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THE NEXT MORNING.

Lately it has become popular to allude to the days before the war as the good old days instead of referring to those historic times immediately after the war by that designation. Why? It may be presumed that it is ordinarily thought that those were normal days when the farmers knew within a few cents what wheat was going to be worth in the fall, when cattle prices varied little and a hog was always a hog instead of a fortune today and a liability tomorrow.

Personally we have all gotten in debt since that time, deeper than we could have in those days of modern prices, but that is not all. While individuals were borrowing and spending they were also insisting that their governments follow the same practice and it does not take a very long memory to remember the taunts that were thrown at those who did not believe in the work for public improvements. The word "tightwad" and the expression, "If everybody was like him we'd still be throwing a stone hatchet at the bears," were common.

Well, we're not throwing a hatchet at a bear nowadays we are tossing a meagerly filled purse to the wolves in hope they will stop their pursuit until we can gather another wad.

Since those halcyon days there has been spent in this county \$1,227,882.44 for road construction up to 1930. And in addition we have spent \$355,464.51 for maintenance of those roads for a total of well over a million and a half. Sherman county did not spend all of that but the county, state and federal government did. We have fine roads.

We now owe \$90,233.66 on school buildings that have been built since 1916. Most of them are excellent school buildings. Cities have spent large sums for public improvements, rocking the streets, buying or building houses of one sort or another. The present total is nearly \$115,006.

To some these expenditures seem to be in the same class as those of the cowpuncher who took his year's savings and bought a highly stamped saddle, a pair of silver mounted spurs and a pair of angora chaps even if it did require the sale of his horse to pay for them.

Probably no one very seriously regrets those public purchases. The people wanted them; they were necessary to the plan of living they wished at the time. Now we realize that we never were able to pay for all our desires and that many of the things we wanted were not worth the price after all and we will be able to go back to the simple life with a cheerful expression and an abiding respect.

BIG BILLS FOR BIG TRUCKS.

The so called West freight bill is being criticised because it contains 6000 words although that is certainly not too many if they will in some way remedy the present conditions on the highways. It isn't the size of the bill that is so burdensome as it is the size of the trucks.

What does it provide, anyway, that it should create so much comment? First it instructs the highway commission to make a survey of the truck situation. Then it abolished trailers of large size and reduced the weight permitted on the highways from 49,000 pounds to 34,000 pounds. It also states that no truck and trailer or semi-trailer shall carry a load so heavy that truck and trailer and load shall exceed 34,000 pounds or seventeen tons.

It provides that gasoline and explosives shall not be moved along the highways faster than 25 miles per hour; that trucks shall be equipped with speed governors; that the hours of employment of truck drivers shall be set by law.

Then it attempts to do something which appears to be to the advantage of legitimate truck operators. It would make a distinction between contract haulers and freight truck carriers. It would increase the charge on hauling freight for hire over stage highways from one mill per ton mile to one and one half mills per ton mile.

There is nothing in the bill that effects trucks owned by farmers and used in hauling produce to market. It is a bill designed to regulate freight hauling by trucks on public highways. There can be little doubt that it will operate to reduce the size of trucks and increase the tax on them.

These times must not be hard for Al Smith. He refuses to write that much discussed article for the Saturday Evening Post. Most of us would say what we think of anything for less than he would draw for a paragraph.

Portland Beavers may have to do some superhuman feats to lose the pennant this year, but they probably will.

Political Announcements

I wish to announce that I am a candidate for the office for County Assessor on the Independent ticket. I am a native of Sherman County and received my training at the Moro High School and Oregon State College at Corvallis. If elected I expect to handle the office without a deputy.

Seral W. Searcy.

Grass Valley

L. R. French drove to Portland Wednesday and Mrs. W. I. Westerfield left with him to remain over the winter.

Mrs. Fred Cronk and two daughters are here from their home near Greys Harbor to visit with Mrs. Cronk's sister, Mrs. Etha Schilling.

Matt Simon, Harry Peters and George Helms left last Sunday for the convention in Portland.

Charlie Chamberlain and wife and J. E. Norton are visitors in the convention city this week packing a cane, wearing a Legion cap and otherwise deporting themselves as returned soldiers.

W. B. Wilcox celebrated his 80th birthday Sunday and received the congratulations of many friends who have known him since he came to Sherman county thirty years ago.

Mrs. Edmonds and daughter Sylvia, a teacher in the high school, came in Saturday and are living at the home of Mrs. E. Olds.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Pike and children were at the Round Up Friday leaving early in the morning and coming home after it was over.

Miss Florence Schilling was surprised Friday afternoon when about thirty of her friends and neighbors came with a shower of pretty and useful gifts. Her marriage is expected shortly.

Mrs. Pearl Garrett and daughter Norma, Mrs. Faye Fields and Miss Jessie Pike were at the Round-Up on Saturday of last week.

Fred Cox and family accompanied L. R. French to Hood River Saturday returning the same day.

J. W. Shepard and wife left Monday to spend a day or so in Portland amid the lively scenes attendant to the National Convention of The American Legion.

A surprise party was given at the home of Dell Olds Friday evening for Mrs. J. J. Perry who has moved to Condon.

G. Davies and wife arrived Friday of last week preparatory to beginning the school year. They are living in Mrs. Westerfield's house.

Theo Serrierer and wife, of Lynden, Wash., were visiting friends and relatives here and at Moro and Tygh Valley. Theo was a banker here in the more prosperous days.

Ted von Borstel and wife are in Portland for the convention.

GRASS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Genevieve Beardsley, Editor.

School started Monday morning September 12th, with an attendance of 36 high school pupils.

The class officers were elected Monday at the class meetings.

Seniors: Genevieve Beardsley, president; Juanita Boyce, vice president; Glendora Garrett, secretary; Georgia Blaylock, treasurer.

Juniors: Earle Shipley, president; Norma Garrett, vice president; Helen Stark, secretary-treasurer; Lila Faye Boyce, reporter.

Sophomores: Mildred Alley, president; Charlotte Ruggles, vice president; Dorothy Fairchild, secretary-treasurer; Dorothy Olds, reporter.

Freshmen: Ferdinand Stark, president; Janet Wilcox, vice president; Charlotte Beardsley, secretary; Phyllis Dickson, treasurer; Ben Payne reporter; Sergeant-at-Arms.

Quite a number of the high school graduates are returning to take Extension work from the University or post graduate work. They are Barbara Walpole, Erasmus Baker, Zela and Orville Ruggles.

The Freshmen Initiation will be held Friday night September 16, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Davies of Maupin is the new teacher taking Mr. Hughes place, teaching Science and Math.

A student body meeting was held today for the purpose of nominating officers to fill the positions left by some of the students who are not here this year. The officers are vice president and yell leader. A

House Hit by Naval Air Bomb



This man is pointing to the 14-inch hole that was torn in the roof of the home of Philip Schwab in Canasie, N. Y., when a bomb dropped by naval reserve aviators during practice over Canasie bay went wide of the target. Mr. and Mrs. Schwab and their two children were in the house when the bomb fell, but none was injured.

carnival will also be held. The plans are made and the committees appointed. The carnival will be held in about four or five weeks.

Ewa and Virgil Perry, Florence Young and Taylor Baker, former students of this high school, are attending other schools this year.

Kent News

Earl Harbin who spent the past week visiting with friends in Eugene returned to Kent Tuesday evening.

Among those who visited in The Dalles the past week were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Schadewitz, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. MacInnes, Marjorie MacInnes and Clarice Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and daughter Helen, Mrs. J. R. Dellinger and son Arnold, Mrs. Max Pluemke, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Phelan and R. J. Harbin.

Mr. Gervais of Grass Valley was a Kent visitor Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Volna Guyton, Pauline Davis, Charles Wilson, Donald MacInnes, W. O. Smith and R. J. Harbin were visitors in Grass Valley Tuesday.

John Reeder and two small sons were visitor in Kent Tuesday morning.

Lyle Hogue left for Oakland Wednesday morning where he will teach school this year.

Miss Martha Wilson who has spent the last two months here returned to Eugene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Howell and small daughter spent the first part of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Morrow.

Ivan Olsen of Shaniko was a visitor in Kent Saturday.

Friends of Wiley Knighten are glad to know that he was able to return to his home at Moro from the Veterans hospital where he has been for some time.

Miss Berna Orr, one of the teachers in the Kent schools, arrived here Thursday evening from her home at

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Sunday afternoon. Among those who attended Pomona grange at Klondike last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Guyton, Wm. Mitchell, Wilbur Haggerty, George Howell and family, Maudie McKay, Pauline Davis and Marguerite Mitchell. Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Walton took a few days off to attend the Pendleton Round-Up last week. George Wilson, Darrow Kelly and Walter Wilson attended the big show at Pendleton the latter part of last week. Ray McKay who spent the past six

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weeks in Kent left for his home in Coquille Friday morning. He was accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. McKay and sister Edna. Harold Shelters left for Prineville last Friday.

Kent schools opened Monday with an enrollment of about forty five grade pupils and twenty five high school students.

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