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The Register-Guard's policy is the complete and impartial publication in its news pages of all news and statements on news. On this page, the editors of The Register-Guard offer their opinions on events of the day and matters of importance to the community, endeavoring to be candid but fair and helpful in the development of constructive community policy.

ART COMMISSION SUPPORTED.

STRONG support for the proposal to establish an Oregon art commission is gathering in the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Fortnightly club, the D. A. R. and allied groups which have been active in urging that the new capitol at Salem should be distinctive as an Oregon building. Before the capitol plans were drawn, this paper advanced the suggestion at the instance of Lance Hart, of the University of Oregon art faculty who pointed out that only through such a commission of experts could this state hope to achieve any very high standards in the ornamentation of the capitol or any other public building.

Recent controversies with the New York architect over the use of Oregon materials and the employment of Oregon artizans, and particularly the statement that this work might be let out to competitive bids, have made the need of such a commission very plain. Art works of lasting merit and significance cannot be had by any form of price bids. The adornment of such a building as the new capitol is not a simple problem in commercial decoration. It is a project which merits the most careful and intelligent study now and for many years to come.

Such a building as the capitol is not a structure to be delivered "finished" down to the last detail. The ornamentation is not a matter for the architect alone. He fixes structural design. His work in itself is artistic. The sculptures, the paintings, the wood carvings and adornments of every kind must be in harmony with the building he has planned. But his function ends with providing place for these adornments which may even be changed from time to time.

It goes without saying that every Oregon artist and artizan should be eligible to contribute to such a building as the capitol. But not even the best work of the finest artist may be suitable for every part or any part of this particular building. The selection of those works which are most appropriate, most expressive of Oregon, worthy in craftsmanship is a problem for experienced judges. To have any work accepted by a competent commission is an honor to which any Oregon artist will aspire. No real artist will compete on bids.

Can a competent art commission be had or will the appointments fall to politics? There is a very simple answer. The University of Oregon art school is recognized by the Carnegie Foundation and other institutions as one of the best in the land. Let the faculty of the University art school name one member. Let the trustees of the Portland art museum name another. The Oregon Historical Society should name a third. The fourth selection could be left to the Oregon pioneers. The governor could find the fifth from the citizens at large.

The art commission is practical, not fanciful. The French have used the plan for years. Nor should the authority of the art commission be limited to the capitol. It should have jurisdiction over every building and bridge and monumental structure Oregon has.

JUDGE KNIGHT TAKES A HAND

A PUBLIC which has been wearied by the disgraceful squabbling of celluloid Mary Astor and Dr. Thorpe, her ex-husband, could afford three rousing cheers for Judge Goodwin J. Knight, who has dictated a "settlement to end settlements" and declared that in the interests of the child, Marylyn, the fighting must end. In particular, the public will rejoice in his stern rebuke to the attorneys on both sides, who, perhaps more than the principals, are to blame.

It would be a good thing if courts made much wider use of their power over the actions of lawyers. It would be a good thing if the original concept of the attorney as "an officer of the court" could be revived. Strictly speaking the lawyer is just as much responsible as the judge to see that justice and the public interest are served. Too often the lawyerly claim that he is merely "representing the client" is an excuse to keep the trouble stirring, at the client's expense, and bask in the notoriety which is attained.

The Astor scandal has been a lawyers' field day. The much publicized incident of "the purple diary" was a typical bit of staging. Nobody knows, or ever will know, if Judge Knight has his way, just what was in that diary. If the contents of the diary were no more startling than some of the witness stand statements, the public hasn't missed much, though a great deal of gossip injurious to people in no way connected with the Astor dispute has been stirred.

Perhaps Miss Astor's "purple diary" was no more important than the mythical "little black book" which figured in the famous Mohr murder trial in Rhode Island many years ago. Dr. Mohr was a practitioner who combined a good deal of "stepping" with a clientele of Newport swells. One night he was shot. His wife was charged with the killing, but acquitted though some negro gunmen went to the pen for life. But the trial of Mrs. Mohr was high lighted by the continual rumors from the defense that Dr. Mohr's "little black book" was to be aired. It worried many notables; it made grand headlines, but the "little black book" never did come to light and newsmen gradually came to believe that there never was any such document to be aired.

Bench and bar have a duty in the disciplining of attorneys who impose on the confidence of their clients and the gullibility of the public to create a stir. With a different type of counsel on either side, the Astor scandal might never have occurred. The Los Angeles judge through assuming supervision of little Marylyn has acquired a club over both parents and lawyers and he has said that if necessary he will send the whole crowd to jail. If he does he will deserve another burst of cheers.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

TAKE US BACK

(Bend Bulletin)

THE esteemed Register-Guard, of Eugene, speaks of the new Willamette highway as the "great route which will join Oregon with California and with great transcontinental highways from the middle west and east." To the Eugene paper the highway is so important that it thinks that it is not too much to ask for $1,125,000 at once so that construction may be completed "within the next year."

It is our pleasure to regard Bill Tugman, who edits the Register-Guard, as one of our best friends and we admire his liberalism, his poise, his judgment, his acquaintance with Oregon and his (usual) command of facts. Here is a time, however, when he has gone, in the local idiom, completely "haywire."

Bill knows well that Oregon is already joined with California—unless, indeed, he has read Klamath and Jackson and Curry out of the state. He knows well that the Old Oregon trail (U. S. highway No. 30) connects with some of the great transcontinental highways from the east and that the U. S. No. 97 (The Dalles-California) connects with others. If he will think for a moment he will realize that the expenditure of $1,125,000 on the Willamette will not improve in any little respect the existing Oregon-California connections. Or does he figure that Oregon is reached only by the Willamette?

Thing it over, Bill. Take us back into Oregon.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
Register-Guard Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Few politicians have any more doubt as to where the bulk of the labor vote is going.

The question most at issue is whether, when organized labor aligns itself rather solidly behind one presidential candidate, there won't be sufficient adverse reaction from farmers and other middle-class voters to offset the effect.

A secret poll of the 17 members of the American Federation of Labor's executive council recently showed that all but two favored endorsement of Roosevelt by the council.

This was especially significant, as the council includes but one member of the Committee for Industrial Organization, whose leaders have been foremost in the pro-Roosevelt activities of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

The council, however, is practically certain to refrain from such an endorsement. The big obstacle is the fact that President "Big Bill" Hutcheson of the carpenters' union, one of the three or four most powerful members of the council, has threatened to take his union out of the A. F. of L. if the council comes out for Roosevelt.

Hutcheson is chief of the Republican National committee's labor division. The other council member who opposes endorsement of Roosevelt is John Cofield, head of the plumbers' union.

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GREEN FOR ROOSEVELT

President William Green of the A. F. of L. is a lifelong Democrat and has declared personally for Roosevelt, as have 20 state federations of labor, with more to come. Few of the big labor leaders who have announced for the president can be properly classified as either Republicans or Democrats. Figuring from a strictly practical point of view, they think they have "gotten more out of" Roosevelt than they would be likely to get from Landon.

There is plenty of comfort for Republicans, however. It has yet to be demonstrated that either a political or other movement of organized labor is likely to attract general support outside labor ranks.

The popularity of Calvin Coolidge after he received credit for breaking the Boston police strike is a case in point. Support of labor may lose Roosevelt many votes.

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LEWIS' FOES MAY "TURN"

Possibility that some crafts union leaders may turn against Roosevelt because they believe he is too sympathetic to John Lewis and industrial unionism may or may not materialize. Feeling among some labor leaders is bitter and some of them aren't acting at all calmly.

Green himself flew off the handle at a press conference when a newspaperman, generally considered as well informed on labor questions as anyone in Washington, asked him who appointed the credentials committee at the A. F. of L. convention—the committee which will pass on eligibility of C. I. O. union delegates and a committee which under by-laws is appointed by Green himself.

"You know the answer to that, ——," replied Green bitterly. "You're just trying to discredit me!"

The correspondent said he wanted to apologize in case he had caused any embarrassment and then asked Green for an apology, which he didn't get.

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SNUBS FOR JOHN L.

Later that evening Lewis was sitting in Harvey's restaurant after dinner with two friends when four persons he knew came in.

Mrs. William Hutcheson passed by with her nose slightly tilted. President Dan Tracy of the electrical workers' union bowed. President Henry Bates of the bricklayers', masons' and plasterers' union greeted Lewis warmly. President Hutcheson of the carpenters' union, who was biffed by Lewis at the last A. F. of L. convention, stared straight ahead.

Others in the dining room, recognizing all parties concerned, merely snickered.

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AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

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

MORE and more the attention of the medical profession, and of intelligent people generally, is being focused on health examination before marriage. The idea is to make certain that a couple may live a happy married life and have healthy children.

Such examinations are also important in controlling the spread of venereal diseases, or sex diseases. Finally, they serve to detect the beginning of chronic or degenerative diseases and to give opportunity for cure, so that married life will not be marred by repeated illness of either husband or wife.

The Eugenics Society of Great Britain has drawn up an outline of the subjects to be covered by such examinations so that the important disease conditions will not be overlooked.

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First, the doctor gets the name, age, address, and occupation of the person who is to be examined, and learns whether he or she has been previously married, and whether there have been children.

The doctor then inquires whether the person is related by blood to the one whom he or she is to wed. This is important because of the possibility of intensifying either good or bad characteristics by the marriage.

Modern science does not condemn marriage of cousins, provided no harmful characteristics are likely to be transmitted in intensified form by the marriage.

Next, the doctor finds out the condition of health of the ancestors and relatives as a means of determining diseases which may "run in the family." The doctor seeks to learn whether, among those relatives, there are cases of nervousness, nervous breakdown, mental disturbance or defect, insanity, fainting spells, convulsions or fits, cases of drug addiction or heavy drinking, incidence of suicides, or such diseases as tuberculosis, diabetes, asthma, blindness or deafness early in life.

These questions are raised because the conditions concerned may have some bearing on the occurrence of hereditary complaints.

The doctor then looks for symptoms arousing suspicion of diseases which may be involved in inability of a woman to have children. All these may have an hereditary character.

He then inquires as to the presence of any nervous troubles, fits of crying and periods of depression, morbid fears, such as the fear of traffic, height, of open or closed spaces, of thunderstorms, of animals or disease.

The final question concerns the person's knowledge of the relationships between the sexes, so that suitable explanations may be made when there is insufficient understanding of these relationships by either of the prospective partners.

Following such a study, a complete physical examination is made to determine the presence of abnormalities, tumors, or similar disturbances.

Unquestionably, such a physical and mental examination before marriage would do a great deal to clear up difficulties which occur afterward, and perhaps also would help to cut down the increasing rate of divorce, which is a feature of our modern civilization.

SIDE GLANCES

"Now, let's not risk our necks getting to the hospital, boys. A couple of minutes isn't going to make any difference, one way or the other."

Nebraska Reveals Prehistoric Race; Scientists Enthuse

LYNCH, Neb., Aug. 17.—(AP)—University of Nebraska scientists tonight wondered what manner of man lived 4,000 years ago in the prehistoric city unearthed near here by a party of archaeologists headed by Dr. Earl H. Bell of the university.

Bell and his associates in the expedition, which has halted its digging until next summer, know the early men were farmers, hunters, and expert makers of pottery and tools from bone and rock; but they were unable to find a burial and determine what the ancient inhabitants of the fertile Ponca Creek valley looked like. The search for a burial will be resumed next summer, Bell said, as he packed thousands of artifacts taken from the excavations.

"It is clear that Nebraska has a human pre-history as important in the annals of civilization as that of Egypt or the near east," Dr. Bell asserted.

He located 40 new archaeological sites in the Ponca Creek area, 40 miles long by 20 miles wide. He said he believed two of these were inhabited 4,000 years ago and the others later.

Science Churches Conduct Services

"Sou" was the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientists, on Sunday, August 16.

The Golden Text was, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities who healeth all thy diseases" (Ps. 103: 2, 3).

Among the citations which comprised the lesson-sermon was the following from the Bible: "The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in his temple" (Ps. 27: 1, 4).

The lesson-sermon also included the following correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Immortal men and women are models of spiritual sense, drawn by perfect Mind and reflecting those higher conceptions of loveliness which transcend all material sense . . . Beauty is a thing of life, which dwells forever in the eternal Mind and reflects the charms of His goodness in expression, form, outline, and color" (p. 247).

Initiation Slated For Lodge Monday

SPRINGFIELD, Aug. 17.—(Special)—Initiation for several new members, and a social evening following, will be held at the weekly meeting of the Juanita Rebekahs here Monday evening.

The entertainment committee includes Mrs. Alberta Walker, Mrs. Irene Squires, and Miss Edna Swarts.

RETURNS FROM CONFERENCE

SPRINGFIELD, Aug. 17.—(Special)—Rev. H. A. Wanvig, pastor of the Springfield Baptpist church, has returned from the annual Bible conference of the Baptist church, held last week at Cascadia.

VETCH FIELD BURNS

SPRIIGFIELD, Aug. 17.—(Special)—A vetch field belonging to Maggie Morse burned Saturday evening, with about two acres crop permanently damaged, a fire department report said Monday. The department was called to the scene of the fire, but arrived too late to prevent considerable damage to the field. Several adjoining acres were not seriously damaged.

Local Drum Corps Hit at Convention

Members of the Eugene post of the American Legion arrived home over the week-end from the state convention held in Roseburg, reporting it a very successful meeting and praising the impression made by the Eugene drum corps.

The local drum corps did not enter the competitive drills this year, having just been reorganized a few weeks ago, but it was the first one on the field for a program of stunts. The group presented a burlesque of a regular rehearsal and proved the hit of the drum corps entertainment at the convention through this skit. W. D. Hollingworth is drum major.

Delegates going from Eugene to the convention were: Wallace N. Wintler, Ben F. Dorris, Hugh E. Rosson, Mark Hathaway, and Clarence V. Simon. Ben F. Dorris was elected one of the national delegates.

The local post has its next meeting next Tuesday evening. New officers will be installed in September.

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PRO AMERICA CAMPAIGN START

Republican Women Hear Plans For State Picnics

By MARGARET REID

A COUNTY-WIDE membership campaign will be launched this week by members of Lane county chapter, Pro America, national organization of republican women, announces Mrs. Hugh E. Rosson, Lane county chapter chairman.

A meeting of the executive board of the chapter was held Monday afternoon at which time choice of the precinct workers was discussed and made. Mrs. Mary R. Near is the membership committee chairman.

Word was also received from the Young Republican club of Oregon, inviting the Lane county chapter to participate in an all-state republican picnic at Jantzen Beach, Portland, on September 13. The Lane county chapter is to aid in the organization of a caravan of Lane republicans to attend the picnic.

In conjunction with the state convention of the Oregon Republican club to be held, early in September, another picnic is planned for those attending. The date of the convention and picnic is set for September 3-4-5, but may be postponed, depending upon whether Colonel Frank Knox of Illinois, the republican party's vice presidential candidate, who is expected to speak in Oregon sometime in September, is able to be present.

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WITH MRS. ALLEN

Mrs. Charles Allen will be hostess Tuesday evening at her home at 1520 Willamette street, for members of the Tres Jolies club. The meeting will start at seven-thirty o'clock.

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WOMEN OF MOOSE

Women of the Moose will meet Tuesday evening at the Moose hall at eight o'clock. A class of candidates will be initiated and officers and drill team are to come dressed in white.

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HOME FROM VACATION

Mrs. Nelson F. Macduff has returned from a two weeks' trip to California.

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FROM MONTANA

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. White have had as their guests for a time Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lohr and children, Mildred and Jack, of Anaconda, Montana, and Mrs. R. H. Meartz of Missoula, Montana. Mrs. Lohr, Mrs. Meartz and Mrs. White are sisters. The visitors are spending a few days at Newport and will visit up the McKenzie before returning to their homes.

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VISIT FROM PORTLAND

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. McDaniel of Portland spent the week-end here as guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. DeVaney.

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WRITERS TO MEET

The Penwoman's club of Eugene is to meet Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Volborg Bogstad, 2112 Agate street, at seven-thirty o'clock. All those interested in creative writing are invited to attend.

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SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary is called by the senior vice-president, Mrs. Dorothy Quiner, for Monday evening at eight o'clock.

Ritualistic work for the departed president, Mrs. Clara Miller, will be taken up at this meeting. All members are requested to attend.

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WEEK-END TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. MacArthur, Miss Erma Scott and Miss Leola Whitelaw, spent this past week-end on a trip through southern Oregon. They visited at Ashland, Klamath Falls, and returned by way of Crater Lake.

Calendar

Monday

7:30 p. m.—Meeting of Penwomen of America at the home of Mrs. Volborg Bogstad.

Tuesday

7:30 p. m.—Tres Jolies club meeting at home of Mrs. Charles Allen.

8 p. m.—Women of Moose meeting, Moose hall.

Mrs. Howe Honored At Friday Tea

MRS. HOWE—14—WO'S PAGE

Mrs. M. D. Rietman and Mrs. Wade Kerr entertained at an informal tea, Friday afternoon, honoring Mrs. Hazel Miller Howe, who has just returned from a year's study in Paris and Bordeaux, France.

The tea was given in the garden at the Rietman home for a small group of the honor guest's friends.

Miss Alice Ward To Be Married Wednesday

Miss Alice Ward, daughter of [illegible] and Mrs. N. J. Ward of Eugene, [illegible] be married to Howard McFarland [illegible] Cottage Grove, son of Mrs. C. [illegible] Reese, at a ceremony to be performed Wednesday evening at [illegible] thirty o'clock at the home of the bride's parents at 375 Adams street.

Rev. D. E. Baker will read the service and Mrs. Dalton Ward ([illegible]lian Peterson) will be matron of honor for Miss Ward. Byron McFarland [illegible] to be best man for Mr. McFarland.

A reception for relatives and close friends will be held at the Ward home following the ceremony. The couple will leave for a short wedding trip and upon returning will reside at [illegible] Cherry Court, Cottage Grove.

Apple Pie Innovation

Try a bit of dry mustard and grating of cheese in your pie crust the next time you are making apple pies and see if the masculine members of the family don't yell for more.

Home Service

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SOCIETY TURNS MANNIKIN!

Twin sisters? No. But Vivian Dixon (left) and Mary Taylor (right) look so much alike that it takes a pretty astute observer to tell which is which. Cast in the role of mannikins at a New York society event, Miss Dixon wears a lovely summer dance dress of flowing chiffon with matching cape. Miss Taylor models an equally frothy creation of Swiss organdy.

Barber Shop Quits After Many Years

The Eugene barber shop, which had been doing business at 12 East Broadway for many years and which was the pioneer barber establishment of Eugene, ceased business Saturday night. On account of the remodeling of the Titus block, in which it is located, Mrs. H. A. Schwering, proprietor of the shop, decided to close the shop as there was no other room available. This shop was established by the late H. A. Schwering more than 35 years ago and has continued business on East Broadway since.

Upholstery Fabrics

The upholstery fabrics for spring are gayer than ever. Huge birds, big flowers, enormous tropical vines will spread all over your recovered furniture if you will let them.

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OUR HOME TOWN

By CLARENCE V. SIMON

BABIES

A baby is our absolute assurance of immortality. Realize that in that small body, that may grow the strength and speed of athletic world leadership; those tiny hands, like crumpled rose-leaves, that may develop the exquisite technique of a Paderewski or a Rembrandt; in that wobbly little head there may be, dormant, the great thought which shall save humanity in some future hour of crisis. How right it is that we should be so tender and careful of this precious human morsel!

It is the innate good in people that makes them love a baby. And the baby, crowing and prattling in a language it is given only to mothers to translate, is trying to make us understand him and trying to understand us.

As he gradually comes to understand his family, he naturally learns to love them, as well. And there is a lesson for all of us:—as we learn to understand our fellow-man, we also learn to love him.

Every member of the family, from little brother to grandpa, grandma knows that the new baby is the most perfect being ever created. It is right and wholesome to feel that way. Our unselfish treatment of babies, our anxiety for their well being and their future is the manifestation of the God (good) in man and is assurance of the continuation of the spirit of good in the human race.

Next Monday, Mr. Simon of the Branstetter-Simon Funeral Home, will comment on Thought.