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ALBERTA'S "VELOCITY DOLLARS"

IF the Roosevelt visit to Canada does not emphasize sufficiently our kinship with the folks across the northern border, we have only to turn to Alberta to find assurance that they can be just as "screwey" as we are in the states. Prime Minister William Aberhart, the ex-evangelist, who climbed into high office on the pledge to make everybody prosperous has started printing his "velocity dollars." It is a variation of his original idea to pay every dependent a handsome income on condition of spending it.

The "velocity dollar" is something like those "send-a-dime" chains which had brief vogue in the states—except that the sanction of a great province is behind the scheme. The provincial government prints the dollars and gives 'em out to anybody interested. To each of these dollars is appended 50 special two cent stamps. You take the dollar to your grocer and he is supposed to give you a dollar's worth of food for it. eH passes it on to his employes or his creditors and they pass it on to theirs and so on and so on. If anybody holds the certificate more than a week he must buy one of the two cent stamps and stick on it. When a dollar's worth of stamps have been attached the last holder can get a real Canadian dollar in exchange for the token.

Go on! You figure it out! Who gets stuck? Popular boycott is the weapon counted on to make merchants and dealers accept the paper. But suppose you were a merchant with bills to pay in Chicago or Toronto or other distant points where folks just wouldn't "listen to reason." Suppose your clerks or workmen demanded the customary good old "cash." Of course, you might bail yourself out by buying all the stamps, but that doesn't add up to any profit or even a fair exchange.

Maybe like the "wooden nickels" which the city of Tenino issued back in '32, the Alberta "velocity dollar" will show some profit as a "collector's item," but we doubt if it will buy what it takes. But why should we in Oregon "snoot" the good Albertans? Aren't we going to vote shortly on Pete Zimmerman's money factory which he calls a state bank?

F. D. VISITS THE NEIGHBORS

IN his address to the people of Canada Friday, President Roosevelt objected to those news reports which have described his welcome there as "honors customary for a foreign ruler." He objected to the description of himself as "a foreign ruler," for, he said Canadians and Americans do not think of themselves as "foreigners" to each other in any of their ordinary contacts. The Canadian in the United States is just "a Canadian"; the American in Canada is just "an American."

This point gave a very graceful touch to his good will speech. It strengthens all that has been said so many times about the 100 years of peace between the nations and the 3,000 miles of frontier without a battlement. In this country and in Canada are represented almost all the races and nationalities of the world, but peace is the normal for us because we simply do not think of ourselves or our interests as essentially different.

There were, of course, political aspects of the "neighborly visit." It was well timed to support the campaign arguments which will be made on the reciprocal tariff agreements. Campaign managers know that the Canadian ovation floating in over a million radios will enhance the impression that Roosevelian leadership is appreciated far beyond the boundaries of the United States. The international orators were exceedingly discreet in their omissions of everything which might seem to have political significance—except the stage effects.

Nevertheless, the American people, regardless of their political feelings must agree that this friendly visit was a good thing. It is strange to think that in all these years of good will, Roosevelt is the first president to pay our Canadian neighbors a friendly visit because their governors-general and premiers have always visited us as a matter of course. Even the bitterest of Mr. Roosevelt's critics should be willing to concede that he has set one good precedent, at least.

RURAL CHECK-UP MAY HELP

THE problem of resettlement, involving abandonment of vast sections of land and some small towns, helps to focus attention on the question of rural organization.

By this is meant county, township, and school district set-ups with their customary duplication of functions and territories, and consequent exorbitant cost to the taxpayer. Michigan, for instance, has found that substantial savings might be effected if numerous, thinly populated school districts in less productive sections of the state were consolidated.

Many other states face identical problems. The distribution of population and duplication of governing agencies constitute a real problem of reorganization. So while we're at this settlement question, it might be a good stroke to examine the situation generally, in drouth areas and elsewhere.

Keeping them to the ground is necessary, politically, which perhaps explains why both the Democratic donkey and the G. O. P. elephant have big ears.

Russians are dumping matches in the United States, says a tariff report, and in due time no doubt this whole country will look like an editor's desk.

If Spain insists on keeping it up, it would seem poetic justice to give all its bulls box seats.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

NON-COMPULSORY MILITARY MEASURE

(Th Sheridan Sun)

THE non-compulsory military training measure initiated by petition and on the ballot this fall will without doubt pass by a large majority as it should.

Yet there are thousands of good people who believe you can put all the good qualities in a human by some sort of force or pressure, for instance, that you can make a good soldier of a youngster by forcing military training on him. But like other good things administered by force, it has just the opposite effect. Military training should be optional. In fact if it is desirable that the nation have a group of men trained in arms, let there be some kind of inducement made for those young fellows who are willing to give their time to that kind of work.

The matter calls up the efforts made to suppress and stifle all information in regard to communism. The country has not so much to fear from those who will become communists from a thorough knowledge of what they are doing as from those who will join because some half-baked fanatic has hinted of the advantages to be gained. It is safe to say that the vast majority of the Russian people had no notion of what they were doing or where they were going when they went into communism and had they known, small minorities would not have been able to engulf them in it.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
(Register-Guard Washington Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—President Roosevelt's order placing all patronage postmasterships under civil service is both better and worse—from the standpoint of the merit system ideal—than the administration-sponsored bill to similar effect which was beaten by Republican opposition in the last Congress.

Under the bill, Democratic postmasters could have been blanketed into the civil service for life—assuming the Democrats won the November election. If Republicans won, the office could have been thrown open to competitive examination.

Chief significance of the executive order is that it restores a similar order by President Wilson which makes mandatory the selection of the candidate with the highest rating in the competitive examination for the job.

Harding abrogated the Wilson order and gave the postmaster-general the choice from among the three leading candidates, which usually worked out so that a Republican got the job.

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Order Can Be Annulled

Chief weakness of the executive order is that it can again be abrogated and the first, second, and third-class postmasterships affected thrown back to the spoilsmen.

But Governor Landon has come out so strongly for the merit plan throughout the postal system that it is only fair to believe he would insist on retaining the principle of appointing the man who passes with the highest mark.

If Roosevelt is re-elected, he unquestionably will keep the order in effect until such time as permanent legislation may be enacted. The order gives him the power to reappoint Democratic postmasters—assuming they can pass non-competitive examinations—for four more years. Or he can name classified civil service employes in the postal service in case of vacancies.

On the other hand, he can call for competitive examinations as fast as terms expire or other vacancies occur. A Republican president, if he were to preserve the order in force, would almost certainly insist on competitive examinations immediately as term expirations and vacancies occurred.

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Pressure Was Terrific

Republican comments include the fact that Roosevelt could have issued his executive order at any time in the last 3½ years and the charge that he has acted in the face of a strong public demand and a strong position taken by Landon.

All of which is true enough—and it's also true that no president has ever stood up under such congressional pressure for jobs as came early in this administration.

Harding knocked out the Wilson executive order under such pressure. In his case and Roosevelt's the frenzy for political jobs was intensified by depression and unemployment.

The counter-pressure of public opinion for the merit system, however, has become increasingly effective through the last 60 years. Harding's "raid," involving some 13,000 postmasterships, was a far harder blow to civil service than Roosevelt's.

The present president "unblanketed" from civil service protection about 300 employes of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce (Hoover's pet) and 170 at the Soldiers' Home in Johnson City, Tenn., which was utterly indefensible and a black mark on his record.

But he stopped there—and relieved the remaining pressure by letting plenty of deserving Democrats into the New Deal emergency agencies.

Farley Riddle Hangs On

Inside tip: Some of Postmaster General Jim Farley's intimates are convinced that he will not keep his cabinet post—from which he is now on leave, handling the campaign—if Roosevelt is re-elected.

They say Farley wants to get back into business and make some money.

Inasmuch as Jim's current separation from the department came nearly a year after he first told people he was going to step out, and because it is well known that he would like to establish a reputation as a "great postmaster general," his present intentions are not to be accepted as a basis of absolute prophecy.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine

MEN and women who have become great are found, in general, to have had parents above the average in quality. In most cases, they also have had superior advantages in their youth.

This fact, determined by a study of the lives of 300 noted men and women, should discredit to some extent the common belief that great men are more likely to come from poor families, where they are without opportunity, than from wealthy families where they have every chance of improvement.

Indeed, actual studies show that the son of an eminent official, a general in the army, a president of the United States, or a great philosopher and teacher, has a better chance to become great than the son of a toiler in the fields.

Nevertheless, as everybody knows, not all children of famous people attain distinction. A favorable ancestory helps, but there are records of innumerable instances of people who were able to rise far beyond their ancestry.

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John Bunyan, author of "Pilgrim's Progress," was the son of a tinker. The father of Carlyle, author of "The French Revolution," was a mason. The great philosopher Kant was the son of a strapmaker, and the father of the celebrated British navigator, Capt. James Cook, was a common day laborer.

There occasionally are people who insist that it is possible to take children of average ancestry and train them for leadership. Their view arises from the fact that Pitt, the great statesman; Mozart, the musician; Michelangelo, the sculptor; Weber, the composer, and many others, had special instruction when very young, trending toward leadership in the fields in which they finally achieved fame.

On the other hand, Abraham Lincoln, Faraday, the scientist, and General Blucher came from exceedingly lowly surroundings and had little, if any, opportunity in youth to help them toward the positions of eminence and leadership which they ultimately achieved.

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Genius is likely to make itself apparent very early in life. Voltaire wrote verses almost as soon as he was old enough to talk. The author Coleridge could read a chapter from the Bible at the age of 3 years.

The poet-philosopher Goethe, at 8, produced literary work better than that produced by most adults. Oliver Cromwell entered Cambridge at 17.

Ulysses Grant was capable of riding horses remarkably well at the age of 8. William Harvey, who discovered the circulation of the blood, entered Cambridge at 16 and received his B.A. degree at 19 years of age.

Lives of great men furnished examples of extraordinary brilliance early in youth. In their school standing and progress, and in their early production and achievement, these children were phenomenal.

SIDE GLANCES

"Yes, and he'll still be going strong after you've worn out three more trucks."

Creswell News Notes

CRESWELL, Aug. 3.—(Special)—Mrs. F. B. Clock, Mrs. Cora Olson and Mrs. E. A. Schwering were birthday guests at a potluck supper Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. William Holliston. A social hour of visiting followed. Those attending were Mrs. Elizabeth Snere, Mrs. K. B. Melton, Irma Snere, Edith Snere, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Rasmussen and son George, Mrs. Ethel Treanor, Mrs. Hattie Groshong, Myrtle Groshong, Mrs. W. W. Lower, Mrs. Clara Traxler, Mrs. G. H. Davidson, Nieta Zinker, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Olson, Mrs. A. S. Olson, Irene Olson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hudspeth, Mrs. F. B. Clock, Mrs. Mildred Klindt of Eugene, Mrs. Cora Olson, Mrs. A. A. Emmons, N. E. Steele, Mrs. Mabel Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Schwering and the hostess.

Mrs. Elizabeth Snere, Miss Edith Snere and N. E. Steele returned last week from a few days outing at De-Lake. Mrs. Steele remained with her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Padden for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Schwering and baby daughter spent the week-end with relatives at Harrisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Schwering entertained at a picnic supper on their lawn Friday evening. Their guests were Mrs. Mabel Campbell and daughter, Barbara, Mrs. W. W. Lower, and Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Schwering and daughter, Kaye.

Mrs. William Evans returned to her home at Salem Friday after visiting a week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hattie Groshong.

George A. Berreman, director of adult education in Lane county was in town Friday evening and conferred with the local commitee in regards to work here. Plans were made to meet with all women of the community interested in projects including sewing, knitting, crocheting, basket weaving and other hand work or designing and cutting of garments to meet at the Civic club house Thursday afternoon of this week at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Mary Warner who accompanied Mr. Berreman when he presented the plans before the recent meeting of the club will be in charge. A large attendance is urged.

Miss Lois Traxler nurse of the Eugene hospital is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Clara Traxler during her two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Walter Pohll and four children of Chiloquin are visiting at the home of Mr. Pohll's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pohll. They spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pohll and family. Walter Pohll will join his family here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Benton, son Norman, and daughter Eva, returned last week from an extended trip through Montana, Wyoming and Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Olson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holleman and son on a week-end trip to Portland.

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HULTEN-REID WEDDING SUNDA

Ceremony Held As Morning One In Garden

By MARIAN LOWRY

IN the garden of their future home, Miss Margaret B. Reid, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Reid of Eddyville, formerly of Eugene, and Charles M. Hulten of the University of Oregon school of journalism faculty were married Sunday morning, Rev. Cecil F. Ristow, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. The service was read at ten o'clock in the presence of a small group of relatives and friends. The couple stood beside a grape arbor, the lawn and shrubbery and varied border plants in bloom forming a colorful setting for the ceremony.

The couple was unattended. The bride wore a smart white silk suit, and with it a navy blue net blouse and navy blue accessories, and a small off the face hat of white linen. Her flowers were a corsage of gardenias, the leaves lacquered in blue, matching accessories of her costume.

Following the ceremony the group attending the wedding visited informally in the garden after which Mr. and Mrs. Hulten left on a trip of two weeks in various parts of Oregon. They will return to make their home in Eugene.

Mrs. Hulten is society editor of the Register-Guard. She is a graduate of the University of Oregon, where she is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi social sorority, of Theta Sigma Phi, national journalism honorary, and Pot and Quill, women writers group.

Mr. Hulten is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity and Sigma Delta Chi, honorary national journalism group. He has been on the university journalism faculty for two years, coming here after several years work on newspapers in the mid-west. He is the son of Mrs. Charles E. Hulten, who has lived in Eugene the past two years and who left this summer for her home in Wisconsin.

Attending the wedding were the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Reid, and her grandmother, Mrs. Adelia Bronaugh, all of Eddyville; her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Reid; her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bronaugh; Mr. and Mrs. George S. Turnbull and son, Mr. and Mrs. Arne G. Rae, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stofiel, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Moore, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Crissey, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hathaway and son, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Fischer, Jr., Miss Marion Feep, Miss Betty Anne Macduff.

Mrs. Hulten has been honored at several affairs preceding her marriage. Mrs. Wilfred Moore and Mrs. James A. Crissey entertained at a breakfast for her Sunday last. Mrs. J. L. Hesse entertained at a dessert and shower party for her recently; and Misses Virginia Endicott and Clair Igoe gave a luncheon and shower for her.

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FROM WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Straight and daughters, Lois and Arvilla, and Norman Carrol, all of Washington, D. C., are here for two weeks visit at the home of Mr. Straight's brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Willoughby. This is the first time in twenty-eight years Mr. Straight has been in Eugene.

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MEETING MONDAY

Alumnae of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority are meeting Monday evening at the home of Miss Arleta Davis.

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MEETING TUESDAY

The Tres Jolies club is to meet Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Georgia Tobey.

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TWO HOSTESSES

Members of the north division of Central Presbyterian Aid society will meet Tuesday afternoon at the home of Misses Nettie and Emma Chase at two-thirty o'clock.

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SHOWER GIVEN

A luncheon and kitchen shower for Mrs. A. E. Pomeroy (Doris Voetberg) was given the past week by Mrs. Frank A. Berg Jr., at her home, a group of eight being invited. Mrs. Pomeroy was married July 18 in Portland.

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TO MEET TUESDAY

The Women of Moose will meet Tuesday evening in the Moose hall at eight o'clock. A report on the recent state convention will be given, as well as an address by the regional membership director.

Garden Club Tour Is Arranged

A tour of Mrs. Marie P. Fletcher's "best garden" will be one of the features of the Eugene Garden club meeting, Wednesday afternoon.

The group will meet in the garden at the home of Mrs. Fred Broders, 470 West Broadway, at two o'clock to hear a discussion of the twelve points in judging flowers by Mrs. M. T. MacKenzie. Mrs. George E. Thirlwell will give pronunciation of summer flowers. The group will then tour four or five gardens. The public is invited to attend and to bring flowers to be identified.

Wedding Saturday

The marriage of Miss Mary Rice to William L. Ebner will be solemnized Saturday evening of this week at the home of the bride-elect's mother, Mrs. Ellen M. Rice. The service will be at eight o'clock, Rev. Cecil F. Ristow of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating.

CLUB ENTERTAINS

HALSEY, August 3.—(Special)—The ladies of the Lake Creek-Busey thimble club held their regular meeting Thursday afternoon at the country home of Mrs. Leota Brock. The principal diversion of the afternoon was a post nuptial shower for Mrs. Esther Morse Brock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clint Morse and daughters-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Brock, both of the Lake Creek community. Mrs. Brock was here from her home in Albany for the affair.

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Monday

7:30 p. m.—Alpha Omicron Pi alumnae meeting at the home of Miss Arleta Davis.

8 p. m.—Rebekah lodge degree team practice meeting at the I. O. O. F. hall.

Tuesday

2:30 p. m.—North division of Central Presbyterian Aid society meeting at the home of Misses Emma and Nettie Chase.

7:30 p. m.—Tres Jolie club meeting with Mrs. Georgia Tobey, 755 High street.

Engagement T... At Tea Sunda... Afternoon

At a formal tea given ... ernoon at her home ... was made of the engagement ... Violet Riddlesbarger, daughter ... and Mrs. W. P. Riddlesbarger, ... erley Marlatt, son of Mr. and ... Raymond Marlatt. A group of ... than thirty was invited to call ... three until five o'clock. The ... al announcement was written ... parchment scrolls handed the ... as they entered the door.

Mrs. Wayne L. Morse and ... Charles G. Howard poured and ... A. B. Stillman and Mrs. Louis ... time cut the ices. Assisting ... serving were Misses June Martin, ... dred Chapman, Wahnita Mills, ... Helengray Boykin.

Invited to the tea were: Mrs. ... mond Marlatt, Mrs. Wayne L. ... Mrs. N. H. Comish, Mrs. Hiram ... Crosland, Mrs. L. A. Wood, Mrs. ... L. Kelly, Mrs. Charles G. Hall, ... Mrs. Marion Watts, Miss Elsie ... Findly, Mrs. Louis Ballentine, ... D. T. Bagly, Mrs. B. Meloney, ... H. A. Robbins, Mrs. Don Meyers, ... W. A. Dahlberg, Mrs. Jackie ... Miss Beatrice Barker, Miss Mary ... Hayward, Miss Frances Dyer, ... Mrs. Maude Steinmetz, Mrs. Ray ... Gray, Mrs. Ada Rickels, Mrs. ... Koppe, Mrs. John McClosky, ... Lee Ball, Mrs. Lida Stokes, ... Misses June Martin, Helengray ... kin, Wahnita Mills, and Mildred ... man.

No date is announced for the ... ding.

The bride-elect is a former ... of the University of Oregon ... she is a member of Alpha ... Delta sorority.

Picnic Sunday

The annual picnic for Willa... court, Order of the Amaranth, ... held Sunday at Swimmers ... about sixty attending. The ... in charge included J. J. Godfrey, ... liam G. Klussman, and Mrs. ... Stone. Another picnic for the ... likely will be held later in Aug...

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