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Clark Wood Says—

"It is one thing to write about a political issue and another to be right about it."

MUD AND THE FARMER

A recent editorial in the "Bureau Farmer" says that the barrier of mud which five months out of the year separates five million farm families from the markets where they sell their produce, and likewise buy their supplies, is of supreme importance in the agricultural economic situation. According to this authority, there are almost two and one-half million miles of unimproved dirt roads in the United States, and nearly five million farmers live on them. Farmers in this country pay seven per cent of the highway tax, yet less than three per cent of them are situated on year-round highways. Here is room for some "farm relief" activity which will actually relieve. The greatest present need, in the matter of highways, is improved farm-to-market roads. These can be constructed, with a durable water-proof surface, at a low cost and without large maintenance expense. The five million farmers now living with a barrier of mud between them and their markets, are deserving of immediate consideration. Good roads will probably do more than anything else to advance agricultural progress and prosperity.

A criminal justice Commission appointed in Baltimore to make the city a fit place to live in after the police department had almost failed, has filed its annual report, which shows that 601 fewer serious crimes were committed in the city in 1929 than in 1928. Arrests were made in 50 per cent of the crimes reported, the highest record yet attained. Convictions resulted from 87 per cent of cases brought to trial, also a record. The Commission, in order to show the significance of these records, compares Baltimore with other cities. In Baltimore, 77 per cent of all cases were tried within three weeks of arrest; in Washington, which may be taken as a representative city, but one per cent was disposed of in that time. In Baltimore, 85 per cent of those indicted for felonies were convicted; in New York, convictions resulted in but 32 per cent of cases.

The Commonwealth government of Australia is considering the establishment of a compulsory wheat pool. The Commonwealth government has invited several state governments to join in guaranteeing a net return of 97 cents a bushel to growers, payable on delivery at country railway stations. With transport and other charges this means \$1.14 per bushel f. o. b. steamer. It is stipulated that the guarantee would operate conditional upon the passage by the states of enabling legislation and the completion of the requisite favorable voting by the growers by July 31, 1930.

Keeping up with a fast age the fast trains between Chicago and California points will run on a faster schedule. Time between Chicago and California will be clipped an hour and a half, and between California and Chicago, fifty minutes. To beat this time, all one has to do is get aboard a passenger air plane, go to sleep and wake up at his destination. An event in transportation was centennially celebrated last Friday, commemorating the start of the first wagon trains across the plains, which later was exceeded in speed by stagecoach and pony express.

Opponents of World Court adherence profess to see in the defeat of Deneen by Mrs. McCormick in the Illinois primary election a referendum by the voters against the Hoover administration's approval of the World Court as embodied in the Root formula. But the great mass of adverse opinion against the World Court anti, is that Deneen was defeated by Mrs. McCormick on a wave of clean politics in Illinois vs. graft and gangster rule.

Despite an unprofitable bean-raising venture last season, the Eickhoff Farm Products corporation comes right back to try another large acreage this year. Profiting by experience gained in last year's pioneering bean raising on a commercial scale, the company has selected heavier soil of the uplands for the new crop with the prospect that more bushels per acre will be produced and harvesting conditions will be more favorable.

When he paid his Mexican bandit kidnapers \$1500 for his release they

gave J. E. Bristow a farewell party, shook hands with him on his departure and promised him protection should he come back to their stronghold to work his mineral property. In light of the fact that the ransomed mining man learned his captors how to play poker while in captivity, their proposition might not be a bad one, at that.

The increase of 10-cent carfare at Portland netted for a month only an additional \$935. The company's vice-president attributed the small increase to the weather. Anyway, there are a whole lot of people in Portland who are walking instead of riding to and from their work, and maybe there is a reason.

And still cavemen are scrapping, but not with stones and bludgeons. Owners of Mammoth cave in Kentucky are fighting in the courts to prevent the commonwealth from taking the cave for national park purposes for \$70,000, when the owners ask \$500,000.

A few more Pickwick stage catastrophes, such as happened in New Mexico last week when nineteen passengers lost their lives, will induce travelers to choose railroad trains. The train almost invariably "has it on" the motor stage when they meet at crossings.

J. Ham Lewis is at it again. The Illinois democrats have nominated him to oppose the second woman to ever receive the nomination for United States senator, Ruth Hanna McCormick. But that doesn't phase J. Ham.

Eastern Oregon is short of moisture and unless a plentiful supply of rain comes in the near future, the department of agriculture has listed a light crop in some sections of the Inland Empire.

President Hoover answers Mrs. McCormick, by making a plea for American participation in the World Court. We would say opposing forces are forcing the issue.

That Portland tomcat who pals with seven others on the waterfront, other know, who he wants to chum with, as Clark Wood would say.

Monday afternoon things will begin to rattle in the big time baseball leagues and the sporting page will come into its own.

The Americans at the disarmament parley are credited with saving the five-power pact. Atta boy!

The Indians should be privileged to eat of the salt of the earth when they find it in their own India.

It's a capital offense to be a capitalist over in Russia.

Have you gone yo-yo yet?

PUT ON THE BRAKES

(Morning Oregonian)  
A few Oregon towns are in difficulty over bond issues so large that payment of interest, or of principal, presents a problem that appears almost beyond solution. Word is given out by the state treasurer's office, after investigation, that some municipalities may be forced to repudiate their obligations.

It is an unfortunate situation and nothing would be gained by reminding the town affected of the unwisdom behind the extravagance that

brought about their present predicament. The horse is gone and locking the stable door will not put it back in its stall. But the situation will be saved in part if the communities can devise ways and means to meet their obligations, a task in which State Treasurer Kay has offered some assistance.

It is well, however, to accept the reported trouble as a warning to cities, both large and small, not to forget that when bonds are issued pay day invariably comes. Municipal bonds offer a desirable and practical method of raising money for necessary improvements. Growing cities need docks, schools, parks and other conveniences and facilities for which they cannot pay as they go and for which bonds, up to certain limitations, are entirely justifiable. But there is a safety line that should never be crossed. When municipal expenditures are proposed they should be carefully scrutinized to determine their advisability as related to a city's indebtedness, present and prospective. In that way may be had the worthwhile things that spell real development without assuming an onerous burden of debt.

LUCK, GOOD AND BAD

(By E. E. Coad)

One hears so much about luck, both good and bad. Fortuitous chance no doubt has a great deal of influence upon all our lives. One is either fortunate or otherwise. But when one reaches the point where he depends upon omens, or talismen, or signs as guides to his activity he is looking for an alibi for his defeat.

Primitive man, lacking the knowledge which explained the phenomena of nature about him, naturally fell back upon luck pieces, charms, hocus-pocus and incantation. Children in their love for some particular plaything evince this instinctive attitude in primitive life. As people emerge from ignorance superstition falls away.

The best luck-piece the individual can have is an infectious smile. There are all kinds of smiles. Nothing better indicates character than the smile. The real and friendly smile is an asset beyond price. It is the label of a genial and kindly personality that attracts.

Someone has said that hard luck is chiefly a sort of sleeping sickness. But if a lucky-piece will keep one busy on the job, give him more faith in himself, make him strive harder to justify his faith, then it cannot be such a bad thing for that individual. We all have that instinctive fear of the unknown and of what is to happen. It is difficult for us to throw off the relics of superstition. Like the Romans who erected an altar "To the Unknown God," lest they inadvertently vex some deity, we also fear that luck may not be propitiated.

After all, "if you keep your face toward the sun, life's shadows will all fall behind you." The sunlight of a happy and infectious smile must contain the vitamin of a pleasing personality.

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Friday, April 19, 1907

Charles Norris had his team of fine colts, "Carl" and "Maud Mack," out for a spin yesterday. They can "sure go 'long some."

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hodgson will move tomorrow to their farm north-west of town, after having spent the winter in town.

Byron Hawks will be ready to serve his patrons with ice cream sodas and other delicious drinks when the season arrives. He has received his new soda fountain.

W. R. Affleck of Walla Walla, a registered pharmacist, has accepted a position at McBride's drug store. Mr. Affleck is a graduate of the Minnesota College of Pharmacy.

"Doc" Osburn's peach tree, in front of Hawk's Pioneer drugstore, had its bloom chilled last night by the icy breath of Mr. J. Frost. Rather late in the season, but his presence was very pronounced.

Rev. W. E. Armfield left yesterday for his home in Spokane, after a pleasant visit with old friends here. Mr. Armfield is traveling in the interests of the Deaconess hospital in Spokane, and has been on a visit to his son, who is in the Willamette University.

The O. R. & N. Company will run an excursion from Pendleton to Walla Walla Sunday, the occasion being a base ball game between Pendleton and Walla Walla teams. The fare for round trip from Athena is 85 cents. Train leaves Athena at 9:40 a. m. returning, leaves Walla Walla at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Will M. Peterson visited relatives in Walla Walla Sunday. Miss Gertrude Burden, of Pendleton, is visiting friends in Athena and vicinity.

Misses Eva Froome and Elizabeth Foley, of Pendleton, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Froome over Sunday.

"A Texas Ranger" was played at Weston Saturday night. The want of a paste brush is said to have kept the show out of Athena.

Noah Remillard was in town Saturday from Walla Walla. He expects to soon open the "Corner" saloon, and will move his family to this city.

Frank Beale, who farms on Pine creek, where he owns a large acreage has leased 500 acres of wheat land on the reservation, near Saddle Hollow.

Miss Della Danner, formerly a pupil of the 9th grade in the Athena school, but now attending school in Pendleton, spent Sunday with her parents in this city.

"Tamp" Osborne, the Yellow Kid pitcher, won his first game for Spokane. He twirled in the opening game against the Tacoma Tigers. The score was Spokane, 9; Tacoma, 3.

Will Saunders and family are over from LaGrande on a visit to relatives. Mr. Saunders, who formerly resided here is now a locomotive engineer in the employ of the O. R. & N. Company. His run is from La Grande to Umatilla.

Albert Swaney, electrician for the Preston-Parton Milling Company, will leave for Walla Walla or Portland as soon as the company secures a man to

take his place. It is understood that Frank Willard, who is now at his home in Iowa, where his mother is very ill, will take Mr. Swaney's place.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Anna Red Hawk, otherwise known as Latikamas, an Indian woman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the above entitled court administrator of the above entitled estate, and that he has qualified as the law directs. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at the office of my attorney, A. C. McIntyre, in Despain Block, Court Street, Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof with proper vouchers.

Dated April 11, 1930.  
GEORGE RED HAWK,  
Administrator

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Grace Nancy Tatom, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: That Dean S. Tatom has been appointed administrator of the estate of Grace Nancy Tatom, deceased, and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present them to said administrator at his place of business at 300 West Webb Street in the City of Pendleton, Oregon, or to Peterson & Lewis, his attorneys, in the Stangier Building, in Pendleton, Oregon, with proper vouchers as required by law, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice which is the 28th day of March, 1930.

DEAN S. TATOM, Administrator.  
Peterson & Lewis, Attorneys for Administrator. M28A25

SUMMONS

(Equity No. 4869)  
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. David M. Rogers, Plaintiff, vs. Nellie H. Rogers, Defendant.

To NELLIE H. ROGERS, Defendant; In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause within four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear or answer said complaint, or otherwise plead thereto, within said time, the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the above entitled Court for the relief prayed for in his said complaint against you, namely: for a decree of the above entitled Court forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between the plaintiff and defendant.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Honorable James Alger Fee, Judge of the above entitled Court, which said order was made and entered in the matter herein on the 8th day of April, 1930, and the first publication of this summons is made on the 11th day of April, 1930, pursuant to said order.

Watts & Prestbye, Attorneys for the Plaintiff. Post Office Address: Athena, Oregon. Pub. A11M9.

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Editorial  
Many, many men have pulled it but Adam was the only one to speak the truth when he said: "You're the only woman for me."

Gerald—I have a bone to pick with you.  
Geraldine—Is that why your are scratching your head?

Remodeled Athena homes become modern homes.

If you go to the mountains in the summer, you will want a summer cottage. We have plans of several.

In order to detect which side of the bread is buttered, we offer the following test. Simply drop the bread and see which side hits the carpet. It has never failed on a million rugs.

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Fred Kershaw's remodeled home will have a fireplace, centering the living room. Ceilings have been lowered. A furnace will be installed.

Sandy: "I want to speak to the spirit of George Washington."  
Medium: "I have him now."  
Sandy: "Ask him where the dollar landed that he threw across the Potomac River."

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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  
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