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ENTERTAINING TOURISTS

One-third of the people of the United States will this year visit most of the area where the other two-thirds live. This we glean from the announcement of the American Automobile association headquarters, based on statistics of 1927, that more than forty-four million people will take vacation motor tours during 1928. These tourists, we are further informed, will travel in approximately eleven million cars and will spend, in round numbers, three and a half billion dollars. We may rest assured that the estimated sum of twelve million dollars spent by tourists in Oregon in 1927 will be greatly exceeded this year. The communities of the state that offer the most to interest and entertain the tourists—things that will naturally induce them to tarry—will share heaviest in the distribution of their expenditures, and, what is even more to be desired, perhaps secure the largest numbers of additional permanent settlers. Douglas county, with its regions of scenic grandeur and unsurpassed recreational advantages, ideal climate, diversity of resources and limitless acreage of fertile soil and available lands, offers practically everything that a vacation seeker or a prospective homeseeker could desire. The opportunity that the approaching tourist season offers should not be wasted. Past experience should be a guide as to the most effective means of receiving and legitimately making the most of the coming influx. Now is the time to make plans. All other counties in the state will be active in promoting their respective advantages and Douglas county must be prepared to meet such competition. Roseburg especially will be up for appraisal this year to an extent exceeding any previous period in her history. In addition to the countless thousands of tourists, who will pay us a visit, there will be several state conventions here and it's up to the city to look its best, and do its best and thereby earn that increased prestige and prosperity that can be obtained only through its own initiative and persistent efforts.

FORD'S FLIVVER PLANE

Has the "flivver airplane" come at last? For a number of years there have been imaginative articles in the magazines and elsewhere predicting that airplanes some day would be as common as automobiles. For a long time people have been wondering if Henry Ford might not try his hand at making a cheap, capable airplane and swamping the country with them. Now he brings forth a tiny little monoplane—its wingspread is only 20 feet, it does between 25 and 30 miles to the gallon of gas and it can be sold for around \$2300 under present conditions. Is this the beginning of the era of aerial flivvers that so many of us have been talking about? Probably it isn't. Or, if it is the beginning, the early stages of development probably will last somewhat longer than they did with the automobile. Ford himself said not long ago that ownership of airplanes by ordinary citizens could not develop as automobile ownership did, for the simple reason that it is much harder and more dangerous to learn to fly than it is to learn to drive a car on a road. So it looks as if we would have to wait a while yet before jumping into an airplane, for a jaunt to the next state will be as common as getting into the automobile to go downtown is now. And yet—you never can tell. Improvements in safety and reliability features on airplanes are being made with amazing rapidity. Colonel Lindbergh insists that flying is not dangerous. Americans have shown an astonishing aptitude for things mechanical; who can say positively that the average citizen couldn't learn to fly a plane in a short time? It may come. Ford himself, in spite of his statements, must have a hunch; else why should he be introducing this wee plane? We hope it does. Already we have perfected an astonishing list of mechanical contrivances to free us from the ordinary bonds of time and space. The flivver airplane would be the final step. It would sever the last ties. With it brought into daily use the American citizen could doff his hat—perhaps we should say his aviator's helmet—to the American eagle on equal terms.

AN EXCUSE FOR CRIME

There seems to be some queer quirk in many men that make them offer silly excuses when caught in crime. The man who killed little Dorothy Schneider in Michigan told police that the influence of the Hickman crime must have made him do it—it preyed on his mind. Hickman gave as his reason for slaying a little girl in California the desire to attend school in Kansas City, it being his intention to use the ransom money that way. Three men arrested for robbery of a Kansas bank told police they "needed the money." They were out of work or their incomes were insufficient or something like that. Remus killed his wife in Cincinnati and said he did it because she had conspired with another to ruin him. Some day a man is going to come forward and tell a jury that he killed or stole because his own flesh told him to do it—that he sinned because the evil in him for the moment conquered the good—that he was weak and the temptation found him unable to resist—that it was all his own fault and nothing that anybody else ever did had any bearing on it. If the jury lives through such a shock as that, it probably will acquit the man who has that much manhood left that he is too brave to hide behind a flimsy excuse.

Bolivia reports a rain of stones. But maybe it's just one of our aviators dropping some of that good will cement.

Sport Slants

The Holdout List

Ruth's Salary High

Joe Harris Is Back

BY ALAN J. GOULD,

Associated Press Sports Editor.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—There

isn't much opportunity for public

scrutiny of the 1928 baseball hold-

out list, but indications are that

it includes at least three of the

best known pitching aces of the

major leagues, of Brooklyn;

Charlie Root of the Chicago

Cubs, and Waite Hoyt of the

Yankees.

Root, who had a good deal to do

with the midseason flash of the

Cubs, is known to have returned

his new contract unsigned but

without demands, if any, have been

made by Vance and Hoyt is open

to only one thing. Club owners

have a habit of regarding these af-

fairs as of private concern, except

when some such figure as Babe

Ruth forces the discussion and

facts into the open.

Vance has been one of the high-

est paid flingers in the National

league for years, drawing down

around \$15,000 annually. Although

probably near the end of a bril-

liant career Dazzy is considered so

valuable by the Robins that they

rejected an opportunity to trade

the pitcher for Rogers Hornsby at

the time the Giants were peddling

their second sacker around the cir-

cuit. Vance showed a winning and

losing record of only 16 and 15

last season, but he was third in the

earned run allowance rating, per-

mitting the enemy to tally at the

rate of only 2.70 runs per nine-in-

nings.

Hoyt, whose pay check last year

was probably around \$15,000, has

a sensational record to use as an

argument for more money. The

Flatbush undertaker won 22 and

lost only 7 games, besides finish-

ing second in the earned run rat-

ing a mark of 2.64.

Root, participating in around 50

games, showed signs of the strain

toward the end of 1927 but finish-

ed with a record of 26 victories

and 15 defeats. His "winkie

ball" was one of the most de-

voted deliveries exhibited by any of

the National league moundmen.

When the Yankees got through

dickering with their players over

1928 contracts it is likely that the

payroll of the world's champions

will be well in excess of \$300,000

for the year. A record for all

times in baseball.

Ruth's \$70,000 salary, topping

the list, is the same as last sea-

son but Hoyt, Gehrig, Moore, Lip-

grass, Lazzari, Combs, and Koenig

all may be considered eligible for

increases.

Gehrig already has had a sub-

stantial boost, signing a three-

year contract that gives him \$20,

000 this year, \$25,000 in 1929 and

\$30,000 in 1930.

It is bad news for the National

league curve ball artists to hear

that Joe (Moon) Harris, has signed

a Pirate contract for 1928 and ex-

pected to alternate with George

Grantham at first base.

Illness handicapped Harris most

of last year. The veteran was in

the game at times when he should

have been in a hospital. At the

close of the world's series he in-

dicated he would retire from the

game and thereby lighten the bur-

den of flingers who have tried and

failed years to bend 'em past old

Joe. But the old urge to come

back and slap a few more curves

to all corners of the park appar-

ently persists.

Hibbard, convicted in Union

county on a larceny charge and

sentenced to serve a year in the

prison, appealed to the state su-

preme court and last week the su-

preme justices sustained the find-

ings of the lower court. Determin-

ed to "get it over with" as soon as

possible and to start earning the

good conduct credits which would

automatically reduce his sentence,

Hibbard immediately packed his

belongings and started for Salem.

Armed only with a letter of in-

troduction from a state senator

Hibbard presented himself at the

warden's office and requested that

he be "dressed in."

"We can't let you in," the warden

replied, explaining that he

would have to have a regular com-

mitment from the court in which

he was sentenced.

Disappointed, but not beaten,

Hibbard came down town, registered

at a local hotel and got in touch

with the authorities at La Grande

urging them to send on his com-

mitment.

Hibbard is now waiting receipt

of his commitment papers at the

prison, in the meanwhile paying

for his own board and lodging.

ELKTON BASKETBALL TEAM

WANTS GAMES

The Elkton B. B. team would

like to schedule some games with

other teams in the county. Will

play either high school or inde-

pendent teams. Write to Geo. A.

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**Harth's
TOGGERY**

NOTED MEDIUM TO
GIVE LECTURE AT
MOOSE HALL TUES.

The Rev. Cora Kincannon Smith, noted spiritualist and ordained medium, arrived in Roseburg today and will lecture tomorrow evening at eight o'clock at the Moose hall on the subject, "Modern and Ancient Spiritualism." This is to be a free lecture and the speaker will answer any questions which members of the audience may desire to present, and will also make predictions concerning the future. She carries a trunkful of letters from prominent men with whom she has been in touch through her work, particularly in the way of political predictions.

She declares that she pointed out men in the Shelby field to the highest production area; that she predicted many important political events, and even forecast the winners of the last world baseball series.

The Chevrolet Motor Co. is the largest manufacturer of automobiles in the world and its looks like it will hold this place for some time. See the new Chevrolet.

AGED CIVIL WAR
VETERAN IS DEAD

(Associated Press United Wire)
LA GRANDE, Ore., Jan. 30.—George Hendselman, 86, the last member of the company D, 8th Illinois mounted infantry—a Civil war organization, died at the home of his daughter here yesterday. His body will be sent to Olney, Ill., for burial.

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in all their new shades for Spring are here. You will surely be surprised at their beauty.

**SPENCER'S
A MAN'S SHOP**

Today

(Continued from page 1.)

science, but, at least, we know that there is no such thing as "solid matter."

A convent and a number of religious schools in Mexico are closed, managers "accused of teaching religious faith to children." Twenty nuns were arrested.

Shortly afterward a powerful earthquake shook part of Mexico. That earthquake will have more effect on many Mexican minds than any argument for freedom of religion could have.

Russian Bolshevism has executed without trial Leonid Novikoff, head of the trans-Caucasian trade commissariat.

Novikoff, a government official, was guilty of accepting graft, the miserable little sum of \$950.

If wily, he would have come to the United States to steal a hundred millions and enjoy himself.

There they shoot grafters without trying them. Here occasionally we try them, but we don't shoot or even jail them, not the really big ones.

Lloyd George was amazed to find in Brazil American business men capturing South American trade, "for the moment all the push comes from Americans," says he. Thanks for the compliment. But the British are not backward.

LETTERS FROM THE
PEOPLEWRITER HAS NOVEL PLAN
FOR ENFORCEMENT OF
THE PROHIBITION LAWS

Oakland, Ore., Jan. 30, 1928.

Editor News-Review:

I speak without saying that there is no question before the public today that is exciting as general an interest as the enforcement of the Volstead Act, and, as I think it is very doubtful that it could at present be repealed or modified, I think we had better summon up our resolution and inventive genius and find some way to enforce it.

I am well aware of the prevailing idea that our officers are largely at fault, and there is doubtless more or less ground for the suspicion, but as I have said before, I don't believe any responsible man or woman could go to our prosecuting attorney or sheriff, and I don't know either of them, with information necessary upon which to ground an action, that would be ignored or neglected, for if they did their official career would be inevitably terminated, and that contingency to the Brotherhood is a thing to be indefinitely postponed.

Now this expedient for the enforcement of prohibition has occurred to me. Suppose the officer capturing an intoxicated man, incarcerates him and tells him that when he will divulge where he obtained his booze and subscribe to his statement under oath that he may go free but that until he does so he will remain in jail.

Of course this might necessitate some special legislation, but this generation is long on legislation, so I anticipate no difficulty there. Now, don't you see how nicely this scheme would let the ardent prohibition public out of their self-made box. Of course I expect the objection to this plan that in a majority of cases the drunkard would not give away the bootlegger, but would lay the offense onto an innocent man, in which case his sworn statement would prove him a felon. His information would, of course, be a matter of record and it would be the duty of the officers to proceed to prosecute for perjury.

If some such plan as this could be adopted I think the bootlegger's business would take a slump.

—J. H. M.

THE ANYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNUCK

The Times shook the old man's hand. The dog then bowed to beat the band. Said Scouty, "Say, what ails him? Is he scared of us, or what? I'll pat him. Then he will not fuss, and maybe he will play with us. What is his name?" The old man promptly answered, "It is Spot."

"Here, Spot!" cried Clowny. "Come on, hand. Be friendly! Chase me all around. I'll take you to a nearby stream where you can get a drink." And, as he ran, the dog ran, too. It seemed exactly like he knew what Clowny said. They reached the little streamlet in a wink.

"I'll show you how to drink with ease," said Clowny, on his hands and knees. He leaned far forward, then dipped down until he had his fill. The big dog took his turn and then they went back to the bunch again. "What can we do now?" Carpy asked. "We've been of time to kill."

"Wasn't then the kindly woods man spied their cracker box? He loudly cried, 'I'll tell you what. Let's make some wheels. I'll saw them from a tree. It won't take long, and when they're done, I'll show you how to have some fun. If all you have are seeking sport, just leave the plans to me.'"

This pleased the bunch. They said they'd help, and as the dog began to yelp they looked around among the trees to find one that was down. Then Scouty cried, "Hurrah! It's found. A beauty's right here on the ground." The woodman grabbed his saw and said, "I'll do this thing up brown."

"If someone wants to help, just lend a hand, and grab the other end." Wee Scouty did, and loudly cried, "Just leave the help to me." They sawed and sawed for quite



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

a while, and then the bunch began to smile. Four wheels were cut right off the trunk, as neat as they could be.

(A dandy cart is made in the next story.)
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JUNIOR HIGH TO
PLAY ASHLAND
FRIDAY NIGHT

Roseburg junior high school will meet Ashland junior high in a basketball game Friday night. This game will have an important bearing on the Southern Oregon championship, for Ashland has defeated Medford twice, so that if Roseburg can win from Ashland Friday the district title will be pretty well in hand, although Roseburg is to play Medford next week.

The Ashland high school has a very fast and strong team, judging from all reports, and the junior high boys are looking for a hard battle with the team from the Lithia city.

Coach Cochrane, who has been ill for the past three weeks, suffering from a badly infected leg, has recovered sufficiently to be out again, although he has not yet returned to his duties, but is able to give some attention to the team. In his absence, the team has been under the directions of Dr. G. C. Finlay and has made fine progress.

The junior high school won the Southern Oregon championship last year in one of the most sensational races ever witnessed locally and hopes to be able to repeat this year, but is not expecting an easy time against Ashland.

The local team has played and won three games this season. Looking Glass and Eugene were defeated, and last Saturday night the local team defeated Camas Valley high school 21 to 9.

Early seed potatoes at Wharton Bros.

SIDE GLANCES—By George Clark



How gallant you would have looked, Egbert, marching away to fight for me dressed like that!"

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



RUEBIN RUEBIN
I BIN THINKIN'
THAT MY DOG HAS
GOT YA FLEAS
BUT I CANT SEE JUST
WHERE HE GOT THEM
CUZ HE DOES NOT SLEEP
WITH MEE EE HEE

THAT BABY
DOESNT GET
HIS TASTE
FOR MUSIC
FROM ME!

I CANT
UNDERSTAND
IT. HES THE
ONLY ONE
IN THE HOUSE
THAT CAN
SING HIM TO
SLEEP.

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY.
THE LOWBROW.