

C. G. LEADS WAY IN BOOSTING SCENIC HIGHWAY

Old Jupe Spoils Picnic But Leaves Beauty Spots For The Camera Men.

Enthusiasts Ask Federal Money For Drain-Reedsport Road To Tidewater.

While the Umpqua Scenic Highway picnic held yesterday at Scottsburg was not the success in attendance that had been anticipated, due to the fact that Jupe Pluvius was on the job after a 90-day vacation, yet the object of the gathering, that of getting publicity for the proposed highway, probably was achieved, for the newspaper boys were there in numbers and with their cameras.

After Old Jupe had thrown a scare into many who expected to attend, he reconsidered and permitted the skies to clear and the sun to shine, so the camera boys had no difficulty in getting good pictures and the opportunity for pictures were so plentiful that there was no need for duplication and no need to crowd one another in "shooting" beauty spots.

Although Cottage Grove is 17 miles from Drain, the eastern terminus of the proposed highway, it was more largely represented than any community on the route, in fact, it had a larger attendance than all other communities combined. Those who were to have appeared upon a program that was to have followed a picnic dinner, also were kept away by the threatening rain clouds, but an impromptu program was held.

Joseph Lyons, of Reedsport, which is the western terminus of the proposed highway, told of the struggles to secure what now passes as a macadamized road and described what might be expected from tourist traffic in case the federal government should take it over and build a real highway. He said that the Southern California Automobile association had promised a future traffic of 3,000 cars a day. Tourists from southern California would wish to first see the Willamette valley and then they would wish to seek the cooling breezes of the coast. The proposed Drain-Reedsport scenic route to tidewater would be ideally located to suit such tourists. It also might become an important military highway.

It could not be made a state road, Mr. Lyons said, because Douglas county already had more than its allotment of state roads. Federal authorities, he said, seem to favor the plan, but cooperation is needed. It is necessary that a road district be formed, beginning at Drain and ending at Reedsport, and that \$50,000 be raised annually by special tax. He urged the utmost cooperation between the towns represented that the proposal might have active and determined support.

W. Frantzen, of Scottsburg, spoke briefly, telling the advantages that would accrue to the towns along and at the ends of the road if it were improved with federal aid.

F. E. Mendenhall, secretary of the Cottage Grove chamber of commerce, acted in the capacity of chairman.

Swinehart Sues Standard Oil.

The Standard Oil company and its local manager, C. H. Bussey, are defendants in a damage suit which has been filed in district court by George W. Swinehart, administrator of the estate of Mrs. Swinehart, who died several weeks ago as the result of injuries sustained when she was struck by a Ford roadster owned by the company and driven by Mr. Bussey. General damages in the sum of \$25,000 and special damages in the sum of \$545.65 are asked.

Fruit and Berries Do Well.

Saginaw, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—Threshing has been completed in the neighborhood. The yield of grain was fair. In spite of the dry season, gardens have done well and fruit, especially plums, is plentiful. Everbearing strawberries, where irrigated, are bearing heavily and berries are of good size and quality.

Markets Abroad Go to Others

European Countries Producing Own Grains and Africa and Brazil Seize Our Cotton Markets.

By P. F. Babson.
Babson Park, Mass.—In spirit, at least, our American farmer has been very much abroad for some years. Since about 1914, to be more exact, at which time the European harvests were greatly reduced. But American crops no longer govern the world markets even though they rule our own business conditions with pretty much of an iron hand. Nor are they likely to do so again for some time. Why? Let us travel a bit and see.

Inroads on the market for American cotton in Japan are being made by cotton from east Africa. Brazil's progress in the production of cotton is rapid. The Germans have just undertaken a tremendous program of intensified agriculture to make the country self-supporting from a food standpoint. They are wise, but it is another little nail going into the coffin of the American farmer abroad. England has undertaken an effort to stimulate the market and consumption in Great Britain of food products from the overseas links of the empire—in preference to foreign products. Another nail that will go deep! Italy and Czechoslovakia have just completed new tariff schedules on agricultural products. France is once more enforcing the embargo against American fresh pork. Russia, somewhat ignored today, is producing grain—and will surely prove an increasingly important source of supply of foodstuffs.

Nine European countries will produce upwards of 627 million bushels of wheat this year. Last year they grew but 483 million bushels. The same countries report 372 million bushels of rye, compared to 249 million bushels last year. These nine countries account for only about one-half of the wheat and rye crops of Europe outside of Russia. Argentina has seeded a record crop, while Canada, Japan, Korea, northern Africa all report splendid grains.

Anywhere—everywhere—we see the foreigner pushing our farmer off the plow—abroad. After all, it is his land—his plow—even though he has not in many cases fully paid us for the latter implement. There is in every country a desire to become self-sufficient in foodstuffs. We believe, however, that the cost of accomplishing that end in many congested manufacturing lands will serve only to defeat the efforts.

In the meantime though our farmer cannot help but regard Europe, in particular, as a poor buyer. If it is not due to increased competition from such as Canada and Argentina, it is because of reduced buying power, and one is about as bad as the other so far as immediate prospects for our farmer here are concerned. By better balancing himself and his products in his own markets here, he will go a long way towards forgetting about these rising obstacles to his presence upon the plow abroad.

Picnic Held at Reservoir.

Employees at the new city reservoir, with their families, held a picnic during the noon hour Friday. About 20 were present. The site of the reservoir is a pretty spot for picnics and Godard & Randall, contractors, have suggested that the city make it possible for picnics to be held there by buying the "wooden railway" upon which material for the reservoir is being transported.

Drane Funeral Held.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Drane, who died recently at her home on Mosby creek, was held Friday forenoon from the Mills chapel. The local Eastern Star chapter had charge of the services.

TELEPHONE COMPANY STARTS TO GET OFF STREET

Laying Ducts in Alley to Carry Its Wires to Rear of Exchange Building.

As part of its program to remove its wires from Main street, the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company is placing ducts in north First alley. Three ducts are now being laid from the east side of north Sixth street up the alley to the rear of the building occupied by the telephone exchange. One of these ducts will carry the toll lines which now go through the city on the east side of Sixth street. The cable for these is now here and will be at once placed in the duct. Another of the ducts will carry the east wires of the local exchange and the third duct is for emergencies and probably will not be needed for a number of years. Later a single duct will be laid west in the alley to carry west wires for the local exchange.

It is understood to be the plan of the telephone company to have all its wires removed from Main street by the end of next year. That this be done has been requested by the city council.

WATER LEAK IS OLD ONE

Excavation of Streets Reveals A Break of Several Years.

A leak in one of the city's water mains, through which water evidently had been wasting for several years, was discovered when a telephone construction crew was digging a trench across north Sixth street several days ago. A cavity in the foundation of the street 18 inches in height was found. The spurting water had dug out the hole, the dirt being washed away into a gravel bar under the street. It was presumed that the fact that the water did not come to the surface and show that there was a leak there was due to the fact that it ran off in the gravel bar.

The leak was just outside the C. J. Kem building. Mr. Kem had been complaining for a year that he believed water was running into the basement from a break in the city's water line and it was found that some of the water was following the pipe through which oil is fed into the heating plant of the Kem building from a tank buried in the street.

Waters for Neighbor Pays Fine

O. W. Hays, superintendent of schools, has paid a fine of \$3 for irrigating out of hours. He made no complaint about the fine, although he seemed to be the victim of circumstances. During the absence of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Allison, Mr. Hays would turn the water on at the Allison home at the same time in the morning that he turned his own on. Later a man who was caring for the Allison lawn would turn it off. On the morning that the offense was committed the man came and moved the sprinkler but forgot to turn it off. As the sprinkler had been moved and he could not see water running, Mr. Hays thought it had been turned off. Mr. Allison has reimbursed Mr. Hays.

Auto Camp Adds Cabins.

Four new cabins are being erected at the Woodson auto camp north of the city, which will give the camp a total of 10. Shower baths will be provided for next season, also a community kitchen and possibly a library reading room. This camp already has become known as one of the prettiest, one of the best kept and one of the best equipped along Pacific highways. Twenty-one cars stopped there Friday night.

FOOTPRINTS OF PIONEER DAYS

Interesting Events in the Lives of Those Who Laid Sturdy Foundation for the Present Generation.

The Sentinel publishes herewith the first chapter of a story of the Cottage Grove of 25 years ago written by one who was a resident here at the time but who now lives in a much less pleasant place, the California penitentiary. How he came to be there The Sentinel does not know, and has not tried to learn, but as to the story it is quite certain that the facts are as related. One chapter will appear each week.

IT JUST HAPPENED SO.

By Jay Bee.

If I could write fiction I should be glad to do so, but being that I cannot do that thing, then I will necessarily be compelled to stick to facts—and they do say that facts are stranger than fiction, and I believe that's so, too.

It has been a long time since the incidents or facts in this little narrative happened, but they did "happen," and even in the passing of these twenty-five years they have remained fresh in my memory. They do say also that "large oaks from little acorns grow," and that must be so, too, for it was a mighty little thing that started things to happening, which grew into a considerable story, especially viewed from the standpoint of the ones who are the most interested.

As I said before, it was a very insignificant incident that started the ripples that went right on rippling the life waters of several persons who go to make up the characters herein, and if I were not one of the characters I could not tell the story.

So, you see, I will have to stick to facts as I know them, supplemented here and there by other facts as they were told to me, which, being placed side by side

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DINNER CREEK HAS PLENTY OF WATER FOR CITY

Water Commissioner Pitcher Finds Good Flow Following Dry Spell of 70 Days.

Fear that there might not be sufficient water in Dinner creek, which soon is to be the city's source of water supply, has been allayed by a visit to that stream by Water Commissioner Pitcher. He reached there just before Saturday's rain and found a flow of six inches of water for the entire width of the stream. This has been as dry a season as this section has ever had, with no rain for 70 days, so that it is now reasonably certain that this creek will at all times furnish a sufficient supply of water for the city's needs for many years to come.

Anderson & Middleton, who will soon start logging operations in the city's present watershed, are to have the city's main water line extended to Dinner creek by October 1, according to their contract with the government.

When the city's intake is moved to this source it is expected an engineering defect in the grade of the city's main line near Rujada will be overcome by the increased pressure.

Dogwood Tree Fools Flower Hogs

A dogwood tree is in full bloom on the Judson Allen place on Pacific highway a mile north of here. This is one of the first trees to bloom in the spring and, so far as Mr. Allen is aware, this is the first instance of one blooming at this time of the year. This tree bore no blooms in the spring and it is the opinion of Mr. Allen that it waited until this time to fool the flower hogs that destroy the dogwoods that bloom early.



ASLEEP IN THE CAVES HE LOVED SO WELL

That greed and selfishness with nary a thought for our fellowman does not rule the world is the moral one can draw from the story of Floyd Collins' unfortunate death in a Kentucky cave recently. Indeed, the world plainly showed that it had a heart when the news first spread that the young explorer was caught in an underground cave passage way, more than 70 feet below the surface. Offers of aid, financial and otherwise, came from far distant points.

When it was seen that Collins could not be rescued via Nature's natural tunnel—through which he had first crawled—a shaft was sunk in hopes of bringing him out alive. The sinking of that shaft proved the mettle of which men are made. Veteran miners, youthful college boys, seasoned engineers did all that was humanly possible to effect the saving of one precious life. They toiled unceasingly—off to the point of utter exhaustion—for twenty-four hours a day to reach the unfortunate victim.

Time and again the walls of the shaft threatened to engulf them. Boulders, mud, muck and slime kept dropping on the workmen. But they were not to be daunted in their determined task. With a faith of steel and the slogan, "Go Get Collins!" they battled with Nature for more than two weeks. Heroes every one of them. For they received no compensation. They wanted only that reward—to save a human life.

At last they attained their goal. But—too late. Young Collins had died, caught under a boulder in the caves he loved so well and in exploring which he had spent all his life. The above picture was taken of Collins on an exploration tour he took shortly before his tragic end.

The risk of taking his body out of the cave was considered too great. So they've left him there—in eternal sleep. If Collins but knew what the world had tried for him, his words no doubt would be: "Yes, the world has a heart."

By L. F. Van Zelm

Prehistoric Relics Are Found

One Find May Be Insulation From Steam Pipes of the Place Of the Hot Brimstone.

The unearthing in Egypt of the bodies of Pharaohs who lived 3,000 years ago, the unearthing in South America of ruins of cities that must have existed long before the days of Adam and the finding in China of dinosaur eggs 10 million years of age, are likely to be equalled or surpassed by discoveries at the site of the city's new water reservoir. Already there have been found what is believed to be a portion of a tooth of an animal that must have been larger than the mammoth mastodon and samples of crystal quartz that are not native to the soil and must have been millions of years in working their way through the earth from the place of their origin. If the crystals were hurled there during some great volcanic eruption, millions of years must have been required to bury them under many feet of earth.

The greatest curiosity found is what appears to have been a chunk of insulation for a steam pipe. It is coal black in color, with a thin coating of asbestos outside. It appears to have been shaped around a pipe while in a plastic condition, probably in much the same manner that concrete of today is handled.

There is no explanation of how this came to be buried here unless it be that the hot place to which none of us wish to go is located underneath the reservoir site and the piece of pipe packing was blown upward during some explosion in the nether world.

It has been proved that the Garden of Eden was located in this favored section of the famous, fertile fruitful Willamette. Seedlings that were believed to have come down from the original Spitzbergen that got Adam into all the trouble were found growing here when the early settlers arrived and what is believed to have been the original fig tree has been discovered with several of its leaves missing.

MANY ERECT NEW HOMES

Permits Are Issued at Office Of City Recorder.

There is no cessation in home building in Cottage Grove. Building permits have been issued recently from the city recorder's office as follows:

- Howard Davis, frame dwelling on Ash avenue, estimated cost \$650.
- D. J. Sullivan, frame dwelling on Grover avenue, estimated cost \$1000.
- S. J. Brund, frame dwelling at the corner of Birch avenue and old north Pacific highway.
- Alvis Wicks, frame dwelling at corner of Second street and Jefferson avenue, estimated cost \$1000.
- A. L. Woodard, frame dwelling on Eighth street, estimated cost \$2900.
- Mrs. Ella J. Woodard and Albert C. Woodard have completed plans for the erection of frame dwellings on south Fourth street.

First Women To Take Car to Mines

Mrs. Glen Scott and Mrs. Stanley Darnwood lay claim to being the first women to drive an automobile into Bohemia, and it is not likely that their claim will be disputed. They drove a Ford roadster to the Champion mill Monday of last week. Driving an auto into the district is a task for a man. Driving a Ford, which has no gear shift, is even more difficult and there are few men who care to tackle the job. The last six miles of the trip is a steady climb which must be made in low with any car.

SEDAN IS DEMOLISHED IN HIGHWAY ACCIDENT

Drain Newspaper Describes Miraculous Escape From Death of Local Family.

The Drain Enterprise carried the following account of the accident in which the baby of Mr. and Mrs. Hammon, of this city, was injured: "A Ford sedan in which Mrs. R. C. Baker and two children, of Drain, and Mr. and Mrs. Hammon and five weeks old baby of Cottage Grove were riding, met a serious accident Sunday afternoon four miles north of Drain on the Pacific highway.

The sedan was struck by a Studebaker coach driven by Frank Wall, of Los Angeles, and hurled down the embankment. All of the occupants escaped being killed. Riding with Mr. Wall were his wife and three children. They stopped and gave every possible aid. The five weeks old baby, which seemed to be in the worst condition, was taken by Mrs. Wall and rushed to Cottage Grove in another car that stopped at the scene.

"The mother of the baby was thought to have sustained internal injuries and all members of the party sustained minor cuts and bruises and suffered from severe nervous shock. They were taken to Cottage Grove, where their wounds were dressed and Mrs. Baker and children were able to return home the same evening. About all that remained of the Ford sedan was the steering wheel and the chassis.

"Several who saw the accident concurred in the opinion that the driver of the Studebaker coach, who endeavored to pass from the rear, failed to estimate the reach of his car and cut in too quickly, thus catching the front wheel of the sedan. Mr. Wall and family remained over night at the Baker home, where every effort was being made toward a satisfactory adjustment.

Mrs. Hammon is a sister of Mrs. Baker, with whom the Hammons had spent the week end. They were being taken home when the accident happened."

Mrs. Hammon and baby are reported to be well on the road to recovery.

Rain Benefits Fruit.

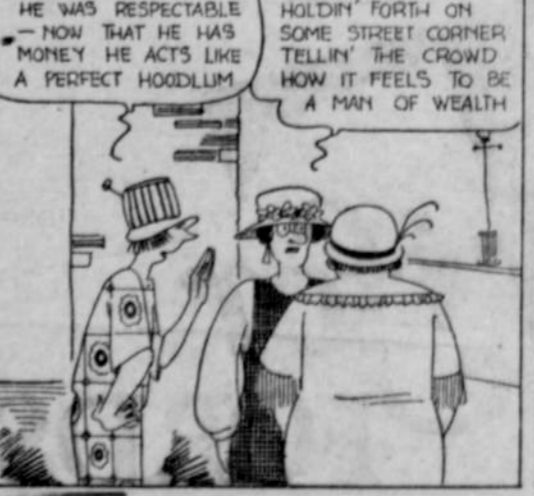
Late fruit has been greatly helped by the recent precipitation of .78 of an inch. Beans, corn and late gardens were also benefited. The danger from forest fires has also been temporarily eliminated. This was the first rain for 70 days. Last year during August there was a fall of .79 of an inch.

Walker Store Is Robbed.

The Wright store at Walker was robbed Saturday night, the loot including two automobile tires, several pairs of shoes and a number of knives. There is no clue to the robbers.

THE FEATHERHEADS

FELIX WAS IN A JEWELRY STORE TRYING TO SPEND SOME OF HIS NEWLY ACQUIRED \$200,000 WHEN A BANDIT ENTERED. FELIX SWUNG AT THE BANDIT, BUT MISSED, AND HIT THE JEWELER INSTEAD. NATURALLY, FELIX WAS ARRESTED AS THE BANDIT'S ACCOMPLICE.



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