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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4.

President Coolidge

CALVIN COOLIDGE entered today upon his elective term as president of the United States. The auspices are favorable. He goes into office this time backed by the mandate of more than seventeen millions of voters—chosen by the very great plurality of 7,400,000 votes. On this showing the confidence that the people of the United States impose in him is very marked indeed.

To his elective incumbency Mr. Coolidge brings an experience of more than a year and a half as president. That experience has been valuable to him. Within its period he has made, in the judgment of the majority of the people, no serious mistakes. He has not been an intensely partisan president. He has been an efficient one. His thrifty ideas of government and of popular life are wholesome, and their effect upon congress and the people has been wholesome in kind. In acting upon questions brought to him for determination he has shown himself fearless. He has the courage of his convictions always.

No grave crisis faces the United States as Mr. Coolidge enters upon his elective term. The country is moderately prosperous. Foreign relations are in the main satisfactory. No vital issue divides the people. The expiring congress has failed to enact the legislation for the relief of the farmers, on which the president had set his heart, but unquestionably he will bring this again before the new congress and endeavor to see it through. This will be the test of his leadership. Thus far his efforts to lead congress have been disappointing. And therein lies his only serious demonstrated weakness.

The country, regardless of partisan affiliation, will wish the president well in his term of service that opens today.

Governor Pierce's Vetoes

APPARENTLY Governor Pierce counts that day lost whose low, descending sun falls upon anything less than a goodly sheaf of legislative appropriations vetoed at his hands. And yet, casting up the list of items which have fallen before his post-session snicker-snee to date, one can scarcely place a finger on any item and say, "Here is one that will cause the state serious loss."

The governor has been criticised in the recent past for making many recommendations whose purpose was to raise added revenue, while doing nothing to cut state expenditures as a means toward lowering taxes. He has inveighed loudly against a majority of the voters and the legislature because they have not been and are not now in sympathy with his ideas for producing revenue. Because of this he is open to the suspicion and the accusation of being actuated in his veto activities by motives of reprisal. One can scarcely but believe that this is, at least to an extent, the case. But present conditions of state finance and taxation do unquestionably call for retrenchment, and what the governor is doing now is in the line of retrenchment.

It was a liberal legislature that we have just had. In the view of many taxpayers it was too liberal. It gave special appropriations rather lavishly. It raised a good many salaries. Salaries are not being generally raised in private business at present. There has been nothing in recent economic developments to demand or warrant such a tendency. Rather it is an era of conservatism in business expenditures. The legislature did not altogether attune itself to conditions in the things it did. And we shall get along very well, or at least muddle through, without making the expenditures that the governor has thus far cut off.

The governor says he will veto items to the aggregate of \$500,000 by the time he gets through. We do not find ourselves consumed with rage at the prospect, nor even unduly excited. And the constitutional veto period is about at an end.

Already automobile tourists are on the road. Their vanguard has appeared at the Eugene municipal automobile camp. They are a harbinger of the greatest activity and the largest visitation for the coming season that we shall have had in any year. The automobile camp is an institution of great possibilities for the bringing of permanent residents to Eugene. What is needed is missionary work among its visitors of the more desirable type. If we show them what we have here some of them will stay. It will be a worth while effort.

It is good news that the appropriation for deepening the inner channel of Siuslaw harbor is available and that actual work of dredging may be expected to start this spring. With a mean low tide depth of twelve feet, enabling vessels drawing as much as 16 feet to navigate the channel at higher water, there will undoubtedly follow a considerable enhancement of shipping activity in Lane county's own port.

Sign of spring: The highly colored rhubarb from California that looks like it was hand-painted graces the breakfast board again.

It took a back-ent tremor to get the word Earthquake in the headlines of the California newspapers.

Optimistic thought for today: They are mending the holes in the Willamette street pavement.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Boasting the Farmer at his Own Game

(Astoria Budget)

It is not always the farmer who makes the best farmer. Sometimes it is a store clerk or a logger who makes the biggest success on the land.

The man raised on the soil and who has farmed for years is apt to grow set in his ways and to be prejudiced

against "new fangled" ideas. He is slow to grasp the importance of scientific methods and business administration in his farm operations.

The newcomer to the industry, however, makes a virtue out of his own inexperience. Knowing that he knows little about farming, he yet knows enough to rest his hopes of

success upon following the lines laid down by those who have by research, chemical analysis, study and experimentation sought the secrets of the various branches of agriculture.

He turns for help to the agricultural college, to the farm experts and to the county agents. He is quick to try out their suggestions and to apply the methods they recommend. And quite often he succeeds much better than the man born to the farm and who has tilled the soil all his life.

The case of John Lahti is a conspicuous example. He was a logger who got tired of logging. The story was told in Wednesday's Budget of how by industry, faith in the efficiency of modern methods, a keen desire to learn and a strong belief in the soundness of the co-operative principle he has in five years revolutionized the poultry business in the Knappa-Svensen district by the success he has made there in spite of the old tradition which had it that this district was not adapted to poultry raising.

Helping the Farmer to Help Himself.

(New York World)

The Haugen bill now pending in congress is a far cry from the McNary-Haugen bill which so much troubled the last session. While the latter would put the government, at great cost, into the business of boosting farm prices and keeping them there, the present Haugen bill would merely establish a government agency to help co-operative marketing among farmers and standardization of their products.

There is much indifference to the measure among farm-bloc congressmen. But there is no particular opposition. President Coolidge wants it enacted, and, short as the time is before the expiration of this congress, there is time enough to get it through in the absence of direct opposition. It does not hit at the great trouble with agriculture, which is compulsion by government to sell in a free-trade market and buy in a highly tariff-protected market. But it does do something toward helping the farmer help himself, and that is the true policy for government to follow. The bill should be passed.

Cut-a-Cut-a-Cut.

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)

"Salen," cackles the Statesman, "is the poultry center of the world." There won't be so many chickens there now that the legislature has adjourned and taken its steno with it.

Oregon Briefs

Work is progressing rapidly on the new highway bridge across the Umpqua river at Umpilla, and it is thought the bridge will be opened to traffic about June 1.

Gottlieb Teestner suffered a broken collar bone and several broken ribs when he was thrown from a high seated wagon while driving a four-horse team at Papalia.

Four students, Lois Hanson, Elizabeth Stearns, Webster Chaffin and May Crowson, were badly injured in an explosion in the chemistry room of the Ashland high school.

The Tillamook County Creamery association's annual report shows that in 1935 the 25 plants affiliated with the association sold cheese, butter and milk valued at \$1,855,416.43.

William Suenod, Heppner postmaster, and Dr. McMurdo were badly injured in an automobile collision near Heppner. The two were just starting on a trip to California.

Several Astoria business men have organized a home building association which will start within the next two weeks the erection of about 50 bungalows, the housing situation becoming acute.

Nearly four tons of fish, including many rainbow trout, are dead following the shutting off of water at the dam connecting upper Klamath lake with Lakeview by the California-Oregon Power company.

25 Years Ago

(From The Guard of March 4, 1909)

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Loughmiller entertained a few friends last evening at their home.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Kuykendall entertained a few friends last evening.

The Lane county democratic central committee met in the circuit court room this afternoon pursuant to call of the democratic central committee, J. J. Walton, presiding, and L. L. Stevens, secretary.

A thief with plenty of nerve drove into the barn of C. W. Washburn at Junction City Friday night and stole in the neighborhood of fifty bushels of seed wheat.

Some of the fixtures for T. A. Gilbert's new shoe store have arrived.

A new supply of logs has been received at the mill at Coburg and the old boom broke as usual during the high water.

The people's party central committee of Lane county has called a meeting for March 10.

The ice works received a carload of beer today.

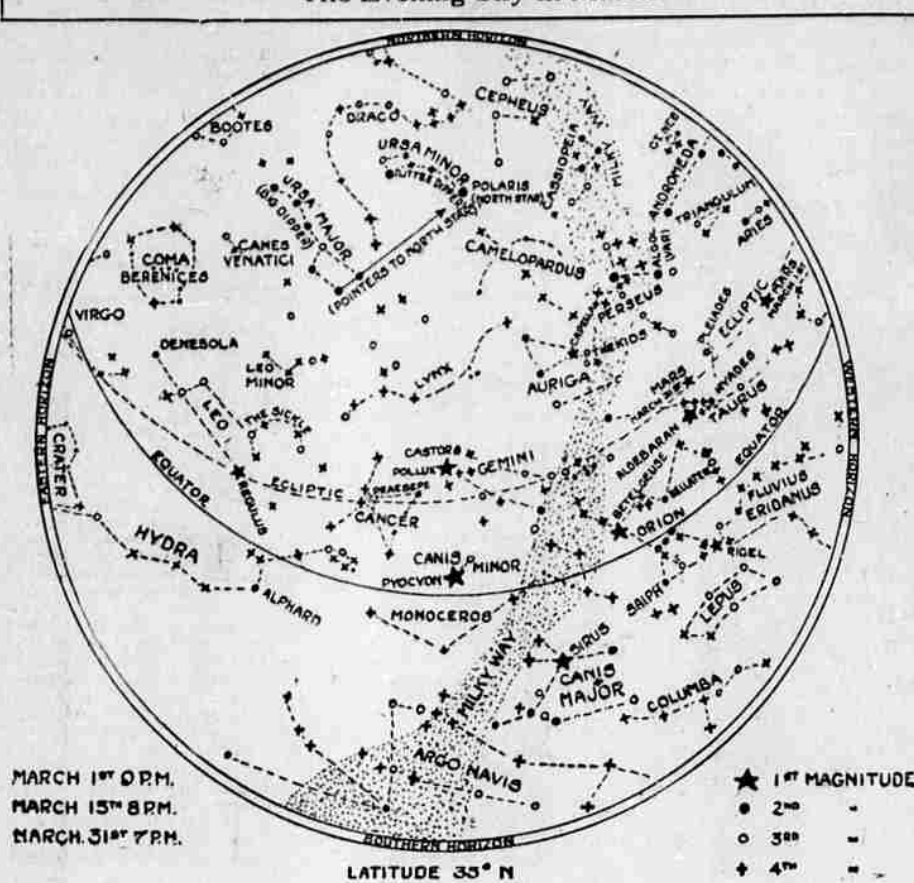
Miss Marie Ware arrived home today from a visit at Salem where she was the guest of the daughters of Governor T. T. Geer.

Puritans Descended From Mark Antony, Declares Dr. Jordan

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—Dr. David Starr Jordan, chancellor emeritus of Stanford university, told the members of the eugenics school of the Commonweal club Monday "that most Americans of puritan stock, including Washington, Lincoln and Roosevelt, seem to have been descendants of Mark Antony."

A large part of the English-American ancestry, Dr. Jordan said, goes back eventually to the Warren family and the Warrens have been traced back to the famous Roman orator. Dr. Jordan explained his theory of eugenics as one which stresses the preservation of the strongest and best, rather than the elimination of the weakest and undesirable.

The Evening Sky in March



MARCH 1ST 9 P.M.
MARCH 15TH 8 P.M.
MARCH 31ST 7 P.M.

LATITUDE 35° N

★ 1ST MAGNITUDE
● 2ND -
○ 3RD -
+ 4TH -
• 5TH -

This map shows the stars as they appear at the time indicated, in 35 degrees north latitude, but a change of five or 10 degrees in latitude will make but little difference in the appearance of the heavens.

The map is to be viewed inverted with top toward the north. The constellations that were so brilliant during the winter evenings, Taurus, Auriga, Orion and Canis Major, are now to be found in the western half of the sky.

Castor and Pollux in Gemini, the Twins, will be found due south of the zenith and the brilliant Procyon in Canis Minor, the Lesser Dog, is also due south at this time. The Big Dipper in Ursa Major, the Greater Bear, is now high in the

northeast, its pointers indicating the position of Polaris, the North Star.

Leo, the Lion, is now well up in the eastern sky in the evening with its white, first magnitude star Regulus in the Sickle marking the position of the heart of Leo.

Just to the west of Leo is the inconspicuous constellation of Cancer, the Crab, which contains, however, the interesting object known as Praesepe, the Bee-Hive, and also as the Manger.

The two faint stars to either side are known as Asell, the Donkeys. Praesepe is a coarse cluster of stars that can be resolved even with an opera glass.

South of Cancer is the head of

Hydra, the Water-snake, formed by a small group of stars.

The huge form of Hydra is indicated by a long line of stars, of which Alphard, a second magnitude star, is the brightest, that extends far beyond the southeast horizon.

The ruddy planet Mars is still visible in the western sky and moves eastward during the month through Taurus from the west to the east of the Pleiades.

Venus, in the morning sky, is now getting too close to the sun to be seen to any advantage.

Jupiter is visible in the east before sunrise and Saturn rises in the east about midnight and is near the meridian at sunrise.

MUCH COLOR IN OLD INAUGURALS

George Washington and Theodore Roosevelt Inducted With More Splendor Than Other Presidents

By HARRY B. HUNT
(NEA Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Since simplicity and economy have been decreed as the guiding factors in today's inaugural, a distinctly colored folk have been searching the records to discover just how simple or how ostentatious preceding inaugurations have been.

From the facts disclosed by these quests it seems that the peak of popular acclaim, jubilation and celebration was reached at the inaugurations of George Washington and Theodore Roosevelt.

Washington's first inauguration was on April 30, 1789, in New York. His whole progress from Mt. Vernon to New York, made by carriage and not on horseback, was a colorful pageant lasting through an entire week.

He was accompanied on the successive stages of the journey by regiments of colonial dignitaries, as well as by a civil and military escort, and his arrival at each point was accompanied by illuminations, music, banquets and much speechmaking.

This trip is said to have cost Washington personally about \$3000.

In color and hilarity the Roosevelt inauguration, with its delegations of tough riders, Indians, soldiers and shouting citizenry, never has been matched.

Estimates placed the number of visitors who saw the Roosevelt inaugural parade at 600,000.

The parade itself took nearly four hours to pass the reviewing stand.

Thomas Jefferson was the first of the presidents to take the oath in Washington.

Jefferson and Madison were inducted into office inside the incomplete capital building.

When arrangements were under

way for the Monroe inauguration in 1817, the house and senate couldn't agree on the disposition of seats and finally it was agreed to hold the exercises outdoors where there would be room for everybody.

Because of stormy weather, John Quincy Adams and William Howard Taft took the oath inside the capitol. With those two exceptions, all presidents since Monroe have been sworn in in front of the central portico of the capitol.

The one inauguration which might surpass today's inaugural of Coolidge in international simplicity and lack of pretension, was that of Jefferson.

Along with the story of Washington and the cherry tree, American schoolboys have been taught how Tom rode alone down to the capitol, hitched his horse to a sapling outside, and then took the oath.

In reality, however, it does not seem to have been quite so simple. Authenticated records of the occasion show that Jefferson was accompanied to the capitol by a considerable company of militiamen, friends and admirers, and that a really respectable gathering was on hand to acclaim the new president.

The record inaugural "roughhouse" was staged at the time Andy Jackson took office.

After the inaugural ceremonies, the White House was thrown open for a reception.

An uncontrollable mob of Jackson boosters surged in, waiters were knocked down, refreshments—there was no prohibition law then—were spilled, glassware broken and the broadened seats of chair and divan crushed by the boots of the countrymen who climbed upon them to get a better look at "Our Andy."

may some day witness the revival of the famous name of Montgomery and Stone, Fred Stone's daughter, Dorothy, now being a full-fledged actress.

Saw Joseph Schickel, the romantic young thespian who neither smokes nor drinks, who plays the piano and the violin, and who has 12,000 volumes in his library.

Saw "The Monster," as gruesome a film as ever I did see, but the best screen melodrama ever made, it seems to me.

Seeing many signs of spring, and windows which interest me most are motor boat and canoe displays and stacks of rakes and hoes and spades, but if I bought both boat and hoe no garden would I make.

Saw Otto Kahn, the banker and artistic adventurer, and he has the most graceful mustache in town.

Saw Harry R. Smith, the librettist and "Natla" is his 17th bit of writing. His "Robin Hood" ran 19 years.

Saw Marjorie McLucas, a young lady high in society and daughter of a bank president, who has followed the example of Mrs. Holt and taken to the stage for a career.

Saw Helen Westley who lives off, for, 17 and in the theater. She is the model trouper, playing anything from lion tamer to high lady.

Saw Hugh Pacey, who wrote "The Face on the Barroom Floor" and a kindly, soft-spoken old fellow as is, with great pride in his mustache.

In Lighter Vein

Working it Out
(Farm and Fireside)

There was no one at the table but the landlady and Mr. Skaggs, and the latter was doing his best to cut the piece of steak on his plate.

"Mr. Skaggs," said the landlady,

Fellowship of Prayer

Daily Lenten Bible reading and meditation prepared for Commission on Evangelism of Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

WEDNESDAY
Forgiving Sins.

Read Luke 5:17-26. Text: 5:24. But that ye may know that the Son of man hath authority on earth to forgive sins.

Meditation—This sick man and his friends asked for healing of the body, but Jesus looked within and saw a greater need. He saw a longing for forgiveness greater than for bodily healing. Jesus read the heart. It is always hard for us to remember that the life of this world are far more spiritual than material and that if we have spiritual health, material things will largely care for themselves. This man confessed his need. This made possible his salvation. An honest confession opens the door to God's forgiving grace.

"Sin that is unconfessed shuts out the energies of grace. Confession makes the soul receptive to the bountiful waters of life. The soul that makes confession to Christ is washed through and through and the seeds of iniquity are driven out."

Prayer—Lord Jesus, breathe upon us thy healing breath that we may be cleansed from sin and sickness. Reveal thy power in the lives of men. Give us the sense of thy companionship that our voices may be full of gladness and that we may rejoice on our way. Amen.
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Famous Hidden Library of Ivan Will be Sought

MOSCOW, March 4.—(AP)—The Soviet government today took steps to excavate under the towers of the Kremlin for the famous hidden library of Ivan the Terrible, (1530-1584) said to include 800 volumes bound in pure gold and many Arabian, Persian, Assyrian and Byzantine manuscripts and parchments of priceless value.

The existence of such a library has been known for centuries but its precise location has never been accurately determined.

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