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## MARY HILL FERRY

Recent news to the effect that the highway commissions of Oregon and Washington were contemplating the establishment of several free ferries across the Columbia aroused renewed interest in this county because of the probability that one of the projected ferries would be put at Maryhill. Later information stated that action by the legislatures of the two states would be necessary before such action would be possible.

Considering the work the federal government has been doing on the Washington sector of Highway 97 it is certain that the Maryhill location will be seriously considered by the highway commissions of the interested states. There is no doubt but that in the minds of the federal engineers Highway 97 is an important link in the national road system for it is being built to carry heavy traffic where ever new work is being done. Travellers over the Satus section of this road are enthusiastic in describing it and those who know the construction done in this county are certain that the road is destined to be made into a major north-south link in time.

For these reasons it is extremely likely that if persons and service clubs along the road in Oregon and in Washington present the claims of the road properly one of the projected ferries will undoubtedly be put at Maryhill to provide the crossing at the place on the river where the best connection between Oregon and Washington could be made to save the maximum of time for through travellers.

## AIN'T IT FUNNY?

Upton Sinclair is in a peculiar position since his nomination for governor of California on the Democratic ticket. Of course, the conservatives are against him, but, strange as it may seem many of those who are radicals or at least liberals are also doubtful of the gain to the cause if he is elected.

They admit that an attempt to end poverty in California would be a social experiment they would like to see tried, but they doubt the ability of any one man to do it unless supported by a large group of citizens willing, even eager to follow to any length. It has happened before. Wise leaders of radical movements have helped defeat candidates pledged to their program because they do not consider the time propitious to their cause.

## IT RAINED

It rained. Just a little shower that laid the dust, not really enough to do much good. But it proved one thing conclusively. It can still rain when wind and clouds and sun are properly mixed. That is something.

Look what it did to people. Our neighbor with rheumatism came down the street like a colt; men who seldom speak hailed each other to comment on the "nice rain"; farmers came to town to visit and talk about the big rain back in 1911; there was comment on the value of a good rain right now and it ran up into big figures before the last person got around to express himself.

Ah. A rain is a fine thing to bring smiles to the face of a dry land farmer. He can almost hold his pockets out and catch the dollars. It ends depressions, ends drought, ends mortgages and brings renewed confidence in the powers that handle the petty affairs of men. And, pardon, please, please, could we have a bit more?

It seems reasonable to presume that this depression will be over when the great majority of people have gotten out of debt.

Relief cases in some towns object to their treatment because no sheets are provided. The last war was fought by men who slept, when they did, on blar kets.

A cartoon portrays the statement that there were fewer bank failures last year than usual. Probably fewer people were killed in buggy accidents too.

Governor Meier is wise in that he stayed out of the for re-election. He would gain no more honor and every political race increases the punishment.

It must be fall. There is a chill in the air, and yes, here is a picture of a football player. Fall it is.

The prince bought an engagement ring and the news went round the world. John Doe bought one, too, and was made when some one mentioned it.

Isn't it lucky those touring Portlanders don't have Commissioner Bennett along.

## Grass Valley

Mrs. W. I. Westerfield arrived in town this week from Eugene to remain a while visiting with friends and looking after business.

Lloyd Baker and his mother, Mrs. L. W. Baker were here last week for a short time. Lloyd lives in California where he is selling automobiles.

The Beardsley family have moved back to Grass Valley so the children can start school here as they seem to like it.

Mrs. A. M. Zevely and two children are here for the winter and the school term. Mr. Zevely will teach in Wallawa county.

Mrs. Tom Alley and daughter returned in time for school this week. Mildred will attend here.

Bob Poley came home from Astoria having seen the regatta and enjoyed the seashore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coyle returned from a trip through the valley last week.

Mrs. Florence Beezley is visiting here with relatives and friends from Portland where she has been living.

Arden Squire and Clifford Rowe are making their home at Newcomb this school term.

Jack Gervais, Tom Garrett and John Shepard were in Moro Tuesday to look in on a meeting of their political party, the Democrats.

Grass Valley Rebekah lodge No 118 held its first fall meeting September 5th with 14 present.

Sister Anna Weserfield of Eugene visited with the lodge and made a brief talk.

The Rebekahs take this opportunity to thank those who helped to make the dance a success.

Government trapper A. Stone was out on a trap line during August which ought to reduce the number of the varmints some in these parts.

Victor Carlson, relief head for eastern Oregon was here Tuesday to confer with George Wilcox, county chairman.

Aaron Noyes and family have moved to Ellensburg, Washington where they have rented a large dairy farm and will spend the next few years milking cows.

## RACC Loans

## Nearly All Paid

Oregon farmers and livestock men who borrowed a total of approximately \$13,000,000 from the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation have shown their good faith by repaying approximately \$11,000,000 up to date, according to C. B. Bailey, manager at Portland.

Created from the RFC funds in 1932 when all other borrowing channels for agriculture were shut off by depression deadlock, the RACC came to the rescue of thousands of farmers and helped them survive the stringent credit conditions of the past two years. An immeasurable benefit also accrued to Oregon banks, through the refinancing of large numbers of live stock loans by the RACC.

While loans through the RACC were of an emergency character filling an acute need, they were not granted as relief handouts, but in all cases were adequately secured with definite provision for repayment.

With the passing of the emergency period, such direct governmental loans are now curtailed and the RACC is in process of orderly liquidation. This field of credit service is now being filled by Oregon's 11 production credit associations set up under supervision of the Farm Credit administration, wherein borrowers become stockholders in their association and share a voice in management.

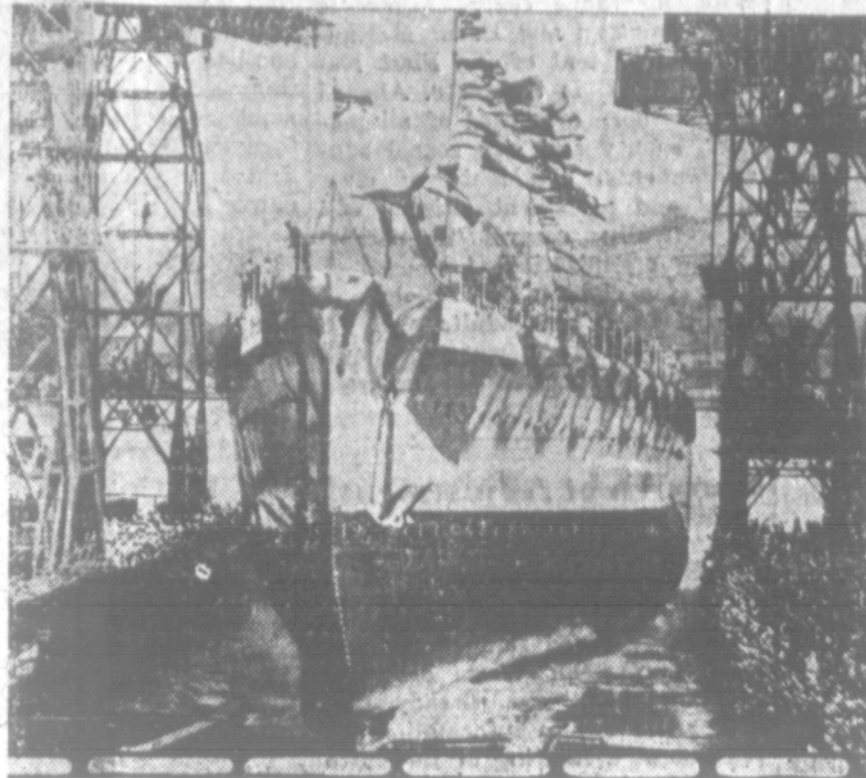
Another contrast is that government money is not loaned by the production credit associations but borrowing funds come from private investors. The associations discount farmer's notes with the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Spokane which derives its funds from the sale of debentures in the open market. At the present time the credit bank is enjoying such a favorable market for its debentures that the PCAs are able to offer loans to farmers and stockmen at 5 percent interest.

"One of the delusions of the period through which we are passing is that the immoral features of business may be eliminated through control," Annalist.

Mrs. Tartar: I wish to get a divorce, and get it quick. Can you take my case.

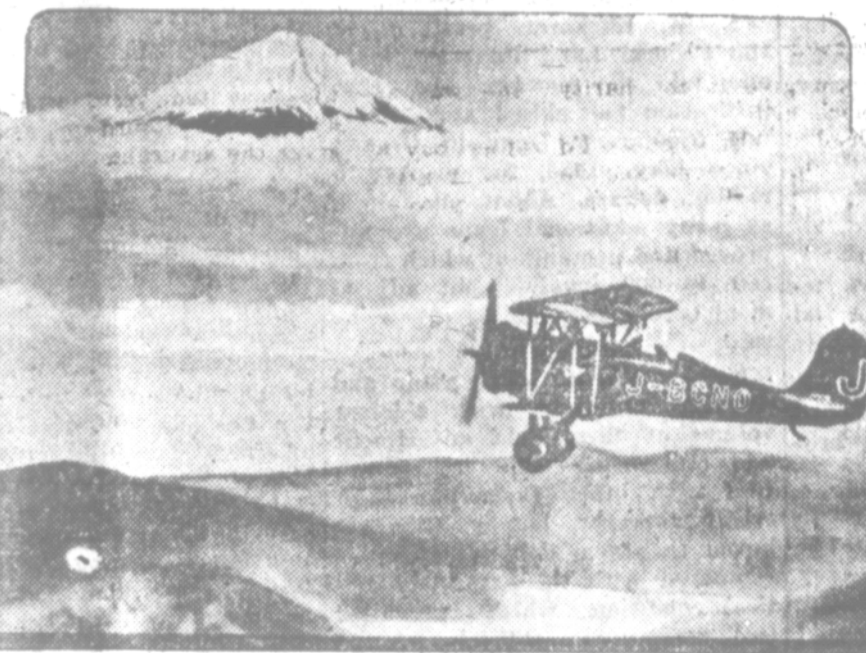
Lawyer: I am very busy, Mrs. Tartar, but as a personal friend

## Uncle Sam Gets a New Destroyer



Looking down from the highest rafters of the Philadelphia navy yard upon the destroyer Aylwin just before it was launched. The new sea fighter was christened by Betty Farley, eleven-year-old daughter of the postmaster general.

## First Air Photograph of Mount Fuji



This picture, taken from a plane flying near Mount Fuji, Japan, shows a passenger plane outlined against the heavy clouds hovering near the summit of Nippon's venerated peak. Below may be seen one of the many beautiful lakes which abound in the region.

of your husband I'll take the case and hurry it up.

## Kent Auxiliary Asks

## For Donations

The Auxiliary of George Bell post at Kent met at the home of Mildred Norton Sept. 12 and voted to ask for donations of children's clothing that can be renovated, especially for boys under 15. It will be used for child welfare work in the community. Norton's store will be depot for gathering this clothing. Plans were made for a card party to be held in the near future.

## Kent School Notes

School has started again after a three month's rest in which to work up enthusiasm. There were a lot of enthusiastic youngsters who could hardly wait for the first bell to ring so they could rush to the school house and get the desk they wanted and get ready to study again.

There is a much larger grade school this year due to the consolidation of the Liberty district. The children from that district are being transported by bus.

There are 55 pupils registered in grade school and 23 in high

school. There has been a change made in the grade school because of the extra large first grade. Miss Pottratz now is teaching just the first and second grades, Miss Cothran the 3rd, 4th and 5th and Miss Hendrickson the 6th, 7th and 8th.

A new practice was begun in connection with our school Monday night when a reception was given for the teachers. A short entertainment was given in which George Witter, Alta Norton and Clarice Wilson gave musical numbers. J. H. Wilson, chairman of the board was called upon to give the address of welcome and Mr. Knighten also gave a short talk. After the teachers had been introduced separately to each person present an informal lunch was served. It is planned that a reception will be given for the teachers each year.

## Kent News

Kent grange No. 688, held its regular meeting Saturday night, September 8, with about 18 members present. The next meeting will be held Sept. 22.

Among those from Kent shopping and transacting business in The Dalles last week were: Wm. Mitchell and daughters, Marguerite and Juanita, Mrs. Camelia Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. Ida Davis and daughter Pauline, J. R. Dellinger, Lester Wilson, Charles Dunlap, J. C. Wilson and daughter Clarice, Carl Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Plumpke and son, Karl and daughter Maxine, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson and family, Walter Wilson, Edna Lyons and Phoebe Lyons, Arnold Dellinger, Alta Norton, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes.

Lurline and John Smith of Mitchell were visiting with relatives. They were accompanied home by their aunt, Mrs. Camelia Smith.

who will spend the coming week visiting with relatives and friends there.

Mrs. Walter Wilson and infant son returned home from the Mid Columbia hospital in The Dalles Friday.

W. H. Ragsdale and son, Harry, of Moro were business visitors at Kent Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie Simlar and family of Toledo are visiting at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Belle Hogue.

All of the teachers who will teach here arrived in time for the opening day. They are: Miss Irene Pottratz of Portland, primary; Miss Martha Hendrickson of Seaside, upper grades; Miss Cecil Cothran of Moro, intermediate grades; Miss Heriet Fredericksen of Portland, high school and Mr. Darby of Antelope, principal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Helyer and daughter, Rina, and son, Jesse left for Hood River Friday where Rina will enter the Mid Columbia business college for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wilson and son, Charles, of Rufus, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Welsh and children Bobby and Theda, of Canyon City, were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson.

R. P. Barnett and family returned home Saturday from a little vacation at the coast, Crater lake and other points.

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Many Subscriptions to the Sherman County Journal expire at this time of year.

We are restricted by law, by business and by finances from continuing subscriptions beyond certain limits.

This is probably the best time of year for it.

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