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TUESDAY, MAY 26.

The Amundsen Expedition.

THE civilized world awaits with bated breath word from Amundsen or news of the fate of the intrepid explorer and his men. The public interest is at a tense point very similar to that with which it awaited the issue two months ago of the attempt to rescue Floyd Collins from the Kentucky cave which held him prisoner.

Amundsen has had large experience in polar travel by ship and by dog sledge, and in caring for himself amid polar ice and cold. He is as competent for those things as anyone can be. But polar exploration by airplane is enterprise of an untried sort.

But even if the two airplanes in which the party set out shall become incapacitated and have to be abandoned, it will not necessarily mean final disaster to Amundsen and his men. They have with them skis and sledges and emergency rations sufficient to keep them alive for a month or more.

There are tragic possibilities in the present situation, but by no means is there certainty of tragedy. Indeed there will be no such certainty for weeks to come, unless word from the Amundsen party comes meanwhile.

When Two Were Hanged.

A POOR wretch of a cripple who couldn't stand alone was strapped to a board and placed on the trap of our official Oregon gallows. The drop when the trap was sprung failed to break his neck, and it took him practically half an hour to choke to death.

An old man of nearly 70 years was escorted to the gallows tree after the dead cripple had been taken away. He was a mere wreck of a man, suffering still from the effects of an unhealed wound in his neck, self-inflicted in an attempt at suicide.

A goodly though select gathering witnessed the executions. Some of those present had come considerable distances for the sake of the spectacle. All were there by hospitable invitation of the state of Oregon.

Pearce was guilty of murder. Covell was guilty of having instigated murder. Both of them were vicious men. Neither was of use in the world. The fact that they were cut off was not the greatest evil of their execution, nor was it the unusually horrible circumstances attending the execution.

Of the execution the Roseburg News-Review says: "The published facts will be fine morsels for the sob-sisters of this state" and that "as an object lesson for the criminally inclined the 'exhibition' ought to prove of some benefit."

It is customary in Oregon courts for the judge to step aside from any case in which a principal or attorney may file an affidavit of prejudice against the court, with or without cause or reason.

Every town in the valley between Eugene and Portland is a riot of rose bloom now. Pink predominates in the color scheme, but every known standard variety and color of rose is represented at one place or another.

The referendum petition is filed for the cigarette and tobacco tax bill. It was, perhaps, too much to expect that the result could be otherwise.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Electric Power for the Farm (Christian Science Monitor) PENDING the time when farmers can bring themselves to organize for the co-operative marketing of their products, as there has so often been urged to do, there is one phase of farm administration in which either the

farmer's traditional bent for independent action for his newly-inspired willingness to enter upon cooperative enterprises can be exercised to his successful benefit. By converting the water power of the streams flowing through or near their lands into

electric energy, for illumination and the numerous other purposes which it can be made to serve, the independent farmer or his associated neighbors can greatly reduce the rigors and increase the comforts and the efficiency of his life.

In its Farmers' Bulletin entitled "Power for the Farm from Small Streams," the United States Department of Agriculture sets forth the possibilities of valuable aid from those inaccessable, though variable, power producers.

Today, however, the numerous convenient and inexpensive appliances which can be operated by electricity, and the standard types of generating machines and storage batteries on the market, argue the desirability of providing the farm with electric current.

The Right Man for the Job (New York World) When William Jennings Bryan, for a large fee, paints an oratorical picture of Paradise for considering buyers of Florida real estate, he is effective, but not quite at home.

They are punched with holes in both ends. They need to be called "skulls" and "broads" but the bill posters began calling them "Annie Oakleys" and that term is now in general use throughout the theater world.

In Lower Manhattan two buildings stand as corroboration of the old saw, "Take care of the pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves."

Some weeks ago I wrote of a man who always rides to the opera on the chauffeur's seat of his town car and a reader now seems dubious, saying that a man who can afford a fine car and a driver would ride in comfort inside the car.

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Most Any Little Boy Would Rather Bathe Himself



MERRY KEEPS HOUSE ON BIG SCALE

Mayflower Hotel, in Washington, Bids Fair to Come Out of White Elephant Class

By CHARLES P. STEWART (NEA Service Writer) WASHINGTON, May 26.—H. L. Merry keeps house on a large scale. He's super-manager of the super-huge, super-elegant Mayflower hotel, in Washington.

Merry's talk is a queer mixture of big business and scientific housekeeping—raced to the top power. The Mayflower has been open only a few weeks. Its original promoter set out to build a hotel of a size and magnificence never equaled by a hotel before.

They looked into it a bit. An acute pain gripped them in the region of their pocketbooks. Altogether, they gave a deep groan.

To give you an idea: As Merry showed me through suite after suite—beauties but small—"What do apartments like this cost?" I asked. "My dear Merry," replied cheerfully, "\$4800." "And this?" I continued, following him into a considerably larger one—a regular Buckingham palace, in fact, "Twenty-five thousand."

These prices aren't high compared with the prices of similar accommodations in New York, for instance. But New York is more than 14 times larger than Washington, and there are mighty few New York hotels that could be set up in the Mayflower.

In New York

By JAMES W. DEAN NEW YORK, May 26.—See-sawing up and down Broadway I saw Levin Cobb, the reporter from Paducah, and his face is the reddest in town.

25 Years Ago (From The Guard May 26, 1900) TREASURER PATTERSON today makes a call for \$3200 worth of county warrants. This will reduce Lane county debt to about \$122,400.

Yesterday was the day set apart by the Grand Army of the Republic for visiting the public schools. Several committees appointed by the post visited all the schools and the Catholic school, and were kindly and courteously received.

John Whitney has accepted a position at the Hotel Eugene. Andy Titus has accepted a position in the barber shop of Jerry Horn and will assume his duties tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Seavey have returned from Astoria where they attended the conventions of the I. O. O. F. and Rebekah lodges.

Mayor Harris met Mrs. Harris in Ashland and the two returned this morning to Eugene, and have taken rooms for the present in the Warren block.

Hon. T. T. Geer, governor of Oregon, arrived up today and will speak at the courthouse tonight from a republican standpoint.

Miss Lula Bradley left today for Albany and Portland for a visit. Walter Ross, the electrician, has just completed a telephone line for Eugene F. Crow between Irving and Eugene to be used in connection with the Postal Telegraph. Heretofore the people of Irving have not been connected with the outside world, and when they wanted to telephone were compelled to come to Eugene to do it.

TRAFFIC OFFENDER FINED E. C. Cobb was arrested and fined \$20 and costs yesterday afternoon for speeding his automobile at a rate of 50 miles an hour. He was taken before justice of the peace Harold J. Walls. W. H. Thornton was arrested for using a Ford truck license on a Ford bus, and will be tried later for the offense.

Proof Enough

(Lafayette Lyre) Skeptical Lady—And can I wear this coat out in the rain without hurting it? Fur Salesman—Madam, have you ever seen a skunk carrying an umbrella?

Tom Sims Says

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Rowell's Comment

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In Lighter Vein

Suspense is More Fun. (Toledo Blade) To understand women would be like looking in the last chapter of the book to see how the story is going to end.

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driving his parents over a lonely road and they came to a particularly lonely spot and before he knew it he had parked the car.

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First patent for balloon tires has been issued. Overused heads need protection also.

This is the silly season, and in New York one policeman arrested another policeman.

How busy isn't as important as why busy. The bee is congratulated. Mosquitoes are swatted.

Detroit woman pushed her husband out a second story window. He should rent a bungalow.

Onions up to \$4 a crate will hurt the chewing gum business.

Canadian blacksmith inherited \$60,000,000, so now he can sit down under his chestnut tree.

Lows man shook hands with the king of England, but failed to sell him any life insurance.

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If the outside world insists on dealing with the bugaboo, and the worst of the Nationalists become the realist, and so confirm the impression, the probable sincerity of the real Hindenburg will be useless.

SURVEYOR IS KILLED KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 26.—A. McAllen, 29, a Hill line surveyor, was almost instantly killed early yesterday near Olney, when a small coupe in which he was returning from a dance at Bonanz, east of the highway, McAllen sustained a fractured skull and was dead when surgeons reached him a few moments later.

YOUNG McAllen was with the surveying group which has been running location lines for the Oregon Trust near the Bonanza country. The dead man leaves a widow and small child at Tacoma.

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Today's Cross-Word Puzzle

A crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1 through 49 indicating starting points for words.

- HORIZONTAL 1. Sea eagle. 4. Valuable property. 8. English money. 11. To touch up a plate with brush dipped in acid. 12. Lofly. 13. Fit. 14. Wreath used in a design. 15. Portion of the mouth. 17. Born. 18. To partake of food. 20. Old-fashioned male facial ornament. 22. Corled cloth. 24. Condition. 26. Home. 28. Affects again. 29. To reform one's self. 31. Decree. 33. Yet. 34. Tender spots. 35. A word of refusal. 38. Instrument mightier than the sword. 39. Devoured. 41. Gardens. 43. To sink as a bed spring. 45. Cylinder for holding wet goods. 46. Game of cards. 47. Beer. 48. Apart. 49. What you see with (sing.).

Springfield Baptist church, and will arrive about June 13 to take up his new work. Rev. Mr. Bloom has been pastor in Ontario for about seven years. He will succeed Rev. J. Carlton Wetterhahn in the Springfield parish. Rev. Mr. Wetterhahn having been called to Lead, South Dakota. Rev. Mr. Bloom's son will enter the University of Oregon next fall.

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The few humble words that we can offer in praise of those who so selflessly gave the very greatest of all gifts, and gave for a mere principle in which they had faith, are so meager in comparison with their magnanimity that we hesitate to write them. Yet this humble praise, if it but slightly honors those who felt the loss, is offered with wholehearted earnestness.

Let the place in eternity of those who died for the cause of their country be higher than ours, for they died that we might prosper happy.

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