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**Nation Mourns Death of President**

President Warren G. Harding died at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening, August 23. Death was due to apoplexy induced by intestinal disorder resulting from ptomaine poisoning arising shortly after reaching Seattle on his return from Alaska.

The presidential remains were taken to the nation's capitol by special train where an impressive funeral service was held on Wednesday of this week, following which interment was made at his home town in Marion, Ohio, on Friday.

President Harding was the 29th president of the United States and the sixth president to die during their term of office.

**Vice-President Takes Oath of Office**

In the town of his birth, at Plymouth, Vermont, the day succeeding the death of President Harding, on August 3rd, Calvin C. Coolidge subscribed to the oath of office that made him the 30th president of the United States. The former vice-president's father, John C. Coolidge, notary public, delivered the words that elevated his son to the highest office in the land. Simple were the ceremonies, very few persons being in attendance. It was the first time in the history of the United States that a father administered the oath of office to a son that resulted in his son becoming president of the United country.

**Too Much to Expect.**  
You can't expect foreigners to understand a language that says a man is down and out when he is hard up and all in.—San Francisco Chronicle.

**Railroad Crossing Accidents Cause Motorists Heavy Toll**

In the year 1922 there were 1,810 persons killed and 5,383 seriously injured in collisions between automobiles and trains at railroad grade crossings. This was an increase of 106 fatalities and 515 injuries over the year 1921.

Railroad engineers frequently suffer physical breakdowns after collisions with automobiles, even though they are exonerated from all blame. Before an engineer is given charge of an engine he must serve faithfully as a fireman, and must pass a rigid examination as to his sight, hearing, and general physical condition. He must also have a perfect knowledge of the rules governing and handling an engine. On the other hand almost any one can drive an automobile.

There should be some method of examination for persons applying for drivers' licenses. Such examinations would keep off the highways many persons who are mentally or physically unfit to drive.

Investigations of collision between automobiles and trains invariably show that they are due to carelessness on the part of the driver, or to defects in the mechanism of his automobile. Defective brakes have resulted in autos running into the side of moving trains, causing death to the driver and the occupants of his car. The mistake of stepping on the accelerator in place of the brake occasionally brings a driver to grief. Intoxication has sent many drivers to their death at railroad crossings. Many automobiles meet with disastrous results on account of stalling on the tracks. However, speed and carelessness of the driver have caused far the greatest number of collisions. The driver when taking his car out must know that his steering and brake gears are in perfect order, as well as his engine and running gear, and he must by all means take it upon himself to be cautious on his entire trip, using the eyes' ears, and brains that God gave him.

**Early President's Long Life.**  
John Adams died in his ninety-first year, the highest age attained by any President.

**Extra Ordinary Good Picture Coming**

A Paramount comedy drama with three recognized and popular stars, is a feature exhibition to their patrons. And more than that, it's a clash as a hour's tooth, thoroughly enjoyable and essentially a delightful family picture which even the most censorious censor will cordially endorse. That picture is "Clarence," a Booth Tarkington story and the stars are Wallace Reid, Agnes Ayres and May McAvoy. It is light comedy of the American home circle, abounding in wholesome humor. It is one of the best William de Mille productions to date. It is a splendid example of the new type of picture that the Hays influence is instrumental in producing.

The picture presents Wallace Reid in a role entirely different from anything he has ever done and which, he handles in a most excellent manner. The public will want to see Wallace Reid as a big awkward rookie in ill-fitting clothes, wearing horn rimmed glasses, with his hair roughly parted, and being in action and man rism, the very man he looks. And then, as the picture progresses, he gradually changes and at the finish becomes more like Wally himself, loses his self-consciousness and his horned rimmed glasses and captures the hearts of every woman in the audience.

The story will leave a pleasant taste in the mouth. It is pure, humorous comedy. It takes the problem of the American family which is jangling, and all out of tune and shows how Clarence comes in and by his personality straightens everything out.

There are the clever acting ability and good looks of Wallace Reid, the beauty of Agnes Ayres, the dainty appeal of May McAvoy and the polished artistry of Kathryn Williams and several other carefully picked players.

"Clarence" comes to Moro theatre this Saturday evening. It is much above the average screen picture. Admission changed to 15 and 40 cents.

**FIGURE IN OLD MYTHOLOGY**  
Legend Concerning Tantalus Has counterpart in Belief Held by Tribes of American Indians.

According to Grecian mythology, Tantalus was a son of Zeus, or the Jupiter of the Romans. All traditions agree in stating that he was a wealthy king, but some call him king of Lydia, in Asia Minor, while others king of Corinth in Greece. He is celebrated in ancient traditions for the terrible punishment inflicted upon him after death. It was related that he divulged the secrets entrusted to him by Zeus, and was punished in the lower world by being afflicted with a raging thirst, and at the same time placed in the midst of a lake, the waters of which always receded from him as soon as he attempted to drink. From this tradition the English language has borrowed the verb to tantalize, that is to hold out hopes or prospects that cannot be realized.

In his work, "Voyages in the Interior of America," Alexander Mackenzie, the famous fur trader and explorer, who crossed the continent to what is now the coast of British Columbia, tells of a similar tradition common among the Indians of a tribe he called the "Chiponyana." At death they said that the soul was placed in a stone ferry-boat, till judgment had been passed on it. If the judgment was adverse, the boat sank in the stream, leaving the victim chin deep in the water, where he suffered endless thirst, and made fruitless attempts to escape to the Islands of the Blessed.

Improved Disinfectant Soap.  
Austria reports a new development in the manufacture of disinfectant soaps, which it is claimed has proved a decided success. The disinfectant used is lactate of silver and a very small amount produces remarkable results. The soap has been used in hospitals for general washing purposes, for sterilizing instruments (it does not contain any corrosive ingredients and hence can be safely used for this purpose), disinfecting clothes, rubber gloves, etc. There are several uses for the new soap in domestic life. The soap is made by dissolving one part of the silver lactate in fifteen parts of water and then adding enough agaragar, or carrageen moss to make a jelly. The mixture is then added to the regular soap batch, and the resulting product can be made into solid, paste or liquid. In the solid form it can be used for toilet or laundry purposes. In the paste form it is usable as a dentifrice. In liquid form it may be used as a gargle and mouth wash.—Exchange.

**Columbia Highway to Have a New Macadam Surface**

Bids for the supplies to macadam the Columbia river highway east of The Dalles as far as the Deschutes river will be opened August 27, according to C. W. Wanser, division state highway engineer.

The work, to be done under Mr. Wanser's direction by the state, will cost in the neighborhood of \$45,000. The construction will commence as soon after August 27 as practicable.

Alternate bids will be called for. One bid will be for the supplying of crushed cement-gravel from near the Deschutes river and the other for crushed rock at a point not more than a mile distant from either side of the center of the construction.

If the cement-gravel from the Deschutes is used, there may be little need of a binder, Mr. Wanser stated, as this rock has the faculty of being a self-binder. On the other hand, if the bid is awarded for the crushed rock at the center location it may be necessary to haul a binder some distance from the scene of the operations.

**News Items From Kent and Vicinity**

Mrs. Wm Nelson arrived home Sunday afternoon.

L. M. Schadewits is our new Tumalum manager.

A. L. Mottern is back in the Kent Trading Co. store.

Mrs. Wm. Young is cooking for the Davis & Bailey road camp.

Edw. Bailey is up from The Dalles, working for L. E. Clark.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson is improving under the care of Dr. Thatcher.

Mrs. J. R. Dellinger, and son left Saturday for a few days outing at The Dalles and Troutdale.

Miss Helen Wilson had her tonsils removed last week. Dr. Thatcher, of Grass Valley, doing the work.

Uncle Ben Brown arrived Sunday evening from Portland, where he has been visiting with his married daughter.

L. W. Amick made a trip to Wasco early Monday morning after extras for his harvester, starting from here at three o'clock.

Walter Adams is down from Antelope, cutting his grain. Mrs. Adams and daughter Ruth are assisting by work on the cook house.

A. A. Dunlap and wife, Mrs. Fred Haynes, Mrs. A. L. Mottern and children, left early Monday morning, in the Dunlap auto, for a week's visit at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Patterson, who have been visiting in Kent from their White Salmon, Washington, home, left this week for Moro where they are guests at the Jas. Woods home.

Mr. Butcher, manager of the P. T. & T. Co., the company building the telephone line through Kent to Bend, was in town last week. He said the line would be connected up with Kent about September 1st.

At the present time there are three sets of farm hands in this section of the county. One coming, one going, and one working—what little time they will work. Local farmers are having an awful time to get help. When they do pick up a man, chances are he won't stay more than a day or so.

**Notice to Holt Machine Owners**

For the convenience of the owners of all Holt Caterpillars and Harvesters, we will keep our warehouse open every evening during the week and will be open on Sundays until noon only. Don't call for parts on Sunday afternoons, as the warehouse will be closed then. Geo. N. Crossfield, Wasco, Oregon.

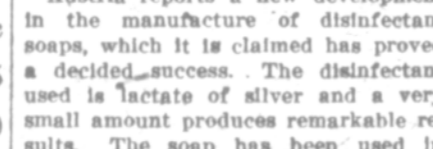
**Scent is Distributed.**

It is true that we associate scent with the flowers and, occasionally, with the leaves of plants. But nature, so marvelously loving of diversity, caters the sweetness, now here, now there, sometimes in the flower, sometimes in the leaf, in the fruit, in the bark, the wood and even in the roots. In the ginger and the iris, for instance, the perfumed oils are in the roots, in the seed pod the fragrance is in the wood, in the cinnamon shrub it is the bark that accents the air.—Olympus Dispatch.

**"Cook by Wire"**

During the sultry summer days with the use of an

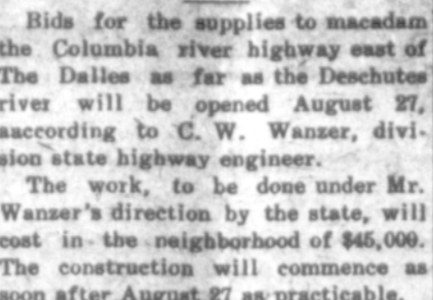
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Then come to this superlatively modern office where, by means of the wonderful dental anesthetic, Twilight Sleep "for the teeth", we eliminate to an almost unbelievable degree the discomfort always associated with dentistry.

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**In Memoriam**  
Moro, Oregon, August 5, 1923.  
Dear Sister Ellsworth:  
We deeply grieve you because of the death of your husband. In such a trial as this little can be said to comfort you. Time alone can soften your sorrow. May the divine hope of a reunion of the loved and lost in that fair land that lies beyond the boundaries of time be your comfort and stay.  
In sympathy, by order of Lupine Rebekah Lodge.  
Edna Freeman, Lila Bull, Jennie Foss, Committee.

**Dr. Jos. Sanders V.S.**  
Moro, Oregon  
has returned to Sherman county and will practice his profession at Moro and vicinity

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MORO, OREGON  
Joe Truitt, Proprietor  
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In the concrete, fully equipped, roomy garage of Walther-Williams Company. Competent workman always ready to help you in any way they can at least expense to you. For any service rendered the charge will always be reasonable.

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THE DALLES, - - OREGON.

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**Groceries**

1 quart Sweet Pickels, bulk, best grade	50c
Watermelons	4c
16 bars P. G. Naptha Soap	1.00
1 pound M. J. B. Tree Tea, black	65c
10 pound Rolled Oats	63c
1 quart Dunbar's Maple Syrup	65c

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2 pound Wool Batts	1.85
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Harvest Quilts	2.85
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They Will Save You Money  
Spend Your Money at Home

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**Extra Parts For Deering Harvesters**

Extra Parts for Deering Harvesters also three 9-foot Deering Platform Drapers for sale.

Any of the above needed by you for your Harvester can be procured at a liberal discount.

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**Geo. N. CROSFIELD**  
Wasco, Oregon

**Extra Parts For Deering Harvesters**

He—I had a good joke to tell you this evening, but I see you are not in a condition to hear it.  
She—Why?  
He—Because if your face lights up the powder will go off.

**Took No Chances.**  
"Doctor, I want this foot dressed," said the patient. "I think there are some small bones broken in it." Then he looked up, puzzled, with: "Say, young man, haven't I seen you somewhere before?"  
"Yes," replied Youngdoc, "I'm the young man who called on your daughter last night."  
New patient decided to have his foot dressed elsewhere.

**Caused Annoyance.**  
A peculiar effect was produced by an announcement in the advertisements of a country fair.  
Among other things, the announcement said: "Attractive features of this great fair will be highly amusing donkey races and pig races."  
Then, to the amazement of the judicious, this note was added: "Competition in these two contests will be open to residents of the county only!"

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We Have Now in Stock  
Four Touring Cars One Coupe Two Roadsters  
One 4-door Sedan, a 1924 model

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30 x 3 1/2 Standard Clincher	11.50
30 x 3 1/2 Clincher and Straight Side Oversize	13.25
32 x 3 1/2 Straight Side	20.20
31 x 4 "	23.25
32 x 4 "	25.25
33 x 4 "	26.35
34 x 4 "	27.20
32 x 4 1/2 "	32.30
33 x 4 1/2 "	33.10
34 x 4 1/2 "	38.75
35 x 4 1/2 "	34.90
36 x 4 1/2 "	36.65
33 x 5 "	39.95
34 x 5 "	41.15
35 x 5 "	41.95

**Williams Motor Co., Moro, Ore.**