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ROSEBURG, OREGON, THURSDAY, MAR. 14, 1929.

A MOVE FOR BETTER JURIES

A MOVEMENT has been set under way in the state of New York to improve and raise the standard of jury panels by bringing back to jury duty some of the classes now exempted. A bill for this purpose has been introduced in both houses of the legislature and the State Crime Commission has issued a call to the public to get behind the fight against the law's errors and delays by joining in the campaign to promote enactment of the measure.

The New York campaign is a manifestation of the awakening of the public consciousness to a situation pointed out by Judge Skipworth in a recent address in Eugene which has been commented on in the News-Review. That situation is that the jury system, which fundamentally and by the demonstration of experience in practice is the best system yet devised in the world for the promotion of justice, has had its efficiency greatly lowered through the exemption from jury duty in practically all states of many of the very people whose services would be most valuable. In New York, for instance, one finds in the long list of exempted classes these:

- A clergyman or a minister of any religion;
- Doctors, optometrists, pharmacists, veterinarians and embalmers;
- Attorneys and counselors at law;
- Professors, teachers, editors, writers, artists and reporters;
- Employees of glass, cotton, linen, woolen or iron manufacturing companies;
- Employees of railroads, other than street railroads; telegraphers of railroads or press associations;
- Officer, non-commissioned officer, musician or private of the national guard; or a person who has been honorably discharged from the national guard, after five years service;
- Veterans of military forces of the state, after seven years faithful service;
- Members of fire companies or one who has served faithfully five years;
- A person otherwise specially exempted by law.

New York's proposed new law would wipe out this exempted list almost wholly. The Christian Science Monitor in discussing the New York bill marvels that in view of lists like the one above "any intelligent jury is ever obtained." And the further comment is made that "Stories of juries that fail to convict, of others that permit grave miscarriages of justice, are understandable when these facts are considered."

The most encouraging thing about the New York campaign and about the nation-wide discussion of the subject of jury personnel now under way is that it denotes aroused public interest in the subject and an aroused sentiment in favor of finding a remedy for the condition denoted. Just in proportion as public sentiment is brought to demand it reform will be eventually brought about.

The biggest piece of publicity this city and county have received for a long time is rapidly nearing its final stages. We of Douglas county should be proud, yes, boastful, of our new courthouse. When you drive into town from the north next time note the imposing beauty of the edifice and then picture its improved appearance when it is completed. It will be a lasting signboard to advertise the prosperity and dignity of this city and county.

President Hoover gave himself only an hour to dress for his reception to the diplomatic corps. We'd give a cookie to know what Herb's receipt is for getting the studs into a clean shirt so quickly.

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POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

A GENEROUS BIRD-MAN

Here is an intriguing news note from Hillsboro, Oregon: "For the first time in Oregon history birds have been kept from starvation by the use of one of man's most modern inventions—the airplane."

"Yesterday Dr. E. H. Smith, Hillsboro aviator, fed starving birds from his Air King airplane. A special hose was affixed to the fuselage and wheat was sprayed from a spout along an area one mile wide by two miles long."

"Back and forth Dr. Smith flew, while below him quail and Chinese pheasants, to say nothing of song birds and sparrows, fluttered to feast on the life-giving grain."

The world is full of airplane tales
Which follow most unusual trails;
And some seem gallant hero stuff,
And some seem only daring bluff.
And some are marks of manly stride
In soaring o'er the earth in pride;
But here's a tale that's wondrous sweet—
This giving starving birds to eat.

This is a tale of pure delight—
This use of man's new art of flight.
If man aspires to be a bird,
No sweeter tale was ever heard—
To use the bird's own native style,
Yet play the generous man, the while!
If e'er the birds could jealous be,
This act of love should set them free.

We all owe debts we've never paid,
To birds of every style and grade;
It is not only those who sing,
Who make the sweetest music ring—
Inspiring notes of hopeful cheer
Which glorify each passing year—
But all the birds from here and there,
The children of God's loving care.

This airship man had good example—
His Scripture texts are clear and ample.
For Jesus tells of sparrows cheap
On market stands all in a heap,
And yet, He says our Father cares—
That in His love the sparrow shares.
Let all our hearts be thus inclined,
To God a wild bird be ever kind.

OUT OUR WAY



The Office Cat



Sandy had been courting the fair Jean for two years. One evening after Sandy had been silent for some 20 minutes, Jean murmured: "A penny for your thoughts, Sandy."

"Well," replied Sandy, with sudden boldness, "I was thinkin' I'd like to kiss ye, lassie."

Jean blushed happily as this operation took place, but Sandy fell silent again.

"An' what are ye thinkin' about now?" asked the girl hopefully, "An'ither?"

"Na, lassie; it's mair serious this time. I was just wonderin' when ye were comin' 'ax me that penny for me thoughts."

For prolonging a man's illness nothing beats a pretty nurse.

Small Boy: "Watcha paintin' mister?"

Artist: "The old house over there."

Small Boy: "Well, it sure needs it."

We are glad to note an announcement from the motion picture industry that the sound of the kiss will not be reproduced in the talkies, but will be photographed in silence, as it has been since movies first were made. And as one writer observes, probably nothing will be lost as far as realism is concerned, anyhow. Most kisses that mean anything are the silent kind.

Put a little sugar in a gallon of grape juice, let it alone, and it is bound to violate something or other.

Bank Teller: "This check is all right, but you must be introduced. Can't you bring your husband?"
Woman: "Who, Jack? Why, if Jack thought you wanted an introduction to me he'd knock your block off."

"It's better to have loved and lost than to have married before finding her out."

The taste had fallen overhead and was struggling in the water.
"Alloy there!" he yelled. "Drop me a line."

The captain appeared at the rail and shouted back "All right—what's your address going to be?"

After quietly observing some of these beautiful young flappers we wonder where on earth is the man who can make them happy for life.

STATE MARKET NEWS LETTER

Advises Cooperation.
Some Oregon Products.
A Neighboring Rival.
History May Repeat Itself.
Hood River Apple Canning.
Wheat Not Moving.

(By Raymond Jones)

Farm production under present-day agricultural conditions is primarily an individual act, but marketing farm products and purchasing farm supplies can be done most effectively through group action, according to Chris L. Christensen, bureau of agricultural economics, co-operative organization, in case, enables farmers to apply modern business methods to the assembling, grading, financing, distributing and selling of farm products. The farmer as an individual has no control over the conditions under which his crops or livestock products are sold, whereas farmers associated in groups are in a position to exert such control and to secure the results of more efficient marketing.

During the year 1928, 17,470 carloads of fruits and vegetables were

shipped out of Oregon, according to reports to the bureau of agricultural economics from railroad agents. This total was made up of carload shipments of commodities as follows: Apples, 6,695; dried apples, 25; apricots, 7; cash crops, 65; carrots, 9; cauliflower, 696; celery, 605; cherries, 2,298; sweet potatoes, 1; prunes, 1,168; dried pears, 210; strawberries, 25; tomatoes, 8; watermelons, 21.

One of the things the wheat farmer on this coast of the United States is up against is shown by the following item from the Farmers' Sun of Toronto, Canada: "The growing importance of Vancouver (B. C.) as a grain port is indicated by the latest available figures for grain shipments. In 1928 total shipments from Vancouver were 98,427,000 bushels, compared with 12,691,000 in 1927, an increase of 54,736,000 bushels. The wheat raisers there gets better freight rates to the coast terminal than the American farmer, which makes the rivalry all the more serious."

Some of the newspapers are blaming the legislature for passing an income tax measure in face of the fact that the people of the state several times defeated such laws. Oregon history tells us that woman suffrage was defeated several times; so was prohibition; so was the repeal of the anti-neuro-chloride of the state constitution. The people have since decided that they had been misled by false promises in each of these cases. Is not a similar conclusion on the income tax possible?

The Hood River Apple Growers' association has decided to add an apple-canning department to its activities and its members have voted to issue \$75,000 in bonds for purpose of purchasing necessary equipment. Last year it was quite successful with strawberry canning. By canning the apples, less fruit will be wasted, more money will be expended for labor and the state of the crop as well as the community and that portion of the crop will be handled with greater certainty than if shipped green.

There is no material change in the wheat market, nor is there likely to be until crop conditions in the several states and in foreign countries are definitely known with relation to the extent of planting and the state of the crop as the spring is fully opened and the effects of winter have become apparent. The past week saw a fluctuation of only about three cents, an indication of a sluggish market.

EDITORIALS ON THE DAY'S NEWS

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42 cents per bushel and by March had declined to 18 cents, causing heavy losses in inventories on hand and commitments in transit.

Graham growers in the British colonies got a McNary-Haugen bill of their own that took care of the exportable surplus, and prices soared and there was a rubber boom. But, stimulated by high prices, production grew and grew until it smashed the control and broke the price. Now there is a slump.

You can temper temporarily with the law of supply and demand, but in the end it asserts itself.

TURKEY DINNER

Christian Church, Friday, March 15, given by Ladies Aid Society in benefit building fund. 50 cents per plate. Dinner served from 11:30 to 1:30 p. m.

SEE PAT

Houses moved, built and repaired; chimney and building blocks. Cement work of all kinds. F. P. Patterson.

By Williams

Do You Know Your Own State?

Excerpts from "Oregon Geographic Names" by McArthur, which explain the origin of names of geographic landmarks throughout the state.

TODAY: CANNON BEACH

CANNON BEACH, Clatsop County.—Lieutenant Neil M. Howison, U. S. N., arrived in the Columbia river July 1, 1846, on board the schooner Shark for the purpose of making an investigation of part of the Oregon country for the government. The Shark was wrecked on attempting to leave the Columbia river on September 10, 1846, and part of her deck and an iron cannon drifted ashore south of Tillamook Head, thus giving the name Cannon Beach. The cannon is still there, well up on the sand.

In 1806 William Clark climbed over Tillamook Head and visited the Indian camp at the north end of the beach at a place he named Ecola, or the Place of the whale.

NEWS BRIEFS

(Associated Press Land Wire)
LODI, Cal., Mar. 13.—A special train carrying Mary Graham and her operative troupe to Sacramento this morning, struck and fatally injured John G. Messing, a Campo farmer, when the latter drove his automobile over a crossing near here. Messing died at a hospital.

COLUMBUS, O., Mar. 13.—Former State Treasurer Bert H. Buckley was sentenced to serve two years and six months in the Atlanta penitentiary and fined \$1,000 by Federal Judge Benson W. Hoch for his part in the alleged plot to bribe a federal prohibition agent to give "tip-offs" of proposed raids on Cincinnati breweries.

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 13.—The assembly today killed the Jenks state prohibition enforcement bill. First the house refused to accept the code committee report of last night amending the bill as to apply only to beverages containing more than six per cent alcohol and then immediately killed the measure by voting to recommit it to the committee.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13.—The war department today issued instructions to permit the down-to-earth flight from Brownsville to Panama by Captain Ira C. Eaker, of the 49 corps, which was postponed March 11 because of a Mexican revolution. No date was set for the flight.

SPokane, Wash., Mar. 12.—Leonard Funk probably will become mayor of Spokane. It appeared today following his reelection as commissioner. Leroy Lambert, former police captain, and Andrew Pabian, labor union leader, were the new candidates elected. The honorary title of mayor is conferred upon one of the five commissioners. Votes cast were believed to total 22,204.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 12.—Two police captains and 52 policemen and policemen were declared "unfit to hold any office in the municipal government" today in a presentment by the special grand jury investigating bootlegging and police corruption.

WILMINGTON, Del., Mar. 12.—Four men who held up and robbed victims of pay envelopes are to receive 10 years each in the whipping post in addition to prison terms.

Renew your lawn now with more seed and fertilizer. It will keep the weeds down. Fertilizer and lawn seed are sold at Wharries Bros.

County Notes

ENTERTAINMENT AT GLIDE MARCH 15

GLIDE, Mar. 14.—(Special to the News-Review.)—Friday evening, March 15th, the Glide Christian Endeavor will entertain at the high school building with a St. Patrick's Day program. Rev. W. R. Baird has promised to give some of his famous readings and a number of musical selections will enliven the evening. Following the program a plate supper will be served, the proceeds to be used in sending delegates to the state Christian Endeavor convention at Salem in April.

GLIDE COMMUNITY FAIR PLANS MADE

GLIDE, Mar. 14.—(Special to the News-Review.)—The executive committee of the district fair to be held at Glide this fall met at the school building Wednesday evening to revise the premium list and make plans for the 1929 fair. A committee consisting of John Alexander, Mrs. Alexander, Willard Smith and Ed Evera conferred with the South Deer Creek grange some time ago and received assurance of hearty support from the section. With better facilities and an increasingly greater interest on the part of the producers of the district the 1929 fair promises to be the best yet undertaken in the county.

GLIDE NEWS BRIEFS

GLIDE, Mar. 14.—(Special to the News-Review.)—Mr. and Mrs. Will Howard of Corvallis visited with R. T. Blakely and family last Sunday.

U. S. and Earl Barker are building a barn for John Alexander. Mr. and Mrs. Banning of South Deer Creek were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Glenn the first of the week.

The Glide grange met last Saturday with a good attendance. All had an enjoyable time. There were four new members taken in. A large attendance is desired for the next meeting as a good program is assured.

The H. E. club is completing a wool quilt that has been sold to a trapper. The club is doing a lot of quilting for other people.

NEW SCOUT TROOP IS ORGANIZED AT GLIDE

GLIDE, Mar. 14.—(Special to the News-Review.)—Boy Scout Troop No. 7, under the leadership of Eugene Boise is growing rapidly. It now has 14 members and the boys hope to enroll several more. Duane Shoemaker, Clarence Shoemaker and Junior Mallory were added to the troop rolls at the last meeting. The boys have passed their tenderfoot tests and are enthusiastically working to complete their second class scout tests.

JOHN ALEXANDER IS HONORED BY NEIGHBORS

GLIDE, Mar. 14.—(Special to the News-Review.)—A number of friends gathered at the home of John Alexander Wednesday evening in honor of his 75th birthday. John, the "mayor of glide," came to the North Umpqua country in

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WHEN, in February, 1846, the resolution of notice passed the House, "the country at once became alarmed by the growing rumors that the resolution of the House was a direct challenge to Great Britain for a trial of strength as to the superior title to the Oregon Country."

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