

# The Sentinel "HOME PAPER" WEEK IN KANSAS

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Thirty-eight persons out of every hundred in the United States now earn a salary or wages.

There are 3,141 islands and islets in the Philippine Archipelago, of which only 1,669 are named and only 942 are inhabited.

An eastern scientist predicts that within a generation the Hawaiian Islands will be enlarged to the size of Japan by gradual elevation of their shores.

Earthquakes in California are said to be grist for the mills of the Florida real estate men—but Florida cannot and never will furnish anything like California climatic attractions. And Oregon offers something in that line that California never can match.

The Oregon voter envisions Evolutionist and Fundamentalist political tickets in 1926. If it had said 1928 we should, of course, have had to remark that age will by that time certainly bar the great fundamentalist of today.

Edgar McDaniel, publisher of the Coos Bay Harbor, was elected vice president for western Oregon at the convention of Oregon Editorial Association held in Grants Pass last week. Prineville was selected as the convention city for next year.

The parent of the navel orange tree stands at the head of scenic Magnolia avenue, Riverside, California. It is protected by an iron grill; in summer awnings protect it from the full glare of the sun; in winter a smudge pot stands beside it to guard against chill.

Boss Charles F. Murphy's Tammany Hall politics appear to have paid very well. Since his death it has been found that he left an estate of two million dollars. How many times that amount the Tammany society distributed during his chieftainship to the poor of New York and for political purposes, it would be interesting to know but will probably never be known.

The first public dinner to be cooked electrically was served in 1895 at the Cannon Street Hotel, London, England. The dinner was in honor of the then lord mayor of London and the dishes served and the means of cooking them created quite a sensation. Today there are in the United States more than 10,000 communities where electricity for cooking purposes is supplied at a special rate, of which Coquille is one. The writer's meals are all cooked by electricity.

Income tax records for 1924 will be opened to public inspection by all internal revenue collectors September 1, says the internal revenue bureau. Under a recent supreme court decision, the tax figures made public by collectors may be legally published in newspapers. The bureau's announcement said no restriction would be placed around the record during any working day for 30 days after the books are thrown open on September 1.

**KLAMATH INDIAN PROBLEM**  
The Klamath Indians of Oregon own timber that will produce a revenue of at least half a million per annum for the next twenty years. There are 1226 of them to share this income which will amount to a minimum of \$3000 a year for a family of five. Last fall the Indian Bureau paid the Klamath Indians \$100 per head out of the tribal fund "to help the Indians through the winter."

The tribal fund problem of the wealthier Indians is a most difficult one, but it is not solved by doling out cash to the owners who immediately squander it, who learn to expect it and, knowing it is forthcoming, live in indolence. The Klamath Indians, for instance, own large bodies of fair agricultural and grazing land. If their timber holdings were bonded and the money used intelligently and sympathetically to make

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The following article telling how "Home Paper" week was recently observed in Kansas recently was furnished to the Christian Science Monitor by Mr. Crawford, who proposed such a week to the Kansas Press Association, and was chairman of the committee promoting its observance. We believe it will prove of interest to all readers of the Sentinel, and feel sure it must to newspaper men; and suggest that the officers of our state press association promote the observance of such a week in Oregon:

"Home Paper" Week, designed to relay stress on the public usefulness of the press, particularly the country press, will probably be made an annual event in Kansas.

In first undertaking the week and considering its continuance, the Kansas Press Association felt that although the small local newspapers of Kansas have a nation-wide reputation, the communities in which they are published often do not fully grasp their significance as community builders.

The observance of the week included a proclamation by the Governor of the State, sermons in churches on the community newspaper, meetings of chamber of commerce and civic clubs with programs dealing with the home paper, a radio program by one of the most powerful stations in the State, displays of books or articles on the press by city and town libraries, and displays in windows of newspaper offices.

One of the most interesting and useful features of the week was the holding of contests for essays by school pupils on subjects connected with the home paper. This plan was proposed by the committee and adopted by a number of newspapers which offered small money prizes for the best essays.

Among the most striking results obtained were those by the Linn-Palmer Record, a weekly newspaper published for two towns, neither of which has a population of 200. So much interest was taken in the contest that 96 essays were submitted by school children of the towns and surrounding country.

Remarkable characteristics of the essays submitted to various newspapers in the contest are their sincerity and appreciation of the real function of a newspaper.

The comments made by the children include the following: "The home paper and the community are closely and inseparably linked. One cannot grow without the other, and the possibilities of each are hampered by the absence of the other. The home paper depends on the community and the community depends on the home paper. Any effort expended by the community to improve or help the home paper will not have been in vain."

"The section of the home paper that I like best is that page containing the news items of the neighboring communities. Everyone should be interested in his neighbors and, for the most part, I think everyone is."

"For many years our town had poor water and only a small supply of it. Our paper often printed articles showing where other towns no larger than ours and with no natural supply at hand had found some way to furnish these little cities with an abundance of good water."

stock raisers and farmers out of them, the problem of the tribe would be solved. But such an undertaking requires constructive imagination, a definite policy and a sympathetic understanding of the Indian character, mind and needs, qualifications which the Indian Bureau never had and never will have. On the other hand, there is good reason to believe that these qualities exist in the Department of Agriculture. Why not turn the Indian problem over to the Federal department best qualified to solve it?—Sunset.

### HAD A LARGE CLIENTELE

Any of the 20,000 customers of the bootlegging firm of Jacob Kirschenblatt, whose name appears on lists in the possession of United States Attorney Emory Buckner, may expect a subpoena to appear in New York and tell the details of the purchases, says a United Press dispatch.

Buckner says that he has names of persons, residents of cities from Providence, R. I., to Los Angeles, Cal., who apparently bought liquor from Kirschenblatt and that if necessary he is prepared to summon any of these customers as witnesses in his John Doe investigation.

"I am prepared to subpoena anyone from here to Los Angeles if I am convinced they bought liquor from Kirschenblatt," he declared.

Kirschenblatt and his associates are charged with operating a country-wide mail order business. Agents also took orders in many states, Buckner believes, and the liquor was shipped to the customers in trunks, the key being mailed under separate cover, and the trunks returned to the firm.

"Our paper kept constantly reminding us of the facts until finally our town did get busy and now has one of the finest water systems to be found in any town of its size in the State."

Why do I like my home paper? How can anyone help liking a paper that is as interesting and helpful as the home paper? As we all know, there are many papers, but they are not all home papers. To me, the home paper is the most important of all.

"The school and the home paper have much in common. They form the basis of the pervading political, social, and educational atmospheres. These establishments exert a forceful unifying power; they tend to collect and combine the best efforts of the community into organized progress. They promote a feeling of brotherhood. Each is an aid to citizenship. The people are both responsible for and obligatory to these necessary systems."

"If this paper could talk, it would say, 'I am a friend to all men, women and children. I am read by young and old. The children quarrel and fight over me. The old folks hurry to read me. Why? Because I am not a gossip, but a news carrier.'"

A vast amount of feature and editorial matter was published in Kansas newspapers during the week. The committee sent out a clip sheet. The Associated Press and the United Press carried copy, and many newspapers published editorials and other material. Clippings amounting to 2480 column inches were received by the committee, but these represented only a part of what was published in Kansas newspapers.

While the results of Home Paper Week are necessarily to a large extent intangible, it is confidently believed that there have been developed a greater interest in the community newspaper and deeper realization of its responsibilities and difficulties in serving the public.

Editors report instances of special co-operation on the part of members of the public, both in getting the news and in stimulating sound and enlightened public opinion on local problems. Kansas has not within its borders a metropolitan daily. It has no daily newspaper with a circulation of more than 60,000, and only five newspapers with circulations of more than 20,000 each.

The state is peculiarly the field of the country weekly, represented by more than 400 papers, and the small daily, of which there are some 60 representatives. Emphasis on the community aspect of the press, such as was carried out during Home Paper Week, is considered to be particularly appropriate to Kansas conditions.

### SCENERY OF OREGON COAST

Where the Rogue River of Oregon empties into the Pacific Ocean near Gold Beach, some giant has poured a handful of granite into the boiling sea. Rocks in piles, rocks isolated with the tide rushing and foaming about their base lie all about. Here the breath of salt water greets the nostrils. The shifting wind changes the color of the water. It shades from green to deep blue. Sea gulls soar with hoarse cries of poise with flapping wings over some great water-swept boulder sighting some morsel in the sea. Shells of exquisite shape and color litter the beach. To the right, Skookum house Butte is wrapped in the sea mists of the summer afternoon. The waves boom ceaselessly against the base of the great boulders and far out on the bosom of the Pacific a vessel steams north to Portland and the mouth of the Columbia. Festoons of foam run, tipping freshly, along each wave as it lifts and rolls shoreward. Occasionally these rollers increase in fury until they become violent, affording a magnificent sight to the spectator. They dash with terrific force against the sentinel rocks.—Ford's Dearborn Independent.

Three large elk, the first reported to have been seen in that neighborhood for 30 years, were viewed by V. Pajari and family Monday at their ranch on Soffel river. Rumor has it that the stately "bull" and his two companions were en route from the Coos bay section near Allegany to the grand lodge convention at Portland. The antlered animals presented a handsome picture, reports say.—Port Umpqua Courier.

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Lectures and talks	4
Pieces of literature distributed	188
Newspaper articles published	19
Contagious diseases reported	14
Home visits to contagious diseases	18
Inspection of dairies, camps, etc.	14
Nuisances abated	5
Laboratory tests made	11
School children ex. for defects	42
Defects corrected	2
Number of nurses on duty	2
Nurses' visits to homes	243
Clinics held	7
Attendance	176
Visits to County Dependents	24
Prisoners, etc., examined	16
Operations performed	2
Office conferences	77
Letters sent out	29
Total miles traveled by staff	2016

At this time, the examination of auto camps is being pushed to a completion as the tourist season gets under way. Not only are the tourists entitled to reasonable protection against diseases, but the people of the communities in which the camps are situated are due protection against diseases which might be brought in by the tourists. For this reason, continual watch will be kept on these camps.

The summer clinic is well under way. Coos and Jackson counties so far have the lead on this work. Demonstrations and talks have been given in connection with various fairs, chautauquas and the like.

In Clackamas county, with the assistance of the County Public Health Association, a dental clinic is being conducted for emergency treatment work on children who cannot pay. In June, 4 clinics were held and 23 children treated. In that county, also, a smallpox outbreak in an orphanage was checked by vaccinating all the children. If vaccination is now kept up on all children admitted to the orphanage, there will be no more outbreaks there.

### A Deserted Village

Beaver Hill, since 1894 the center of the coal mining industry in Coos county, may soon be only a memory. The advent of the cheap fuel oil raised havoc with the coal market with the result that the Southern Pacific, owners of the Beaver Hill Coal Co. which operated the mine, had stopped coal production last year, are giving up the town.

Only three or four families live there now, the miners' cottages being vacated. Last week, the big boarding house of the company was sold to H. M. Axtell of Port Orford who is razing the building. The structure, being three stories, 215 feet long and built of fir and Port Orford cedar, much valuable lumber is being salvaged from it. Part of the lumber is being trucked to Port Orford where Axtell and Will White are building a boarding house.

The development of the Beaver Hill mine was the reason why the Coos Bay and Roseburg railroad, long the dream of the two communities, was not built.

R. A. Graham, builder of the Coos Bay and Myrtle Point road, now owned by the Southern Pacific, started the project as the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Eastern for John D. Spreckles and Adolph Spreckles, San Francisco millionaires, who later placed San Diego on the map.

Spreckles thought that Graham was ahead with the Roseburg extension from Myrtle Point, for which they were furnishing the money; but

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instead Graham started developing Beaver Hill mine. He pumped in nearly a million dollars into the mine before Spreckles found out what was happening. This was Beaver Hill No. 1 which later caught fire and had to be flooded.

Then the Southern Pacific, following the receivership fight between Spreckles and Graham, bought the mine and railroad for \$1,500,000 of which about \$500,000 was paid out as commissions.

In the meantime, W. S. Chandler, receiver for the Spreckles interests in the railroad, had developed Beaver Hill mine No. 2, driving under the old No. 1 mine and from this most of the coal that Beaver Hill has produced was mined.

Many are the stories told of the memorable struggle, in court, under Graham, Hasset and Chandler over the property. Beaver Hill is an incorporated town but it will soon be but a memory until the coal market picks up and prices warrant the development of the property.—Coos Bay Times.

### Bus Runs into Train

The following is from accident report received July 16 by Southern Pacific from its Portland Division: Auto bus ran into freight train No. 232 at Derry, Oregon, and three passengers in the bus were badly injured.

The bus ran into the train some time after the train had reached the crossing, the machine striking the seventeenth car from the engine.

The highway at this point crossed the railroad tracks at right angles and the view of the tracks was unobstructed. One passenger, a man, had fracture of arm and skull, a woman had severe scalp wound and possible fractured skull, and another woman passenger had leg fractured, finger amputated and severe head and body wounds. The driver received minor cuts about the face.

Many New Settlers Coming  
The past week has been a lively one for new settlers in the Land Settlement Department, of the Portland

Chamber of Commerce. Marion county has reported 185 out of the state arrivals since January, and Lane county has submitted a like list of 36 since June first. Klamath county has just sent in the names of six farmers from Bishop, California, who have bought farms in that section of southern Oregon during the past month. Nine other settlers have been reported into the department during the past week, making a total of 256.

This reaches the record of almost 1000 settlers reported through the Land Settlement Department during its period of operation, the actual figures to date being 993.

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