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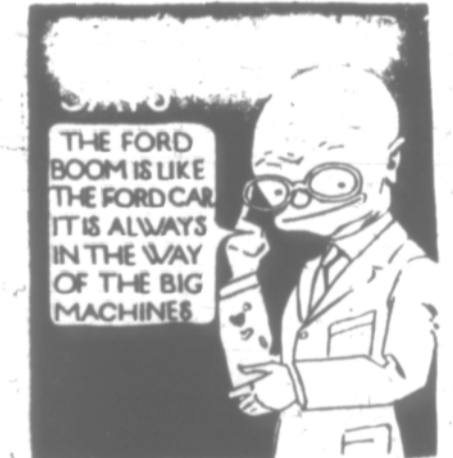
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FRIDAY.....March 28, 1924

This business of stocking up our zoos and museums is a large and tireless industry and it extends into the remotest recesses of the globe. Dr. Edmund Heller of the Field Museum of Natural History, who recently returned with an expedition party from the upper reaches of the Amazonian jungle and the wilds of Peru with nearly 2,000 specimens of birds and mammals—dead or alive—is now heading another adventure into darkest Africa in quest of a reported strange family of gorillas, says the Los Angeles Times. He is already on the way and he says he will not return until he has accomplished his mission, part of which is the taking of Old Man Gorilla, living or dead. On his return from Peru he brought some strange specimens of animal life as found in an almost unexplored region. Among them are the dinomya, the basaricyon, the rucupi and the pudu. All of these are hardly even known by name to American naturalists and some are practically extinct. One of them is a giant rat and another is the smallest of known deer. Others suggest the kangaroo and the armadillo—except that they are different. When the scientists get through we will have the greatest collection of earth's wonders that were ever herded on one continent.

The unity and continuity of human life from the earliest dawn of consciousness to the present moment are perhaps its most marked characteristics. Parts may properly be segregated for special study, but never without thought of their relation to the whole, and of the whole, of which they are fragments. Greatness and littleness will be found everywhere, and usually in the closest association, precisely as greatness and littleness may be, and often are, found in the same man. Life is a tremendous drama, every part of which is interesting, every part of which, as the critics say, "further the action." One cannot dissect out a fragment and study it by itself, and hope to get a true idea even of the fragment. In all such cases we are dealing with men "subject to like passions as we are." And the peculiarities of a time are the peculiarities, not of the time, but of the men and women living in it. They are mostly shown by the men and women of all periods of the world's history.



THE FORD BOOM IS LIKE THE FORD CAR. IT IS ALWAYS IN THE WAY OF THE BIG MACHINES.



THE FARM LABOR SENATORS ASK PRESIDENT FOR MORE LIBERAL POLICY
Group of Farm Labor Senators who called on President Coolidge urging that the war Finance Corporation adopt a more liberal policy towards the small country banks during the period of production on the farms. The Senators who made up the delegation were, left to right: Senator Magnus Johnson, Senator Lynn J. Frazier, Senator McNary, Senator Shipstead and Senator Capper.

Sherman County Starts Tree Move

It is generally left to the people of Sherman county to start worth while measures. This time it is tree planting along the main highways in the state. The tree planting movement started in Sherman county to plant trees on both sides of the Sherman highway and assisted by Earl Baur with a gift of 2000 black locust trees that were shipped to this county from Nebraska and the help of the State Highway Commission in surveying and locating the places to plant the trees has taken hold of the people of every community along the upper Columbia highway.

The Dallas chamber of commerce is backing a similar movement for tree planting along the highway in Wasco county. W. L. Wilson is planting a mile long strip of trees along his place near Rufus. Arlington, Boardman, Irrigon, Umatilla, Hermiston, Stanfield, Echo, Pendleton, and other towns are following the example of Sherman county with trees planted along the highway in their sections a distance of from two to four miles in each instance. It will be but a short time until the upper Columbia highway will be well spoken of for its tree shaded drives as is the lower portion for its scenery.

Indignation, especially by business men of La Grande, has been aroused in the last week because Industrial Workers of the World have established eastern Oregon headquarters in that city.

The Astoria city commission has granted a 20-year franchise to the Astoria Transit company for operating motor bus lines in the city to replace the street car system, which is to be suspended.

La Grande has organized a company of riflemen, known temporarily as the 162d Infantry, but later to be known as company E, 186th Infantry of the national guard, with 75 men enlisting for service.

The Southern Pacific company, in its street car operations, made money at both West Linn and Salem in 1923, but lost at Eugene, according to the annual report filed with the public service commission.

Old-Time Philosophy.
I has seen folks rise so high they looked mighty small to the folks below.

Local Boys Wreck Auto

Car Lands Wheel Side in Air Center of Road with Top Wrecked
Rocco Moore and his cousin Leo Moore upset the E. H. Moore automobile near the Ralph Bennett farm, west of Grass Valley, Sunday evening about eleven o'clock. They were accompanied by Marian Heath, of Grass Valley, and Miss Lillian Sauvala, teacher of Michigan school. It is said that the right wheels of the car went off the side of a fill, plowing the edge for a distance of forty feet. When hard ground was struck, the angle of the front wheels flipped the car wheel side up in the center of the road. None of the party received serious injury, three being slightly injured. The front left door was torn off, radiator partly demolished and all the top, windshield, etc., reduced to junk. The car was taken to Portland Tuesday for repairs.

A program, cooked food and candy sale will be held at the school auditorium on Friday evening, April 11th, by the Doreas society, Town, Ladies Aid, grades and high school for the purpose of raising funds with which to better equip the school playgrounds. Playground Benefit cooked food and candy sale will begin at 7:30 in the hallway leading to the auditorium, the program will begin at eight o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend and also to assist in any way that they can to make the affair a success. Admission will be 25c and 50c.

Items of Interest From Every where

Women inmates of the Oregon state penitentiary hereafter will be compelled to wear prison garb deposit their jewelry and money with the matron when they enter the institution, and write letters on stationery furnished by the state.

The Tillamook county fair board has adopted a plan to construct one main building on the new fair grounds in the Fairview district that will be modeled after the main building of the Pacific International Livestock exposition at Portland.

The Cold Springs government reservoir, which supplies storage water for the Umatilla project, is now full to the flashboards of the spillway. It contains 50,000 acre feet of water, or what is equivalent to 50 inches of rainfall for the lands that will be irrigated this season.

In addition to some 600,000,000 feet of Klamath Indian timber advertised for sale ten days ago, 350,000,000 feet more has been offered by the department. The latest offering, known as the North Marsh unit, is practically all western yellow pine, for which a minimum of \$4.50 a thousand feet is asked.

Although an illegal search warrant was issued by officers in searching premises for liquor or apparatus used in its manufacture, any evidence found in such a raid may be used against the defendant in the prosecution of the case according to legal opinion handed down by I. H. VanWinkle, attorney general.

Captain George Mayo, corps of engineers, United States army, in charge of the first Oregon district, received word from Washington, D. C., that the award of the contract for 886,000 tons of rock for use on the Coos bay jetty had been approved. The contract was awarded to the Hauser, Construction company.

Surveys for the power plant of the Pringle Falls Power & Water company, 40 miles above Bend on the Deschutes river, have been completed. It is stated by Oswald West, president of the company. The company plans to develop 6750 theoretical horsepower for use in pumping water for irrigation from wells in the Fort Rock valley.

The Guardian Life Insurance company, incorporated under the laws of New York state, brought suit in the Douglas county circuit court against Roy A. A. D'Autremont, alleged Siskiyou train robber, and Miss Dorothy Wilberg, clerk in a Roseburg confectionery. The suit is to annul four insurance policies, amounting in all to \$5000, alleged to have been taken out in favor of Miss Wilberg by D'Autremont prior to the train robbery and murder in which he is believed to have participated.

April 4th Named Highway Tree Day

Starting early on Friday morning, April 4th, the residents of all Sherman county and particularly those of the three cities of Moro, Wasco, and Grass Valley will declare a holiday for that day and engage in planting two thousand trees along both sides of the Sherman highway from a point near Thornberry, north of Wasco, to south of Grass Valley.

Everyone is urged to forget business that day and join in helping the work along. Each town has been given a section to plant, with Moro in the center working both ways to meet Wasco and Grass Valley. It is expected that the work will be finished by noon at which time a regular old-time old-fashioned basket dinner will be served in the Memorial Park at DeMoss. Each worker is requested to bring a drinking cup, spoons, and an appetite. Don't forget to help with part of the basket dinner. Plenty of free coffee will be on tap. After the lunch a short spicy program appropriate to the occasion will be held in the park.

The work is being fostered by the women's clubs of Moro, Wasco, and Grass Valley assisted by the city councils of the three towns, the county court, and residents of the county. The trees to be planted are well rooted 4-foot high 2-year old black locust, donated by Earl Baur, of the Baur & Baur firm of contractors, when he was informed of the projected beautifying of the highway his firm had been largely instrumental in building. All expense of surveying and incidental work connected with selecting places to plant the trees has been donated work by the State Highway Commission. Up to the present moment no funds has been used by the county court, everything that has been done having been donations of those living outside the county or by residents of the county as individuals.

An attempt at robbery of the Barnett bank at Wasco was attempted late Saturday night by operators who, from the crude methods used, are judged to be amateurs. All farmer, toll, and long distance telephone lines, with one exception, surrounding the town were cut. Loose change amounting to \$330, was the total amount secured. The combination of the vault door was broken off with a sledge hammer, but entrance to the vault was abandoned when a pry used to force the door became wedged.

T. E. Armstrong and wife, of Salem, father and mother of M. W. Armstrong, proprietor of Hotel Moro, accompanied by G. C. Abraham and wife, of Corvallis, sister and brother-in-law of Mr. Armstrong, and Miss June Wilcox, of Eugene, drove up the Columbia highway last weekend for a visit at Moro. Miss Wilcox remained to help in the hotel. Mr. Abraham is attending O. A. C., where he is expecting to receive his degree this year as an electrical engineer.

Families who have been using water from springs in various parts of the city of Astoria, have been officially informed that the water is impure. Recently City Manager Krats and City Physician Vernon took samples of water from six of these springs and had them tested by the state board of health. The report showed that only one sample was pure.

Former Waterboy Now Official of Railroad

Birmingham, Ala.—William E. Smith, once a construction gang waterboy, has been named assistant general manager of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, according to announcement made here recently. Mr. Smith is superintendent of the North and South Alabama and Mineral divisions of the road. He succeeds Thomas E. Brooks, who was named general manager, following the death of B. M. Starks.

Keeps Flea 3,000 Years.
Castor oil, collecting the only flea to come down in all its glory from that age to this, was found in the tomb of Tutankhamen in Egypt, according to Arthur Weigall, former inspector-general of antiquities for the Egyptian government. The castor oil was still in liquid form, when found. The flea was found embalmed in the oil and is now reposing in state in the museum in Cairo where it is reported as the only flea mummy in the world.

Sherman County School Notes

The dental essay contest closed last week. The pupils of schools in Sherman county took great interest in the contest and are now looking forward to the decision of the judges.

A meeting of the town school district boards was held at Hotel Moro last Saturday. Grass Valley, Wasco and Moro were represented. The object of the meeting was to promote cooperation along school lines.

The local spelling tryouts for Sherman county will be held in the school house in each town March 28th at 7:30 p. m. The tryout consists of twenty-five words for the first grade, fifty for the second, third and fourth grades, seventy-five for the fifth and sixth grades and one hundred for the seventh and eighth grades. All work in the tryout is to be written and all pupils writing 100 per cent in the tryouts will be eligible to spell for the county championship May 2. This last event is to be a stand-up and spell-down contest, composed of the best spellers from the different divisions.

Remember 'Tree Planting Day,' April 4th.
A. M. Zevely.

Resolution of Condolence

Resolutions of respect in memory of Brother F. A. Sayers who died February 28th, 1924.

Again that unwelcome yet relentless visitor, Death, hath entered the portals of our lodge rooms and summoned a dear brother to the beautiful home beyond. His zealous work in the interests of our Beloved Order and his life, laden with gentleness and kind deeds, has won for him the plaudit of the Good Master, and will cause his name to be cherished in the affectionate memory of our lodge and home beyond. Whereas, the Allwise Father hath called our beloved brother to the New Jerusalem, where "happily he hath heard the signal of his release on the bells of the Holy City, the chimes of eternal peace." And he having been a faithful and ardent worker in the teachings of Friendship, Love and Truth, therefore be it

Resolved, That 'Lupine Rebekah Lodge, No. 116, in testimony of his loss, and to express its Rebekah love, drape its Charter, in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased brother our sincere condolence and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

A. M. Young
Eddie F. McKean
M. R. Schadewitz
Committee.

NOTICE TO STOCK-OWNERS.

Notice is hereby given to all who own stock in Sherman County that from and after Friday, the 4th day of April, 1924, growing young trees will line the Sherman highway, on both sides of the road, from Wasco to Kent, and provisions of the Herd Law applying to and in Sherman County will be rigidly enforced. It is absolutely necessary for the protection of the young trees that stock be kept off the road at all times. Section 9479 Or. Laws make it unlawful for horses, asses, mules, cattle, sheep, goats or swine to run at large in Sherman County, and the following sections provide for the recovery of damages for all the harm and injury they may do while running at large.
E. D. McKee,
County Judge.

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