LOCAL BRIEFS

Flue Fire—
The fire department was called to 1013 W avenue at 9 o'clock this morning because of a flue fire. There was no damage. The recall was sounded at 9:15 a. m.

Returns—
Mrs. Leroy Morgan, of La Grande, returned to her home yesterday afternoon receiving medical treatment in Portland for the past month. Mr. Morgan went to Portland and returned to La Grande with his wife.

Visiting—
Mrs. W. H. Russell, of Elgin, is in La Grande for a few days visit and is the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Morelock.

From Baker—
Mrs. Robert Scott, of Baker, is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ebell. Mrs. Scott, who was formerly Miss Edith Ebell, moved to Baker recently with her husband to make her home.

Returns—
After spending the past week in Portland transacting business, Ralph R. Huron returned today to La Grande where he is postmaster.

New Son—
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Helton are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Thursday at the Grande Ronde hospital. Both are doing satisfactorily.

From Pendleton—
Mrs. L. H. Hamley and daughter, Miss Patty, are in La Grande today, and the latter is representing Pendleton High school in the Eastern Oregon music tournament. They make their homes in Pendleton.

From Wallowa—
Miss V. Esther Broughter, high school teacher at Wallowa, accompanied a group of Wallowa High school students to La Grande, where they are taking part in the high school music tournament being held today at the Normal school.

From Cove—
Among the visitors in La Grande last night were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Love, of Cove.

From Whitman Conservatory—
Two leading musicians of the northwest, Miss Esther Bienfang and Mrs. Elnora Maxey, of Walla Walla, are in La Grande today where they are acting as judges in the Eastern Oregon high school music tournament. Both are members of the faculty of Whitman conservatory.

From Pendleton—
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Thomas, of Pendleton, were in La Grande yesterday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hanford. They are former residents of La Grande and were members of the La Grande High school faculty before moving to Pendleton about five years ago. Mr. Thomas accompanied a group of public speakers to Union to participate in the declamatory contest there last night.

To Portland—
Miss Helen Moor, dean of women at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, left last night to spend the coming week in Portland and Corvallis. While in Corvallis she will attend a meeting of deans of women of several colleges and has been selected to be the speaker at one of the events of the meeting, being placed on the same program with Governor Julius Meier, who will address the group.

From Iowa—
Bill Brian and Loran Durlam, of Jefferson, Iowa, are in La Grande visiting the Kiddle family. They made the trip to La Grande by motor.

From Pendleton—
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Warner, of Pendleton, will be the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Kiddle during the weekend.

Return From Convention—
Joel Richardson and Milo Smith returned Thursay evening from Salem where they represented the Masonic bodies of La Grande at the convention of the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the grand commandery. Mr. Richardson is high priest of the La Grande chapter, and Mr. Smith is commander of the local commandery.

Unfortunate Armada

The Armada which sailed from Spain to attack England consisted of 130 ships, most of which were Spanish, but some of which were Portuguese and some Italian. The flagship was El Capitana and other capital ships were the San Martin, Santa Ana, Senora de la Rosa, Raba Coronada, San Juan and San Pedro. In each ship six choir boys sang "Buena Dias" each morning and "Ava Maria" each evening.

Islands' Formation

The Bermudas are principally composed of aeolian limestone, consisting mainly of blown shell dust very irregularly stratified. The reefs are ridges of limestone plastered over with thin layers of coral and other calcareous organisms. The atolls are incrusted with convoluted tubes of serpulae and vermetus, together with barnacles, mussels, corallines and some true incrusting corals. They probably rest upon foundations of aeolian rock.

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Clark Conducts Active Campaign For Nomination

PORTLAND (Special) — During the past week, Colonel A. E. Clark, candidate for the Republican nomination for United States senator, has elaborated on his preliminary statement regarding the issues in the present campaign, in his talks before grange and taxpayers organizations. Numerous invitations to address farmers of the state have been received by Colonel Clark and the Yamhill County Taxpayers league has endorsed his candidacy. The invitations have been accepted and an itinerary is being prepared that will send him into every section of Oregon.

Colonel Clark's attitude toward agriculture is indicated in a statement he has just issued and in which he says:

"We must have economic policies that will place agriculture on an equality with other industries and give freer access to the markets of the world. There must be more flexible credit facilities giving extension of time for payment of existing federal farm loan bank mortgages, spreading payments over longer periods and a reduction of amount of periodic payments in proportion as the principle sum of the mortgage is reduced. There should be substituted for the farm board a more efficient and economical agency or a complete reorganization of the board so as to eliminate excessive salaries, extravagance and unbusiness-like practices."

Taxes must be reduced, declared Col. Clark and he promises to support every rational move to accomplish this result.

As to the unemployment situation, Col. Clark said that a revival of the lumber industry would greatly relieve this condition.

"A majority of the workers of this state must look to the lumber industry for employment. For a number of years this great industry has been fighting for existence and now is facing bankruptcy. It is confronted with high tariffs in foreign markets and in the meantime Russian lumber from confiscated forests and produced by forced labor comes into our markets. Our lumber has practically no protection from foreign competition. For years intelligent leaders in the lumber industry have sought laws that would permit of greater co-operation in controlling production, stabilizing markets and maintaining standards. They have been unable to get relief."

Col. Clark was emphatic in declaring that lands in this state and all natural resources therof, now held by the federal government, belong to the people of Oregon and should be converted and administered for their sole benefit. And that so long as the federal government continues to hold more than one-half the area of the state off the tax rolls as absentee landlord, it should bear its just proportion of the burden of state taxation.

Col. Clark advised that the people of the state fight aggressively for the development of the Columbia river, the greatest potential source of hydro-electric water power in the country. He said we are entitled to this development as a matter of right and equity as a federal project.

Health

LONGEVITY

The problem of longevity has occupied the minds of men since they first realized the inevitability of death.

Why men die is a question asked time and time again, and keenest minds have striven to find the answer.

The question does not deal with death due to disease. On that score much progress has been made and many an answer found.

The problem centers about death due to old age. Disease may in a measure be evaded, but not old age.

The Bible gives man's span of life as three score and ten. But it does not tell us why just 70 years, and not twice that number, make up the sum of man's time on earth.

Scientists have devoted much time and energy to the study of this matter, with startling results.

The average life of most breeds of domestic poultry, according to Dr. Raymond Pearl, of Johns Hopkins, is not substantially more than two years.

And yet a few days ago was celebrated the twentieth birthday of a mass of connective tissue taken from a chick heart and artificially cultivated by Dr. Carrel, of the Rockefeller foundation.

Had that mass of connective tissue been left in the chick it would have died, with the rest of the organism, 18 years ago.

Removed from the chick and placed in a culture medium from which the cells can draw food, they have not only remained living for 18 years longer than their "normal" span of life, but they have multiplied in numbers and grown in mass.

One must realize that the environment in which these cultured cells are growing is "ideal," in comparison to that in the living bird.

How much these observations and discoveries can be applied to the living human organism remains to be determined.

Legend of Starved Rock

Starved Rock, which is a pinnacle on the south side of the valley between Utica and Ottawa, La Salle county, Illinois, derived its name from the fact that the last stand of the Illini Indians was made at this place. They were besieged by invading Iroquois Indians and held the rock until their supplies gave out, when they were exterminated.

Early Date For Derby Favorable To Top Flight

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—There was loud outcry this year when it was announced the Kentucky derby would be run on May 7, one or two weeks earlier than usual. Some owners claimed their eligibles would be deprived of just that much time to train.

But if last year's queen of the juveniles, C. V. Whitney's Tip Flight, is "another Regret," as many have dubbed her, she need have no qualms about the early derby date. Regret, the only filly to capture derby honors in 57 years of the race's history, won the 1915 derby on May 8.

Regret was owned by Harry Payne Whitney, father of C. V. Whitney, who inherited his stables. It is young Whitney's hope that his father's colors will be the first to deck three derby winners. Harry Payne Whitney won the 1927 derby with Whiskery, in addition to the 1915 race with Regret.

Back when Regret won the derby, weights were assigned on the basis of past records as well as for sex. New derby weights are fixed at 126 pounds for colts and geldings, with fillies getting in for five pounds less, 121. Hence Top Flight will have a five-pound advantage over the remainder of the derby field, providing no other filly starts.

Weight Advantages Same

This five-pound advantage is identical with the edge Regret had over the horse which ran second the year she won. Regret packed 112 pounds, and the second horse, Pebbles, carried 117. Sharpshooter, which ran third, bore 114, conceding only two pounds to Regret.

An account of the 1915 derby on file at Churchill Downs reads: "The start was good and slow, Regret quickly took the lead, held it around the back stretch, and drew away at the finish." This is the way Top Flight won most of her seven races last season, finishing her two-year-old career unbeaten.

It was by no means a mediocre field that Regret beat. Royal II, which was among the also rans, later won the Latonia Derby. Top Flight also will have an excellent field with which to compete. Tick On and Burning Blaze, among last year's leading juveniles, are listed as almost certain starters.

Regret Also Favorite

Regret was a favorite in 1915, paying $7.30to win, $4 to place and $3.60 to show in the $2 mutuels. These are the approximate prices predicted on Top Flight if she wins this year—a favorite but not odds-on, as was Twenty Grand last year.

Regret ran the mile and a quarter derby distance in 2:05 2-5, about average for the derby route. The track was resurfaced last year before Twenty Grand raced to his 2:01 4-5 record. Prior to that the record was 2:03 3-5, set by Old Rosebud in 1914.

The principal argument against Top Flight's chances this year are that fillies cannot hold their own in distance races with colts. Whether Top Flight can win races at more than a mile is yet to be determined, but it might be pointed out that the American record for a mile and a half, 2:28 3-5, was set by Handy Andy, a filly, at Latonia in 1927.

Sport Finals

STANFORD LEADING BEARS

EDWARDS TRACK STADIUM, Berkeley, Cal., Apr. 16 (AP) — Track and field athletes of the University of California and Stanford met here today in the 39th annual "big meet" before a crowd estimated by officials at almost ten thousand persons.

Summaries:

Mile run—Won by Raftery, California; second Ferrie, Stanford; third McGuire, California. Time, 4:28:3.

100-yard dash—Won by Kiesel, Cal., second Giberson, Stanford; third tie between Muir, California and L. Hables, Stanford. Time 9.6 seconds.

440-yard dash — Won by Eastman, Stanford, second, Nash, Stanford; third, Lombardia, Stanford. Time 49.7 seconds.

120-yard high hurdles — Won by Meier, Stanford; second, Crawford, California; third Sweeney, California. Time 15 seconds.

Shotput — Won by N. Gray, Stanford 50 feet 4⅞ inches; second De Berry, California, 49 feet, 10¾ inches; 3rd Lyman, Stanford 49 feet 7¼ inches.

Javelin throw—Won by Ray, Stanford, 199 feet 5¾ inches; second, Miles, California, 195 feet; third, Waterbury, California, 182 feet.

Two mile run — Won by Amdahl, Stanford; second Lee, Cal., third Azevedo, Stanford. Time 9:54:2.

High jump—Won by Mansell, California, six feet 1 inch; tie for second between Rice, California and Blackman, Stanford, at six feet.

The score at the end of six events was: Stanford, 31½; California 22½.

CARD ENDS IN FREE-FOR-ALL

RAINIER, Ore., Apr. 16 (AP)—Buck Hammer, 197, former Oregon State college grid star, essayed the roll of boxer for his home town fans last night and before his battle with Mickey McTimonds, 185, Longview, had progressed beyond the third round, seconds of the two gladiators, promoter, referee and some ringsiders were embroiled in a free-for-all that ended in Referee Granigan calling the affair "no contest."

The referee warned McTimonds he must keep off the floor and ropes, where he had been spending time the official thought should be given over to opposing Hammer. McTimonds' seconds claimed a foul on three occasions finally Happy Chapman, another fighter, who was in McTimonds' corner crawled into the ring to protest.

Some ringsiders thought he had struck the referee. Promoter Johnny Katich entered the ring at this juncture to raise Hammer's hand in token of victory, and then took a swing at Chapman. When fans began to take sides members of the American Legion who were sponsoring Hammer's debut took charge. Some of the combatants not down on the regular bill repaired "back stage" to fight it out.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	2	6	1
Philadelphia	4	10	1

Crowder, Brown and Spencer; Grove and Cochrane.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0	2	2
Brooklyn	5	10	1

Collins, Adams and McCurdy; Vance and Lopez.

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	0	3	0
Cincinnati	5	8	1

Harris, Swetonic, Kremer and Grace; Johnson and Manion.

Chicago at St. Louis postponed; rain and wet grounds.

MAY DAY ADVICE

LONDON (AP) — Walter Runciman, president of the board of trade, has three golden rules for "house economy," viz:

"Don't move; every move entails an expenditure of a lump sum from the family purse.

"Plumbing is more important than beauty of design.

"It is better to live in a house that is too small for one's purse than one that is too large."

The ideal, adds Mr. Runciman, is "a small house, a small garage and a small family."

Underdone

Dr. Henry Fairfield Osborn says the world is still in the making—that creation isn't over with. We always suspected it, and it doesn't look as though it ever would be finished.—Janesville Daily Gazette.

Teachers and Exercise

Teachers might be able to avoid many of their ailments if they would take more exercise. A survey made by Frances Ross Hicks and reported in Hygeia, the Health Magazine, shows that nearly 63 per cent of 602 teachers take no daily exercise other than that required in going to school. Nearly half of the 602 state that they ride to school.

HOOVER PLAN OF ECONOMY IS EXPLAINED

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educational activities and the Mexican boundary and water commissions.

The consolidations effected by the chief executive would be subject to a 60-day veto by congress. Should congress not take action on the consolidations effected within 60 days, they would stand.

Roop read a lengthy statement explaining the 31-page administration bill. He said the president preferred his "five-day week and staggered furlough plan" of employment over the McDuffie direct pay cut proposal drafted by the committee.

Roop said the furlough reduction plan would be made mandatory for every employe except rural mail carriers, the enlisted forces of the military services, all civil employes receiving $1200 a year and less and special cases where a suitable substitute cannot be provided. The allowance of rural mail carriers for vehicle maintenance and all annual leave with pay would be eliminated.

Other provisions on the bill suspend for one year all automatic and administrative promotions, the filling of vacancies except necessary substitutions and key positions, the retirement of superannuated employes permanently, and suspends for one year all increases in traveling and subsistence allowances made in the last six years.

Would Cut Off Overtime

The bill also provides for suspension of extra pay for overtime and night service and limits the pay of retired military officers who hold appointive positions.

Roop said that from the legislative changes affecting personnel between $75,000,000 and $80,000,000 would be saved in 1933

In discussing proposed amendments to the world war veterans and pension acts which are estimated to save approximately $80,000,000 Roop said they provide no person having an income of $1500 (if single) and $3500 (if married) plus $400 additional for each dependent, shall be entitled to any pay allowance or pension or free hospitalization except those suffering from combat disability.

Veterans Affected

Other proposed changes affecting veterans are:

No person receiving free treatment or subsistence in a government hospital or soldiers home would receive more than $30 a month, if without dependents, or $75 a month if with dependents, the difference between that and their present allowance to be applied to the support of such home or hospital.

Payments in lieu of wages while under examination for claims against the government would be eliminated and all men receiving allowances who enlisted after Nov. 11, 1918, would be placed upon the non-war connected disability basis.

Emergency officers hereafter would be required to show six months service prior to Nov. 11, 1918, and war-connected disability before receiving the benefits of the emergency officers' act.

The procedure in suits against the government would be modified to require review of veterans claims upon the basis of evidence before the administration.

Change Proposed

Under the miscellaneous provisions of the administration bill the following changes are proposed:

That appropriations within a department may be interchangeable to the extent of 15 per cent

The secretary of the navy to appoint a board of naval officers to report upon the closing of all land naval stations which in their view are not essential to national defense. The decision of this board is to be final and the stations to be closed upon their recommendations.

Transfer of the cost of supporting the Philippine scouts to the Philippine government. A one year's suspension of payments to the states under the federal board of vocational education.

Elimination of the army, navy, and Panama transport services.

Suspension of direct operation of ships by the shipping board after Dec. 31, 1932.

Transfer of fish hatcheries to such states as will accept and operate them.

Limitation and reductions in printing and paper allowances for all government departments.

An increase in the sale price of public documents.

An increase in bureau fees.

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams

MASSIE NAMED AS THE SLAYER

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With downcast eyes the accused naval officer took up his story at the point where he previously had told of the criminal attack upon his wife, Mrs. Thalia Massie, and how the affair had burned in his mind. Kahahawai was one of five men accused of the attack.

Massie proceeded slowly, haltingly, and looked very small as he sat in the high backed witness chair. He clasped and unclasped his hands nervously and his mouth twisted as he gazed at the floor.

Before him, with one foot resting on a slightly raised platform, the aged Darrow gently drew the story from the witness.

In a front row seat Mrs. Granville Fortescue, Massie's mother-in-law and co-defendant, resumed her weeping. The other defendants, Albert O. Jones and E. J. Lord, sat with solemn faces.

At the outset Public Prosecutor John C. Kelley interrupted to ask a clearer statement as to whether Massie was to be declared insane when he shot Kahahawai

"Yes," said Darrow, "We do not expect Lieutenant Massie to testify he killed Kahahawai but we expect to show he held the gun when the shot was fired from it which killed Kahahawai."

"Then" said Kelley, "we must insist on knowing if the defense contends he is sane now."

Judge Charles S. Davis held it would not be necessary to rule on that question at once. Kelley then wanted to know what type of insanity would be pleaded.

Darrow Objects

Darrow objected and said he had made quite a study of this question. "All doctors disagree," said the defense attorney.

Barry S. Ulrich, associate prosecutor, arose and insisted upon knowing "what type of psychosis Massie labored under."

"Have you that information?" the judge asked Darrow.

"Why, no," said Darrow. "There are so many names it is doubtful even if they would agree on a name."

Judge Davis then asked Darrow if he knew the name of the kinds of insanity.

Darrow said all he knew was that the man was mentally deranged when the shooting occurred.

"Very well," said the judge. "If counsel for the defense does not know, I cannot insist that he tell it:" The jurist then ordered the testimony to proceed.

Thus Darrow drew first blood in the fight over the prosecution's objection as to Massie's sanity.

Darrow asked Massie what he did when he learned that the jury trying the five men accused of attacking Mrs. Massie had disagreed. Massie was on duty at sea at the time.

The witness said he had received a message from his wife saying it had been a mistrial.

"I couldn't understand it," Massie said. He stated he then went to see Eugene Beebe, a lawyer, and retained him as counsel.

Darrow asked Massie what his physical condition was at that time.

Massie said he could not sleep and had felt miserable.

"Next," said the naval officer, "I began to hear the vilest rumors about myself and my wife."

"What were they?" Darrow asked.

"One was that I was getting a divorce."

"Was there any truth in them?"

"Certainly not. Another rumor was that I went home the night of the dance (the evening when Mrs. Massie was attacked) and found my wife at home with Lieutenant Branson, a naval officer, and beat up my own wife.

"I also heard I had followed her that night and that I beat her up; also that a crowd of naval officers had assaulted her."

At the naval base, Massie testified enlisted men began to shun him.

"Were there any other rumors?" Darrow asked.

"Yes, a worse one."

Massie stopped. The scratching of twenty pencils along the row of newspaper reporters was the only sound in the room.

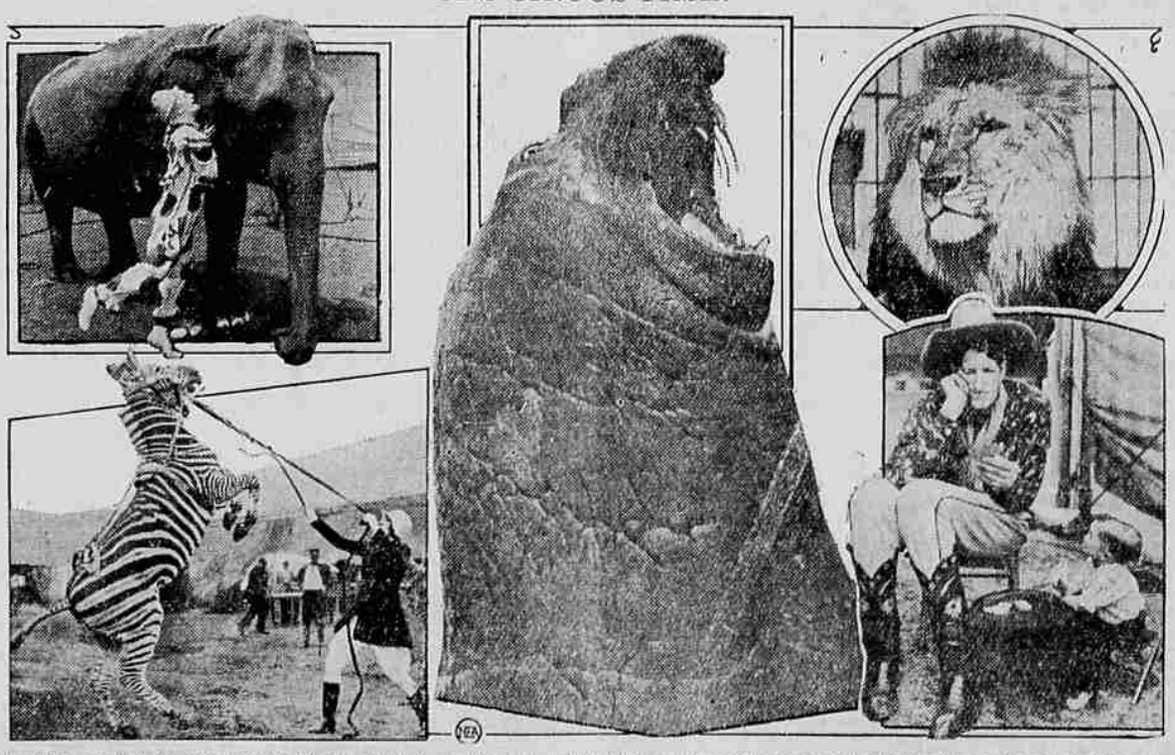
"Never mind," said Darrow.

"I heard," Massie blurted out, "that my wife had never been assaulted at all; that she was merely a seeker after notoriety headlines."

Massie hesitated then went ahead again.

The witness said he had asked what he could do to clear his wife's name. He said Attorney Beebe had told him the case had reached the state where it would be necessary to get written evidence from one of the men charged with assault providing there was no evidence of force being used.

PEOPLE AND BEASTS OF THE "BIG TOP" ARE READY FOR THE ROAD AGAIN —IT'S CIRCUS TIME!



It's spring—and circus time again! They've patched the big top, regilded the wagons, and everything in winter quarters is ready for the road. Here are some of the scenes around the lot of "the biggest show on earth." At upper left a clown is telling a pachyderm pal that "it won't be long now," and below you see Miss Mabel Lennert touching off a fractious zebra named T. N. T. In the center is a close-up of His Majesty Goliath II, biggest of sea elephants. The depression seems to have displeased Goliath; he has been taken off the gold-fish standard. At upper right is Nero, who has promised to be good this year, after severely mauling his trainer, Clyde Beatty, during a workout some months ago. Hank Earle, the Texas giant, and Major Mite have resumed their pinochle game, and below you see them in action during a rest period on the lot.

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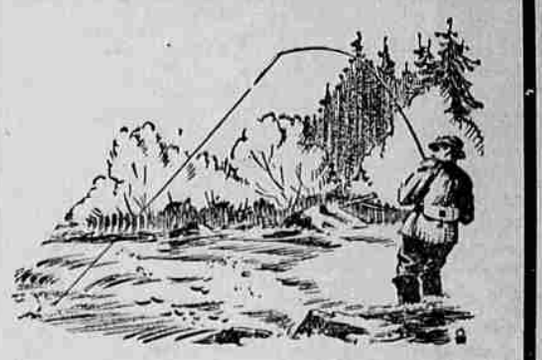

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