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ABE MARTIN



I'd hate to be a dry enforcer, but I'd like to be a dry enforcer who turns. There's no question about President Coolidge making good after he steps down and out, but I doubt if he's heard from.

Bojish Figure Is Again on Grill

CHICAGO, Jan. 15 (AP)—Glutted potato and rice markets, in the opinion of E. S. Briggs, are due to professional exploiters of feminine pulchritude, as he reasoned at the convention of the American Fruit and Vegetable Shippers' Association, the exploiters caused the bojish figure idea to become popular and starchy foods were avoided.

Murderer to Die In Electric Chair

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 15 (AP)—Peter Kudakowski today was sentenced to die in the electric chair during the week of February 24 for the murder of Joseph Storck, New York east side boy, in the Jersey City meadows.

COOLIDGE HAS NINETEEN DEMOCRATS AT BREAKFAST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 (AP)—For the third time within a week, President Coolidge was host today at a senatorial breakfast party. Twenty-one members of the senate, 19 of them democrats, were his guests.

Apple Growers At Cove Dispose Of Their Crops

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)
COVE, Ore., (Special)—An apple buyer from Portland was in town on Saturday and bought a good many apples. O. Lund, A. A. Antles and R. L. Barker were among those who disposed of their crops.

Another boy has enrolled in the home economics course in Cove. Edward Bloom is taking the second year. Dell Puckett enrolled at the beginning of the year and at the second semester, Dean Puckett began the work. Mrs. Eva Coad is the instructor.

Hobby Duncan, who was hurt quite badly a few days ago while coasting, is reported to be getting along nicely, although his face is pretty badly scratched.

Through an error, it was reported in The Observer that the La Grande M. I. A. team won the game with Cove last Friday. Instead of that, the home team won the game by a score of 20 to 23. Frank Miller, who lives out on the Sandridge, is ill of mumps. His brother-in-law, A. H. Orton, is staying out there and looking after the place.

Dr. S. H. Hamilton, of Boise, Idaho, district superintendent, gave a very fine sermon at the Methodist church in Cove on Sunday evening, Jan. 15.

The Darius Society of the Baptist church will be entertained by Mrs. Melvin Loree on Thursday Jan. 17.

Merton Loree broke one of his fingers last Sunday evening, while scuffling with some boys as they were leaving the church.

The Baptist society will hold its monthly business meeting at the church on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Hefty were La Grande visitors on Tuesday. Mrs. Hefty has been ill for several weeks, and this was her first trip away from home, since her recovery.

Mrs. J. J. Conley is still quite ill at the home of her son, L. N. Conley. Her daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Carter is taking care of her.

at 7 p. m. The new master, C. G. Springer, has appointed G. E. Barker, R. S. Constock and Ray Duncan, on the legislative committee. The school children are becoming quite enthused over club work, and are now planning and organizing their clubs.

Ankle Hurt, Rides Sled to School

By Mrs. Leona Price (Observer Correspondent)
COVE, Ore., (Special)—Doris Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Clark, had the misfortune to sprain her ankle Thursday evening, and is still unable to walk on the injured foot. She is being taken to school on a sled.

Oscar Rollins, who is spending the winter at Cove, is hauling hay for Jack Fletcher. Mr. and Mrs. Rollins are at Ukiah during the summer months where Oscar has a position as forest ranger, but will return to Cove after the season for forest work closes.

Gale Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mills, is able to be in school again. Gale was ill of flu last week.

Miss Lola Martin, who teaches the Hilgard school, was a Cove visitor last weekend. Miss Martin drove over Friday evening and returned Sunday.

Card met at the home of Mrs. G. E. Barker Saturday afternoon. Five tables of bridge were at play. Mrs. Constance Anderson won high score and Mrs. Louis Presto took consolation. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. G. E. Barker and Mrs. R. L. Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller entertained a number of friends recently at a pinocle party. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Orton, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hallmark, Mr. and Mrs. Keith McCool, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gray, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Chadwick and Miss Bessie Kelley. Mrs. Gray won high honors among the women and Alvin Orton made the highest score for men.

Refreshments were served by the hostess at the close of the game. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fletcher were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Price Sunday.

Mrs. M. F. Sturgeon left Monday evening for Pendleton, where she expects to spend the week with Bishop and Mrs. W. P. Remington.

Scientists reveal that the chief of the cricket is not a love call. Some of these days they'll be finding out something like that about mammy songs.

SHORT LINE SHOE SALE



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A Group of brown and black kid and black patent Arch Support Oxfords, in smart tie styles that formerly sold to \$9.50. Most all sizes and widths are here now at— **\$6.85**

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No man thinks a woman is good enough for him unless she is too good.

The La Grande firemen deserve generous support for their annual ball, to be given tonight. The money is used to advantage and the event offers an opportunity for local people to show appreciation both to the paid and the volunteer organizations for their work in all fire emergencies.

We have often felt regret that the United States chose to appear to selfish and provincial as refusal to join the League of Nations indicates to the rest of the world. It's been embarrassing—but not half so much as it would be for us in the league with a bunch of lame-duck senators messing up the works. The dignified and statesmanlike way they are considering the Kellogg anti-war treaty is an example of what might be expected.

Trees along highways are yearly becoming better appreciated. It is unfortunate that they had to be missed before they could be appreciated, otherwise, the highways of the United States would be bordered with them now without the outlay of millions for planting. A few years ago they were in the way. Now the states consider their restoration desirable at any cost. The motorist in his travels now finds in many states tree-planting operations along motor highways, forest patriarchs protected by a watchful government from signboard builders, wood cutters, etc. Oregon is in the vanguard in that program.

Six months hence there will be established the first strictly knight-flown air mail system in Europe. It will be modeled directly upon American air mail lines. Between London and Stockholm, by way of Amsterdam and Malmo, a distance of 1,000 miles, American planes, powered with American engines, will follow an air line lighted with American beacons. The decision to adopt this American equipment was based on the efficiency of the American air mail service. The backers of the proposed European service say there is nothing in Europe to equal the mail planes that have been purchased in the United States by them. So the year 1929 finds the American air mail system the model for the world and American airplane factories turning out ships that are finding a market in foreign countries. The United States is becoming the aeronautical leader of the world.

A GIANT INDUSTRY

The eyes of America just now are on the New York automobile show and plans for similar automotive exhibitions to be staged later in hundreds of cities and towns throughout the United States. The automobile year officially opens with the National Automobile show in New York.

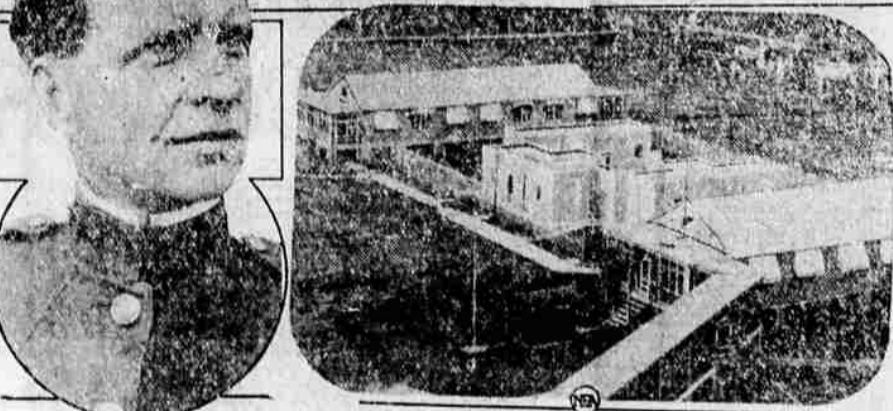
This is New York's twenty-ninth and largest show and augurs one of the most, one of the most, if not the most, prosperous year for the automobile industry, which is but little older than the institution known as the automobile show.

A new production record was established last year when 4,630,000 pleasure cars were manufactured, and the industry thinks 1929 will establish the 5,000,000 mark as the new normal production for the industry. Since 1922 the output has fluctuated between 3,500,000 and 4,360,000.

For the first time in motor history the world registration of automobiles, exclusive of the United States, has come within striking distance of the 4,000,000 mark. This is the most significant fact in the automotive outlook for this year, because if there should be some slackening in commercial and industrial activity in the United States there is a strong likelihood that the domestic loss would be made up by more active markets in South America and Europe. It must be remembered that this American industry has for several years obtained much of its business from foreign markets and ceased to be the toy of fluctuating domestic demands.

Millions of men and women who gain a livelihood, directly or indirectly, from this industry hope the signs have been read aright. Much depends up this industry, which but a little while ago was but a struggling infant as industries go.

WHERE TODAY'S LEPERS ARE CURED



If you contracted leprosy the U. S. public health service would hustle you right off to the government's leper sanitarium at Carville, La., but you wouldn't find life there so bad. Upper picture shows one of the little areas in which the patients loaf in the Louisiana sunshine and to the left is Dr. Oswald E. Denny, in charge of the institution which has recorded many cures. Below is the colon's jail where a murderer is confined.

By NEA Service

CARVILLE, La.—Leprosy, a word once so ghastly with its implied terrors of a living death that it was only whispered, is losing its terrors.

The "leper's bell" which, not so many centuries ago, warned the world of "the clean" against the approach of those who drowned their despairing cry of "unclean," has given way to the smiles and cheer of a place of sunshine and hope and all the normal life of a normal world outside.

Parents once snatched their children to them at the hollow sound of the "leper's bell," but at Carville, Uncle Sam's leprosy sanitarium where the nation's lepers are sent, members of the staff bring babies into the world within the very walls of the home of 300 lepers, knowing that modern science has taken terror from the word.

Babies Born There

There is little Mary Jane Stanley, now 6, daughter of Carville's chief electrician, who was the first baby born in the colony. Mary is still the pet, but her novelty as the first baby born in a leper colony has worn off as other babies have arrived and are quite taken for granted. The children are not afflicted with the dread disease.

In the days of Pontius Pilate, lepers were herded into the vale of

lepers, a leathome, beast-infested barren spot into which pieces of bread were thrown them while the "clean" fled from the very air which was believed polluted. At Carville they live in luxury with radios and pianos and orchestras and movies and green sunny lawns on which to walk and sit, and all the delicacies of food to eat.

Carville is officially known as U. S. Hospital No. 66. But hospital records show that 18 lepers have been discharged in the past year and 46 during the six years.

Other patients are almost ready for the "outside world." The 300 patients range in age from 5 to 70. There are artists and boiler makers, stenographers and concert pianists, farmers and attorneys, judges and factory girls—for leprosy has never been a respecter of persons. Its withered yellow hand has clutched irrespective of degree.

There are lepers at Carville who still shrink at the word, refusing to believe that they are that, and there are lepers who have so accepted themselves, as doctored for a near lifetime that they dare not believe the hope now offered them. The tradition of the shame and the eternal taint of leprosy so grips these older ones that they cannot understand kindness and acceptance as if they were of "the world

of other people."

Just Like Hotel

Life in the leprosy sanitarium is much like life at any well-managed southern resort hotel. The patients live in attractive cottages housing from 10 to 12. Radios and victrolas and pianos are in the cottages; flowers clamber over the porches, bougainvilleas and moonflowers make the air fragrant. There are tennis courts and golf links, a recreation hall with complete gymnasium equipment, a movie and amusements for all denominations.

Dr. Oswald E. Denny, the leprologist in charge, is world renowned as a leper authority. His life has been devoted to the cure of leprosy. For two years he was in charge of the leper colony at Cebu in the Philippines in the days before Major General Wood persuaded the government to launch a gigantic campaign through the islands and provide adequate hospital care.

The famous leper, John Early, who frequently ran away from those who would cure him, was a rarity for Carville. More beg to come there than he is to go away, but there is a jail for those who must be forcibly detained, or for criminals who are lepers and may not infect the usual beneficiaries. Right now Edward Payton is in the jail with a 13 years' impris-

ment ahead of him. He killed another patient in the colony, and the colony jail as his place of imprisonment was the only solution.

Prisoner Well Treated

But prisoner or not, Payton is visited twice daily by doctors, and the finest meals brought him from the dining room; he walks in a roomy, sunny yard and has other special favors, for the leper comes before the criminal at Carville and his cure is as important as that of

any other man.

George Beaupre is in the jail, too. He is probably the only self-confessed murderer in America who has never been tried and will probably never face a court. Sent to the colony from his home in New Orleans, he worried about his wife, who declined to visit him there. He ran away one night, killed her, surrendered, has not yet faced trial, and is in the colony before the criminal at Carville and his cure is as important as that of

The age-old use of chaulmoogra oil for the leper is the Carville method of treatment. Leprologists come the world over to see the marvels that Carville is doing. "Science and modern freedom from prejudice are freeing leprosy from its dread," says Dr. Denny, explaining that any suspicion of it should not throw a person into panic, but should make him face it with the same hope as it strikes by any disease.

Mrs. Secretary of the Treasury

Nowadays it is becoming more and more the practice, particularly among the younger people, to regulate expenditure of income by the budget system. To the wife is delegated the task of keeping the family expenses within set limits—she is the real secretary of the family treasury. She must count the pennies and stretch them to their utmost buying power.

The modern woman knows how to make a dollar purchase one hundred cents' worth of value. She reads the advertisements in her daily newspaper and notes what is being advertised that she needs. She scans them closely to know what is newest and best in clothes, in foods, in utilities that will make the home work easier, the little luxuries that will make it more comfortable. Yet her purchases are regulated by the budget—advertising helps her to keep within bounds.

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