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At The University.

The Oregon Voter has been doing some figuring regarding maintenance conditions at the University of Oregon, and as showing what it finds, prints this:

Figuring the value of a dollar as 60 cents compared with the 1913 dollar, University of Oregon is caring for 2,800 campus students for \$1,850 of 1913 tax money per student, while in 1913 it had over \$4,000 of tax income per student. Only by acute economy has it been able to keep up its standards of efficiency, and most of this economy has been at the expense of the faculty. Salaries in University of Oregon are the lowest on the Pacific Coast and among the lowest of any northern state universities.

Do people generally realize the situation in regard to their university that this quotation sets forth? As against \$4000 per student of tax money available in 1913, the university now has available \$1,850 per student, shrinkage in the purchasing power of each dollar considered, together with the increase in attendance.

We are told from Salem that the time is not propitious for granting increased maintenance to the university in partial consonance with the increase in its needs. And a proposal has been advanced by at least one senator that part of its already inadequate maintenance and that of the agricultural college be diverted to normal schools.

What then shall be done with the increasing hundreds of Oregon boys and girls who are coming to the university expecting that they will be allowed to exercise their right of obtaining a college education? And shall the university let its most valuable instructors be taken away to other colleges which pay better?

No request is before the legislature for increased appropriations for the university, and it is said none is contemplated for this session. Nevertheless, it will be well that there be recognition of the fact that something will have to be done. The problem is one that cannot be put off much longer.

A Bill to Prescribe High School Studies.

The Eddy bill, which has passed the senate at Salem, would make compulsory the teaching in high school of spelling, arithmetic and grammar, in place of some of the less essential branches. It would limit the selection by students of their own courses of study, but would not abolish it.

The idea appears to be sound. It cannot be said with truth that the general run of boys and girls of high school age are fully competent to select their own studies. The average boy or girl of high school age does not know what is most essential. Neither can it be truthfully said that the homelier essentials are so well taught in the grammar schools that high school pupils do not need them. It is a matter of common knowledge that the average high school pupil of today is a poor speller, compared with his prototype of a generation of so ago. Indeed, this weakness extends, in its effects upon many students, to and through college. One can only conclude from witnessing its prevalence that spelling is being inadequately taught in the schools below. A similar condition prevails, although in degree less marked perhaps, in regard to some of the other branches whose study Senator Eddy's bill would make compulsory.

As for selection of their own courses by the students of high schools, its fallacy is demonstrated among students past high school age every year, for it is a matter of common knowledge that many college students abandon after their freshman year some or all of the studies that they had chosen for themselves, and make a fresh start with others that their added discretion has shown them to be better suited to their real needs.

Bad For the Opium Conference.

In its insistence upon a declaration by the international opium conference for limitation of the use of opium and narcotic drugs to medicinal needs, the American delegation at Geneva was entirely right. One cannot say as much for its withdrawal from the conference because of apparent failure to obtain acceptance of its view. As long as men sit together and discuss their differences there is hope of composing them, no matter how serious the dissensions may seem. When a party to a conference withdraws, then indeed is hope of agreement flown, so far as that party is concerned.

Mr. Porter, head of the American delegation to the conference, said he withdrew because he had become convinced that the purpose for which the conference was called—the definite limitation of traffic in opium and other drugs—could not be achieved. Delegates of other nations in the conference do not accept this view. They point out that rejection to date of the American proposal was only by a sub-committee, and that a plenary session of the conference might conceivably have reversed the action completely. And so the delegates of the other nations have received the American withdrawal with disappointment not untinged with resentment.

By its withdrawal the American delegation has given the opium conference, which already was tottering, a heavy push. If it falls and fails completely there will be disposition by other nations—not altogether unjustified—to attribute the failure to the withdrawal of the American delegation in time of crisis.

In a burst of generosity which seems not unlikely to become characteristic of it before the session ends, the house at Salem has passed a bill to raise the salaries of district attorneys to a point above what circuit judges receive. Think of Stanley Myers, of Multnomah county, being paid \$6600 a year!

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Paternalism, Says This Editor (Salem Capital Journal)
Governor Pierce has signed the bill authorizing the loan of \$1,500,000 of the bonus commission's securities to eastern Oregon farmers to purchase wheat for reseeding crops lost by the freeze, to be secured by first mortgage upon the crops.
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ment as a wet nurse for people in need of assistance. It seems to be the accepted theory of paternalism that if for any reason, business is poor or crops a failure, it is the duty of the government, national or state, to go to the rescue. Instead of the individual solving his own problems and working out his salvation, he clamors for help.
The funds are to be administered by

the board of control, with the governor's approval, which comes as a shock. Is this not the same board the governor accused of losing some \$900,000 of state money in administration of the irreducible school fund? Is this not the board whose business methods he so severely censured? How can we trust them to administer \$1,500,000 of bonus money in loans that are such poor security that the banks, whose business it is to loan money, will not advance it? How much will be lost, even by the best management, in case of crop failure by this unconstitutional and unbusinesslike speculation with the people's money?

While the state is in the business of distributing largess to wheat growers for frost damage, with wheat at 80¢ a bushel, why does it not take care of the lumbermen, walnut, spruce and other growers, who have not only lost crops but vines and trees by the same freeze?
A Word for Cleaver (Roseburg News-Review)
Anyhow, with all the evidence so far introduced to discredit Mr. Cleaver, the fact remains that he was honest in the performance of his duties and was not given to accepting bribes of any kind from persons of low or high degree. Honesty in the official position held by the enforcement officer shows a mighty fine trait of character. Few men could have come out of the affair with such a record. If he is replaced let us hope that his successor has a like virtue—found in the mighty few men who are working in the higher channels for the prohibition cause.

From a Highway Standpoint (Pendleton East Oregonian)
We agree with the view of the Portland Telegram that with reference to highway maintenance "vehicles which do the greatest damage to the pavement ought to pay their fair share of the state's repair bill."
That is the whole issue in a nutshell and this subject might properly be the basis of constructive legislation in Oregon. There are some who think we should hamper the use of trucks and busses on the highways in order to keep them from competing with the railroads. There are others who take just the opposite view and think the state should encourage busses and trucks by not charging them heavy licenses.

It is not up to the state to pay any attention to the desires of the bus operators or truck operators when dealing with this subject. It would be improper for the state to throw its influence to either side for the purpose of aiding one side against a competitor. If busmen, truckmen or airmen can provide a better form of transportation than the railroads let them do so. We should not try to stop evolution.
On the other hand it is manifestly unjust to make the private car owners in Oregon pay high auto licenses and a three-cent gas tax in order to maintain highways for the private benefit of men who run truck or bus lines. These people should have to pay for the privilege of using the highways and their pay should be in keeping with the damage they do to the roadways. They should pay vastly more than a private car owner. To let them off easy as is now done means to give them a bonus at the expense of the private car owner.

Let the legislature handle the subject upon this basis and it will be on solid ground.

In Lighter Vein
The Expert (The Simpsonian)
She—"You certainly eat well."
He—"I ought to, I've practiced all my life."
Appropriate (Jack O'Lantern)
She—"It's very good of you to ask me to dance."
He—"Don't mention it, it's a charity ball."
Try This One (Memphis News-Sentinel)
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Restorer vs. Restoratives (Cincinnati Enquirer)
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Almost (Central Washington Star)
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"No, you're wrong, for the dog got the bone."
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The Journey Steadily Grows More Difficult!



NAVY WAGES WAR ON FOG EVIL

Suitable Modification of "Cottrell's Precipitator" is Means by Which Sea-Fighting Forces Hope to Win

By LARRY BOARDMAN (NEA Service Writer)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The U. S. Navy is making another effort to conquer the last unconquered monster of the sea—fog.
Every other obstacle in the way of navigation has been surmounted. But fog is still untamed.

Often it comes without warning, the result of quick changes in ocean air currents, temperature, or atmospheric pressure.
It strikes the navigator blind. True, he has his charts and instruments. But what good are these if he cannot see the ocean around him or the sky above?

His only course is to steam forward by what is called "dead reckoning." He knows his location when the fog drops, knows the direction he is going and the speed at which his ship is traveling.
Armed with this knowledge, he can figure his position on the chart—approximately—as his ship plows through the waves.

This enables him to avoid rocks and reefs—sometimes. Sometimes dead reckoning goes wrong.
La Honda Disaster
The La Honda disaster, off the California coast, furnished terrible proof of this.

Seven destroyers of the battle fleet were traveling through fog at a speed of 20 knots. Their object was to turn in to shore, but a series of jagged reefs had first to be passed.
Dead reckoning told the commander of the first destroyer that the place to turn had been reached. He changed his course, the others followed in line.

Suddenly the roar of breakers was heard. The destroyers tried to stop, and a long drink of water he is... Seeing the fanciest shoes for milady I ever did see. Spring styles have marble designs and alligator patterns and variegated heels. All of which means a busy summer for opticians. . . . Saw George Hackathorne, the movie character actor. In a large crowd he seems ill at ease, especially when people point at him. And who wouldn't? Seeing more cheerful girls "at leisure" than is usual at this time of year, the reason being the closing of several musical shows and the suspension of Al Johnson's show due to his illness. His illness made at least 120 other idle. . . . Saw Flo Ziegfeld, looking not so happy what with the closing of Billie Burke's show and the demise of another before it hit Broadway. . . . Saw Walter Hampden who is appearing in "Othello" for the fourth week which is the longest run that this poor bit of Shakespeare has had since 1881.

Tom Sims Says—
KEEP on saying business is dead and business believes it. Keep saying it is better and you tell the truth.
Boston woman divorced. Husband shot at her with a shotgun. It really was the paring shot.
Lightning hit a statue in London, where maybe statues think evil thoughts.
Seattle man picked up the phone. Tried to flirt with central. Judge fined him. One time he had the wrong number.
One law obeyed by the bootleggers is that of supply and demand.
"Work is the only road to success," writes a successful man and ruins many a hope.
If you investigate you will find that rich people often are just as honest and sincere as poor people.
The secret of happiness is in getting what you want instead of what you want others to think you want.
Many a man who doesn't kiss his wife because she looks sour will find she looks sour because he doesn't kiss her.
Trying to enjoy money you haven't earned is about like sitting down to a big meal with no appetite.

Oregon Briefs
Marshfield's sewer needs are to be satisfied this year with the construction of new drains to cost \$133,029.
J. W. Franey, has been appointed street commissioner at Klamath Falls to succeed Harry Loucks, who has been made chief of police.
Hay shortage in central Oregon this winter resulted in a heavy loss of cattle, hundreds dying each day in the Sisters and Fort Rock sections.
An Oregon Agricultural college alumni association was formed at La Grande. Jess Andrews was elected president.
Word is received in Oregon City that Jack Schultz, well known native

In New York
Re JAMES W. DEAN
NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—See-sawing up and down Broadway, I saw Walter Huston, long a vaudeville favorite and now acclaimed by the legitimate stage as one of its shining stars. Off stage Huston has the bearing and clothes of a country boy unspoiled by the clamor of the great city. . . . Saw Mademoiselle Herval, recently of the Folies Bergere and on a hot what a doll she is! Saw S. Hurok, impresario of grand opera, esthetic dancer and concert singer, and a dashing figure he is in his fancy stripes and gorgeous waistcoat. . . . Saw George Arliss who always reminds me of some character in Dickens, but what one I cannot say. . . . Saw Hollywood McCosker, the radio man. He's one of the best outside show dancers I ever saw, although he has never been on the stage. . . . Saw Gilbert Emery, the playwright and

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY
The Work of Righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance for ever. And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.—Isaiah 32:17, 18.
Bible Question.
(Look Up the Answer)
When is a dry moral preferable?—Prov. 4:11.

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resident of that city, died suddenly in Los Angeles.
The residence of James Wilson at Crescent, south of Bend, was destroyed by fire. Besides all the family possessions, \$500 in cash was lost.
E. M. Holman, Hood River councilman, now at La Jolla, Cal., in search of health, has written to the city recorder enclosing his resignation as a member of the council.
It is said that at least 80,000 acres of wheat in Gilliam county must be re-seeded this spring. Of this amount owners of 65,000 acres are without funds to purchase seed.

25 Years Ago

(From The Guard, February 9, 1900)
Rev. Raymond C. Brooks has accepted a call to the pastorate of a church at Oakland, Oregon. Eugene people generally will regret to lose Mr. and Mrs. Brooks from their midst.

W. B. Hawley and Jerome Knox, both of Cottage Grove, are visitors in the city.
George Gross comes to the front with a good sized porker. It dressed 525 pounds.

It is said that J. E. Ebbert will be the populist candidate for county judge, and that he has a certain use to which he will put the county rock crusher.

St. Mary's guild will give a Valentine social Valentine eve, Tuesday, February 13, at the parish rooms.
C. H. Chapman, late president of the University of Oregon, we understand, is on a farm below Portland. Mrs. Chapman is practicing medicine in Portland.

R. A. Booth came down from Saszlaw today on business.
The ice works received a car of beer today.
S. B. Eakin returned today after a trip in Portland.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
Town of Springfield to Grace M. Launsbury et vir—Lots 1 and 2, b. k. 105, Washburne sub. of S. L. & P. Co's, add. Springfield, \$10.
E. L. Chambers et ux to Harold E. Knott et ux—Lots 5 and 6, b. k. 21, Driverton, Eugene, \$2000.
John Winkle to C. W. Partin—Tract 1p, 20 S R 3 W, \$1.
Arthur C. Yates et ux to Sophia Brown—Tract in b. k. 7, Huddleston's add. Eugene.
A. P. Tills to George W. Hunter et ux—Tract in lot 51, Tallcoos Lake Club, plat, \$5000.
E. E. Morrison et ux to F. B. Flannery et ux—Tract in b. k. 9, Kelly's add. Springfield.

James W. Sears et ux to J. H. Chambers—Tract in 20 S R 4 W, \$10
C. B. Kincaid et ux to Jesse J. Roe et ux—Lot 8, b. k. E, West View add. Eugene, \$100.

The Japanese people are becoming more thrifty, postal savings deposits on Dec. 1 totaling 1,109,514,079 yen for 29,526,631 depositors. This was an increase of 10,114,091 yen during the month.

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