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A lengthy communication on the county bonding question came from Hon. W. B. Dennis this week too late for publication in this issue. It will be used next week.

It is something of a surprise to see Fred Lockley's hat in the ring as a candidate on the republican ticket for the nomination for secretary of state, but if he can round up the descendants of all the old pioneers, whose stories of early life in Oregon he has written up, he will have a long string of supporters to bank on. Fred is a likeable fellow to meet anywhere and on any occasion and that smile and handshake of his one never forgets or gets away from. We look to see his name loom large when the primary vote is being wired in from over the state.

The editor of the Graphic was not able to attend the meeting of the city council on last Monday evening and neither has he been able to get out since to learn the trend of the paving matter. He hears, however, that the meeting was largely attended and that Jesse Edwards, former mayor, presented a remonstrance that carried the signatures of ninety per cent or more of the property owners who will be held for the cost in case the paving is done. He stated that while those whose names appeared on the remonstrance were not opposed to paving, they did object to being held up for work done at the prevailing prices. A number of others, among whom were many women, spoke very emphatically along the same line. G. W. James, W. T. Anderson, C. C. Ferguson, the mayor and others spoke in favor of paving at once. The average cost per front foot as estimated by those who favor paving was given as \$5, but it is safe to say that as engineers estimate are usually made in such instances, the actual cost would be much higher than this. For instance, the estimate for the First street concrete bridge was about \$50,000 while the actual cost has reached nearly \$65,000. It is the most natural thing in the world for the engineer or contractor who is wanting a job to avoid as far as possible putting figures before those who must pay the bills that will tend to dampen their ardor. Mayor Larkin told the writer in discussing the paving question a short time ago, that the property owners would be heard in the matter and that the council would not pave if it was shown that the people did not want it undertaken. If this is to be the policy of the council it would seem that 90 per cent or more of those interested ought to be sufficient unless they desire that it be made unanimous. There may have been

instances where the wishes of so large a majority of property owners were arbitrarily set aside but we have heard of none. The State Highway Commission has stated repeatedly that they were not considering letting any new projects this season, for the reason that all the contractors had all they could handle and consequently they knew that if they should bid on other contracts it would be at figures that would be prohibitive. Does it stand to reason that Newberg will be able to get lower bids for paving than can the State Highway Commission, and is Newberg better able to pay an exorbitant price for paving than is the state of Oregon? Some of these things should be considered by the city council when they meet Monday night to vote on the paving question.

### CALL FOR A LEADER

The God-sakers of this country—those numerous people who view the present and every other situation with tearful alarm, wringing their hands and with sobbing emotion exhorting their neighbors "For God's sake do something!" which is the limit of their corrective endeavor—are of the opinion, as may be gathered, that what we really need is a man on horseback to lead us to political and economic stability; a man on horseback; some gallant and inspiring and eloquent cavalier who can rouse us to resolute action.

It is time to herd these febrile footsies into the large room to the left and tap them for the simples. What this country does not need is a man on horseback. What this country does need is a man on foot.

It is true enough that a real leader could, overnight, gather in his train and support a great number of Americans who have let go the political adherences they formerly had because they have found there is no health in either of the existing political parties; but no man on horseback, galloping into the national arena with trumpet blaring and banner flying, is fitted to lead them to the place they must go to secure consideration for their political needs and benefits for their crying wants.

What is demanded by the situation is a man on foot; a man sturdily walking down the middle of the road, with his feet on the ground, his eye clear, his vision unimpaired and forward-looking, his mind unencumbered with theory and his thought unclouded with a mushy utopianism or an alien radicalism—an American who understands, feels, knows the needs of America and America's vast people as they exist today, who understands European conditions and can pilot America safely through new channels, and who has the courage and ability to enforce the necessary remedies.

Is there such a man? Not among these fustian favorite sons who are deafening the ears of the people with their self-asserted claims for consideration; not among the purely political candidates who clamor of their own virtues and seek to secure support on what they say rather than on what they do; not in the lists of those the bosses are setting forth as able for the job.

The right man must have the courage to cut loose; the determina-

tion to walk with the people and refuse the obsequious offer of the bosses to give him rides on the old machines; the vision to see clearly into the future and the nerve to shake off the entangling alliances of the past. Judging by his past performances and present utterances, Herbert Hoover seems to fit the specifications and the specifications seem to fit Herbert Hoover.—The Saturday Evening Post.

### COUNTY CLUB MEETING AT LAD HILL

Down the river, just beyond the borders of Yamhill county, in Clackamas county, is a neat little country school house with an attractive community hall just across the road, both shaded with Oregon's forest greenery, and with a most expansive and picturesque view of the river and of the broad expanse of farms beyond in what is known as the French Prairie. This is Lad Hill school, district 309, and the community hall is known as Lad Hill Hall.

On Friday of last week, April 16, a very pleasant and profitable gathering was held at the hall. School was dismissed for the day and the pupils, with their parents and friends to the number of about sixty, met at the hall. The meeting was in the interest of County Club work and there were present Miss Romney P. Snedeker, County Club leader of Clackamas county, L. J. Allen, of O. A. C., state live stock club agent and R. G. Scott, county agent for Clackamas county.

Mr. Allen gave the whole of last week to work in Clackamas county, and on this occasion gave a very interesting talk along the line of live stock judging. Various types of animals had been brought by the farmers, and Mr. Allen used these to illustrate his address.

Mr. Allen also spoke very highly of the record made by Clackamas county school clubs, and paid an enthusiastic tribute to Miss Snedeker for her work as a club leader, saying that the splendid record of the clubs was largely due to her efficient work.

Mr. Scott addressed the farmers along practical lines, and urged concerted and persistent war against the Canada thistle wherever it was found.

Lad Hill school has a pig club of six members and a sewing club of seven members, of which Mrs. Geo. Smith is leader.

The people brought well filled baskets and at noon a bounteous dinner was served in the hall in cafeteria style.

### COAST ALTITUDE RECORD SMASHED

The former altitude record of 19,300 feet, held by Olaf ("Swede") Meyerhoffer, made in San Diego in 1917 with an old type Curtiss plane equipped with an 80 H. P. motor, has been shattered. An altitude of 21,800 feet was made by Walter T. Varney flying a Lincoln-Standard airplane equipped with a 238-horsepower Hispano-Suiza motor. This new Pacific Coast altitude record was made over the city of San Francisco.

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While Varney reported he had difficulty breathing at this great altitude he had no engine difficulty whatever. Varney used Red Crown gasoline and Zerolene lubricating oil. Under the normal conditions of the first stages of his flight he climbed at the rate of 1,000 feet a minute, but at an altitude of 18,000 feet the air was so "thin" that at times the plane dropped 50 to 75 feet before catching hold and the speed was cut to 600 feet a minute.

Varney did not attempt to break the record set by Major Schroeder who, flying a La Pere, attained a height of 39,000 feet. Major Schroeder on this great climb was equipped with oxygen tanks and apparatus and electric heated clothes. Varney plans other flights over San Francisco and expects to establish a new altitude for the Pacific Coast. Meyerhoffer, Chief Test Pilot for the Varney forces, also made a test flight and attained a height of 19,600 feet which is 300 feet better than the record he established three years ago.

### W. C. T. U.

The next meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Walter Fortune, 215 Sherman and Washington streets, Wednesday, April 28, at 2:30. Mrs. Mary E. Bankson will have charge of the program. Subjects:

"My citizenship for unselfish service."

"Our part in world evangelism." Mrs. M. C. Wire will speak on the former and Mrs. Lillie Welter on the latter.

Other good things are being arranged, one of which is the monthly birthday luncheon.

Don't forget the date, as we extend a cordial welcome.

### OTTO W. HEIDER

Republican Candidate for

### District Attorney

at the primaries May 21, 1920

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