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## From the Editor's Point of View

### "Gods Help Those Who Help Themselves."

(Corvallis Independent)

A rotary plow was demonstrated in Willamette community last week on the farm of Howard Wagner.

The land was heavy and somewhat too wet to be in the best condition for working with the implement. However, a seed bed was prepared that needed no further work. The soil was thoroughly broken up through the entire depth at which the machine was run and was left in the condition that gardens are ordinarily.

The principal part of the implement is a wheel about three feet in diameter. Knives are located at the edge of this wheel at about six inch intervals. This wheel is connected by a chain to the belt shaft of a Fordson. Power from the belt shaft turns the wheel in the same direction that the wheels of the tractor which pull it turn.

"This is the first time I ever saw a rotary plow in action," said County Agent Briggs in commenting on the demonstration. The cost of operating the machine as compared with plowing, discing and harrowing and in some cases rolling, seems to be an important point.

(Capper's Farmer)

In the Mormon state they have an active poultry co-operative that will do a 2 1/2 million dollar business this year. Six years ago Utah was importing eggs. The Utah Co-operative has an office in New York city today and the 1,600 producer-members ship about 350 to 400 carloads of eggs, 10 to 15 carloads of turkeys, and from 15 to 20 carloads of dressed poultry in a normal year.

(Eugene Register, May 7)

Day before yesterday a "manless" tractor, controlled by an automatic electric device plowed a 20-acre field near Lincoln, Nebraska, while a crowd of farmers, professors of agriculture and business men looked on and admired.

A guide furrow was plowed by hand and the machine followed this furrow, rounding the corners without the aid of a human hand. The automatic control stops the tractor if it leaves the furrow and stops it when the plowing job is finished.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 6—Combines—squat, whirring machines that creep slowly across the limitless acres of waving wheat—will this summer do the work of 25,000 harvest hands, hitherto imported each year from the east and north.

It takes the European workman approximately 10 times as long to make an automobile as it takes the workman in our country, because of the highly efficient machinery and vast quantity of power which are the invisible slaves of our workmen.

The Pacific Poultry Producers' association is constantly shipping eggs east by the carload. In the spring, when speculators try to knock the bottom out of the egg market, and lay up cheap eggs in cold storage, the association holds prices up, and when the speculators try to unload at top prices it again finds the association on the job, and the average price of eggs is several cents a dozen higher because of its policy.

When the average American farmer takes as full advantage of machinery and artificial power as is taken by American manufacturers there will be no more farm problems than there are factory problems, and politicians will need to find some other hocus pocus than farm relief through which to solicit rural votes.

There are many little interests combined against such a reform and elimination of waste in government as Hector Macpherson outlined in the legislature. If they are too powerful to be ousted we are simply carrying an old man of the sea against our will.

The General Motors corporation continues to increase its output. It sold 385,703 cars in the first three months of 1927, which was 100,000 more than in the same months in 1926. Advertising extensively in the country weeklies, the company expects its sales for the second three months this year to reach half a million.

A state bird for Oregon is being voted for in the schools. Our choice is the hen. She yields more food and more

money than all others, and what music is more satisfactory than hers as she leaves the nest with a warm egg in it?

With the newspapers publishing the divorce court news the federal administration thinks American readers get sufficient indecent spice and has stopped importation of "The Aragian Nights."

In taxation, as in dentistry, the most painless method of extraction has the preference.

C. E. Williamson, chairman of the Linn county Red Cross, has received a letter congratulating the county on the speed with which its quota of cash for Mississippi flood sufferers was raised and forwarded.

Mrs. Hannah Cummitz went to Beaverton Saturday, by auto, expecting to visit her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Stevenson, for a month or two.

### Piano Pupils Will Recite

Saturday evening at the Church of Christ Mrs. Jess Cross' piano school will give a recital. Scheduled to hit the keys for the entertainment of those who attend are:

Retta Armstrong, Beverly Isom, June Layton, Donald Neal, Leila Gansle, Frederick Robins, Frances Leeper, Vivian Prum, Phyllis Holt, Donald Bramwell, Erroll Gardner, Ivan Smith, Dorothy McLaren, Ernestine Coleman, Herman Koontz, Nora Coldiron, Georgina Clark, Donna Cross, Mary Smith, Louise Seefeld and Cleona Smith.

May 9.—Secretary Mellon has called for payment on November 15 all outstanding second liberty loan bonds. Interest will cease on them November 15. Approximately \$1,700,000,000 of bonds are now outstanding. It is probable that during the next six months the treasury will extend to the holders of the bonds an opportunity to exchange them for other government securities.



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## HALSEY, LINN AND OREGON

For the excursion from Eugene to Klamath Falls next Sunday (round trip fare between those points \$5) the Southern Pacific train going through here about 4:30 that morning will stop for passengers if Mr. Moody is notified before 4 p. m. Saturday. Excursion leaves Eugene at 7, reaching Klamath Falls at 2 p. m. and starting home at 5.

Sunday little 24-year-old Irwin Seefeld got among the cattle and in some way received serious injuries, one of which was a dent on the skull. He was found unconscious and was rushed to an Albany hospital, where his condition, as reported since, gives hope.

Mrs. Logan made a visit home from Corvallis Monday and found that somebody had broken a pane of glass, entered her house and carried off the contents of a tool chest.

Mrs. J. C. Bramwell made a brief visit home from Corvallis at the week end.

Miss Ruth Quimby, seriously ill, has been taken to a Corvallis hospital.

The D. S. McWilliams family, from Albany, visited at Sidney Smith's Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Bass and Lena visited Albany Tuesday.

The H. W. Chance residence is wearing a new coat.

J. J. Corcoran went down and calmsided the Almon home at Independence and Brad Moss moved the furniture there from Halsey.

The Lane county Sunday schools defy the jinx. They begin their county convention at Junction City tomorrow, which is Friday, the 13th.

D. F. Deau and wife, Mrs. Stafford's parents, are in Halsey this week end from their home at Bandon.

The cosine, or lack of it, of the girl in Koontz' advertisement drew criticism. This week it shows another but shows less of her.

J. J. Corcoran has been doing cement work in the Smith cemetery.

Howard Moss has a badly sprained foot.

Mr. Rolfe's house in east Brownsville, occupied by his mother, Mrs. Ream, caught fire about midnight Friday night and much of its contents were destroyed.

Dean Tyer and wife and child are visiting here and at Brownsville. Mrs. Tyer was well known and popular here as Janet Boggs, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Morgan. They have their daughter with them. Mrs. Keesling, Mr. Morgan's daughter, is expected from Portland.

Editor Hughes of the Harrisburg Bulletin was in town Monday and called at the Enterprise office.

Jean Sturtevant had a party last week to celebrate her 8th birthday. Nine of her little friends had a most enjoyable afternoon.

L. E. Blain, founder of the Blain Clothing company of Albany, died Sunday morning. He was 85 years old and had been in the clothing business since 1876.

Mr. Handley has left the Halsey garage and gone to Portland to reside.

### Spoon River Sparks

(Enterprise Correspondence)

R. E. Bierly and family were Sunday afternoon visitors at William Pence's.

Mrs. W. A. Carey of Salem visited her children in this neighborhood several days last week.

H. J. Falk and family spent Sunday afternoon at Harrisburg.

Merwin Van Nice and family and Kenneth Van Nice and Miss Nellie Falk motored to Salem Sunday. After church services Merwin and family and J. H. Vannice and wife motored to Portland to see Mrs. Grace Van Nice's mother, who is very ill.

Ava and Edna Falk were Sunday dinner guests at R. E. Bierly's.

Velma, daughter of Carl Seefeld, is staying with her grandma Seefeld while her brother is at the hospital at Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Templeton visited at A. L. Waggeners Sunday.

Mrs. Edna Rike and Misses Ava and Edna Falk visited Kirk school Wednesday afternoon and Mrs. J. N. Elliott and Misses Louise and Esther Seefeld visited school Thursday of last week.

G. J. Rike and Herman Stienke and families had a very pleasant trip up the McKenzie Sunday. They enjoyed a picnic dinner at Lost lake. The trip was taken in honor of the birthdays of Lloyd and Charles Stienke.

F. W. Falk called at A. L. Falk's Sunday evening.

A family dinner was given at E. E. Carey's Sunday. Those present besides the E. E. Careys were W. A. Carey and wife of Salem and their daughter Mary, C. E. Gillette, Cecil Bilyeu, Marion and Clifford Carey and their families and Gilbert Carey of Portland.

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## Romance in Last Nevada Gold Rush

### Boys Find Pay Dirt at Weepah in Time to Save Family Fortune.

Tonopah, Nev.—If the sun that shone upon the waste lands of Nevada last summer had been less intense, the world would not have had to wait until March 2 of this year to learn about the gold strike at Weepah. For the discovery credited to Frank Horton, Jr., and Leonard Traynor was actually made last summer. The story of the strike has the elements of romance and today Weepah is a camp of prospectors, fortune hunters and sightseers who use automobiles instead of pack mules and are building a new gold town.

Horton's father is owner of the Electric Gold mines and the nineteen-year-old lad was exploring its property when he picked up a piece of rich "float" flecked with small particles of free gold. Frank Horton's pulse beat rapidly. With a hazy idea of locating a rich gold seam such as the one that made Goldfield famous 25 years ago, he began covering the ground carefully. As he worked, however, the sun beat down upon him as only a desert sun can. The intense heat squelched his ambition for the time being and young Horton went on his way resolving to return when the weather was cooler.

The Horton family consists of Frank Horton, Sr.; Mrs. Horton, Frank, Jr., a sister and twin baby brothers. The babies furnished Frank, Jr., the incentive to return once more to Weepah. He wanted to make a stake for the babies, Leonard Traynor, another nineteen-year-old lad, joined Horton, and the two boys set out for the hills from Tonopah.

### Two Boy Prospectors.

On the morning of March 2, after they had eaten their last rations, the boys returned to the spot where the gold float had been picked up the summer before. A badger hole on the ground at that time showed that gold-bearing rock was just below the surface. It panned will and the boys began digging the little cut that has caused so much excitement since that time.

In a few hours a trench had been dug into the hillside and two sacks of ore had been taken out. The ore had flecks of gold running through it and when crushed yielded a long string of yellow gold in the pan. But the boys were too excited to tarry longer. In a short time they had staked some claims in their mothers' names close to the Electric Gold ground and left in a cloud of dust for Tonopah.

In Tonopah they created a genuine sensation by handing out several thousand dollars' worth of ore as samples. Mining men made offers running into thousands of dollars for the right of being told the district in which the gold was first found. Prospectors who happened to be in the town of Tonopah that night hurriedly threw their packs together and waited for the news to break.

### Keeping the Secret.

For two days the boys remained silent. The strike was on the ground belonging to Horton's father and they wanted to keep the location secret until he could return.

It so happened that in the days of Goldfield Mr. Horton had made nearly \$1,000,000, which had been spent in water projects in the vicinity of Oakland and in the Southern oil fields. For years Frank Horton, Sr., had been working the Gold Electric, developing ore, but after reaching the stage where it would make a paying proposition

he was unable to interest further capital. The ground at the time of the gold discovery was under the option to another company for money due, putting young Horton in the same position as little Nell when the villain was ready to take up the mortgage on the old homestead. Horton, Sr., had borrowed funds a few days before to take care of his family for a short time while he made one last desperate trip to Los Angeles, hoping to raise money enough to keep the wolf away from the door of his home and of his company.

It was then that Frank Horton, Jr., and Leonard Traynor found rich gold-bearing rock. The name of Horton was saved. The Weepah gold rush was started with automobiles, moving picture cameras and radio sets as modern trimmings.

### What Weepah Looks Like.

The camp of Weepah itself is not large. It is situated in the heart of a barren country where water, grass, trees, birds and beasts are unknown. The landscape for hundreds of miles is made up of nothing but mountains, foothills and great flats or valleys where stumpy sagebrush is the principal verdure.

It is in a country where roads can be better classified as trails off the highways.

Traffic, road and rail, goes to Tonopah first; that is an established town capable of taking care of the influx of fortune hunters and sightseers. Then it pours into Weepah. For that reason those who make money at their business or trade and those who have ground near the strike are the only ones who are living in Weepah, although a number pitch camps there nightly while on the road.

The town is a squalid little camp at the base of a low hill spreading out onto the flat. No townsite has

been staked out yet, and the inhabitants have picked out their locations for their homes by using the squatter's rights. Most of the inhabitants sleep in tents ranging from the small one-man dog tent to the large and specious dwelling (20 by 10 feet) of the cook shack, store or club room. Scattered among these outfits are the brown homes of the regular tourist or city camper, whose tents are always newer and contain many more conveniences than do those belonging to the prospector.

Four frame dwellings were already on hand at the camp, which belonged to the Gold Electric Mines company. Since the camp started the majority

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## TO ALL HOLDERS OF SECOND LIBERTY LOAN BONDS

### NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

All outstanding Second Liberty Loan 4 per cent bonds of 1927-42 (Second 4's) and all outstanding Second Liberty Loan Converted 4 1/2 per cent bonds of 1927-42 (Second 4 1/2's) are called for redemption on November 15, 1927, pursuant to the terms of their issue. Interest on all Second 4's and Second 4 1/2's will cease on said redemption date, November 15, 1927.

Holders of Second 4's and Second 4 1/2's will be entitled to have the bonds redeemed and paid at par on November 15, 1927. Such holders may, however, in advance of November 15, 1927, be offered the privilege of exchanging all or part of their bonds for other interest-bearing obligations of the United States. Holders who desire to avail themselves of the exchange privilege, if and when announced, should request their bank or trust company to notify them when information regarding the exchange offering is received.

Further information may be obtained from any Federal Reserve Bank or branch, or from the Commissioner of the Public Debt, Treasury Department, Washington.

A. W. MELLON,  
Secretary of the Treasury.  
Washington, May 9, 1927.

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