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**OUR FLAG**

"When the Great Weaver of our destinies looked down upon this world and saw the thirteen colonies struggling against such powerful odds there can be no doubt that His great heart of hearts was filled with pity and compassion. Then when He considered the cause of the struggle—saw that it was for the sake of human liberty, and knowing the purity of the motives which lay back of it, He, in His omnipotence, realized the great need for unity of thought and purpose on their part. He then and there determined that they should have an emblem which would typify all those things so absolutely necessary to the success of their cause. And so He gathered together from among the cohorts of the dead the heart threads of all those who from the beginning of time had sacrificed their lives for the sake of human liberty. There were those which were dripping red with the blood of the patriots who had died at Concord, at Lexington, and at Bunker Hill; those which had been bleached to a celestial white by the aeons of time which had passed over them; and from the blue sky of heaven came the blue threads for the Union in which, also taken from the blue vault of heaven, were to be set the white stars of faith and hope. He fed them into the loom of destiny; the wheels of time turned on, the shuttles of fate flew back and forth, and the warp and the woof ran true to the design of this Master Weaver's mind until the whole was finished."—Colonel Putman, in National Republic.

**STABILIZATION OF MINING**  
The recent sale of controlling interest in the newly discovered copper mining belt in Baker county, to one of the big mining companies of the East, is but another indication of stabilizing copper ore production in districts where prospecting has developed conditions of worth and permanency. "Unless all signs fail the mining industry is on the verge of a new and greater era of development in the Northwest," says expert authority, in summing up these conditions. "Tremendous projects for the extension of telephone and electric service are underway. Railroad electrification is in its infancy. Automobile production is on the increase, as is radio production. More and more homes are using brass plumbing and copper leaders and gutters in their construction. The result is a rapidly increasing demand for such metals as copper, lead and zinc for new and diversified purposes. The demand has been sufficiently great to reduce surplus metal supplies and a degree of price stability has been attained. Export demand is gradually increasing. Production is being carried on at a normal and profitable rate in contrast to lean former years. Scientific progress in mining and recovery of ore has appreciably increased the industry's possible productivity. Higher business standards have been attained through efficient management. And the metal mining states are finding a new prosperity—prosperity that is reflected through the entire nation."

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**  
"We begin this year of enlightenment with more laws to prevent crime than ever before in history, and more people breaking them," said Warden Lewis E. Lawes of Sing Sing penitentiary in a recent address before the New York Welfare Council. "Such a condition should make all right-minded people pause and think. . . There are now in prisons throughout the United States approximately 125,000 men, equal to the number of men in our country's standing army. More than 15,000,000 have been arrested and more than 5,000,000 have served jail terms. . . Crime is, therefore, quite general, but its solution is hampered by an antiquated system. Society brings only a small number of violators before the courts and but a small percentage, the 'small fry,' are convicted, and it must be borne in mind that certainty and celerity of arrest and punishment are, outside of prevention, the most effective deterrents. . . The remedy lies not in hysteria or an occasionally aroused popular resentment, which at best is only temporary, but in clear-headed public opinion based on intelligent and sound reasoning, which will do much toward minimizing crime. . . We can wipe out much loss and achieve splendid results through organized cooperation."

There are more than 600,000 miles of roads in the United States which are graded and drained, but have no surfacing, and some 1,825,000 miles

as yet unimproved, according to E.W. James of the Bureau of Public Roads. "Studies made by the Bureau and by some of the states indicate that the use of oil products promises to be the most successful and least expensive method for raising low-type road surfaces to a condition satisfactory to meet public demands," says Mr. James. "Improvement of low type roads, such as gravel, sand clay, and graded and drained earth, is one of the most serious problems facing the highway engineer and the several states today."

After reading the Morning Oregonian through a scope of 40 years, Monday for the first time we observed a "broken" make-up of the front page. But the new departure is modest. At that. Conservative double-column heads set in italics; mark the radical change of the only newspaper on the Pacific coast that had held consistently to straight column make-up through all the long years since its first issue came off the press. It doesn't look natural, to say the least, but we will get used to the new style.

To say the least, some of the tobacco companies are writing ad copy for the newspapers that with very little stretching, could be labeled as objectional advertising. But the almighty dollar in payment thereof is what catches the advertising department of newspapers. At that, they could clean up in public estimation, by refusing space to a whole lot of the demoralizing trash they publish for the tobacco manufacturers, and make money by doing so.

The Varney Air Lines is a going concern. In point of amount of mail carried in 1928, Varney ranks third in the United States. The Pasco-Salt Lake division is liberally patronized. The Varney planes handled 93,451 pounds of mail and earned a total of \$280,352 for the year.

Britain has three major political parties in action for the May parliamentary general elections—conservatives, liberals and laborites. Over here we get plenty "kick" out of two parties, and "faw down and go boom," louder than anybody.

A few bombing plane fliers and a group of cavalymen are recreating down on the Mexican border; just to keep things natural like on our side of the fence while the Mexican family quarrel is in progress.

Just when merchants were making ready for a brisk demand for bvd's, the weather man stepped in and messed things up. Result: Northwest shivering, East sweltering.

They never get too old to ride. A 67 year old resident of Portland, received injuries which proved fatal when struck by an automobile while taking a pleasure ride on his bicycle.

The Gann squabble is giving the Washington elite something to squabble about; and in the meantime we're learning a heap about etiquette.

United States supreme court hands Sinclair, Teapot oil king a jolt. Mr. Sinclair serves three months in jail and pays a fine of \$500.

Methodist pastors at Portland the other day, had a scorching time, scorching Aimee—some were for and others were forinst.

The vanguard of smelt are reported to have entered the Sandy, and everybody is fish hungry.

Now, that Tom Carr has "arrived," let's hear from Andy!

Remember April 15th and keep the day wholly.

We'll have lotsa cream, but no peaches.

**21 Years Ago**

Friday, April 10, 1908

Hon. H. M. Cake of Portland, republican candidate for United States Senator, and who is the republican party's champion of the primary law and Statement No. 1, opened the campaign in Athena with a speech at the opera house Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Mattie Birch, who is at the home of her sister Mrs. Walker, was stung on the arm by a scorpion Wednesday afternoon. The young lady was engaged in selecting apples at the Walker home, when she was stung by the insect. Application of ammonia was at once made on the wound with the result that the poison was soon down out. Scorpions are rarely, if ever found in this section of Oregon, and it is probable that this particular one had been secreted in the effects of Mr. and Mrs. Walker, who not quite a year ago came from Nevada, the home of these poisonous insects.

James H. E. Scott, teacher of the 8th grade in Athena public school, left Wednesday for Milton, from whence he will soon take his departure for San Francisco. From there he will sail on the Mongolia, April 14 for the Philippine Islands where he has contracted to remain two years. His place will not be filled in the school but Principal Watts will have personal charge of the extra classes.

H. Key of Weston was in the city yesterday. Misses Lula Tharp and Mattie Caton were absent from school a part of the week on account of a grip. The veranda on the front of the St. Nichols hotel has been removed, and the removal serves to make a better appearance in the building.

Mayor Plamondon and Marshal Gholson have inspected the crosswalks of the city, with the result that several new crosswalks will be put in at once.

Fay LeGrow's race horses, which have been at the Taylor place for some time, will be taken to the Walla Walla race track today by a trainer, where they will be put to work.

William Winship left Athena Wednesday for Washtucna, Wash. Mr. Winship goes to visit the section where Jack Weir and A. M. Gillis invested in farm lands, and he may conclude to purchase land there.

A. L. Douglas has leased the Richmond place at Weston, and with his family moved to take possession yesterday. He also purchased the McGrew residence there, where they will reside, farming the land which is near town.

Z. W. Lockwood has purchased the D. H. Preston residence in this city. The price paid, \$3,000, secures Mr. Lockwood and family a fine home, and Athena people will be pleased to learn they are to become permanent residents here.

His honor, Justice Richards and "Pete" O'Harra, have been engaged this week in the performance of farm work on the Richards-Kershaw tract, below town. Post holes is said to have been the principal crop planted by these energetic laborers.

Grover Hayes and Miss Elsie Ackles, young people who are well known in this city, were recently married at the home of the bride's parents at La Grande. They will make their home in The Dalles. Mr. Hayes has an engine run on the O. R. & N. from that city to Portland.

Since Doll Reed made a visit to town Monday, bringing with him a fine catch of trout from Ryan creek, warbles have been auguring the backs of several local Walton disciples. Ira Kemp and Henry Miller could bear the suspense no longer and hied away to mountain streams yesterday morning.

Anna, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Johnson, fell on a piece of broken glass while at play Wednesday and suffered a severe gash near the bridge of the nose. She was brought to town, and Dr. Sharp took one stitch in the cut. He thinks the scar will be but a slight one, with probably no disfigurement.

R. H. Whitehead, N. P. agent, has found a new market for the famous Athena butter, hence the scarcity of the article this week. Through the trainmen on the N. P. railroad this butter has become known to Pasco residents, and now it is shipped regularly to that point. Athena farmers' wives can beat the world for good butter.

**"Ready to Eat"**

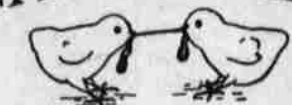
**Suggestions**

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**Residential Rates**

First 30 KWH hours used, per month.....10c per KWH

Excess over 30 KWH used, per month.....3c per KWH

The above rates apply when bills are paid in full within 10 days from date of bill. Otherwise, the rate will be increased by 10 per cent on each item.

**Commercial Rates**

First 100 KWH used per month.....10c per KWH

Next 200.....7c per KWH

Next 300.....6c per KWH

Next 400.....5c per KWH

Next 1000.....4c per KWH

Excess over 2000.....3c per KWH

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