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ABE MARTIN



I'm continually readin' o' fellers who've made good in the city, but makin' good in a little town is the real test. Today, when I relay and look back, I can't help thinkin' what a nice, clean show "The Black Crook" wuz.

MANY SIGN TO BRING INCOME TAX TO VOTE

PORTLAND, Apr. 22—(AP)—George Bylander, in charge of the local campaign to obtain signers to the personal income tax referendum petitions circulated by the Greater Oregon association, said today nine thousand signatures had been obtained in Portland. The Portland circulators have been dismissed. Of the names on the petitions so far checked by the county clerk's office, 85 per cent have been registered voters. The work of obtaining five thousand signatures in other Oregon cities is progressing more slowly, Bylander said. The signatures of 9,722 registered voters are required to hold operation of the tax bill in abeyance until it can be voted on by the people in November, 1930.

Bulldogging Auto Is Difficult Job

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 22—(AP)—The spirit of the old West is still strong but times have changed. Seeing a driverless automobile "cruising" backward down Van Ness avenue today, Gus Brennan, 4, tried to bulldog it in the best rodeo style, hoping to clamber into the seat and stop the car. He missed and was thrown under the wheels. His leg was broken. The car ended its dash when it bumped into a light pole.

Gambling Resort Money Car Robbed

TORONTO, April 22 (AP)—Authorities were confronted today by a variation of the hijacking racket in the robbery of a gambling resort money car carrying \$55,000. Four gamblers held up six men in an automobile carrying the winning of a "big money" game from the resort on the outskirts of the city at 6:30 a. m., yesterday. While the passengers in the money car were being searched County Constable Travenex drove up. Two of the robbers aimed shotguns at him, but he escaped and drove to a telephone to summon aid. When he returned the robbers and their victims had disappeared.

Inmans Snapped at Divorce Trial



Mrs. Helene Inman and Walker P. Inman, an heir to the Duke tobacco millions, are shown here as they appeared at one of the sessions of their sensational divorce suit at Reno, Nevada. Countering her husband's charges of infidelity, Mrs. Inman launched a determined battle to win the decree herself, accusing him of drunkenness and cruelty and alleging he broke her nose.

Hoover on Law Enforcement

NEW YORK, April 22 (AP)—Here are some pungent expressions used by President Hoover in his law enforcement address today at the annual luncheon of the Associated Press:

No individual has the right to determine what law shall be obeyed and what law shall be enforced.

Respect for law and obedience to law does not distinguish between federal and state laws—it is a common conscience.

In our desire to be merciful the pendulum has swung in favor of the prisoner and far away from the protection of society.

The sympathetic mind of the American people in its over-concern about those who are in difficulties has swung too far from the family of the murdered to the family of the murderer.

If law can be upheld only by enforcement officers, then our scheme of government is at an end.

It is unnecessary for me to argue the fact that the very essence of freedom is obedience to law; that liberty itself has but one foundation, and that is in the law.

A surprising number of our people, otherwise of responsibility in the community, have drifted into the extraordinary notion that laws are made for those who choose to obey them.

Twenty times as many people in proportion to population are lawlessly killed in the United States as in Great Britain.

In many of our great cities murder can apparently be committed with impunity.

The duty to enforce the law rests upon every public official

CANCELLATION OF DEBT EXPLAINED

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In addition to this amount from other sources which increases this amount will over \$39,000, excess of the cost of right of ways and fencing the same, which will increase the net cost to Union county on the Old Oregon Trail to well over \$400,000, while from available records I find the state has paid for construction work on this same highway, a little less than \$1,000,000, or less than the original estimate. While the county has paid well over the original estimate, while the original plans were changed in the construction of this road, which increased the county's share but decreased the state share, according to the first estimate.

"Inasmuch as the estimates were made by the state engineer and the appropriations for the county and state shares were approved by the state and county officials, it seems only fair that Union county has paid all that can be reasonably expected for the county's share of this highway, in fact, it is all we have available for this road."

"It further appearing from available records that Union county bonded for road construction higher than any other county in the state according to wealth and population, also it appears that the road construction on state highways in Union county, owing to the difficult construction, has cost more according to mileage and type of construction than any other county; the records further reveal that Union county has already paid on state highways as much according to the total cost if not more than any other county, and much more than many of the counties."

After this presentation, Mr. Couch moved the board to cancel the claimed balance, which was done.

If There Must Be Social "Priority" at Washington



We suppose some people are chronic invalids because that's the only way they can attract or demand constant attention.

Indian affairs will be handled differently under Secretary Wilbur. Tribe members on government reservations will not be treated like step-children. Schools will have particular attention and Indian children will be treated like other children, discontinuing the methods that have made Indian schools too much like institutions of reform. There is much opportunity for improvement and the government will do well to go out of the way to provide better care for these true natives of America.

A successful plan of farm relief, according to Bruce Dennis in the Klamath Falls Herald, will be one important means of promoting the sale of pine lumber in the middle west. There's no question about the truth of that theory. Middle western farmers, and the townspeople dependent on their buying power, have not been buying lumber—and neither have farmers generally. Their places have been allowed to run down of necessity, and there are thousands of land owners anxious to build new hog pens, new barns, new chicken houses, new barlot fences and other things that would require cheaper grades of western pine. And they'll spend the money for these improvements just as soon as they have it. No one is more anxious to keep up his place than the average farmer when he is financially able. Whenever agriculture is improved he will get busy at this long-neglected job and western pine areas will immediately benefit.

FARM RELIEF COMPROMISE

The present administration's farm relief program should meet the approval of the great majority of farmers who desire ultimate stabilization. In the first place Mr. Hoover wants harmony on the proposed legislation and he is strictly opposed to a debenture or bounty provision that would tend to permit profiteering among speculators and over-production among land owners if any benefits were felt by them.

The president says that government aid should be given to the handling of crop surpluses in a more orderly and profitable manner but without government subsidy. That any form of subsidy will cause greater surpluses, while ultimate relief can be had only by ceasing to produce a surplus and turning the lands to other crop purposes where a profit can be realized. Diverting wheat lands to dairy production, for example, is accomplishing such a purpose, since dairy cows are not increasing as rapidly as the consumption of dairy products.

Until a greater diversification can be accomplished, the administration stands ready to use several hundred millions of federal funds to improve marketing and control the existing surplus. It proposes proper protection against cheaper foreign crops with rigid tariff. It proposes to cut transportation costs by water way development. Nothing more could be expected if the desired relief is to be sound and lasting.

No matter what the new farm bill provides, it must necessarily be the result of compromise. And if it passes it must first have various organizations and legislators discard most of their pet theories, practical or otherwise, and make a start toward relief as rapidly as possible. Agricultural sections are growing tired of the discussion of freak ideas. They want legislation that can be put into effect for the 1929 crop, if possible—and much prefer a little progress now to waiting indefinitely for some ideal solution that is always out of reach.

Hoover will do well to bring pressure on congress and get a bill through as soon as possible. No measure will be perfect, but as practical improvements become apparent they can be added later. The farm relief wagon has been mired down in the mud for eight years. Put it in motion. No matter how slow, it will be better than we've had.

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Wildcat Plantings Blamed For Trouble

WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP)—Unwise expansion of truck crop acreages aggravated by "wildcat" plantings of promotion agencies is held responsible by A. W. McKay of the department of agriculture, for the most serious over-production problems of the fruit and vegetable industry.

marketing specialist of the bureau of agricultural economics, urged in a statement issued by the department the organization of strong cooperative associations by growers.

Federal Soldiers Head For Masiaca

MEXICO CITY, April 22 (AP)—Ten thousand federal soldiers un-

foraged northward today across the southern boundary of Sonora for what may be the last big battle of the revolution.

At Masiaca and San Antonio, Sonora fifty miles north of the federal starting point, are the rebel army of between 6000 and 7000 men entrenched.

The magazine Motor Boating estimates that there are 1,856,000 boats on the inland and federal waterways of the country.

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