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A NEWSPAPER IS A CITIZEN OF ITS COMMUNITY

OBSIDIAN CAMP.

VERY often we pick up the Portland papers to find therein some rhapsody about the Mount Hood region by some traveler from the East. And the literary efforts to capture and express in cold type the wonders of Crater Lake would in any one season fill several books. But the real heart of the highlands, it seems to us, is between these two points, near the foot of the Three Sisters where the Obsidians, of Eugene, will camp next week.

There is no one feature so astounding as to overshadow all the rest, but in this midland of the Cascades Nature seems to have taken pains to make the variety and quality of her attractions complete. Majestic forests, untouched by fire or axe! Flowered plains and brilliant mountain meadows! Leaping streams, scores of mirror-like lakes! Sculptured glaciers! Under the serene guardianship of three sister peaks.

Even the Three Sisters are different, as sisters can be. The Middle Sisters, after the manner of many a middle sister, is the very spirit of conformity in every outline and detail. The regularity of her features is becomingly garbed in gray and white. The North Sister, facing the storms, is a seamed and battered hulk, dark and gloomy in every aspect, meeting every advance with a threat. The South Sister, perhaps the youngest of the three, is a gay coquette. Vermilion rocks ornament the crystal whiteness of her glacier dress. The turquoise crater lake at the summit is like a jewel in her crest.

The Three Sisters region is the promised land of the mountain lover and explorer. We often speak of the Obsidians as doing a valuable work in opening up and advertising this remarkable country. It is a good thing to have it better known. But it is to be hoped that it will long remain just what it is, a paradise for real mountaineers who are willing to expend a little effort to pay for enjoyment, who do not ask for wonders catalogued, indexed, placarded, "developed," but only for the chance to seek them out. It is perhaps in promoting this love of the mountain regions that the Obsidians are doing their most valuable work.

We have a region that will not suffer from the exploitation of other regions because as time goes on it will become unique.

A VACATION BY AIR.

ANNOUNCEMENT that a sumptuous Sikorsky amphibian plane equipped with electric lights and running water recently left New York to take the family of a Chicago millionaire on a cross-country pleasure flight may prove the forerunner of a thing that will become relatively common in the next few years.

A vacation by air, especially when the plane provides genuine luxuries for its occupants, is as attractive a recreation as one could imagine. Just now, of course, it is confined to the wealthy. The aerial flier has not yet appeared. But when it comes—as it will, eventually—we are going to see an extension of this sort of thing that will be simply amazing.

The Chicago gentleman, sailing westward on a pleasure jaunt, is the advance guard of what some day will be a veritable swarm of aerial tourists.

OUR EXPENSIVE ARMY

IT is small wonder that President Hoover is moved to protest by the discovery that the U. S. army budget will, by 1933, call for the largest war expenditures of any country on earth.

We have the smallest standing army of any major power. We do not have compulsory military service in any form. We have every reason to believe that our relations with our neighbors are going to continue peaceful—and, in any case, our army is not our "first line of defense," as is the case in most countries.

Why, then, should our army budget be so high? President Hoover's determination to bring about a drastic reduction is extremely praiseworthy. Surely the job can be done without in any real way detracting from our preparedness.

Ajax McGurk, our right hand man, wants to know how come in erecting all the monuments to the heroes of the Sunset Trail, the praise distributors have so far overlooked that Napoleon of the celebration, Jack Magladry. Ajax points out that Jack not only organized, commanded and commanded the best industrial parade ever seen in these parts, but worked at the right hand of Cal Young in the pioneer event. Jack rode in many of the far-flung caravans, attended untold committee meetings, ate several tons of booster luncheon stuff, rode a horse, marched with the Radiators. Ajax says they picked the young bloods to keep step with the Queens but some of the old boys were way out in front strutting their stuff. Very good, Ajax, that's a nice monument for Jack!

A gent who recently was given "the keys to New York City" got arrested for speeding. The Oregonian says he should have remembered he had only the keys to the city, not the can opener. Or the corkscrew, eh what? The corkscrew is one of the greatest little key openers we know about.

Now comes the dignified editor of the Christian Science Monitor with a yearning for the day when mere man can get a little one-piece afternoon suit for \$1.98 just like the women do, and sermonizes on this interesting topic at length. Now, really! When the editor of the C. S. M. steps out in a neat little sunback we shall want a ringside seat.

Ajax McGurk says he carried his whiskers bravely all through the pageant, but when it comes to one-piece suits for editors it will be, "After you, my dear Alphonse."

AS OTHERS SEE THINGS

The Sunset Trail
 Joseph Patterson in Yachting Bay News

The spirit of Eugene sparkles with good humor and cooperation as was demonstrated in the Sunset Trail pageant held last week at that prosperous, ambitious city of learning and industry. To some all those hawking and to some the pageant a success would seem to require reprinting below the Eugene city directory. The newspaper to charge contains many names: Cal Young, Jack S. Magladry and H. E. Henson perhaps stand out as the effect realized by an able publicity man. The Eugene Radiators now in white (the writer recalls the first ones dressed in grey who attended the early rose festivals in Thacher, Lewis Smith, Rex Underwood, Edward Best, John Evans, Mildred L. Moore and Ray Moore, Louisa Holland and last but

not least, Marshall N. Dana, editorial writer of the Portland Journal, announcer of the pageant, whose musical deep resonant voice sometimes stentorian made each episode of the epic pageant seem just a little more realistic. The stories of the pageant, its conception and its materialization have been told, its success and the enjoyment of the spectators are in the sunset of memory but to know about a thing is not always to realize it. When a city of 20,000 population raises \$27,000 and attracts 20,000 visitors and cares for them courteously, that is achievement! If comparisons are odious, please excuse this one: In the same proportion New York would have to raise \$6,000,000 and care for 8,000,000 visitors! The bewickered faces and red shirts of Congress men and the clothes of the style of 1880 worn by Eugene women and children was

a real story. The New York Times in answer to a query from the writer took a thousand word telegram, the writer unfortunately not getting an order until it was already night in New York so that he had to write and send without the preparation of reflection, interviews or correction.

Lost in reverie as the pioneer parade passed or the magnificent pageant was enacted at the stadium were thousands upon thousands. Even the state police seemed jovial, their strong faces smiling instead of sneering as they are often wrongly depicted, and they directed a traffic never equaled in Eugene even at the great football games, in a manner reflecting credit upon themselves.

No wonder Eugene is the seat of the University of Oregon. Her congested business district and her spacious residential section with all its beauty is not by chance but the result of thoughtful planning. The Sunset Trail pageant is over but the spirit which made it possible survives and marches on.

A Six Months' Showing

(The Bend Bulletin)

When any new method of doing things is undertaken, there is as a natural accompaniment to it a question as to what results will be achieved. And, coupled with this, what was necessary to achieve those results.

Questions such as this are answered in the semi-annual report of City Manager C. G. Reiter, submitted to the Bend city commission Wednesday night. It is a report which should be highly gratifying to the people of Bend. It is the first report of the kind from any local city administration which has ever been issued, as far as we can remember; it is concise, readily understandable; the facts which it sets forth show real achievement in the first six months that the commission-manager plan has been in use.

First of all, the budget has kept within the budget limitations, well within them, although the budget now in effect is one which represents a decrease of more than \$10,000 from the last budget under which the previous administration operated.

While keeping well within budget limitations, the manager has reduced warrant indebtedness by some \$20,000. That in six months, in the whole of 1928, with a six thousand dollar larger budget, warrant indebtedness was decreased by something less than eleven thousand dollars.

Although the budget under which the city is operating is less than that in effect for 1928, city revenues for the first half of the year have been greater by four thousand dollars than in the first half of 1928.

These things have not been accomplished through any miracle working, but through adherence to sound, proven business principles. An number of small leaks have been stopped, income has been increased, current outgo has been decreased. The total of old bills owed to the city has been lessened, and so has the total of old bills owed by the city.

Results such as these are pleasing. They are pleasing to the members of the commission, who expected them. They are none the less pleasing to the people of Bend, some of whom did not expect them.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

NEA Service Writer
 WASHINGTON, July 31.—The Coast Guard continues to complain that the roving spotlight of publicity always favors its activities against rum-runners instead of its ancient and honorable work of life-saving and other maritime aid.

This does not square exactly with a common opinion in Washington that the Coast Guard boys are about the best little press-agents in town. But even if the Guard's long-standing complaint be true, it is perfectly natural. No one need be surprised if newspapers give much space to incidents where the Coast Guardsmen shoot up yachting parties or kill more or less innocent citizens. It is invariably a matter of interest when an organization formed for rescue and life-saving has to shoot at people. Just think what a lot of publicity the Red Cross would get if it started drowning disaster refugees instead of saving them!

The Coast Guard can't be blamed for its shooting as an organization. Its officers admit they don't like the added prohibition part of their job. But they can't help themselves and whenever there's a policy of shooting some shots are likely to land in the wrong place.

All of which should deter no one from chronicling that reports recently reaching Coast Guard headquarters here in a single week showed that the guardsmen had rescued 420 persons. The 420 is a record likely to stand for a long time. It represents more persons than the Coast Guard is likely to shoot if it continues to help enforce prohibition for the next hundred years.

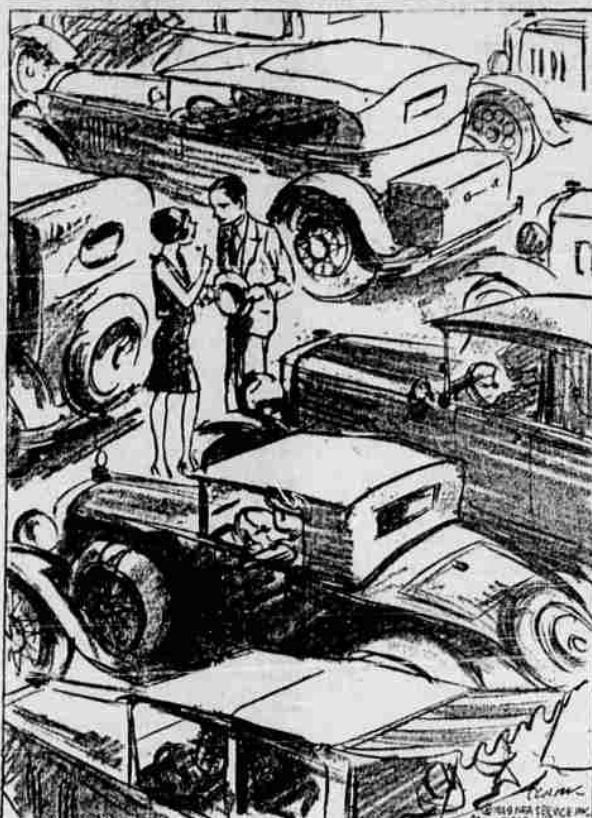
The record was helped by bad storms along the Pacific coast, in which several vessels with from 20 to 40 persons aboard required the services of the Coast Guard, including the steamer Laura and the schooner Harwood.

In the same period, the record shows, the Coast Guard rendered other major assistance to 313 persons and miscellaneous assistance to 240 others.

Major assistance involved the saving of life or property. Cases of miscellaneous assistance pervaded through the year include warning vessels stranding on reefs, various services to shipping and boating, furnishing fuel, food and water to distressed vessels, securing the shipwrecked, medical and surgical aid, assistance at sea and on shore, and fire in buildings or wharves along the shore line, fighting forest fires, assistance at floods, dragging victims for bodies, burial of bodies cast up by the sea, sheltering wayfarers overtaken by storm or misfortune, rescuing lost children to parents, re-opening in maintaining local order, recovering lost and stolen property, protecting wrecked property, acting as emergency police, transporting the mails, pulling automobiles out of deep sand and ever, we must, other things.

The lecherous patrol, consisting of the Coast Guard cutters Tampa and Modoc, is still out there hunting, guarding passenger liners from Beign. They went into the berg area in the past part of March.

SIDE GLANCES



"Now you just quit worrying about me; I know what to take for this cold."

Daily Health Service

Many Errors in Reading Due to Psychology, Not Poor Eyes

By DR. MORRIS FISHBURN
 (Editor Journal of the American Medical Association and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine)

PEOPLE sometimes make peculiar errors in reading. In fact, the confusion of a letter or two in a word sometimes has far-reaching results from the public requesting health advice and the discussion of scientific matters before public audiences. I have heard innumerable peculiar uses of scientific words by people, who revealed through such use the fact that they did not comprehend the nature of the terms. Sometimes the results were ludicrous; in other instances, even serious.

Printers occasionally make typographical errors, confusing such words as bridge and bride, month and mouth, person and prison, with exceedingly peculiar results. One of the experiments indicated the importance of varying the uses of words in long articles. It was found that when a certain word is used over and over again in an article this word attains a "prepotency" so that the other words of a similar character are constantly mistaken for the word frequently used later in the article. Obviously this would result again and again in ambiguous meaning.

Such detailed studies of human physiology and psychology do much to indicate the intricate character of the human mind and body and the importance of constant research to aid the activities of man in his daily life.

It is, of course, advisable when understanding is not had to look up the word in the dictionary and to make certain of its meaning. In a long experience of conversations with the public on health subjects, the answering of letters from the public requesting health advice and the discussion of scientific matters before public audiences, I have heard innumerable peculiar uses of scientific words by people, who revealed through such use the fact that they did not comprehend the nature of the terms. Sometimes the results were ludicrous; in other instances, even serious.

When the meaning of the material read is fully comprehended, errors in reading are negligible; when the meaning is not understood, when there is not a continuous context, the person who reads is likely to introduce into his reading substitute words which merely make confusion or nonsense.

This is, of course, of the greatest importance to those who read material on scientific subjects or on health. It is quite frequently necessary to use a scientific word of which the meaning may not be generally clear. Most writers on health for the public attempt to include definitions or substitute words which will aid understanding.

TOM SIMS' BARBS

THERE are 7,000,000 dogs in the United States. If you don't believe it, walk into any farmer's yard on a dark night to try to get him to pull your car out of a mudhole.

Gangsters are born, not made, says a Chicago psychiatrist. Not just anybody can be an Al Capone.

The next war will be carried on by radio, says a Los Angeles sociologist. Guess that's what they're practicing for every night now.

Coast guards fired on a banana boat the other day. Probably they wondered how all those bananas managed to get so skunkful.

More than 720 gallons of contraband alcohol disappeared from its storage place in Kansas City recently. And its storage place was right in the police station, too. That's funny!

Thomas Edison says we do not know one-millionth of one per cent about anything. He must have been watching somebody trying to adjust his brakes.

MAIL BAG

ABOUT MUSEUM

Editor Guard:
 I read your editorial and other writings about a historical location or building, with good deal of interest and no little amusement. To say the least it is certainly timely and very commendable in accordance to assemble these valuable relics.

But don't let's get the dog in the manger spirit and grouch if it isn't back of our back, or in the alley near our end of town.

The writer is a newcomer in your midst, born and reared in the "red old state of Ohio, and we had some beautiful timber, the tall lofty poplar, beech, hard maple and other fine timber, but nothing has excited my interest as the magnificent tall starling fir.

I stand and gaze and feast of them, whenever I see a patch of them, and to think of promoting a historical building without letting them play the leading part is a crime to the future generation. I say, then, a log building out of the longest logs that can be found in Lane county. And there is no place more logical or to be just a little charitable to Eugene and the citizens of Lane county, that supports her, than the Lane county fair

the result of their enterprise and liberality have located the multi-millionaire Kellogg of Battleground, Mich., he having already bought 271 acres and expended over three million.

Another millionaire, Stewart, great stock and fancy horse man located near this fair ground to the extent of a million.

No if Eugene wants to locate the most desirable citizens be liberal, and give a hearty boost to our county fair, and help landscape and beautify these valuable grounds. W. S. M.

20 YEARS AGO

(From The Guard, Aug. 1, 1908)
 WHILE no permits have been taken out in Eugene during July for any large buildings the number of residences started in that month exceeds that of the previous month, and also the month before that. During the last month permits for residences aggregated 51.

Projects are being developed for the irrigation of between 25,000 and 30,000 acres of agricultural land in Lane county. Farmers residing on the west side of the Willamette river between Eugene and Junction City propose by banding together to irrigate between 15,000 and 20,000 acres and owners of land surrounding Springfield on the east side of the Willamette are preparing to resort to irrigation on an additional 10,000 acres.

The city council desires to open the streets and alleys across the Southern Pacific right-of-way in Fairmount, and a conference upon the subject was held this afternoon between Superintendent L. H. Fields of the company and the street committee of the council.

The beautiful cedar trees in the west county park seem to be dying, many of the needles turning brown during the summer. E. J. Crow, who perhaps takes more interest in the park than any other man in town, says the trees are dying for lack of water.

TODAY IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF

FIRST FEDERAL CENSUS ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINE years ago today, on Aug. 1, 1790, the enumeration of the first federal census began in the United States.

The result of this decennial census showed a total population of 3,929,827, with only six cities having more than 7500 inhabitants.

The counting of population was an essential feature of the new form of government since it was to be the basis of the apportionment of representatives and direct taxes.

The Congress which enacted the law for the first census introduced the distinction of sex and color in the enumeration of the free population, and having in view, prob-

ably, the importance of determining the military strength of the newly created nation, introduced an age distinction—under 16, 18 and over—in the enumeration. Only three-fifths of the slaves were counted in determining the apportionment.

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Hot Weather Reminders

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Broadway and Oak St.

People Are Judged By Their Watches

As a rule the careful sensible person always looks to his watch and sees it keeps accurate time or at least time within a reasonable rate. In answer to the question "What time is it?" you'll want to be able to give correct time and there is a real sense of pride that comes from being able to do this.

Carelessness of a watch very often indicates carelessness of the person, and, after all, it is the painstaking, careful, watchful individual who is ambitious and eventually reaches the goal.

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