

# EXPECTANT OF REACHING TOP

## Mount Everest Expedition Is Hopeful of Success in Reaching Peak's Summit.

CALCUTTA (AP)—"If we don't get to the top of Everest this time it will not be our fault," was the smiling assurance of General Bruce when he landed in Calcutta at the head of the new expedition to climb the world's highest peak. "I seldom felt fitter in my life and all the other members of the party appear to be in similar condition."

"What we are all praying for is a dry monsoon. The question of whether we are successful or not will depend largely on this. If the monsoon comes early, our chances will be greatly reduced. On the other hand, if it keeps off until well on in June, it will do us an infinite amount of good. As may be expected, an excursion of this kind must inevitably depend upon luck in various forms, but particularly in the shape of propitious weather."

The general plans are similar to those of previous expeditions. The start is to be made from Darjeeling. Much care has been expended in the selection of equipment. Numerous improvements having been made on the basis of past experiences.

"The present expedition," continued the leader, "is intensely anxious to meet the Tibetan government in every possible way. Every care will be taken not to antagonize the local people. It is wished that the kindly attitude of the Tibetans on this and on past occasions. On the last trip we could not have been better treated."

General Bruce stated that the scientific work of the expedition would be similar to that of previous years, except that on this occasion it was hoped to intensify observations and to secure a better photographic record. "We are keen as usual to be off," he said, "for with all its hardships there is fun in it."

# MANY VISITING AT ALICEL NOW

ALICEL (Special)—Gladys Stewart returned from Elgin Friday night, where she has been visiting her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan and daughter, Mabel, left for Elgin Saturday morning.

Laura McDougall has been on the sick list the last two weeks.

Mrs. Frank Stewart and children, Lorena, Pearl, Mito, and Minnie, went to Tolocosa Saturday morning to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shroeder and children went from La Grande Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Randall and son, Clarence, went to Cove Sunday to visit relatives.

Mr. Van Housen went to La Grande Saturday morning on business.

John Wells was in La Grande Saturday afternoon on business.

There were several young folks from this district attended the dance at Imbler Friday evening.

Mrs. Bruce Clark and Charles Buchanan were in La Grande Saturday afternoon.

Mr. H. C. Stewart and son, Frank, went to La Grande Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. John Treveler and daughters, Mable and Myrtle, went to Summerville recently on a pleasure trip.

H. O. Watkins has left Alicel and went over to Seattle, Washington, to join his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Erik Buchanan was down to Alicel from Imbler to visit relatives.

Prince of Wales Races Rouse British Anxiety

LONDON (AP)—From the depths of each Londoner's heart the drawing rooms have arisen a desire that the hole to the throat should be the soft bed when he goes into the hunting field. The horses which are credited to His Royal Highness and which terminated with the narrow escape from injury which he experienced when his horse kicked him in the face, has been too much for the tranquility of the English people.

# COVE SCHOOLS OBSERVE WEEK

## Forest Protection Program Given; Ranger Ellis Explains Vital Facts to Pupils.

COVE (Special)—April 21 began forest protection week and a program was given at the school. The president's message on the necessity for forest protection was read, followed by an oration on forestry as related to American patriotism. The school united in singing "America." Some recitations followed. After the school program, Mr. M. Ellis, forester, gave a very interesting talk on the use and care of the forest and the necessity for protection, dwelling at length on the proper way to build a camp fire, the place to build it, placing great emphasis on the "fire-catchers," including dead leaves and vegetable matter that help to spread fires. Carelessly thrown matches and cigarettes so often start a fire and dried leaves, roots, etc., found in the forest help to carry it. His lecture contained some vital statistics on our fast diminishing forests and the necessity for reforestation. He finished with a Bible story of the forester's life and his need for accuracy and precision.

Mr. and Mrs. McDougall, who have lived in our midst for the past two years have moved to Elgin.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Miller on Sunday, April 20.

Mrs. Frank Williams and Mrs. Howater spent the greater part of last week at Imbler as guests at the home of Mrs. Williams' daughter, Mrs. Jessie Barry.

Cove was represented at the County Health Association banquet at La Grande by two Cove ladies, Mrs. Ray Duncan and Mrs. Jennie Weimer.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Huntley of Imbler, Idaho, came to Cove Friday and are guests at the home of Mrs. Low Pharis. They expect to spend the summer in Cove and are at present looking for a house.

Ray Duncan, who has been ill at Hot Lake sanatorium, returned Sunday to his home at Cove.

Mrs. E. J. Trimmer is on the sick list.

Mrs. H. W. Peterman has been ill for the past week.

Miss Clarence Delaney is ill and the doctor has pronounced it to be diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Herby are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Willard Jones and their two children, a brother of Mrs. Herby. They have been spending the past year in Los Angeles and is on the way home in Grand Valley, Colo., traveling by motor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Conley are still at the La Grande sanatorium, where Mr. Conley is taking treatment.

J. G. Avery, county agricultural agent, had a bunch of high school boys on stock judging Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hug of Elgin, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Towle recently.

Miss Mae Corser is at home again after a month's visit at Alton, at the home of her uncle, Reverend D. Taylor.

The sectors are very busy with their play "When a Feller Needs a Friend." It will be presented on Friday evening, April 25.

Last Sunday was celebrated with services by the various churches. The program at the M. E. church was presented by Sunday school pupils from various classes and consisted of music, both vocal and instrumental, readings, class drills, etc. The church was beautifully decorated with daffodils and Easter blue predominating. Cove's quota of \$400 for the cemetery fund was presented and in a few minutes had gone over the top.

There were three contributions of \$25 each, several of \$15 and the remainder of smaller denominations, but the Easter spirit was present and in an incredible short space of time the sum was raised.

ALL SALES IS POSTPONED. SOUTH BEND, Wash.—The bankrupt sale of the South Bend Lumber company's property has been postponed until May 2, following a hearing before W. M. Daumer, referee in bankruptcy, held in Aberdeen Monday.

The May 2 sale will be a public one and according to the referee, the property will be sold in the highest bidder. The mill and its holdings have been appraised at \$200,000.

OREGON TO BE INSPECTED. SALEM, Ore.—H. D. Washburn, director of the official staff of the state department, American Legion, has been appointed to Governor Dyer to go to Seattle and inspect the battleship Oregon.

At the request of the Synodical American war veterans the 1923 legislature appropriated \$15,000 for the maintenance of this craft and obtained permission of the government to move it to Portland.

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# STANDARD OIL STARTS MOVE

## SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Definite steps by civic organizations to eliminate billboards from the highways of the Pacific coast, are expected to result from the Standard Oil company's of California, which has turned down 1200 of its roadway signs in California, Oregon and Washington.

The company removed its highway advertisements on the ground that they detracted from the beauty of the roads, and ordered that hereafter such signs should be confined to commercial zones.

"There was instant public response to S. O. down the coast," said Kenneth B. Kingsbury, president of the company. "We have had editorials, letters and telegrams by the hundreds indicating that a keen feeling exists concerning the marrying of our great highways by signs."

The Skyline Boulevard, a great highway being completed from San Francisco southward along the high ridges overlooking the bay, has been ordered to be free of billboards.

Civic organizations all over the west have adopted resolutions commending the stand taken by the Standard Oil company, and calling on other organizations to eliminate highway signs.

Motor Car Fined to Bail Used for Truck Inspection

CINCINNATI (AP)—National railroad men in the Southern railroad yards at Ludlow, Kentucky, have had a surprise. Down the main track recently, sandwiched between the "Sewanee River Special" and a freight, came a sedan auto on flanged wheels. It had full absorbing gear, full front and rear axle assemblies, it weighed 6,000 pounds, and was heavy enough to operate the electric block system of the railroad.

The "sedan" was equipped with "cowcatcher" dashboard speed control, and a motor controlled by a switch formed like a rheostat. It is believed the new car is the only one of its kind.

The designer says the car primarily will be used for inspecting tunnels, and for emergency duty.

KUBIL VISITS THE DALLAS THE DALLAS (AP)—K. C. Kubil, aspirant for republican nomination in United States senator at the May primaries, busied his plan for election on education, immigration and farm relief addressed a large gathering at the city auditorium. This was Mr. Kubil's first public appearance here.

A national amendment, compulsory education was advocated by Mr. Kubil. A department of education, with a member in the president's cabinet, was advocated by the speaker, as well as federal aid for all schools. Immigration should be both restrictive and selective, he declared.

Mr. Kubil also pledged himself to support any suitable and adequate farm relief legislation, and went on record as favoring the abolition of tax exempt securities. He said that he favored compensation for war veterans and individual hospitalization for the wounded veterans.

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# Stone Takes Office



Two views of A. G. Stone, Oregon's new governor, in his new post. He is shown being sworn in and (inset) officially sitting in.

## Oregon Authors Will Meet at Eugene May 3

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—A convention of authors of Oregon will be held at the University of Oregon here May 3 and 4, with the cooperation of the Marjorie Epelton National writers' fraternity, and Pot and Quill, an organization of women students interested in writing.

## Spokane Police Will Prepare a "Who's Who"

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP)—The Spokane police department, preparing to close with the summer activities of liquor runners in this region, is compiling an official list of known bootleggers in the city, which will be used by county sheriffs and federal officers near the Canadian border. It has been announced here.

According to the police there is a comprehensive list of bootleggers for a place in the new "Who's Who" directory but not withstanding, all names have been listed with prospects of further growth before final tabulation is completed.

Only persons who have been convicted of bootlegging or violation of the prohibition law for gain are being listed.

## Range Grazing Permits Issued

RENO, Ore.—Fifty-nine thousand head of sheep will graze on the Owyhee, Oregon, Salmon and Cascade national forests this year, permits for the number having been already issued. It was learned at the county forest headquarters here. Applications for permits for 27,000 head were received this season, 23,000 more than the carrying capacity of the range.

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