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FRONT PORCH RUBBERNECKS

These are the good old days—and evenings, too—when the city cave-dwellers congregate upon front porches and "rubber" at each other to their heart's content. Mother and the girls are out there all afternoon and when the supper dishes are piled away, hustle out again to see and be seen along with father and the boys. Now all winter long new neighbors have been moving into the street and in most cases have remained "unknown" until the warm summer breezes drove everybody out of the parlor and onto the porch—or veranda if you really insist upon calling it that—and speedily we, you and they began taking stock of each other. Everybody learned that Mr. Bing stayed out late at night; that Miss So and So entertained her "steady" four evenings a week; that many visitors came in automobiles to the Splashes' house; that an installment furniture collector called regularly at the Jones domicile; that—Oh, horrors!—Mr. Bung made a trip every evening with something wrapped up in paper, which looked very much like a "growler."

APOSTLES OF THE IMPOSSIBLE

In these days we believe everything is possible. As usual, we are wrong. Every day someone is proving to us our error. If this were not true we would be wasting much of our time and thought on dreams and plans of impossible things, and occupying much more time than necessary to discover the right way to do things. An aeroplane is killed; his theories were wrong. Zeppelin's airships and gas plants are wiped out in accidents; his schemes were too elaborate. A rich man dies, unhappy, proving that wealth does not bring peace. A man dies a drunkard, proving that it is impossible for a liberal user of alcohol to succeed in life. We jeer at the unhappy airmen and we have scorn for the mean rich man and the drunkard. But have they not pointed out to us the things that are impossible? It is not important that we know what is impossible as well as what is possible? And have they not shown us the wrong way so that we may avoid it? They are the apostles of the impossible, these men who seem to fail. What a sad, lonely trail they have blazed, back through the pages of history! And what a tremendous benefit they have been to the world, these men who were marked by fate to show the world what was the wrong way—what was the path to avoid.

PENCIL POINTS

Perhaps some time, in the dim and distant future, Spokane will settle the street-lighting proposition, and get the posts and lights installed. This is the only big city in the west that is not properly lighted. The baseball goes into the hands of the receiver when it strikes the catcher's mitt. Some of those who reformed just before the comet was due to appear and possibly strike, have now slid back again—and Mr. Comet isn't due for some 70 years. Uncle Sam might profit by one rule of barbarous Russia. In the czar's land the marriage limit is five times. When a man or woman comes up for a sixth marriage, he or she is sent for a vacation to Siberia.

CHAMPION SLEEPERS

PORTLAND, Ore., July 28.—Oregon lays claim to having the soundest sleepers in the country, if not in the world, for an Oregon couple slept soundly while neighbors put out the fire that burned part of their house down, and never knew of the accident until the next morning. It happened in Roseburg. Mr. and Mrs. John R. Sutherland are the sleepy heads. Passing the Sutherland home early in the morning, neighbors found it on fire. Their shouts attracted no attention, and they thought the Sutherlins were away. After half an hour's work they put the fire out with a garden hose and went home. When they awoke the Sutherlins were dumbfounded to find their house had been on fire. Get Box Canyon Tickets early Saturday for the grand Sunday trip down Pend Oreille river to famous Box Canyon. Special \$2 round trip rate, 240 miles, in effect Sunday, July 31.

VERY LIKE HUMAN NATURE



Young Mouse—What is that cat's game? She sits watching outside our hole all day. Old Mouse—She knows we can't resist going out to see what she is looking at.



'MOST ANYTHING

Josh Wise Says:

"Th' man with cold feet gin'rally gits th' cold shoulder."

Fun Facts Fiction Froth Fads Folly

Mrs. Henpecke—Here it tells in the paper about a man in England who murdered his wife. I'd just like to see the man who would murder me! Henpecke—So would I, my dear. Canadian gold pieces, bearing the portrait of King George, will be issued next January. "His name is in everybody's mouth." "Go on! What did he ever do?" "He makes toothpicks, with his name stamped on every one." May—There were several army officers at the ball, but not one asked me to dance. Belle—And they are accustomed to the smell of powder, too! "Say, doc," said the kid, "you make your living out of other folks catching diseases, don't you?" "Well, yes, in a way," the doctor cautiously admitted. "Well, then, look here. I've got the measles. Now what will you give me to go to school and spread it among all the kids?" Germany has become a great leather exporting country. "I know a girl who accepts hun-

Horoscope

"The stars incline, but do not compel."
 SATURDAY, July 30, 1910. Now shall he win no place Who evil is and base. Saturn rules today, largely for good, being in unusually favorable aspect with the Sun. The combination of the two forces, often so antagonistic, produces a power according to astrology that is as beneficial for good efforts and honor, as it is evil for ignoble things and wrongful attempts. Mercenary affairs are under dark signs, but all commercial and financial undertakings that depend on mutual interests and profits are likely to feel an unusual tendency for the better. The omen is read, also, as being especially fortunate for outdoor pleasures of a clean, wholesome kind, particularly if they take the form of physical exercise. The relative position of Venus toward Saturn is unusual and is read as being highly fortunate for all love affairs, engagements and weddings based on true inclination, but pointing to ultimate disaster for any who enter wedlock today with mercenary or otherwise selfish motives. Mercury's power is toward success in publicity today and tomorrow. Peace and harmony are vital factors in this period. The time should be utilized for straightening out disputes and misunderstandings, settling quarrels, renewing friendships and correcting errors. Accountants and others dealing with figures should find solutions for problems that have baffled them. The inventive and creative faculties are likely to be much increased. Caution must be used, particularly in the afternoon, in handling dangerous implements, weapons, vehicles, boats and flame. There is a sign of quarrel with strangers, and trouble in crowds. The positions of the Sun and Saturn are believed by astrologers to portend effects that will bring earthquake shocks in southern Europe before long. Employees must refrain from intrigue, gossip or disputes,

and should not carry complaints to superiors. The day is good for asking and granting favors. Workers hired today should prove satisfactory. The period also favors promotions, increases and enlargement of responsibilities. Persons with this birth-date are under the full power of Leo, the second sign in the zodiac, fiery and sanguine giving overflowing sympathies and large ideas. Children born today are under influences that often make great leaders in any of the higher fields. Great politicians, authors, actors and financiers have been born under Leo.

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Editor The Press—Your editorial on "The Socialistic Shirtwaist" was one of those green isles of pleasure which occasionally appear in the wide sea of newspaper literature. I shall steal that story of the little girl who, when reproved for not buttoning her apron in the back, replied, "How can I? I am in front," and tell it on the stump. Perhaps you would like to add the following to your collection: A young man and his wife had recently moved to the state of Washington. One evening he took up his hat to leave the house. "I'm going down to the caucus," he announced. She whirled around and presented her back to him. "All right, button up my waist, and I'll be ready," said she. She had for-

gotten that she wasn't wanted at the caucus any more. Minnie J. Reynolds.



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