

"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe" From First Statesman, March 23, 1851

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The "Pauper's Oath"

When the Oregon legislature meets next week it is certain that there will be renewed demand for liberalizing old age assistance.

In the 1938 campaign, a number of legislative candidates pledged themselves to work for the removal of the "pauper's oath" from the old age assistance law.

At present 40,000 persons in Washington are receiving assistance averaging \$22 a month, half of which is paid by the federal government.

Credit for Recovery, If and When

The impending campaign of Harry Hopkins to stimulate employment in private industry was mentioned here recently with the observation that The Statesman would join in the applause in case Hopkins should succeed.

Roger Babson predicts a 20 per cent improvement in business, which would bring total production and payrolls up to the 1929 level.

Babson and others take into consideration the remaining obstacles to recovery but it is now their opinion that the pressure of demand for goods and services will overcome these obstacles.

Similarly the shortages in other commodities required by the public are expected to exert an irresistible pressure, according to the view of many economists, and recovery will proceed.

Lynchings Decrease

The Tuskegee Institute, which keeps track of lynchings from year to year, reports a further reduction in 1938 with only six persons slain by mobs which took the law into their own hands.

Lynching has become in this country almost entirely a problem of the south and of the negro race.

It's so great a compliment to Independence as a busy, thriving town, that all that disturbance happened Monday night on its main streets and nobody was injured.

"Un-American activities hit in Dies report." "Relief funds found diverted for politics." "Tongue Point turned down."

A typographical error in The Statesman's story of the capital murals last Sunday should be corrected because it does an injustice to the artists.

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Bits for Breakfast

Fund started to mark 1-4-38 site of the first Catholic church in the Americas above the Spanish (California) lines: (Concluding from yesterday.)

The donation land holding that came to the Catholic church was claim number 75, containing 640.60 acres, the patent to which was recorded June 3, 1852, running from the United States to St. Paul Catholic Mission.

The deed first recorded was from Archbishop F. N. Blanchett to John F. Brentan, conveying 10 acres of land, the date of record being May 17, 1869.

Deeds from Archbishop Chas. J. Seghers began to be recorded August 1, 1881. Other archbishops followed, in the order of time, but in issuing deeds, in partial alphabetical order, but not chronologically, the following are among the names appearing on the deed records of Marion county, of persons who became owners of land in that donation claim number 75:

Alphonse Bouthin, Casper Bohn, Blanche Brown, Oswald Becker, Joseph Bromberger, Claude Belinger, Christian Bunning, John F. Brentano, Geo. A. C. Brady, John F. Theo. Brentano, Matthew Conner, A. L. Churchill, Arthur E. C. Crosby.

Daniel Thomas Down, John Dowd, B. Delorme, Julius Daws, Julian Dowd, Henry Ernst, Michael Egan, George Faber, William Grant, E. S. Gregoire, Nicholas Gooding, Andrew Hughes, Mary Haas, Cornelia B. Hager, Lawrence Halblieb, John Illig, John Kennedy, August Krechmer, Peter Kirt, Jeanie Lanch, Stephen Merten, Philip McMillen, Ignatius McDonald, Jeter James Orth, Joseph Obermeier, S. Oldenburg, Adolph Pfeifer, John B. P. Plette, Charles O. Felland, George Papp, Harry Rehman, W. R. Roy, Helma R. Schmid, James Stewart, Society of the Sisters of the Holy Names, Dennis L. Van de Wiele, J. E. Vandermeulen, Herman Woods, Henry Wohlfart, L. C. Woodruff, C. Zorn.

There appear also in the records accompanying the platting of property in claim 75. They were: Academy Addition to the Town of St. Paul, and New Addition to St. Paul.

The above recordings do not include the records of all transfers of land in the donation claim 75 to the St. Paul Catholic Missionary Society. They are only those of the pioneer period, printed, as heretofore said, for the purpose of securing evidence, if possible, of the exact location of the first church building on this side of the Rockies and north of the California line.

This writer is not attempting to gain glory in the search for the identical spot, or in its proposed proper marking. His idea is only to help in having these things accomplished.

In our neighbor state to the south, all good Californians joined in having Camino Real, "The King's Highway," the old Spanish trail joining the 21 Catholic missions, properly marked, and in having the ancient buildings preserved and restored.

Some of the work of restoration has been done with state money set aside for the purpose.

California is a great state, but Oregon is her mother. Oregon men discovered her gold; men from Oregon framed her first laws, copied partly from the legislation enacted by our pioneer provisional government; an Oregon man, Peter H. Burnett, became her first governor, and men from Oregon had the initiative that broke California into the United States.

But Oregonians have been lax in putting our best foot forward. We have not been good showmen, as the presumption is often called, in comparison with our neighbors both to the south and the north, and at other points of the compass.

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They'll Do It Every Time



By Jimmy Hatlo

Radio Programs

11:00 - News. 11:05 - Hawaiian Paradise. 11:10 - Danmore University Chapel. 11:15 - Valley Parade. 11:20 - News. 11:25 - Hillbilly Serenade. 11:30 - Interests Facts. 11:35 - Midstream. 11:40 - Book a Week. 11:45 - Johnson Family. 11:50 - Varner Cousins. 11:55 - Royal Nautilus, baritone. 12:00 - Feminine Fancies. 12:05 - Musical Interludes. 12:10 - John Lewis. 12:15 - Our Quartet. 12:20 - It's the Office. 12:25 - News. 12:30 - Adventures Gen. Shafter Parker. 12:35 - Johnny Lawrence Club. 12:40 - Royal Nautilus. 12:45 - Tonight's Headlines. 12:50 - Jack Foster's Trials. 12:55 - Lone Ranger. 1:00 - News. 1:05 - Masters of the Baton. 1:10 - Dick Jurgen's Orchestra. 1:15 - Newspaper of the Air. 1:20 - Radio News. 1:25 - Crystal Gardens Ballroom. 1:30 - Sheep Fields Orchestra. 1:35 - Scatman's Orchestra. 1:40 - Jack McLean's Orchestra.

15 Years Ago

January 4, 1919 In the parliament house in Rome, Italy a joint reception was given President Woodrow Wilson by members of senate and chamber of deputies today.

George G. Brown tendered his resignation from city park board yesterday. Other board members are John J. Roberts and Miss Mattie Beatty.

Lt. Keith Howell is on his way home from France. He landed in Europe the day before the Armistice was signed. He is son-in-law of Circuit Judge G. G. Bingham.

John Steinbergers Are Hosts at Holiday Event

VICTOR POINT—Mr. and Mrs. John Steinberger were hosts at a New Year's eve dinner followed by an evening of "500." Covers at dinner were placed for Mr. and Mrs. C. T. White, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rabens, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Krens, Miss Bernadine White, Miss Laurel Jo Krens, Rosalie White, Richard Krenz and the hosts.

Albany Trio Escapes Injury in Car Crash

ALBANY—Jack Reynolds, Francis Dixon and Harold Benton escaped with only minor injuries early Sunday morning when the car in which they were riding crashed into a truck driven by Robert Forester of Lebanon. The accident occurred at First and Baker streets. McReynolds, driver of the passenger car, reported to police that the truck had no tail lights.

In Coster Case

WALTER H. CRAIG Suspected of extorting money from the late F. Donald Coster-Munich, the indicted president of the drug firm, McKesson & Robbins, Inc., Walter H. Craig, above, a disbarred lawyer convicted of grand larceny in 1914, had been charged specifically with using the mails to defraud. Police said Craig had known Coster-Munich for years. With two others, Mary Brandino and her brother Joseph, said to have been associated with Coster-Munich in a Brooklyn drug business in 1920, Craig is charged with leading \$5,000 a year from Coster-Munich's business to his Connecticut home in the midst of disclosures concerning an \$18,000,000 overstatement of assets in his firm.

Sage of Salem Speculates

The whistle blows us in to work, and a later blows us out. And which some of us betterlike there is not much of doubt. Some of us seem to have a cheerless tone. The other gladsome rings, perhaps you've noticed this yourselves. Along with other things.

"Member how sharp and tangy the old school bell was in the morning and how softly, mellifluous the 'school's out' bell was in the late afternoon. Or didn't your school have a 'school's out' bell?"

The "school's out" bell was the signal to our watching the clock, which exercise sometimes had lasted an hour or more prior to the ringing of the bell, and sometimes the strain seemed almost more than we could bear up under.

A Hope and a Wish Marching on into another year. Some in the lead, some in the rear. Some of us feafull, some full of cheer. Time will roll on for another year. Those who like dreariness will be drear. And changes, as sever, will appear. And many bogies will disappear. Some folks will be there instead of cheer. Some places now dark will be made clear. Some problems go over till next year. So here's to the world this glad New Year! May peace mix thick in its atmosphere!

Well, there it is again! I have been expressing this sentiment every New Year for more than half a century. It has not appeared to help greatly. I reckon that if life on earth were made to conform to our hopes, we'd still go plunging along in much the same old human way.

Never give up. Good advice, meebly. But why cling to something which is not worth clinging to. Looks like stubbornness to me.

And I want to say right here before I forget it that 11-year-old Master Warren's vocal number on the matinee program at the Hollywood Saturday matinee hit me in the right spot.

I listened in on a feature Sunday afternoon called "The Stars of Tomorrow," a radio feature sponsored by the Wheeling, W. Va., Steel corporation. I merely chanced to catch this program, and I'll be catching it again. The talent ranges in age from 9 to 16 years, and is recruited from the families of employes of the steel company. Some mighty smart and mighty talented youngsters in Wheeling, sub. Still, I reckon that with the same sort of sponsorship there would prove to be as many in Salem, in proportion to the population, of course, as there are in Wheeling.

Memories and forgetories. You'll find all over town. With one we wind our watches up. With the other run them down.

Most of the so-called New Year's resolutions are inspired by circumstances at all seasons of the year. If they chance to be still alive January 1 they, it may be said, be given a pleasant smile and a handshake. I think the most ardent and soulful resolution I ever made did not fully mature until January 1, but had its inception under a gooseberry hedge during a hot day in July. It being vacation time, it was clearing the art of Salem, Mrs. Myra Wiggins of Beattie; brother, Harry Albert of Portland; grandchildren, Joseph Irwin Hoff of Salem, Doris Helen and Jean Holman Spaulding, both of Dallas.

ST. LOUIS—New Year's day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Manning of St. Louis were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schaffner of Milwaukee, Mrs. Emma Linka of Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Manning of Woodburn, Arthur Homshorn and Miss Leitch Zoller of Mt. Angelo, Miss Margaret Kraus, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schomus and Francis Schomus, Earl Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Dubois and the hosts.

ST. LOUIS school reopened Tuesday after being closed for the holidays. Miss Grace Richards is teacher.

Installation Thursday For Silverton Pythians SILVERTON—Mrs. Helen M. Wrightman will be hostess January 11 to members of the Altrius club of the Pythian Sisters.

Thursday night of this week will mark the joint installation of the Pythian Sisters and Knights.

What Causes EX HEADLINES? MARIJUANA

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Bentson-Grinde Clan in Reunion

Kinsmen Vote Summer Picnic at Silverton Early Next August

SILVERTON—Rudd Bentson, oldest member present Monday at the annual New Year's reunion of the Bentson-Grinde clan, was honored when the group dedicated the 1939 meeting to him. Seventy-five members were present at the meeting held in the Knights of Pythias hall.

Election resulted: President, G. E. Bentson; first vice president, Minnie Odell of Portland; second vice president, Mrs. Milton Best of Silverton; secretary, Mrs. Albert Grinde of Silverton; treasurer, Nels Langley of Silverton.

The group voted to hold a summer picnic at the Silverton park on the second Sunday in August. During the program hour the welcome was given by Walter Fry. A "silent minute" was held in memory of the four clan members who died during the year, Mrs. A. S. Grinde, Martin Grinde, Fred Grinde and Martin Bentson.

The group sang "America," the clan theme song and a group of Norwegian songs. Readings were given by Tullia an Stewart, Mary McCall, Donald Dansen, Mrs. Ray Davis and Otto Dahl; violin solos by Denny Legard; piano solos, Mrs. Marv Johnson and Mrs. W. C. Larson; accordion solo, Mr. Lanners; vocal trio, Eryll and Faith Fletcher and Alice Thorildsen; talks, C. A. Ingalls and Mrs. Alice McMullen.

Dancing followed a 6 o'clock supper.

Drunkennes Is Charged to Guys

DALLAS—Fred and John Guy were arrested in Dallas early Monday morning charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Frederick A. Youngreen, recently arrested on a charge of cruelty to animals, appeared before Justice of the Peace Charles Gregory here Saturday and entered plea of not guilty. He was later arrested by Deputy Sheriff Williams on a charge of larceny by bailie and is being held in the Polk county jail with bail set at \$2000. Youngreen was recently indicted by the grand jury on the charge of larceny by bailie.

Charles Eli Shepherd, who was charged with cruelty to animals, appeared in the justice court here Saturday and entered a plea of guilty. He was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail with the sentence suspended on condition that he pay the court costs and was placed on parole for three months.

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