

TODAY and TOMORROW
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WAGES the wages
When I was a boy in New England my father, who was a minister, thought that I ought to learn some trade by which I could support myself if I failed to make good as a professional man, which was his ambition for me. He could earn journeyman's wages as a cabinet-maker, and was an expert farmer.

It happened that the trade to which I was apprenticed opened the door to a profession. I became a printer, and by that route a journalist. I found myself several times in my young manhood very thankful that I had a trade to fall back on at which I could always earn a living.

It was a good trade, too, and today is the best paid of all the crafts. Printers on newspapers and magazines earn the highest average hourly rate in industry, 87.2 cents per hour, the National Industrial Conference Board reports. Automobile workers come next, with 79.3 cents an hour. That is more than double what union printers got in the big cities when I worked at the case.

PROGRESS workers
It was my father's idea that the only honorable occupation was one which helped to make the world a better place to live in. The wage-worker does that, when by his labor he converts raw materials into useful commodities and so adds to the world's store of usable wealth. The employer of labor aids by providing the machinery and tools—the "capital goods"—to enable the workers to produce more wealth with less labor. The merchant who distributes wealth by bringing commodities within everybody's reach is also helping to make a better world.

In my lifetime the world has steadily been getting better. Character counts for more in human affairs than it ever did before. Standards of conduct in human relations are higher than they have even been. We are making progress.

CHILDREN work
In a world which is far more critical of social relations, more widely intolerant of injustice than was the world in which I was born, there seems to me to be a tendency to overemphasize evils and to overlook some elementary truths. The renewed agitation for the ratification of the Child Labor amendment to the Federal Constitution is a case in point. Certainly children should not be permitted to work in factories at low pay and under unhealthy conditions. I used to see that in New England cotton mills when I was a boy. I am very doubtful, however, that such practices are now prevalent anywhere in America. Yet the reformers talk as if millions of children were still exploited by cruel taskmasters. The tendency seems to me to be too much the other way. There is far too much coddling of adolescent youth. Anyone who hasn't

Women in Government



WASHINGTON . . . Miss Betty Goodykoonts (above), Assistant Commissioner of Education, is one of the women in government who rates high in the ranks of those now doing important work in government departments.

acquired the habit of work in childhood is not likely to grow up into a useful member of society.

FLYING risks
Flying is becoming safer every year. Five years ago commercial aviation had a record of one death for every 4,300,000 passenger miles flown. The 1936 record is one fatality for 20 million passenger-miles. A traveler now can expect to fly 1,000 miles a day for sixty years without injury; five years ago he could look forward with confidence to only ten years of flying.

When we consider how young commercial air-travel is—it is all a development of the past 15 years—this is remarkable progress. It was nearly fifty years after the first steam locomotives were built before railroad travel became as safe as air-travel is today; ocean travel is still more hazardous than flying.

The death-toll of automobiles is far greater in proportion to mileage than that of any other form of transportation.

ALASKA air minded
There is one part of the United States in which aviation is the principal means of transportation and, through a good part of the year, the only means. That is Alaska. Many Alaskans who have traveled for years by air have never seen a train or an automobile. It is cheaper for the miners who go inland in summer to travel to and from the railheads and seaports by air than by dog-team. In northern Canada great new goldfields have been made accessible by plane which would be almost out of touch with the world otherwise. The airplane has enabled prospectors to develop gold mines in the mountains of New Guinea where white men take their lives in their hands trying to penetrate the jungle filled with savage head-hunters.

The time will come when every square mile of the earth's surface will have been mapped and explored by the aid of planes.

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MAPLE SPRINGS

Due to the bad weather last Sunday, the attendance at Sunday school was very small.

Mrs. Eliza Money, who has been confined to her room for several weeks by illness, remains seriously ill, we are sorry to note.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Greene and daughter, Joan, of High Point spent the week-end with Mrs. Green's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sparks.

Miss Doris Harp of Winston-Salem was the week-end guest of Miss Fannie Sparks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vanhoy announce the birth of a son, Joseph McClain, Sunday, February 24.

Several people from this community attended the funeral of Mrs. Rhetta Jolly at Shady Grove Sunday.

Miss Doris Reeves of Winston-Salem spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reeves.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sparks and daughter, Betty, of Winston-Salem spent the week-end with friends and relatives here.

Friends of Luther Holbrook will regret to know that he is confined to his home, suffering with rheumatism.

Clifford Watt of Stoney Point was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leet Poplin over the week-end.

Burbank, Calif., Feb. 21. — Amelia Earhart, aviatrix, said today she will begin a "round-the-world flight" in her "flying laboratory" not later than March 15.

"That is about the latest I can hope for the best flying weather," she said on arrival here after a leisurely flight from Cleveland, O.

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