisted men, he said.

“This is more than twice the number of men the State ever had except in 1917, when the men were drafted into Federal service during the World War,” Smith said.

The State just completed airdrome buildings on its aviation field near Kokomo. New armories have been completed at Salem, Martinsville and Madison. Armories at Portland, Kokomo, Elwood, Spencer and Greensburg are in the course of construction.

At Gary an armory is being erected on three acres of ground at a cost of \$50,000.

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Wear Diamonds

It means when used as a noun: popular oration, a speech addressed to a large public assembly, a noisy, ranting speech; when used as a verb: to address earnestly or noisily.

It comes from the French “harangue” meaning literally, a speech before a large multitude.

It’s used like this—as a noun:

“He delivered an impassioned harangue;” as a verb: “He harangued the crowd.”

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