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When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people and said, His blood is on us, and on our children. Matthew 27:24-25.

OREGON ROMANCE

"Arthur Foster of the State Chamber of Commerce, who has interviewed thousands of automobile tourists, reports his discovery that people are more interested in the odd and unusual, romantic and historic things and places than in plain, unembroidered scenery," reports a writer in the Portland Telegram, who goes on to comment, in part: "This testimony of experience confirms the long standing conviction that one of our saddest mistakes is our failure to make capital of Oregon's uniquely dramatic history. . . Here in Oregon, where forests still echo the stealthy tread of moccasined feet; where the fur trader, the missionary and the voyageur met to form the vanguard of one of the greatest migrations the world has ever known . . . we have a treasury of romance that is practically inexhaustible." Very true. We have the settings here of many epochal movements—

In this Oregon Country from the crest of the Rockies to the Pacific ocean and from the international to the California line; the only part of continental or insular United States territory that was acquired by peaceful means, without the expenditure of blood and treasure—

The movement of the missionaries in response to the quest of the Indians for the "white man's book"; the era of the discoverers and trappers before the missionaries came—

The forming of the provisional government; the making and carving out of the territories—

The founding of the states.

The covered wagon journeys of the pioneers across the trackless plains, the log cabin settlements, the wars with the Indian tribes, the privations and hardships and struggles of a people planting the seeds of civilization and progress in a wilderness—

All these things justify many monuments and markers and relating of sagas—

Monuments like the one proposed at old Champoege, to be reached between the capital and the metropolis by a monumental highway.

There is the urge of glory in the making up of the monuments and markers and in the telling of the entrancing stories—

And there is commercial advantage beyond estimate in dollars in the securing and the doing and forming of these things that will inform future generations of the heroic deeds of the fathers who laid the foundations of commonwealths; who builded wiser than they knew.

It is high time our people were fully awake to the opportunities that are theirs in this broad and rich field; in this "treasury of romance" that is as untouchable.

HENRY FORD ON THE VALUE OF PROHIBITION

(From Forum for March)

The gap between the people and their leaders is nowhere more discernible than in the matter of liquor. Some leaders are still for it; the people are now, as they have never been, against it. The United States is dry not only legally but by moral conviction. You must find the people's sentiment where the people live. The American home is dry, and the American nation gets its tone from the home and not from the wet propagandist. In common decency the liquor generation should be allowed to die in silence. Its agonies should not be the constant topic of American journals.

Prohibition was intended to save the country and generations yet to come. There are a million boys growing up in the United States who have never seen a saloon, and who will never know the handicap of liquor, either in themselves or their relatives; and this excellent condition will go on spreading itself over the country when the wet press and the paid propaganda of booze are forgotten. There should be no mistake about. The abolition of the commercialized liquor trade is this country is as final as the abolition of slavery. These are the two great reforms to which moral America committed itself from the beginning of its history.

The coming of prohibition has put more of the workman's money into savings banks and into his wife's pocketbook. He has more leisure to spend with his family. The family life is healthier. Workmen go out of doors, go on picnics, have time to see their children and play with them. They have time to see more, do more—and, incidentally, they buy more. This stimulates business and increases prosperity, and in the general economic circle the money passes through industry again and back into the workman's pocket. It is a truism that what benefits one is bound to benefit all, and labor is coming to see the truth of this more every day.

WHY NOT PRUNES?

(Portland Journal.)

A Minnesota restaurant made gains in its noon-day lunch-patronage. It advertised, "Baked Idaho Potato, With Butter, 5 Cents."

An obscure individual had a bright idea. He packed Idaho potatoes in attractive cartons. He advertised. He made a fortune.

And all this was not because Idaho potatoes are better than Weston or Yakima potatoes or better than the potatoes that will be grown on the Owyhee and Vale projects in Oregon, just over the line from Idaho. The quality is high, but salesmanship was added.

Salesmanship was chiefly proposed to Polk county prune growers when the unorganized majority failed to organize at Dallas last Saturday. Both potatoes and prunes are

THE MORNING ARGUMENT

AUNT HET

By Robert Quillen



"Sallie smiles awful sweet an' pretends she's got over bein' mad but she seen my petticoat hangin' down at the postoffice an' neder said a word."

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POOR PA

By Claude Callan



"Nora's idea of bein' a good friend is to tell you what somebody or another said about you an' get you into a quarrel."

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homely but worthy of identity.

Cooperative marketing is indorsed by the federal government, and farmers in cooperative marketing organizations are permitted a latitude in price-making not allowed to other businesses.

Cooperative marketing is indorsed by Oregon State college and the Portland Chamber of Commerce. And if Oregon's prune growers cooperated only enough to put their product before the public in good looking boxes and then advertised, an end to their losses might be seen.

The above from the Portland Journal is good advice—

Especially the last sentence—

But Oregon prune packers are already taking this advice in part. They are already putting a part of our prunes before the public in good looking boxes.

The rest of our prunes they are packing as their customers demand them; their customers in Germany and France and other countries.

But there is not enough cooperation among the Oregon prune growers and packers and dealers—

And there is not enough advertising.

Prunes are a great food; the Oregon prune is a distinctive product in flavor—the great bulk of the Oregon crop; the tart-sweet kind; the Italian or Oregon variety. It will bear advertising. And the industry needs full cooperation. How are we going to get it? Who is the Moses of the Oregon prune industry? Whom will all the growers and packers and dealers follow?

The Willos and Kelley case drags out. There are many people in Oregon who believe intensely that it should have been disposed of long ago, by the execution of these men. There are many others who believe they should not be executed; that they killed no one. Many other reasons are advanced. There are others who do not believe in capital punishment, the writer among them. The rules of modern penology do not call for capital punishment. And capital punishment does not prevent the commission of crime. This is shown by comparison between the experiences of states and countries having capital punishment and those in which the extreme penalty is not inflicted.

If the state of Illinois will follow up the mandate of the people, it will be shown how easy it is to control the gangmen and desperate criminals generally. Such records of crime as have been made in Chicago of late can be possible only when there is want of a healthy general sentiment for law and order and public decency.

17 FOR COMMITTEES

PRECINCT OFFICES SOUGHT BY MANY IN COUNTY

Seventeen declarations of candidacy for precinct committeemen were filed yesterday at the office of the Marion county clerk, as follows:

Brettenbush precinct, Almira A. Hoover, republican.

Fairgrounds precinct, Kenneth W. Bayne, democrat.

West Hubbard, P. Paulsen, democrat.

Shaw, G. J. Putnam, republican.

Mehama, R. H. Champ, democrat.

Salem Heights, A. J. Baldwin, democrat.

West Silverton, W. S. Jack, democrat.

Salem No. 1, Thomas E. Cole, democrat.

Salem No. 7, E. D. Jackson, democrat.

Salem No. 13, A. W. Ellis, republican.

Salem No. 16, John T. Ross, republican.

Salem No. 9, August Huckstein, democrat.

Salem No. 8, P. J. Voth, democrat.

Salem No. 7, E. A. English, democrat.

Salem No. 15, S. P. McCracken, republican.

Salem No. 14, H. D. Watson, republican.

Salem No. 14, S. H. Van Trump, democrat.

Boise Reports 6 New Spotted Fever Cases

BOISE, Idaho, April 12.—(AP)—Six new cases of spotted fever have developed here, bringing the present total in the outbreak to seven, it was shown in reports today to the city health authorities, who are combatting the disease.

Three of the cases developed within the city, while four were brought in from outlying districts for treatment.

Increasing number of cases of the disease, which has caused three deaths within the past week, has alarmed city health officers. Innoculations of serum have been given to all victims of the disease, and sheep herders and others who work among the sagebrush have been urged to come to Boise at the end of this week, when a government specialist in tick disease is expected to be here on his annual visit. He will inoculate exposed persons with the serum as a preventative measure.

FINAL MATCH LOOMS

PASADENA, Cal., Apr. 12.—(AP)—Miss Kathleen Wright, Flintridge, defeated Mrs. Roy Green of the California country club, 1 up, in their semi-final match today in the California women's golf championship at the Flintridge course.

Titian is the name of the great painter known for his portrayal of red-haired women, according to an answered question in Liberty Magazine.

PLANE JUST MISSES CRASH TAKING OFF

Early Reports of Easy Ascent Contradicted By Later Dispatches

BALDONNEL, Irish Free State, Apr. 12.—(AP)—After courting catastrophe by a delayed takeoff the German-Irish venture to conquer the Atlantic from east to west had an auspicious start from Baldonnell field at 5:38 o'clock this morning (9:38 p. m. Pacific Coast Time). If all goes well the silver wings of the big Junkers monoplane Bremen, carrying three men, should be sighted in from 20 to 24 hours flying down the American coast toward New York from New Foundland or Nova Scotia.

When last seen the Bremen was out over the Atlantic, having passed over Costello, on the Galway coast at 7:05. In her cockpit, where there are dual controls, sat Captain Herman Koehl, the German pilot, and the co-pilot, Colonel James Fitzmaurice, head of the Irish Free State air service, and behind them in the roomy fuselage cabin, was Baron Gunther von Huenefeld, promoter of the flight. Colonel Fitzmaurice, who joined the expedition at the German's invitation, carried a letter from President Cosgrave to President Coolidge.

On Great Circle Route
The airplane is following the North Atlantic, or great circle route. "It is only 2,050 miles to St. Johns that way," Fitzmaurice gaily told the Associated Press correspondent before he started.

Just how near the Bremen was to disaster during the first mad rush to lift its five tons of dead weight into the air, perhaps only Captain Koehl can tell. Gasps of horror, changing quickly into cries of joyful relief, burst from the few scores of spectators far out on the runway when the Bremen, with her 650 gallons of explosive fuel, seemingly refused to take the air at the pilot's first attempt, and careened on toward what would have been a certain crash if the plane had not slowly lifted, steadied and skimmed around the fresh green foothills of the Dublin mountains, and disappeared into the west.

Worst Hurdle Made
The most perilous mile of all those 3,000 and odd between here and New York was safely past, and the name of Koehl, cool and impassive German, was on the lips of all who realized the great hazards and danger in the Bremen's take off.

The slightest hitch in the operation of the two wheeled truck under the Bremen's tail might send the plane over on her nose. And a spark would transform her into a flaming metal furnace, in which the fliers were encased.

Bits For Breakfast

Nothing new for them—

Willos and Kelley have been under the shadow of the gallows so often that they must be getting hard boiled about it.

One thing, the final disposition of this case will save the state a lot of money. It costs a lot to hire the necessary guards for the condemned cells.

The city and country will meet at the Elspore tonight. All the seats should be filled.

Says a man at the writer's elbow: "Speaking of the Volstead act, it might be said in this connection that in a popular vote the Ten Commandments, would have defeated Moses."

At the linen mill being built at Vancouver, Wash., it is planned to dry the flax under a huge shed, with many windows to let in the sunlight and warmth. To do this the whole year through, necessitates

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