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OUR FORTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY

The Mist has another birthday. With this number we begin on Volume 41. In other words, The Mist is starting its forty-first year as a Columbia county publication.

Many of the pioneers of Columbia county in the early days, aided The Mist and those pioneers with the exception of those who have passed to the Great Beyond, are yet staunch friends of The Mist. They have a fellow-feeling as pioneers, for The Mist is a member of the pioneer family.

The pioneers of forty years ago are responsible for the present day development of the county. It was they who first began the work, privations and hardships they endured, and they built up a wonderful country.

Pioneers of the 80's tell us that the Mist has been a weekly visitor to their homes for forty years. They tell us that The Mist has been a companion of the pioneer in the effort to upbuild the county. That it has always stood for progress and for the best interests of the county.

The editor of The Mist is not a pioneer as compared with those of the 80's, the 90's or the early 1900's but he takes pride in the fact that The Mist was a companion of those settlers. He likewise takes pride in the fact that long before he was associated with The Mist that it did its part towards the upbuilding of the county and he hopes that the six years in which he has guided the destiny of the paper it has brought benefit to the people of the county. Mist has shown a marked improvement. We hope that in the several years to come a like improvement will be shown and that we can continue to do our part for the county, city and state.

We thank our 1500 subscribers for their part in making of The Mist a paper which is considered one of the leading weekly papers in Oregon.

HOW EVERY MAN CAN HELP

How many of you men under whose eyes these words fall know of a boy just growing up who seems to have no ambition; who either goes dully through his days or is plainly as reckless of the things of tomorrow as he was of the things of yesterday?

Are you, who knows such a boy, too busy, sir, to take a real interest in that growing young fellow? Don't you know that what that boy needs as much as anything else at his stage in life is a friendly advice from somebody older; that he needs advice not given as mere advice but quite plainly from a sincere desire to be of service to him and to his future?

Do not feel that the boy's father and his mother are enough. God knows that they try to do their best by their boy, but the fact is father and mother have been advising and governing him all his life, and the young fellow takes it from them as a matter of monotonous duty and dull home routine. When he is 15 to 18 or 19, he needs something more; he needs a rub from the world without, and if the rub is friendly, good-natured and manly, all the better for the boy.

Man, the touch you give that boy acquaintance may mean a good citizen or a bad citizen a few years hence. Forget his silliness; forget even seeming stupidity—they may be masks that cover the yearning for an understanding heart.

But, whatever you do, Mr. Busy Man, take notice of your neighbor's growing boy when he is in your vicinity or when you meet him. A cheerful word or a smile will go a long way even if you haven't time to stop and talk with him as one man to another.

LET HIM CROAK

Don't listen to the pessimist. The long period of business depression gives him an opportunity to croak, and he can't resist.

He thinks the country is going straight to the dogs, and is doing his best to help it along.

But the pessimist did not make this country, and neither will he destroy it.

People who consider both sides of a question, or dig under the surface to find the reasons for undesirable conditions, are not alarmed.

They realize that we are simply paying our portion of the penalty of every great war, and that when the debt is paid we will return to activity and prosperity.

Let the pessimist croak, if he must. The dogs may worry him, but they are not looking for the rest of us.

An association of prominent people has been formed to raise a million dollars to be expended in scholarships as a memorial to Enrico Caruso, the great baritone. Caruso is dead, and the honor won't do him any good. A million dollars spent on some kind of public works would give employment to many of our jobless men just now. They are not dead, and the money would do them a world of good.

It's a wise girl who knows when not to blush.

NO ADMIRER

When it comes to putting a halo on a hog, Mr. Gavin McNab of San Francisco, is awarded the palm. Yet we hope, when Patty thanks him, he will repeat the language of Charles Steele in "The Right of Way"—"You are as Guilty as Hell." We do not think that Patty Arbuckle will win his way back into the good graces of the American show going public. It rather takes the fun out of a picture on the screen to have it in your mind's eye "that is the man who, whether he personally assaulted her or not, is primarily guilty of the death of a woman. Virginia Rappe has paid the extreme penalty and the women of America should see that Arbuckle does not entirely escape.—Warrenton News.

EDITORIAL SQUIBBLES.

The rest of the world is so supremely indifferent one wonders why the Turks and the Greeks keep on scrapping.

Hughes proposal is drastic, but it is workable and it will accomplish the results required.—Hartford Courant.

Wedding rings are still used in this day of modernity, but most of them are large enough to slip off easily.

Most of it is made in a dark cellar, but calling it moonshine may cause some people to think it tastes better.

Some say the high cost of living is not so high now, but we are mighty sure it is high time it was lower.

The wise man keeps his troubles to himself. But the fool is still wiser—he doesn't have any.

No matter who starts the ball rolling, it's the fellow who keeps up with it that gets the gravy.

If people were forced to follow their own advice what a sudden silence would prevail!

No matter how dry a sermon may be, the preacher, at least, always hears every word.

As a last resort, a conference for the limitation of conferences might turn the trick.

Most people would like to do good in this world if they didn't have to be good.

It's as easy to get rid of your money as it is to hang onto your faults.

Some people never worry about the wolf at the door. They have no door.

PUBLIC FORUM

BUILD COMMUNITY HOUSE AS TEMPLE

Scappoose Resident Has Ideas as to Community House in That Section.

To Whom It May Concern:

Dear Scappoose, Citizens and Arabs. Don't you think we had better get busy and build us a Community House? I think it would be a cure for all our troubles. I think what we lack is harmony and that can only be propagated in a community home if we build it in a Spirit of Good Will unto Men for that will bring peace upon Earth. I think we might be wise as King Solomon. We might go too and build us a temple sacred to the spirit of good will toward all, but instead of going to Lebanon for our cedars each man, woman and child bring in a cedar log of certain dimensions from our own hills and inscribe their name and the date near one end of the log. These logs to be set on end to form the walls of our community house and serve as memory pegs of the pledge that we will love, honor and respect our community. We could use this building later on as an entrance hall. At present we can't afford an elaborate house, being a small community, but later on we may add to it, but a small beginning is better than no beginning at all.

Now, Arabs and all the rest of us come out with a suggestion and let us build a community, for united we stand, divided we fall.

A SCAPPOOSER.

RAVINGS OF A MAIL CARRIER

Much is being said on the street corners and in the hotel lobbies that prices are going down, wages coming down and that the country is surely going to the bow-bows; the rich getting drunk and the poor following their example for the lack of something else to do.

But it is a fact that ever since Joshua commanded the sun to stand still (and made good), the thinking public has admitted that nothing is impossible. Of course, all of us sometimes have a feeling that all is not going in a manner exactly in accordance with our own ideas, but what's the use to holler; if you haven't got a dollar or two, you are in a sore predicament financially, but nearly everyone knows a bootlegger and two drinks of his concoction will increase your capital ten-fold.

There is plenty of everything for everybody if it was equally distributed, for instance, we read that in the central states corn is being used for fuel, and at the same time, we read that thousands of people in the big cities would be glad to eat that part of the fuel that could be shelled off the cob.

The December ozone goes through our clothes faster than our sheriff goes through the effects of an alleged woman bootlegger, but even at that, we don't need a geography to tell us of the 37 places in the world that have fewer things to be thankful for than we have. We have!

a republican president with a democrat hot on his trail, and you can't make us believe this little old land of the free and the home of Jack Dempsey is going to the Jim-Jams. Personally we have found under all conditions that if we are able to stand the heat of the summer we have been able to amble through the following winter and we are going to take a long shot at it this winter.

THE MAIL CARRIER.

AUTOMOBILE HINTS

When following another car closely on crowded roads be ready to turn out to one side or the other when using the brakes.

The United States government col-

lected \$148,720,800 from automobile owners last year, through the manufacturer's tax.

Charles J. Swain claims to have owned the first automobile in Philadelphia, in 1898, and since that time he has owned 24 different cars.

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