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DECLINE OF POLITICAL PATRONAGE.

There was a time when the time of congressmen and other officials was taken up to a very large extent by the applicants for public jobs and by efforts to find places for them. According to Mr. Deming, president of the federal civil service commission, patronage is not so much of a factor now. The power of the spoils system has been limited by the development of the classified service, and the federal positions open to office seekers are limited in number. Congressmen do not have to cater as they did formerly to the job hunters, who used to swarm about Washington and fill the mails with appeals for recognition of their service. To a certain extent there will always be political patronage. It is hard to draw the line between rewarding one's political supporters, and giving appointments to friends whom one believes to be qualified for public service. Appointing one's friends to office is not necessarily spoils politics, as we have often seen illustrated in Roseburg. The conscientious official may say that this or that friend of his may be just the one for some job, and that may be perfectly true. But the politician who believes in spoils politics may say that he too should be allowed to favor his own friends, but his motives may be different. Gradually public servants will learn that political patronage hurts them more than it helps. For every friend they make by an appointment made for political reasons, they disappoint a number who are rejected. Also when the public work is done poorly because pull instead of merit was considered, the people feel that results are not being gained, and the man who was governed by political instead of business considerations, finds that he is "in bad."

A plan is on foot to replace state prohibition enforcement officers with county officers and we think the suggestion is one that should receive due consideration. The average county official has a state officer beat a mile when it comes to getting real results, and in a way that insures conviction and punishment. Take conditions in Douglas county. Sheriff Starmer and his assistants have done more real good in the way of law enforcement than any set of enforcement officers that have "worked" this section of the state. The arrests made by the sheriff, or under his direction, have been clean-cut, and in but very few exceptions convictions and sentences have been meted out in rapid succession. They have been carried out minus the assistance of the so-called "spotter", whose evidence usually is greatly discounted by a trial jury. With a set of efficient, aggressive and honest officials in each county in the state there would be no need of an army of state officers to enforce the law. Many of the latter being chosen at random are of an irresponsible kind and usually discredit the cause they are supposedly trying to carry out. There is no better and surer way of getting results than in the selection of the type of men that insures public confidence. Then you may expect a rigid and prompt enforcement of all laws. It is this confidence that has brought about noticeable results in the way of law enforcement in this county.

What's getting the matter with this old world, anyway? Hardly a day passes but some crime out of the ordinary is brought to the public's attention. Now a "jazz girl," sixteen years of age, has been arrested at San Francisco for killing her mother. Are we devoting too much time to any particular law enforcement instead of giving attention to the army of degenerates taking a part in life's daily program, or is this particular specie of humanity steadily on the increase? These atrocious happenings are not only confined to the larger cities, but on the contrary, are happening entirely too frequently in many villages throughout the nation. Neither are they all confined to the lower class of citizenship, many of the principals ranking as "scions of society," and supposedly above the ordinary intellect. This old nation ought to take an inventory and plan a segregation of the responsible from the irresponsible. Children brought into the world under adverse conditions, likely to cause them to be a blot on society should receive a certain degree of care and support to enable them to become better men and women. Not until more attention is given to the childhood of the nation can we expect to accomplish the wholesome results that should be the aim of every American home.

Thomas A. Edison, writing in Colliers' Weekly, thinks this country needs a "University of Experience," the primary purpose of which should be to teach morality. Some new force is called for, to put ideas of honesty and good conduct into the hearts of the young people. They feel keenly the pressure to get money. The inference is being formed by many, that it does not make any great difference how you get it, provided you only "get away with it." The public school is our great University of Experience. It is doing fairly well, considering that it works under handicaps of limited appropriations and political influence in many cities. Mere talks on morality do not always get under the skins of the young people. What they need is to be shown that the dishonest person is regarded as yellow.

Team work between the scientists and the people in promoting the conservation of our resources, was asked for by the president of the American association for advancement of science at the recent annual meeting. While our scientists have pointed out a hundred ways in which this country fails to take advantage of its resources, the people remain indifferent to a large extent, and are busy with their work and their play. It has been pointed out over and over again, for instance, that the reckless cutting of forests wastes water supplies, water power, and building materials. Yet it is extremely difficult to get people really stirred up over a question like that.

PRUNE PICKIN'S  
BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—  
We heard of a jame  
Today who has purchased  
A new little coupe  
And she's takin'  
No chances—  
She had 'em put  
The "STOP" light  
Inside the car  
\$ \$ \$ \$

DUMBELL DORA THINKS  
A harem is where they bob hair.  
\$ \$ \$ \$

Gosh we kin remember when we wuz a kid in the village and a dollar in dimes was about the biggest thing in the world.  
\$ \$ \$ \$  
A daughter of synthetic gin took a pot shot at her mother down in Frisco and today she told the cops she was sore because her Mam wouldnt let her go out with him. Let's get back to the days when a smart aleck son or daughter was taken to the woodshed and given a dern good tannin'.  
\$ \$ \$ \$

A FLAPPER'S ODE  
TO A JELLYBEAN  
Blessings on thee, Jellybean,  
Commonly known as a cigarette fiend.  
With thy "patent leather" hair,  
And thy spats of huc so fair;  
With thy wild and desperate ways  
And thy "petting party" craze;  
With thy "trick" coats and ties,  
And thy love for telling lies;  
From my heart I grant thee shirts  
Glad that I was born for skirts.  
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OUR COOKING SCHOOL  
Yesterday our first recipe for Siberian Soupe went over so well that today the hospital is crowded with victims. Today we are offering a salad recipe which should make the gangrene turn green with envy. Try this on your poor husband and collect the insurance.  
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FRENCH S'AD  
Chop up two quarts of fresh tooth stools, and add a pint of chock cherries. Serve with live shrimp in pale blue dish. Garnish with smelling salts for the convenience of the guests.  
\$ \$ \$ \$

OUR THEORY OF LIFE  
Gosh folks, life's no snap—it's a scrap. The odds are always again us, but what's the dif. Let's show 'em that we're every inch a man. Sometimes it seems as if we were foolish to put our strength against the current, when we see so many others floating on their backs with happy smiles on their faces and a general air of "why should we worry" about them. Here we are splashing and spouting, kicking our legs half off—all for a few ridiculous princings and the "almighty dollar." Apparently these back-floater's get by. But man alive, who would make the histories if all men were satisfied. Do you think it's those lads that are content to let "well-enuff" alone? No sire, it's the ginks who have the sand and grit to forge ahead that are now and always will be in the pages of history. They are the men who are at the top in this old world of sorrow and joys. And why shouldn't they be? They're not just "gettin' by." They're really puttin things across. More power to 'em. They've got that "invincible stiffness" in their backbone.  
\$ \$ \$ \$

The leguashure hain't passed any law yet, makin' it imperative that the bald-faced calves wear col-lars.  
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PETERSON—To Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Peterson, of this city, a son, Paul M. Peterson, Wednesday, January 14, 1925, at Mercy Hospital.

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ANNUAL REPORT ON FOREST WORK

Many Miles of Trail and Road Built During the Past Year.

FIRE LOSS IS LIGHT

In spite of Fact That There Were More Fires Than Usual, Only a Small Amount of Damage.

Forest Supervisor Carl B. Neal reports that the yearly report of the work on the Umpqua National Forest is just being completed, covering the 1924 season. During the year the organization maintained 600 miles of trail and reconstructed 81 miles at a total cost of \$10,000. Sixty-four miles of new trail were constructed at a cost of \$5,150. The local office also supervised the construction of ten miles of new road, one mile being around the shore of Diamond Lake, opening up the summer home sites, and the other nine miles on the Big Cumma section of the North Umpqua road. The expenditure was \$15,000. This does not include the work done on the Rock Creek section of the North Umpqua road, which was done under the direction of the chief of public roads. The forest service also spent \$2,000 in graveling two miles of the Rock Creek boundary section of the road.

The fire report shows 2,000 acres of forest land burned over, with a total of 99 fires. Of the burned-over land less than 400 acres was merchantable timber and only a small amount of good timber was destroyed, as nearly all of the fires were kept on the ground and did not get into the trees.

There were 59 fires of less than a quarter acre in size, 25 fires between a quarter of an acre and ten acres in extent and 15 fires covering more than 10 acres. The estimated fire loss was \$2,200 and the cost of suppression was over \$7,000. Three of the fires cost over \$1,000 each to suppress.

Of the 99 fires, 78 were caused by lightning, and 64 of them were started on one day, September 7, the day of the big electrical storm. The electrical disturbance started many more fires, which were not included in the report as they went out of their own accord. Ordinarily about two-thirds of the fires of the year are man-caused, but this season the bulk of the fires were started by lightning.

During the winter months the office force is being kept exceedingly busy. In fact, the work is so heavy that a special system has been worked out in an effort to dispose of the important projects in order. Supervisor Neal has prepared a large chart indicating the particular duties for each employee to perform in the order of importance, so that the best results will be obtainable.

Mr. Neal is leaving on Sunday for Portland where he will be in conference for the remainder of the month regarding plans for the work during 1925.

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BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

Will meet Friday evening at 7:30 at the Hoelne Conservatory. Important business. Miss Nolan will demonstrate gymnasium work.

LOCAL CONTRACTOR IS LOWEST BIDDER

(Associated Press Local Wire.)  
PORTLAND, Jan. 15.—The state highway commission this morning awarded a contract for grading and surfacing of six miles and resurfacing of eight miles of the Condon thirty mile creek section of the John Day highway in Gilliam county to Campbell, Barr and Tobin of Colfax, Wash., for \$97,510. Nineteen bids were received. Concrete pipe is to be used.

The award of a contract to build a crossing over both Calapooia creek and the Southern Pacific tracks at Oakland, Ore., was held up pending further negotiations with Douglas county authorities about division of the bill.

I. W. Metzger of Roseburg was low bidder with an offer of \$42,215.00.  
The commission late yesterday approved the purchase by Umatilla county for the use of the state of 14.10 acres of land at the summit of the Blue Mountains for park purposes. J. N. Teal, representing the Sons and Daughters of Pioneers, gave the approval of the sale to naming the acreage, Emigrant Park, the springs included in the tract to be known as Emigrant Springs.

Judge Schanep of Umatilla county in his efforts toward completing the highway between Pendleton and Ulah, Umatilla has spent, he said, \$193,561 of its own money on this project.

YOU CAN'T GO WRONG.  
If you buy CHICKEN TAMALES for your Sunday dinner, Tamale and cooked food sale at McKeen, Darcy and Baldwin's store, Saturday, Jan. 17. Loyal Circle Class of the Christiana church.

PALESTINE WILL BE REBUILT BY JEWS

"The Jews have been without a homeland for over twenty-five hundred years. Their last king, Zedekiah, was destroyed in 606 B. C. A. E. Huxman, of New York, told a large audience which gathered at the Moose Hall last night to hear his lecture upon the rebuilding of Palestine by the Jews. The lecture was held under the auspices of the International Bible Students Association."

The prophecies of the Bible indicate that "seven times," or 2,520 years, should pass over their heads before they would be rehabilitated in the land given to Abraham and his posterity and receive again their national power. This returning favor from God began in 1878 when Lord Beaconsfield, a Jew, prime minister of Great Britain, succeeded in having a clause written into the Berlin treaty of that year permitting the Jews with equal rights to possess land in Palestine. The World War broke down other barriers, and since 1918 great strides have been made toward restoring the Holy Land for the ancient people.

"The Jews were given a jubilee system to govern their national affairs, and there were to be seventy jubilees. This totals a period of 3,500 years, beginning with the year 1672 B. C., and therefore terminates in the year 1922."

ORDER  
In the County of Douglas, State of Oregon for Douglas County. In the matter of the guardianship of the estate of the late Mrs. M. J. Peterson, deceased. This matter coming on for hearing at this time upon the petition of Day C. Peterson, guardian of the estate of Esther M. Peterson, a minor, for a license to sell real property of said estate, the interest of said minor, and the interest of said estate in real property therein described be sold.

And it is further appearing to the court that said court did, on the 23rd day of October, 1924, duly make and enter an order, reciting the next of kin of said minor and all persons interested in said estate to appear on the 23rd day of November, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M. to show cause why a license should not be granted in satisfaction for the sale of said estate.

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in the fall of 1925. Thus we have chronological information showing that between 1914 and 1925 are years of preparatory work among the true Israelites, for them to be the foundations upon which shall be built the superstructure of a permanent government for the blessing and uplift of all tongues, nations and peoples," Mr. Eshleman said.

Another lecture of the series will be given on February 2, by S. H. Tostland. This lecture will also be under the auspices of the International Bible Students Association, which is in charge of arrangements.

LETTUCE GROWERS TO MEET

All those who are thinking of raising head lettuce this year are requested to meet at the chamber of commerce office, Friday afternoon of this week at two o'clock sharp, as Mr. Butler, chairman of the sub-committee on head lettuce wishes to talk the matter over and see what can be done in regard to head lettuce growing in this valley.

Sportographs

(Associated Press Local Wire.)  
The weather was somewhat threatening for the beginning of the California open golf championship at San Francisco today. Alternating rain and sun visited the city yesterday and uncertain weather was predicted for today. The largest entry list in the history of the event had been paired off by the committee.

The five Espinosa brothers all state prognosticators promise to make things interesting for the numerous other entries in the California open championship to be decided in San Francisco today and tomorrow. Among the stellar performers are George Duncan, former British open champion; Willie Hunter, former British amateur title holder and H. Chandler Egan, who won the American amateur championship years ago.

Vernon Silvers, of the University of Idaho, picked up a quarterback on the "Walter Camp" third all-American football team, played most of the season with a displaced vertebrae and has abandoned basketball to get the complete rest ordered by his doctor. He expects to report at Fresno, Cal., in the spring for a tryout as an outfielder with the San Francisco baseball club of the coast league.

Tommy Simpson, Oakland boxing promoter is seeking the services of Mickey Walker, welterweight champion of the world for a ten round affair. The promoter would like to bring together Walker and Jimmy Duffy, Oakland, a leading Pacific coast welterweight.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 15.—Mike Yokel, Salt Lake, lightweight champion met veteran won a fast over-time match here last night from Pinky Gardner of Shenectady, N. Y.

Each grappler took a fall within the prescribed two hours. Both men refused to accept a draw decision and the match went to a ten-minute overtime period, with Yokel getting the

DAILY WEATHER REPORT

U. S. Weather Bureau, local office, Roseburg, Oregon, 24 hours ending 5 A. M.  
Precip. in inches and hundredths. Highest temperature yesterday 49. Lowest temperature last night 31. Precipitation last 24 hours .01. Total precip. since first month 1.53. Normal precip. for this month .570. Total precip. from Sept. 1, to date .25.81. Average precip. from Sept. 1, 1924 .16.9. Total excess from Sept. 1, 1924 .089. Average precipitation for 46 wet seasons, (September to May, inclusive) 31.48. Fair tonight and Friday, continued cold.

WM. BELL, Meteorologist.

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Sid Terris, former amateur from New York's east side, has been unable to display a knock-out punch in his recent engagements. On the trail of Benny Leonard's lightweight title, he has adopted a jumpy style which is dangerous to himself as well as baffling to the other man. Against Jimmy Goodrich of Buffalo, two nights ago, he out-dashed and out-fought his man, but appeared to register little more than annoyance.

University of Washington is to play Willamette University in the Pacific Northwest intercollegiate conference basketball game in Seattle tonight. The first buzzy game of the season with a team from the Pacific Coast intercollegiate conference, northern section is Saturday night when Washington plays the Oregon Aggies.

Efforts were being made today by basketball players of Seattle, Tacoma and Portland clubs to regain their amateur standings following the demise yesterday of the northwest professional basketball league. Manager Ernie Murphy of Seattle, said, lack of interest and poor attendance after five games had been played, caused the project to be abandoned.

The Oregon Aggies have invited the University of Colorado football squad last season champions of the Rocky Mountain conference to play in Portland October 7th. It was announced here today. The athletic board said it would announce its decision in a few days.

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By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

Snapshots of a Man Wanting a Match

REACHES IN POCKET FOR MATCH TO LIGHT CIGAR.  
REACHES BY OTHER POCKET WITH GROWING UNEASY FEELING. THIS IS THE RIGHT LUMP TRUCK ON HIS DESK.  
WELL, WELL, I HAVE TO STOP SOMEBODY AND ASK THEM FOR A MATCH. THAT'S ALL.  
AFTER ASKING THE PROSSES BY WHO EITHER DON'T STOP OR WHO HAVEN'T ANY, BEGINS TO FEEL LIKE A SOLICITOR ON DGD-DAY.  
SPINS AN OLD MANDERIN PIPE. HE'S SURE TO HAVE ONE. OLD MAN REPIRES "ONE" AFTER REPEATING REQUEST SEVERAL TIMES ON.  
ACCORDING TO SCALE, OLD MAN SAYS HE CAN'T TELL HIM, HE'S A STRANGER HERE HIMSELF.  
CURS HIS DESIRE FOR A MATCH FOR TWO BLOKS UNTIL HE SEES MAN ACTUAL IN LIGHTING A SHMOK FROM A BOX OF MATCHES.  
STRANGER WILLINGLY SHARES BOX, BUT STRONG BREEZE BEGINS TO BLOW ROUND CORNER. AFTER TEN MIN MATCH HAS GONE OUT, REMAINS, HE GUESSES HE  
WANT SHMOK NOW AND MURDER ON UNTIL HE REACHES A CLEAR STERC.  
TELLS GUY'S ONE ON HIM AND DECIDES HE OUGHT TO BUY SOMETHING. IT'S BETTER CHEAP JUST TO WALK IN AND BUY A TREE LIGHT.  
ASKS FOR A BOX OF MATCHES AND AS GUY'S PROSES IF GUY'S DISCOVERS SMALL EST THING HE HAS IS A DOLLAR BILL.  
RECEIVES NINETY NINE CENTS CHANGE AND A DIRTY LOOK AND WONDERS IF AFTER ALL THIS STUFF, WHO WORTH THE EFFORT.