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APRIL FOOLS DAY.

You could never make the kiddies of former days think that April Fools Day was one of the minor occasions of the year. They looked forward to it as almost next to July fourth. They planned elaborate hoaxes, and conducted campaigns for the befoolment of older and wiser heads. For once in the year they felt ahead of the grown-ups, being able thus to deceive and make game of them.

Most women set out in the morning to fool their husbands as the first business of the day, and commonly they succeed. The newspapers printed elaborate accounts of traditional hoaxes, like placards attached to people's backs marked April Fool, wool doughnuts fried in brown fat looking exactly like the real thing, etc. These schemes were beyond the capacity of the children, who contented themselves with minor stunts like calling attention to some imaginary bird in the near by tree.

The humorists of every age have their own methods, which change from time to time. Practical jokes are not so common as they used to be. Wit and humor become more refined. People with a humorous turn enjoy jollying others, matching wits and poking fun at them. They like tripping them up in conversation and repartee, rather than making them physically ridiculous.

These modern forms of humor are more subtle, and are often just as irritating to the sensitive victim as the old methods. The man who is slow of speech feels baffled and helpless among the jokers of modern society. But fun making is the spice of life. People who can't take their part and accept joking on themselves good naturedly, are bound to be uncomfortable as the old timer who had the placard stuck on his back on the first day of April.

"That \$6,000,000 is a large sum to take away from the taxpayers," is an assertion being made a good deal in commenting upon the pending road bond issue. The assertion is based upon a pre-act misunderstanding of what the act involves. Nothing in the act requires any increase of taxation in order to get the \$6,000,000. It is the automobile which pays the money. Auto license fees have been doubled, and with a normal increase in the number of machines owned in Oregon, the fees will more than cover the interest and the sinking fund payments to retire the entire bond issue. Should there be no increase at all in the number of autos used, it would still be unnecessary to raise taxes, for the extra money would come from the present quarter-mile road tax. Supporters of the road bonding measure will do well to correct the misunderstanding.

Glancing over The Evening News' columns of today and comparing them with two months ago—or even six months—tells the story whether or not the public appreciates a live wire daily paper. The advancement made in every department of this office since the new management assumed control is far beyond expectations. New names are being constantly added to our subscription lists, the advertising columns made bright and attractive by a large number of wide-awake merchants and the job printing department—second to none in the state—is kept busy turning out that class of work in true metropolitan style. It is a condition of affairs that is very encouraging to the management and only urges The News to make further and greater strides during 1917. Commencing today we furnish to our

readers Associated Press reports—a feature carried by no other paper in Roseburg. You will not get your "wires crossed" if you read The Evening News for the world's doings.

When a man is seen sneaking around in the middle of the night near a valuable railroad bridge, factory or munition plant, it is safe to assume about now that he is not doing it for his health, nor is he looking for a good place to lay out a vegetable garden.

When they get all rigged up with short skirts, white stockings, and black boots, many of our modest and shrinking girl friends come down town with calm confidence that no one is going to notice them.

So far the submarines have not required our sailors to blow up their own ships and jump overboard as a penalty for venturing on to their privately owned ocean.

The men who call the militia forces in soldiers are again thanking their stars that they had the foresight not to join.

There is a widespread conviction that working in the garden is a very healthful exercise for your wife and your boys.

April 1 always shows a great lack of preparedness on the part of the grown ups against the plots of the kiddies.

It was finally decided not to ask the kaiser's permission before calling congress together.

DORIS KENYON ON WINTER TOURING

Famous Film Star Makes Record Drive in Massachusetts.

Doris Kenyon, film star, is known as one of the most daring and enthusiastic motorists in her profession. Her midwinter cross country flights in her Overland six-cylinder roadster have won her country-wide attention and no small amount of fame.

She holds the unique idea that mid-winter motoring is best, and runs her roadster all winter, under all weather conditions.

Miss Kenyon was recently asked to go to Fall River, Mass., to appear in person in two theatres there. Miss Kenyon decided to drive there in her car, in spite of the fact that it was the day after Christmas, and the distance was 237 miles.

Starting before daylight on the day after Christmas, and running under the auspices of several New England newspapers along the route, she covered the distance in six hours, and 35 minutes, stopping only once for fuel, and not once stopping the motor.

Then she found out what the record was between the two cities and determined to break it.

The following day Miss Kenyon drove back, in spite of the worst road conditions of the year, in rain, hail and sleet, with the road a glare of ice, in eight hours and 29 minutes. To make this drive she had to travel over lonely roads for miles, but never had any trouble.

"I've had my Overland now for nine months," said Miss Kenyon, "have driven it over 7000 miles, have not bought a new tire, and haven't even had a spark plug cleaned or the engine touched. I know when I start out for a cross-country trip in that car that I'm going to get there without any trouble, I have absolute and implicit faith that my car will go anywhere, any time."

The action of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce on changing the name of Lane county because of the actions of United States Senator Lane, of Oregon, in congress when the president's armed neutrality bill came up for a vote has attracted a great deal of attention throughout the state. D. A. Eaton, of Hills-ton, Polk county, wrote as follows: "I see you want to change the name of Lane county. Call it Justice county. I am a voter and am 78 years of age. I voted for Lane, but I am done with him. I am a democrat too."

DOINGS OF THE CITY

Bulletins Attract.

The Association Press Bulletins of The Evening News today attracted a great deal of attention from passers-by. These bulletins are absolutely authentic and offer many news features that are not carried in any other bulletin in the city.

Press Agent Arrives.

The press agent for the Alexander Company, which will appear at the Antlers soon, arrived in this city today and spent several hours advertising the company. This feature has been playing to packed houses throughout the south and it is said to be a very meritorious troupe.

Denn Transfer Will Move.

The H. J. Denn Transfer Co. has leased office rooms in the Hildeburn block on lower Cass street and will vacate their present quarters on Jackson street tomorrow. They will have very commodious rooms for carrying on their business at their new location.

Attorney General Patriotic.

Attorney General Geo. M. Brown, who was in this city last week, paid a visit to The Evening News office and spent some time chatting with the force. Mr. Brown was delighted to see the abundance of flags that are displayed in this city and said that it shows the right spirit.

Severa. Write Scenarios.

Although several budding authors of this city have submitted scenarios to eastern and California movie firms, no news has yet been heard from one of them, according to the writers. It is very probable that the "scenario" has found the depth of the film company's waste paper basket.

Myrtle Creek Resident Dies.

J. S. Harris, of Myrtle Creek, died yesterday evening at the Roseburg sanatorium after an illness of several years. The funeral will be held at Myrtle Creek tomorrow afternoon. J. B. Harris, brother of the deceased, was in the city today arranging for the funeral.

Remodeling Rooms.

The club rooms of the Umpqua hotel are today being remodeled in readiness for the barber shop that will be installed here within the next few days by Al Perkins. Mr. Perkins today stated that his fixtures would arrive soon from Portland and they will immediately be set up. The shop will no doubt prove as a great convenience to the patrons of the hotel.

Benson Changes Location.

E. C. Benson, secretary of the Roseburg Merchants Association, moved his office fixtures to the rooms formerly occupied by Attorney George Neuner in the Douglas National Bank building yesterday. He has good roomy quarters which will facilitate the handling of his constantly increasing business.

Book Issued.

"The Umpqua" an eight page paper issued by the students of the Gardner high school, was today turned out by The Evening News job department. The paper contains a great deal of excellent reading matter and several ads. of the merchants of the Gardner district. The paper is issued periodically and is very popular among the students.

Goes to Salem.

State Superintendent of Schools J. A. Churchill returned to Salem yesterday morning after several days spent in this city attending to business matters and visiting the school teachers' clubs which met here Saturday. He is delighted with the manner in which the local schools are being conducted and says that it is his opinion that much good work is being accomplished in spite of the hampered quarters.

Twenty-Nine Years Ago.

Weather Observer William Bell was showing to a News representative today a photograph taken 29 years ago of him self, in this city, the work having been done by H. B. Graves, formerly in business here. There is quite a noticeable change in the physiognomy of Mr. Bell today compared with almost 30 years ago. He was some "flashy" looking boy in those days and to add to his "make-up" Martin Marks, a brother of Herman Marks, now of this city, placed a \$300 diamond stick pin in his tie when Mr. Bell posed for his picture.

Wants Roseburg Road.

According to word received in this city today, Myrtle Point is again agitating a road from that city to Roseburg and several meetings have been held at the interests of the highway. The papers of that section are very enthusiastic in their support of the issue and had Douglas county on the proposal of a county bond issue. One paper has the following to say: "At the preparedness meeting in Marshfield, the Myrtle Point delegation had a slogan reading, 'The Marshfield Army, if we can get the Myrtle Point road.' These patriots filled with the spirit of the meeting, heart and soul for preparedness in the same spirit that they supported the bond issue, favor an army in which to train Coos bay young men to defend the county if the state will build them a road to Roseburg."

ADVERTISED MAIL.

The following is a list of letters and cards remaining unclaimed for at the Roseburg postoffice:  
Barrett, H. M., Carter, Walter; Clark, Mr.; Colvin, H. A.; Hall, J. H.; Kirk, A. J.; Miller, Miss Belle; Morrow, Joseph; Moore, Wm.; Stark, O. A.; Sutton, Mr.  
Cards.  
Arrell, Oscar; Stone, Miss Hazel, L. F. REIZENSTEIN, Postmaster.



G-D **Justrite** **CORSETS**  
TRY ONE. IT WILL WEAR LONG AND YOU WILL LIKE IT WELL

**Coats** certainly are selling well this spring. We have another large shipment in today. They come in all the season's new materials and popular colors—\$6.50 to \$45.00. Quality governs prices absolutely. Also more **DRESSES**. Come in, you can spend a pleasant hour here.

The **SQUARE** Store

AN EXCLUSIVE LADIES' SHOP  
GEO. A. BURCHARD 131 N. Jackson Street

Schools Are Closed.

According to word received in this city, the schools at Oakland, Ore., have been closed on account of an epidemic of measles.

Bulletins Are Ready.

Bulletins on spraying peaches, cherries, apples, pears, prunes and plums have just been published by the Oregon Agricultural College and are ready for distribution to applicants.

Arrives Home.

John W. Parker yesterday arrived home from Portland where he attended the meeting of the Northwest Tourist Association. Mr. Parker says that the meeting was a very interesting one.

Rains Steadily.

According to weather forecasts the rain of last night was the most steady that has occurred here for several weeks. A big raise in the river is expected as a result and it is thought that it will exceed all former marks for height this year.

Proclamation Issued.

The Catholic who fails in patriotic duty to his country is not a loyal son of the Catholic church, declared Archbishop A. Christie in a proclamation to the clergy and laity of the arch diocese of Oregon several days ago.

Attracts Crowds.

The Evening News several days ago started the idea of pasting the front page of the paper on the bulletin board immediately at the time it was off the press and the popularity of the paper is fully attested in the manner with which the crowds quickly gather to read the live news of the day.

Civil Service Exams.

No more will the postmastership of any city, town or village in the United States be governed by politics. Beginning yesterday all postmasters will be appointed under civil service rules regardless of political beliefs. The examinations will be competitive. This new rule will not only improve the service, but will save the government a great deal of money each year.

Review Work of Clubs.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill has issued a bulletin which reviews the work of the boys' and girls' industrial clubs during the past year. The bulletin contains the pictures of the boys and girls who won capital prizes for exhibits at the state fair last September. The pictures are accompanied by letters of explanation of the work done by the prize winners. The bulletin states that during the past year there were 577 clubs organized with an aggregate membership of 12,805. The work concerned corn growing, potato growing, vegetable culture, poultry raising, pig feeding, gardening, canning, sewing, baking, etc., and is full of interest.

DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENT DIES

Mrs. May Hervey, aged 42, a native of Douglas county, passed away late Saturday night after a serious illness which has kept her confined to Mercy hospital for some time preceding her death.

Mrs. Hervey was born in Douglas county, July, 1875, and her entire residence has been in this vicinity. For the past ten years she has resided with her husband at Kiddle where she made a great many friends who are greatly grieved by her death. She has always been a member of the Baptist church a strong and consistent worker.

She is survived by her husband and three children, Lois, Kenneth and Audrey Hervey, all of whom reside at Kiddle. Her mother, Mrs. Marietta Hatfield, also survives as well as her brothers, F. G. Hatfield, T. W. Hatfield, Eljah Hatfield, C. W. Hatfield and Alex Hatfield.

The funeral service was held this afternoon from the Baptist church, Rev. Eaton of the local church and Rev. Anderson, of Riddle, officiating. Interment took place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Ride on the Prosperity Wave to the Bank.

Are you getting your share of prosperity? If you are, conserve a part of your wealth. Deposit your surplus cash in the bank. Willful waste means woeful want. Be prepared for a possible change in conditions. Keep enough balance in the bank to provide for a stagnation. There's no telling when ready cash will be at a premium. It is the man with the ready cash who is unafraid. See us today about that bank account of yours.

THE UMPQUA VALLEY BANK

B. W. Strong, President; J. M. Throne, Cashier; D. R. Shambrook, Vice President; Roland Agee, Vice President.

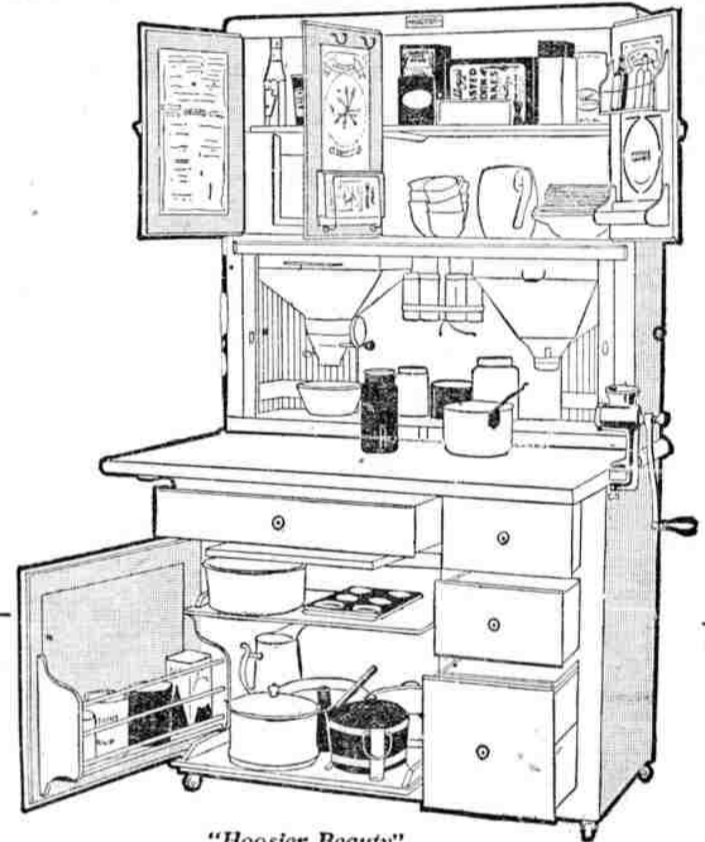
Now Located at 225 N. Jackson

Ready to serve you better than ever, Monday, February 5. Thanking you for your past favors and soliciting a continuance of the same, yours for better service.

THE CASH STORE

J. B. KING, Proprietor Roseburg, Oregon

Mrs. G. E. Clay, of Glendale, returned to her home Saturday evening after spending the day shopping in this city. Miss Ellen Milikln, who is teaching school at Gunter, arrived Saturday evening to spend Sunday in this city with her parents.



"Hoosier Beauty" Advertisers in Leading Magazines

This New Hoosier Cabinet Delivered for Only \$1.00!

Will Another Day End This Sale? The Public Alone Can Answer.

The Immediate Closing

of this sale may be caused tomorrow by the number of women who enroll on this Hoosier Plan. If all the women who need Hoosier should come tomorrow, our allotment would be taken before night and the sale would close.

It cannot take you ten minutes to decide, once for all, whether you intend to purchase now or later. And you are deciding, remember, whether or not you will save miles of unnecessary steps you now take.

But unless you decide at once, you may decide too late to own this greatest of all Hoosier cabinets on this liberal Hoosier Plan. 1,000,000 women already have Hoosiers. Thousands are buying this new Hoosier every week. You should, without fail,

grasp this opportunity and see this cabinet tomorrow.

You may choose between the celebrated Hoosier Beauty pictured above, and one of the Hoosier Wonders.

Terms of Hoosier Plan Are These:

- 1—\$1 puts the cabinet you choose in your home.
- 2—\$1 weekly pays for it.
- 3—The Low Cash Price fixed by the factory prevails strictly.
- 4—The sale is under direct supervision of the Hoosier Company.
- 5—No interest. No extra fees.
- 6—Your money back if you are not DELIGHTED with your Hoosier.

Only those women who grasp this opportunity tomorrow can be sure of getting one of these cabinets on this liberal Hoosier plan. You realize, of course, that these terms could not be offered except on a very limited number of cabinets.

After This Sale—

- 1—The "Hoosier Plan" terms will be withdrawn.
- 2—Our regular furniture terms will then prevail.

A. J. Lilburn & Son Complete House Furnishers Roseburg, Oregon

We Are Tremendously Enthusiastic About our Spring Skirts



and so will you be when you see them.

From materials to finished garments these skirts are made in a superior fashion. It is a distinctive line in every detail that counts.

**Bellows** A Woman's Shop For Women's Wear.