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GIVE THE SPEED SIMP HIS

AT BOTH the eastern and western portals of the hamlet of Gold Hill perch signboards by the highway. They wear a "welcome, little stranger" air, and are the signal for a classy burst of speed by some of the "regular fellows" who are steering their first car or piloting a hired Ford. The signs, of course, relate to the mythical speed limit of twelve miles per hour, which is said to be in force just ahead of the chauffeur.

Among the southern Oregon fraternity of speed simps none, upon the most searching inquiry, were able to unearth the record of a prosecution for "opening her up" when the first Gold Hill sign slips by. Three rousing cheer then for the pastime of paralyzing pedestrians with fear! All of which leads up to the ultimate tragedy—inevitable, and heaven knows how near.

The truth is that the signs are bluff—just as the merry motorists have interpreted. They are backed by the legal authority of no city ordinance, nor could an arrest for their disregard be prosecuted. The necessity of enacting a speed limit ordinance, carrying drastic penalties for violation, shames the delay which has already been allowed. The need is imperative.

Local pride is strong in Gold Hill. Citizens rebel at the classification of their home city as a "hamlet," a "hick town" or a mere wayside "burg". While we act out the roll of jays in truly rural manner, we cannot with conscience object to being taken at our own trifling estimate. The ladedah lads of more sophisticated cities will leave a trail of dust up main street like unto Oldfield clipping a record.

Gold Hill is a city—of considerable importance to itself, at least. It's a station where the trains stop, a town with a payroll, and two of the largest industrial enterprises of Oregon in assured prospect.

If the motor maniacs have decided that it isn't on the map, THE NEWS seriously suggests that the city council start a geography class of speed simps—with appropriate tax for instruction.

LOCAL READERS of the Medford Mail-Tribune have followed with appreciative interest an informal series of recent editorials, particularly dealing with American economic evils and the relation of labor and capital thereto. In the main the Putnam peregrinations in forceful logic were applauded and approved. There is, however, a well known species of dissembler at thought, whose stock retort to the usage of the term, "labor and capital," is "socialism"—with a horrified accent. As though all effort toward the economic freedom of the masses—yea, another "socialistic" term—had been patented by the party of Debs. Still another favorite reply to efforts for the betterment of conditions, at the present time, is that "the democratic administration brought hard times"—including, of course, crop failures and grasshoppers in Kansas. Medford mossbacks furnished both of these complaints upon the publication of the Putnam editorials.

DUDLEY F. MALONE



Photo by American Press Association.

Dudley Field Malone, collector of the port of New York, who says the Lusitania was not armed.

The state land board appointed W. L. Patterson land agent of Baker county, succeeding C. H. McCulloch; Thomas H. Tongue, Jr., land agent of Washington county, succeeding John M. Wall, and Arthur Langguth, land agent of Multnomah county, succeeding Warren E. Thomas.

AMBASSADOR BERNSTORFF



Photo by American Press Association.

Count Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the United States, who has a difficult position, owing to war complications.

Reballasting of the O.W. R. & N. company's main line between Hood River and The Dalles, a distance of 19½ miles, has been authorized by President J. D. Farrell. The work will begin immediately and will be done by the company's forces. The estimated cost is \$72,000.

Overdrafts (Secured & Unsecured)

B. H. L.

The Land That Is Not

The people of Azar—mystical land that bloomed in the desert, an emerald beset by the up-dancing wraiths of the scintillant sand—had fashioned a god to aid and abet. Of jasper they carved him, cunningly wrought; the smiling lips bade them list for speech; they chiseled the lofty forehead for thought; they fashioned the lean, strong muscles for reach. They limned him with gold, and placed for eyes two sapphires of pity bent on the crowd; they set him aloft to the glaring skies and sank to their praying—hot and proud. They prayed the death of the sorcerer's son, though his sire's head it drest the walls; prayed the fugitive slaves might run where lions stalk and the adder crawls. They lifted their faces, blind with hate, to the kind god their hands had made—a shudder swept to the city gate—the sun went down afraid.

The people of Azar—mystical land—O, fount in the desert! remembered in lore—when night whispered down to the scintillant sand heard the slave's scream merge to the lion's roar. Out of the torches above them their god suddenly parted the smile they wrought—a flame leapt over the flowered sod, the fierce, swift breath of his speech was hot. "Ye hear how the wind returns your prayer? The slave in his hiding moans no more. Pray, my people, that ye were there, lion-tossed on the desert floor! A beggar rose up from the alley dung as one crept forth at dark to run—he stabbed thrice through heart and lung. Take your prayer of the sorcerer's son! Me ye graced in kindly wise, ere ye lifted the prayer of hate; ye asked for fury—now blind your eyes! The sands have breached the gate!"

LE ENVOI

Prince, where Azar soothed the sight—riders say the sand is strown; and where Azar breathed delight—space is lone. God is merciful and good—hate is sand and solitude.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The State penitentiary has the largest population in its history, the number of convicts being 498.

Governor Withycombe reappointed J. Lee Brown, of Marshfield, a member of the state board of pharmacy.

The seventh annual Commonwealth Conference was held in the halls of the University of Oregon at Eugene.

At a recent election at Powers, an \$18,000 bond issue for the construction of a school building was passed by a big majority.

Merchants of Springfield have organized the Springfield Merchants' association for the purpose of promoting the trade of the town.

Governor Withycombe appointed Leslie M. Butler, of Hood River, delegate to the peace and preparation congress at New York, June 14, 15.

The Dallas City band, which disbanded last fall, has reorganized with nearly 40 members, making it one of the largest organizations of its kind in the state.

State Tax Commissioner Galloway holds that stock held by a national bank in a federal reserve bank is similar to United States bonds, and exempt from taxation.

Antone Stawney, aged 61, of Buxton, was killed when a stick of dynamite exploded, throwing Stawney far into the air and severing part of his head from the body.

Gearhart is the place officially selected for the maneuvers of the Third regiment, O. N. G., at its annual encampment. The camp will be made close to where it was held last year.

More duty on foreign imports was collected at Portland during May than during any other like period since July, 1914. The receipts of that sort for the month will amount to a trifle less than \$50,000.

Plans and specifications for re-letting the contract for the construction of the Pacific highway in Columbia county have been forwarded by State Highway Engineer Lewis to the county court of that county with instructions that it advertise for bids. The proposed action probably will be resisted by the Consolidated Contract company, which had a contract to do the work, and is now trying to collect from the county court.

There were 95 accidents, three of them fatal, reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week, and four of these accidents were to employees of public utilities and employers not subject to the workmen's compensation act. This is the first week in which the law requiring that all accidents be reported to the state accident commission, instead of to the state labor commissioner, has been effective. Twenty-six of those injured were employed in sawmills and 18 were employed by logging firms. Ten were engaged in construction work.

It is announced that German aviators dropped bombs on St. Omer, in Northern France, 22 miles southeast of Calais.

The United States gunboat Scorpion, on duty off Constantinople, narrowly escaped being damaged by a British torpedo, Ambassador Morgenthau reported to the state department.

President Wilson granted a request of Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, for an interview at the White House Wednesday afternoon. It is understood that the ambassador desires to discuss questions pending between his country and the United States.

The success of the German submarines in their attacks on the British fleet supporting the army on the Gallipoli peninsula, which has resulted in the sinking of the battleships Majestic and Triumph, with the ever-increasing activity of these boats in the waters around the British Isles and the threat to carry this underwater warfare to the Suez canal, have brought British officials to a realization of the great danger that will exist if Germany is able largely to increase her fleet of "U" boats.

The great battle in mid-Galicia still continues in a furious offensive against the Russians north and south of Przemyśl. Italy's declaration of war against Austria apparently has not affected the aggressive force of the Austrian armies. The superiority in artillery which the Austrians established in the first stages of the war, owing to the introduction of the new Skoda six-inch howitzer, and the loan of a number of German eight-inch batteries, continues to be the determinant factor, the Russians being shelled or bayoneted out of one position after another.

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—John R. Kelsey, with Gold Hill News.

For Sale at 1-2 price the following articles of furniture—Library table, writing desks, rocking chairs, book shelves, dining chairs, dining table, kitchen table, kitchen chairs, beds and springs, dressers, child's bed, stoves, tubs, fruit jars, and other articles.

—Bert A. Adams.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately subsisting between A. E. Kellogg and W. C. Thom, of Gold Hill, Oregon, under the firm of Kellogg and Thom, was dissolved, on the 10th day of May, 1915, by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by said W. C. Thom, and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

—A. E. Kellogg, —W. C. Thom.

Stock Ranches —FOR SALE

720 acres, solid body, in Meadows district, small house and good barn, old orchard in bearing, several good springs, about 40 acres under cultivation. Price \$12.50 per acre.

665 acres, near Debenger Gap, 16 miles from Gold Hill, over 100 acres under cultivation, 10 room house, good barn, live creek through it, and several springs, all good land. Price \$35.00 per acre.

200 acres near Beagle, finely improved, including stock and all agricultural implements, all for \$40.00 per acre. Terms.

604 acres in one solid body five miles out, Sams Valley district, nearly all under cultivation, no better alfalfa or grain land in this county. Price \$100 per acre.

120 acres on Footh Creek, 7 miles out, 45 to 50 acres under cultivation, as much or more could be easily cleared and cultivated, almost unlimited range for stock, good house, two large barns, hog and chicken houses, good stream through it. Price \$75.00 per acre.

160 acres near Asbestos, 20 miles out, some under cultivation, small house, large amount of small fruit, small bearing orchard, most of this is heavily timbered, unlimited range for stock, several good large springs. This is a bargain at \$4500. Considerable stock and implements go with the place at that price.

Several other farms, large and small, several fine garden tracts from two up to 50 acres, improved and unimproved, several of them are decided bargains. If you want anything in this line it will pay you to call and see me, or write for particulars on any of the above.

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