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Farm Population and Production

THE state market agents' bulletin quotes figures from the federal bureau of agricultural economics to show that there was a net movement away from the farms during 1929 of 619,000 persons and that the cityward movement progressed steadily. Says the bulletin: "It is said by the bureau of agricultural economics that during the last year 1,874,000 persons moved from the farms to cities, and 1,255,000 persons moved from cities to farms, a net movement away from farms of 619,000 persons. Births on farms last year are estimated at 631,000 and deaths at 281,000. Taking these figures into account along with the movement to and from the farms, the bureau places the total farm population on January 1, 1930, at 27,422,000, compared with 27,491,000 on January 1, 1929. The farm population now is the smallest in thirty years."

Notwithstanding this showing the figure that agriculture in nearly all branches suffers most from continued overproduction, improved methods and improved machinery are making for larger outputs with fewer workers on the farms. Farm production, notwithstanding the steady decrease in the farm population, grows faster than demand for its products in most lines grows.

And over-production, notwithstanding the continued movement away from the farms, continues to be the greatest problem that the federal farm board faces in its efforts to sustain prices for farm products and particularly for wheat. Chairman Legge, of the federal farm board, wired the grain exchanges that "One of the greatest helps you can render is to encourage farmers to reduce their plantings this spring" and to the Pacific coast representatives he wired: "This is particularly applicable to your region since you export such a large percentage of your crop and your outlet to the east is limited."

More money for less wheat is the farm board's objective in behalf of the farmers. Whether it can attain that objective or not is a speculative subject. It cannot bring about reduced production by methods of persuasion then the continued movement from the farms is likely to continue until the farm population is reduced to a figure which will enable those who are left to operate profitably.

Hunters and experienced woodsmen estimate that a cougar will kill from 50 to 60 deer and fawns during a year, or an average of about one a week. The bounty now paid for killing a cougar is \$30.00. If a hunter is caught killing a deer out of season he is fined at least \$50.00. It seems as though it would be a good plan to raise the bounty on cougars so that such bounty would more nearly equal the price set as the penalty for out of season hunting.

Somebody was trying to communicate the man who built the engine for the airplane in which Lindbergh crossed the Atlantic for the lack of public acclaim for his part in that achievement. "Who ever heard the name of Paul Revere's horse?" was his answer.

Oregon Editors' Opinions

(Salmon Capital Journal)
SPORTSMEN organization in the Willamette valley, particularly at Albany, are protesting the recent order of the state game commission closing the bass season from April 15 to July 1, the spawning season for bass.

Here is another instance of the shortsightedness of sportsmen. They want the right to fish the year around despite the fact that such tactics eventually spell the extermination of the fish. But what do these anglers care as long as they can fill their creels, even though the fish are gravid, unable to fight and unfit to eat?

The blue-mouth bass is one of the worst enemies we have for a game fish. It is a habit of sluggish waters and when slough waters are low and warm their taking offers little sport. A rash or two and then they are exhausted. Those that return to the river however, after spawning, regain their vitality in the colder water and offer fair sport, particularly in the fall.

But of course if the shortsighted will not tolerate a closed season on trout, but permit their taking the year around, so long as they are spawning size, that is 10 inches or more in length, we cannot expect any more success in the future.

A Free Idea
(The Dallas Chronicle)
The modern idea in merchandising

ing seems to be to pay the rent by selling some article foreign to one's own particular business. Drug stores pay the rent with soda fountain; soda fountains pay the rent by selling aspirin tablets and bromos; service stations pay the rent by selling vegetables, grocery stores have a side line of electrical equipment; cigar stores sell theatre tickets; music stores sell electric refrigerators; and everybody sells greeting cards, cigar lighters and handkerchiefs. But we think the biggest bet is being overlooked by the men's clothing stores in not putting in a line of softly fried egg sandwiches at the necktie counter.

Law of Compensation

The Eugene chief of police dismisses two of his force, and not long afterward the annual policeman's benefit ball is held. Then the youngest fire chief. There is no announcement of another benefit in the immediate future, but that is hardly necessary in establishing that the law of compensation still holds good.

Governor Was Right

(Herald Democrat Herald)
Frank J. Miller, chairman of the public service commission, did not help himself any or enhance the reputation of the commission when he refused cooperation asked for by Portland officials who are seeking a way out of their utility problem. The governor was right in administering a cuff down.

FOURTEEN DOUGLAS CITIZENS ENROLLED FOR MILITARY CAMP

The annual citizens' military training camp at Vancouver barracks, Washington, will be held during the period June 29 to July 19. Brigadier General Paul A. Wolf, commanding at that station, has been informed by headquarters ninth corps area at San Francisco, it will afford basic and infantry training to approximately 400 Oregon and Washington youths. The number the quota allotted Douglas county is six.

The enrollment committee for Douglas county is headed by H. O. Targeter who will be assisted in his efforts by James Soules, Roseburg; Halston Bridges, Oakland; Frank Hattner, Canyonville; Avery Lawson, Yoncalla; Mark Tisdale, Rutherford; Harry Cool, Drain; John Alexander, Glendale; A. G. Clark, Glendale; Floyd Miller, Dillard; Stanley Chapin, Redport; Stacy Finley, Birkton; James Ford, Gardiner; Harry Allen, Myrtle Creek.

The following physicians have agreed to serve as medical examiners and will make the necessary preliminary physical examinations of applicants without charge: B. H. Shoemaker, Roseburg, and John C. Maxson, Myrtle Creek.

CARNER 2 ROUNDS BEATING WIGGINS

(Associated Press Tensed Wire)
ST. LOUIS, March 18.—Chuck Wiggins, Indianapolis batter of policemen, found the going too tough against Primo Carnera, the man mountain from Venice, here last night and the Italian won his tenth straight American knockout victory, Wiggins succumbing in the second round of a scheduled ten round bout. Wiggins went through the ropes twice in the first minute of the second frame, the first time for the count, seven before falling back to his feet. He was hit by the canvas and the second time prostrate outside the ring.

More than 25,000 persons jammed the arena, which Promoter Mike Malloy claims is a new world's record for indoor boxing events, and paid upwards of \$40,000 to see Wiggins, a heavy contender, succumb against which he had no defense, sprawl through the ropes.

Carnera, whose other nine fights were held to be setups while Wiggins was ballbashed as his toughest customer, showered rights and left to the Hoosier's head and body in the first round, leaving the bald-headed veteran red in body and face. Wiggins failed to land a solid punch although he was in there trying.

The Behemoth from the Alps carried 371 pounds into the ring while the Hoosier weighed in at 267.

A. L. AUSTIN BUYS M. E. RITTER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Austin have purchased the fine residence property owned by M. E. Ritter, located at 127 North Kane street. This home, which was comparatively recently, is very attractive, wellbuilt and very well located. Mr. and Mrs. Austin will take possession this week. Mr. Austin is employed at the Roseburg National Bank.

PRE-ESTER PRAYER WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The second of the series of union pre-Easter prayer meetings, in which the leading protestant churches of the city are joined, will be held Wednesday night at the Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Charles A. Edwards, pastor of the church, will conduct the service, and the sermon will be given by Rev. Perry Smith of the Episcopal church. Last week's meeting at the Christian church was exceptionally well attended.

COMMON AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS PAID

The board of directors of the J. C. Penney Co., at a meeting on March 14th, declared a quarterly dividend of 15 cents per share on the outstanding common stock of the company, payable to be made on March 21st to stockholders of record of March 20th, 1930.

A quarterly dividend of \$1.50 was declared on the outstanding preferred stock payment to be made on March 21st to stockholders of record of March 20th, 1930.

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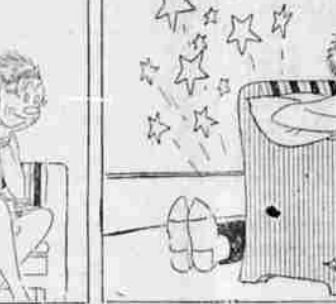
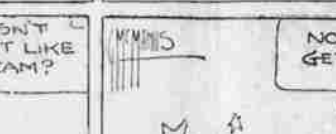
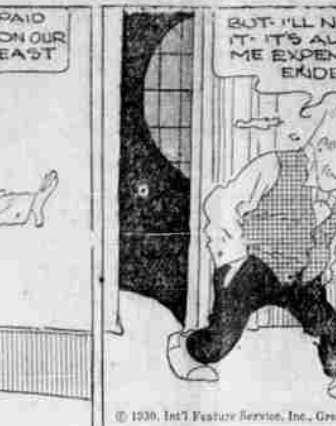
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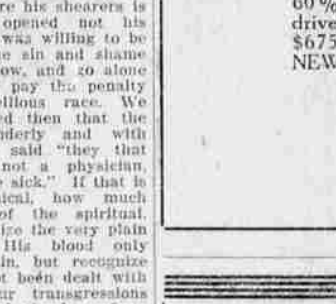
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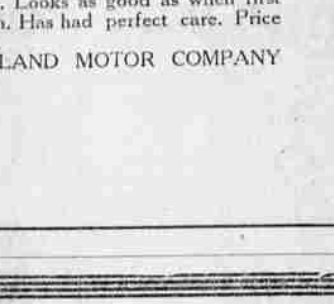
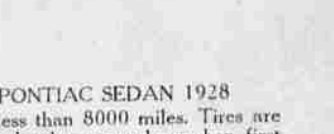
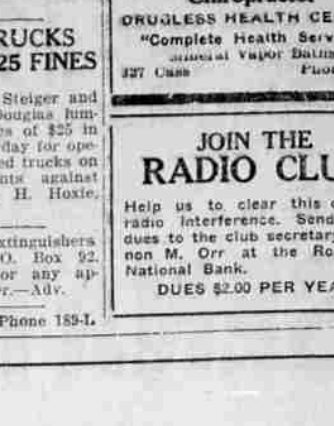
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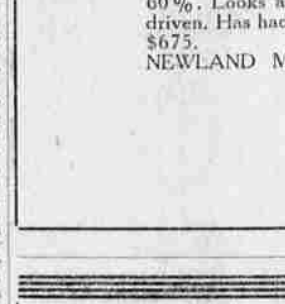
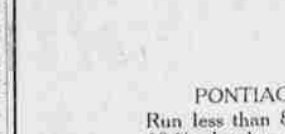
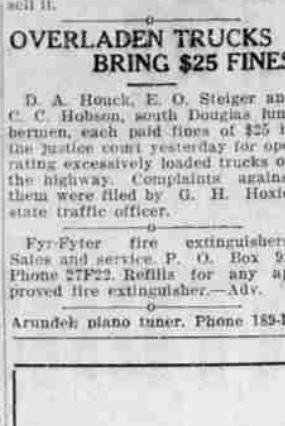
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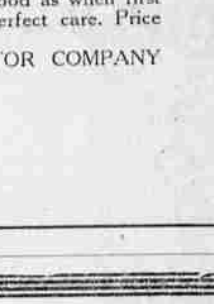
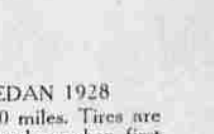
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