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REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Over in Canyon City there exists probably the most independent and original of country newspapers published in these parts. Its editor is Clint Haight. Voters in Harney and Grant counties have elected him as representative to the legislature for the session that begins this month and since the election date Mr. Haight has been writing a story each week about the life of a legislator.

As the life of a lawmaker appears to him it is very laborious, filled with letter writing galore and meetings with groups interested in some selfish or sectional bill. He promises to continue the weekly report to his constituents throughout the session. Each week he will have for each paper in his district a story about lawmaking, its trials and tribulations.

There is something original about the whole idea and it has a side that may be useful as well. It may become popular for legislators to tell the people back home about lawmaking and how it is done. They might better explain their votes in the papers than in the senate or house journal where it is never seen. It might be a means whereby the people increased their interest in government and it might cause the government to be more interested in the people. With a weekly report to write every Saturday night no legislator could lose sight of his home district for long. Maybe, ere long, representatives of the people will have to make reports just as if they were working for a corporation.

Here we are with a brand new year; a clear white paper on which we may write another bit of personal and public history. But we are strangely unconcerned with what we will write on it. Rather the interest is what others will write on it; what the world will bring, not what we will do ourselves. Maybe we are observers on this world instead of actors, anyway.

The first wirephotos as published in the Oregonian are evidence of another step in bringing the world's events to the public quickly and clearly. There is something wonderful about it, like radio, that makes one wonder how it can be. Yet here they are. Perhaps when we have solved all the mechanical problems in this world we can do a little something toward the social troubles.

Two young economists from Brookings Institute have knocked the ears down on the thirty hour week proponents by publishing a little pamphlet opposing the theory of that measure. They contend that we can never get rich by producing little at a high price, but that true national wealth comes from the distribution of many things at a price a large part of the people can afford. The thirty hour week with forty hour pay is advocated as a means of increasing the proportion of national income that goes to labor. The pamphlet holds that prices, and probably profits, would rise also and defeat the purpose of the bill.

For the first time in the history of the land a congress that was elected in November convenes in January instead of waiting for a year and over. That is direct representation in point of time as well as in other ways, but this is perhaps the most inopportune time for such a change to be made in the history of the nation. There are many radical theories abroad in the land and the representatives are likely to follow the most voluble class instead of listening to the advice of the more conservative. Unemployment insurance, old age insurance, inflation of the currency, the thirty hour week, revamping of the NRA are all leading questions that may be decided. It will be a grand show and it may result in a conflict between the president and the more radical lawmakers.

What a wonderful time this is for taxpayers with every legislator more than solicitous for their welfare.

A Centralia man has won the title as champion liar with only one attempt. It hardly seems fair after so many people have been trying for a lifetime.

Those Alabama boys didn't come out to the west coast to be knocked around by Stanford. They played ante-over and one old cat and shouldn't have contracted a single bruise during the entire game.

There are more letters to the papers on the Townsend plan than anything else including the cat's meow menace to sleep. Each writer on the insurance plan has a different idea of how it will be managed. It seems time for a conference.

Some say this year tastes browner than 1934.

Grass Valley

Estel Hartley and family drove to Jefferson Saturday to spend a few days with his parents who live near there.

Miss Agnes Simon went to Portland last week for a visit with relatives returning Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Florin Coon returned from Colton where they had visited with their folks for a few days.

Art Bibby was in Ashwood one day last week to look over the new mining camp now going there.

Ted von Borstel, Bill Holmes and Wren Hogue drove to Portland last week on a business trip returning Friday evening. They went by way of the Wapinitia road and found plenty of snow.

Miss Marguerite Morrison spent the holidays here with her sister, Mrs. George Wilcox.

After a spell of appendicitis which necessitated the removal of that organ after complications, a second removal of tonsils, little Erma Lee Gervais came home just in time to break out with the chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Baker expected to leave Thursday for California where they will try the warm winter sunshine as a cure for too much work. Mrs. Hazel Burton will be storekeeper while they are away.

Arne Annula received word this week that he is to be transferred to another station. With his family they will go to Hood River for a short time and then on to the new home, still unknown to them.

The ladies of the bridge club entertained their husbands Friday night with a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Olds.

A. M. Zevely, teaching at Flora, Oregon, near Enterprise, spent the Christmas holidays with his family in Grass Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Kock entertained a group of friends Thursday night at their home north of town.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the friends who aided us in the funeral of Mrs. James Dennis and those who were helpful during her last illness.

The family.

Grass Valley School Notes
by Lawrence Todd

The first day of school after the Christmas vacation was marked by perfect attendance in the High School, evidently a few days of rest was the proper cure for the large absence record in the last few weeks.

We must congratulate the students of the grade school and the trade teachers for the Christmas program presented here on Friday, December 21. The learning of lines and appropriate actions by the play casts showed the result of hard practice and drill while the stage set-up and costumes represented much labor on the part of the instructors.

The program consisted of two plays, the first given by the first four grades. Interpreted the feelings of the boys left behind in Santa's work shop on Christmas Eve.

The second presented by the four upper grades revealed a family that were not going to have any Christmas, but Grandmother came in and then every thing was bright again.

The basket ball season is getting well under way now. The boys journeyed to Culver Saturday

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"Gossips and tale-bearers set on fire all the houses they enter."

JANUARY

1—Quakers agree to free all of their slaves, 1788.

2—Ford returns from his unsuccessful peace trip, 1916.

3—British lose to American troops at Princeton, 1777.

4—First operation for appendicitis performed by Dr. Grant, 1883.

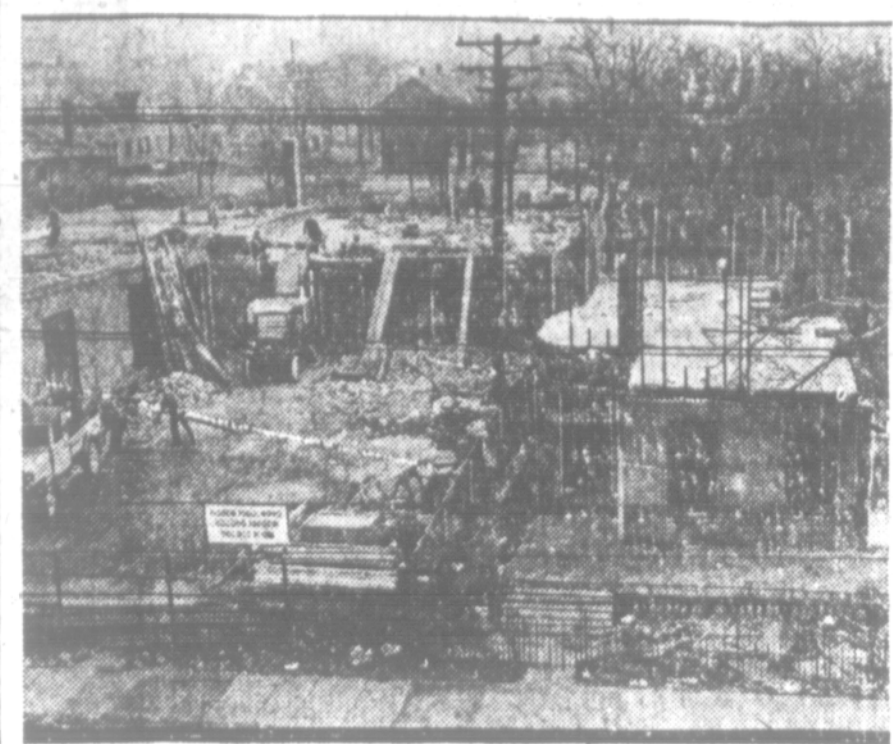
5—Mrs. Ross, first woman governor, takes Wyoming office, 1925.

6—Theodore Roosevelt, great president, dies, 1919.

7—Steamp ends famous bicycle trip around the world, 1877.

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Cleveland Housing Project Under Way



Wrecking crews are here seen removing some of the old buildings in the area in Cleveland, Ohio, where the federal public works housing project is under way.

REMOTE CONTROL

December 22. The final score was 24 to 14. The line-up was as follows:
Henry Roth (11) F Wasmunit
Bill Roth (6) F Healy
Ferd. Stark (1) C Lambara
John Roth (2) G Barber
Edwin Peters (4) G Harrington
Subs for Culver—Ridgeway (6), Jenkins (2) and Read
Subs for Grass Valley Alsop.
The Grass Valley teams will play Kent at Kent Friday January 4.



Even the famous "man on the flying trapeze" could take lessons in daring from "daredevil" Colndet of France, the world's champion motor cycle stuntist. Speeding along a curved road at 50 miles an hour, he climbs on a framework several feet above the handlebars of his motor cycle, steering by the balancing of his arms and body.

Kent News

Kent folks shopping in The Dalles Thursday were Mrs. J. M. Wilson and son Lester, Charles Wilson, Robert Mitchell and W. S. Hall.

Guests for dinner Thursday at the home of Mrs. Ida Davis were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and daughters Clarice and Nellie and son Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Justesen of San Francisco, arrived at Kent Monday evening to spend Christmas with the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Justesen. Roy is driving a truck for the consolidated truck line from San Francisco to Twin Falls Idaho.

Woodrow Cox of Hood River spent the week end at the J. C. Wilson home.

Leo Barnett of Clem has been spending the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Forrester and daughter Leucille and son Eugene of Grass Valley were dinner guests of Mrs. Ida Davis and Pauline.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Smith of Moro were visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Barnett and children left Sunday for Troutdale to spend the New Year with Mrs. Barnett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Young.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes and daughter Velma were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnett on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and daughters Nellie and Clarice, were over night guests Saturday with relatives at Rufus.

Kermie Culp of The Dalles was a visitor at the J. E. Norton home during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eakin of Moro and Marie and John Reckman of Grass Valley were visitors at the Wilson home Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wren Hogue and daughter Eileen and son Roy of Grass Valley spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Amick.

Miss Velma Matthes of North Bend is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith of Grass Valley were all day guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes.

Schedule of Sherman County Basketball

Rufus a Kent on December 20, Wasco January 4, Grass Valley January 11, Moro January 18, January 25th Bye; At Kent February 1; Wasco February 8; At Grass Valley February 15; Moro February 22; March 1 Bye.

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Little Johnny had eaten all the soft parts of the toast at breakfast and piled the crusts on his plate. His father, noticing this, remarked, "When I was a little boy I always ate the crusts."

"Did you like them?" inquired Johnny?

"Yes," said his father.

"Then you can have these," returned Johnny as he put the crusts

over on his father's plate.

Officer—Judge, this man leads a double life. He's a lawyer in the daytime and a burglar at night.
Judge—Which was he arrested for?

Selma—The ostrich doesn't see much and it will digest any thing.
Velma—What an ideal husband!

Heck—Yes, I have met your wife. In fact I knew her before you married her.

Peck—Ah, there's where you had the advantage of me.

What a Break for Us Phat Girl!
"The statue of Liberty has a waist line of thirty-five feet."—News report.

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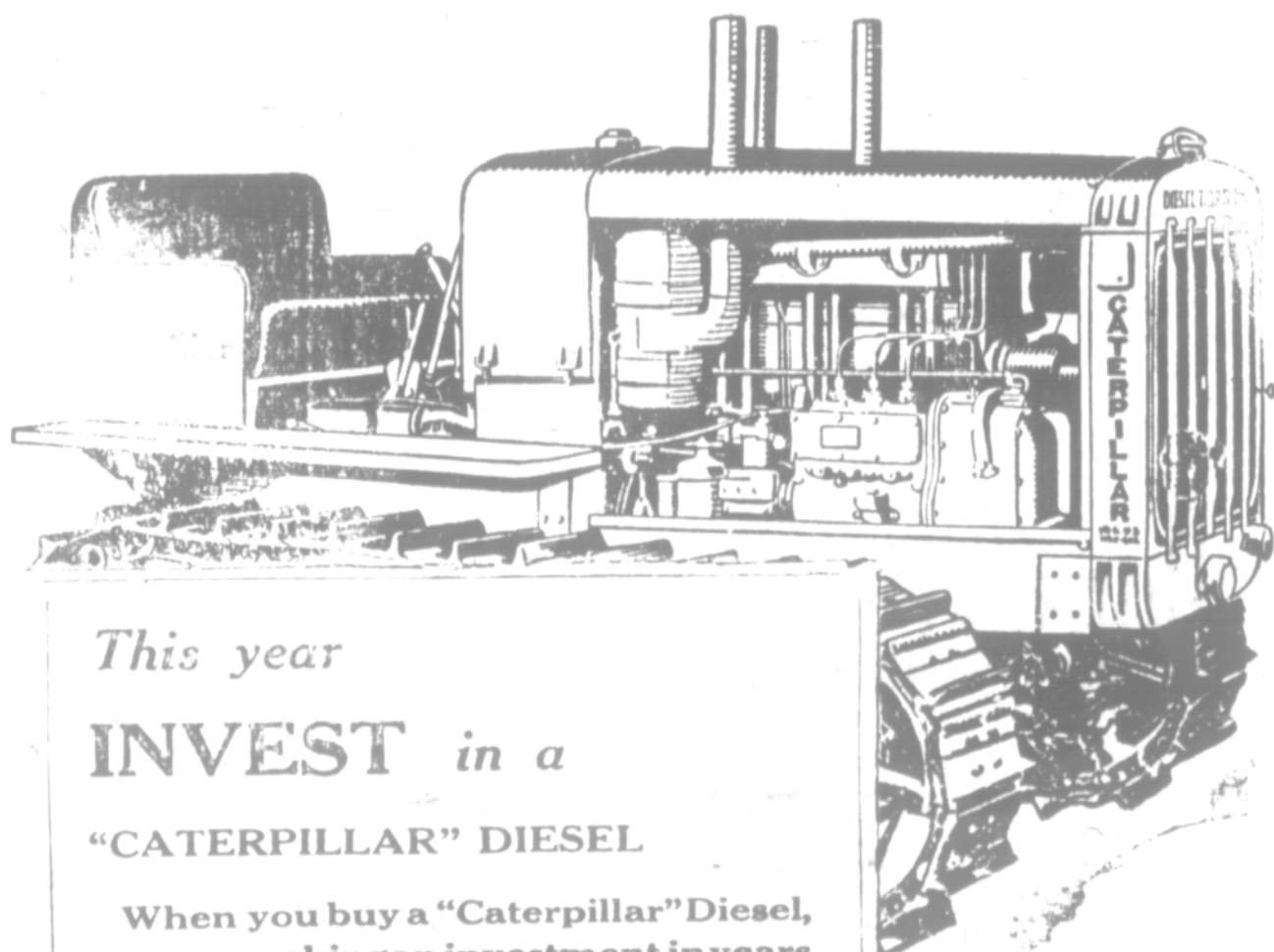
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