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THIS AUTOMATIC LIFE

We are pretty ingenious at devising machines to save us from work and hardship. Nothing in our recent national development is more striking than the great spread of devices to make the daily life of the average man and woman easier. And, with all of this, we forget occasionally that hardship and toil may have their value, at times.

Charles A. Levine says he is building a giant airplane with a 180-foot wing spread and seven motors, to engage in regular commercial trans-Atlantic flights. There is many a slip between blueprint and completed product, and his proposed plane may not be ready as soon as he thinks.

First American Troops in World War Battle 10 Years Ago Today

Members of Engineering and Aero Units, Working Back of Lines, Exchange Shovels For Bayonets and Grenades And Join British Fifth Army Under General Carey, Resisting Hindenberg's Advance.

(Associated Press Local Wire) AMIENS, France, Mar. 21.—Ten years ago today began the battle in which the first American troops participated in the world war. On March 21, 1918, Field Marshal von Hindenberg of Germany hurled at the allies on the Somme front the gray horde he had been assembling all winter, in a mighty effort to strike a decisive blow before the United States could assemble enough forces to be of material aid to the allied cause.

PRUNE DICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS

The first fly of the season landed safely on the paste pot in the sanctum today and immediately thereafter all His aunts and Cousins dropped in for a visit.

An Ohio man is waiting for the right kind of atmospheric conditions to fly to Venus in a specially built rocket. Mebbe he's doing it just for a little atmosphere. Venus is 63,000,000 miles away. He might miss the planet by only a million miles or so, but that would be a close shave compared to the distance some people we know are going to miss the White House.

Of course, as the scientists say, 63,000,000 miles is the mean distance. We didn't know they had taken up slang. He hasn't announced any companions for the flight. It seems a shame he doesn't take Levine or Heflin or some lady who has had her appendix and tonsils removed.

The politicians are politickin' on the main stem these days, the smart ones passin' out campaign cards without a photograph of themselves.

We note that a feller in New Yawk has invented a reversible veal. Not a bad idee for the fella who insist on splatterin' gravy durin' the noonday rush to the village beaneries.

Ye ed. attended a legion meetin' yestiddy p. m. and as in our army days got a lumber packin' detail while a flock of erswhile seagund loots looked on and shouted orders.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ— "The bottle cappin' season is fast approachin'."

BOY RUNS AWAY AFTER RUNNING UP SMALL BILLS

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 21.—The story of a little boy who ran away from home rather than face a disillusioned mother was slowly unfolded to Salem police officers today.

The flaxen-haired youngster was taken into custody late last night as he wandered aimlessly on the streets, without a hat and clad in overalls, but it was not until today that officers found that his name was Hinesy Ellington and that his home is in Hillsboro.

All he would say last night was that he was 9 years old and that he had beaten his way from Portland to Salem on the rear of a motor bus. Officers attempted to frighten him into giving up the desired information by a threat of detention in the state reform school.

RUMOR CIRCULATED THAT PLANE FOUND

BANGOR, Maine, Mar. 21.—Intense excitement was caused today by circulation of a rumor that the plane in which Captain Walter Wendell and the Honorable Esie Mackay began a proposed trans-Atlantic flight from England last Tuesday has been found, with their bodies, near Patuxent, Maine.

Careful investigation, however, by The Associated Press, failed to confirm the rumor.

BIRTH RATE DECLINES

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 21.—Simm in the San Francisco birth rate from 9,030 to 8,244 annually since 1924 was reported by the health bureau. The decrease was blamed in part on the fact that San Francisco has become a city of apartment house dwellers.

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. Conference District Kiwanis Officers March 20; Umpqua Post Smoker March 23; Special City Airport Election March 28; Ladies Glee Club of Willamette University March 28; benefit Methodist Church March 28; Conference and organization of State Association of fire insurance agents April 9-10; Removal of angling limits on North and South Umpqua rivers and restoration 6-inch trout limit April 15; Last Day of Registration for Primary Election April 17; Christian Church Dedication (Tentative) April 29; Primary Election May 18; State Convention of Business and Professional Women's Clubs May 18-19-20; I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge May 21-22-23-24; Strawberry Carnival May 24-25-26; State Convention of G. A. R. and W. R. C. June 27-28-29-30; Epworth League Institute on Little River site July 9-16; State P. T. A. Convention October (no date set); National Election November 6; State Horticultural Meeting November (no date set).



Spring's Latest News

All fashion centers indorse it. New York is now wearing green. For here in the Toggery our first showing of green shirts and accessories has won enthusiastic attention. Men with an eye for good taste and harmonious coloring are wearing green.

Harth's TOGGERY

LEGION POST TO HOLD BOXING CARD FRIDAY

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nick has also appeared in Roseburg before and is known to be a good boxer. It is possible that another bout may be offered as a curtain raiser.

The general public will be admitted to the boxing matches, which will start at 8:30 p. m. An admission fee of 75 cents being charged all except the ex-service men, who, as has already been stated, will be admitted free.

It is possible that the newly formed American Legion band will make its appearance at this event, providing the necessary arrangements can be made. The band has had one special rehearsal and is practicing regularly with the Roseburg Municipal Band, so that it will be ready at any time for public appearance and may be out Friday night to furnish entertainment between bouts.

TWO KILLED IN BOOTLEGGER FEUD

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Mar. 21.—Morris Nadel, bootlegger who eluded Pat McDermott, one of those convicted of the killing of Don K. Mellott, Canton editor, and an unidentified companion were found slain in their automobile on a lonely road near here this morning.

Nadel's head and shoulders had 13 bullet wounds, while seven bullets had entered his companion's body. Authorities said they apparently had been shot from the rear seat after being induced to take at least 750 gunmen for a ride. The killers escaped in another machine, investigators said.

Officers believed the slayings were an outgrowth of northern Ohio bootlegging feuds dating back to liquor investigations which followed Mellott's killing at Canton nearly two years ago. Nadel, convicted of harboring a felon through hiding McDermott before the latter's capture, was free under \$35,000 bond pending his appeal on his penitentiary sentence. McDermott is serving a life sentence in Ohio penitentiary for his part in the killing.

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Today

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committee met to discuss a socialist national platform, and solemnly decided that republicans and democrats "save corrupt oligarchies." Hard words, but luckily many good republicans and democrats do not know what an oligarchy is.

Corrupt corporation oligarchies rule the republic, say the socialists. It is just a two-party capitalistic machine. Nevertheless, oil or no oil, bonds or no bonds, one or the other half of the republican-democratic "machine of capitalism" will win next fall.

The earth has not settled down yet, in spite of the fact that science proved it to be more than a thousand million years old. In far away Java, volcanoes below the water blow up steam and lava, building new islands, and earthquakes shake and house in the Adirondacks and other northeastern parts of New York state.

The British cannot make up their minds about a new prayer book. The bishops wrote one. The lords approved and his majesty was said to approve, but the house of commons threw it out. What does a house of commons know about a prayer book? A second new book was written, with much earnest prayer, before and during the process. But the commons will undoubtedly reject that also.

An old plan that settled the genuine and apocryphal books of the Bible might be tried. The various books were left by themselves on a table in a room, and anybody jumped upon the altar were declared genuine, the others were not. But in these skeptical, modernist days the prayer books might not jump. Once a miracle happened whenever it was needed. Now it happens rarely.

AN AIRPORT

Roseburg's Great Need

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as assessed valuations are considered below the actual cash valuations, it may be easily seen that the amount asked by the owners is far from being excessive.

A short time ago a tract of 5 acres, less than one-quarter of a mile from the proposed airport, sold for \$1,000. A 10-acre tract, less than a half mile away, sold for about \$225 per acre.

At a price of \$100 per acre the field is being procured very cheaply and Roseburg has an opportunity that can never again be equalled, for there is not another tract within six miles of the city that can be converted into an airport having equal advantages with the proposed field, and if this project fails Roseburg doubtless will never again be able to purchase it for the low price for which it is now offered.

This argument that these few people advance has in the past lost many valuable things for Roseburg and it is time that the argument was being considered in its true light.

It is one time Aaron Ross offered to the city the beautiful grove that then lay west of the tracks to be used for city park purposes, and asked only \$1,500 for the entire tract. The same class of knoekers, who now "howl" about the cost of the proposed airport, had previously purchased the park because "the price was too high," and Roseburg lost a park that today would be worth many thousands of dollars.

Only a few years ago the Nachter park, which is now the beautiful Laurier residential section, was offered to the city of Roseburg for \$7,500 for city park purpose, and again the same cry went up—"too much money," and Roseburg lost a park that today could not be duplicated for many times that sum.

Roseburg has lost opportunity after opportunity by listening to those who always had a protest about the "price of the land." The purchase of this proposed airport at \$100 per acre is sound investment even though the land might have absolutely no productive value. The future rise in land values that is certain to occur will permit the city to sell the property at any time for more than it has invested, should the time ever come when airports are no longer necessary, which probably never will occur. The land, in comparison with other property in the same vicinity, is being offered at a price far below the actual cash value and Roseburg is going to lose another golden opportunity if this project fails of passage.

UNDERGRADS HELD FOLLOWING RIOT

(Associated Press Local Wire) PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 21.—Fifteen University of Pennsylvania undergraduates, including the president of the senior class, were arrested early today after celebration of Penn's defeat of Princeton for the eastern intercollegiate basketball league championship.

A disturbance, in which 1,000 students participated, took place in the section of West Philadelphia adjacent to the campus and it was not quieted until firemen drenched the celebrants with water from hose lines. For several hours students battled police reserves, tied up traffic and started a bonfire. Milk bottles were hurled, and one policeman was cut by flying glass. John McDowell, senior president, was arrested on a charge of inciting to riot and held in jail for some time before being released to await a hearing.

THE TINYMITES STORY BY HAL COCHRAN - PICTURES BY KNOCK



It was a very pretty fight, this frosting lake of brilliant white. The little cupcake splashed about and had a lot of fun. Said Clowey, "Why stand way up here, when we can all run down real near? Come on, let's go down by the bank." The bunch began to run.

Then one small cupcake yelled, "Hello! I'll bet you Tinies do not know why we are splashing in this lake. Come on, now, try and guess." The Tinies thought for quite a while. Then Scouty answered with a smile, "We've tried to guess the answer, but we can't we must confess."

The cupcake then said, "Well, you see, we must be sweet as we can be before they take us to the store and put us up for sale. So, when we jump into this lake, we soon are more than just plain cake. It covers us with frosting white. It never seems to fall."

"Well, well," said a f d Scouty, "That's sure neat. No wonder cupcake taste so sweet, and then he stuck his finger in the lake, to take a taste. 'Oh, don't do that,' one cupcake cried. 'If by the baker you are spied, 'twill make him mad. He doesn't like to see this go to waste.'"

"All right, we will not start a fuss. You're covered now," one play with us," said Copy, and the cupcake soon were running out on shore. "Don't I look nice?" one cupcake said, "with frosting spread upon my head." Just then the Tinies heard a very funny sounding noise.

"They looked around, and right near by a paper bag cried loudly, 'I have come to get you cupcake. Will you kindly all stand still.' The cupcake then began to roar, 'Oh, please don't take us to the store.' And, as they ran away, the bag pursued them o'er the hill. (The Tinymites get a new sur-

CAPT. WILKINS AND PILOT SAFE

(Associated Press Local Wire) SEWARD, Alaska, Mar. 21.—Captain George H. Wilkins, Australian aviator-explorer, and Lieutenant Carl Ben Elison, his Alaskan pilot, are safe at Point Barrow, preparing for their contemplated flight into the Arctic "blitzed spot" enroute to Spitzbergen on the other side of the North Pole.

Fears that they had met with disaster Monday at the end of their hazardous 500 mile hop from Fairbanks to Point Barrow, were allayed when Wilkins re-established communication with Seward last night.

Last night Wilkins radioed Captain Robert H. Woolvort, Seward radio officer, saying "all okeh." He repeated the message several times, then added: "Clear and cool." At this point an amateur radio station began sending on the same wave length that Wilkins was using, making further reception impossible.

ODD SENTENCE IS IMPOSED ON YOUTH

MUSKOGON, Mich., Mar. 21.—John Yokubones, 16, has discharged his first obligations under a sentence given him a few days ago by Probate Judge Ruth Thompson to serve as a "big brother" to two small boys he made fatherless two weeks ago when his car struck and killed Floyd Torrey.

The youth, who works at a bench in a shop here, took several bundles, including toys, to the boys, Gene Torrey, 6, and Paulie Torrey, 8 year old, and promised to visit them again soon. He visited them at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Torrey, with whom they are now making their home, and saw them for the first time.

He came away expressing a desire to "do all I can for them." The woman probate judge, who refused to permit prosecution of the fatherless children at least once every two weeks for two years and to spend at least \$400 of his earnings for their support during that period.

The unusual sentence is regarded as an experiment and is attracting widespread attention here.

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



HEROES ARE MADE - NOT BORN. J. R. WILLIAMS