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OUR PRESIDENT.
A new president is at the helm, and no chief executive in recent years has had a more treacherous course to steer.

He bears a famous name and has won his own spots politically.

For the first time within the memory of this writer there has been a prospect of relief from depression during a democratic administration. Heretofore that has been a job for republicans.

But there seems to be a promise of better things, and the incoming president himself and his supporters have promised much.

This paper is neutral as to from what source the relief will come. The reason this paper believes there is promise of better things is largely because of the tremendous vote of confidence given the president and members of the democratic party in congress in the great upset of last November. It is confidence that we need to bring us back to normal.

Added to the confidence expressed in the administration in the further fact that the democratic defeated party stand ready to do anything within their power to make the administration a successful one. Members of both parties have been heartened by the somewhat brief but outstanding inaugural address. It sounds like the message of one who is under a misapprehension as to the great responsibilities that are his, it sounds like the message of one who is determined to bring order out of chaos and believes that he will be able to do so. It sounds like the address of a man of energy and ability, all of which he is ready to throw into the great work before him.

No president of recent years has had greater responsibilities, nor greater opportunities. The welfare of his party and of his country depend upon the wisdom exercised by our new president and by the support given him by those who have been called to govern. He seems to have the first, and the second should be given him without stint. This newspaper for one offers all it has to give in the great work of the next four years.

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the chattel slavery of America to 1863. In the black code of South Carolina death was the penalty for him who dared to aid any slave in running away from his master. It was a crime punishable by imprisonment for a white man to teach a negro to read or write. It was left for a so-called christian nation to do what pagan slavery never did—to prohibit instruction of a slave. E. O. ROBERTSON.

Church News
Adventist Church.—At intersection of west Main and M streets is a small white church, Seventh Day Adventist, each Saturday at 9:30 an hour is spent in the study of the Sabbath school lesson. At 11 o'clock the pastor, Elder Paul Iverson, delivers a sermon, the proof of his statements being taken by chapter and verse from the Bible. Wednesday evening hour, 7:30.

Pentecostal Assembly of God Church, Atwood Foster, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45, S. S. thermo-meter contest, March 26. Five Bibles as prizes. Forenoon service, 11, morning worship; evening service, 7:30, evangelistic. Tuesday, 7:30, Bible study on "Fundamental Truths of Our Faith." Friday, 7:15, choir practice; 7:45, young people's service, followed by Bible study by Pastor or Mrs. Foster, Saturday, 3, children's church with sand table.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Meredith A. Groves, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45, Mrs. C. E. Umphrey, superintendent; forenoon service, 11, sermon topic, "What Must the Church Do to Save?" Special music, evening service, 5, sermon topic, "The Worst Thing in Cottage Grove." The high school girls' club will sing at the church members' meeting, 8:10, senior and intermediate league; 7:15 young people's league.

Lutheran Church, (Missouri Synod) Adventist church building, west Main, Services Sunday, 10 a. m. The Bible class will meet at 10. The pastor will preach the second of a series of sermons based on Christ's seven words spoken on the cross. The theme will be the second word of Christ, "Verily, I Say Unto Thee, Today Shall Thou Be With Me in Paradise." W. Sylwester, Roseburg, pastor.

Highway Baptist Church, Henry W. Davis, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45, Mrs. K. K. Miller, superintendent; forenoon service, 11, sermon topic, "The Betrayal of Judas," the second in the pre-Easter series; evening service, 7:30, testimony and song service followed by sermon by the evangelist. During the revival there will be services each day at 2:30 and 7:30. Holiness association meeting Wednesday, March 15. Services at 10:30, 2 and 7:30 except Saturday.

Free Methodist Church, R. W. Howell, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45, Mrs. Elizabeth Tarr, superintendent; forenoon service, 11, sermon topic, "Is Our Christianity Christian Enough?" Evening service, 7:30, sermon topic, "Does Personal Identity Continue?" This is the second in the evening series on questions related to the future life. Are we the same person after death that we are before? Shall we know each other there? These questions will be discussed. Prayer meeting. You are welcome to our Bible hour study each Wednesday evening.

Church of Christ, I. G. Shaw, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45, Clem Sarff, superintendent. The men of this school are with the community men's Bible class at the armory. Forenoon service, 11, sermon topic, "What of Your Life?" Communion of the Lord's supper. Evening service, 7:30, sermon topic, "The Greatest of These." This will be the annual sermon to the Knights of Pythias lodge. The Knights will present a musical number. Young people's meetings, 6:20. Topic "The Kind of God Christ Revealed." Armand Riggs, leader. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30, Mrs. C. E. Madden, leader.

Community Men's Bible Class at the armory every Sunday. The class for the man without church school affiliations. Lesson, "Two Folds." I. G. Shaw.

Land Plaster Urged For Alfalfa, Clover
By the end of this week is the time to apply land plaster to alfalfa and clover, according to O. S. Fletcher, county agricultural agent. The agent recommends that the plaster has been used with good response, it is used again. If it is not used weeds are apt to grow and the stand will run out much more quickly. It is recommended that 125 to 150 pounds of the plaster to the acre be used on alfalfa and about 75 pounds for clover.

The plaster costs in the neighborhood of 55 cents per 100 pounds, the cost per acre at that rate being about \$1. As the yield of alfalfa is about five tons to the acre when plaster is applied, \$1 worth of plaster will give two and a half tons to the acre more than without the plaster, it is pointed out.

In case farmers have no cash with which to buy the plaster, it is suggested by the county agent that they arrange with those who have the cash to borrow the price of the plaster and pay for it in the increased yield of hay.

In the case of clover being raised for the seed it is recommended that less than the plaster be applied than where it is cut for hay.

One of Tutankhamen's 158 jewels is valued at \$5,000,000.

Children of 8 years have been killed while working in English mines.

Mosquito bites are inflicted to cure a blood disease.

Chinese queues came off when the Manchus lost control of China.

Fifteen tons of silk worms were sent to Japan from this country in 1931.

English laws are against building of skyscrapers.

Slavery had become almost extinct in Europe when it had a rebirth in American colonies.

Cheese is mentioned in Hindu literature at least 3,000 years before Christ. It was then called "chaturang."

The pinnacles in Sand Creek Valley, Oregon, are the result of years of erosion.

American purchase \$30,000,000 worth of fraudulent stocks each week.

Soap should never be used on white silk. It should be dissolved in water before laundering is begun.

The aircraft carrier, U. S. S. Langley, was the first electrically driven ship in the American navy.

SOCIETY
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Emerson entertained a dinner Friday evening honoring the high school basketball team. The table and rooms were decorated in keeping with the high school colors and St. Patrick's day. A three-piece orchestra played throughout the dinner. Speeches were made by D. A. Emerson, E. L. Grant and O. M. Bagley. The basketball boys presented Mr. Emerson and Mr. Bagley with leather billfolds. Virgil Horn was elected captain for next year. After dinner the Lions' club took the guests to the theater. Guests were Ruth and Jane Stowell, Mildred and Irma Grant, Augusta Heck, Wheeler, Lorraine and Evelyn Coiner, Charlotte Burkholder, Gail Lindamood, Evelyn Kellogg, Mary Madden, Anna Pankas, Mackin, Robert Dusenberry, Dan Kelly, Clarence Ballew, Tom Kem, Clifford Shaw, Forrest Lemley, Vincent Bricker, Lloyd Ploward, Sanders, Ed Cone, Lester Powers, Virgil Horn, Raymond Thies, Tom Cox, Lewis Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gramms, Mrs. Emerson was assisted in serving by Mrs. L. W. Coiner, Mrs. C. J. Kem and Miss Marie Bowen.

The Presbyterian ladies' aid society met Wednesday afternoon in the church parlors with Mrs. J. F. Mendenhall, Mrs. J. T. Smith and Mrs. J. P. Graham as hostesses. A food table which was started for St. Patrick's day, was indefinitely postponed. Mrs. J. T. Smith was held over as president, Mrs. J. P. Graham was elected vice president and Mrs. O. W. Blackmore was elected secretary-treasurer. Following the business meeting the afternoon was spent socially and refreshments were served at the table. Decorations were in keeping with St. Patrick's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Whitlock entertained with a party Monday night, honoring employees of the J. C. Penney company store on the corner of Main and Commercial. The evening was spent working jig saw puzzles. Refreshments were served at a late hour. The decorations were in keeping with the store colors, orange and black, and a feature was a birthday cake with nine orange candles. Guests were Lawrence Kelly of Riffe, Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Damon Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stacy and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Gates.

The Research club met Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. D. A. Emerson. Mrs. L. W. Coiner was present and the topic of discussion was "Romance of Detroit." Mrs. A. W. Shofstall and Mrs. E. E. Mendenhall talked on the subject and Mrs. George Bjorset gave a magazine review on "Unemployment Insurance." Following the business meeting a surprise party was given for Mrs. M. C. Hickenbottom, honoring them on their birthday anniversaries. Refreshments were served at a late hour.

The American Legion auxiliary met Monday evening in the armory, which the auxiliary is sponsoring, was given Mrs. A. W. Helliwell as scout leader and Mrs. D. A. Emerson as assistant. At the first meeting 13 girls were present. The unit made plans for a farewell party for Mrs. Fred Bennett to be held Thursday night at the home of Mrs. E. T. Hov.

A group of friends surprised Mrs. Ira Beidler and Alfred Beidler with a dinner Sunday at the Beidler home in honor of their birthday anniversaries. Guests were Mrs. Beidler, Kathleen Beidler, Mrs. A. W. Helliwell, Mrs. M. and Mrs. Verne Hazen, Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fulmer, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fulmer (Eugene), Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hamloth and Paris Breedlove.

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Mrs. Bessie Stullife entertained with a party Friday evening. The evening was spent playing rook. Refreshments were served at a late hour. The table was attractive with a floral arrangement. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Compton, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cone, Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Cone, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Umphrey, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Coiner, Mrs. Omer Moore and Fred Hotes.

Mrs. Charles Adams of Eugene entertained the M. P. club Tuesday day with a 1 o'clock luncheon. The table was attractive with daffodils and blue iris. The afternoon was spent socially. Guests were Mrs. H. W. Titus of Eugene and her mother, Mrs. C. A. Hood of Portland and Mrs. B. R. Job of this city. The club will meet in two weeks with Mrs. Harold Axley.

Mrs. Geneva Kime entertained with a party Friday evening, honoring her house guest, Miss Gladys Hugi of Portland. The evening was spent socially and playing bridge. Refreshments were served at a late hour. Guests were Miss Thekla Kem, Mrs. Bonita Skilling (Oakland, Cal.), Eugene Dove, Jack Beaker and Harold Bede.

Mrs. Merville Veatch entertained the Elmarvets club Tuesday with a 1:30 o'clock luncheon. At bridge Mrs. H. A. Hagen held high score. The tables and rooms were attractive with wild flowers. Mrs. S. R. Veatch was a guest. The club will meet in two weeks with Mrs. O. M. Bagley.

Neighbors of Woodcraft met Wednesday evening with Mrs. J. P. Graham. Twenty members were present and the evening was spent with Irish stunts and playing cards. Mrs. Mabel Sowles won prize for the best Irish stunt. Refreshments were served at a late hour. Decorations were in keeping with St. Patrick's day.

Mrs. N. E. Glass entertained the Comus club Tuesday afternoon. The afternoon was spent socially and refreshments were served at the tea hour. The rooms were attractive with daffodils and greenery. The club will meet in two weeks with Mrs. H. B. Griggs.

Miss Myrtle Kem entertained the Joker club Friday evening. At bridge Mrs. C. E. Frost held high score and Mrs. William Thum low. Guests were Mrs. J. P. Graham, Mrs. A. W. Kime and Mrs. C. J. Kem. The club will meet March 31 with Miss Lula Curran.

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