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MENACE TO HEALTH AND CHARACTER

Health and character are menaced by all narcotics. Their use for any purpose save under the ministrations of a competent and reputable physician should be discouraged, declares the San Francisco Examiner. The greatest narcotic menace today is the insidious drug, heroin. Its degenerate effects are swift and awful. Its illicit sale brings fabulous profit. The drugs of humanity are persistently tempting the young with it. Studies made in many big cities show that by far the larger number of users of heroin are under 20 years of age. This registers in the growing percentage of crimes committed by the young. Dr. Carleton Simon, former deputy commissioner of New York City, estimates that about 58 ounces of heroin are lawfully prescribed in that city yearly, whereas the consumption is in the neighborhood of 76,000 ounces. One ounce is enough to start 2,000 young persons on the way to ruin. The other day a lad of 20 was executed for murder in a Western prison. He had killed a man while caught robbing a store. His last statement was: "I never committed a crime until I was 'hooked' at the age of 16. A peddler offered me a pinch of 'snow,' saying it was 'great stuff,' and would give me a 'kick.' I did, but it was once too often." The presence in our cities of thousands of such peddlers tempting American youth for dirty profit is the reason for this Narcotic Education Week. Knowledge of evil is not always a protection, but America owes its youth full and complete warning, as well as strenuous effort to stop so abominable a traffic.

Isn't it about time for the mayor's annual proclamation for a general city clean-up? With the convention and tourist season fairly launched, there should be a one hundred per cent exodus of weeds, rubbish, garbage and all other unsightly, unnecessary matter so that it will not offend the eye of the visitor when he enters our boundaries or gives us the "once-over." Five of the scheduled seven state conventions are still to come here, also thousands of tourists, many of whom will be looking for a good place in which to establish a home. Let's have a clean-looking city to match our unsurpassed climate, profuse floriculture and the lowest tax rate of any city in western Oregon.

Today we are happy to honor the birthday of the nation's first president—George Washington. The occasion brings to mind the fact that four years hence the 200th anniversary of the birth of Washington will be celebrated in quite an elaborate manner. While plans for the 1932 event are far from complete, it is quite likely that a great memorial of some kind will be erected to his memory along with a fitting program that will take on a national aspect. It is hoped that the schools of the entire nation will be given a prominent part in the occasion.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday—three big days—given over to the auto show in Roseburg will give the people of Douglas county a real opportunity to note all the new "wrinkles" in the latest models of automobiles. The event promises to be the most stupendous ever held in this section of the state and the showing will not only be interesting but instructive.

Four years ago, when the oil scandal broke upon the nation, the teapot became a significant political campaign emblem. Now the politicians are trying to revive the one-time popular dinner pail. Before the 1928 race is over, perhaps we'll witness the debut of the little brown jug.

"Say it with eggs" is the slogan of Ashland and Medford high school students. Recent events there are portrayed as being "worst hoodlumism in history." Poor advertising for two excellent communities.

Come on, fellows, let's line up for the big showing of automobiles at the armory Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Regular spring weather, we would say—in this neck of the woods.

COMING EVENTS IN ROSEBURG

Cut out this list of dates of outstanding events for the year and keep it in your pocket for handy reference. Watch for changes and additional announcements as they may be arranged.

Umpqua Post American Legion	February 25-24-25
Auto Show	February 25-24-25
Annual Banquet Douglas County	February 23
Game Protective Association	February 23
Benefit Social R. H. S. P. T. A.	February 28
Umpqua Highway Assn. Meeting	March 6
Regular Advisory Board Meeting	March 8-9
Home Makers' Institute	March 14-17
Christian Church Dedication	April 15
Primary Election	May 18
I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge	May 21-22-23-24
Strawberry Carnival	May 24-25-26
State Convention of Business and Professional Women's Clubs	June 2-3-4 or June 8-9-10
State Convention of G. A. R.	June 27-28-29-30
and W. R. C.	October (no date set)
National Election	November 6
State Horticultural Meeting	November (no date set)

PRUNE DICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS

As this is Geo's Birthday we wish to announce to our readers that just because our middle name is Geo, it's No proof as to the veracity of this column.

Safety experts in Chicago estimate that we have twenty-five thousand deaths a year from accidents in the home. Despite this appalling record, foolhardy people still persist in loitering about the perilous place, and even children are sometimes found there.—The New Yorker.

Athletic authorities declare that one man ever has turned the triple somersault. So we presume that records made while trying to carry an armload of canned fruit down stairs are unofficial and do not count.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Just when everything seems to be progressing toward the decline and fall of the American home, father comes in to find fried chicken for supper.—Baltimore Evening Sun.

Grandmother says that one reason why girls are naughty is because they get the shingle in the wrong place.—Los Angeles Times.

The bus, and prof. wimmon held a dance yesterday eve, most of their bosses been there, havin' been spaired for a ticket.

Wouldn't Geo, Washington be proud if he could see the Stars and STRIPS flyin' on the mast atop Mt. Nebo?

We note that the candidates are beginnin' to smile and slap us on the back.

We wouldn't minded bein' in that Medford-Ashland egg battle but somehow we're allus afraid some guy'll mix in a door-knob.

LAFÉ PERKINS SEZ—

"Was dern glad to hear that Washington was human like the rest of us and could take a chew of plug now and then."

PURSE CONTAINING VALUABLES LOST BUT RECOVERED

The sheriff's office last night advised Mrs. Watson Davis in the recovery of a purse containing valuables amounting to more than \$2,000. Mrs. Davis stopped at the 1000 Bay auto camp and left her purse lying in the rear room for a moment. When she came back the purse was gone. It was a gray leather bag and contained two diamond rings, one valued at \$2,200 and another at \$800, together with \$25 in cash and \$30 in travelers checks. She immediately reported the loss and Sheriff Webb and Deputy Leas were notified. It was learned that a car had pulled out from the camp ground at about the time the loss was discovered and a police description was obtained. The officers at Coquille were notified and Officer Lower stopped a car occupied by a Mr. and Mrs. Hanan. When asked about the purse they immediately turned it over to the officer, the woman saying that she had thought it to be lost and was intending to report it to the officer. It is not expected that there will be any action taken in the case.

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COURT ADJOURNS OVER HOLIDAY

As today, Washington's birthday, is a non-judicial day, Circuit court was not in session, the jury being extended until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, when court will be resumed. The case of James Watkins against Henry Bentley, which was the first case to be taken up on the docket, resulted in a verdict not in favor of the defendant, Bentley. The cross complaint filed by the defendant, however, was not allowed. This was a case in which Watkins claimed that he entered into an agreement with Bentley whereby the latter was to cultivate and care for a field of peppermint on shares. He alleged that Bentley did not do the work agreed upon and therefore

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claimed damages in the sum of \$500. Denley claimed that according to the agreement Watkins was to have furnished the peppermint room for planting but that he failed to do so. A similar case was brought by Mr. Watkins against J. M. Jarvis, and the evidence has been taken in that action and the jury will be instructed when court meets Thursday.

Today

(Continued from page 1)

Invest, also peace, comfort, longer life and inexpensive living, with no coal bills—for those with modest incomes. But do not come without money.

BORN

SMITH—To Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Smith of Oakland, Sunday, February 19, 1928, at Mercy Hospital in Roseburg, a daughter.

PRISON RIOTERS SENTENCED; MUST SERVE LIFE TERM

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Feb. 22.—Condemned to serve their "natural lives" in Folsom prison for the murder of Ray T. Singleton, guard, during the Thanksgiving riot, and attempted break five of the six leaders of the mutiny today were back in their cells at the penitentiary starting to serve their life sentences. The sixth likewise was back in his cell but is still serving on his old term as the formal court sentence has not been pronounced. This will be done Friday morning, Anthony Brown, James H. Gregg, Roy E. Stokes, Walter E. Burke and Eugene Crosby, whose lives have been spared, were sentenced to life terms for the murder of Singleton. The ones who started on their new sentences today, although to Gregg there is no change in his prison standing as he already was serving life for murder.

Albert M. Stewart is the man who is yet to receive his sentence. While his five co-defendants waited all time and accepted their sentences immediately after the jury's verdict was returned yesterday afternoon, Stewart took advantage of the statutory delay allowed and will be brought here once more before finally entering the prison.

MRS. S. C. SCHRENK BURIED HERE TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Dorothy Schrenk, wife of Stanley C. Schrenk of Looking Glass, was passed away early Sunday morning at Mercy Hospital, was held at the chapel of the Roseburg Undertaking company at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

CANTON TROOPS HAVE EXECUTED 1,700 COMMUNISTS

(Associated Press Local Wire)
SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 22.—Dispatches from Canton say that 1,700 alleged communists, both men and women, have been executed by Canton troops after their capture east of the city on February 20.

The Cantonese also captured 600 members of a girls' communist corps in the same area, but these have not been executed. Northward of Canton 800 reds were made prisoners and hundreds of rifles captured.

Pang-Pai, widely known communist organizer, in Kien province, is stated to have been murdered by villagers in his native town who photographed his corpse and then cut it into ten pieces for general distribution and exhibition. His head was sent to Canton with the idea of discouraging red activities.

The Central Bank in Canton has repudiated all notes issued prior to 1925 and is issuing \$1,000,000 Mexican in new notes.

HERBERT HOOVER AWARDED MEDAL BY GROUP OF ENGINEERS

(Associated Press Local Wire)

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Herbert Hoover, in a twelve hour visit to New York, confined himself to his work as commercial leader, humanitarian and engineer. He refused to discuss politics and did not visit the Hoover-for-president headquarters here.

He left for Washington immediately after receiving the Saunders gold medal in recognition of his engineering services at a banquet at the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers last night.

Earlier in the day he launched a nationwide survey of employment conditions by attending the quarterly meeting of the American Child Welfare association of which he is president, and consulted with the education foundation of the committee for relief of Belgium.

His speech of acceptance at the banquet since his entrance into the Republican presidential race, and he continued himself to a discussion of engineering, most of the romance and adventure of which, he said, exist chiefly in the imaginations of laymen.

He told of his beginning in engineering work making a car in a mine on a night shift for \$2 a day after he had offered his services for a job as assistant manager.

The economic survey which Mr. Hoover heads as secretary of commerce will cover the years 1923 to the present, and is a continuation of the one launched after the president's conference on unemployment in 1921. The previous survey covered the years 1921 to 1923. The survey is sponsored by business and organized labor and private groups under government auspices.

The survey made five years ago brought a greatly improved understanding of the general business currents, he said.

FUNERAL LOCAL LADY IS HELD TUESDAY

The funeral services for Mrs. Hattie Brigham, mother of Mrs. Albert Brigham of this city, were held Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the chapel of the Roseburg Undertaking company, Rev. R. W. Asher officiating. There were many beautiful floral offerings from the wide circle of friends of Mrs. Brigham, who was a highly respected and loved woman in the community. Arrangements were in charge of M. E. Ritter. The body was sent last night to St. Paul, South Dakota, where burial will take place. Miss Paula Brigham, another daughter, will accompany the body from Canyon, Texas.

MAID REPORTS BIG THEFT OF JEWELRY

(Associated Press Local Wire)
NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Ida Kantner, a maid in the Park avenue home of Jonathan Bulkley, a paper hanger, reported to police today that she had discovered the theft of \$50,000 worth of jewels belonging to her employers when she went to a wall safe in which they had been kept to not a pair of spectacles.

Mrs. Bulkley, who had been out of the city for two weeks, returned to her home at 600 Park avenue last night. She asked Miss Kantner to get her spectacles which had been left in the safe on the second floor. The maid found the door of the safe open and the jewels gone. In the list of missing jewels given to police was a rope diamond chain valued at \$30,000, three diamond bracelets, two diamond rings, a sapphire pendant and several pairs of jeweled ear rings.

OREGON CARAVAN ARRIVES IN CHICO

(Associated Press Local Wire)
CHICO, Calif., Feb. 22.—Governor L. L. Patterson of Oregon and his caravan arrived here at 11 a. m. He was met at Red Bluff by a delegation from the Chico Chamber of Commerce.

On arrival the party was escorted on a sightseeing tour of the city and left for Oroville for luncheon. The reception committee here included C. H. Duell, Mayor A. R. Waters and County Supervisors F. L. Roehr and George T. Meeker.

At Red Bluff, Governor Patterson said it was the first stop he had made in California where he had not encountered "unusual weather."

Mayor George L. Baker of Fort-Land declared that if Washington, Oregon and California could harness the main power of those states and get it to working to

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNUCK

It wasn't long till all the balloons were dancing 'round and singing tunes. "Oh, we are glad that we're blown up, 'cause now we'll have some fun. Once we were thin, but now we're fat. We thank you Tinymites for that. To come to life makes us so glad that we must jump and run."

The Tines watched them race around. "Twas laughable to see them bound up in the air each time they'd jump and land upon their feet. Said one balloon, "I bet that you can't do the stunts we're going to do, 'cause you're not made of rubber. Watch! We'll give you quite a treat."

A game of leap-frog then began, and every little rubber man laughed loud as in the air they bounced, while leaping to and fro. If on their heads they chanced to land it didn't hurt 'cause soon they'd stand upon their little feet again. They'd bound right up, you know.

The Tines watched them play a while and then wee Clowzy, with a smile, said, "Let us join you in your game. I think we'll do all right." "Come right ahead," one fat man cried, "it's not so hard when once it's tried, but be careful when you jump, so you will safely land."

So Clowzy was the first to try. He tried one leap. Then, me, oh my, he took a funny tumble and went rolling o'er the ground. "Ho, ho, you're good," somebody cried. "It was a treat to see you slide." "Course Clowzy wasn't rubber, so he didn't bounce or bound.

"I guess we'd better watch, instead, 'cause I don't care to break my head," laughed Clowzy as he rushed and helped poor Clowzy to his feet. And so they watched the rubber men, and cheered their queer stunts now and then. Said Clowzy, "After this I think I'll be much more discreet."



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

(The Tinymites meet a hot water bottle in the next story.)
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SIDE GLANCES—By George Clark



Mary: The nerve of those ushers—tryin' to flirt with us!
Ann: Not so fast, dearie; they're from the military academy.

SALE CALLED OFF

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Sale of the Fort McKean, Alaska, military reservation for which bids were to be opened February 21,

has been called off by the War Department because of a reported discovery of oil on the reserve to investigate the discovery.

OUT OUR WAY



CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER CASES.