

ROSEBURG NEWS-REVIEW

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ROSEBURG, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1925.

WOULD MUZZLE THE PRESS

Mr. Paul Clagstone, manager of the western division of the United States Chamber of Commerce, spoke to a handful of business men yesterday afternoon.

The gentleman was advertised to speak on the following subjects:

Agriculture, Transportation and Communication, The Merchant Marine, Insurance, European Situation, Finance, Commercial Treaty Policy, Manufacture, American Business Conditions, Foreign Commerce, Federal Trade Conditions, Natural Resources, Congress and the American Public and Domestic Distribution, Civic Development.

How well he covered this great range of subjects will be left to his audience.

This paper has no fight with Mr. Clagstone. He is a paid representative of the United States Chamber of Commerce, travelling about—telling his story and attempting to impress his listeners with the fact that the United States Chamber of Commerce is a good thing for body and soul.

But we do take exceptions to a letter that he read before his audience, wherein it stated by some alleged celebrity, that the press of the country was undermining the nation by its attacks made on congress—particularly the big daily newspapers.

Do you scent the full meaning of this statement?

If you do not, here it is:

Congress and the real big interests of the nation—including moneyed politicians—are, and have been for a long period of time, peddling the propaganda that newspapers should not criticize congress, state legislature or other public functioning bodies. In their efforts they have found close cooperation from nearly all of the states in the union where unscrupulous politicians are anxious to have the press stilled to that degree that nothing would, or could be said, detrimental to their individual interests.

This is the end to which the United States Chamber of Commerce is working when it sends its emissaries into the field to discredit a free press, trying to camouflage the real issue by appealing to business men, farmers and others to support their Washington, D. C., organization and program as outlined to feather the nest of the multi-millionaire delegation that now wants control of this government, that they may further usurp the rights of the people, making it possible that no matter what sort of a rake suggest a plan to stifle trade and commerce, or interfere with the legitimate business of the country, congress can put the deal over under cover of darkness and without undue interference from the press.

The United States Chamber of Commerce is controlled by men of untold wealth, and, judging from its action in reference to government aid to World War veterans, we opine that the whole bunch intends keeping what it has and adding thereto. It was against the soldiers' bonus from the very beginning and fought with all its strength to defeat the measure. It is still opposed to any aid of the American Legion boys in compensation for their perilous work at the front. It is against any and all things that vitally affect the big guns of the nation.

In fact, the organization is no place for the ordinary individual. He wouldn't get a look in if he were to appear before the board of directors of this organization, unless his pleadings rounded to their own benefit. It will do anything for prestige among the common herd—nothing particular for their benefit. It is built upon a foundation of service to a limited few at the expense of the masses.

If it is not, the United States Chamber of Commerce had better set a new standard of principles and tear off the mask of deceit that is sure to throttle any good that it may intend to accomplish.

Of course, this body is anxious to "line up" all local chambers, for in great numbers there is strength, and when this big power wants to accomplish a certain program they desire the backing of all chambers of commerce to that end. It's a wise chamber that "knows its berries" when it comes to dealing with the offerings of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Roseburg musicians and various musical organizations are certainly putting over a delightful program in Roseburg this week in honor of Music Week. Excellent talent has been brought forth to accomplish results. The air is full of sweet music and song—wonderful programs each evening are being given. That a decided interest in music generally will be the outcome of such a successful period is without question. A week could not be given up to a better cause.

Roseburg is going to have some new traffic laws. Pretty soon—as the city grows—we'll have to have a regular traffic cop at the main intersections. Won't that be great?

Annual cleanup day is about to arrive. Let's make it an event of more than ordinary importance and rake the old town from top to bottom—garret to cellar.

Ty Cobb was the hero of yesterday's baseball game. He lined out two home runs—with a man on base each time. Did you hear the gang yell?

Keep your eye on Roseburg's Annual Strawberry Carnival. It's going to be some show—and you don't want to miss it.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS— The moonshiners Of the nation Will welcome the News of the Dry armada's fight Again the rum runners As foreign competition Has been dern keen For the brewers Of the mountain dew.

DUMBELL DORA THINKS The U. S. Mint is a cough drop.

The strawberries are beginnin' to roll in but there is still some backwardness on the part of those who usually contribute a box or two to this sanctum.

The President has contributed this to the language of the poultry dealers: Asked whether you should say, "A hen sits or sets," he replies, "That isn't important. But when a hen cackles it is important to know whether she is laying or lying."

That will interest your small boy. It applies to politicians, editors, etc., as well as hens.

Al Creason's celluloid collar is bein' kept out of the fire district during the warm spell this week.

Now that the roses are bloomin' agin Dock Seely is able to adorn his lapel with a red spig which has been missin' during the past few months. Dock says red noses aren't bein' worn this season.

Now that the Twilight League is bein' rejuvenated in the village we can expect to see renewed interest shown by some of the fellers who used to sneak in the back gate to keep from payin' the dime admission.

The street cleanin' dept. spent the week washin' the globes on the cluster lamps and many a spider's aerial was badly wrecked by the ruthless scrubbin' brush of Mayor Houck's white-wings.

Nap Rice is lookin' rather dejected this week as some thoughtful feller spit on his lawn durin' the Sunday promenade through the residential section.

The high school kids are goin' to edit the Noos-Revu Satidly which will allow the conductor of this great colyum of moral uplift to take his weekly bath like we uster in the days when we published once a week.

Free Johnson's saffron straw derby is a livin' example of what paint well applied will do. "Save the surface and you save all," we believe Mister Rembrandt said.

Gosh we sure wish the streets weren't so dern crowded. Fickle can't shoot his air gun at the sparrows along the main stem since the metrop atmosphere has pervaded this neck of the woods.

We read the other day where an Illinois boarder poisoned his landlady. Mebbe he was tired of hash!

The village stenops staged a dance at the armory yestiddy eve, all of their employers bein' present with their families.

The strawberry carnival is on the way and oh boy we can't hardly wait to buy a whop!

A grocer in London has set the town agog by paintin' a picture. We have known real estate dealers to do equally as well.

"A feller feels half naked when he fust puts on his summer undies"

For concrete work call Taylor. 113 No. Flint St. Tel. 225-R.

ASTOR HOME SELLS FOR THREE MILLION

NEW YORK, May 6.—The palatial mansion of Vincent Astor at 217th Avenue and 65th Street, long known as one of the social landmarks of the country, was the property today of Benjamin Winter, who 25 years ago was a penniless immigrant boy from Poland. The price was approximately \$2,900,000. The residence will be demolished and a new \$10,000,000 apartment house erected there Mr. Winter said.

For many years the house was the social center for New York's "four hundred."

The residence contains the Astor art collection, one of the most famous private art collections in the world.

The new owner of the mansion began his career as a house painter. He gradually accumulated a little capital and entered the contracting business. His real estate operations began in 1914. He has purchased \$10,000,000 worth of real estate within the last ten weeks.

A nice vase or basket well filled with flowers from The Fern, will please Mother next Sunday, Mother's Day.

You Should Worry

Of course there is no necessity for a thing of that kind in a well regulated home. We shoulder all the problems of something for lunch or dinner. Listen to this—

Fresh Potatoes Daily—Meat Roasts—Pies—Cakes—Salads—Tamales—Salt Rising Bread Thursdays—Hot Bread Every Noon.

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OREGON WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW.

Salem—Extensive sugar beet tests to be made for Utah-Idaho Sugar company.

Portland—Steamer Ipswich leaves for New York with 5,000,000 feet of lumber.

Wheeler—Contract let for two-story concrete business block.

Astoria—\$50,000 Adair school and 3-story hotel are new building permits.

Wheeler—Sunset Co-operative Fish Company completes packing and shipping station; Star Company working on similar station here.

Medford—Gas company leases Westernland coal lands to mine 80 to 100 tons coal daily for gas manufacture.

Mollala—\$89,000 contract let for Union high school.

Pendleton—Plans ordered for new \$225,000 wing to state hospital here.

Salem—\$20,000 pavilion to be built at state tuberculosis hospital.

Albany—Mutual cheese factory being organized in Linn county.

Oregon will receive \$581,745 from forest highway fund and \$457,729 from forest development fund, for federal forest roads.

Astoria—Astoria-Seascope section of Columbia highway will cost \$261,402.

Umatilla County expects to break all records for shipping consigned wool.

La Grande—Observer Publishing Company incorporated for \$40,000.

During 1924, 22,992,345 pounds butter were made by the Oregon creameries, with 27,648 dairymen contributing; 11,898,523 pounds cheese, 1,663 dairymen; 38,010,128 pounds condensed milk, 2,604 dairymen.

Gold Hill—High price of quicksilver will bring reopening of several mines.

Dallas—Two contracts let for grading and curbing and for sidewalks.

Memmoth—Construction begun on sewer system to cost \$58,988.

Corvallis—West Coast cannery contracts for 400 tons of Benton county pears.

Baker—Volunteers plant 300 trees on Old Oregon Trail highway.

Roseburg—April rainfall greatest of any April since 1894, insuring good crops.

Wallowa—Knights of Pythias plan to build \$10,000 hall this year.

Portland—Bids called for May 26, on Ross Island bridge, 3,701 feet long, to be built in 400 working days.

Forest service will spend \$8,000 on Kelsey Valley road, Umpqua forest.

Roseburg—Associated Oil buys land and will build distributing plant at once.

Eugene—Guaranty Oil Company strikes heavy gas flow at 2,223 feet.

Federal farm loans in Oregon under various bank systems total \$30,568,250 on 1,821,138 acres appraised at \$81,321,992.

Top grade lambs selling up to \$16.

The United States consumes more oil and gasoline than all the rest of the world combined. At present more than twice as much gasoline is being extracted from a barrel of crude oil than was obtained ten years ago.

Sheridan—New Sheridan Williamson Telephone Company to build fireproof exchange.

Baker—Range conditions for stock reported best in many years.

Tugene—Building permits since January 1, total nearly \$1,900,000.

Mountain States Power Company buys Aumsville and Sublimity plants, and will serve Monroe by new line.

St. Johns—Northwest Oil Company will build refinery here to have 2,000-barrel daily capacity.

The Dalles—Fruit damaged little or none at all by recent cool weather.

Reedsport—School district votes \$16,000 bonds for gymnasium and playground.

Elgin—Planner Company starts work on new office building.

Salem—Bids asked on new Y. M. C. A. building to cost nearly \$200,000.

Springfield—Mt. Vernon Farmers Union will build community hall.

Eugene—Construction begun on Palace Theatre and apartment building.

Albany—Building permits so far this year total \$54,970.

The copper roof on the dome of the Massachusetts state house at Boston was put on in 1831 and in its 92 years of life not one cent has been spent to repair the copper base which was painted yellow in 1831, covered with lead in 1874 and recast in 1888, 1898, 1900, 1911 and 1923.

Three thousand men at work on Southern Pacific Natron cut-off.

All Mother's Day plants and flowers at The Fern, Florist.

Before ordering your engraved graduation announcements, call at the News-Review office and see the new line just received.

INFERNAL MACHINE INTENDED TO DESTROY MASON HOME

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

SPokane, Wash., May 6.—An infernal machine received here Monday evening by officers of the Electric Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, was sent from Los Angeles by express on April 30, a message to the Chronicle from the Los Angeles police today said.

Packed in a satchel, it was a contrivance of smokeless powder and small shot which police at first said might have killed fifty persons had it not failed to explode when it was opened through failure of electric batteries it contained to ignite the powder.

While police here entertained the theory that the sender might have intended to blow up the newly rebuilt Masonic Temple here, to which the package was directed, it was pointed out that because smokeless powder had been used instead of black powder, not only would the intended bomb have failed of this purpose, but that had it ignited, the powder would have burned slowly and not exploded because of its loose condition in the satchel.

Officers of the lodge were at a loss to know why an attempt at violence should have been directed at them.

Garden tools at Powell's.

LIQUOR FINES PAID IN THE CITY COURT

Two liquor fines were collected in the city court today, one in the sum of \$100 and the other \$50.

J. D. Peterson was arrested charged with drunkenness and possession of intoxicating liquor. He appeared before City Recorder R. L. Whipple and entered a plea of guilty, paying a fine of \$100.

Officers last night located a quantity of fig wine mash in the room of Arvid Peterson at a local rooming house, and they proceeded to search the place, putting Mr. Peterson under arrest. He pleaded guilty to the charge of possession of mash and was fined \$50.

Order your graduation announcements at the News-Review office. New line of samples just received.

BUDGET SLASH IS ECONOMY PROGRAM

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, May 6.—President Coolidge's drive for economy in federal expenditures, will result in another substantial cut in the annual budget. He hopes the reduction will be as great as \$200,000,000, making total estimates to be submitted to the next congress around \$3,000,000,000.

Present budget estimates for the year beginning next June 30 are for \$3,267,000,000 exclusive of the post office department but including public debt repayments. These appropriations already have been made.

Budget Director Lord is returning to Washington Saturday after a month's tour, in which he carried the president's economy program in speeches direct to thousands of taxpayers. Upon his return he will begin the drafting of the next budget in conference with the president. The preliminary estimates already have been turned over to the budget by several governmental branches, and although final estimates are not due until September, it has been Director Lord's policy to begin the work early in order to arrive at a figure from which reductions can be made.

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GIRL SUES FOR DAMAGES; SAYS SKIN GRAFTED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

ST. LOUIS, May 6.—Charging that skin was unlawfully cut from her legs and thighs and grafted on another child, Sarah Finger, 12 years old, has brought suit for \$10,000 damages against Abraham and Rebecca Finger, grocery proprietors at Brentwood, a suburb, with whom she formerly lived.

The action was brought through Samuel Finger, her legal guardian. The removal of patches of skin took place August 17, 1923, the suit avers. The skin, according to attorneys for the child, was grafted on a child of the Fingers who was badly burned and later died.

The suit charges that Finger and his wife abused Sarah, struck and manacled her, and compelled her to undergo the operation, in which the child was given an anesthetic by hypodermic injections and the skin removed.

The removal, it is charged, left her limbs permanently disfigured and scarred.

Seen the Corona Four? On display at Parslow Furn. Co. Ask for Mr. Lintott.

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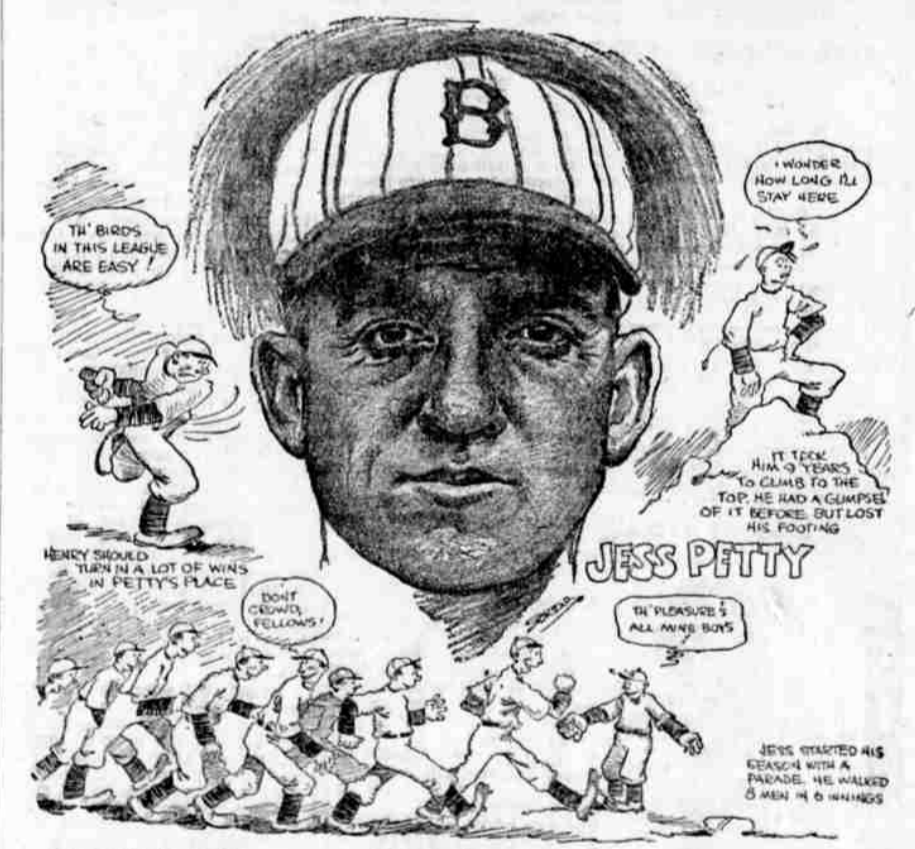
has secured the services of an expert pastry man, W. D. Moyer.

Call at the Grand Grill and place your orders for special parties etc. All pastry reasonably priced.

After May 15 we will be prepared to put up picnic lunches.

Weavers Leave for North— Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Weaver left this morning by auto for Eugene to visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Sather for a few days. Mr. Weaver will go on to Portland from there, to attend the 2nd annual convention of the Association of the Pacific Northwest Grocers of America. There will be a representation from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia at the meeting. Mr. Weaver has been named chairman of the golf committee during the convention. Arundel, piano tuner. Phone 152-L.

A PETTY MATTER But Important One, Is Jess' Situation With Dodgers



By Norman E. Brown  
Is Jess Petty, southpaw star of the American Association last year, going to prove a big winner or a bloomer for the Brooklyn Dodgers?

Any one who can answer this question authoritatively should get in touch with Uncle Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Dodgers. For right now Uncle Robbie is at sea regarding the left-hander.

Petty led the American Association with 29 victories and eight defeats for the Indianapolis club last season. He had some big league experience three or four years ago. Brooklyn scouts figured he could step right into the box and deliver. He appeared to be ready when the Dodgers left Florida.

Robbie sent him in against the New York Giants in the first game with the champs. The Giants promptly hammered him out of the box in six innings. He allowed eight hits and walked a man for every hit.

The next time he started the Phillies hammered him out of the box. Manager Robinson began to wonder whether or not the club had been "stuck."

Then the other day, Robbie sent Petty in against the Braves. Now Bancroft's team has been playing some fairly good ball although they have had trouble winning games. Petty wound his left-handed shots around the necks and belts of the Brave batters with the wizardry that he had shown in the A. A. When the game ended the had allowed but four men and fanned five batters.

The Dodgers, meanwhile, had been having a field day at the expense of four Brave pitchers and collected a total of 15 runs. Petty could have eased off conscientiously in the later innings of the game but he seemed determined to show Uncle Robbie that he had the stuff. The Braves were forced to inject a pinch hitter in the ninth in their efforts to shove over the second of two runs they managed to score on him.

Half a dozen big league clubs were after Petty last winter. None of them wanted to meet the terms Owner Smith and Manager Bush asked for the big gent. When I talked with Smith at Miami City, Fla., early in the spring, he explained his side of the matter.

Petty was the greatest pitcher in the A. A. last year," said Smith. "It is an old saying that a good southpaw can make a ball club. Petty has proved it with us. We figured that he could prove it in the big show. We asked a price in keeping with that estimation."

The Dodgers finally won out in the race for Petty because they could offer the Indianapolis boss a good minor league southpaw in addition to cash. Dutch Henry was the man. Henry, with New Orleans last season, ranked second in earned runs allowed per game. After joining them from the Dodgers. He has had big league experience. He should be able to turn in a fair list of victories in Petty's place.

Petty has been nine years climbing to the top. He started with San Antonio in 1916. As related before, he was up three or four years ago, with the Cleveland Indians, but couldn't get the right slant at the game. He gave a hard man to handle. He is now 30 years old, however, and has settled down to the serious business of pitching.