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- JUNE
- 18—The United States declared war against Great Britain, 1812.
 - 19—Maine separated from the state of Massachusetts, 1820.
 - 20—The first patent on the telephone was issued to Morse, 1840.
 - 21—McCormick obtained his first patent for a reaping machine, 1834.
 - 22—Printing office of the Baltimore Federalist destroyed by a mob, 1812.
 - 23—William Penn made his famous treaty with the Indians, 1683.
 - 24—Jay's Treaty with England ratified by the Senate, 1795.

THINK BEAUTIFUL THOUGHTS.

The announcement of the death of Sir James M. Barrie in London last Saturday caused thousands of grownups to hark back to their childhood days when they dreamed of a flying visit to Never-Never-Land.

Who but Barrie, creator of a new world of fancy, could have made a play about Never-Never-Land and Peter Pan, the boy who lost his shadow? If you have ever watched Peter, in the play, teaching the Darling children how to fly, you have, no doubt, felt confident that you could jump up and fly, too. You will remember that when the children heard that they could learn to fly they were quite excited, and immediately began to spring into the air. But they always fell and sprawled on the ground, or plumped flat on the beds.

"You must think beautiful thoughts," said Peter Pan and he immediately soared up gracefully into the air and sailed noiselessly round the room.

Thinking "beautiful thoughts" the children quickly learned and they all began to fly round the room with cries of delight. Then, to the windows opened wide, Peter Pan led the way into the night and, despite Tinker Bell's loud tinkle and Nana's warning bark, they soared toward the stars. "Second to the right, and straight on till morning, was the way to Never-Never-Land," where they lived with fairies and never grew up.

Born in a little Scotch village, Barrie became a popular and beloved author in his fortieth year. Such tender entrancing fantasy and such whimsical fun ripple through his writings that one was always sorry to come to the end of his plays or stories.

Barrie was always a poet at heart. By him thousands of people have had their idea of the human soul enriched and learned to "think beautiful thoughts."

ALCOHOL, THE FOURTH HORSEMAN IN HIGH-WAY RISKS.

The World Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which convened at Washington, D. C., this month with women from 52 nations present, urged the League of Nations to investigate the "close relation" between traffic in women and drinking alcoholic beverages. A resolution assertedly stated "Commercialized vice is largely dependent upon the concomitant sale and use of alcoholic liquors and drugs."

The women also called upon their governments and transportation authorities to prohibit use of intoxicants by transportation operators while on duty and for 24 hours before going on duty. This resolution referred to automobile drivers, aircraft pilots, railroad engineers and boatmen.

Delegates also asked prohibition of the sale or supply of alcoholic beverages at airports, on board aircraft, in filling stations and on trains.

These suggestions, or requests, are sane and if enacted into law and enforced would most certainly greatly diminish the excessive transportation accidents, which are now killing and maiming for life so many people.

Alcohol is described as "The Fourth Horseman of the Highway" in an editorial attack on drunken driving in the current issue of the Keystone Motorist, official organ of the Keystone Automobile club of Philadelphia.

"Alcohol has joined with speed, recklessness and incompetence to form a new and fearsome quartet," says the editorial.

"Conclusive proof that gasoline and liquor make a poor safety mixture is gleaned from an analysis of Pennsylvania accident statistics. The tollable figures show that drunken motorists' fatalities have increased every year since 1930.

"More damaging evidence against the drinking-and-driving menace is unearthed in figures showing that early morning motor vehicle crashes continue to exceed by a wide margin the evening rush hour toll.

"All doubt should be dispelled by the record of operators' license revocations in Pennsylvania during the first four months and 10 days of 1937. Out of a total of 1899 license revocations, 1406 were denied the privilege of operating motor vehicles because of intoxication.

"Such truly astonishing figures leave little room for argument. The situation is one of utmost gravity, and sooner or later must be faced. The vast majority of motorists who make legitimate use of the highways have a right to expect protection from the irresponsible element."

GOVERNMENT WORKERS ORGANIZE.

The latest news from Washington is that a "Guild" has been organized by 41 secretaries of congressmen who have "pledged their joint efforts to advancing the philosophy and purposes of the John L. Lewis labor organizations. The secretaries will ask for travel pay for themselves, and double the clerk hire allowance for representatives, from \$5000 to \$10,000 a year for each congressman."

When the 2,000,000 employees of Federal and State governments sign up with Lewis a nationwide sit-down strike of these employees, paralyzing all government activities, is not beyond the realm of possibilities, if their future demands are not met.

What will President Roosevelt do about this proposed organization? Will he have the courage to come out against it, or will his alleged political friendship with his supposed largest campaign contributor keep him as silent as he has been in the recent sit-down strikes which has caused and is causing so much loss in the automobile and steel industries?

The press reported that Governor Martin came out against unionizing Oregon state employees, but apparently there are not many government officials that have the courage of the governor.

PRICE FIXING LAWS.

President Roosevelt deserves commendation for sidetracking the Miller-Tydings bill, which would have made price maintenance agreements binding in interstate commerce. These price fixing laws, wrongfully called "fair trade" laws, extending over a number of states are an active threat to consumer purchasing power, according to Ralph I. Straus of R. H. Macy & Co., who, in proof of 1497 branded items that have been price-fixed by these laws, have increased 21.5 per cent over their previous prices in Macy's.

These laws permit the manufacturer to set a minimum price at which all retailers must sell his products. In other words they permit the manufacturers, who account for about half the cost of an article, to set the entire price of the product. This makes no allowance for differences in distributive costs, which vary greatly. The distributor, who, through efficient practices, keeps his cost of doing business to say 20 per cent, must charge the same minimum price as the less efficient distributor who cannot get his costs below 40 per cent.

It is not difficult to believe that the ultimate consumer would be the ultimate loser under such circumstances. But far worse the Miller-Tydings bill would have introduced a far-reaching price regulation by the Federal Government.

USED CAR PURCHASERS PROTECTED.

Several states have passed laws protecting the used car purchaser and compelling the dealers in used

automobiles to register. In many states such dealers must be bonded to protect the buyer from loss through fraudulent claims as to title, freedom from liens, quality, condition or value of the vehicle he has bought.

Oregon dealers under the new 1937 law are required to post a bond of \$5000 with the secretary of state as a guarantee against fraud, misrepresentation or failure to deliver a valid title to a car. By another new act, persons importing used motor vehicles into Oregon for resale, except those for trade in on another new or used vehicle, must file a bond with the secretary of state of not less than the sale price of the vehicle, or not more than \$1000.

Florida was the first state to take legislative steps when it enacted a used car dealer bonding and registration law in 1935. This year Utah, North Carolina, North Dakota, New Mexico, Michigan, Illinois, Arizona and Alabama have adopted laws similar to those now in force in Oregon.

If all of the used car dealers were as reliable as those in Cottage Grove these laws would be unnecessary, but it is a fact that many purchasers of secondhand automobiles throughout the country have lost them and the amount paid for them.

PLAIN TALK BY DOCTORS.

The American Medical Association follows the lead of the United States Public Health Service in telling the people that syphilis must be recognized, by its own name, and fought to a standstill as a menace to public health equal to tuberculosis. Norway and Sweden have this plague under control, and according to reports of clinics in Washington its victims can be restored to health, or at least the disease made noncommunicable.

The medical association is right in deciding that the time for pussy-footing over the mention of such an important word as syphilis has passed, and the fight is on. Leading newspapers are giving prominent editorial and news space to the subject. The subject is discussed in public schools. Books and all kinds of printed matter regarding syphilis are now in public libraries.

STATE CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

Special Legislative Session Unnecessary.

Salem, Ore.—The demand of Senator Rex Ellis of Umatilla county for a special legislative session to provide a more adequate pension for Oregon's needy aged does not meet with the approval of Governor Martin.

The governor calls attention to the fact that Ellis' proposal to provide a pension of \$30 a month was considered by the recent session and rejected. The proposal, according to the governor, is in conflict with the federal program which requires that pension payments be made only on a basis of need.

Ellis' warning that the state will find itself with a deficit of \$12,000,000 at the end of the biennium unless his advice is heeded is not well founded according to Budget Director Wharton who points out that the entire pension program for Oregon calls for an expenditure of less than that amount during the biennium with the federal government carrying one-half the burden and the state and counties sharing the other half. Furthermore the state's share of pension costs is being adequately financed through use of liquor profits, Wharton explains.

Many Notables at Cornerstone Laying.

Laying of the cornerstone for the new capitol building in Salem last week attracted the largest gathering of notables ever gathered in Oregon's capital city in many years. Among the estimated 10,000 people who witnessed the ceremony were high state officials, dignitaries of the church and high ranking officers of the Masonic Grand Lodge. Scores of legislators, including many former members, were on hand for the ceremony. The list of distinguished guests included two former governors, Oswald West and Ben W. Olcott both of Portland; two former supreme court justices, Lawrence T. Harris of Eugene and O. P. Coshov of Roseburg, and one former secretary of state, Frank I. Dunbar of Astoria, who served from 1899 to 1907.

Gosselin For Congress.

The move to run W. L. Gosselin as the democratic candidate for Congress from the first district is more than idle gossip. Prominent Salem democrats have confirmed the rumor and Gosselin admits having been approached on the subject.

Emergency Board Activities.

That the State Emergency Board has no intention of usurping the functions of the legislature was indicated at its meeting here last week. Of four requests presented

for appropriations totalling \$55,000 only one was approved, that for a total of only \$1500. The other three were held not to represent emergencies as contemplated by the legislative act authorizing the board to provide funds to cover extraordinary situations arising between sessions. One of the rejected requests called for an appropriation of \$15,000 to finance the employment of seven additional guards at the state prison so that these employees could be placed on a six-day basis. The board held that such a program was a matter of policy to be determined by the board of control and not the emergency board. Furthermore, it was pointed out that there had been no change in the situation at the prison since the legislature was in session. Another request for \$3000 to provide for an assistant parole officer failed for lack of support. Governor Martin who presented the request did not press it. Three of the emergency board members voted to restore an appropriation of \$35,000 in the higher education budget which had been lost through slipshod legislation but the four other members voted against the request.

Capitol Building Work Ahead of Schedule.

With the cornerstone ceremonies out of the way work is now proceeding with the placing of the marble exterior for the new capitol. At the same time workmen are placing the steel and pouring the concrete for the huge tower that will top the new state house. Work on the building is well ahead of schedule according to Ross B. Hammond, contractor.

Capitol Building Art Work

Outstanding events in the history of Oregon will be portrayed in the art work on the new capitol building. It was announced here this week by Francis Keally, New York architect who designed the state house. Keally made the trip across the continent by airplane to attend the cornerstone laying ceremonies. In the rotunda of the capitol, Keally explained, will be four great paintings, one depicting Captain Gray landing at the Columbia river, another showing Lewis and Clark at Celilo Falls, a third portraying the first white women to cross the continent arriving at Fort Vancouver and the fourth showing a typical wagon train of the 1843 period.

Flanking either side of the main entrance and 40 feet in front of it will be two heroic groups carved in marble. At the left the composition will portray the great Lewis and Clark expedition crossing the continent. Balancing this on the right the great wagon train of 1843 will take form.

Above the main entrance will be carved a composition in which the eagle, sun, the water and earth will form the component parts. On the flanking buttresses of the main entrance doorway are to be carved, on one side the sea otter, on the other the beaver.

Over the west entrance will be a composition of three salmon. On the east entrance, wheat has been selected as the main theme. Other sculptural subjects to be placed in various parts of the building include domesticated animals, such as the cow, the horse and the sheep, the mule, deer and buffalo. The stage coach, the locomotive and the pony express will also form part of the decorative composition.

On the floor in the center of the rotunda is to be Captain Gray's ship "The Columbia," cast in bronze, and topping the cylindrical tower will be a 22-foot bronze statue typifying a symbolic pioneer.

Leo Freeland and Ulric Ellerhusen will be the sculptors on the capitol job and Barry Faulkner and Frank Schwarz will paint the murals. All four are New York artists of nation-wide repute according to Keally.

Insured Fire Loss Totalled \$3,224,343.

Insured fire losses in Oregon during 1936 totalled \$3,224,343 according to the annual report of Hugh H. Earl, state fire marshal. This figure is 26.8 per cent below the average yearly loss for the previous ten year period. The Bandon fire with an insured loss of \$1,256,669 accounted for 39 per cent of the state total.

The Board of Control has set July 1 as the time for considering proposals from Portland property owners with buildings or building sites for sale to the state. To date four buildings and seven sites have been offered the state. The last legislature authorized the board to acquire an office building in Portland to be financed through the sale of certificates of indebtedness to be retired from rentals paid by departments occupying space in the state-owned building.

The Capitol Reconstruction commission has voiced its disapproval of a proposal to construct a garage on private property adjacent to the state office building. The commission wants this property protected as a strictly residential district.

Parole and Sentencing System Reform.

Appointment of a commission of ten lawyers and judges to revise Oregon's probation, parole and sentencing system was announced by Governor Martin this week. The ten

include Justices J. O. Bailey and George Rossmann of the state supreme court; Judge Hall S. Brand of Marshfield; Oscar Hayter of Dallas; Earl A. Nott of McMinnville; Lotus T. Langley of Portland; Senator Robert M. Duncan of Burns, and Representative N. Ray Alber of Portland. The commission is expected to present its recommendations to the next legislative session.

THE CHURCHES

Nazarene Church, C. E. Thayer, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service 11; evening service, 8; prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8.

M. E. Church, C. J. Hall, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; this is conference Sunday, the pastor will be away, no sermon; evening service, 8, union service at Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Smith preaching, congregational singing.

Christian Science Society, 242 So. 2nd St.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "Christian Science; evening service Wednesday, June 30. Reading room open in Peterson building on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9.

First Baptist Church, Henry W. Davis, Pastor.—Sunday school, 10; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "And He Took the Cup and Gave Thanks;" union service in the Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Smith will give the sermon; young people's meeting, 7; prayer meeting, Thursday, Church and Sunday school picnic Friday, June 25. Meet at the church at 1:30 p. m.

Presbyterian church, James A. Smith, Pastor.—Sunday, 11 A. M. Theme: "Pentecost, the Reversal of Babel." 7 P. M.: Young peoples meeting with the Epworth League. 7 P. M.: Union services at the Baptist church. Mr. Smith will preach the sermon after a musical prelude of the old time hymns of the church. Mr. Smith announces that if he had but one sermon to preach, the one he will preach on this occasion would be the one he would use.

Unique Program Planned.

Something very unusual in special services during the next three months, "A Christ Centered Crusade" is the program announced by Rev. E. E. Coulter of the First Christian church. Fifteen Sunday morning sermons built around the subject, "Christ's Answers to Paramount Problems of the Day," and 15 Sunday evening sermons built around the subject, "Following Jesus." These are chart services. "We must bring Christ to the people and the people to Christ," the minister said. "If they go to church they want to hear his gospel." In addition to these special sermons John L. Devereaux, bass-baritone singer, will direct the choir, giving a sacred concert at all services.

The official board of the Methodist church met Monday evening and closed the year's work preceding the annual conference which is held this week in Klamath Falls. The finance committee, reported that the year's budget had been met.

The Misses Beth Hall, Kathleen Moore, Marie Hall, Berta Anderson, Marian Balch, Ed Cone and Bob Grannis attended an Epworth League rally at Wendling Friday. A trip was taken through the Booth-Kelly mill and games furnished recreation during the afternoon. A potluck dinner was served and plans for League institutes to be held at Suttle Lake and on Little River were discussed. Short talks were given by all present.

The Women's Bible class of the Methodist church met Wednesday, June 16, at the home of the Misses Rilla and Nina Rogers, east of the city. Thirty members and Miss Beadie Bond, Albany, a guest, were present. A chicken dinner was served at the noon hour and the group worked on a quilt throughout the day. A business meeting was held under the direction of Mrs. Belle Taylor, president. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Adkins. Twenty seven calls were reported to the secretary. It was decided to especially honor those whose birthday anniversaries come within the current month of each meeting. The class voted to resume the study of outstanding women of the Bible, selecting the life of Esther for the next meeting. The class was invited to meet with Mrs. O. Knight near Saginaw in July. They will meet in the afternoon and have a picnic supper with husbands as invited guests.

The Ladies' aid society of the Methodist church met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. N. E. Compton. Mrs. Albert Woodard conducted the devotionals. A business session followed and officers elected were Mrs. Alvis Wicks, president; Mrs. Bayard Reed, vice president; Mrs. D. W. Sturges, secretary; Mrs. A. W. Wooley, treasurer. The last two named were re-elected. It was decided to hold the July meeting in the city park for a

covered dish luncheon. Nineteen were present. Mrs. Woodard and Mrs. F. L. Grannis were assisting hostesses.

The Baptist ladies' aid society met Wednesday in the church parlors. A short business meeting was held and the remainder of the afternoon was spent with sewing and general aid work.

Methodic John Wesley.

John Wesley, the founder of the second largest protestant sect, the Methodists, placed his chief reliance on a diet of bread and milk during the 50 years of his activity as a church organizer and preacher. In the course of that time he traveled a quarter of a million miles on horseback and delivered an average of 15 sermons a week. His flair for systematic method ("I have no time to be in a hurry") in the management of his time and efforts led to the nickname "Methodist," which came to be applied to his church and disciples. He died at the venerable age of 85. In his later years, he declared his longevity was due to his lifelong habit of abstemiousness and simple diet.

59 New Churches

Boston, Mass., June 17. — Progress of Christian Science expressed in the organization and recognition of 59 new churches and societies; in sales increases of 66 per cent for the writings of Mary Baker Eddy, discoverer and founder of Christian Science; in an increasingly friendly public thought as reflected by legislative bodies when handling measures involving medical and religious freedom; and in much good healing work; featured reports by church officers at the annual meeting of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist.

The election of Judge Clifford P. Smith of Newton, Mass., as church president for the coming year, of Edward L. Ripley of Brookline as treasurer, and Ezra W. Palmer of Marshfield as clerk, was announced.

Clifford P. Smith, C.S.B., LL.B., became interested in Christian Science at Mason City, Ia., in 1896, where he practiced law before becoming judge of the district court of Iowa, the superior court of that state.

Butterflies Cover Continent

Up from the south, where they pass the winter clinging in great masses to the trees, there fly each spring time enormous numbers of monarch or Milkweed butterflies, laying their eggs as they go and populating the whole of North America as far as Hudson bay with their kind. In the autumn all still surviving collect in great bands and migrate south to begin the cycle anew.—Gas Logic.

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