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"Without or with offense to friends or foes
I sketch your world exactly as it goes."

—BYRON

Over the Cascades

The Albany Democrat-Herald is very much wrought up over the fact that the Capital Journal called attention to the assertion of Dr. Thomas M. MacDonald, chief of the Bureau of Public Roads stating that \$280,000 a year for ten years would be required to construct the South Santiam highway from Cascadia ranger station east over the Cascades, and that even if Linn county contributed \$140,000 annually, such allotment of forest money "appears improbable in view of the necessity of completing other projects," which the Capital Journal followed by advocating the construction of the North Santiam route from Detroit, which has easier grades and can be built for a fraction of the cost of the South Santiam route. The Albany paper declares:

With its usual disregard for truth and veracity, the Salem Capital Journal opposes the construction of the Santiam highway highway eastward from the Cascadia Ranger station, because it desires the North Santiam route, which would pass through Salem, to be built.

Linn county people know that the government estimates on the cost of the Santiam highway between the Cascadia ranger station and Central Oregon are too high. If the country to be traversed were not within the federal reserve, so that the county could build the road itself, it could let a contract today to construct the road for \$1,250,000. One contractor offers to take the entire contract for \$30,000 a mile. If the country to be traversed were not federal reserve land but privately owned property, Linn county could construct the road itself on the tax revenues which the land now within the government reserve would yield.

Well, if these figures are correct, there is no reason why Linn county should not proceed to build the highway itself—consent could easily be obtained from the government. Its proffered \$140,000 a year for ten years would complete the entire project with \$150,000 to spare—if the Linn county experts know so much more about road building than the federal government. If any one can build roads cheaper than the forest service does, they ought to make themselves known.

Continuing the Democrat-Herald says:

When the Capital Journal mentions solid gorges of rock, it refers possibly to the miles of solid rock that must be blasted out from the massive cliffs that border the North Santiam route between Mill City and Detroit.

For the enlightenment of the Albany paper, its representatives should take a trip over the two routes before making such statements in order to discuss the subject intelligently. It would find that the "massive cliffs" between Mill City and Detroit have already been blasted and a good road built not only to Detroit but for 12 miles beyond up the North Santiam river. It would only be necessary to widen the road, at a comparatively small expense, as most of the heavy work has been done.

The present road from Mill City to Detroit was built 12 feet in width. The cost of widening it to 24 feet width is estimated by the state engineers at \$580,000, the expensive portion being from Niagara to Detroit costing \$405,000. This cost would have to be partially met by Marion county. It is the most costly construction on the route.

On the projected state highway map, the North Santiam and South Santiam highways would join near Big Meadows, a distance of 39 miles from Cascadia and 31.6 miles from Detroit, and use a common road bed over Hogg Pass to Suttle Lake and Sisters. This part of the construction from the junction east would be in common.

Of course the comparative cost of the two routes cannot be accurately estimated until surveys and locations are completed this summer, but the character of the country traversed and the preliminary estimates of engineers, show that the 31.5 miles from Detroit to the junction can be constructed at much lower cost than the 39 miles from Cascadia.

Salem does not oppose the South Santiam road, but we do advocate the North Santiam route as being more important and serving more people. Both roads should be and eventually will be constructed, but the most feasible should be built first. It will be up to the government to decide which is the most feasible for the funds available.

From Salem to Sisters by the South Santiam route is 134.4 miles. By the North Santiam route it is 117.5 miles. By the McKenzie route it is 168.1 miles. The construction of the North Santiam highway then means a saving to people of Central Oregon in reaching Salem of 16.9 miles over the South Santiam and 50.6 miles over the McKenzie highway. The saving in distance and time is even greater for Portland as a short-cut via Silverton can be taken.

A Merited Rebuke

President Hoover has refused to address the national convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution which opens at Washington on April 15. The official reason given is that the President has found it necessary to "cut down the speech making" along with the hand shaking, but the real reason is said to be resentment over the so-called "black-list" of the Daughters, which has placed the ban upon many prominent citizens for the reason that they have opposed increased military armaments.

Included in the blacklist are such intimate friends of Mr. Hoover as Dr. David Starr Jordan who was president of Stanford University during the President's undergraduate days, and has always been and still is a close advisor of the executive. Many other of Mr. Hoover's friends are in the list of distinguished citizens declared "dangerous" by the Daughters.

Naturally Mr. Hoover being a Quaker, would have little use for any organization that branded as unpatriotic those opposing war, despite the fact that in the case of the D. A. R. his relatives are active members of the organization. He would have all the less use for it when his most intimate friends are included in the list of "subversive" citizens.

Whether this is the real reason for the President's refusal to address the convention or not, can only be surmised, but if it is, it is a merited rebuke to the D. A. R. for permitting its officers to make the organization a catapaw for the jingoists and militarists, the super-navy and super-army advocates.

SEASON'S LAST CARD PARTY IS HELD BY LODGE

Hubbard—The last of the series of card parties for the public sponsored by Arion lodge No. 57 was held Thursday evening in their hall, 4 tables being at play during the evening. High scores were won by Miss Frances Weaver, Mrs. C. W. Corrothers, Elmer Stauffer and H. Roseberry. The prizes consisted of two sets of cards for the men and a covered cake board and a dish for the women. The door prize, a water set, was won by Albert Berg of Barlow.

At the former parties the refreshments were served by a committee of knights but for this party a committee from Arion Temple served. This luncheon was in charge of Mesdames Ella Stauffer and Blanche Brown and the amount cleared was set aside toward the temple maintenance fund for the children's unit of the Pythian Home of Oregon-Washington at Vancouver, Wash.

MUSIC WEEK COMING SOON

Silverton.—National Music Week from May 5 to 12 will be duly observed here. Mrs. Gertrude L. Cameron, chairman in general for the week program states that a much better program may be expected than was had last year, which was an excellent one. Superintendent of schools, Robert Goetz, will assist Mrs. Cameron as chairman. Mrs. Edson Comstock will have charge of the music of the different churches which will have a very prominent part in the program of the week.

Miss Lillian Madison will have charge of the publicity department. The week's program has not been definitely outlined, but Sunday will be special church music day. Monday evening will be kept for student's music; Tuesday will be artists' night and the biggest and best program of the week. Wednesday will be community night; Thursday night radio night; Friday night high school opera night; Saturday theater and band night.

ANKENY CLUB GROUP GUEST

Sidney.—Mrs. C. F. Johnston entertained the Ankeny Woman's club at her home near Sidney Thursday. The house was attractively decorated with flowering quince. The following program was carried out for the afternoon entertainment.

Roll call, "Garden Suggestions," magazine article on home drudgery was given by Mrs. Q. H. Marshall. An article on colorful curtains for the home was read by Mrs. C. F. Johnston. The game for amusement hour was given by Mrs. J. O. Farr, prize was awarded Mrs. C. F. Meler.

Refreshments were served at 4 o'clock by Mrs. Johnston, assisted by Mrs. R. H. Farr and Mrs. Minnie Harris. Those present were Mrs. J. O. Farr, Mrs. G. H. Marshall, Mrs. R. H. Farr, Mrs. C. F. Meler, Mrs. Lewis Smith, Mrs. M. J. Davidson, Miss Minnie Harris and the hostess, Mrs. C. F. Johnston. Mrs. Mary C. Kaylor of Blain, Wash., Mrs. Delmar Davidson and Mrs. Albert Davidson of Talbot were special guests for the afternoon.

PLAY PROCEEDS WILL AID SCHOOL PROJECTS

Solo.—Proceeds from the Solo senior three-act class play, "When a Feller Needs a Friend," which is in course of preparation, are to be used toward presenting worthwhile equipment to the school. Definite date has not been decided but the play will be presented some time in May, it is stated.

A capacity house at the Peoples' theater in Solo greeted the junior class play, "Mr. Bob," Thursday evening and the sponsors have expressed sincere gratitude with results. Those taking part in the play acquitted themselves creditably. A neat sum was realized.

DAUGHTER HONORED AT HOME IN AURORA

Aurora.—Mrs. Arthur Kraus entertained recently in honor of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Kraus. The evening was spent in games and music. Those present were Corrie Wurster, Zona Schwab, Gladys Clifton, Alice and Vera Garrett, Etha Hunt, Eloise and Dorothy Hurst, Peggy Sadler, Geraldine Bonney, Florence Preston, Wilbur Wurster, Frank Pond, Lowell Gribble, Willard Hunt, Robert Powers, Lester Steinhoff, Bernard Cole, and the hostess, Miss Elizabeth Kraus.

BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS

Rosedale.—The Red Hill Birthday club met recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ellis. An April fool lunch was served, with Mrs. Beckly and Mrs. Dyer assisting.

VVM VISITOR IN BROOKS

Brooks.—Mrs. L. C. Cech of Beaverton is a house guest of Mrs. Charles Coffindaffer this week.

BABY CHICKS HATCHED

Clear Lake.—Mrs. Cecil Boyd is the owner of 470 little chicks which are about two weeks old. Noah Carter has quite a large bunch.

STUDENT NURSE HOME

Gervais.—Miss Hazel Seely who entered St. Vincent's hospital as a student nurse is home recuperating from a slight attack of illness.

Edward S. Harkness of New York has given \$25,000 to the Quinten-ary fund for the erection of new buildings at Lincoln college, Oxford university.



NEWS of the DAY in PICTURES



IMPEACHED GOVERNOR ADDRESSES SUPPORTERS



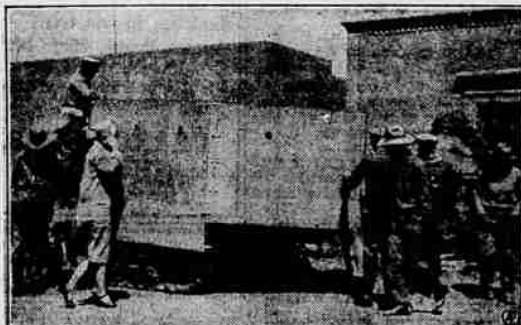
Gov. Huey P. Long of Louisiana addressing supporters in Baton Rouge just before he was impeached by the lower house of the state legislature.

SEES PERJURY IN DRY'S STORY



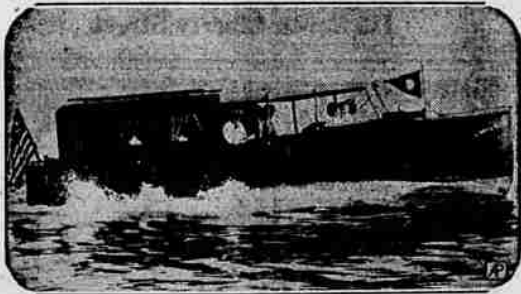
Coroner's jury recommended Eugene Boyd Fairchild (left), dry investigator, be tried for perjury. His warrant resulted in a deputy sheriff fatally shooting Mrs. Joseph De King of Aurora, Ill., to death. Right is Philip Johnson who bought liquor for Fairchild.

REBEL TANK CAPTURED BY FEDERALS



Trophy of the revolutionary battle of Naco, Mexican border town, being inspected inside the loyal city. The death dealing machine was stopped by a shell which killed two operators.

BOAT STOPPED BY ARMED MEN



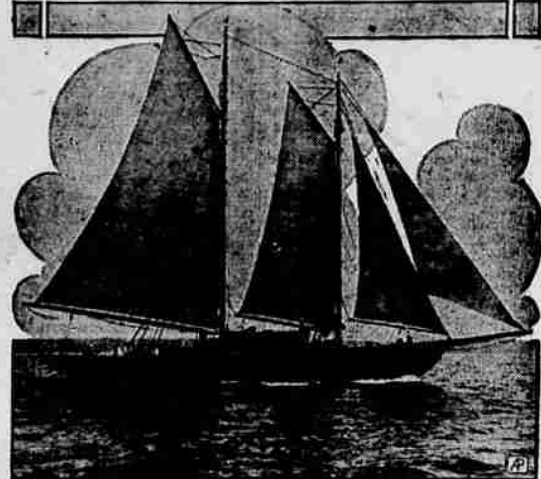
The Restless, owned by Stuyvesant Fish, prominent New Yorker, was searched for liquor by customs guards at New York. Mr. Fish has protested that shots were fired to stop his boat and the search was made during a general display of firearms.

CALLES IN FIELD AGAINST REBELS



Gen. Plutarco Elias Calles (left), Mexico's secretary of war, who is directing the campaign against rebels in Chihuahua. He is shown reading dispatches from the front.

YACHT HELD IN SEA TRAGEDY



The two-masted auxiliary schooner yacht Nomad, carrying the colors of the New York yacht club, was detained at Philadelphia pending an investigation of the loss at sea of its captain. The vessel is registered in the name of Leland Ross, New York sportsman.

TELLS HOW OFFICER SHOT MOTHER



Gerald De King, 12, on witness stand at coroner's inquest into shooting of his mother by a deputy sheriff during dry raid at Aurora, Ill. Gerald wounded deputy. Jury held officer for manslaughter.

GENERAL VIEWS ASSAULT ON NACO



Lucas Gonzalez, federal commander, and aides standing on a machine gun nest at the front as rebel Mexicans charge the trenches around the border town.

Apple Princess



Charlotte McKown of Martinsburg, W. Va., will be one of the princesses at the Virginia apple blossom festival at Winchester, Va., during apple blossom time in May.

MANAGERS PROSECUTING HARDY AT IMPEACHMENT



California assemblymen who are handling the state's case against Judge Carlos Hardy of Los Angeles. Standing, left to right: Pembroke Gochsauer, legal advisor; Harry Bewell, M. J. Cronin. Seated: Walter Little and William Hornblower.