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## EX-INDEPENDENCE MEN. FOR U. S. SENATOR

Two former Independence men are candidates for U. S. Senator in Oregon. They are T. A. Haves and A. Slaughter. Mr. Haves, now a resident of Portland, will run as an independent candidate on a platform demanding the ratification of the League of Nations as advocated by President Wilson. He affiliates with the Democratic party and bases his hope of election upon getting all the Democratic votes that are anti-Chamberlain and all the Republican votes that are anti-Stanfield. At one time Mr. Haves was principal of the Independence schools serving for three years. Mr. Slaughter of Salem is the regular Socialist candidate and served in the same capacity two years ago when Senator McNary was elected. He lived in Independence for several years and was employed as a butter-maker in the Independence Creamery.

The Post has no hopes that either Mr. Haves or Mr. Slaughter will be elected. It looks to us as if the only chance for getting an Independence man in the United States Senate is to nominate Dr. H. C. Dunsmore on the Republican ticket or Willard E. Craven on the Democratic ticket.

## HENRY FORD REDUCES PRICES ON ALL HIS AUTOMOBILES

On Tuesday Henry Ford announced that prices on all of his automobiles have been reduced on an average of \$142 a car. In making the announcement he said lack of materials which are stored in many parts of the country is impeding production and that a slashing of prices is the only way these materials can be forced on the market and pre-war conditions brought about.

The new prices are prominently set forth in the Ace Garage ad on the last page of this Post.

## SHE LOOKED AND FELT YOUNG AND SO DECLARED HERSELF

A certain woman had an interesting innovation while picking hops this year. Tho she has grown-up children, she is somewhat youthful in appearance and just for a lark passed herself off as a young woman and got away with it. It was quite a compliment to her youthful appearance and she feels highly flattered in knowing that "the signs of youth still linger in her face tho grand-children prattle at her feet."

## BATTLE OF ARGONNE FEATURE OF OREGON STATE FAIR

Exservice men of Marion county will present a depiction of the Battle of Argonne at the State Fair Wednesday evening, Sept. 29. The battle scene will show the Allied and enemy forces as they were opposed to each other on a selected sector of the major action. Fireworks batteries will bombard the Allied forces and a trench raid will add to the realism of the staged combat. One of the features will be a gas barrage across the lines.

## GREAT MYSTERY UNSOLVED SEVERAL ALIBIS GOOD

The great mystery of who is to occupy a certain residence on C street still remains unsolved. Since inmates of the Independence National Bank have alibied themselves as not being qualified, folks have just got to guess it's somebody else.

## NEARING THE END

Another hop harvest approaches the end as nearly all the yards have finished and the pickers have begun to depart for their homes. The crop is normal and almost absolutely certain to be sold at a good margin of profit.

## LENA STEIGER TRIAL BEGINS; CHARGED WITH COMPLICITY

Salem—A crowded courtroom Monday morning marked the opening of the trial of Lena Steiger, accused of complicity with Jesse Mullinix in the attempted murder of her husband, T. W. Steiger, 63. The attempt upon Mr. Steiger's life occurred March 25, 1920, when Mullinix waylaid the aged farmer near the latter's home, three miles north of Salem.

Mullinix confessed to the crime, having been identified by Mr. Steiger who had grappled with his assailant. Before receiving a seven-year sentence at the Oregon state penitentiary, Mullinix claimed that an understanding had existed between himself and Mrs. Steiger and that she paid him \$100 to carry out the crime. Letters purporting to disclose intimate relations between Mrs. Steiger and Mullinix were produced by him.

Wednesday Mrs. Steiger took the witness stand in her own behalf. She denied emphatically that she had ever plotted with Mullinix to murder her husband but sobbing violently she admitted her intimacy with Mullinix. When questioned as to her motive in associating with Mullinix she said he had travelled extensively and it was always interesting to listen to him. She accused her husband of being friendly with Mrs. Peterson, a widow, who owned a neighboring farm. She didn't know but what the letters "O. S. K." in a letter she wrote Mullinix might have stood for "Just One Kiss."

## MISS GLADYS WELLS WEDS EMIL HELSETH AT ALBANY

Albany—Emil Helseth of Eugene and Miss Gladys Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Wells of Halsey, were married at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the Wells home near Halsey. Mr. and Mrs. Helseth are fellow students at the Eugene Bible University and will return to complete their work, which will be finished the coming school year.

The bride is a member of one of the most prominent pioneer families of Polk county. Her father formerly served as assessor, sheriff and county judge of Polk county. He has been a prominent resident of Linn county for several years.

## LIBRARY BOARD RESUMES SESSIONS AFTER VACATION

Since adjournment for the summer, the first meeting of the Library board was held last Wednesday afternoon. The business session was followed by an interesting report from Mrs. Alice Skinner, librarian, on the meeting of the Northwestern Library Association which was held in Portland the first of the month.

## POLICE AFTER AUTO DRIVERS WHO HAVE NO LICENSE

Chief of Police Morgan is busy these days arresting drivers of automobiles who have neglected taking out licenses. He has found quite a large number who have failed to comply with the law.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26—(Afternoon and Evening)

## ANITA STEWART —in— "IN OLD KENTUCKY"

The Great American classic with hundreds of actors and hundreds of horses. The biggest and most spectacular show of the year. The thrilling Kentucky derby, feudist battles, moonshiners in gun fights, night riders in daring chase, exciting fox hunt, girl on horseback in death defying leap, dynamite bombs, incendiary fires, a host of other thrills and a beautiful love story of the feudal days in Old Kentucky. Admission 20 and 35c.

Monkey Comedy and Outing Chester

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, SEPT. 27-28

## MAY ALLISON

in "HELD IN TRUST."

She was young, she was beautiful and she loved fine clothes; but she was only a shopgirl. Then chance offered that she fill the place of a wealthy woman claimed by death. They looked so much alike that the world was deceived. What happened? When the man who passed as her husband demanded her kisses she fought like a tigress.

Pathe Review and Lloyd Comedy

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, SEPT. 29-30

## THE SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS

The author, Harold Bell Wright, personally supervised the production to make sure that no event or character was left out. Little Pete, Sammy Lane, Young Matt, Old Matt, the Shephard, Wash Gibbs, Jim Lane, Howard the Artist, the Girl at the Spring, Aunt Mollie, Ollie Stewart, the Doctor and Uncle Ike are all there. Admission 20 and 35c.

Roilin Comedy and Pathe News

FRIDAY, OCT. 1

## CONSTANCE TALMADGE

in "THE STUDIO GIRL."

Adapted from the comedy, "La Gamine" and one of the most interesting and delightful roles the popular Constance has ever indulged in.

Comedy and International News

SA'URDAY, OCT. 2

## CARMEL MYERS

in "FOLLY'S TRAIL."

The story of gay butterfly in New York's Bohemia who learns she has a heart when she meets the right man; of a love that is stronger than reason and of the mental upheaval which follows the clash of opposite temperaments.

Ford Weekly and 2-reel Christy comedy

The Great NAZIMOVA in "The Heart of a Child" Sunday evening, Oct. 3. No matinee because of the concert at Monmouth.

## ISIS THEATRE INDEPENDENCE

### Frenzied Finance

(Salem Journal.)

William H. Johnson, president, manager and owner of the Jacksonville bank is in jail charged with perjury for making false statements to the superintendent of banks. But his defalcations are not only to his depositors. He was also treasurer of the city of Jacksonville, of the local church, of the school board, of the Masonic lodge, and

collector for various insurance companies and for the light and power company—and is shy in the accounts of all. In addition, he sold liberty bonds and other securities belonging to customers and pocketed the coin.

### A Dollar's Worth of Lamb

(Salem Journal.)

Marv had a little lamb. She called for a dollar's worth but it was darn little.

## THE PILL BOX

NOTHIN' DOING FOR POOR HUBBY SATURDAY NIGHT Did you notice that all the married women in town came down Saturday night to watch their "men?" Blab.

GREAT MINDS BECOME FUZZLED OVER PLAIN BULL

"Plain bull is not a lie, but just explained truth," testified F. W. Upham of the republican national committee. Now the great question is being asked if Mr. Upham didn't peddle some "bull" when he explained what "bull" means?

BUT THE LAW SAYS PEOPLE MUST WEAR CLOTHES EVEN IN CORVALLIS!

Says the Corvallis Courier: "A headline says the 'Shimmy is Barred at Salem Dances.' We know a lot of Corvallis people who would not be bothered by this ruling for they don't even wear them on the streets. The fact is that the girls are easier to see through than ever. Woman was once a mystery but there is little left to the imagination any more."

## NEW AND GREATER THINGS

The poetry of all growing life consists in carrying an oldness into a newness, a past into a future, always. So only can our days possibly be bound "each to each by natural piety." I would not for the world think that 20 years hence I should have ceased to see the things which I see now, and love them still. It would make life wearisome beyond expression if I thought that 20 years hence I should see them just as I see them now, and love them with no deeper love because of other visions of their loveliness. And so there comes this deep and simple rule of any man as he crosses the line dividing one period of his life from another, the same rule which he may use also as he passes through any critical occurrence of his life. Make it a time in which you shall realize your faith, and also in which you shall expect of your faith new and greater things. Take what you believe and are, and hold it in your hand with a new firmness as you go forward; but look on it with continual and confident expectation to see it open into something greater and truer.—Phillips Brooks.

### Exhibit of Spider Webs.

Notwithstanding the fact that a spider web is so fine and delicate that unless covered with dust or sparkling with dew it is almost invisible, the American Museum of Natural History is now displaying a series of these webs, 12 in number, so mounted on dark backgrounds as to be plainly visible. The spiral construction, widening gradually from the center outward, is easily traced. The webs are accompanied by colored plates of the spiders which spun them. Some spiders live in the web they spin; others spend only the nights there, hiding during the day in retreats often some distance away, with a single thread leading to the web. One of the larger spiders, Aranea trifolium, for instance, spins a thread from the center of its web to a tent made of leaves and silk. Sitting in this tent, the spider holds the thread in such a way that it knows when the web is shaken by its insect prey.—American Museum Journal.

### Her Work.

Congresswoman Jeannette Rankin said in a Y. W. C. A. address: "Charles Schwab married on \$7 a week, and Chauncey Depew on \$9. I have no sympathy with the girl who makes a devoted young man wait till he can support her as luxuriously as her old father does. "My sympathy all goes out to the young man who said joyously, as soon as he was accepted: "Then, darling, we'll get married at once. Of course, at first, we shan't be able to keep a servant." "Oh, Jac, hadn't we better wait, then?" she protested. "What would the neighbors say if they saw me doing my own work?" "Jack looked puzzled. "Why, sweetheart," he said, "whose work do you want to do?"

### GEORGE KURRE'S PRUNE DRYER BURNED YESTERDAY MORNING

A prune dryer on the farm of George Kurre, son of Peter Kurre, one half mile east of Dallas was totally destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. There was some insurance. Mr. Kurre built this dryer last spring at a cost of \$5000.

## FARMERS CASH STORE READY FOR BUSINESS

The Farmers Cash Store (C. Burton Durdall) opened for business in Independence Wednesday and is having an introductory sale lasting fifteen days. The store building in the Beaver Hotel block is being used.

Mr. Durdall conducts stores at Salem and Silverton and is an experienced general store man. Tho his home is in Salem he will personally supervise the store here. S. McDonald, a very congenial young man, is the resident manager.

## CAPTAIN C. L. STIDD RESIGNS SERIOUS LOSS TO COMPANY

Having sold his farm south of Independence and finding it to his best interest to move to Portland soon, Captain C. L. Stidd has resigned as captain of Co. K which will be acted upon at the company meeting tonight.

It will be with great regret that the "K" boys accept his resignation for he has been keeping the company on the "go" ever since it was established and it will be a difficult task to find a successor who will take the interest of the company so much to heart as did Captain C. L. Stidd. It is a serious loss.

## MANY ATTRACTIONS SECURED FOR POLK COUNTY FAIR

The ninth Polk county fair will be held in Dallas October 7-8-9 and promises to be up to the standard. The exhibit will include sheep, goats, hogs, poultry, grains, vegetables, fruits, domestic science, cut flowers, domestic arts and school work. Other attractions include an automotive display, Siletz Indians in full Indian costume, airplane flying and a carnival company.

## INDEPENDENCE GIRL LEAVES HOME SAYS DALLAS PAPER

(Dallas Observer.)

Word has been received by the police in Salem and Dallas that they were to be on the look out for a young girl from Independence who had left home presumably to elope with her lover.

The anxious mother whose name is Mrs. Roby, described her daughter as wearing a red velvet dress, a plush coat and black hat, and that she had brown curly hair and was 15 years old.

## MONMOUTH

(From the Herald.)

If Independence and Monmouth were minded to unite in efforts for their common welfare they might in a short time constitute a considerable more important corner of Polk county than they do at present.

An evidence that the Willamette valley is taking to corn growing is the large flock of blackbirds which are becoming more common along the river. Tangible results of this corn should be at the corn show in Independence and at the state and county fairs.

J. J. Williams, a prominent agriculturist whose farm is on road from Independence to Eola, plans to come to Monmouth to live. He has bought Chas. Newman's large bungalow on Main street, the sale being made thru G. T. Boothby. This is one of the best houses in the city. Consideration was \$2,800.

C. L. Stidd has sold his farm to F. W. Schilling of Portland.