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THE RIGHTIOUS CAUSE—Let them shoot for joy, and be glad, that have an righteous cause. Yes, let them say continually, Let the Lord be magnified; Who hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant. Psalm 124:7.

### ELECTION DAY

Election days come and go. Great issues are put up, are voted on, are decided. And, looking back over the years, we find that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness remain reasonably available and reasonably interesting regardless of political controversies and vote tabulations. It's probably that way today. There are numerous important matters being decided by a more or less large and a more or less interested group of Oregon voters. One group is radically opposed to some measure; another group is intensely favoring it. Opinions differ. So it has been since the beginning of democratic government and so it must continue as long as that government remains. Without it there would be no need for government. With it there is ever present a stimulant to more thoughtful, more active, more progressive citizenship. It is a difference in opinion, in tastes, in desires, in points of view that makes the world go 'round. We wouldn't have it otherwise. We may disagree with our neighbor on a given question, but we grant him the same right to his opinion that we reserve for ourselves. If his opinion meets the popular approval of the majority, we wish him well and find that the change, whatever it may be, is seldom more than incidental in retrospect. The unhappy thing about government is not in resulting controversies, in apparently widely differing opinions, but in lack of any opinions at all, lack of interest in government—which means lack of interest in nation, in state, in community, in home. If this, an election day, might serve to focus new attention on that fault, the day would be far more valuable to Oregon's citizenship and Oregon's future than any immediate decision of a minority at the polls.

### LOAD AND TRAILER REGULATION

Two accidents—serious accidents that might easily have been fatal for those concerned—have recently happened in this section with the direct responsibility for them resting on trailers of passing tourists. Every car owner who drives the highway during the summer months is acquainted with the trailer menace. Most drivers do not have to tax their memories to recall incidents where swaying trailers have nearly caused serious mishaps. It's time that some thought be given to automobile trailers, to regulation and reasonable supervision to prevent tragedies of the future.

It is possible, we imagine, to design a car trailer that would be as perfectly controlled on the road, even at a high rate of speed, as the car itself. The present danger lies largely in the distance behind ears that trailers are attached and the swaying tendency resulting from poor coupling. These things could be corrected; they probably would be corrected if laws fixed certain safety rules with reference to trailers. If impossible of correction so as to allow the convenience of trailer carrying space—if such a convenience actually exists—then trailers can be prohibited altogether.

Too little legislative attention has been paid in the past to the regulation of loads and driving control; too much to questions of speed and traffic convenience. Only in the last year have we, in Oregon, given attention to the danger of over-crowded cars, yet that is an important driving consideration. Overloaded cars, whether it is junk piled on running boards and front and rear bumpers or heavy luggage crammed into a trailer, are dangerous on the road. The sooner we, as a thinking public, demand new safety regulations in this direction, the sooner will our ever more crowded highways cease to be hidden death traps.

**KILLED IN PLANE CRASH**  
SARGENT ALBERTS June 25 (AP)—Sergeant Alberts, 31, of Anderson, Ore., was killed today when his plane crashed and hit a tree on the banks of the Snake River near the town of Anderson. He was 23 years old and unmarried. His family resides in a town in Oregon.

**LAND IN CHINA**  
SINGAPORE June 25 (AP)—A large tract of land in the American West, comprising 100,000 acres, has been sold to a Chinese syndicate. The land is located in the state of Oregon and is being developed for agricultural purposes.

### THE LEANING TOWER



### Rookies Learn of Military Life; Mirth Accompanying Transition

CAMP CLATWIP, Ore., June 25 (Special to The Observer)—The deep and profound mysteries of military life is severely unfolding to the recruits who never tasted army mess or toiled a rifle around a drill field until they left the academy at La Grande, Ore., and kindred cities over the state en route to this camp.

And, as they unfold, and the key to correct manners and traditions and knowledge is attached to the code, often times mirth and merriment accompanies the transition.

Where is the skirmish line? Don't chuckle, says the lieutenant, who needs these yards and finds it important upon himself to disagree with the speed and precision his previous private in search of him. No, upon pain of excommunicating enjoyment in coming, all eyes to let a fleeting smile ripple around the corners.

And Private Swanson, rather than to some designated tent or other odd, headlongly responds "Three yards of skirmish line, right away, sir." But no, the sergeant says. And Private Swanson proceeds immediately to the company post door to see if he can't better some. It took about half an hour, but the regimental captain has a supply on hand.

The same old story results at the regimental mess-table where Private Swanson is instructed to proceed to the other regimental mess-table. Moving faster than a snail, he makes a dash for it, promptly acknowledging to an impatient corporal "Yes, sir, the skirmish line is down at that corner."

### FOUR TYPES TAKE PART IN FLIGHT

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Both pilots, Lieutenants Lester J. Matland and Albert Hopenberger, the army aviators, are both pilots, but the ship will be in the hands of Matland most of the time while Hopenberger watches radio apparatus, navigation and aerial instruments.

Matland is tall, handsome, blond, quiet and 29. He is so quiet that even his father was unable to get anything but a grin when he indicated information about the flight. He stands 6 feet 1, weighs 160 lbs and has blue eyes and a perpetual smile. His dress is military.

There is a certain air of mystery about Hopenberger which the reporters have failed to fathom. He is accessible but retiring. A graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he entered the army service through the war, and later went to Dayton, Ohio, where he developed a magnetic worm for use in army planes.

REPEALS N. Y.—Homer Clark, a pilot of the United States Army, is making quite a bit of the country by air. He is riding in one of the planes in the national air tour.

### PROPERTY WORTH \$250,000 DESTROYED

### Dissatisfied with Wages and Tips Employes Hold a Drinking Orgy

NEW YORK, June 25 (AP)—Dissatisfied with tips and wages given them by their wealthy employer, C. R. Lihms, retired zinc magnate, three apartment employes held a drinking orgy in his exclusive Fifth Avenue apartment. The police announced and destroyed \$250,000 worth of rare furnishings and art objects.

Ham bones, ale bottles, knives and tools were tossed recklessly at Van Dyke and Rubens masterpieces, statuary, costly rugs and tapestries.

A mirror, 50 feet square was smashed to bits and a \$17,999 organ was wrecked.

The damage, which police and insurance adjusters declared exceeded anything they ever had seen before, was done Sunday shortly after the Lihms family had gone to its summer home in Newport. It was discovered when an interior decorator called to transfer paintings to an exhibition.

Two of the accused employes, elevator operators, were in custody today, and search was being made for a third.

The vandals confined their activities chiefly to the first floor of the triplex apartment, composing the three top floors of a 14-story building.

The police said the two elevator men, John Healy and George Tierman, both 19, confessed the job as saying, "because Lihms did not raise our wages and because he didn't tip us."

### PLANS FILED FOR SETTLING CONTROVERSY

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Pacific's Natron cut-off directly into Klama, Falls, and Build South.

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