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IT SOUNDS SENSIBLE

Governor Landon of Kansas in making his speech accepting the Republican nomination for the presidency did not concern himself with plans as much as with principles.

He calls attention to one fact that has been somewhat forgotten in the hub-bub of political turmoil and that is that the people of America require and want the same liberties and social opportunities that their forefathers who wrote the Declaration of Independence wanted.

As for debt, he states that the government's money is the people's money and that what is spent by the government must come from the people.

Mr. Landon did not speak as an angry man, nor as a caustic, critical one, but as one who had thought long and studiously on the problems he discussed.

There is nothing of flashy promise, of easy answers for major questions in his talk but behind it all is an attitude of consideration for the seriousness of the plight in which the country finds itself.

THE SIMPLE LIFE

An eagle recently died a violent death at the hands of a Sherman county farmer, an eagle that had been banded back in 1916 by another farmer in Klickitat county across the Columbia twenty years ago when conditions were different for men and perhaps for eagles.

In 1916, when W. J. Young of Goldendale banded this eagle wheat was soaring to the high point and marvellous harvests were being grown in the Columbia basin because of torrential rains.

The bird was undoubtedly full grown at the time to judge by the size of the band placed on his leg. He had flown over wheat fields growing sixty cent wheat and had undoubtedly caught two-bit chickens.

In the twenty years since his capture he has flown over the same fields when wheat was worth over two dollars per bushel and when the fields were maturing wheat worth thirty cents per bushel.

The men who fluttered about the fields over which the king of the skies sailed have stewed and fretted, worried and fussed, with generally unavailing schemes to raise the market value of their possessions.

The eagle has dined, when his stomach needed food, on rabbit, fowl or suckling pig without varying his diet, not according to the market value but according to his taste and the opportunity.

An eagle would only be concerned with quantity for two pigs or two chickens provide more power than one. And, although an eagle would probably not be interested, two bushels of wheat fill more stomachs than one.

There may be something after all in the idea expressed by Masters that that man's brain and the civilization he has created with it is like an engine, too powerful, that

wrecked the machinery it was to run. For all man has to do in this world is "but to get food and shelter and procreate himself."

SOME TRACKS

Midway up DeMoss hill are a series of car tracks that have been burned into the highway. They were made the week end of the Fourth of July. From the tracks one may picture a car coming down the hill, making the most western turn at a high rate of speed, sloughing to the wrong side of the highway to the trees growing along side and then cutting suddenly for the bank where the car was stopped with probably one front wheel over the bank after every wheel had been slid until it burned the surface on the road and the rubber smoked like it was in the furnace.

After nearly a month the tracks are still there despite warm weather and the passage of many vehicles. There must have been some fluttering hearts as the car stopped at the edge of the bank and, no doubt, those who were in the car are still nervous when they recall the accident they fortunately missed.

AND IT WAS HOT, TOO

Down in Salem a man was fined \$300 and given three months in jail. It isn't so notable that a man in these days of crime should receive such a sentence, in fact, it happens every day. The offence was that in the evening of a hot day, after work the culprit went swimming in a swimming hole in the Willamette which was already in use by other bathers and that said culprit neglected to wear any clothes.

There was recently quite a bit of controversy in Portland over a sentence given a young man who was arrested for traveling 60 miles per hour while going to see his girl. He was given 30 days and also fined.

The young man who exceeded the speed limit certainly endangered, to some extent at least, the lives and limbs of those whom he met and passed. Yet he was given a much lighter sentence than the nude bather.

The attraction a cool, placid bit of water might have to one who had toiled all day in the heat might easily cause a man to want to jump in whether or not he was equipped with the patching of clothing usually worn on such occasions. His offence appears to have been light compared to the sentence.

One can pass a truck on a curve against traffic for \$25 in most cases, a man may speed his car's limit for a like sum, a man, or even a woman, may become wildly intoxicated for a nominal sum duly paid to the state, county or city but let one become so forgetful of the proprieties that he swims without his figleaf and he must spend three months of his time at the behest of the state and donate \$300 to the coffers of the government.

'Tis enough to make a communist of anyone, for it is said that in the land of the communists they bathe naked all the time.

Governor Martin, who is criticized by many of his opponents in Oregon for his conservative leanings—although that isn't the term used—criticizes Governor Landon because he is not liberal enough. Truly, this is a political year.

"County Officials in Bad Over Shortage" reads a headline. Well some thing like that would be hard to brush aside with whatever nonchalance might be imparted by a cigarette.

The president in whiskers would be a funny sight considering that whiskers were worn in the horse and buggy days.

This argument about the longest baby would be more to the point if it could be shown that at maturity the long ones were better, smarter, taller, tougher, more hard some, had prettier hair or something. It has been said of many a victim at a hanging that he was an awfully pretty baby.

Down in Florida a group of reformers beat a wrestler in order to stop the racket. What chance would a reformer have beating a wrestler, anyway?

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

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missioner. The company had more than \$3,500,000 in life insurance in force in this state. The company, one of the largest in the nation, had organized under the laws of California.

Senator F. M. Franciscovich on Clatsop county was in Salem this week on a tour of the state in the interest of his candidacy for the senate presidency. He refused to say how many votes he had "in the bag" but declared that he was well satisfied with his prospects.

World war veterans serving time in the Oregon penitentiary received bonus payments aggregating \$22,941. Thirty-eight of the 47 veterans in the institution qualified for the bonus. The others served in the army less than 90 days. Two of the pension beneficiaries are life termers. Several others are serving long terms of 20 to 25 years.

Oregon sold \$3,268,000 worth of hard liquor through its state stores and agencies during the first six months of 1936, according to a report of the Liquor Control commission. Profits for the six months period amounted to \$1,156,742 from all sources including license fees and privilege taxes.

Three more youthful convicts have been transferred from the penitentiary to the boys' training school at Woodburn. Three young felons were transferred previously under Governor Martin's order that youthful first offenders be segregated from the older criminals.

Both Attorney General Van Winkle and Governor Martin have been appealed to this week by persons interested in helping fish over the Bonneville dam on their way to the spawning grounds on the upper Columbia river. Master fish warden Hoy predicted that the Oregon fishing industry would suffer severe loss unless adequate fishways were provided immediately.

Public Works administrators are urging the board of control to prepare a list of projects for prompt submission if Oregon wants to get in on the newly appropriated federal funds. While the board is willing to accept Uncle Sam's donations and there is real need for many state buildings there is a catch in the offer that has the board stumped—that is the 55 per cent share which the state must put up out of its own funds. The board expects to make a survey of the state's building needs and submit the most pressing of these to the legislature for consideration. It is expected that the list will include either another office building or a library building, possibly both, as well as new buildings and additions to several of the institutions.

A total of 474 motorists in Oregon had their operator's licenses revoked during the past year, 441 of these for drunken driving, according to a report by Secretary of State Snell and 11 for hitting and running without rendering assistance to their victims.

Payrolls have increased 75 per cent and wage levels are up 30 per cent over those of two years ago in Oregon industries according to a survey by the Industrial accident commission.

In Other Days

From the Observer Aug. 3, 1917 W. N. Froebe is a visitor in the county from his home at Vancouver, Washington.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Belshie, July 28th, a 10 lb. daughter, Dr. C. L. Poley attending.

Miss Ruth McClelland is visiting with her aunt, Mrs. W. N. Froebe, at Vancouver, Washington.

F. A. Sayers and wife have returned from their vacation outing to the head waters of the Metolious river.

The large new barn on the Wilbur Helyer farm south of Kent was completed last week, the event being celebrated by a neighborhood dance and supper Saturday evening.

Frank Haynes will soon have his Kent garage ready for the public. He is now busy placing the floor. When finished it will be a fine addition to the business life of Sherman county's southern city.

Arthur Sanders was over from his Ajax farm in Gilliam county last week. He reports that the last of the steel for the new Cottonwood bridge is being delivered and that the contractor expects soon to have the work finished.

From the Observer Aug. 2, 1907 Mrs. F. G. Meindl is a member of the Moro colony at Camp Cascade Locks.

Mrs. J. M. and Mrs. Walter Par-

Former A. A. A. Head Assumes New Job



Chester Davis, who was administrator for the AAA is seen here being sworn in as a new member of the Federal Reserve board. Oliver E. Foulk, fiscal agent for the board, is administering the oath.

ry will spend a month at springs in the Cascade mountains.

Look at Dad Peetz' spud crop—and him a dutchman. Who can say after this that only an Irishman can excel in the art of producing spuds?

Mr. Dakin of Hood River, and his daughter, Mrs. Ina Dakin DeMoss, of this county, have purchased a fruit farm in Washington county, including stock, crop and tools.

While in Portland Mrs. James Woods had the pleasure of attending a reception given by honorable W. H. Moore and wife to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson, who have returned to Oregon, after a brief and most unfortunate experience in California, the worst of which included the destruction of San Francisco. The Sherman county county colony in the Rose City, warmly welcome Mr. and Mrs. Thompson.

Master Lloyd and Miss Hazel Dunahoo arrived home Tuesday from a California visit.

Early Day Water Troubles Told By Barzee

From the wild rabbit, Coyote infested Bunch Grass past to the bountiful Productivity of Sherman County and its neighboring counties, we may predict the not yet seen, to the casual observer, the future of a great wheat growing region, the Inland Empire.

In all frontier experience by the pioneer farmer there are six practical points, always foremost in consideration. Two natural features must be recognized, the soil and climate. One of these natural features, climate, may be sub-divided for animal and vegetable life. The vegetable life of Sherman county, likewise the Inland Empire, is all that can be desired to make growth of the fruits of mother earth in great abundance. For human need Sherman county, along with its neighbors, has no malarial low land swamps to breed fever and chills. The pure mountain air from both east and west assures pure unadulterated oxygen, the natural cure for T. B. In fact, at some times, this mountain air is somewhat profuse in its delivery. Let no one complain at the strong west winds. They assure fair crops; even with little moisture in the soil.

Sherman county's fertility was never doubted by Walla Walla and Pendleton district settlers. My experience in farming was the moist climate of the Willamette valley and I was not so sanguine about this Stock-men condemned soil climate.

Now to the other features, water timber and market. It has been truthfully said that there is no ore so far from market as the farmer who has nothing to sell. Market for early farmers was ready for their produce before they had more than the home market demanded. For timber, especially the needed fuel, early settlers went south some thirty or forty miles to Jack Knife canyon and got a supply from its breaks. Sometimes they had to horse drag the trees to the hill top before they could load their wagons. To venture too far down was dangerous. One man lost his wagon by its getting started down the bluff into the deep canyon below. Juniper posts were also used to a good advantage. As soon as we had wheat to market we could reload our wagons with such as we had need of and bring it home without cost.

For water, let me add there is no one who has never hauled water for farm purposes, can fully realize the hardship it brings to the farmer. An extra calf, colt or litter of pigs so much needed and so easily procured, called for extra water hauling. When winters provided enough snow to make runs of water in the larger canyons

through the farms, by digging holes or shallow wells, water could be obtained that would last until late in May and sometimes early June when water hauling began in earnest. Soon farmers built large cisterns that would hold a supply of spring run water that would last until near winter when much less water was required for stock. For many years harvesting was done by heading and threshing with small separators or by heading and stacking, then forking into the machine. Soon both these plans gave way to the large steam engine powered lerrick-forked threshers that used all the daylight and some lantern light for sack sewing. Always the cookhouse was made the field home of the crews. Later the combine superseded all the other modes of harvesting. The farm auto now displaces the cook-

The first well drilling machine to be used in Sherman county was brought to my place by Percy Jory, a brother of H. D. Jory. Having been school mates of this family, we were steadfast friends. We soon learned that actual drilling experience was needed. Our first hole was a failure because the drill passed through a seam of rock that stood at a slanting perpendicular and the rock being seamy, filled with spring run water. The wedge edge of this stratum of rock crumbled and fell in on top of the drill shaft and we dared not pass the drill jars below this stratum for fear of sticking the drill jars and not being supplied with smaller jars and drill bits, could not case the hole and was compelled to give up further drilling in this hole.

We thought we had a fair supply of water, which later proved to be water I had hauled and emptied into a cistern-well dug near by. For lack of complete equipment the effort proved to be a total loss. The instruction book said such drill ed wells were not found more often than one in a thousand.

We then attempted to drill another hole in a partially dug well on a neighboring farmers' place, which might have succeeded had the smith who sharpened the drill bit better understood his business. In sharpening a drill bit the drilling edge must be centered with the drill bit stem. This the smith failed to do and we soon found we had a crooked or slanting hole and this one we had to abandon. Better experienced drill men would have discovered this slant in time to dynamite the hole at the proper time and would have better sharpened the bit and made a success of what we made a failure. Mr. Jory became discouraged and sold the drill for a small sum and returned to the valley. Later better outfits for drilling made the discovery that the whole country was underlaid with abundance of water where depth was made sufficient. The deepest hole known to the writer was made on the Pinkerton place on the near-top north side of Gordon Ridge. This hole is some 600 feet deep but a soft stratum of rock made part way easy drilling. Some farmers resorted to water-witching. Practical drillers depend on depth.

When I write of the future of Sherman County and other Inland farming regions in general, I may be called visionary by the incredulous. The harnessing of the Columbia at Bonneville, Celilo and Umatilla will revolutionize the Inland section beyond that visioned now by technocrats. Some genius will arise and make reversible disc plows or increased sized discs of the cultivator type, permitting the soil to all be turned in the same direction. Poles can be made fast to sleds which can be moved by horses.

As cultivation proceeds these When Your Shoes need repair send them to WERNMARK'S GOOD SHOE REPAIRING 204 Second St. THE DALLES

electric wired poles will furnish portable power for cultivation. With the unlimited power in the mighty Columbia, electrical farming will become an accomplished fact. Should there ever be any limit or lack of power, night service could do the pumping of water for irrigating windbreak trees and soil erosion will be a thing of the past. These growing trees will, with their foliage attract clouds and rainfall will come where now clouds pass over at extreme heights through currents of air that does not condense their moisture in rain drops.

There are millions of acres of fertile soil that can be redeemed to vegetation when our college bred farmers set about their calling. Rolling land may have to be farmed by present methods, but land too rough can be turned to pasture when these changes come in the rainfall. All these possibilities await the scientific farmer. From the crooked stiek, the wooden mouldboard plow to the caterpillar drawn gang plows was some advancement.

We are just bordering in the electrical age for power. Black mined coal will give way to white coal found in mighty water powers. White coal must and will supercede the crude past and the present now. Let not the incredulous be too sanguine. I have seen much in my 77 years. From crude beginnings such as was used to harvest a spring sown few acres of wheat in Wasco-Sherman county, when a large pole was drawn by horses roped to each end on a hot after-noon, breaking the straw which was hand raked and piled for winter feed.

C. W. Barzee, 412 S. E. 30th Ave. Portland, Ore.

FASTEST TYPIST



Miss Gioconda Zumpano, 20, of Salt Lake City shown with her trophy after she won an amateur typing contest held in Chicago under the sponsorship of the International Commercial Schools association and set a world's amateur record of 106.7 words a minute.

CALL FOR BIDS

To persons living in Dist. 21: The school board will receive sealed bids, up to August 8, 1936 for the transportation of pupils to and from Moro. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Ada Murray, Moro, clerk

CALL FOR BIDS

At a special school meeting called for August 1, at 8 p. m. the board will receive bids covering transportation of pupils in two designated routes, with standard equipment. Description of routes and other information on file with the Clerk of said district. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. School District No. 9.

Frank von Borstel, clerk, Grass Valley.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior U. S. Land Office, at The Dalles, Oregon, July 1, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that Etta Houston Morford, widow of Benn Morford, deceased, of Wasco, Oregon, who on June 21, 1930, made homestead entry, act Dec. 29, 1916; No. 027339, for Lots 3, 4, S4 NW1, W1SW1, SW1NE1, E1SE1-4, Sec. 4 N1N1, SW1NW1, NW1SW1, Section 22, Township 1 N., Range 19 E., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Registrar, United States Land Office, at The Dalles, Oregon, on the 11th day of August, 1936.

Claimant names as witnesses Everett W. McQuillion, of Wasco, Oregon; Chester Silver, of Wasco, Oregon; William R. Reid, of Wasco, Oregon; George Smith, of Blacklock, Oregon.

W. F. Jackson, Register.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

On Saturday, the 29th day of August, 1936, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Courthouse in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property located in Sherman County, Oregon to-wit:

The North Half, and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-three, the Northwest Quarter, the North Half of the Southwest Quarter, the Southwest Quarter and the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section Twentyfour, the Southeast Quarter of Section Thirteen, all in Township 1 North of Range Eighteen, East of the Willamette Meridian and in Sherman County, State of Oregon.

Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Said sale is made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman to me directed in the case of The Federal Land Bank of Spokane, a corporation, plaintiff, vs. Henry H. White and Cora H. White, husband and wife; Wasco Investment Company, a corporation; Bank of Commerce, a corporation; Mark Skinner as Superintendent of Banks of the State of Oregon; State Industrial Accident Commission; Lester Alluisi, Receiver for The Dalles Garage Company, a corporation, The Dalles Garage Company, a corporation; Sherman County, a municipal corporation; Wasco National Farm Loan Association, a corporation, defendants. 39-43

HUGH CHRISMAN Sheriff of Sherman County, Oregon

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against the estate of George Hennagin, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed executrix and executor of the last will and testament of George Hennagin, deceased, at the office of Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to wit: July 17, 1936.

Daisy Hennagin Lloyd L. Hennagin. Geo. G. Updegraff Attorney for Estate. 37-38-39 40

Horses-Horses- The Fair Board wants to know how many Sherman county horse owners want to race their horses at the fair September 3-5. If you want the fair to be for Sherman county race horses, strictly, notify the board and enter your nags in some of the announced races. Its your fair-enjoy it. Do It Today