

ROSEBURG NEWS-REVIEW

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HOW GOOD ROADS PAY THEIR COST

NORTH CAROLINA was a little slow in joining the procession of good road states, but has made remarkable progress since it did start. The beginning on a set highway program was made in 1921 and the state now has 7500 miles of splendid highways which have cost \$127,000,000.

The engineering experiment station of the state college of North Carolina has been doing some figuring as to how the motorist is faring under the plan in operation and finds that the total licensing tax cost to an individual is less than one-half cent a vehicle mile and that the saving in cost of operation of automobiles on good roads, compared with equivalent mileage over unimproved roads, is three cents a mile.

Major Lawrence Mott is here. Not to remain two weeks as previously reported, but to stay several months. For the benefit of the uninformed, Major Mott is a sportsman and a writer.

The Springfield News offers the best permanent solution thus far observed to the problem of where the vice-president's official hostess shall sit and eat when dining with gold-laced diplomats.

Several community social and entertainment events during the next few weeks are scheduled so as to conflict with one another. To help in avoiding a similar situation in the future this newspaper will run a department called "Coming Events" on its classified page each day.

POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

THE EAGLE RANK

This little news note came from White Salmon, Washington, recently: "Harold Mansfield, 16, was awarded the rank of eagle scout at the last regular meeting of the court of honor. This is the highest rank attainable in scouting. To be eligible the scout must have earned 21 badges."

I know I'm partial toward the scouts; I love to hear their youthful shouts. Lads in them a brighter day When they have come to hold the sway; But now I'm moved to make this rhyme To sing at this peculiar time— For I would be completely frank— Because of title "eagle" rank.

The eagle is our royal bird, And all take note when he is heard; He is the bird that rules the sky— Always suggests the things on high. When we would crown our Lindbergh best, And lift him to the highest crest, We say he made an eagle flight That he'll not be forgotten night.

This eagle scout's now in our eye— We see him rising toward the sky, For now this twenty times and one This is the way he found his fun; He's learned some special useful arts To fit him for life's earnest parts— In each he finds important truth Which will enrich his growing youth.

This eagle rank was known of old; 'Tis in Isaiah frankly told That if with God we keep account We upward toward the skies shall mount. Shall soar aloft on eagle wings, Shall know the future goodness brings, And, in our course shall never faint, But know the gladness of the saint.

GRADUATION TIME Will soon be here, with the question of a suitable gift for that boy or girl you are so proud of. Of course the answer will be an Elgin watch or a nationally advertised Hamilton watch. A good assortment of the best styles just received, priced \$6.75 and up. All guaranteed watches. Save by buying...

OUT OUR WAY



The Office Cat

Lawyer (to flustered witness): Now, sir, did you or did you not, on the date in question or at any other time, say to the defendant or anyone else that the statement imputed to you and denied by the plaintiff was a matter of no moment or otherwise? Answer me, yes or no.

Beholdered Witness: Yes or no, what? A lot of amateur gardeners believe that the author of Jack and the Beanstalk writes the seed catalogs.

Don't tell what you would do if you were someone else, but just show that you can do yourself.

The man who is a storm downtown is hardly more than a gentle zephyr at home.

Give your neighbors a right to an opinion as long as they keep it to themselves.

It is hard to determine why they call it a grand jury after a fellow has served on one.

Flaps at Flappers All is not bold that flitters. Flappers can't keep a secret the way they expose things. Love at first sight saves time. Occultation is the sincerest form of flattery.

Mother turns up her sleeves at work—flapper turns up her nose. Garters are getting snapper than ever. Bobbed hair grows on you. Flappers are wearing their knees out of their stockings. Permanent waves upset the boys.

Love makes the young old and the old young.

Garden: A small plot of ground followed by tombago.

In this day of labor-saving devices, why doesn't someone invent a self-cleaning note.

Spring always visits a few times before coming to stay.

NEWS BRIEFS

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Mrs. Helen L. Sweeney, widely known golfer, fell or leaped to her death from a downtown hotel window.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Loss to California grape growers due to recent killing frosts is estimated at 29 per cent. The figure was quoted by E. M. Sheehan, manager of the California Grape Growers' Exchange.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—The California Almond Growers' Exchange announced that approximately \$200,000 will be distributed to members within the next few days as an advance on the 1928 crop and as repayment of the 1925 suspense item.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) PARIS, April 17.—The French government today temporarily suspended regulations involved yesterday requiring travelers entering France from England to have been vaccinated for smallpox within two months past.

The government announced that the French and British health authorities would confer soon as to the best methods of protecting French citizens from an epidemic of smallpox which was alleged to exist in England.

LONDON, April 17.—Ninety-five per cent reduction in trans-channel traffic from England to France, it was calculated today, would have resulted if the new French smallpox vaccination regulations had been put into effect.

Channel transportation company officials viewed the French order with consternation. Many passages already had been cancelled, they said, and they predicted a drop to within five per cent of former crossings.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) MARSHFIELD, Ore., April 16.—The Coast Auto Lines, now a subsidiary of Orvick Stages, Inc., has been named defendant in two suits filed in the circuit court of the county. The suits are the result of an automobile accident on the Roosevelt highway last January in which Carl Burns of Salem was fatally injured. Grace Burns, his widow, asks \$7,500 damages. H. P. Gustafson of Salem, who was riding with Burns, asks \$8,000.

The suits alleged that the automobile in which Burns and Gustafson were riding was crowded from the highway by a stage.

TOWN STILL ELECTS MEN TO OBSOLETE POSITIONS KINGSTON, Mass., April 16.—(P. P.)—With all due solemnity the little town of Kingston, Mass., elected a pound keeper and a hold driver at its annual March town meeting, although the town has not had a pound for 50 years.

The duties of the pound driver, in former times, was to round up stray animals and take them to the pound and otherwise see that the creatures did not cause damage. Times have changed so that stray cows, pigs and horses no longer are a cause of concern to Kingstonians. Even old-timers have forgotten where the pound was situated. But the election was necessary to comply with the law.

The town likewise chose two fenceviewers, old-time officials whose duty it was to supervise the erection and maintenance of fences and boundaries. They are seldom called upon to act now.

Alfalfa seed at Wharton Bros.

By Williams

MYRTLE CREEK, April 17.—An irrigation system comprising about two miles of ditch and flume has recently been completed in the Nugget district on South Myrtle. The four farms, belonging respectively to A. V. Ady, J. R. Hall, C. A. Steiner and W. L. Fisher, have secured the right to water 460 acres, or 40 acres on each farm, the water being taken out of South Myrtle at the mouth of Fish creek at a cost of approximately \$2,900. A good part of the land to be irrigated is being cleared of a heavy growth of worthless underbrush and second growth timber which will soon be replaced by luxuriant crops of clover and alfalfa, which will greatly increase the dairying industry in this neighborhood and also its accompanying sidelines of hog and poultry raising; and last, but not least, increasing beauty of prosperous and well cared for farms, with steady and comfortable incomes, will bring joy to the hearts of these far-sighted farmers.

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NO PARTY BIDS IF BOOZE IS SPURNED. GIRL TELLS JURY

Six Educators, Chosen By Coroner, Obtain First Hand Knowledge of Modern Youth. Member of Fatal Chicago Joy Ride Group Talks Nonchalantly Then Weeps, Faints.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) CHICAGO, April 16.—A code of youth-looking-for-a-good-time was laid before six men of learning, sitting yesterday as coroner's jury in the death of George Lux, 24, if began with bold sophistication; it touched with unconcern upon fatalism; and it ended with a rush of tears, with an 18-year-old girl collapsing on the courtroom floor in a dead faint.

Coroner Herman Bundesen had picked his jury from among men distinguished as educators, because he felt that the death of Lux presented a challenge to those who believe some phases of modern youth may need official study.

Three university professors and three men holding high official positions in the county, city and parochial school systems made up the jury.

Lux had succumbed under an overturned automobile which was carrying a party of young men and girls—some of school age—from a round a cabarets and roadhouses.

Virginia Graf, wearing a saucy, disarming smile, was a witness. "Drink or Ostracism."

"Believe me," said Virginia. "If a girl doesn't drink, she's not wanted in a party these days. They never invite her to a second party."

Prof. Samuel Stevens, who holds the chair of psychology at Northwestern university, leaned from the juror's box and inquired: "But these parties? Must you girls go to them? Can't you entertain in your own homes?"

"Oh, yes," said 18-year-old Virginia Graf, "but if he can't bring a bottle with him, he won't call again."

Coroner Bundesen spoke. "What do you think—just tell us—do you think a young man would have been killed on this party if he, if all of you, hadn't been drinking?"

Virginia leaned forward confidently. "I'll tell you. I don't think the booze had anything to do with it. I think it was just George's time to die—and he was killed."

Nonchalance, Then Tears. Then the questioning took her back to the reasons why she and other girls could not have just as much fun at home. She was asked what her personal reactions to such parties were; what her mother's reactions were; that—

And then the girl who had spoken nonchalantly to these learned jurymen of fatalism; who had told so matter-of-factly how the young people she knew "reached parties and 'good times'"; this girl, with unexplained suddenness, burst into violent weeping, and then, as suddenly, slid gently from her chair in a faint.

MISSIONERS TOLD TO QUIT CHINA TO AVOID RED FURY CANTON, China, April 17.—In view of increasingly unsettled conditions and communist activity, Douglas Jenkins, United States consul general, today advised American missionaries in southern Kiangsi and northern Kwangtung and Kwangsi provinces to evacuate their posts.

Bishop O'Shea at Kanchow, Kiangsi, telegraphed that the Roman Catholic chapel at Ngyanran, Kiangsi, had been burned. He said Reds had burned the homes of well-to-do shopkeepers and farmers in scores of places in southern Kiangsi and he termed the locality a "belt of unspicable arson, murder and rapine."

The bishop said military assistance from the Kwangtung government had long been promised but it had not materialized, as was the case also with Nanjing promises. He said his assistance was not expected any more since the responsible governments seemed little interested in attempting to subdue the radicals there.

The consul general still sought confirmation of the reported death of Herbert K. Smith, Seventh Day Adventist missionary in Kweichow, at Hwangtsungpa, in that province. Due to inefficient telegrams, however, he had learned nothing more of the circumstances.

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