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HONORING THE MOTHERS.

Most of our public observances are based on events or ideas that date back many years or centuries. But Mothers' Day, observed the second Sunday in May, is a comparatively recent development. It seemed as if the human family had gone on for years accepting thoughtlessly all the devotion and service offered by the mothers, without feeling it necessary to express thanks therefor in any public way. Mothers have gone uncelebrated too long, and they should be given the enthusiastic words of appreciation and tenderness that they so richly deserve.

Most men and women fail to express this sentiment as they should. They allow their mothers to pass out of this life without ever telling them how much gratitude they feel.

A great deal of this mother love is given without full return. The mother devotes her whole life to a son. Then when he becomes of age he falls in love with some girl and gives her his first affection, though she has done relatively little for him compared with the life-long service and sacrifice offered by his mother.

Our people owe their present advancement to the efforts of motherhood quite as much as to any other cause. It is the patient effort of mothers in all these millions of homes, to bring up good and true sons and daughters, that is the hope of the nation. Although the world is full of demoralizing influences, yet at home the loving mother heart is always trying to make the coming generation better and happier than its predecessors.

Most people owe far more to the quiet guidance and toilsome efforts of their mothers than they can possibly realize. Mothers' Day is an occasion when those fortunate enough to have living mothers can make some slight return by generous words of affection and recognition.

The people who sit in baseball grandstands of the more important leagues and watch the diamond stars toss around the elusive little sphere with such superb skill, may think it is all fun for them to play such an interesting game as their regular occupation. But professional baseball is no child's play. There is a tendency in any occupation to do it in a routine way, about the same day after day. Many professional ball players lose their grip at an early age, because they can not retain the same "pep" and enthusiasm that carried them forward in their first years. It is not much use for anyone to go in for professional ball unless he has untiring energy and enjoyment of activity, so that it is a pleasure to him to be "on his toes" every minute, physically and mentally. He must feel this intense absorption in his occupation, so that as time goes on his mind constantly works quicker, and he keeps up his muscular facility until the day when he is too old for this strenuous sport.

One of the most pathetic sights of many cities is the large number of men, many of them crippled, who are begging on the streets. Many of these men are frauds, but others have suffered genuine misfortune. Such begging is a nuisance, but before dealing severely with it, it is desirable to give these men a chance to make good. The beggar, whether suffering from misfortune or not, sets the example of getting something for nothing, so he does harm. A suggestion of the best way to deal with this problem is had from San Francisco, where a vocational training bureau connected with the schools has helped 125 persons crippled in some degree, to earn a living, some getting more than they could make before being hurt.

Senator Norblad, candidate in opposition to W. C. Hawley in the first congressional district, ought to be elected hands down if this old state ever expects to get any consideration at the hands of our national congress. The fact is, a fellow who has been on the job as long as Mr. Hawley and has accomplished all he claims to have "got around" during his fifteen years of service, is a good record upon which to retire. A livewire like Mr. Norblad would walk away with twice as much patronage for the state in half the time.

Hall is still in the lead in the governorship race—speaking from the standpoint of popularity in this part of the state. But it takes more force than the southern Oregon vote to elect a candidate.

Most people have a sort of disgust for the recall measure. It has all the earmarks of designing politicians who are desirous of serving personal ends—with a good fat salary attached.

Probably less than a half vote will be registered at the primary election. This is where the minority rules and the majority gets a good jolt for not getting out to the polls.

Governor Oleott's proclamation today is the first bomb thrown into the political arena. It will create some flurry in the governorship race. The fight is on.

The campaign, in keeping with the weather, is warming up to some degree. Looks like it might run into a regular stem-winder before next Friday.

Friday, May 19, might properly be termed "hangman's day." Some five enthusiastic candidates for governor are now being "strung" for the event.

County candidates are beginning to "prick up their ears" and are hustling about the county rubbing shoulders with the voters.

This is regular baseball weather—with all the trimmings.

Prune Pickin's

By Bert G. Bates

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

A magazine with the Uplift fever asks: "Is any man perfect?" We blush. We hesitate. But vastly of more importance Than our spiritual comfort Is the duty we owe the public. Therefore, fighting back. The inclination to Keep silent. We bow to the Demand of humanity And admit it. We are.

Doc DeLapp's wonder baseball team was unmercifully defeated by the Baptists last eve. Doc's team is called "wonder" because we wonder if they'll ever win. Don't get discouraged, tho, fellers, Winchester wasn't built in a day.

Some poor unfortunate individual is advertising in today's paper for an upper set of false teeth which he says he lost. People who wear false teeth should never take 'em out.

Quite a few of the Espee boys laid their overalls in the garret today and donned the "soup and fish" to entertain Miss Rita Boynton, their candidate for queen at the Elks Golden Jubilee in Portland. Tonight they'll dance the poor young lady to distraction. We'll bet she's hopin' Jim Hume, Vic Peterson, Warren Burt, John Enger, Jim Love and a few more we could mention, refrain from asking her for the second hop.

"Jedge" Orcutt made his usual morning trip to the post office this a. m. snorking his usual morning seegar.

There was a young chap By the name of Powers Whose virtue Was greater than ours; He drank not, And smoked not, He swore not, And jokes not— But oh, how the darling Loves flowers.

"Dero teacher Please excuse Mary From scul today, She got wet in the A. M. And had a chill In the P. M."

OH BOY! A FRONT SEAT. "The bride was lovely in a chic gray hat, rose adorned, gray slippers, and an exquisite corsage bouquet of pink roses and valley lilies completing the costume."—Los Angeles Evening Herald.

"What did your son learn at college?" "Well, sir, he can ask for money in such a way that it seems like an honor to give it to him."

Never kick a man when he's down; he may get up and whale the stuffin' outa you.

As all of us have the same amount of time, it isn't how much time we spend, but how we spend it that counts.

THE WHOLE TRUTH. Tuesday morning the teacher asked the pupils of the third grade why they studied geography. The answer of little Willie deserves honorable mention. "I study geography," said he, "to keep from staying in after school."

SOUNDS LIKE THE 19TH HOLE. A sport writer says that golf is hard to learn. Not only that but it's hard to learn it's hard to learn.—Lexington (Ohio) News.

"You look dejected." "Yes, Married life gets on my nerves."

"Been married long?" "No. The wedding takes place to-morrow."

Mr. Bryan says he refuses to believe that his ancestors were "ignorant monkeys hanging by their tails from the family tree."

Who said they were ignorant? They might have been educated in the "higher branches."

NO CHANCE. Dolly—That Mr. Flash is a very impolite person. While I was talking to him this morning he yawned nine times.

Paul—Perhaps he wasn't yawning. Maybe he wanted to say something.

THE STUDENTS WERE TICKLED. A recently issued circular of a co-educational college contained this statement: "The student body embraces young women."

On the bulletin board of the women's section of the college the instructor in astronomy has posted this notice regarding the evening star: "Anyone wish to look at Venus, please see me."

A dollar-a-year man has been unable to collect 19 cents due him from the government. Maybe Charley Dawes has been meddling again.

WHATEVER THAT IS. "What kind of a girl is Miss Jazzlets?"

"A 1922 model."

"Eh?"

"Babbed hair and a crepe de chine soul."

You can't tell from the way a seed falls how much of a comeback it has concealed about its person.

THE PARTY WAS A SUCCESS. She walked in and banged a hunk of yellow substance on the counter. "This," she announced sarcastically, "is the soap that does the washing itself. It's the soap that makes

CHRISTIAN CHURCH. Sunday, May 14. Morning, 10:30. After the meeting service. Evening, special Mothers' Day program.

washing a pleasure; it's the soap that— "That ain't no soap, ma'am," interrupted the procer as he took the substance in hand and examined it. Your little girl was here yesterday for half a pound of cheese and half a pound of soap. This is the cheese."

Nothing makes a woman so mad, as to have something to say and no one to listen.

SPRING NOTES. Nobody ever brags about the second robin he sees.

One of the drawbacks about life insurance is that you seldom live to enjoy it.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ: "Windin' the clock at night when you git ter bed is all right if you git ter bed early enough."

WE SELL FLOUR. Puritan flour, Kerr's flour, Fisher's Blend, White Mountain, Drifted Snow, Flavo, Douglas Pride, Cherro and The Crown. No better prices in the town. JUDG'S GROCERY.

Playground Pictures Shown Association. The Parent Teachers association at Green, held an interesting session last evening at the schoolhouse. The program by the school children was followed by a set of slides showing the new playground paraphernalia which is said to be one of the best sets in the state for a school of that size. The pictures from which the slides were made were taken by Prof. Goff.

The students at the school are taking much interest in the school ground and a short time ago the boys transplanted a 20 foot maple tree which in a few years will provide much shade for the school building. At last night's meeting it was the unanimous sentiment that Prof. and Mrs. Goff be retained at the head of the Green school for another year.

CREDITORS NOTICE. All persons or firms holding bills against the Student Body Association of the Roseburg High School are requested to present them before May 24th, in order that they may be paid before the beginning of the next school year. TREASURER, S. B. A.

Alleged White Slavers Arraigned. Jack Kennedy and Leo Conroy, alleged white slavers were arraigned this morning before U. S. Commissioner George Jones and were ordered held for the federal jury. The men waived preliminary examination and were placed under \$1,500 bonds each to appear before the federal grand jury. The two girls, Norma and Ruth Gray, were each placed under \$500 bonds to appear as witnesses. The men stated that as soon as they reached Portland that they would procure bail. They were taken to Portland this afternoon by Frank Snow, deputy U. S. marshal, and a veteran of the Portland police force. The girls were taken to Portland this afternoon by Miss Agnes Fitchford county juvenile officer.

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W. E. ST. JOHN Republican Candidate For County Judge



A thorough business administration of county affairs, with strict trenchment in the conduct of each and every department pertaining thereto, is the only platform I have to offer to the voters of Douglas county. If nominated and elected I will carry out an administration strictly along business lines. It is the kind of an administration the taxpayers desire. I respectfully solicit your vote at the May primary election. (Paid Adv.) W. E. ST. JOHN.

ROSEBURG'S TELEPHONE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT INTERESTING TO ALL



(By JNO. R. FARRINGTON.) That Roseburg's telephone growth and development has taken place in the short space of 25 years is difficult to comprehend and it is equally difficult to realize that in so short a time the telephone has reached its present importance in our daily business and social relations.

It was on November 1, 1897 the year just preceding the Spanish-American war that the first local telephone exchange was established on Jackson street where the Fisher Dry Goods store now is. The equipment was not extensive or elaborate judged by the present day standards consisting of a one position switchboard, magneto type, equipped to care for 50 lines, a 20 pair okonite cable and a few short spurs of open wire. This equipment amply met with the requirements for on January 1, 1898, the total number of exchange subscribers was but 27. In 1898 a toll line from Portland was completed which necessitated adding a 50 pair cable and as the demand for service was light, no further plant additions were made until 1906.

During the intervening time, the office was moved in 1901 to a location now occupied by Wilder and Agree's store and "night service" was established, the efficiency of which can be vouched for by Nathan Fullerton, the first night operator. Later the exchange was moved to Washington and Main streets and in 1906 the growth had been sufficient to require the enlargement of the entire plant. Considerable aerial cable was placed throughout the business section and the pole lines and open wire were reconstructed and extended and a four section Magneto switchboard installed. The 27 stations of 1898 had by this time increased to 378 and the importance of the telephone in community development had become a recognized fact. (Already lines were radiating from Roseburg into the neighboring districts, shortening distances and bringing the country nearer the city, to the mutual benefit of both the farmer and the merchant.)

This growth and development continued until in 1910 when it was necessary to entirely rebuild the outside plant and install common battery equipment. Two 400 pair underground cables were placed in service, the aerial cable extended and considerable pole line extensions made. The work at that time on the outside plant alone, cost approximately \$23,000. There were 899 telephones then in service, 525 of which were within the city and the remaining 374 within the suburban area, adjacent and tributary to Roseburg.

Early in 1915 the old county bridge across the Umpqua river to which the Pacific company's cable to West Roseburg was strung, was removed and a catenary span was placed beside the old bridge to carry the cable across the river.

Roseburg's telephone development continued throughout the war and reconstruction periods until today we have a modern, up-to-date exchange, furnishing telephone service to 1543 stations. Many additions and improvements have but recently been completed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in their earnest effort to provide a satisfactory service. The outside plant has again been practically rebuilt, the work having included the replacing of considerable small cable with cable containing a greater number of wires, the setting of about 50 new poles and providing additional lines with which to serve new sections and districts, not heretofore reached by the telephone company. This work was done at a cost

of over \$8,000, spent during the year, 1921, and of approximately \$10,000 this year.

The demand Roseburg makes upon its telephone service is met by 15 young lady operators whose prompt, courteous and conscientious responses can best be appreciated when it is understood they handle an average of 7000 local and 250 long distance calls daily. These young ladies are from representative Roseburg homes that form a fundamental part of the city's social and business activities and that they serve the community well and faithfully 24 hours every day is not questioned. Some of these employees have been with the Pacific company here in Roseburg for more than 15 years and several have served from three to nine years.

It is the Pacific company's policy to look after the welfare and well being of its employees and a plan has been provided for sickness, accident, death and pension benefits. An example of the benefit this plan is to employees can be illustrated with the death benefits:

The wife of an employee who had been in the company's service between 5 and 10 years would, at his death receive from this plan an amount equalling 6 months' salary. The dependants of one who had been in the service over 10 years would receive an amount equalling one year's salary, limited to a maximum payment of \$2,000.

The employees are also given an opportunity to purchase capital stock of the American Telephone and Telegraph company at a favorable price on an installment basis of payment. Practically one third of the total number of Roseburg employees are buying or have bought stock under this plan and that it is a remunerative one which develops thrift and saving habits is shown by the present market value, over \$4,600, of the 38 shares that have been so purchased.

The telephone business has developed from its small beginning in 1897 until today it is one of Roseburg's principal industries, giving employment to 22 men and women

and having a monthly payroll of practically \$2,000. Its future development must, however, be that of Roseburg's development; as the city grows and increases in population will the number of telephones grow and increase. To anticipate this condition, telephone facilities must be adequate not only to take care of all immediate demands, such as providing new service when desired and meeting heavy traffic loads placed on switchboard operating equipment, but must be fortified to take care of like demands that will be made in the near future. Were no such provisions made, each new application for service would become an individual unit of plant extension work requiring the construction of a new line to complete every order for telephone service. Such an operating practice is obviously impracticable if for no reasons other than that of cost and the inconvenience to the subscriber from waiting until such a line could be built and switchboard facilities provided at which is terminate the line.

The fact that the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company has already spent \$10,000 on the Roseburg exchange this year, is tangible evidence of its faith in what the future holds for Roseburg in its development as a city.

You get the Benefit

We want to sell our sample machines to make room for hay machinery and will make special prices on sample machines as follows:

- 12 inch Steel Plow \$15.00
- 12-16 Disc Harrow \$40.00
- 12-18 Disc Harrow \$42.50

These are not price reductions but are good only on the goods in stock. We can better afford to take this price for them than carry them over.

COMING!

Burbank seed potatoes. Place your orders now and be sure you will get them.

Still Unsold

A few tons of super-phosphate. Terms to responsible farmers on this.

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