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### The Schoolmaster Chides

THE Oregonian sets itself up as schoolmaster for Secretary I Ickes, who is dispensing the public works money. In didactic fashion it takes a pointer in hand and directs the secretary's attention to the Bonneville dam where dirt is commencing to fly. The dam is being built by army engineers. On no other project is work under way, which proves, the schoolmaster avers, that there is something terribly wrong with the Ickes department.

The Oregonian forgets that Bonneville was ordered by presidential decree, that no government body passed on its merits, that it was ordered chiefly as a political move of the president and not because of immediate need for the work.

Mr. Ickes however basks in no such public favor. He does not presume to allot millions with the waving of a wand. He has a winning smile with which to captivate those who might be critics. Mr. Ickes feels responsible to the public for some three billions of their money. He wants no ghosts of "wooden ships" to haunt his reputation after his work is over. Consequently he is subjecting applications to careful scrutiny, determined that there will be no huge mistakes laid at his door.

The Oregonian chides Mr. Ickes with proceeding in a leiaurely manner as though there were no emergency. That is not true. He has been industrious to the limit of physical strength. He has had to create a new organization before anything could be done. Army engineers had surveyed the Columbia for years. If the Oregonian thinks it is an easy task let it sit down and outline how to spend three billions in public works in a manner to provide the most employment and serve the best public purpose.

It has been said that we are in "war". Quite so, and recalling the extravagance and mistakes of the last war, let us commend Mr. Ickes for his caution.

## School Districts in Distress

THERE are fifty school districts in the state which are I three years behind paying their warrants. One hundred twelve districts are two years behind; 441 districts are one year behind; 890 districts are six months behind.

There are 248 districts which have contracted for shorter terms than eight months this year. There are 830 districts whose warrants will not be cashed at par by banks. Four hundred ninety-two districts have their warrants discounted 10% or more. One hundred forty districts issue warrants which will not be accepted for cash or credit in the form of school equipment or teachers' board or clothing without discounts of 15% or more. Discounts on warrants range from 5% to 35%. Over \$6,000,000 in unpaid warrants of school districts are afloat, and the increase as of June, 1933, was 37 2-3 per cent over the year preceding.

These facts are supplied by Charley Howard's office. They are deplorable. They reflect not only on the adverse conditions which prevail but on the willingness of some people to let their taxes slide. Here is one zone of the depression which Washington has not figured how to relieve.

The legislature will meet in special session and Gov. Meier in his message referred to the distress in school districts as one subject for consideration. Districts cannot go on indefinitely piling up warrant debts. Costs have now been greatly pared. The legislature ought to put more teeth in the tax-collecting laws. It might also give consideration to supplemental sources of revenue for support of schools.

## Lo, the Poor Bootlegger

CAD are the days of the bootlegger. Everyone seems to be after him; and not for his wares, but for his sins. Dries have condemned him in times past; but now the wets seem to be panning him the hardest. They are the ones who raise loud from the nose and throat, and diffiwails lest in pending legislation some loophole be left by which some bootleggers might survive. Is it taxes? then the country is warned that if the taxes are made just a little higher than some, the 'legger will stay in business. Is it selling spirits by the glass? then another group warns that unless this is done openly the jointist will continue to flourish and the speakeasy to operate behind its swinging doors.

Sad, isn't it? The bootlegger and the speakeasy proprietor has no friends left at all. Those who have been his patrons now desert him and shout the loudest that he be harried from the land. Ergo, make booze cheap and easy and frequent, and the wicked tribe of 'leggers will be driven out. He whose telephone number was on many parched lips, is now discredited

Are these new foes of the bootlegger new soldiers of sobriety; or are they merely after his business and his pro-

## 46 Students **Earn Honors** For Studies

DALLAS, Nov. 2. - Forty-six Seven Students on Ballas high school students made grades during the first quarter of the school year which entitled them to places on the honor roll for the quarter ending October 27. The honor roll for that period was made public by Superintendent R. R. Turner, and lists 15 seniors, 10 juniors, 10 sophomores, seven freshmen and four

post-graduates. It follows: Seniors, Ormond Aebi, Dorothy Jane Bates, Carl Black, Edna Bollman, Bill Dalton, Sam Dashlell, William Fischer, Lydia Hiebert, Katherine Lietch, Harrison Lockling, Lydia Neufeldt, Marianna Peters, Eula Smith and Lois

Juniors, James Allgood, Virginia Brown, Howard Campbell, Clark DeHaven, Bernice Elle, Gladys May, Ruth Plummer, Mary Staats, Myra Starbnek and Arlene

Fred McFetridge, Dorothy Palm- Judge Poulsen.

er, Doris Riggs and Marguerite

Freshmen, Beverly Bales, Bernice Buhler, Jeanne Hartman, Verda Henderson, Mildred Janzen, Mildred Lange, Beryl Nye. Post - graduates, Orva Aebi, Robert Allgood, Alma Naslund and Hazel Plummer.

## Honor Roll; First Six Weeks Finished

WEST STAYTON, Nov. 2 .- The first six weeks period of school has terminated in this district with seven students on the honor roll. They are: Virginia Danley Pearl Ericksen, Lorraine Fair, Fern Lewis, and Lester Thomas of the seventh grade; Ivan Royse and Verna Lewis of the fifth

Fred Denhem was much pleased at the showing of one of his registered Percheon mares made on the fair circuit the past two months, The mare worked as leader in a six-horse driving team. The team she worked in placed first at Puyaliup, Washington, and second at Portland.

Forfeits \$10 Ball -- Ten dol-

## "No! — I've Been Abroad"



'ev Royal S. Copeland, M.D.

MOST PERSONS are familiar with that disturbance known as "sinus disease". It is indeed a common affliction. Hardly a day passes that I do not recieve

this disorder.

Un fortunately

few realize it can

be prevented. It

is important to

prevent it, or to

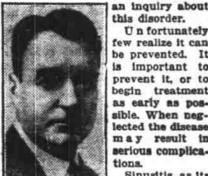
as early as pos-

sible. When neg-

lected the disease

may result in

serious complica-



Dr. Copeland an inflammation of the nasal sinuses. The sinuses are cavities in the bones of the head. They are connected with the inside of the nose by means of small passageways.

Each sinus is given a special name. The name usually corresponds to the bone in which it is located. For example, the "ethmoidal sinus" is located in the "ethmoid bone," and the "frontal sinus" is located in the "frontal bone".

Colds Often Cause It "What causes sinusitis?" "Is it

curable?" These are questions asked about this affliction. Sinusitis can usually be traced to a head cold, to coryza, influenza or some other infectious disease. The germs of the infection reach one of

the sinuses where they rapidly multiply and set up an inflammation. The sufferer complains of severe headache, pain in the face, discharge culty in breathing through the nose The disease soon becomes chronic, largely because the sinuses are inaccessible to simple medications and local treatment. Then again, most victims of sinusitis neglect the disorder or rely upon patent medicines

#### lates within the sinuses and leads to poisoning of the whole system. Dangerous Complications

and ineffectual remedies. This is un-

fortunate because pus soon accumu-

In many instances neglected sinusitis may give rise to dangerous complications. The pus sometimes breaks through the walls of the sinuses, eventually reaching the eye, brain or the blood stream. When this occurs, expert medical attention is essential, because continued neglect may lead to a fatal outcome.

Sinusitis and the complications of sinusitis can be prevented by immediate medical care of the common cold. If you contract a cold do not regard it lightly. Rest in bed and if you do not improve consult with your doctor. If sinusitis develops do not rely upon home remedies but take and follow expert advice.

In a persistent case of sinusitis .. may be advisable to operate upon the infected sinus and drain off the pus. Of course, this must be determined by the physician who will be guided by the conditions,

In most instances he will advise an X-ray picture. This will determine the extent of the infection. The physician then decides whether an operation is necessary.

In children, removal of infected tonsils and adenoids is beneficial and prevents further trouble. Every effort should be made to prevent repeated attacks of sinusitis and thus escape its undesirable complications. (Copyright, 1933, K. F. S., Inc.)

## Tax League to Meet Saturday

The Marion County Tax League will meet at the chamber of commerce here Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and anyone in sympathy with the objects of the Sephomores, Helen Elle, Jean Sam Rutherford following his ar- group, announces W. H. Stevens, limit was rarely ever succeeded. | co. Pester, Alvin Narner, Ivan Ickes, rest for being drunk, was declar-albert Klassen. Violet Larson, ed forfeit yesterday by Municipal terest to taxpayers will be discussed.

# ALTH BITS for BREAKFAST

Pony express, first wire,

overland stages, railroad: vord, the pick of the frontier.

\* \* \* "'The wages ranged from \$50 to \$150 a month, the highest flutter of the hoofs comes faintly paid of any of our men below to the ear-another instant, a executive rank. The horses assembled for the purpose were the best that money could buy, ranging from tough California cayuses or mustangs to thoroughbred stock from Iowa. The line when fully equipped comprised 190 stationmen and keepers, and 80 riders, but those who had preparations in charge labored to such good purpose that 60 days after they were set afoot it was ready for active operations.'

"Thus far Mr. Majors. By the route to be followed the distance mento was 1950 miles, and this it was proposed the riders of the days, an average of eight miles an hour from start to finish.

"The amount of mail to be carded on a trip was limited to 20 pounds and, at first, in addition to the regular United States postlater reduced to \$2.50 for letholster, and a Spencer rifle strapped across his back; but the seph in the early hours of April latter was soon abandoned as useess and cumbersome.

"His horse's equipment included saddle-bags of heavy leather with a pocket in each of its four corners—one in front and one behind each leg of the rider. In these pockets about 6 by 12 inches in size the mail was placed first being wrapped in oil skin to preserve it from moisture. Three of the pockets were locked at the beginning of the trip, and en route could be opened only at military posts and at Salt Lake City. Each station keeper had a key to the fourth pocket, which it was his duty to open for local mail, at the same time noting on the way-bill which formed part of its contents the rider's arrival at and departure from his station.

"A saddle-bag leaving one end of the route was transferred from in full swing was expected to make an average of 75 to 100 cisco. miles a day either east or west with a change of mount every 10 while in use, could be kept at the top of its speed. Half an hour before an express was due at a station a fresh pony was bridled and saddled in order that no time should be lost in the change of mounts. The rider as he neared a station would loosen his saddle-bags ready for their transfer to his fresh mount on which, it less time than it takes to tell it, he would be speeding away across the desert or mountain trail.

"At relay stations there was a

has an oft quoted description of present town of Horton. There it [ (Continued tomorrow.)

the pony express rider as seen in action by travelers on the Overland stage. 'Here he comes!' he (Continuing from yesterday:) writes 'Every neck is stretched 'Meantime one of our superin- further, and every eye strained tendents located at Carson City, wider. Away across the endless Nevada, was hiring men while an- dead level of the prairie a black other located at Salt Lake was speck appears against the sky and buying horses. The 60 men se-lected for riders, at the outset, I should think so. In a second were still young but every one a or two it becomes a horse and splendid horseman hardened by rider, rising and falling-sweepyears of life in the open-in a ing toward us, nearer and nearer -growing more and more distinct.

more and more sharply definednearer and still nearer, and the whoop and a hurrah from our upper deck, a wave of the rider's hand, but no reply, a man and a horse burst past our excited faces. and go swinging away like a belated fragment of a storm!"

"On April 3, 1860, the first pony express left St. Joseph and San Francisco. At the western end of the line a steamer leaving San Francisco at 4 in the afternoon carried the mail to Sacramento. There the first rider, Henry Roff, mounted on a spirited half-breed broncho started at between St. Joseph and Sacra- midnight, took the mail, and with it covered the first 20 miles in 59 minutes, including one change. pony express should cover in 10 Fort Churchill, 20 miles east of Virginia City and 185 miles from Sacramento, was reached in 15 hours and 20 minutes, the rider crossing the Sierras in 30 feet of snow with drifts cleared from the trail by trains of pack animals. age, a charge was made for each | The eighth rider to receive the ounce or less, this charge being mail reached Salt Lake City 15 minutes before midnight on April ters not exceeding a half ounce 7. And the same rate of speed n weight. Each rider carried a was maintained during the repair of Colt's revolvers in his mainder of the first eastward journey, which ended at St. Jo-

"Meanwhile the express which left St. Joseph at 6:30 in the afternoon of April 3, in charge of Johnson William Richardson, sailor turned landsman and known to his familiars as 'Billy.' was speeding westward. It reached Salt Lake City in the afternoon of April 9, and at 2:30 in the afternoon of April 12 the operator at Carson City, then the astern terminus of the California telegraph lines, wired its arrival at that point on schedule time. accompanying this welcome news with a resume of eastern and world events only nine days old. "On the instant plans were per-

feeted both in Sacramento and San Francisco to give fitting welcome to the first express. Sacramento at 5:30 on April 13th the whole town turned out with rider to rider, and from pony to bells, guns and band to receive pony, until it reached the other the rider, and escert him to the end. A rider after the service was swift steamer, Antelope, which was to carry the mail to San Fran-

"There at 1 o'clock in the morning of April 14 a great throng or 15 miles, so that the pony, greeted rider and mail, and with noise making devices of every sort kept them company from the dock to the office of the Alta Telegraph, western terminus of the express, and in this jubilant fashion was celebrated the successful accomplishment of a great undertaking.

"At the outset the pony express service, east and west, was a weekly one, but after June 10, 1860, there was a semi-weekly dispatch of riders from both ends change of riders; the incoming of the line. The original schedman would have his saddle-bags ule of 10 days between telegraph unbuckled and ready to hand to stations was reduced to seven his waiting relief, who in another when the line from the east instant would be speeding on his reached Fort Kearney, but with way. The maximum halting time the coming of winter this was exallowed at stations, whether to tended to 11 days between telechange riders or horses, from the graph stations and to 15 days belars ball posted October 23 by league is invited to meet with the first was two minutes, and this tween St. Joseph and San Francis- Salt Lake City, then south of the

"Mark Twain in 'Roughing It' ers ran from St. Joseph to the to."

# "THATS MY BOY" BY FRANCIS

CHAPTER FIFTY-ONE

Then in the suitcase Tom had lse put a box of candy; Mom knew it was candy by the box and that made her feel all thrilled, too, because she had always wanted boxes of candy when she was young, like Charlie Whitney had taken his girls when he went out on Sunday and Wednesday nights but Pop was never much of a man for things like that. And here when Mom opened the box it wasn't ordinary candy but candy that looked like fruit; you could touch it and it even felt like fruit. Uncle Louie had something to say about that, too; he said what was the sense in it when Tommy could have got real fruit for half the price and it was only another waste of money with times so bad, and Pop said if he had wasted as much time in his life doing nothing, like some people, he wouldn't talk about anybody else wasting their own money which they had worked hard for and it was nobody's business how they spent it. It took Pop to settle him.

But Mom noticed Uncle Louis could eat it, just the same; for when she went to get it to take up to the store the next day to show the neighbor ladies, half of it was gone; and of course he had had to take the bunch of grapes in the middle Mom liked best. It was the

wondered how he stood for it, even mad. Then Uncle Louis looked at her mother every day.

Mom like he was asking her if he Cousin Emmy came in before and Mom didn't like to ask him. had to be insulted in her house and supper again and said it was just Mom was not one of those moth-Mom turned it off by showing Cou-like the Prince of Wales or some-ers who always thought her chilnever liked people to kiss him, even Pop-the first and last time.

way although Tommy didn't know than this Christmas, he was favoring Uncle Louie, that

he gave Mom a look as if to say: Tommy in from head to foot, par-



Tommy got all dressed up in his tuxedo . . . Pop, out of the corner of his eye, seemed worried about the thin soles on these shiny shoes.

coming he turned up his nose and cause one thing was sure, he best to go see the millionsire girls. stuck out his lower lip; and before
Cousin Emmy could say a thing
Uncle Louis said, real loud, how
though there was nothing Mom ing to a dance over there and for good the meal was; and Cousin could say against Dorothy since Mom not to wait up on him, He Emmy said she supposed he meant the time Tommy was hurt; she alstill seemed to have something on her cooking was no good and that anytime he got tired of it he could the street when she saw her and be about a job. He had been away leave and it wouldn't make her looked very pretty and more like in the east for a month but hadn't

she hardly looked at it twice before erybody was erowding around treated that way-like old Grandshe turned around and made for Tommy downtown and asking him mother Whitney, for one. Mom Tommy like she was going to kiss about this and that and wanting to believed they all had to live their him but Tommy made out he didn't shake hands with him. Mom was own lives and should not be bothknow what she meant as he had very proud and so was Pop alered too much. She knew Pete and when he was a child, particularly much all day as he was wrapped married anytime; and Mom wasn't Cousin Emmy who was one of the up in his new pipe and wondering going to give them any sermon kissing kind. Mom would never for- how long it would take to color up about hard times and all that get the time she had tried to kiss to a nice brown. He acted just like when Mom and Pop had been marit was a new toy and Christmas ried, times weren't so good either: Then she got to asking questions sure was a success to Pop. He all Pop had was a job and they about Hollywood and how was her really hadn't had much Christmas even bought their furniture on old friend Jack Devere and how when he was a kid; his people were tick. Young ones were that way about Valeska Mourat and Tommy good and meant well and all that and Mom was glad they were; said Valeska Mourat was in love but they just didn't have much sometimes she thought trouble was with herself; and Uncle Louis said, money. It was the same with all in the head of old people besure, that proved what he had said Mom's-and now Christmas was cause the young ones never saw it; all the time, that she was no good great with semething for every- maybe they stumped their toe and and a hunky; and he looked at Pop body and she owed it to her chil- cried for a minute as if their little and Pop couldn't say anything with dren; and Mom thought there was hearts would break-but let a dog Tommy going against him that nothing she could hope for nicer come along wagging his tail and

Then Cousin Emmy kept pester- dressed up in his tuxedo with the another thing that Christmas but ing him so much and following him standup collar and all and he was bring Pop that meerschaum pipe around asking questions about this sure a sight to look at, so brave it would have been enough. and that, that finally Tom excused and handsome. Pop didn't say anyhimself and said he was going thing but she saw him looking downtown. And when he went out from the corner of his eye, taking

makeup would naturally appear

Looking at the production as

whole one feels there is some-

the individual characters. If one

matic error, I would think it was

the character's fault. But when

several of the characters are

guilty of the same error, then it

is certainly the fault of the coach.

One of these general criticisms

s the anticipation of the others'

lines or of his own cues. Each

character would act just like he

knew before the other spoke what

he was going to say. Another

error that was general was the in-

difference of the rest of the char-

acters as to what was being said.

Seemingly unaware of their en-

vironment, each character was ap-

parently worrying whether he

would remember his lines or not.

eralship, any actor, whether ama-

teur or professional, would be

very tempted to over act or do

something to carry the play. Un-

der this same handicap of poor

generalship in directing, the char-

acters should be both collectively

and individually complimented

very highly for the manner in

Head

Yours truly.

which Modern Medley was played.

J. MORGAN COOK

Under the ostensible poor gen-

thing missing. This fault cannot

overdone.

biggest piece and that's why he had taken it first. She knew him. Am I going to have to put up with ticularly the thin soles on his low-her all the time? But he had been cuts as Pop was always a great Then Cousin Emmy came over so real patient with her and Uncle one for the boys keeping good soles quick that Mom knew she couldn't Louie, too, and Mom was even sur-have half-fed her man and Mom prised at how well he had stood it. anything; and Mom was glad Un-Tommy seemed to have his mind cle Louie wasn't there to spoil it. if he was as dumb as they said he on something else all day, in fact. Mom had often wondered how was. When Uncle Louie saw her Mom guessed it was the artist be- Tommy looked all dressed up in his

said anything when he came back

sin Emmy Steve's ring. And here body had come to town the way ev- dren were babies and should be though he didn't have time to say Steve would be wanting to get they'd soon forget. That was the Tommy came back late for sup-per and hurried up and got all old—and if Tommy hadn't done

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# The Safety Valve - -

Letters from Statesman Readers

PLAY CRITICISM SAID

AMATEURISH A column in Tuesday's Statesman portrayed to your readers, in the form of a criticism, the Chemeketa Players as they appeared in Diana Rogge's "Modern Medley." The amateurishness of the charcters is probably not half so noiceable as the amateuristic fahion in which this production vas criticized in your column.

should reveal the truth, value, ighteousness and beauty of that be placed upon anyone or two of thing criticized. It follows then that if the truth character alone is guilty of a dras not portrayed, the criticism is

Webster says that criticism

vithout value. There is no doubt that Ruth Versteeg in the role of Phillis Stockridge shows more training and ability in the art of drams han anyone in the cast. That, in he first place, is where the show was not balanced. If Mrs. Ver-

steeg had have been given the part

of Mrs. Sayles, that part would

have been filled by someone heavy enough to balance the show. Gladys Hughey, on the other and, should be complimented very highly for doing as well as she did in the role of Mrs. Sayles with no more training and experience in drama than she has had The acting of the players as a whole being light, Kathryn Rowe's acting, in the role of Carol Sayles, appeared a little emphatic in places. However, it is not characteristic for an amateur to overact. Therefore, if an amateur over acts a part, it is simple deduction to conclude that the character has been over coached. Miss Rowe displayed exceptional ability

Carol Sayles, and should be given credit for carrying the play as well as she did. It is not necessary to discuss in

in playing the difficult role of

struck the military road to Fort Leavenworth and Atchison, running thence by way of Granada and Seneca to Maryaville, where it joined the main Oregon Trail, and, crossing the South Platte at Julesburg, followed that famous artery of travel to Fort Bridger. The remainder of the journey was over the regular mail route to Humboldt to Carson City and fin-

#### this article the rest of the parts Some Hunters Get separately. The reason being that Deer; Others Get general criticism of the entire play will cover each character. Fun of Expedition The most amateur part of the

entire play was the makeup. It LYONS, Nov. 2. - Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen and Clint Surry is very difficult for a 19 or 20 returned Thursday night from a year old boy to take the part of 10-day trip to Idaho. The men an older man without he be madewere out in eastern Oregon on a up to look just a little older. Such hunting trip but didn't get anything. Mrs. Allen visited her sisa fine part as Sandy Stockbridge ter in Idaho. Lawrence Trask, should not be spoiled by making Fred Nigley and Elmer Perkins him look like he had 10 minutes returned early Wednesday from previously entered an ordinary southern Oregon. They brought home a nice venison and had a beauty shoppe. The makeup and pleasant trip. the lighting of the stage should be worked out harmoniously; and

### Stores Talk Close when the lighting is bad, the For Armistice Day; No Refusals Made

SILVERTON, Nov. 2. - A peition was being circulated in the business district here Wednesday to determine whether or not the merchants were all willing to close shop on Armistice day. No refusals were met with and fudications are that Silverton will be closed tightly for the day.

The petition was sent into circulation by Kenneth Hansen, commander of the Delbert Reeves post of the American Legion.





The thrilling love story of the champion bridge player . . .

Begins Wednesday, Nov. 15