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PRESIDENTIAL TRADITION

After all, this American democracy of which we hear so much must be pretty effective. Half a century ago two boys were growing up, in poverty, on opposite sides of the continent. In Oregon an orphan named Herbert Hoover was helping his uncle in a real estate office and facing, apparently, a lifetime of hard toil and obscurity. In New York another fatherless lad named Alfred Smith was selling papers to help support his widowed mother. The streets were his school; one would have said that his prospects were among the dimmest. This fall one of these two—Herbert Hoover or Alfred Smith—will be elected president of the United States. The two boys who had to start making their own way while yet in their teens have reached the top. One or the other of them will, within a year, occupy the highest place that an American citizen can attain. Our democracy, after all, must be a pretty real thing when that can be true. The rise of the poor boy to the heights—the old story, "From the log cabin to the White House"—is one of our most cherished traditions. It symbolizes the equality of opportunity that we have been taught to prize above everything else. And we are justified in so regarding it. For it is the faith that justifies our works. It is the outward, visible symbol of an inner, spiritual grace, to drop into the old phraseology of the churchmen. It is a sign that however much injustice and inequality we may have in our country, however much poverty and discouragement and frustration may rest upon some segments of our population, the way is still open. Not yet have we solidified into castes. Not yet have we grown old and cautious and calculating. Not yet have we surrendered to the notion of a ruling class, rich and well born. There are those who see in our growing industrialization, in the ever increasing accumulation of wealth, a sign that this old avenue of opportunity is to end. Yet while we lean more and more on the machine, on the power of finance, on far-flung bigness in business, industry and politics, by the same token individual ability is becoming more highly prized than ever. We need men now more than ever before, and are trying harder than ever to find them. When one arises—a product of poverty and hard work, like Hoover, Smith, Henry Ford, the Fisher brothers—he is heaped with power and honors. Much remains to be done, of course. But for the present we can be encouraged. The great old tradition is still flourishing. The two nominations of last month prove it.

To demonstrate the correctness of a theory Jean Albert Lussier, Springfield, Mass., machine shop employee, devoted a year's labor, spent \$7,000 and risked his life. The theory was that he could safely drop over Niagara Falls in a huge rubber ball on which he expended the labor and money aforesaid. The demonstration was a success so far as his theory was concerned, but what a waste of effort and needless display of courage! The feat contributed absolutely nothing to the cause of science or to human progress. As Lussier emerged from the ball, little worse for his experience, he was greeted with cheers from over 100,000 throats and kisses from a number of female lips. This he probably considered sufficient reward for his year's labor, his \$7,000 expenditure and his dare-devil stunt. Maybe there will be an appearance in vaudeville later. We venture the assertion that it would be profitable. The 100,000 persons who encouraged Lussier's act with their presence at the Niagara cataract would be more than matched in number by the morbidly curious throngs who would eagerly pay a dollar or more for the mere privilege of gazing upon the countenance of the survivor of such a useless and thrill-imparting stunt.

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POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

A WRITER'S DREAM

May this ideal my pen inspire
To fill men's minds with sacred fire,
And in each soul to cause to run
Distilling essence of the sun:
That every thought and word of mine
Shall make men pulse with life divine.

That I may write in such a way
To stimulate e'en common clay,
Till poor and weak and careless men
Shall breathe heroic air again,
Shall spurn the dust of earthly clods,
And talk the language of the gods.

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.

Epworth League Institute on Little River site July 9-16
Douglas County Merchants' Institute August 30-31
Southern Oregon Seal Sale
Conference September (no date set)
Knights of Pythias Convention, Dist. No. 5 Sept. 22
Regional P. T. A. Convention October (no date set)
Fall Meeting Presbytery of Southern Oregon Oct. 23-24
National Election November 6
State Horticultural Meeting Dec. 12-13-14

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOD EVENING FOLKS

Oh boy!
This ol' sunshine
Is the dope
To take the
Kinks outa
Yer spine!

It's gittin' so late that the wife has to pull down the shades even to make loganberry jelly. Thass wotta feller gits fer incurrin' the enmity of a piece force. The grocery boy left a bottle of vinegar on our porch this a. m. and when we saw it at noon we were scared pink. 'Sa tuff life, mates!

Not wishin' to be informative, we do think, however, that with due respect for authority—including cops, etc., that it isn't the leaders of the chicken-flock who produce; it's the lay members.

There's no Scotch blood in our veins, but it's the opinion of this colyum that about the most tiresome thing in the world is reading the daily grind of forced jokes about Scotchmen. A Scot is no tighter than other people—altho he does love his whiskey.

Saw a gal on the man drag today with a synthetic tan. Yep, they're even makin' rouge that color these days.

Mighty glad to hear that our ol' friend, Elmer Metzger was awarded the contract to build the courthouse. Won't it look fine to see an army of local citizens with hammers and saws and dinner pails 'a'nt to work each a. m. This will be one time when the squawkers will have nothin' to squawk about.

An' there's Bill Scott who got the plumbin' job. All the home boys 'd their innin' today and we're dern tickled to hear it. You can bet the bottom dollar that most of the wages will be spent in Douglas county.

So folks, let's all smile and be happy. Possibility will have a lively year and don't forget it.

LAKE PERKINS SEZ—

"Th' trouble with blue serge uniforms is that they allus a' shine on the seat of the pants."

LINFIELD COLLEGE HEAD AND WIFE IN AUTO-BUS WRECK

(Associated Press—Lead Wire)
SEATTLE, July 6.—William Jerome, 60, professor of Linfield college, McMinnville, Ore., and his wife, Mrs. Marian Jerome, were in a local hospital last night as the result of a collision between their automobile and a municipal railway bus.

With the Jeromes in the car were their son, Vincent, and his wife. The younger Jerome is principal of the Arlington, Wash., high school. Father and son were attending summer sessions at the University of Washington.

OREGON WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Salem—Oregon Lumber Mills produce a ton of linen yarn a day.
Monmouth—State Normal school acquires Virginia Hurst students dormitory.

Salem—High School to be remodeled to increase capacity.
Oregon had 36 fide and 150 placer mines in operation last year.

Sandy Mount—Hood Electric Co. is laying power line on Lodon highway.

Gold Hill—Ladum gold dredging on Foot creek will soon be operating.

St. Helens—Sawmills shipped 5,600,000 feet lumber in week ended June 23.

Portland—Gas & Coke Co. increased sales 11 per cent during 1927.

Prineville—400-foot tunnel to be built in Beardsmore clannish mine here.

Oregon merchandise exports during 1927 totaled \$84,213,262.

Federal funds for Klamath reclamation project, this year total \$271,000.

Forest service will spend \$20,000 on Century Drive to Big Lava Lake, Deschutes county.

American Legion dedicated Vernonia airport.

St. Helens—New Jatte bag factory makes its first commercial shipment.

St. Helens—W. W. Dillard will build \$10,000 office.

Baker—Plans take shape for financing \$270,000 community hotel.

Canyon City has new 600-acre airport.

Batons—Old city hall being repaired and modernized.

Coquille—Local creamery made 150,000 pounds cheese during May.

Coquille—Ordering mill is encephalizing 25 men.

Condon—Local wheat crop estimated at 1,000,000 bushels.

Sutherland—Local stockmen have shipped ten cars lambs this season.

Springfield—50-foot span to be added to McKenzie highway bridge.

Maui—Oil well at Clarno is already down 425 feet.

Urgo the proposed to serve upper Columbia and Snake rivers.

TheStyle's Leading Fabric

Is fast veering to the hard finish and more sturdy wear. Light tans and browns prevail.

New advance showings in these fabrics are now being displayed by us. We anticipated the trend of the change, and now have these fabrics in the new models—the

Yorkshire
Edson and
Johnnie Walker

QUALITY CLOTHING

\$30.00 to
\$45.00

Harth's
TOGGERY

from 1928 crop.

Roseburg—Trainload of lambs shipped from here and Oakland.

Reedsport—Pier 4 started for new Scottsburg bridge on Umpqua river.

Sherwood—Local growers have sold 600 tons strawberries, worth \$80,000.

Federal fund for fighting Oregon forest fires is increased by \$20,770.

Crane taxpayers vote \$30,000 school building bonds.

Grants Pass—Fruitdale grange builds new hall addition.

Molalla—Eastern & Western Co. extends logging railroad 2 miles, to ship 40 cars logs a day.

Albany—Oregon Electric Railroad seeks to extend lines to Sweet Home.

Oregon City—Maple Grove rural school to cost \$7,200.

Hood River—State trout hatchery near Dee to have water piped in.

Hood River—New owners buy 100-acre Cascade apple orchard.

Portland—New hangars at Portland Airport will cost \$25,000.

Oregon nut trees are expected to give at least 100 per cent crop this year.

Ashland—Tidings newspaper buys out and absorbs Ashland Register.

Salem Y. M. C. A. federal employment agency placed 178 in jobs, the third week in June.

Coos county plans \$400,000 bond issue for market roads.

Emergency airports are being established every 30 miles from Portland to California line.

Oregon horsemen will ship many thousands of horses to Russia.

Salem has already laid 25 blocks street paving this year.

Salem buys new 600-gallon fire pump.

Lapine—72 miles Dalles-Calf. highway opened to Modoc Point.

Hillsboro—Construction under way for \$175,000 high school.

McMinnville—Work rushed on \$100,000 main building for Linfield College.

McMinnville—Construction begins on \$40,000 Brady-Pray apartments.

Coos county plans to vote in November on \$400,000 market road bond issue.

Coquille—\$5,500 contract let for tile gates on Beaver Slough.

Vale—Much land being leased near here for oil investigation.

Baker—Box factory has paid \$70,000 in wages in 54 years.

Independence will have 103 blocks of streets.

Carlton plans modern sewer system, with sewage disposal plant.

Astoria—Contract let for grading Cannon Beach road to Humboldt.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT

U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon, data reported by C. A. Cole, Meteorologist in charge.
Barometric pressure (reduced to sea level) 5 a. m. 30.15
Relative humidity 5 a. m. yesterday (per cent) 44
Precip. in inches and hundredths: Highest temperature yesterday 71
Lowest temperature last night 49
Average temperature for the day 60
Normal temperature for this date 66
Precipitation, last 24 hours 0
Total precip. since 1st month 12
Normal precip. for this month 32
Total precip. from Sept. 1, 1927 to date 27.90
Average precip. from Sept. 1, 1927 32.24
Total deficiency since Sept. 1, 1927 4.64
Average seasonal precip. Sept. to May, inclusive 31.51
Forecast for southwest Oregon: Fair tonight and Saturday; continued mild.

MISS EARTHART AND AIDES GET HOME GREETING

(Continued from page 1.)

"but to the people of Hyde Park which I am so proud, as well as Big Bill, the builder, you are just Amelia."

Stage, Marriage Spurned
The woman filer said that she had received many offers of matrimonial engagements, but none of them had as yet been considered.

She had also received, she acknowledged, many offers of marriage from persons who had read of her exploit. She said she had no plans for the immediate future.

"I still have my job as a settlement worker in Boston," she replied to persistent questions as to her plans. "You know I made the flight on my vacation."

She acknowledged the possibility, however, that her Atlantic flight might eventually result in her leaving settlement work for something connected with aviation. She said that her chief concern was to interest more women in flying.

Vision of the Future
Miss Earhart told interviewers that she believed the time not far distant when the country would be dotted with aviation country clubs.

She thought women would patronize them because they have as a rule more leisure than men. Women, she believed, could handle planes as well as men, once they learned, and might serve as aviators in any future wars.

As Stultz stepped from the liner he was greeted first by his wife and then by his mother, Mrs. Clara Stultz of Williamsburg, Pa. Gordon was welcomed by his fiancée, Miss Ann Bruce of Brookline, Mass.

A light rain was falling and the weather had kept such crowds as have greeted other fliers from gathering. But even so police estimates of the throng at the Battery ran as high as 2,000 and there was a roar of welcome as Miss Earhart walked down the gang plank with Stultz and Gordon.

LAND OFFICE BUSINESS FOR YEAR IS HEAVY

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addition to this land already opened there are several other small blocks that the government plans to open in the near future, while there are several thousand acres from which timber is now being removed that will be added at a later date.

The local office controls all of the government owned land and reverts lands west of the Cascade mountains in Oregon. In addition to the one million acres of homestead land the office controls 1,250,000 acres of timber only a small portion of which has ever been offered for sale.

Many New Inquiries
During the last six months, according to H. A. Canaday, register, there has been a very great increase in the number of inquiries concerning government lands.

"These inquiries come from every part of the United States, but are principally from the Pacific coast," Mr. Canaday says. "I would estimate that 70 per cent of the inquiries come from the three coast states and are largely from people anxious to secure the title to establish homes."

All of these inquiries come without advertising of any sort. A few years ago, at the time of our big opening, the lands were advertised from one end of the country to the other, but there is no such publicity at present, yet despite that fact we are receiving from five hundred to six hundred letters per month asking for information.

"This condition, I believe, is the result of our fine highways. People from all parts of the country go along our highways, which pass lengthwise through the very center of our district. They realize that our best land is taken, but there is lots of land, now lying idle that would make excellent stock farms even though not suitable for growing crops. Many people are asking about these homes with a view of locating in the district in the near future to raise cattle and sheep."

"We also find many inquiries, particularly from California, regarding possibilities for summer homes. A large number of people have already filed on sites along the Rogue and Umpqua rivers with a view of establishing summer homes in these vacation districts."

Mining Interest Increases
Mr. Canaday states that there is also a very great revival of interest in mining. This is particularly true in Josephine county. There are more mining applications being handled than in many past years, while the number of inquiries have almost doubled. Recently there has been a great increase in the mining interest involving Douglas county lands.

In Coos county coal and oil applications and leases indicate possible future development on a large scale. Development of 1,700 acres of coal lands by a concern capitalized at a million and a half dollars is in prospect. It is stated, while several of the prospect leases have been issued. The territory where development is expected lies about one and a half miles north of Coquille.

While timber movements have not been as rapid as hoped for, due to the fact that the lumber trade is not overly brisk, yet there is a sustained interest in timber lands, and a stimulation of the timber industry will mean increased sales of government lands.

Many people, Mr. Canaday says, criticize the government for selling the timber, held and controlled by the land offices, yet much of this timber is overripe and if not sold will be a great economic loss.

Great interest is also being

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNUCK



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE
done. The Tinies climbed on, one (The Tinymites capture some by one, and soon the whole bunch of zebras in the next story.) left the smiling hunter far behind. Copyright, 1928, NEA Service, Inc.

shown in power development, Mr. Canaday says. The California-Oregon Power company holds a number of filings on the Umpqua river, some preliminary work having been done during the past two years, and the same company has also secured numerous holdings on the Rogue river in addition to the developments already undertaken.

The Lee and Myers company of San Francisco has also made a recent filing on the Rogue river near the Josephine and Curry county line to make a survey for power development, while numerous smaller filings have been received on various rivers and streams throughout the district.

Altogether the business of the land office during the past year has been very satisfactory, Mr. Canaday reports. While the total receipts have not been as heavy as in some previous years, yet they were above the average and during the past six months, particularly, the business has been heavier than for many past years.

Despite the great volume of business handled the work is all being done by three men: H. A. Canaday, register; R. E. Crawford, acting register and E. B. Fickenscher, clerk. The land office makes it a point to answer every application and inquiry the very day that it is received, so that in responding to more than 500 inquiries each month there is considerable work attached to the office, not counting the many other duties that are required in administering more than two and a quarter million acres of land, scattered over a territory larger than many hood-sized states.

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SIDE GLANCES—By George Clark



Why the watchman lost his job.

NOTED AUTHOR IS VISITOR IN CITY

Peter B. Kyne, whose books are familiar to all readers, was an overnight visitor at the Umpqua hotel and expressed his appreciation of Roseburg and the country surrounding, being greatly pleased with Umpqua Valley's beauties. The famous author had just driven through from his Skellyon county ranch and was enroute to Calgary, Canada. At some future date he contemplates visiting the Umpqua river for fishing.

By Williams

OUT OUR WAY



YOU SAY YOU KEEP LARD IN ONE, AXLE GREASE IN ANOTHER, SYRUP IN ANOTHER, VARNISH IN ONE, ANOTHER CONTAINS BAKING POWDER AND ONE IS FULL OF LIME? WHY-UH-AH-I SHOULD THINK YOU'D MAKE ERRORS SOMETIME.

STIFFY CALLS IT THE CHAMBER OF HORRORS! WHEN HE TAKES ONE O' THEM CANS DOWN YUH NEVER KNOW IF HE'S AGON T' WHITE WASH A BARN, ER ICE A CAKE, ER BOTH.

MEMBER TH' TIME HE PUT POWDERED SUGAR ON TH' DOUGHNUTS AN' TH' LIME ET 'EM ALL UP? WELL IT SAVED US A JAWB