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 "A NEWSPAPER IS A CITIZEN OF ITS COMMUNITY"

THE GOOSE STEP PARADE

Men in uniform! These are the men of tomorrow. This is the "modern spirit of the time."
 At least so says Hans Schwartz, who is head of the "Uniformed Group" of the German National Tailors' Guild as it met at Weimar. (By an odd coincidence, Weimar is the city in which the constitution of the German Republic was framed. Yes, there was a German Republic, once.)
 "Nearly a third of all German men now are in uniform," exulted Schwartz. "The German style has shaken off false conceptions and incorporated the modern spirit of the time."
 If the triumphant Schwartz is correct, and for his part of the world he certainly is, then so much the worse for the time.
 Who can consider the wearing of uniform dress a matter of progress? It is a mere step backward toward anti-civilization, toward the robotization of human beings.
 The tyranny of uniformity of dress is too great as it is. Women, all rushing to get Princess Eugenie hats at the same time, men insisting on wearing hot coats in summer because it is "the thing," these uniformities are things we are gradually trying to fight clear of.
 The best that can be said for uniforms is that they are democratic. Regardless of his circumstances, each man wears the same thing. (Yet even Dr. Goering has been known to vary the dead monotony of uniforms with nifty little innovations of his own.)
 But isn't life, in Brummel's name, dull enough? Is there not enough routine, what with the daily job, the daily grind, the daily routine, that it must be still further deadened and leveled by always the same clothes?
 In certain cases, like the military services, it seems necessary that uniforms be worn. But to place gradually, by creeping slow degree, a whole population in the straitjacket of uniform dress, is certainly to stretch a blanket over an existence that has little enough color and variety to start with.

FARM HANDS AT SCHOOL

Now Uncle Sam is sponsoring a school for farm hands.
 This newest idea in vocational education will be an interesting thing to watch.
 Many city people may think that a farm hand requires no training, that anybody with a strong back and a not too active mind will do.
 That's wrong. Ask any farmer who has tried desperately to get help at harvest-time, and could find nobody but some sullen city-bred fellow who didn't know a gang-plow from a manure-spreader. He knows the answer.
 This school is co-operatively undertaken by the National Youth Administration, the State Department of Education, and the State Teachers' College of Arizona. Near Temple, 67 boys are setting up buildings. Already some have become so proficient at this that they want to take up the building trades instead.
 Many of the "students" will come from farm families, but from those situated so that they never had a chance to learn anything but cotton-picking or similar low-paid seasonal labor. To teach them something of farm work in general may well fit them for better jobs.

GANDHI AND STOCK MARKETS

It was rather amusing to read that the Bombay stock exchange and cotton markets were closed recently because a skinny old man in a remote province decided not to eat any more meals. Of course, Mohandas K. Gandhi is no ordinary old man. There are many people even in lands far away from India who think of him reverently. He may be utterly impractical and he may even be the humbug some of his enemies say he is. But here again we have a man who demonstrates that millions can be commanded by the force of ideas. Trouble with Gandhi seems to be that his power is mainly negative. His methods may suffice against British satraps but they might not work at all in our western world. Then you think of Hitler and his 10,000 bombers, and well —

A Baltimore magistrate ruled that an onion could be considered as fruit. A decision which was not in odor.

When a traffic officer in an Ohio town noticed 10 showgirls riding in a bus, he ordered the driver to take out more liability insurance. The show should be worth seeing.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By BRUCE CATTON

Register-Guard Washington Correspondent
 WASHINGTON, March 22.—You about foreign treaties, of course, and you ambassadors and secretaries of state and such. But did you ever hear of skippets?

Skippets are gadgets which once upon a time dressed up foreign treaties in rare dignity. They are out of date now, but the National Archives building here still has a collection of them, and they are charming little doodads.

A skippet is a metal box for the protection of a wax government seal. It is made of either gold or silver, it looks somewhat like a chafing dish minus its legs, and it is attached to a treaty by a flossy cord. The box contains the wax and the lid has the seal embossed on its under side. Fill the box, press the lid on, and you have the seal imprinted on the wax.

Treaties used to be dressed up handsomely—often in a velvet-covered book set off with gold thread, or in an ornate leather binding. Nowadays, though, a treaty is just typed out on thick vellum and tied up with ribbons. The last treaty the United States got with a skippet attached was one of the Bryan arbitration treaties, signed with Great Britain in 1914. Most State Department officials now don't even know what a skippet is; ask about skippets and they think you're kidding them—and get very unpleasant.

Battleships for Bananas
 An ingenious shipper down south recently achieved the unheard of by finding a commercial use for out-of-date navy destroyers. When destroyers become totally obsolete the navy sells them, usually for junk. This man bought a couple—the Warden and Whipple—and made them into banana boats; has them in service on a run between Cuba and Jacksonville, Fla.

Navy Department folks say there's really no reason why the boats wouldn't make good carriers although they never heard of it being done before. The magazine space, a good part of the crew space and much of the fuel space (on a short run like Cuba-Jacksonville) could be used for cargo, they point out. And the shipper would have one of the speediest freighters ever seen.

Quite a number of high officials here like to collect cartoons in which they are lampooned. Secretary Hopkins has a lot of them ornamenting the walls of his den at home. So has Senator Borah. Senator Nye puts his in his office. And Secretary Ickes hangs his in his bathroom.

Speaking of Lifts
 There is a private elevator in the Labor Department building, reserved for the exclusive use of the secretary; but Miss Perkins, who figures such a device is altogether too flimsy for any earthly use, has never been in it. Nobody has ever used it since the building was built, in fact, as far as Labor Department people know—except Secretary of Commerce Hopkins.

It seems Hopkins came over to the Labor Department once and got into the private elevator by mistake. It decanted him into an ante-room off Miss Perkins' office, and he didn't know where he was until a clerk discovered him and explained things.

An elevator in the capitol stopped at the House floor the other day. Three or four congressmen got out; half a dozen newspapermen stayed on board to ride up to the press gallery. One of the departing congressmen was Charles Gifford of Massachusetts. Taking a leisurely backward glance as he stepped out, he remarked thoughtfully: "Here is where the scribes stay on—and the pharisees depart."

That Red Tape
 Red tape isn't just a figure of speech. The government actually does use it. The procurement division of the Treasury Department has just put in an order for some 130-odd miles of it for requisition by various government departments during the coming year.
 It's cheap cotton tape about one-eighth of an inch wide; it's used for tying up bundles and folders of papers, and so on. Blue and white tape are also used.
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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

A survey of all that medical science has found out about the effects of tobacco smoking on digestion indicates that little has been done that is really scientific to determine exactly what happens in many cases.

Doctors sometimes record instances in which people with ulcers of the stomach or with disturbances of the bowel improve tremendously when they stop smoking.

People themselves frequently report that sleeplessness, irritability or similar symptoms disappear when they stop smoking. But these are subjective impressions differing greatly from the scientific studies that are necessary to be certain.

It occurred, therefore, to physiologists Schneider and Ivy of Northwestern University Medical School in Chicago to study the effects of tobacco smoking on 15 chronic smokers and five non-smokers.

They found that smoking stimulates the flow of saliva, due to irritation of the lining of the cheeks by the smoke. Apparently the nicotine that is absorbed from two or three cigarettes is not significant in relationship to the flow of saliva. Some smokers do not have an extra flow of saliva when they smoke because apparently they have become so used to it that they are insensitive.

When a human being is hungry, his stomach contracts, and these contractions are called "hunger pains." The experts found that the contractions of the stomach due to hunger cease after the first few puffs of smoke. Indeed they will stop after the smoking of one cigarette and may not occur again for from 15 minutes to an hour afterward. Women who have been dieting know about this effect of cigaret smoking and frequently utilize it to help them avoid eating when they are trying to reduce.

The investigators also studied the effects on the secretion of digestive juices by the stomach and intestines of smoking from four to seven cigarettes over a period of two hours. They found that the smoking of an ordinary number of cigarettes seldom increases the amount of acid put out by the stomach and that the total amount of increase was so slight as to be of little serious significance.

Smoking also failed to have much effect on the secretion of bile. In some cases, however, patients with ulcers of the duodenum fainter after smoking two or more cigarettes. Obviously anyone ought not to smoke. In certain people who seem to be especially sensitive to tobacco and tobacco products, smoking is followed by changes in the circulation of the blood in the small blood vessels near the surface of the body. For such people, of course, smoking must be considered in an entirely different way from the effects of smoking on people who are not thus sensitive.

The investigators found also that the person who smokes develops all sorts of habits in relationship to the smoking. For instance, some persons develop the habit of smoking regularly in relationship to the regulation of bowel action. Since such regulation is largely a matter of habit, the two practices soon become closely associated and dependent upon each other.

WEDNESDAY BUSY; MU PHI EPSILON TEA OF INTEREST

Other Events Arranged For Afternoon
 By MARIAN LOWRY
 OF special interest among Wednesday's events will be the silver tea for which members of the Mu Phi Epsilon Patronesses association are to entertain in the afternoon in Gerlinger hall from three until five o'clock. Invitation has been extended to all women's groups in the city and to friends of the organization. During the afternoon, the Mu Phi Epsilon trio, including Misses Madge Conway, Alice Holmback, and Charlotte Plummer, will play.

Two chapters of P. E. O. meet Wednesday, Chapter AM with Mrs. A. F. Barnett and Chapter AY with Mrs. L. J. Temple.
 The regular all-day meeting of St. Mary's guild of St. Mary's Episcopal church will be held Wednesday at the parish house.
 Another of the Whiteaker P-T. A. bridge benefits will be given Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. V. J. Gillespie.

COMMITTEES MEETING
 The local branch of the American Association of University Women is to sponsor the motion picture, "Moonlight Serenade," at the McDonald theatre, starting April 2 as a benefit. To make plans for the ticket sale, committees in charge are meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. L. Scherwing, A. A. U. W. president. The group gets a percentage on all tickets sold before April 2.

CLUB MEETS
 The Eastside Neighborhood club held its meeting Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Margaret Cushman, thirteen members and one guest, Mrs. Dorothy Cushman Rosewall, attending. The group sang Irish songs, Mrs. Carl Newbill gave two solos, and Mrs. Sigvald Skavlan read a paper on Ireland. The next meeting is to be with Mrs. Carrie A. Day.

VISIT IN COUNTRY
 Miss Delona George entertained Miss Florence Skellenger and Miss Shirley Rose at her country home the past week.

MOTHERS MEETING
 Delta Upsilon Mothers' club will meet Wednesday at two o'clock with Mrs. Frank Price, Hanson Lane.

CANDLELIGHT EVENT
 A candlelight service to honor new members was a feature of the meeting of the Loyal Friends class at the First Christian church Monday evening. Mrs. Walter Myers, teacher of the class, gave the welcoming speech. The musical program included a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Myers, and numbers of the men's quartet, members of which are Victor Hershiser, Clarence Sargent, Wayne Gibson and

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Recipe Ideas
 (By NEA Service)
 YOUNGSTERS dashing in from school like a luncheon with a dash of interest to it.
Buttered Egg Noodles with Creole Sauce
 (Serves 4 to 6)
 One 8-ounce package egg noodles, 3 tomatoes, 1 large sweet Spanish onion chopped, 1/2 clove garlic, 2 small green peppers shredded, 1/2 cup whole kernel corn, 4 tablespoons butter, 1 tablespoon olive oil.

Cook the noodles in boiling salted water until tender, drain. Combine with 2 tablespoons of the butter and put in serving dish.
Creole Sauce
 Heat 2 tablespoons butter and 1 tablespoon olive oil in frying pan. Add onion, garlic and green pepper. Sauté for 5 minutes. Then add corn and tomatoes. Add tomato juice or water if needed. Season to taste. Simmer 20 minutes, stirring frequently. Serve in large bowl, with the noodles.

Spinach Pancakes
 (Serves 4 to 6)
 Try these spinach novelties for luncheon.
 One tablespoon flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 3 eggs, 1 cup cooked or canned spinach, pinch of salt. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together. Add eggs, beaten. Add spinach, well drained. Heat butter in skillet and bake mixture like small pancakes. Turn carefully to brown lightly on either side. If desired, finely chopped bacon may be added.

New Officers And Members Elected By Pi Lambda Theta
 NEW officers were elected at the meeting of Kappa chapter of Pi Lambda Theta, women's national education honorary, Monday evening at the home of Miss Miriam Yoder.

The following members were elected to serve as the new officers: President, Miss Mary Magers; vice-president, Miss Marcia Steinhauer; recording secretary, Miss Harriet Harper; corresponding secretary, Miss Frances Douglas, treasurer, Mrs. John Saul, and keeper of the records, Miss Ruth Hillman.

Another important item of business was the election of new members. The following were elected to membership: Miss Winifred Putnam, Miss Elizabeth Ireland, Mrs. Elizabeth Phelps, Miss Margaret Hammerbacher, Miss Mary K. Booth, Miss Donna Staehling, Miss Elizabeth DeBusk, and Miss Helen Rands.

Mrs. Genevieve Turnipseed, a charter member of Theta chapter at the State University of Iowa, gave a talk on "Propaganda and Women's Place."
 Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Ola McDermott.

Inventions Wanted—Leave your phone number or address at Oregon Hotel for J. T. Anderson.

Radiators Hold Dinner, Party Monday Evening
 ABOUT fifty attended the dinner and entertainment sponsored by the Eugene Radiators for members, their wives and guests. The party was given at the Osburn hotel. George J. Wilhelm, president of the Radiators, presided and greeted the visitors.

Dr. L. L. Baker and Earl S. Beeson from the committee arranging the party introduced the entertainers. Charles Granzer played several harp solos. George Saunders of the university sang several songs, accompanied by Miss Zoe Brassey. John L. Casteel, professor of speech at the university, gave a reading. Dick Neely and Kenneth Murphy, young speech students of Mrs. W. E. Coffee, gave a dialogue and each a reading. Concluding the program was a stunt by Dr. Baker, Dr. Waldo Davis, and two members of the American Legion drum corps, Dr. Baker giving a harmonica solo first, playing his own accompaniment, and then playing a harmonica number with Mr. Davis at the piano and the snare and bass drums for accompaniment, the quartet concluding with Dr. Baker playing the fife.

Following the program, cards were going to Mrs. Norwald Nelson and Mrs. Clarence V. Simon for the ladies, and Darwin E. Yoran and J. W. Silva for the men. Mrs. Earl S. Beeson was in charge of the card room.

Attending the dinner and party were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Wilhelm, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin E. Yoran, Mr. and Mrs. Earl S. Beeson, Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hodges, Robert C. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Jurgens, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wright, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Dillon, Mrs. Clarence V. Simon, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Fischer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Norwald Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Jensen, and the entertainers, Mr. Casteel, Mr. Saunders, Miss Brussey, Mrs. Coffee, Charles Granzer, Mr. Davis, Dick Neely and Kenneth Murphy.

HOLD BASKET SOCIAL
 COBURG, March 21.—(Special)—The basket social which the West Point Order of Odd Fellows and Diamond Rebekah lodge sponsored last, cleared approximately \$26. A number of attractive baskets were sold. First prize for the ladies was awarded to Mrs. John Knott and second prize to Mrs. P. Ritthaler; first prize for the men went to Ben Adair, who made the highest bid on a basket and second highest went to P. Ritthaler. Following the auctioning, a social hour was enjoyed with the refreshments of the baskets.

CALENDAR

Tuesday
 6 p. m.—Progressive dinner of Imo Ruyle circle of First Baptist church.
 6:15 p. m.—Dial club meeting, St. Mary's Episcopal church parish hall.
 6:30 p. m.—Potluck dinner of Helmetta temple of Pythian Sisters at Knights of Pythias hall.
 Tuesday evening—Benefit dance of Women of Moose at Moose hall.
 8 p. m.—Benefit bridge party of Job's Daughters at McKenzie River Masonic temple.
 9 p. m.—Kotillion club dance, at The Holland.
Wednesday
 All-day meeting of Women's Council at First Christian church.
 All-day meeting of St. Mary's guild, St. Mary's parish hall.
 12 noon—Weekly golf day for women at Country club.
 1 p. m.—Helmetta club luncheon with Mrs. L. J. Mannel.
 1 p. m.—Meeting of Chapter AM of P. E. O. Sisterhood at the home of Mrs. A. F. Barnett.
 1 p. m.—Meeting of Chapter AY of P. E. O. at the home of Mrs. L. J. Temple.
 1:30 p. m.—Coterie club meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank Agule.
 1:30 p. m.—Whiteaker P-T. A. bridge benefit, at the home of Mrs. V. G. Gillespie.
 2 p. m.—Martha Needle club meets with Mrs. Cora Kaufman.
 2 p. m.—Central W.C.T.U. meets with Mrs. M. Y. Warner.
 2 p. m.—Delta Upsilon Mothers' club meets with Mrs. Frank Price.
 2 p. m.—Wednesday Bridge club meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank N. McAlister.
 3-5 p. m.—Mu Phi Epsilon Patronesses association tea, Gerlinger hall.
 6:30 p. m.—Potluck dinner of Eugene lodge, No. 11, A. F. & A. M., Evangeline chapter, O. E. S., and Willamette Court of the Amaranth at the Masonic temple.
 7 p. m.—Theta Rho Girls meet in I. O. O. F. temple.
 7:30 p. m.—D. U. W. meets at the army.
 8 p. m.—N. O. U. W. meets at Moose hall.
 8 p. m.—Ladies' Auxiliary to the Fraternal Order of Eagles meets at Eagles' hall.
 The value of a load is \$24, according to estimates of the United States government.
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County Group Plans Meeting For Friday

PRESIDENTS of groups within the County Federation Women's Clubs will meet at Skinner Butte park cottage for the regular quarterly convocation luncheon of the group. Friday of this week at twelve thirty o'clock.

The president of a representative from every member club invited. All county board members and heads of standing committees are expected to attend. This is the first meeting under the new board.

CARD PARTY HELD
 JUNCTION CITY, March 21 (Special)—Mrs. Genevieve Jensen entertained the La-F-A-Lot club the home of Mrs. William Ritzke recently. Three tables of 500 were in play. Mrs. Sena Hicks, Gertrude Ferrol and Clara Jensen were guests. Mrs. Brown won high score and Mrs. Sena Hicks consolation.

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