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## THE POLITICAL SITUATION AS WE SEE IT

At their meeting in Portland, last week the Republican Party through their state central committee appointed Phil Metschan as the party candidate to make the race for Governor.

To say the least, the choice does not seem to have hit a popular chord. Judging from comment from different sources the layman would prefer to have seen someone else receive the honor and the position. However, Mr. Metschan will poll a very good vote in the Fall election for he will have the support of the Republican political machine as well as the support of many strong factions and in such unity there is strength.

If this were a normal year we would say that Phil Metschan would be the next governor of Oregon and we think that our prophesy would be right. But this being a slump year with many idle workers and with much agricultural products bringing smaller returns and the general mental attitude of the people being more or less depressed, it is quite likely that a third man in the race will make a very fair showing. Those things usually happen and we can see no reason why the same thing will not happen again.

Then, besides these old tried theories, we have the discontent, which is very evident among the people of the state, against the old line parties. The people know that regardless of which party is in power about the same weaknesses appear. The same disappointments arise and the usual grumbling is heard. The common people are tiring of the old machine ridden politics. They feel that they deserve a new deal and many of them are going to see that they get it. In making this want known, whether they will elect an independent candidate or not there may be enough of a protest registered against the present methods of conducting the politics of the state that the men and corporations which now hold control will arouse from their downy couches enough to make matters more attractive to the rank and file of the inhabitants.

We hope to see an independent ticket in the field. We feel that it will do much good whether any of the candidates are elected or not. It will arouse more interest in the campaign and in doing this it will at the same time awaken the people to a new interest in their franchise as a voter and as a part of this great body politic. We can see no harm in an independent ticket and whether victorious or not we believe that it will result in much good being accomplished in the political fabric of this commonwealth.

## MEDFORD'S AIR SHOW

The city of Medford were hosts to the air-minded people of southern Oregon, Monday and people flocked into that city to view the stunts performed by the intrepid fliers of both sexes as their planes zoomed through the air in many topsy-turvy shapes. To many who viewed this spectacle that was all that mattered but that was not the reason why Medford invited the people of all southern Oregon to their fete. They wished to acquaint the people with their advancement along the lines of aviation and truly they have worked wonders there. Their municipal air port is one to be proud of. It is the work of the dreamers of Medford—the men and women of vision who had a mental picture of what southern Oregon needed in the way of accommodations for aerial vehicles and they went out and provided those accommodations. It was this progressive spirit which Medford wanted to show to the rest of the people of southern Oregon and we feel that all who attended the show were able to congratulate the "Pear City" upon the effort it has shown in aeronautical advancement.



Radio is, this month 65 years of age, according to those historians who date its birth from the conception of the idea of radio transmission first promulgated by James Clerk Maxwell in 1865. This was not proved until 22 years later when Heinrich Hertz, in 1887, showed the existence of electrical waves in the ether. In 1894, Marconi, adapted a device of Hertz's

so that it became the first instrument capable of transmitting and receiving radio impulses. This was the wireless.

Without this primary work and that of Emil Berliner's invention of the microphone for telephone conversation, in 1887, we should not enjoy the fine variety of musical programs, talks and plays that are poured out into the air for our pleasure.

Joe White, who is the Silver Masked Tenor of NBC, was on the verge of singing, "You're the Sweetest Girl in the World" on the afternoon of June 22, when the program was interrupted to read an announcement concerning the birth

# A Peculiar Slant

## Bank's "Once in a While" Column Contains Many Amusing Chapters

The writer was somewhat amused with the text matter in a column headed "Once in a While" and published by the owner of the Medford Daily News upon his first page. In this column he asks that all hypocrites stand up and be counted and vote against him at the fall election at which time he will be an independent candidate for the U. S. Senate as an opponent to Senator McNary.

In the course of the rambling editorial the writer dealt with everything from the Gold Hill dances and the conditions which he claims to have existed during a celebration in Medford to the gossip of the streets such as he might hear in any town in the United States.

He states that America is suffering from a lack of respect of law and order such as it has never suffered before and we are yet at a loss to decide whether he attributes this to the fact that he is not now senator or to the fact that the 18th amendment needs repealing.

He tells of many cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct having been publicly flaunted in the city of Medford altho his entire story is merely a series of aspersions and insinuations written, no doubt to lead the readers to the belief that some U. S. Senator had been drunk in Medford for several days to the extent that he could not properly conduct himself. We believe that the Medford writer is doing a great injustice to his city, its organizations and the public men who serve this state by merely dealing in generalities when discussing such items of scandal as he took occasion to fill his first page editorial with.

He charges that while a bootlegger was being arrested near that city that whiskey by the gallon was being dispensed by the leading public institution of that city. What is that institution? Is it the public library, the Chamber of Commerce, the Elks Club, the Methodist or some other church? Why didn't the Medford writer tell the whole story? Why did he leave so much to guess at? Is he afraid of the truth, or is his article composed of rumors and mis-statements? Does not the text of the Medford Writer's story incline one to believe that he too must stand up and be counted.

Not content to revile the morals of the county seat, his home, Banks took occasion to tell of things he claims to have seen along the road between Portland

and evidently the nearer he got to Medford the worse the morals of the commonwealth seems to have gotten.

He tells of finding three dances in progress although he mentions only the location of two and of cars parked along the highway. He relates having seen a young man supporting a very sick young woman who was endeavoring to relieve her system of the wicked bootleg whiskey her companion had given her. That piece of news might be refreshing. How does Mr. Banks know that the young lady had been drinking bootleg whiskey? Young ladies, we understand, get ill from other things than drinking bootleg whiskey, even in Gold Hill. Then, too, how does Mr. Banks know that the young ladies' companion furnished the bootleg if that was what she had been drinking? And if he knew it was her companion who had furnished the liquor and that it was liquor that she had been drinking and in turn had made her sick why did he not do his duty as a citizen of the United States and of the state which he is asking support to be elected to the U. S. Senate, and have that companion answer for his crime? In all the vices that Mr. Banks tells of, in his articles, we fail to find where he has at any time turned a hand to do other than criticize.

Mr. Banks states that he is in favor of the repeal of the 18th amendment but he fails to give a workable plan for handling the situation once the law is repealed. Does he contend that if it were made easy to obtain whiskey that the people would snub it because it is too common? If he does, we feel that he has another thought coming. Times have changed and so have moral persuasions since the days of the saloon and the passing of the 18th amendment. In those good old days even the young lady who might have been considered a trifle loose did not dance with young fellows who had been drinking and now Mr. Banks says that an honest young lady is ostracised if she does not partake of the stuff. We size up Mr. Bank's article as a typical piece of political balderdash intended to poison the minds of his readers against his competitor in the race for the U. S. Senate. It borders too closely upon mud slinging and we have always noticed that in political fracas the one who sings the mud is usually doing so because he has a weak foundation upon which to stand.

of Co. Charles A. Linbergh's son. "Make it the 'sweetest boy in the world' and we'll dedicate the number to the new baby," whispered the singer to Milt Cross, his announcer.

"Brad" Reynolds, tenor of the

"Roundowners" quartet over CBS, abandoned a medical course in college to become a singer. He left home in St. Joseph, Mo., and arrived in New York with \$9 in cash and an ambition to become a great concert artist. The ambition never left him, altho the \$9 did, and he

washed dishes in a Bowery restaurant for a quite a while to eat. Finally he got his start singing in a church in Jersey City. Today he is considered one of the finest

## In Family Graduation at U. of O.



Above, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nelson; below Renee Grayce Nelson, who graduated together from the University of Oregon with the class of 1930. Earl Nelson and Renee Grayce Nelson are the children of Mrs. C. W. Nelson, of Eugene. Mrs. Earl Nelson (Irene Bowlesby) has been one of the most popular young women on the campus.

young lyric tenors on the air.

Possibly the World's Softest Job is that of the page boys in the NBC building who stand at the elevator signal buttons on each floor and push the button for those who wish to ride. The nattily-dressed page on the top floor has the easiest task of all. He has only one button to push—down.

The call letters of station WGHF Detroit, have been changed to WXYZ. Thus the Columbia chain will start and finish the alphabet, WABC being the New York key station. Radio comic strip artists who commonly use WXYZ as a fictitious number will be forced to find a new combination of letters.

## High on Roll of Fame

According to Dr. Charles W. Elliot, a list of men prominent in educational history in the last 200 years would include Adam Smith, Michael Faraday, John Stuart Mill, William Ellery Channing, Horace Mann, Herbert Spencer, Ernest Renan, Charles Darwin, Ralph Waldo Emerson and Louis Pasteur.

## Early Royal Signature

Who was the first British king to sign his name as distinguished from the mere marks formerly used?—The earliest record is a letter signed by King Richard II, granting to a priest near Bristol a tun of red wine every Christmas!



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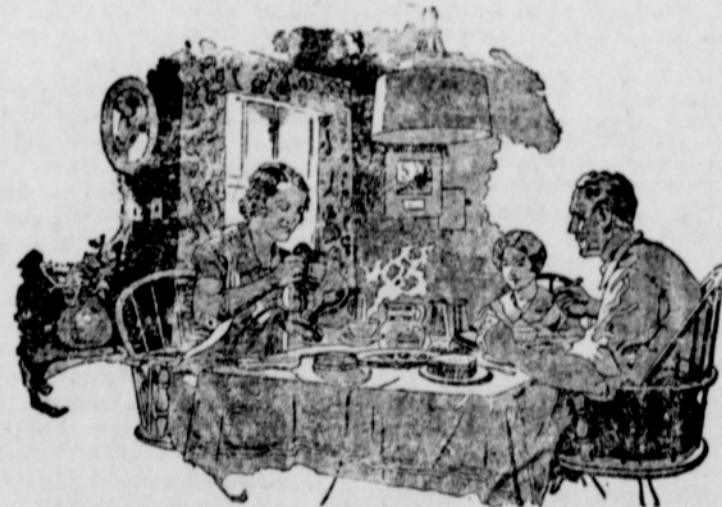
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