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Our new heads—

THE EUGENE NEWS calls the attention of its readers to the new heads it has adopted and also mentions that The Sentinel adopted the new style heads at the same time.

A reader of the Eugene News is reported to have commented: "The paper looks a lot better and yet it still looks like the Morning News." We can't make out whether that was meant for a compliment.

Well, anyway, every newspaper has for many years wished for some kind of heads that were different from those that had been used for a hundred years. There seemed to be but a few styles for headings and little opportunity for variations in these. Really there were hardly more than two styles, the pyramid and the stagger. Usually there was a mixture of the two.

Every year came great changes in all other kinds of typography, but newspaper heads remained the same. Freaks in typography came and went, but the pyramid and stagger heads remained entrenched, and it seemed as though it would be thus until the end of time.

Then one day, out of a clear sky, came a typographer with the American Type Founders and suggested the ragtime head, with all lines flush to the left and all white space at the right.

Head writers were hot for the idea at once. The old heads were difficult to write. Words had to be juggled, verbs had to be omitted to make words fit the restrictions of the lines. Lines had to fill a certain space, so many letters to a line, but in the ragtime head a letter more or less usually makes no difference.

Happy days had come for the head writer.

All who have made a test seem to be agreed that white space all to the right and all lines starting at the same point makes heads easier to read. Some even claim that the appearance of the newspapers has been improved, but there is disagreement about that.

There is, however, one improvement that can not be disputed.

With the ragtime head the old square gothics are being scrapped and prettier type faces substituted, and these in upper and lower case. Upper and lower case letters (capitals and small letters to you) in combination are much easier to read than all upper case (capitals).

Speaking of upper case and lower case, does anyone know what the small letters were called before type was invented and put into upper and lower cases, from which fact the terms "upper" and "lower" case are derived?

The greater ease with which the ragtime heads are written and set (put into type) may lead to carelessness in head writing, but at any rate the head writer is entitled to a little ease and comfort, something he could never have with the old-style pyramid and stagger heads.

The Sentinel is one of the few weekly newspapers to adopt the flapper heads. It likes to lead the field and had actually ordered type for the new heads some time in advance of the adoption of the new style by the News.

And we wonder why the News doesn't go all the way, as The Sentinel did, and use the ragtime for the banks in its heads, instead of retaining that much of the old pyramid style. The combination of ragtime and pyramid is about the same as a woman wearing beach costume above the hips and formal costume below.

How Huey did it—

THERE ARE IN OREGON, as well as in probably every state in the union, many persons who thoughtlessly say that the state of which the person chances to be a resident needs a person like Huey Long to handle the reins of government.

There are in Oregon many who profess to believe that Oregon would benefit from having someone take over dictatorial powers in the manner Huey did in Louisiana.

Such remarks are made because the persons making them are not familiar with what Huey did or how he did it. We as a people are prone to approve things done by someone a long way away when we would denounce the same things if done at home.

Of course, it may be that Louisiana needed someone like Huey Long.

We don't know what the rotten

conditions may have been that made it possible for a buffoon and a demagog to rise to the entrenched position of power that was occupied by Dictator Long.

Huey is the only person of which this writer has ever heard who could get into a brawl in a public place and not be committing political suicide.

Yet Huey Long seemed to be even stronger after the much-publicized incident that would have sent anyone else to political oblivion. Hundreds of thousands, even outside his own state, hailed him as a political savior.

Why, in Oregon, we had a United States senator, one of the ablest we ever had, who had a little affair on a public street in eastern Oregon with the result that he was defeated at the next election and has been defeated every time since that he has tried for public place.

A candidate for governor in Oregon at the most recent election got into a mild argument in a restaurant at Eugene, and the incident lost him thousands of votes. Of course, he probably would have been defeated regardless of the incident.

Let us apply Senator Long's way of doing things to our home state, and see how the Long method would set when applied at home.

Last year the city council put over a plan for refunding bonds that saved the city a considerable sum of money. What would the voters of Cottage Grove have done if the city officials who engineered the plan had collected a fee for what they did?

But that is the method Huey used in Louisiana.

While James W. Mott was corporation commissioner he did things that he claimed saved residents of the state many thousands of dollars. If Mr. Mott had collected from the state a percentage of that saving, would he have been elected to the congress at the next election? Not so that you could notice it!

But Huey Long would have collected a percentage if he had done the job.

Huey Long was a poor man when he went into public office. He was reputed to be fairly wealthy when he was murdered. At any rate we all know that he spent huge sums of money from his private purse. His senatorial salary provided but a small part of the amount which news stories showed that he was spending.

Where did he get it?

Here's how he got some of it: While serving as United States senator he collected one fee of \$225,000 from the state tax commission of Louisiana and \$125,000 from the public service commission, both for legal services, and he told those commissions whom they should employ to give that legal service.

How long would Senator McNary or Senator Steiwer stay on the job for Oregon if they were able to pull strings so that they could collect such fees from the state of Oregon?

And yet there are many who thoughtlessly say that Oregon needs a Huey Long.

A man like Huey Long wouldn't last long in Oregon.

THEY ALL LIKE SPACE.

Stillwater (Minn.) Post-Messenger.

People who say they are not influenced by the papers they read, that it does not pay to advertise, and all the other pre-historic alibis of the poor business man who hated to be interrupted long enough to wait on trade, ought just to drop into this office some day and see the piles of "free copy" we receive each week.

Public utilities, natural gas, livestock men, congressmen, legislators, politicians getting ready for next election, young democrats, old republicans, medical associations, taxpayers' associations, men who think they can write good special articles on politics and women who think they can write about styles; every week these groups and many more spend money for postage and mimeographing in the hope that The Post-Messenger and other papers will help mold public opinion their way by printing their stuff.

If newspaper men have touchier dispositions than the average man—and far be it from us to admit that's the case—it's because they spend so much of their time trying to keep from being "worked" by groups which would rather chisel than advertise.

Garden celery originated in Germany.

Czechoslovakia is trying to stimulate interest in sheep raising.

Minnesota is the leading barley-producing state of the Union.

No less than 31,000 specimens of plants known to exist in West Virginia are housed in the herbarium of the College of Agriculture at Morgantown.

Blowflies are a warm weather enemy of the sheepmen. Maggots developing from eggs laid by the fly in dirty wool, or wool wet with urine are extremely irritating to sheep.

Dust, Spray Halts Bean Leaf Hopper

Copper Compound Found Good Protection If Applied Early.

By L. H. Shropshire, Assistant Entomologist, Illinois State Natural History Survey.—WNU Service.

It is too early in the season to determine whether bean leaf hoppers will be plentiful enough to cause serious damage to the bean crop this year. However, the hoppers frequently reduce the crop by 50 per cent, and adequate preparations for dusting or spraying the beans with a copper compound will be good crop insurance.

Unprotected beans yielded 50 per cent less than those that had been sprayed or dusted in tests conducted at the Cook county branch experiment station of the College of Agriculture, University of Illinois.

A copper dust containing tobacco and gypsum is one of the dusts and sprays that has proved effective in controlling the leaf hopper during the tests. It was applied at the rate of about 20 to 25 pounds to the acre. Applications were made five times, beginning as soon as the plants were well above the ground and continuing until five applications were made.

The 3-6-50 Bordeaux spray also proved effective, but was not quite as good as the dust. Nicotine sulphate spray had little value in controlling leaf hoppers.

Bean leaf hoppers do not hibernate in the garden regions of Illinois, but migrate to the beans late in the season. They constitute one of the worst enemies of beans and frequently infest gardens in heavy numbers.

Cut Grass Hay Early Is

Recommended by Expert

"The leading slogan about grass hay is to 'cut it early.' Disregard 'first bloom' and 'second bloom' of timothy, and cut as soon as the heads are completely out. . . . Hay cut early will contain 8 per cent or more protein, and is much more palatable to the dairy cow. It is cow hay. If the meadows were fertilized this spring with nitrogenous fertilizer, there will be an even higher percentage of protein in the hay (as protein is made from nitrogen) and, of course, a higher yield. . . . Cut your hay early and get two crops of quality hay."

This is a statement made by Prof. L. A. Keegan of the Rhode Island experiment station. It may be said that several experiment stations have been paying more attention to making good hay from timothy and other grasses and invariably reports are to the effect that through fertilization and early cutting, a hay is produced which is much superior to that grown on meadows not rich in nitrogen and cut late.—Hoard's Dairyman.

Feed for Work Horse

One of the poorest bits of economy on the farm is to try to save on the feed of work horses. Says a writer in Pathfinder Magazine. It is a common error as feed supplies get low to increase the quantity of roughage and lessen the amount of concentrated feed. An idle horse can eat enough roughage to supply its needs for proteins, vitamins, and minerals, but a working horse cannot. If deprived of an adequate amount of concentrated feeds the work horse begins to draw on the body fat for energy needed, and when that is exhausted it begins to draw on the muscles with the result that efficiency is constantly decreased. If this condition continues a complete breakdown is inevitable. The work horse should be fed chiefly on grains and other easily digested concentrated feeds with only enough roughage to keep the digestive tract in good order.

Habits of Canary Grass

Canary grass does have an underground stem and spreads similar to quack grass. It is our experience, says a writer in Hoard's Dairyman, that it does not spread as rapidly as quack grass and we have been told by those growing it that it is not as difficult to destroy as quack grass. It has been customary to sow canary grass on low land that is not particularly suited to cultivated crops and where when once established there is little reason for plowing it up.

Diaz Cross Treasured

Possibly the greatest treasure in Cape Town's museum is the remnants of the Iron cross which was set up by Bartholomew Diaz, when in the year 1489, he landed at Luderitz on his memorable voyage to and round the Cape of Good Hope.

Juveniles Elect Officers.

Juveniles of Neighbors of Woodcraft have elected the following officers: Donna Hatch, P. G. N.; Bernice Smith, G. N.; Albert Smith, adviser; Fay Nixon, magician; Lois Hansen, attendant; Frances Hefflin, clerk; Virginia Brown, banker; Dorothy Hatch, C. of G.; Dorothy Jean Jackson, I. S.; Marguerite Williams, O. S.; Velma Bennett, musician; Beverly Whit-

lock and Ethel May Allen, flag bearers; Velma Wilson and Mary Hansen, guards.

A Small Bible

One of the smallest Bibles in the world was printed at Glasgow in 1901. Without the cover it measures 1 1/4 by 1 1/4 inches, and is seven-sixteenths of an inch thick. It contains 876 pages and many illustrations.

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