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PROTECTING YOUTH FROM BOOZE

Douglas county's super-arid senator, B. L. Eddy, again furnishes the public with evidence that he believes the prohibition law was created to be enforced. He has introduced in the state legislature a bill that would give more power to the mailed fist of justice in dealing with one of the most pernicious forms of dry law violations—that of giving or selling intoxicating liquor to minors. For such a crime the bill provides penitentiary imprisonment from one to four years. The present law applicable to such a crime provides only a fine or jail sentence. If such a penalty as provided in Senator Eddy's measure is needed in Oregon, then it is needed as well in the forty-seven other states of the union. Conditions in this state that call for such a measure cannot be said to be worse than in any other state and the prohibition statute excepts none. If Senator Eddy's bill is enacted into a law, it is not improbable that other states will follow the example. And if such a law will strengthen prohibition enforcement, the states should have it. Whether it would appreciably cut down the secret manufacture of intoxicants is a debatable question; perhaps its proponent entertains no such expectation. But if the threat of its heavy penalty will check delivery of the poison to young boys and girls, saving them from moral and physical wreckage, the proposed law richly deserves a place within the criminal code. Concerning Senator Eddy's bill, the Portland Oregonian says:

Senator Eddy's bill to make the purveying of liquor to minors a felony is in keeping with the gravity of the crime. It is pertinent to observe, however, that no law is self-administering, and that the present penalty, of not less than \$500 fine or a jail sentence of not less than six months, is seldom, if ever invoked. The Eddy bill does, however, put a weapon in the hands of those who may have evidence of the dispensing of intoxicants to youths which is capable through its very existence of doing a great deal of good. We think the most hardened bootlegger will think twice before facing Senator Eddy's minimum of one year in the penitentiary, which can be increased to four years for flagrant or repeated offending. It is worth considering, too, that putting the crime in the felony class, where it belongs, brings it ultimately within the purview of the habitual criminal act. The stoutest opponents of prohibition are unlikely to dispute the gravity of the offense of giving alcohol to minors—a crime even in pre-Prohibition times. If our youngsters as a matter of fact are getting liquor it is well to employ every effective means to cut off their supply.

SHOULD WE SPEND THE MONEY?

With Oregon still owing \$32,700,000 on highway indebtedness bonds, it is now proposed in the legislature to authorize nearly \$7,000,000 in additional bonds to finish the Roosevelt highway down the coast. Undoubtedly the highway should be completed, but can the state afford the expense at this time? Supporters of the project will probably contend that the state cannot afford to delay completion. However, the money aspect of the proposition is not pleasant to contemplate from the standpoint of the present financial position of the state. Aware of the reluctance of many legislators to increase the highway debt burden to such a heavy extent at this time, the Roosevelt road system supporters, it is pointed out in a press dispatch, are angling for necessary votes by advancing the suggestion for even greater addition to the debt. This is in the form of a proposal to not stop at \$7,000,000 more but to take advantage of the constitutional four per cent increase permit and authorize \$12,000,000 more, leaving \$5,000,000 of that amount for other road projects throughout the state. There is no question as to what would be the fate of such a scheme if it were left to a vote of the people. An interesting angle of the situation is the tinkering with the motor license law, revenues from which contribute to the liquidation of the state highway bonds. Revision of the motor license schedule, now ready for legislative action, took into consideration the state's road debt as it exists at the present time. If \$12,000,000 or even \$7,000,000 worth of bonds are added to that debt, what then? Lower motor vehicle licenses will be out of the question. They will have to go higher, so will the gasoline tax. It will be time enough to lament, however, when the increased indebtedness is authorized. Our guess is that it won't be, at least not at the present session, clearly as we recognize the fact that Oregon needs the great highway down the coast, as well as projected highways in other sections of the state.

The subscription list of the Roseburg News-Review continues to grow—evidence enough that this paper is supplying all the news of the world, national, state, county and cities of the county. The Associated Press leased wire running directly into the news rooms of the News-Review makes it possible for this publication to give its readers the latest happenings in the world over 24 hours ahead of any other paper reaching this section.

ESTRANGED WIFE IS FOUND SLAIN

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—Mrs. Pearl Bennett, 39, of California, was found dead in a rooming house here, where she was separated from her 33-year-old husband, four years ago, after a hospital stay, several months after she was found dead and unconscious in her home. Mystery surrounds her death. Police said Mrs. Bennett was slain. A possibility existed, officers said, that a large dose of the woman kept as body guards might have at-

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PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

Gosh fellers
It's an awful
Disappointment
To think you've
Got the flu
An' then wake up
The next a.m.
Feelin' fit as
A fiddle and
Hasta work
An' have the
Wife snicker
At ya as you
Feel yer pulse
An' find it
Normal.

They call 'em speakeasies, but it's not so easy to speak after a couple shots of the liquid they dispense.

It's this kinda weather that makes the Xmas neckties fade all over yer buzzum.

The legislators are beginnin' to write home for money. It's about time we appoint a commission to find out where they spend that three bucks per day.

John Flurry went down the main drag without a collar or coat this a.m. which proves that insurance agents take a darn big risk.

It strikes a copyreader who shall, if we have our way, be nameless, that the Question Mark should have established its record down Panama way. And then the headline "I'm in Air at"—F. P. A. in "Conning Tower," New York World.

The Agging strikes a celebrated news reviewer of our acquaintance, who shall be nameless, as a right, so suggestion and he further avers that had the ? tried to fly to : it might have been —ed to earth within and short of time.

BE YOURSELF
Stately pomposity
Wakes my jealousy;
Solemn big-wiggery
Makes me feel enmity.

Heavy impressiveness
Used in excessiveness
Mostly is mummery,
Not to say flummery.

Prosy turgidity
Curtains stupidity;
Ponderous gravity
Covers a cavity.

Specious profundity
Loves profundity;
True authenticity
Deals in simplicity.

When tin divinites
Talk solemnities,
Answer with clarity,
Likewise hilarity.

Face their sublimity
With equanimity;
When they're oracular
Speak the vernacular.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ—

"What has become of the old fashioned cool who used to 'stop his paper' and really believe it would hurt the very next day?"

Twenty-Five Years Ago

From Roseburg Plaindealer
JANUARY, 1904

Verion Ramp returned to Salem Tuesday after spending a few days here on business.

Born—Tuesday morning, to Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Douglas, a son.

School district No. 1, Oakland, has levied a seven mill tax to pay expense for this year. The levy of the lower Calapooia district is ten mills, which will take care of the erection of the new school house.

The U. S. treasurer's report indicates a per capita circulation of \$22.00 in currency.

Yucca will soon be well supplied with local phones, about 27 will be placed in the several dwellings and business houses. A line will also be extended to Scott's valley, connecting the Wise farm there with the White place here, and will have a long distance connection in this town—Yonahia News.

Russell Hartness, grocery clerk for Kroger & Noland of Roseburg, was visiting his brother in Yonahia Sunday.

Boston Thresh, the Ashland cow milch man, was in Oakland Wednesday. Mr. Miles was once a news paper man, but has reformed and is now a useful citizen.

Oliver Johnson visited his mother in Roseburg Sunday. Mrs. Johnson recently arrived from California and will visit her daughter, Mrs. Grace Johnson, a few days before visiting to Oakland—Oakland Owl Hunt.

The Harriman Immigration Bill reads claims an increase in population of Oregon during the past fifteen months of 25 per cent, because of the numerous advertisements of the bureau through the east.

BAN WAR STUDIES

LONDON.—The school board of the thorough of Wigan has placed a ban on all studies relating to the war, day or at all times. This action was taken "to create a peace sentiment among school children and to accelerate the establishment of international peace."

As the
World
Wags

BY G. C. R.

Hobnobbing with Presidents,
Is Northcott Faking?
Sports News Growing.

THROUGHOUT THE LAND yesterday there went a newspaper story about a dog's death. Because of its human interest quality it landed on the front pages of the newspapers. The dog was no more than an ordinary canine so far as breed was concerned. Many dogs there are in this country who can exhibit a better pedigree. But Landie boy was a former White House pet and thus his fate was secured.

ASSOCIATION WITH T H E great and near great always gets one into the papers whether mail or best. As has been said in this column before, we growlippers are just as much hero worshippers as the youngsters. We have an absorbing interest in every minute action of those whom we have elevated. This is a land of democracy, we say, where every man is created equal to his fellow man. Yet in another sense we will let it remain a true democracy because we want to pay homage, and respect.

YOUNG NORTHCOTT has made a gesture, intended or otherwise, which may have a distinct effect upon his fate before the Los Angeles jury hearing his murder trial. After a painful struggle to act as his own attorney during the past week he was sent to a hospital suffering from "nervousness and complications" whatever those are. He is helpless and alone unable to continue his own defense, he tells authorities.

BEHOLD THE PLOT! His former leading defense attorney goes to the hospital, offers to take up his case again and asks the judge to permit him to re-enter the case. If given this permission the lawyer will have his defense on common mental incompetence of Northcott. Although we may feel a strong prejudice against the young accused slayer, we can not resist remarking that his poor showing in court may have been calculated to strengthen an insanity defense.

AIMER McPHERSON had \$4,000 in cash and jewelry when he was shot into court to explain why the latter accepted \$2500 from the woman evangelist while in judicial office. The check was for "legal advice." Aimo was told authorities. Perhaps innocent girls will shudder at a real case like this. It would seem, should be made out equally to men and women. It is a sad case, even if that includes forcing a superior judge to testify.

ONCE IN A WHILE take time to note the amount of sports material which is being carried in the news papers. Always a mine of news, the sports field is steadily growing in interest and commanding more space in the papers. Even the conservative paper does not seem to take to use a good sports story on its first page. The larger papers use daily sports section. Even the state English journals will now devote columns to sports events. One would correctly suppose that people the world over are finding more interest in athletics. That is a healthy indication in our opinion. As a choice between reading a crime story or a sports event, more people would prefer the latter, we believe.

THE DAYS OF HENDON

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POEM FOR THE DAY
by LOUIS ALBERT BARKS

LET'S GROW UP

"The other day we saw a small boy beating another a little smaller, and his reason was a characteristic one. He says he can't stand it. This is what the nations of the world call 'defending the national honor.' But we have every confidence that Mr. Hoover will with America to grow up. And his method of conquering South America is an excellent indication of his intention."—The Churchman.

The silly fighting hoodlum boy
Who in his brag finds so much joy,
Who goes about with threat and dare
To try some smaller boy to scare,
Is like the old and war-scarred age,
Which fills too much of history's page,
Where nations strut with life and drum,
And dare them all "cross line to come."

I hope we have outgrown that clime—
No longer grovel in that slime;
Our Hoover's trip through Southern lands,
With kindly gestures on all hands,
With words of friendship on his lips,
With mutual smiles and gracious grips,
All go to prove that generous hearts
Surpass all other kinds of arts.

United States is large enough
To do away with foolish bluff,
And old enough to be mature
And walk with humble step and sure.
Let's purge our Western hemisphere
Of every shade of martial fear,
And, whether we are big or small,
Let everyone be friends of all.

We need no bullies in the world;
Let every selfish flag be furled,
Let a vie to make this world a place
Where every nation shows its grace,
The land that is the kindest host
Shall win the annual living toast,
And all mankind shall live in peace,
And all our talk of war shall cease.

Do You Know Your
Own County?

Interesting bits of information
concerning the origin of names
and geographic landmarks in
Douglas County.

TODAY: DIAMOND LAKE

(Douglas County's Forestal in this county was obtained from the state here. "Douglas" Geographic Names, by MacArthur.)

DIAMOND LAKE—Diamond Lake is one of the important mountain lakes of Oregon, and lies in the southwest part of the county between Mt. Thielen and Mt. Bailey. It has an elevation of 2,182 feet. It was named because of its shape. There is a story to the effect that Mr. Thielen was at one time known as Diamond Peak and Diamond Lake was named on that account but this story cannot be confirmed by records.

DAVE CREEK—A pioneer settler gave his name to an important tributary of South Oregon river and that stream has been known ever since as Dave Creek. The post office located at its mouth is officially known as Dave Creek, but universally called Dave Creek.

COMMUNIST RAID
IN CHINA FATAL
TO MANY NATIVES

(Associated Press—London Wire)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 24.—Chinese newspapers today said that many persons had been killed and wounded when communists attacked the town of Chongchun on Monday evening. Chongchun lies 30 miles south of Shanghai, near Hangchow bay.

A well organized band of 200 communists, carrying banners with a hammer and sickle device and armed with rifles and pistols, attacked the town.

The attackers singled out police stations and then fired the town, killing 23 inhabitants. Seventy inhabitants were wounded. A woman eighty years old was burned to death.

Later the band came into conflict with Chinese volunteer police from neighboring towns. There was fierce fighting for fifty minutes during which machine guns and hand grenades were used. Twenty communists were killed before the band was driven off.

Numerous extractions were posted in Chongchun advising payment of debts, taxes and rents and support of the soviet government.

CALL FOR WARRANT

Warrant No. 204, Remol Dist. No. 101, District One, is this day called and all interested persons appear this date, Jan. 24, 1929.

ROY T. ROCK, Clerk.

COQUILLE JURY AWARDS

WOMAN \$18,900 DAMAGES

(Associated Press—London Wire)

COQUILLE, Ore., Jan. 23.—A circuit court jury today awarded to Lois Still personal injury damages of \$18,900 in her suit against J. H. Meyers of Albany. Meyers was driving a truck for the Oregon Transportation company when the accident occurred near Hamilton last year.

TINY MITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN — PICTURES BY KNICK

The giant's table looked real nice. The dishes all were spread in line and all sat down to eat. "I'm very hungry," Clowdy cried. "I'm glad that there is plenty here because there is no cause for fear that I will not be satisfied when my share is made."

The giant laughed, and loudly said, "Will someone kindly pass the bread. I, too, am very hungry. Also pass the jelly, please. Be careful as you're eating now, we told you spill things around some how. It isn't very nice if you should spill things on your knees."

The clowdy watched the giant eat. The way he gobbled was a treat. He took a great big loaf of bread and spread it end to end. One bite took nearly half of it. Said he, "I'll soon be feeling it. I mustn't eat too much though. It will make it hard to bend."

Then Clowdy waited, "Oh, my, oh my, I'm sure I'd hate to have to try to take the big bites you are I am sure they'd never digest. We Tinymites must nibble now, 'cause big bites always choke us as how ever, we'll keep up with you. At least we'll do our best."

They all ate for a long, long while, and then the giant, with a smile, said, "Now let's take a little nap. I'll flop upon the floor. You Tinymites can nap in bed, and each one rest his weary head. I give the bed to visitors, 'cause that is what it's for."

Then, just imagine, if you please what happened when the giant's knees were raised beneath the table as he started to get out. His knees did something very rash. The table, toppled over the rest of the story.



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE
The table has been started to get out, and the dishes flew about. His knees did something very rash. The table, toppled over the rest of the story.

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Baptist Ladies Aid cooked foot sale has been postponed from Jan. 25th to Feb. 5th.

MARJORIE DAW AND MYRON SELZNICK ON HONEYMOON TOUR

(Associated Press—London Wire)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Marjorie Daw, motion picture actress, was on a wedding journey toward Hollywood today, the bride of Myron Selznick, screen producer.

Miss Daw and Selznick, son of Louis J. Selznick, a pioneer producer, were married at the municipal building yesterday after the actress had made an affidavit to her divorce in 1925 from Edward Sutherland, a motion picture director.

The marriage, Miss Daw said, was the outcome of a romance which began when she met Selznick ten years ago when she was fifteen.

Selznick is associated with his brother in the production of pictures. He said this was his first matrimonial venture. He is 39 years old.

Miss Daw is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. House of Colorado Springs.

Her husband's sandwiches and diet forever, brand a head straight.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends, especially the members of the Baptist church and the J. G. O. P. Ladies, for their kindness and help during the sickness and death of our loved one. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. J. D. Reese and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Gage.

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OUT OUR WAY

By Williams

