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ROSEBURG, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1925

PRUNE PICKIN'S
 BY BERT G. BATES
 GOOD EVENING FOLKS—
 It ain't
 Gonna
 Rain
 No
 Mo'
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DUMBELL DORA THINKS
 An osteopath is a fellow who waiks on the straight and narrow path.

♦ ♦ ♦
 Castin' his weather eye to the windward, Prophet Bell scanned the heavens for a trace of sunshine this a. m. but was unable to find the well known silver lining to the heavy, cloudy hanging overhead. However, he put on his hip boots, paddled out to the coninn' tower and came up smilin'. "Clear an' warmer" is his prognostication and we're hopin' he had on his glasses when he took a slant at the barometer.

♦ ♦ ♦
 The News-Review newswriter was the guest of Ab. Kline yesterday eve and by unanimous vote of the paper peddlers, he was elected "the best fellow in the world."

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 Tomorrow is the big openin' day and Queen Theima will start her reign over the land of the Strawberry. We hope Queen Theima will hand out a few choice rib steaks along with the strawberries.

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 We note that a damsel in Frisco has started the fad of paintin' her initials on her knee-cap. It's a good stunt but with the prevailin' skirt style, a maiden stands a good chance of gettin' water on the knee and when the paint begins to run there's liable to be many a good pair of silk socks turned into a barber pole.

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 The boys had a Hula dancer all primed for a classic dance at the Kiwanis knife and fork affair yesterday but Bill Harding thought there wasn't room enough for the damsel to trip the light fantastic. Bill oughta know it doesn't take much oomph for a damsel with a skirt of shredded wheat to do her stuff.

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 The local home brewers association voted last night to ban the carnival snake show as the sight of rattlers might make their more timid members throw the bottle capper in the dump pile.

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 The town band ordered white duck unies for the carnival and some wise guy thinks they oughta ordered Duxback.

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 Heck Baker, grand tuba tooter, is installin' a pump in the bell of his instrument today to keep the derved thing baled out while on parade.

Your Lunch is Ready!

"Mother" will have enough to do getting ready to come to the Carnival without worrying about lunches. Our Delicatessen is ready to serve you, even to HOT COFFEE—Just bring your container. We can supply you with Roasts, Pies, Cakes, Salads, Tamales, Hot Bread—everything you want.

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REDEEMING WAR PLEDGES

When the boys marched to war in the thrilling days of 1917-1918, a wave of gratitude towards them swept the country. The people of this community and of the entire nation felt and said that everything possible should be done to express their appreciation of the services and sacrifices of the men who were shouldering rifle and pack. They assured them, definitely and solemnly, that the nation would remember them and what they were doing.

A way to give concrete expression to that feeling and those promises is now presented. Thousands of these boys who marched jauntily away to war are stretched, pain-racked wrecks of the men they were, upon hospital beds. They need help. Orphaned and dependent children of veterans need help also.

Their need gives opportunity to redeem the pledges which the nation made to its defenders when they were rising so splendidly to the country's need. The country recognizes its obligation to them. It is welcoming the opportunity to discharge it. That is evidenced by the generous response being everywhere made to the \$5,000,000 fund which The American Legion is now raising for work for these mounting casualties of war.

The Legion will use the income from this fund exclusively for the rehabilitation work which it is and has been doing for the disabled and for its work for war orphans. The fund has been set as a trust in perpetuity. Every possible safeguard has been thrown around it. In this way, it is assured that this work will be carried on properly so long as a disabled veteran or an orphan needs it.

The Legion is the logical agent to carry out the public's obligation to these men and children. By its work for them, it has demonstrated unusual capacity and effectiveness in that field.

A committee of nationally prominent persons is sponsoring the endowment fund. President Coolidge, members of his cabinet, leaders in industry, finance, labor, art and every field of national life are members of the committee. That is sufficient guarantee to the public that the need is genuine, that the Legion is the proper agent to meet the situation and that the fund will subservise a highly useful purpose in the nation's life. There should be and will be adequate response to the appeal for the fund here and elsewhere.

We read of a fourteen-year-old girl committing suicide over a love affair. This looks like the younger generation is taking hold of the spirit of the times in a definite way and carrying out a program fully in keeping with older heads. Too many girls of tender age are gaining the ways of the world unbeknown to their parents. They are taking on responsibilities in an alarming way. The 14-year-old child of today, in many instances, is wiser than parents and parents are not wise enough to administer the proper home training to round out the best citizenship. At least this is the case in many homes and until such time that mothers and fathers give up the more wordy things hope for improvement is not encouraging. Caring and watching a child from the cradle to maturity is almost a lost art in these modern times, but it is the one sure way of getting the most wholesome results. And, in this day and age the brakes should be applied with greater force than ever before.

We still maintain that the weather man is going to "dish up" three days of the finest weather ever exhibited in this neck of the woods for the Annual Strawberry Carnival. You can leave your umbrella at home and attend the carnival in perfect safety—so far as old Jupiter is concerned. He has just about run out of aqua pura.

Roseburg's band has been engaged to play at the state fair. This is another notable achievement for this city and a fine advertisement for the community.

Last, but not least, your home merchant is here to deliver the goods—and he's here to make good any come back.

Tomorrow is the opening day of the carnival. Put on your war paint and feathers. We're off.

THE VELVET HAMMER

SAM STARMER

The law-abiding nature of our population's bent would make the money paid for jails extravagantly spent, except for crooked visitors who do not harmonize, whose motives are unrighteous and whose conduct is unwise; but when they break the statutes in their foolishness and sin, we may depend our sheriff friend will promptly run them in.

For Sam's a guy whose hand and eye are steady as a hill. He's sure to shoot the wild galoot who won't obey his will. He doesn't send his deputy to face the killer's gat, but runs the risk of bullet holes punched neatly in his hat. He helped consume the Spaniards back in 1898 and still is proud of what he did at that exciting date.

Moonshiners speak in vigorous disparagement of Sam, for he's a water power indeed whom all bootleggers dam. He rises while the sun is yet behind the eastern hills, and mounts his horse and goes to get the evidence at stills. His day's achievement constitutes a long and detailed tour, ere he can lay his gun away and hit the Ostermoor.

NEWS BOYS GUESTS OF KLINE SHOWS ON THE OPENING NIGHT

The News-Review "Newspaper" will show a fine time last night by the management of the Kline Shows, the boys being given a free trip through all of the shows and the rides. The newswriter was shown every courtesy and the fact that they had a lively time was ably proven by the hilarious sounds which issued from the various amusements while the newswriter exercised their lungs in expressing approbation.

The boys took in everything from top to bottom, visiting everything to be seen, or heard. They took great sport in the riding devices, particularly the Seaplanes, or Giant's Whirl, a new riding device for this city, and one which gave the boys a new thrill.

The Kline Shows are offering the people of Roseburg a class of amusement which will add much to the carnival this year. Their shows are interesting, amusing and educational, and there is nothing in the least objectionable in anything offered. In fact, the management agreed with the carnival company that any amusement or concession offered, which might be deemed objectionable in any respect, would be immediately closed, and this word was made good last night, without the least protest. One concession was closed and another variety of prizes substituted. The company is by far the largest ever brought to the city, and is completely fulfilling all statements made for it.

A huge crowd visited the shows last night in spite of the handicap of the early rainstorm. The shows and concessions were liberally patronized and many prizes were carried away.

The riding devices are particularly good. There is a large ferris wheel, merry-go-round, and a huge whirl, the latter being termed "Seaplanes." For each of these large devices there is a smaller replica where the tiny little children may hide surrounded by complete safety. The ferris wheel cages are completely housed in. The seaplane is low and with safety devices on the planes, so that every precaution is taken to prevent injury.

Altogether the shows afford a place where plenty of amusement can be secured by everyone, and

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The federal power commission has issued a license for construction of the dam to the Washington Irrigation and Development Company which is organized under the laws of the state of Washington. In his letter to the secretary of the interior, Governor Pierce says the dam will interfere with the passage of salmon up the river to their spawning grounds. Some of the best minds on the Pacific Coast, the governor tells the cabinet member, aver that construction of the dam will destroy the salmon industry. It is said that heretofore no satisfactory device has been found whereby salmon are enabled to get above a dam the size of that proposed at Priest Rapids.

NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

MR. WILSON MAKES EXPLANATION OF PLEA OF GUILTY IN CASE

Roseburg, Oregon, May 20, 1925.

The Editor News Review: Sir: I have read your article in last evening's paper concerning my plea of guilty in Federal Court yesterday. There is no reason given in your article for the plea and I wish to inform you and the public why I made a plea of guilty; my trial was first set for March 17; I requested more time to raise funds to pay witnesses expenses and the trial was postponed until May 13; that was the only postponement and there had not been several as indicated; I had to bring several witnesses from the far east to disprove statements and prove my whereabouts; this was very expensive and I could not raise the money although I offered property in this city and also in Klamath County for sale but found no buyer; I also had my first attorney quit me over a very small matter and I had to employ another. I filed a request of motion for a continuance based on an affidavit setting forth in detail the names and addresses of eastern witnesses and others outside of this state and stated in full just what each witness would testify to and that it was necessary for me to have those witnesses before I could come to trial. The court overruled the motion for continuance and I was compelled to go to trial without witnesses; an agreement was reached with the Assistant United States Attorney who had charge of the case and with my attorney to only consider the five counts in the indictment as one count if a plea of guilty would be made; I felt helpless in the matter without witnesses to disprove statements that would be made by government witnesses; I only had exactly one minute to decide as the matter was called before the court; my attorney made the change of plea and I agreed. A few minutes later I realized I had made a serious mistake and should have stood trial anyway because my conscience is clear in the matter as I am not in fact guilty as charged but I took advice hastily that led me to believe for the moment that to make the plea was the quickest and best way out of the matter; I request that you publish this letter today in order that the public may know my side of the matter.

Yours truly
 HORACE G. WILSON,

CALL FOR SCHOOL WARRANTS

All warrants of Union high school No. 5, up to and including warrant No. 348, dated November 2, 1922 and indorsed not paid for want of funds, are this day called. Interest ceases after this date.

Issued at Willbur, Ore., May 18th, 1925. R. E. BROWN, Clerk.

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EIGHT-HOUR LAW ON OREGON ROADS UNDER LAW TEST

SALEM, Ore., May 20.—Highway work all over the state will be affected by the court decree in the case of Stanley Gregor against Lane County, which is now pending in the circuit court at Eugene, and in which the county will be assisted in its defense by J. M. Dewers, attorney for the state highway commission. The question is whether the county can be forced to pay overtime wages to laborers who requested the privilege of working over eight hours.

The suit is brought by Allen Joy, a Portland attorney, in the name of Gregor, who has taken the assignments of all the other laborers involved.

The case dates as far back as 1918 and the overtime wages allowed to be due totals about \$5,000. The county employed a large number of men on road work, and they were required to furnish their own board. Since they were in the country a long distance from their homes they had to pay board, and expressed a preference to work 10 instead of 8 hours, so that they might pay board by the additional two hours labor.

There is a law that says eight hours shall constitute a day's work, more than that to be required only in cases of emergency, when double pay shall be allowed for the extra hours.

COOKED FOOD SALE

Cooked Food Sale at the Twentieth Century Grocery Saturday, May 23, given by the Community Club of Dole.

American zinc insulated fence at Wharton Bros.

RIDDLE BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

The dedication services for the new Community Baptist Church at Riddle, will be held on Sunday, May 24, and at that time an effort will be made to raise all of the money necessary to pay the costs incurred in construction. Rev. J. D. Chappelle, of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and the American Baptist Publication Society, is the acting pastor and will have charge of the services, which start with a bible school service at 10 a. m., and the dedication services at 11 a. m. At 12:30 p. m., there will be a picnic dinner at the park, and at 2 o'clock there will be a baptismal service in the river. The rain dedication service takes place in the evening, and Rev. H. L. Caldwell, of the Roseburg Baptist church will preach the dedicatory sermon. Each of the meetings of the day will be featured by special music and interesting talks.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle

HOW TO SOLVE PUZZLE

The words start in the numbered squares and run either across or down. Only one letter is placed in each white square. If the proper words are found each combination of letters in the white squares will form words. The key to puzzle—the first word—is given in the drawing. Below are keys to the other words.

RUM SHIPS, DRIVEN OFF AMERICA, JAM HARBOR OF HALIFAX

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
 NEW YORK, May 20.—Rum ships driven from off American shores by the coast guard blockade are jamming Halifax harbor as one result of the determination of the administration from President Coolidge down, to enforce prohibition to the limit.

Five arrived yesterday. They don't know where to turn. Some of them intend discharging their cargoes and regarding to legitimate freight traffic. The Halifax situation confirms statements in coast guard circles that Rum Row has virtually been cleaned up. One ship of a fleet of 50 rum ships remains. It is a German vessel, anchored forty miles off Sandy Hook. The dry campaign, ashore and inland, continues apace. A fleet of armed craft is being mobilized at five bases on Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence river in cope with the expected deluge of liquor from Ontario, where a 1 per cent beer goes on sale Thursday.

PORTLAND SEASIDE AUTO BUS LINE IS SOLD TO RAILROAD

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
 PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—The Spokane, Portland and Seattle Transportation Company, which was organized as a subsidiary of the Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railway to operate motor buses on the lower Columbia River Highway between Portland and Seaside, Ore., today has sold the competing bus line of the Columbia Stages, Inc. Fifteen buses were turned over, and A. Jaffoff, head of the stage company, agreed not to engage again in operation of buses on this route, though he

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 Word 1. The Greek god, in the picture, who carried the world on his shoulders. The name is applied to any books containing many maps of the world.
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will continue to operate on the upper Columbia River highway, and in the Willamette Valley.

The bus schedule will be arranged so as to cooperate with the railroad, and round trip tickets will be interchangeable on bus or train. President Turner of the transportation company and the railroad announced.

LATEST STORM REGISTERS .21 OF AN INCH OF RAIN.

Another severe electrical storm was experienced last night and rain fell heavily for about two hours. Precipitation halted, however, about 8 o'clock, but started again during the early morning. During the 24 hours ending at 5 o'clock this morning the total precipitation was .21 of an inch. This brings the total rainfall for the month up to 1.66 inches, which is slightly under the average, which is 2.05 inches. The total rainfall since September 1, to date is 40.56 inches, the average being 32.94 inches, giving a total excess of 8.52 inches.

Official forecast for tomorrow is "generally fair."

Mrs. Bjerg in—
 Mrs. C. J. Bjerg, who resides on one of the Curry plats northwest of this city, was in this morning visiting and shopping for a few hours.

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