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## HISTORY IN 500 WORDS

Much comment has been caused by the recent announcement that former President Coolidge has been asked to write a history of the United States. These words to be carried on the Mount Rushmore Memorial in South Dakota.

It was wondered how Mr. Coolidge, even with his unusual knack for terse expression, could condense so much into a few words. Now the task has been simplified for him by the commission in charge of the memorial which has decided that the "history" shall be limited to a consideration of only eight events deemed the most important in the life of the nation. They are these:

Declaration of Independence, 1776; the forming of the Constitution, 1787; the Louisiana Purchase, 1803; the admission of Texas as a State, 1845; the Oregon boundary settlement, 1846; the admission of California as a State, 1850; the end of the Civil War, 1865; the completion of the Panama Canal, 1914.

Whether these are the most important incidents in our history or not, Mr. Coolidge may exercise his talent for condensation.

## FORD PHILANTHROPY

It was almost inevitable that Henry Ford should sooner or later adopt some plan to develop a charitable foundation for the service of his kind. His plan was announced a few days ago, and involves spending some \$100,000,000 for the founding of schools, and giving the rest of his active life to the cause of education.

He said that some of the schools would be founded by the time of his retirement, but that the number had not been decided. His principal object was stated to be the assistance of young men to find suitable places in the world.

That the proposed Ford school will stress the practical side of education was indicated by the fact that he expected that every student should learn a trade, so as to be able to find employment in at least one line of useful effort.

As a hint to those who may feel the urge to offer him unwanted advice concerning his program, Mr. Ford says that he intends to invest his money in the schools, and does not care for any suggestions from others who never made or saved a dollar, themselves.

However he may dispose of the millions he has decided to devote to his latest activity, it is safe to say that his decision will have a far-reaching and beneficial effect upon succeeding generations of young people.

## LOSES BET—AND HIS CAR

A certain gentleman bet his friends he could drop a lighted cigarette into the gasoline tank of his car, and that the cigarette would burn out and his friends would have to pay the bill. He did it, and the test was made.

When he dropped the cigarette there was no hesitation or delay—he lost his bet and his car, too. All he gained were some painful burns, a lot of excitement and a little new knowledge of the properties of gasoline.

He was a gambler, and he was a gambler in some what liquid gasoline will not ignite in exceedingly dangerous half-truth. You can't have gasoline in an open vessel with out having the deadly dangerous gasoline vapor. And the glowing butt must pass through the vapor, which is ignited by the heat of the sparks.

This incident is a reminder to all that gasoline ignites easily. Great property damage results every year from accidents with gasoline and its products and from their misuse. Reports to the National Board of Fire Underwriters for the year 1928 indicate that the loss from this cause of over \$150,000,000.

You wouldn't play with dynamite. Give gasoline the same degree of respect!

## LAST VETERAN TO QUIT

It is with a tinge of sadness that we note the intention of Congressman Charles Manly Stedman of North Carolina to retire from public life at the end of his present term, which time he will be 90 years of age.

The sentimental feeling inspiring Major Stedman, who is 78, is to be attributed to his late comings through the fact that he is the last veteran of the Civil War who will ever occupy a seat in Congress. Senator Warren of Wyoming, the last Union soldier in that body, died last fall.

Another striking fact about Major Stedman is that he did not enter Congress until he was 60, and yet was elected for 10 consecutive terms, and will have served 20 years as a Representative when he retires on March 4, 1930.

Major Stedman was born on January 29, 1841; served as private, lieutenant, captain and major under Lee, and was wounded three times in action. He served as lieutenant-governor of North Carolina before his election to Congress. He is a lawyer by profession.

On his recent birthday Congressman Daugherty of his state paid a glowing tribute to Major Stedman, which includes this:

"He has by his great ability, country man's commonsense, the ability to distinguish between the good and the bad, and untiring energy, rendered a service that has commanded national recognition, approval and admiration."

To few men has it been given to experience such a long and honorable career. He will be a welcome public life with the sincere affection of his fellow-citizens, whom will wish for him many more years in which to enjoy his well-earned rest.

## COSTS AND FARM INCOME

In his annual report L. J. Taber, master of the Illinois Grange, declares that the time is past when the farmer can afford to produce efficiently, but also to reduce at every opportunity the costs of production.

In other words, the farmer's profits depend upon his being able to produce his crops at a cost below the price at which he must sell them, rather than upon the size of every opportunity the costs of production.

Obviously one of the chief aids to economical production is the employment of modern equipment suitable to the needs of the individual farmer concerned. Such equipment, judiciously selected, effectively used, and taken care of when not in use is essential to success under present-day conditions.

Another important feature of profitable farming is the raising of as much food and as possible at home. As has been often pointed out, the cow, sow, and hen, with hay, pasture and a good garden, are among the most valuable adjuncts of a sound farm.

The decision made along these lines during the next few weeks will largely determine the farmer's profit or loss during 1930.

## COMMON SENSE JUSTICE

One of the distressing results of sending men prison indiscriminately for acts of offenses which are not serious is a terrible hardship on those dependent upon them. Judge Dova of Brooklyn is one who recognizes this, and in certain cases adopts practical means to protect innocent victims of the law's operation.

For example, Mr. Dova, who earns \$50 a week, was brought before him recently and pleaded guilty to having two wives, one with two children and the other with one, the judge said:

"I would gladly send you to Sing Sing, but your two wives and their children would suffer. You will pay the wife with two children \$20 a week and the wife with one \$15."

Thus five persons, who would have been deprived of support through sending Bruno to the penitentiary, were provided for, while the culprit will be constantly reminded of his offense and is not likely to repeat it.

That appears to be justice tempered with common sense.

## ARE YOU A GAMBLER?

Many men who would resent being classed as gamblers are really gamblers of the most insidious type. We refer to those who fail to protect themselves dependent upon them by means of insurance.

Heads of families, especially those who do not carry a reasonable amount of life and fire insurance are gambling with fate. Without such protection many a family is left destitute when the husband's life is cut short.

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## Church News

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

EST. 1885

SUNDAY, FEB. 28, 1930

SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30 a. m.

SUBJECT, March 2: Christ Jesus.

SERMON, 10:30 a. m.

READING ROOM AND LIBRARY, 11:00 a. m.

OPENING DAY, 1:00 p. m.

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