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Musings

By an Innocent Bystander

"A Maine goes . . . says the old saying. Like the Digest poll, this may not always be true, but we have a hunch it is going to be true this year. For many years, the Literary Digest has foretold the result of presidential elections with uncanny accuracy and if we are not mistaken it will do so again.

The people of Maine apparently have not forgiven Mr. Roosevelt for abandoning them and "Quoddy." And there are a good many more people in this country who will be hard to convince that the present Administration is being of real help to them.

In our own state, the legislature apparently felt they must pass laws in conformity with the federal Social Security act. For instance, the Unemployment Insurance law which was rushed through in the closing hours of the session. This law is full of inconsistencies as are the rest of the New Deal dreams.

One of the most amusing things regarding that law and its administration we have heard of happened the other day. It seems that Copco had a couple of cross-cut saws to be filed. In the past they had sent such things to the Dawson Filing Works and thought nothing of it. But behold, under the new law, the power company couldn't deal with a firm not registered with the Unemployment Insurance Commission. And no firm CAN register unless employing at least four people. Mr. Dawson does his own work and so is ineligible. And investigation showed that there wasn't a place in Southern Oregon where poor Copco could legally get those saws sharpened! Fine situation, eh, what?

And we wonder how much incentive there is for an employer to raise the wages he pays, when he has to pay a tax on every dollar of payroll? Some way the whole thing sounds "cockeyed," as Mr. Landon said of the Administrations' financial policy. And we'd like to know who is going to benefit from that fund, anyway? Is it going to encourage industry to hire more men or pay real wages? We wot not.

Last Saturday afternoon we sneaked off and took in the Gold Hill Fair. And it was well worth seeing, too. While the little old town hasn't the facilities to put on a big fair, they sure did a fine job with what they had. The exhibits were as well arranged and as artistic as usually seen at much larger fairs. The three Grange booths were especially beautiful and would prove an eye-opener to anyone not familiar with the possibilities of the Valley.

And we sure got a kick out of that donkey ball game. Of all the silly, nonsensical absurdities, playing the great American game from the backs of the most deliberate animal on earth, takes the leather medal. Shades of Christy Mathewson, what exuberatingly funny situations arise in such a game.

But when it came to standing in line for ages and ages to get a chunk of bully-beef, we draw the line. We wouldn't have waited in that line for a gold nugget. So while the better two-thirds did the crawl act, the writer snuck off down town and hunted up an eating place not so popular just then. By the time we got back we found the ladies just eating their hunk of barbecue. It seems they had drawn an extra helping for our benefit and had hunted all over heck for us. Then they ate it all themselves!

We noticed quite a few candidates in evidence about the fair. And we wondered how come they had to bring the sheriff along. He isn't running for (or from) anything, so far as we know. Maybe they were afraid of starting a riot by having so many people of different faiths get together.

So far, only one local candidate has appeared, officially. Mrs. Mary Richardson was seen circulating her petition this week to get her name on the ballot for City Treasurer. Several of the councilmen have stated they would be settling into the race in a few days. Recorder Tex is planning to start his petition soon. We expect to see a number in the field within the next few days, however.

He'll Take America's Toughest Coaching Job

The following story was taken from last Sunday's edition of the Oregonian. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Faber, parents of Don Faber, are leading citizens of Central Point and have been for many years. Don grew up in Central Point having attended both grade and high school here before going to the Willamette University.

BY JAMES S. NUTTER

Staff Writer, The Oregonian
"Why did you do it, Don?" In somewhat sympathetic tones I addressed Don Faber, new coach of Albany college.

Little Albany, you will recall, skidded into the national defeatist championship in football last fall, receiving column after column of national publicity—good or bad.

Into this morass Coach Faber plunged with his eyes open.

"Why did you do it, Don?" I asked my former roommate. "Your friends are all shaking their heads and asking why you stuck your neck into the Albany job when you were doing so well at Ashland high?"

His steely blue eyes swept me. A half smile played on his face, then gave way to a determined expression. His jaw set.

"Everybody wonders what the devil is the matter with me, Jim," he exploded. "But how are you going to get into college football? Sit around and wait for someone to die?"

"Right now, Albany is the toughest coaching spot in America, but I have been in the toughest high school league of state in southern Oregon." He paused; then continued:

"I not only will be head coach of all sports, but director of physical education. It means that I will be the head of a department, putting on a program of my own. Besides intercollegiate athletics, we will have a full program of intramural athletics."

I knew Don in high school, and in college was his roommate. On the athletic field or in the classroom, he had the enthusiasm of a steamboat in pants. His energy was unlimited.



Don Faber, Albany's new coach

—Courtesy The Oregonian.

He tackled his studies with the same fervor that he laid ball carriers low on the gridiron, or entered and won points in four or five events in every track meet.

Asked about Albany's chances to turn in a conference football win, Coach Faber replied:

"I don't know yet what our chances will be. It will be definitely a reconstruction year, but we can't do much worse than in the past. Only six lettermen have indicated they will return, so we will have to depend largely on inexperienced men."

"By the time we play our third game against Oregon Institute of Technology, we should hit our stride and find ourselves for the tough games to follow."

What kind of system will he use? "You might call it a mixture between Notre Dame and Southern

California. But get this:

"I am going to give the kids straight football and start at the bottom. I'm not going to give them just a bag of tricks and expect them to go out on the field and look like a football team. We will have an aerial attack—I have several fair passers coming in—but we are going to have a running attack as well."

"And we are going to have a baseball team and a track team, too, although we may have to play only Oregon teams in baseball because of traveling expenses," he said. "Spring sports will have to be rebuilt, but prospects look fair."

Indicative of the thoroughness of the new mentor in his efforts to rebuild morale at the college was a beautification program he started about the gymnasium and athletic field upon his arrival. He asked for and received helpers to clean the cobwebs and dirt from the gymnasium transform a grass field into a lawn, and revive thirsting and weed-choked shrubs.

Albany has the smallest enrollment of any of the Northwest conference colleges, but a similar situation prevailed at Ashland high, where Faber has been coach the past four years. Despite the enrollment handicap, he brought the Ashland high basketball team to the state tournament three of the four years, had a baseball championship in his district three years and in football was runner-up two years to Medford high, the almost perennial state grid title claimant. Last spring he also rejuvenated track at the Lithia city.

No one but a fighter would leave a secure position like Faber had and tackle what he calls the "toughest coaching spot in America."

Certainly, none but a fighter could put it over.

Is he a fighter?

Well, at the fraternity house at Willamette we never thought of attempting to "tub" him unless we had at least a half dozen belligerent huskies, and then more than likely we took a worse ducking than he.

Gas Company Opened Saturday in Medford

The attractive new Southern Oregon Gas company office building at the corner of West Main and Holly streets was opened Saturday morning.

The building, completed at a cost of \$25,000 is said to be the most up-to-date one of its kind in the state if not on the west coast, with insulated, re-inforced concrete walls, sound-proof ceiling and handsome tile floors. Office equipment, following the modern trend, is largely made of metal, fixtures are of the latest design and predictions are being freely made that the new unit will take its place as one of the show business establishments of southern Oregon.

J. A. Ward, president of the Southern Oregon Gas Corporation, personally attended the opening ceremonies Saturday at the new home of his company at Main and Holly streets in Medford. Mr. Ward is enthusiastic over the prospects of substantial development of the Southern Oregon country and the expansion of his company in Medford is evidence of this optimistic outlook.

Joyland Shows Have Largest Wheel

The Joyland Shows on West Main street in Medford have the largest Ferris Wheel and Merry-Go-Round on the Pacific Coast; a fine group of Shetland Ponies and many other attractive features.

Boys and Girls look for the coupon elsewhere in this paper. It is good for five cents on either the Ferris Wheel, Merry-Go-Round or Shetland Ponies.

Golden Link Class Holds Enjoyable Meet

The Golden Link Class of the Christian Church enjoyed a delightful party at the home of Mrs. Jennie White last Friday afternoon. About 18 were present. A very delicious luncheon consisting of sandwiches, pickles, olives, cakes, ice cream and coffee was served. Mrs. Jennie White, Ethel Fleischer and Mae Richardson were on the refreshment committee and Mrs. Dora Jones had charge of the entertainment which was a very clever way of starting the fun. Everyone present was furnished with a symbol of the month they were born in. They then wrote their names and birthdates on them and pinned them to their dress. Each one was then provided with a birthday book and jotted down each ones full name and birthdates.

Many Onions Are Grown Locally

There are about 29 acres of onions in the surrounding territory. J. Sanford Richardson and one of the Field Bros. have their onions stored in the Love packing shed. The other Field has his in the Merritt Bldg. Oscar Blackford is topping his onions now and reports he had a good yield. John Bohnert and Harry Dunn are storing their onions in the old Theiss building. Mr. Bohnert states that they will have from 100 to 1500 sacks from 1 1/2 acres. Mr. Harry Dunn was heard to make the remark that "An onion a day, keeps the doctor away."

As far as we are able to find out the tomato crop was not seriously damaged by the frost. The foliage was nipped a little and in some places the tomatoes hurt some.

Mrs. Jennie White who had been expecting a visit from her daughter Mrs. Snyder tomorrow received a letter stating she was unable to come on account of her health.

It rained Saturday for the Gold Hill Fair same as it has always has done for a county fair.

Miss Frances Faber plans to leave Saturday for Salem where she will attend the Willamette University.

INCREASE SHOWN IN ATTENDANCE AT LOCAL SCHOOL

Showing an increase of 26% in the grade school the Central Point schools opened last Monday morning. The high school registration was about the same as last year with large freshmen and sophomore classes and small junior and senior. There are 28 students enrolled in the high school that come from non-high school districts and are subject to tuition fees.

Transfers from other schools into the high school this year are:

Freshmen: Glenn Parks, Yoncalla. Sophomores: Bill Crawford, Medford Junior High; Opal Chast, Klamath Falls; Margaret Dow, San Francisco; Leona Darby, Medford Junior High; Dale Higginbotham, Gold Hill; Evelyn Stanley, Nevada; Arlene Scott, Delano, California and Bob Scott, Delano, Calif.

Juniors: Helen James, Myrtle Point; Margaret Scott, Delano, California; Wayne Scott, Delano, Calif.

So what?--

Little Lita Holt checking up on her hair cut in the Gleason Barber Shop.

In a phone call from Pruitt's Melody Shop they wanted detailed information on how to find The American office so as to send their boy out. Later Jimmy Fleischer, who has been in the American office no less than 100 times, appeared with the message.

Among the machinery exhibited by Alexander at the Gold Hill Fair was what Mr. Hessegrave calls the editorial machine.

Moore Hamilton was seen on our street looking like he might have come in contact with a sunflower that tore away most of the back of his shirt.

Mary Richardson, dressed like a carpenter and looking somewhat like one, putting on shakes on her woodshed roof.

Mr. Hawley, owing to certain circumstances, has been forced to wear his hat band stretched.

The Churches

THE FEDERATED CHURCH
Rev. Robert Charles Lewis, Pastor
Phone 51.

Bible School—A. W. Ayers, Superintendent, 9:30 A. M. Morning Worship—11:00 A. M. Y.P.S.C.E.—(two groups). 6:30 p. m.

Evening Services—7:30 p. m. Women's Bible study classes Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 3 o'clock in charge of Mrs. H. A. Davison. From 3 to 4 o'clock in charge of Mrs. R. C. Lewis. er. 2:30 p. m. Tuesday. The Fisherman's Club, Wednesday 6:00 p. m. The Family Gathering, Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. Choir Practice—Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Clifton A. Phillips, Minister

Bible School 10:00 A. M. Roland Hover, Supt. Communion and Preaching 11:00 A. M. Duet, Mrs. Chat Elide and Mrs. Carl Hover. Senior Endeavor, 6:30 P. M. J. Ed Vincent, Director. Evangelistic Service 7:30 P. M. Subject "Eternity as Compared With Present Life." Prayer and Bible Study, Wed. 7:30 P. M.

How are your Rubber Boots? New stock "Ball Band" at Faber's.

Daughter is Born To Mr. & Mrs. Hawley

Born last Thursday afternoon September 10 at the Musty home little Edna Ruth Hawley to Mr. and Mrs. Hawley. Dr. Heckman assisted. The baby weighed 7 1/2 pound and is certainly a lovely baby.

Mrs. Hawley has five children by a former husband and Mr. Hawley has four children by a former marriage. They don't expect to have any trouble with the children fighting with Edna Ruth but fighting over her. It is a case of yours, mine and ours.

The youngest child next to Edna Ruth is ten years old. The entire family are delighted over the latest addition.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mongold of route 3, a boy weighing eight pounds, eight ounces at the Community hospital September 4. The baby is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. George Stowell.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Walker of the Midway road moved to Central Point into Mrs. Con Leever's house Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. Murl Morgan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Walker and family, Mr. Tom Smith and William Cottrell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Nealon accompanied by Miss Janice Nealon and Mrs. Nealon's father, J. S. Richardson of Beall Lane left a week ago to son of Beall Lane returned recently after attending the State Fair.

Carol Furry and Bill Snyder will both leave the latter part of the week for Oregon State College where both will enter. Carol will be a freshman and Bill a sophomore. Donald Richardson will leave the last of the week for the University of Oregon where he will enter as a sophomore.

Roy Jones made a business trip to Eugene Friday.

Rebekah's Meet In Regular Session

Mt. Pitt Rebekah Lodge No. 167 met in regular session Sept. 16th. Sister Bessie Fredenburg, Noble Grand presiding.

Several Committees were appointed for the District Convention which is to be held in this City, Oct. 31st.

Visitors present from other lodges were Sister Carrie Rickett, Warden of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon who gave a very interesting talk of the work of the Theada Roe Girls' Club, also the F. L. Girls' Club. Brother Rickett was also present and gave a very nice talk. Visitors from Jacksonville were Sister Severance, N. G. of Ruth Rebekah Lodge No. 4 of Jacksonville, also Sister Zola Fick Sister Rae Schafer, and Sister Hamaker of Jacksonville. Ruth Rebekah Lodge No. 4 and Mt. Pitt Rebekah Lodge No. 167 are to be the hostess Lodges to the District Convention.

Sister Henderson being chairman of the entertaining committee for the evening and the only one of her committee being present recited a poem entitled, "The Flower-Garden Romance" which was very good. She also gave a spelling contest. Prizes were given for the one who spelled the word correctly and gave the correct definition; some words, spelled the same, but having more than one meaning, which was a lot of fun and yet very interesting. Sister Merritt carried away the first prize and Sister Gleason the booby prize.

Refreshments of sandwiches and cake were served and all departed feeling very happy and hoping to enjoy another as pleasant an evening in the near future.

Bill Leever of Ashland is in the Leever Hardware Store today and visiting old friends. He is leaving tomorrow for Corvallis with his mother where he will attend the Oregon State College.

We are sorry to announce that Miss Mildred Carlton who has been suffering seriously with rheumatism for several months is seriously ill at her home.

New Variety Store Opens in Medford

Saturday morning will see the opening of another 5-10-15-\$ store in Medford. This store, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Taylor, will be a branch of a like store owned by the Taylor's in Grants Pass and will be known as the Worthmore's 5-10-15-\$ store.

Located in a good location on East Main street in Medford this store will be strictly modern and will carry many lines of attractive and worthwhile merchandise.

Miss Clara Churchill, sister of Mrs. Taylor, Miss Lolita Bennett and Miss Preena Stephens, all experienced clerks, will be employed.

Thomas W. Cingcade Of Eagle Point Passes

Thomas W. Cingcade, 57 a resident of the Eagle Point district for over 50 years, passed away early this morning.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the Conger chapel, with the Rev. Stille officiating. A complete obituary will appear in the Mail Tribune at a later date.

Mr. Cingcade has many friends here who will be sorry to hear of his death. He if a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Little and was a brother-in-law of Mr. Pankey.

Mr. Andre Chomel is not doing so well as last week. His general condition is much better than a couple of weeks ago.

Misses Viola Penland, Norma Holland, Margaret Dow and Barbara Kohler attended the Wednesday night show.

Delroy Getchell, the Banker Post, was inquiring about our next year's beautification contest and remarked that his bank would be glad to help us any way they could.

There was a teachers meeting at the high school last Saturday afternoon. All teachers in both grade and high school were present.

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