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Pulling Together Did It

MORE concrete evidence of what pulling together will do has been demonstrated at Marietta, O., where the citizens, faced with the prospect of losing one of the plants of a safe cabinet company, banded together and in two weeks subscribed \$1,000,000 to consolidate all the plants of the company in Marietta.

Marietta is not a big city by any means. It has a scant 16,000 people, but among them were enough men of vision to see an opportunity when it presented itself.

The results are imposing. The population dependent on this plant will amount to 2,500 and will occupy 700 homes. The company's annual expenditures in Marietta will be \$1,800,000. But what is of more vital concern to the town is the fact that the company will pay taxes on a property value of \$2,250,000.

This seems an insignificant fact, but it nevertheless is a vital one in every community. Every industrial enterprise puts that much more on the tax duplicate and correspondingly helps to bear the burden of taxation. The cost of government never increases in proportion to the added taxables.

Not every community can undertake such a preposterous enterprise. It is a mistake to attempt an industrial program that is too big. This probably looked big to Marietta, but 118 men recruited from the city's most influential citizens had enough courage and enthusiasm to raise a million, and it should not be forgotten, "backed unanimously by the five Marietta banks."

There is another lesson to this achievement that should not be lost. The safe cabinet company started in Marietta, but had branched out into larger cities. For economy's sake, it had to consolidate its business.

The citizens of Marietta had the good judgment to realize that the safest way to grow is to back home industries instead of trying to bring in new enterprises of questionable and untried value.

Spankings and Discipline

ELBERT H. GARY said, in the course of an interview, that he never spanked his children to discipline them, but recalled that he once locked his daughter in a closet for a misdeed and kept her there until she said she was sorry.

He compared his plan of rearing children with that of the past generation, and remembered that he once was spanked by his father for saying "damn."

Mr. Gray does not condone spankings, but the very fact that he has a distinct recollection of his treatment when he used the profane word in the presence of his father, indicates that the methods of his father had a most wholesome effect.

There are undoubtedly occasions when nothing will serve the purpose like a spanking. A little more of it might be used to advantage in enforcing discipline in the present generation.

GERALD CHAPMAN is variously referred to as "prince of bandits." Chapman has a criminal record that makes the experiences of Jesse James appear as child's play. He has been sentenced to die in Connecticut, as punishment for murder.

The "Prince of Bandits"

Newspaper dispatches frequently allude to him as "prince" and wonder is often expressed that the word should thus be used.

Prince means one of highest rank. The first impression from hearing the word spoken or seeing it in print is that royal blood is referred to.

But it may be used correctly as a means of designating preeminence in a class of profession. The common conception, however, of the term is that it signifies something to be aspired, to be admired.

Surely we do not want to glorify banditry. No one would favor throwing any princely glamour about a man who never hesitated to kill and whose comrades in crime are now being traced to their lairs for a "vengeance" murder in the slaying of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hance, near Muncie, Ind., for bringing about Chapman's capture.

There has been altogether too much deceptive and enticing charm given the characters of crime by romancing newspaper reporters. It has served to lead all too many heedless youths into paths of crime.

Instead of the rank of prince, better had we call him the incarnation of the one who rules over the lower regions. Then the fascination that may intrigue the imaginations of boys will all be lost.

Loading is a hard job. It takes such a long time to get enough of it done.

Unfair Abuse

MONEY and the people who have it are let in for a great deal of abuse. All too often public opinion condemns wealth and then their addresses for funds for their pet hobbies. School children are taught that financial success is not genuine success.

But how much of this talk is cheap clap trap? How much do the people who give utterance to such sentiments really believe?

Of course the making of money should not be a single purpose in life; neither should it be the chief aim, but it should be one goal, because money is essential.

To save money means to make money and the saving of money develops self denial, restraint and character. The habit of thrift is a fine habit to cultivate.

The abuse of money is wrong and has a bad influence on others, but the right use of money is an important factor of every worthwhile movement, whether local in character or national in its scope.

Today's friendly advice: Don't envy your neighbor and don't go on his note either.

AS A man thinks, so he is, and every man, using man in the broadest sense, is responsible for his thoughts.

Good Habits

This is a psychological fact that has been emphasized so often that most people are familiar with it, but how many realize its importance in forming habits, which in reality determine what our true character shall be?

Tendencies toward thinking and acting in certain ways are called habits and they are the outgrowth of training and experience.

Many form evil habits as children that remain with them thru life because they did not have the proper directing influence before their powers of reasoning were very highly developed.

Children have characteristics that make the acquiring of habits easy because they are suggestible. They imitate the words and actions of their elders and if they are not taught the difference between right and wrong, they will very easily develop harmful habits.

This makes the responsibility especially heavy on parents or any grown people who may, without their knowledge, be examples from which children will acquire habits that will shape their lives.

Babies have an ear for music at six months of age, it is said. This explains the incessant crying when father puts them to sleep.

AN ORDER has gone out from the United States postoffice department requiring every rural mail carrier to have his automobile equipped with a spare tire.

The Spare Tire

Thus a thing of comparative insignificance has been raised to a place of importance in the world. It has been given a rank which entitles it to be classed as an essential.

The question may be raised as to whether the spare tire was ever unessential. Isn't anything that does the duty of a spare tire—always ready to step into the lurch in an emergency—of some value to humanity?

We are inclined to look upon some people as spare tires. They are substitutes for those who are doing the real work of the world, never seeming to have a place in the everyday affairs of life.

But haven't they a place that entitles them to some consideration? Is it fair to regard the spare tire folks as of no value to society?

The spare tire often saves the day. It takes the doctor on his mission of mercy when the tire in which he placed his faith was a failure. It makes it possible for men to be prompt. It supplies the necessary service needed for the milk man to be on time. It prevents the grocery man from being late. It is always ready for duty when called upon and keeps the highway transportation wheels running. And now it is going to make it possible for the mail man to be on time.

Perhaps we should give the spare tire more credit for the service it performs. We could hardly get along without it. Neither could we worry along without the spare tire people. They are needed as much as the first line people. Let's give them more consideration in the future.

Chautauqua speaker says girls should learn to cook at home instead of school. He seems to forget that home is the place where we sleep occasionally.

THE fad of swimming the English channel has been revived and has been holding a large part of the attention in the sport world.

To some this seems a foolish pastime, but to the aspirants for the honor it seems a feat of strength that should be accomplished by twentieth century athletes, in as much as five men have succeeded in swimming the channel.

Captain Mathew Webb was the first to cover the distance and beat back the treacherous waters, on August 25, 1876.

Being able to negotiate the distance is a test of which anyone might well be proud, just as superiority in any other branch of sport is ample reason for pride.

Miss Gertrude Ederle, the American girl who failed, after a heroic attempt, disappointed many admirers, but surely America, with its many international athletic triumphs, will be able to produce one able to do what others have done.

Swimming the Channel

One place a man can write a telegram in a few seconds is on a movie screen.

No one has figured out whether the cold weather at the north pole makes the ice or the ice makes the cold weather.

A CLASSIFIED ad is found in a moment, and the task of the advertiser is made very small.

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THE new Fall Suits and Overcoats are here for your inspection. The new shades in tan, grey and blue are entirely different than we have shown.

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James P. Cannon Company

LABOR DAY THE STORE WILL BE CLOSED

Notice

Regular meeting of Anna W. McArthur Chapter, O. E. S., Monday evening, Sept. 14th, at eight o'clock. Initiation and refreshments. All members are expected to be present. Margaret Baker, W. Matron.

Pierce—Williams

Miss Theresa Pierce of Batavia and Richard Williams, formerly of this village, now of Eldred, Pa., were united in marriage at Eldred, Pa., Saturday, August 26th, where Mr. Williams is employed in the oil field.

Too Late

Mistress—"I saw the milkman kiss you this morning. I'll take the milk in myself after this."

The Maid—"It won't do any good, mum. He promised to kiss nobody except me."—London Answers.

Marker Placed in Cemetery

A marker has been placed in the First Burying Ground at Rushford to mark the grave of Gershom Wilmarth, Revolutionary soldier. The marker was given by Miss Maude Crowley Wilmarth, residing at Salina, Kansas, a great-great-granddaughter of Gershom Wilmarth, and placed in the cemetery by the Catherine Schuyler Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Miss Wilmarth is a member of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.—Spectator.

Asbestos Suit and Mask Worn

Seaman Harry E. Peterson, a sailor attached to the naval training station at Newport, R. I., who has also served on the United States battleship Wyoming, was one of the outstanding heroes of the disaster to the excursion steamer, MacKinac at Newport, R. I., recently. Seaman Peterson, altho registered from Olean, is a Portville boy, the son of Mrs. John Peterson of this village.

Clad in an asbestos suit and wearing a gas mask, Seaman Peterson was one of the first rescuers to reach the scene of the disaster. Clambering over the side of the steam-engine excursion boat, he plunged into the scalding vapor, working in terrific heat as he removed dozens of the moaning victims to the side of the steamer. The brave rescuers continued their efforts until the clouds of steam dissipated, when they were relieved by a detail from the Wyoming.—Portville Review.



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H. H. WILLIAMS

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