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Germany Chooses Hindenburg.

ALL Germany knew Hindenburg. Every German knew that in him was the embodiment and the expression of the Germany that was—the old, imperialistic, autocratic Germany of pre-war days. Every German knew that he is a monarchist and a personal scepter-bearer of the ex-kaiser, and that he does not believe or pretend to believe in the republican form of government, but is openly and frankly for monarchical government.

A look beyond the result of the election to an analysis of that result discloses that Hindenburg is not the majority choice of Germany. For him there were cast 14,639,399 votes. The combined vote of his two opponents and the rejected ballots give a total of 15,706,101. Hindenburg's plurality over Marx, his nearest opponent, was more than a million. Hindenburg's gain in the final election over the vote cast in the preliminary election of March 30 by the parties which have supported him was more than two and a half millions.

Thus analysis of the election returns does not necessarily disclose any overwhelming disposition among Germans for a return to monarchy. But from whatever standpoint it be regarded, the Hindenburg victory is sufficiently impressive. And quite generally, even if erroneously, throughout the world it will be considered a plain sign that Germany is pointed toward a restoration to monarchy.

A Corvallis school teacher beseeches the editor of the Gazette-Times to supply a missing last line for a limerick with which she has been striving to inculcate useful knowledge in the keen young minds under her charge. Now the Corvallis editor, while a man of very great versatility, is not just the person we would have selected to ask for aid in a school-hours-by-activity such as this. He makes it known frequently through his able colm that he is fornicist such things. The teacher should have written The Guard, whose catholicity in such matters is broader. Here is the limerick, sans climax:

There was a young fellow named Guy,
Who vowed he would catch every fly,
But while he was catching,
More swarms kept on hatching.

And here is our offering to make of it a completed poetic gem:

And Guy found his plans knocked awry.

We only wish we could send, with this helpful contribution, an apple to Teacher.

Ben Dey's remarks were, from a Eugene standpoint, most interesting among those of all the railroad men who spoke at the chamber of commerce banquet in Portland the other night, because they gave official information as to the great progress that has been made in building the Natron cut-off of the Southern Pacific company. Of the whole trackage of 108 miles contemplated under the project, 45 miles have been graded and tracked, an additional 38 miles graded and a good beginning made upon the final 25 miles of the work. The great tunnel at the summit will have been completed by July and the entire project finished early next year, according to this official announcement. Thus will be realized a railroad project which was first conceived more than half a century ago.

Two hundred automobiles carrying fishermen to Lake creek were reported by a traffic officer as being on the road Sunday. Allowing two fishermen to a car that puts 400 fishermen on one creek in one day. And Lake creek, of course, has no monopoly of popularity. There is an ever-increasing throng of fishermen on all our streams. The time is unfortunately coming when no amount of artificial propagation of trout can stock them to replace the thousands that are being caught. One thing that would help prolong the era of trout in Oregon waters would be to close all streams completely against fishing from November 1 of each year to April 15 of the following year. And that ought to be done.

It is American forest week in all states, but most of them have no forests left to speak of. Here in Oregon we are more fortunate, in that our forests are still in part with us. For us the lesson of forest week is that we should protect our forests against fire now and forward the movement for their replanting when they are cut. Good progress has been made in forest protection; comparatively little in reforestation.

There is comfort for the drug store clerk in the fact that it will no longer be possible for a patron to come in and buy one postage stamp of the lowest denomination. There is as yet no way to make half-cent change.

The ex-kaiser was overjoyed. Perhaps now the partnership of "Me und Gott" will be enlarged to include "Me und Gott und Hindy."

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Taxes and Portland
(Portland East Oregonian)
This paper is not hostile towards our metropolis. It greatly prefers amicable relations between country and city. Portland is a wonderful place, inhabited by fine people. Yet it was in Portland that the fight against the income tax was made. It is there the plugging is under way against the new revenue measure. Also in that same city the direct property assessment is notoriously low. Though Portland has grown amazingly in the last 10 years the assessment of Multnomah county is lower than it was 10 years ago. Portland is not paying its fair share of the direct property tax.

this situation. We are not going to settle our tax issue until it is settled upon a basis of justice. We are going to have continued turmoil and trouble if Portland persists in the role of tax evasionsist. There should be brains enough and vision enough down there to see the point.

The Biggest One

(Baker Herald)
Last Saturday's Eugene Guard carried sixteen pages—120 columns of advertising matter for a retail merchant of groceries, meats, etc. This advertisement is probably the largest single one-day ad-paper advertisement in Oregon's history.

Eugene's Big Paper

(North Bend Harbor)
The Eugene Guard last week issued a 52-page number, which was illustrated and well filled with advertising. A feature was a section of 16 pages devoted to the advertising of the Stanley grocery store, a new institution, but by an old business man of that city. This is the largest amount of space used for any one concern in the state at one time.

The Difference

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)
The whole difference between the right theory of government and the Pierce theory was illustrated in the board of control row over whether or not the contractor for the boys' industrial school building should be allowed to insure his workmen in a private company or be compelled to take out state insurance. Kay and Koser voted to let him do as he pleased provided the insurance he took out was sufficient and reliable. The governor insisted that he take out state insurance and said he was in favor of compelling every employer to take out state insurance. Kay and Koser are therefore better democrats than Pierce is. Thomas Jefferson decided state interference in business as far as possible. Besides a certain organization with a lot of votes favors compulsory state insurance.

The State Supreme?

(Salem Statesman)
Members of the state game and fish commissions are reported as favoring the referendum on the bill requiring the payment of ten per cent of the fees collected by these departments into the state treasury to help pay for administrative costs. It will be remembered that during the last session of the legislature these same organizations were not averse to paying this portion of their receipts into the state treasury providing the power of appointment of their members by the governor should be vested elsewhere. The state legislature did not see it that way however and the governor still makes or unmakes the appointments. Was it the interests of the state or the punishment of the governor they had in mind?

Just why the receipts taken in by all the boards and commissions of Oregon should not be deposited with the state treasury is not quite clear to the average Oregon citizen. All state institutions are required to account to the state for whatever fees they receive and to present a budget to the legislature or to depend on millage taxes for their needs. The fish and game commissions are credited generally with the attitude that receipts of their departments from fees, licenses, etc., are of little or no concern to the general public. They receive hundreds of thousands of dollars every year from citizens of the state and pay it out through the secretary of state's office with little or no cost to them for administration. It costs the state a considerable amount, however, for this administration including court procedure in cases of violations of the fish and game laws.

Tom Sims Says—

IN CHICAGO a man with \$300,000 in his pocket jumped into the river, but things are very high in Chicago.

The world gets better. You see the signs everywhere. In Los Angeles a cross-word puzzle contest has ended.

There is talk of Jackie Coogan's retiring to go to school instead of to take up golf.

Where life is too intense, it is too soon in the past tense.

Most people expect something for nothing, which is why many people expect medicine to keep them well.

Procrastination is the thief of success.

Real estate men now are known as realtors; undertakers as morticians, and bootleggers as financiers.

Musicians say the harmonica will displace the saxophone, perhaps because you can hide a harmonica.

Our guess is most of those who think they love some one merely want to be loved by some one.

Oregon Briefs

F. A. Childs, 67, is dead at his home in Coquille from heart trouble after an illness of but two days.

Work was begun this week by Ek and Lind, Portland contractors on the modern sewer system at Monmouth. The work will cost \$38,088.

More than 3,000,000 feet of logs are jammed near the site of the old Johnson mill on the Coquille river. Which is said to be 30 feet in diameter.

The West Coast Canning company of Corvallis has received a contract to can 400 tons of peaches, which grow to fine maturity in Benton county.

Five or six days ago claimed the old steam wheeler Winema, relic of the early pioneer days of Klamath country, and took with it a dock warehouse on the lake at Shippington.

The school board at Cascade Locks has decided to call an election to vote \$200,000 bonds for the building of a new high school for that locality. The bonds are to run for 20 years.

Fifty Baker men, volunteers, last week painted 200 trees of the best and bluish varieties on the Old Oregon trail between Baker and Haines and Baker and Quartz.

You Can't Keep a Good Bird Down



MR. SARGENT TALKS ABOUT HIS JOB

Attorney General Seeks Not to Criticize Laws But Only to Enforce Them

By CHARLES P. STEWART
(NEA Service Writer)
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Do their laws over-regulate the American people?
"That's not for me to say," replied United States Attorney General John G. Sargent. "My business, as attorney general, is to enforce the law. Making laws is a legislative function. I'm a strong believer in each man sticking to his own job."
"If I were a legislator, I'd have something to say about law-making. In the department of justice my duty is to administer the laws as I find them. If I think a change should be made, I may recommend it. I've no right or desire to criticize otherwise."



"Most of our troubles seem to me due to intolerance—a failure to understand our neighbors. In this country our laws change pretty fast, too. Accustomed to the old established laws, we violate the new ones unreflectingly. I believe that's how most of our new regulations are broken—thoughtlessly."
"Generally, I think the American people mean to obey our laws."
"Doesn't our multiplicity of regulations," I asked, "hamper law enforcement. Doesn't it make for a general disrespect of law? Anyway, there are more arrests just now than ever. Prison populations are increasing."
"Our laws," said the attorney general, "in the very nature of things, must naturally expand in proportion to our growth, nationally and internationally, for we live in a period of constant progress, social and industrial."
"You emphasize that there are more arrests for infractions of the law than ever before. To me that suggests better law enforcement, not laxity."
"As to prohibition?" I queried.
"Absence of saloons, less drunken-

In New York

By JAMES W. DEAN
NEW YORK, April 23.—Many artists have tried to catch the spirit of New York in paintings, but the best they have been able to do is to set down an impression of one little section. Music offers a wider scope for the recording of the entire scene, if a complete record is possible in any medium. The nearest approach to such a musical record is the old ragtime piece, "The Sidewalks of New York."
Now George Gershwin has been commissioned by the New York Symphony Society to write a New York concerto in three movements to be played in Carnegie Hall Dec. 3 and 4. Gershwin is an impressionist. His "Rhapsody in Blue" attracted wide attention as the forerunner of a new school of American music. Being an impressionist, Gershwin has written himself far from New York to receive the piece. He will stay in London until it is done.

Rowell's Comment

(By CHESTER H. ROWELL)
SOME one has put out another book on the folly of controlling children by fear. The book is good, and so is the doctrine. The trouble is that it can never teach those who need it most. It takes self-control to resist others by anything but force and fear, and this is exactly what most parents and some teachers lack.
But why does not somebody write another book on the equal folly of controlling adults by fear? Everywhere talk of the greater "efficiency of labor" at times when jobs are scarce and the men are afraid of losing them. The fact is that even this "efficiency" of frightened men is far less than their capacities. And the rule that men work hardest when there is least work to do applies only to those who work for wages.
The farmer and his family do not slack on the job when crops are ripening and harvest hands are scarce.

A THOUGHT

Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.—Ps. 30:5.

There can be no rainbow without a cloud and a storm.—Vincent.

That is the very time they work hardest.
The most nearly valid part of the indictment of "capitalism" by the socialists is based on precisely this fact: that the motive of fear of losing his job brings out of the worker less than his productive capacity at all times, and least of all at precisely the times when it is needed most.

Western Lane Makes Heated Protest

Failure to Build Road From Interior Rejected

(Port Umpqua Courier)
COMMUNITIES, like individuals, usually will "take" a certain amount of buffering at the hands of associates—Yea the community usually is slower to anger than is the individual. But, the ire caused by such mistreatment at the hands of county and state officials usually is intensified because of the slowness with which it is developed. Western Lane county—that community called the Siuslaw Section—gradually is awakening to the fact it has not in the past, and is not now receiving a square deal from the county or the state insofar as road development is concerned. The community is getting fighting mad and the appended history of the Florence-Eugene Secondary State Highway development—or rather lack of development—is one, and a sufficient reason for their wrath.
Eleven years ago, residents of the Siuslaw section, backed by farmer and commercial organizations in the entire Western portion of the county proposed to levy a one-half mill tax upon themselves each year for the purpose of constructing the Florence-Eugene Highway.
That was a most unusual and enterprising step and because of its novelty and enterprise it was necessary to put up a hard fight in order to be accorded the privilege of taxing themselves for construction of a highway to the county seat. But tenacity of purpose finally won the initial encounter in the "battle with Eugene" and the first year \$17,000.00 was expended on the road from Florence, up the North Fork. At that time Harry Brown was county judge and H. M. Harlow and Geo. Hawley were county commissioners.
Let us digress for a moment from the main narrative to consider the difficulties placed in the way of this project by the pin-heads of that time who sought to retard—and whose successors have retained progress of this worthy section.
Evidencing a spirit of cooperation, not demonstrated since that time, a committee from Florence and the North Fork put their proposition before every grange unit in the county. All endorsed the project. Next, the project was submitted to the commercial organizations of Cottage Grove, Springfield and Eugene. These organizations also endorsed the project.
The County court entered the levy on the budget. Everyone interested will remember the lost fight which was necessary to keep the item in the budget; how a committee of self-appointed members made a majority report to the Tax Payers League to strike that item from the budget. Two of the committee submitted a minority report to the meeting of the taxpayers meeting urging inclusion of the item. Walter Griffin, and the then Forest Agent Seitz of the Cascades were the men. After hours of arguments, all without foundation, why the item should not be included—(Eugene's legal lights were then on massed)—a vote was demanded and Western Lane won its first and only point from those who would prevent industrial development of the Siuslaw territory with its vast potential wealth.
The vote was 187 for inclusion of the tax levy in the budget against 77 for striking out the item.
The budget committee, the following year recommended expenditure of \$32,000 on the western end of the Florence-Eugene road. This was spent.

Not until 1921 was another bit of that tax money spent on the road. In 1921, \$20,000 was apportioned for work on the North Fork and this year \$15,000 is being expended under the provisions of the budget.
The county quit work on the road in 1919, supposing that the state highway commission would take over and complete the project which was designated as a Secondary road by

the act of legislature under which the highway commission was organized.
Since the Florence-Eugene highway was designated one of the secondary roads has been built through from the Pacific in all the counties on the coast excepting Lane and Douglas. Why has this richest section of the coast country not been connected up?
The coast section of Lane county has paid in 12 per cent of the road fund tax money. Debate between Mr. Adams and Mr. Harlow a few years hence brought out that fact. The Port of Siuslaw district which is that portion of the county considered to be the coast section, received less than one-third of that money paid in road fund taxes, for development of its roads.
Why should not Lane county reciprocate by allocating two-thirds of the general fund money for development of this long neglected portion of the county?
Why should Lane county's portion of the Roosevelt Highway be the last to receive federal and state recognition?
Why is it necessary to spend the efforts and money of Lane county on the McKenzie Highway, which has no real development value insofar as a riding people of Lane county is concerned and for that highway neglect the coast road where the county's wealth is awaiting development?
Why is it that along the coast of Lane county the state has never spent one dollar for road construction? It almost seems that Western Lane and Western Douglas county don't belong to the state of Oregon. We wish to call attention of everyone to the fact that the first state highway bond issue was voted down by Lane county proper—AND THAT WESTERN LANE—THE COAST SECTION—VOTED IN FAVOR OF IT BY A LARGE MAJORITY.
Also, when the Lane county bond issue was voted Western Lane favored the issue by a large majority.
These bonds were issued and have furnished paved and macadam roads to all other sections of the county and state.
Western Lane and Douglas are still in the same condition insofar as highways are concerned, as they were 25 years ago.
Can this neglect continue indefinitely? What will be the result?
All communities have a faculty of coast section going to be forced to use coast section going to be forced to use that faculty?

25 Years Ago
(From The Guard April 23, 1899)
The sugar beet meeting was poorly attended but those present evinced a disposition to look carefully into the matter. All realized the value of the project if completed. Mr. Wilkins read a letter from Klamath containing information, and Mr. Gilstrap read one from Newberg. The farmers present agreed to organize themselves into a committee to personally talk with farmers in the vicinity interested in the beet industry.

The Bohemia district is having other light snowstorms.
The annual conference of the Y. W. C. A. ends tomorrow. Delegates are Misses Susie Hanson, Lola Craig, Stella Armitage, Wilson, Lella Strain, Grace Lane and Miss Pickel.
Dr. and Mrs. Wall of Cottage Grove are in the city on a business shopping trip.
A meeting of the Lane county growers was held in the county house this afternoon. Although sun shone, the grass foliage was green, and all nature had on bright colors, the meeting was very blue one. (No conditions so unfavorable this season, it is decided no organization was made.)
Mrs. George M. Miller of Park is in the city to visit her sister, I. J. Campbell.
There is an unusually large number of farmers in town today.
C. H. Park writes from Lane County, that he will return to Eugene in May.

Bacon Is Bookmark
NEW YORK, April 23.—A slow raw bacon was the unusual book found in a copy of Robert Service poems. Another librarian found a soft-shelled crab was used to keep the piece in a book.

In Lighter Vein
What a Night.
(Hamilton Royal Gahoon)
Mrs. Eskimo—Well, where have you been for the past six months?
Mr. Eskimo—My dear, I've just been sitting up all night with a sick friend.

Blank Verse
(Penn State Froth)
I read
Mr. girl
Just like
A book;
That's why
I hold
Her on
My knee.

That's the Answer
(George Peck, Yellow Jacket)
"Why do the people of Samon wear so little clothing?"
"Guess it's too hot for Samon."

Not Enough Cream
(Tennessee Mugwump)
"What's the matter?"
"Why, I wrote a long article on milk, and the editor condensed it."
No Closed Season
(Vanderbilt Masquerader)
Lady—Officer, some men are shooting dice down on the corner.
Officer—Madame, what do you think I am, a game warden?

A Brave, Brave Man
(Illustrated Leicester Chronicle)
The Boss (to clerk sent out to collect money)—Well, what did Brown say?
Clerk—That he would break every bone in my body and pitch me out if I showed my face there again!
Boss—Did he? Then go back and tell him he's mistaken if he thinks violence will frighten me!

Literary Note
(Philadelphia Record)
Authors intending to become famous should write to the publisher of the "Literary Digest" in New York.

Consider Mother's Inn

On the Pacific Highway at Tangent is a gigantic sign reading "Mother's Inn." Stop there any day and you will have a difficult time to get a seat, unless you're early. And when one of Mother's home cooked, country chicken dinners comes steaming out of the kitchen and onto the table you no wonder why her table is always crowded.
Mother's big sign and cosy cottage would both be of use if the case here in the U. S. National. No matter what claims we made, or how big our buildings or elaborate our furnishings we could not be one of Lane county's leading banks if we did not give exceptional assistance to every one who comes to us.
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