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A NEWSPAPER IS A CITIZEN OF ITS COMMUNITY.

SPEAKING OF DEPRESSIONS

SPEAKING of the depression the other night, a professor from the University disputed the pet theory that the depression is merely a penalty of the World War. The World War, said he, merely aggravated a disease which has been chronic in the economic structure over generations. Wars are merely one of the more violent symptoms of the ailment.

That brought to mind some passages in a rather gloomy book which Thomas Carlyle wrote way back in 1841. See how they sound to you:

"The country is full of wealth, of multifarious produce, supply for human want in every kind, yet the country is dying of inanition. With unabated bounty the land blooms and grows, waving with yellow harvests, thickly studded with workshops, industrial implements; fifteen millions workers, the cunningest and willingest the Earth ever had are here.

"The work they have done, the fruit they have realized is here, abundant on every hand, and behold, some baleful fiat as of Enchantment has gone forth saying: 'Touch it not!'

And so on. Carlyle goes on to show that even the rich and noble cannot escape some share of the distress although the worst, of course, falls on the poorest. He has some exceedingly sharp things to say about politicians and demagogues and fasty big-wigs who propound high sounding but utterly futile remedies for all the trouble.

Carlyle is impatient of governmental quackery. Relief can come, he says, only with the advance of a new sense of justice. Men of all classes are simply too ignorant and stubborn to see that what they conceive to be their self-interest is often their undoing.

There are several ways of applying the Carlyle quotations. The world came out of its 1841 tallepau; therefore Babbitt could urge that nature always takes care of everything. On the other hand, your pessimist could point out that "we're in again" and have been again and again. Will we never learn anything? In a world that is always reaching for the "bigger and better" are we merely evolving toward a smash so big that it will break everything?

There's your riddle. Out of every period of suffering in the world's history have come certain reforms which have seemed to make things better. Then the cussedness which seems to be inherent in human nature finds a way of halting the progression toward the Millennium.

The professor is right. Depressions do not grow out of wars so much perhaps as they grow out of what we call peace, because when we have peace we are still at war praying on each other. Is education ever going to make us smart enough to control human nature?

Four hundred years before Christ was born Plato was wondering if it would be possible to breed a race of perfect philosophers. Bigger and better philosophers was his motto. Isn't life interesting?

SALES TAX OR INCOME TAXES?

WILL the people of Oregon accept Governor Meier's three tax bills which appear on the ballot as initiated measures, or will it be necessary for the coming legislature to meet the state's financial emergency by resorting to new and perhaps drastic sales taxes.

The first two of the governor's measures offer a reasonable plan for the guidance and control of local expenditures by creating county supervising boards with power to pass on all levies and bond issues. The third raises the rates on incomes about \$7000 from 5 per cent to 8 per cent and lowers the exemptions to reach large numbers of people who now escape all taxes.

By controlling expenditures and by increasing revenues from income taxes, the governor hopes to avoid the levying of sales taxes to cover the deficits which are increasing in state and local budgets because the owners of farms and small homes and other real property simply cannot carry the entire burden under present conditions.

Income taxes fall on those who have actual income. The rich pay most, the regularly employed pay some; only the extremely poor are omitted from paying something. Sales taxes fall on the whole population without graduation, but the poor man pays as much as the rich man when it becomes necessary, for instance to levy sales taxes on staple articles of food or clothing.

We renew our recommendation of the governor's three measures, \$15, \$20 and \$25 because they are not only sound in principle but needed to meet our emergency. Vote YES on these measures, Tuesday.

BUILDING INSPECTION PROBLEM

ONE of the problems before the city council this winter will be the proposed combination of the building inspection department with the city engineer's office till times get better.

Whether the present inspector, H. E. Wilder, is retained or not, we do not believe building inspection should be abolished or neglected. If inspection is attempted at all it should be in the hands of a person fully qualified for the work.

Whether the work is carried as a sub-division of the engineering department or as a separate department (as at present) is not so important as whether the inspector knows his job.

After a good many years of effort we have achieved a good building code in Eugene. Competent building inspection is a protection to property owners and to the community in many ways.

ON CLOSING THE ROGUE

TWO years ago, the people were asked to vote on a constitutional amendment closing the Rogue river to commercial fishing and we opposed it because we did not believe such legislation should be written into the constitution. This year the same measure comes back in the form of ordinary state law, adopted by the last legislature, submitted on referendum. This time we support the

measure believing it not only wise but in proper form.

The Rogue is one of the world's greatest fishing streams. As we look at things, its value to the state as a recreational attraction far exceeds its value as a commercial fishing stream. Federal and state experts on fish propagation are agreed that commercial fishing is destructive to game fish. We believe the Rogue should be closed now to make a thorough test of this theory and permanently if the results prove as beneficial as expected.

In this county with the McKenzie and the Willamette and many other famous streams presenting protection problems there should be general support for the Rogue closing. It is more than a local issue. The policy concerns all Oregon.

SPEND MORE ON SCHOOLS

DR. WILLIAM T. FOSTER, director of the Pollak Foundation for Economic Research, told an audience of middle-western school teachers the other night that instead of cutting our expenditures for education it would be more sensible if we should double them.

"This is the time above all when we ought to expand," he asserted. "President Hoover said so in a speech four years ago; the Democrats put it in their platform. Even thrifty Coolidge agreed that the time to expand was in time of depression. That principle is just as sound today as it was four years ago."

Whether you are willing to go all the way with Dr. Foster or not, you will probably at least agree that the school budget is the very worst place to start an economy wave. Few school boards will be prepared to urge a doubling of the school budget; but all of them will be well advised to refrain, as far as possible, from doing any pruning.

A Kansas woman who has written a verse entitled "The Twang of the Sea" ought to devote her attention to another one, entitled "The Boom of the Piccolo."

That dispatch from Warm Springs, Ga., about the hill on which motor cars appear to coast upward might be explained. Perhaps it's the Roosevelt influence.

Maybe the Pitt team that beat Notre Dame hadn't read about the team having run up 177 points against their opponents' nothing.

The scientific discovery that England is slowly sinking into the sea naturally prompts a little suggestion about those war debts.

You hear so much talk about the depression that it seems strange that parrot fever is not more common.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

KERR AND CLAUDIUS.
 (Cottage Grove Sentinel)

DR. W. J. KERR, chancellor, has declared that he will follow the wishes of the state board of higher education to preserve separate identities for the institutions of higher learning of the state, which is taken by friends of the university to mean that he is opposed to the Zorn-Macpherson school wrecking bill. The Corvallis Gazette-Times, which has accused the newspapers of the state of having been purchased and suborned by the university crowd, can do no less than accuse Dr. Kerr, until recently most prominent and most respected citizen of Ilwaco, of having come under the same blighting and corrupt influence.

Anyway, it is reasonable to believe that the Gazette-Times hasn't given up its editorial pace and newspaper to the school wreckers just for fun. The G-T must be interested in some of the real estate opportunities taken by Corvallis residents who felt certain the university was to be moved to their town. If Claudius isn't in on the swag he must be an idiot, and no one would accuse him of that.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By **RODNEY DUTCHER**
 (NEA Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Nearly half of the 48 states may have voted against prohibition through referendum by the time Congress encounters the wet-dry issue once more at its short session this winter.

This is by far the biggest year for direct popular votes on the issue, and although only nine or 10 states are now in a position to permit the sale of beer in case Congress legalizes it this winter, wet victories in November are likely to be headed by several state legislatures at their forthcoming sessions.

A dozen states will vote on their own enforcement acts or on the merits of the eighteenth amendment. Those whose voters will declare in mandatory or advisory referendum for or against the state codes are Arizona, California, Colorado, Louisiana, Michigan, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oregon and Washington.

The question of repealing the federal amendment is before the voters of Wyoming and Connecticut, while Louisiana voters will decide whether the state should petition Congress for reestablishment.

The wets, riding on the great tide of anti-prohibition sentiment reflected in the major party platforms, are just confident enough to believe that they will win victories in all 12 states.

Six states already have repealed their own enforcement acts—New York, Nevada, Montana, Wisconsin, Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Maryland never had such an act. Illinois two years ago voted overwhelmingly for repeal of the state act and the amendment, and when the legislature sought to carry out the mandate it was balked by the governor's veto.

At the time of the Democratic primary this year, Texas voters cast their ballots three to one for re-establishment.

In addition to these 21 states certain others are suspected of being wet because of the choice of wet candidates in statewide elections, including Ohio, North Carolina and Maine. In Louisiana, Pennsylvania and Missouri the legal definition of intoxicating beverages is dependent on the Volstead Act.

Since 1928, the largest previous referendum year, the trend in such popular votes has been all to the wets, except for a single minor defeat. The general momentum of the wet tide lately has caused all referendum, advisory and otherwise, to be regarded as virtual mandates to state legislatures and other officials.

Some of the most ardent dries in Congress have long since agreed to abide by the result of any referendum in their states.

Only four of the last 16 statewide referenda have been won by the dries, and none since 1928. In 1928 California barely sustained her state enforcement act and Missouri did so by an overwhelming vote. Colorado voters rejected a proposal which would have allowed intoxicating liquors if and when not in conflict with federal law.

SIDE GLANCES



"Andrew, what's this I hear about you making faces at my back for the last 38 years?"

WITHOUT "GERM-RESISTANCE" HUMAN RACE WOULD HAVE BEEN DESTROYED, DOCTOR SAYS

By **DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN**
 (Editor, Journal of American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine)

IT has been estimated that 50 per cent of all diseases about which medicine knows most are caused by attacks on the human body by germs capable of causing disease. If one includes all of the diseases which represent complications and after-effects of infections of the human body, the percentage is probably much greater.

Students of infection are inclined to include four factors as chiefly responsible for infection of the body: First, the presence of a germ with sufficient toxic power to grow in the body; second, a sufficient number of these germs to overcome attacks by the body against the germ; third, some special condition in the body that makes it possible for the germ to live and grow; and fourth, some method of getting the germ into the body.

Were it not for the fact that human beings develop within their bodies conditions which make it difficult for germs to live and grow, the human race would long since have been destroyed by the bacteria.

However, the resistance which the human being has because of these conditions is not absolute. In the first place, the condition of the human being changes from time to time and

there is evidence that resistance is decreased when the body is greatly undernourished, or when a person is exceedingly fatigued, or when he has been exposed to sudden severe changes of temperature, or in several other ways.

Therefore, the line of defense varies in its strength from time to time and when the enemy is sufficiently numerous, or sufficiently strong, it breaks through.

For this reason, even in the most severe epidemics, some people escape although there are conditions in which practically everyone attacked is unable to resist the invasion.

Such conditions occur, for example, when a population among whom a disease has never previously appeared suddenly comes in contact with the disease. This occurred in the Faroe Islands when measles was brought by a ship carrying white men, at which time more than half the population of the islands died of measles.

It sometimes happens that the resistance of the body to one disease is broken down by a mild attack of a previous disease.

For instance, a person who has had influenza or diabetes or tuberculosis, or some other chronic disorder, may thereafter develop pneumonia or typhoid fever or rheumatic fever or tuberculosis much easier than he would have previously.

MAIL BAG

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

EUGENE, Ore.—(To the Editor)—

If the 18th amendment is voted down, will it, as Al Smith said, bring business prosperity over night?

I certainly would—for the saloon keeper.

H.W. would it be the next morning?

Now would the unemployed get money to help keep the saloons going?

You would be surprised.

If California and Washington voted wet, could Oregon remain dry?

When it storms in California and rains like (word censored by the miasms) in Washington, it generally sprinkles a little in Oregon.

If the business was handled through liquor stores, could the cities receive any profits from the sales?

Not a cent. All profits would be collected by the government.

How could cities profit by the change?

By going back to the old fashioned saloon and taxing them all they could stand.

Would there be more liquor used?

It used to be delivered in one-ton wagons. Now it is peddled in half pint flasks. It would probably be distributed with five-ton trucks.

Would all this liquor be consumed?

Don't know. Vote wet and see!

A. H. HORN.

QUOTES EINSTEIN

EUGENE, Ore.—(To the Editor)—

"This subject brings me to that vilest offspring of the herd mind—the odious militia. The man who enrolls himself in line and file to the strains of music falls below my contempt; he received his great brain by mistake—the spinal cord would have been amply sufficient. This herosim at command, this senseless violence, this accused bombast of patriotism—how intensely I despise them! War is low and despicable, and I had rather be smitten to shreds than participate in such delusions."—Albert Einstein.

This speaks a great thinker. What place has the R. O. T. C. on a campus devoted to "higher education?"

CHESTER FLARY.

WE GET A BOUQUET

EUGENE, Ore.—(To the Editor)—

I have followed your endorsements of candidates for the various county offices with much interest, and take this opportunity to congratulate you in your endorsement of Mrs. Vera Todd Crow for the office of County school superintendent.

This office is one of rare importance to the many children and patrons of the public schools of this county, and Mrs. Crow's fitness, her general outlook on life, her personality, with her devotion to a cause, the building of better and more efficient schools, fully justifies you in your endorsement, and the voters of Lane county

HALSEY NEIGHBORS

CHOOSE OFFICERS

HALSEY, Nov. 7.—(Special)—Vine Maple circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft, held election of officers at its last regular meeting Wednesday evening when it met in the local L. O. O. F. hall. They were as follows: Past Master, Mrs. Clara LaFollette; guardian neighbor Mary Smith; adviser, Mrs. Mae Weber; clerk, Mrs. Nellie Isom; banker, Mrs. Ada Corcoran; managers, Mrs. Elizabeth J. White, Mrs. Minnie Starnes and Elbert Isom; magician, Mrs. Ida Dykstra; attendant, Mrs. Dorothy Leeper; captain of the guards, Mrs. Edith Robnett; flag bearer, Mrs. Cumma Rossman; outer sentinel, Mrs. Emma Rossman; outer sentinel, Henretta Starnes; musician, Berceley Isom; Mrs. Esther F. Bond, press correspondent.

Ghosts of many variety greeted the 40 members of Rev. Omer Ideo Sunday school class last Tuesday evening when they gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Hamer for a Halloween party. Most all were dressed in various kinds of costumes. Games were played until nearly morning when refreshments were served. Individual winners were Mrs. Grace Starr, Mrs. Frank Starnes, Harvey Wright, and George Starr. In partner games winners were Mrs. Adrin Smith and L. D. Taylor, and Mrs. Charles Straley with Charles G. Hamer. A short business session was held and with Mrs. Arthur Foote presiding and new officers were elected. They were Mrs. George Starr, president and Mrs. L. D. Taylor secretary-treasurer. It was decided to take a voluntary contribution at these social affairs to defray expenses.

Mrs. Asa Hadley and two sons Lewis and Ray have returned to their home in Eugene after an extended visit here with Mrs. Hadley's aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth White. The boys were missed from the local grade school where they had made many friends.

Mrs. Alma Hamer accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gansle and Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Bond motored to Harrisburg Thursday evening to attend a meeting of Douglas auxiliary Canton No. 8 of which Mrs. Hamer is president. This was followed by a special joint meeting of Three Link Rebekah lodge and Evergreen 42 of Junction City for the purpose of the official visit of Mrs. Maud Rogers of Enterprise, state president of the Rebekah assembly of Oregon. A large crowd was present and a good meeting and a pleasant social time was enjoyed.

News of Creswell

CRESWELL, Nov. 7.—(Special)—

C. I. Kent and his class of boys of the Methodist Sunday school sponsored a party at the church annex Friday evening. A group of girls of the same school grade were guests. Rook and other games furnished entertainment and refreshments were served. The class members were Earl Bragg, Raymond Roberts, Harold Black, Ray Smith and Kenneth Coleman. The guests were Pauline Land, Della Turnbull and Lucile Kent. Ruth Burgoyne was unable to be there on account of illness.

At the regular monthly social meeting of the Epworth league Saturday evening, a waffle feed was followed by games. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. Fred Wallace, Mrs. Jane Bisher, Myrtle Smith and Marion Fuller. Others present were Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Inez Fisher, Wanda McCue, Jean Trefren, Kathryn Treanor, Vivian Ogram, Watrine Spencer, Robert Smith, Harold Gwyther of Eugene, Robert Lundington, Alvin Vedder, Norman Howe, George Ross, Robert Kivett, Wayne Trefren, Dwane Trefren and Elmer Kivett.

Mrs. H. L. Brown entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Laverna. Indoor games were played. A candle decorated birthday cake made by Mrs. T. C. Brown for her granddaughter was included in the refreshments served. The guests were Martha Yoder, Roberta Sypher, Ernest Sypher, Elwyn Woodson, Dorothy Wright, Duane Sanders, Bobby Wright, Fred Wright, Marvin Kerr, Myrna Miller, Jean Miller, Watrine Spencer, Earl Marquart and Laverna Brown.

A game of basketball was played at the gymnasium Friday evening between the "Red Sox," a group of girls from a Eugene beauty parlor, and the local high school quintet. The visitors won with a score of 19 to 18. Following this game the Creswell high school boys' team played the Walker team at Walker losing the close game with 19 to 21. A sub-team of girls from here played the Walker girls and lost out with a score of 11 to 40.

PERSONAL NEWS

Mrs. C. H. Sedgwick, Mrs. Hattie Groshen, Mrs. F. K. Nordhoff and Mrs. Ed Anderson accompanied Mrs. M. A. Horn to Albany Saturday to attend the second district biennial meeting of the Federation of Women's clubs. Mrs. Horn is president of the local Civic club.

A group of members of the Methodist aid auxiliary met Friday evening at the home of Mrs. H. N. Traxler to complete articles to be sold at the annual bazaar.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. McAllister, former resident of this community, were dinner guests Friday of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Lundington. They were on their way from Yoncalla to Monroe to care

GOOD NEWS MOTHERS

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A vote for CAL PRYOR for SHERIFF is a vote for FAIR PLAY and CLEAN POLITICS.

A vote for CAL PRYOR is a vote against ONE-MAN GOVERNMENT AT THE COURTHOUSE.

Assessor Keeney has made a campaign of insinuation against CAL PRYOR.

Cal Pryor's opponent, by his silence, has tacitly approved this kind of politics.

Assessor Keeney has shown a vital interest in who shall be appointed Sheriff's deputies.

Cal Pryor is competent to appoint his own deputies. He can run the Sheriff's office without interference by Keeney.

Nip in the bud this barefaced attempt of a public official to constitute himself the dictator of the Courthouse.

Elect a man who knows his own mind and stands on his own feet.

Elect a Man Who Will Be SHERIFF in Fact As Well As in Name!

Vote 61 X Cal Pryor For Sheriff

Lane County Democratic Central Committee
 by Edward F. Bailey, chairman,
 by Geo. O. Goodall, secretary

Paid Adv.

VOTE 70 X CLARENCE F. HYDE

Member at Large

EUGENE WATER BOARD

I believe that water rates could and should be lowered during months of July and August. Our burnt up lawns during the months of heavy tourist travel gives Eugene a black eye among the cities of Western Oregon.

I favor a reduction in electricity rates if a gradual reduction bonded indebtedness can be made at the same time.

I believe that future developments should be made on a "PAY WE GO" basis.

I believe that heads of families who are taxpayers, and local should be given the preference in employment.

I believe that salaries should be in line with that paid for similar work in other lines of public service. I know that "THE WAR OVER." If salaries are to be reduced, I will not start in with a janitor.

I favor competitive bidding in the purchase of supplies, printing, and believe that it should be given to LOCAL MERCHANTS as far as possible.

I believe that the FIRE INSURANCE business of the Eugene Water Board should be EQUALLY distributed among the Eugene agents engaged in that business, as far as their status of taxpayer entitles them to that consideration. I am opposed to any member of the Eugene Water Board monopolizing this business or in fact having any of the fire insurance agents who know if they are getting their share of this business.

I believe that the City of Eugene has a wonderful asset in its Municipal Light and Water plants and I favor an efficient, economical administration of the same.

I favor retaining J. W. McArthur as Superintendent and Engineer and I favor its operation for their benefit, without secrecy and all laid on the table.

If elected, I will, to the best of my judgment, discharge the duties of the office with impartiality and zeal for the public good.

CLARENCE F. HYDE

Candidate—Member at Large—Eugene Water Board—VOTE 70

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