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## WHAT THEY TALK ABOUT

"What shall I write about?" a cub reporter once asked of his editor. He had no assignments and could think of nothing interesting.

"Get out on the street," said the blue pencil artist, "and listen. If people are talking about something, they want to read about it in this newspaper."

Much of the street conversation, if printed, would belong to that class of things that lead editors to leave town in undignified haste. However, not all the conversation of the streets and meeting places is of that kind.

"When I was a boy," remarks one of our older men, "I used to spend much time listening to the workmen talk as they ate their noon lunches. Frequently they discussed Congress and the doings of the Legislature. Those men were watching their lawmakers, and were determined to have their state go ahead."

What do people talk most about now? One guess would be sports. Also about things to eat. Pessimists may say that drinks do not go wholly unmentioned. Among the younger element, their best girls. Politics? Now and then, of course. But if mentioned more frequently, non-achieving officials would not so often get by.

If it is felt the men have become more frivolous, what do the women talk about? Fashions largely? That was the old idea. But it may not be so now, when women are so active in business and sports and club life and politics. One guess would be that much of their talk relates to making better cities, improved schools and government generally.

Much of the talk of the street and social centers is more trifling. But it reflects the life of the people. It is the fertile field in which seeds of action are germinating. The effective newspaper worker listens much to it. He there gathers a rich harvest of information, thought and, news.

Many boys crowding into the white collar jobs, are likely to be filling no collar ones before many years. The people feel that politics should be cleaned up, but it can never be done with soft soap.

Some folks feel that when they pay a bill, they lose money.

### Doings at the State Legislative Sessions

#### RETIRED GAS TAX

Senate bill No. 10 introduced by Kiddle and providing for a refund of the full tax on gas and distillate used on farms was passed by unanimous vote at the opening session of the fourth week.

Plans are under way for checking up on the use of this gas in an effort to confine its use to the farm only.

#### HAVE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Members of the committee appointed by President Marks, to investigate the rates of the Pacific Telephone and Telephone company within this state are Senators Bennett Strayer and Miller. This committee was provided for in S. J. R. No. 1 by Bennett.

#### WORLD LIMIT IMMIGRATION

By petition thru Senate resolution adopted, congress has been urged to, at the earliest possible date pass legislation barring all persons who desire to enter the United States and who are unable to support themselves after arrival here. Two votes were recorded against this resolution.

#### OREGON GRANGE HONORED

Honor has just recently come to the Oregon State Grange thru the appointment of State Master Charles C. Hight to the chairmanship of the National Grange Agricultural committee.

The creation of this committee was at the suggestion of Oregon's State Master at the last National Grange meeting. Other members of this committee are the state masters of Kansas and of Massachusetts.

The function of this committee is to study agricultural conditions and needs over the nation, and to further the creation of a similar committee in each state.

#### MULTIPLE SCHOOL LAWS

If the House bill No. 14 by representative Gill and Senator Wheeler survives the opposition of the state department of education the date for No. 1232.

### Passing of Rogue River Fish Bill Reverses Vote of the People

The Rogue River fish bill, providing for the closing of the river to commercial fishing has passed both Senate and House and is now up to the Chief Executive for his signature.

The effect of this legislative act will be to reverse the effect of the people's vote, which endorsed the open river at the last election less than three months ago. How much longer the legislature will exercise the power to reverse the expression of the electorate at the polls is a current topic among visitors in legislative halls. It is frequently suggested that a measure should be introduced to put a stop to this practice.

### GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT PRAISES TELEPHONE OPERATORS WORK

When a sealed presentment which had been handed down by the Nassau County Grand Jury at Mineola, N. Y., in February 1920, was opened recently in County Court, it was found that the grand jury had special praise for Miss Edith Smith, "heroic work and alertness," brought to the police and the ambulance to the scene when Charles Bauer, West-bury druggist, was murdered by three young bandits. The presentment had been opened until the three youths had been executed at Sing Sing. The part played by the telephone operator was an important one, as she succeeded in intercepting the excited and almost unintelligible message of a caller who was slain and who immediately made use of the telephone in an effort to summon the police but who was too excited to speak coherently.

### REHABILITATION UNDERWAY FOR OPENING OF C. M. T. C. TRAINING CAMP

Preparations are underway and applications are being received, for the opening of the Citizens Military Training Camp, at Vancouver Barracks. Camp opens June 13 and continues for a period of 30 days. Young men of this community have attended these sessions before and profited by the excellent training as well as enjoyed a vacation.

### COMMUNIST THREAT ATTENTION EDITORIAL GIVEN

Communist threat against private property in America is getting editorial attention from leading newspapers in United States following reports from congressional investigating commission. The Fish committee conclusions prompt "vigorous defensive measures" against the real and direct attack being made under orders from third international headquarters at Moscow.

### STATE POLICE PROPOSED

Purporting to recommend a modification of the Governor's inaugural address Senate Bill 170 introduced by Edgely, of the Department of State Police.

The general purpose is to coordinate the duties of various criminal law enforcement departments and officers for better enforcement of the criminal laws relating to motor vehicle and motor transportation, fish and game fire, prohibition, narcotic and drug acts. Thru this organization duplication of effort and more effective enforcement are sought with present costs for this service is expected to decrease very materially.

Under this type of law enforcement service the executive head is called "Superintendent of Police." He would be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years and removable by him when necessary for the good of the service.

The Superintendent with the approval of the Governor is directed to appoint a State Police force of numbers sufficient, in the judgment of the Governor and Superintendent, to perform the duties required. The said State Police shall be organized into departments headed by officers necessary for effective operation.

Funds for this department are provided for in this act, by appropriation from the hatchery funds, game protection funds, state highway funds, state fire marshal funds and state police account.

The office of Prohibition Commissioner will be abolished under this act.

### PORT MIDDLE INCREASED

Following the controversial vote in the House denying the Governor the right to appoint commissioners for the Port of Portland, Senator Crawford introduced bill No. 89 providing for the appointment of said commissioners, whose terms of office expire in June this year and for the subsequent election of all members in the future.

This bill has aptly blundered on while compromises and rumors of compromise have kept the battle line inactive.

### DEBENTURE PLAN FAVORED

House Joint Resolution No. 7 memorializing congress to enact into law the debenture plan of farm relief has passed both branches of the legislature thus adding another approval for the national debate to consider.

Decorations and gifts presented to Col. C. A. Lindbergh, after his airplane flight from New York to Paris in 1927 which are displayed in the Jefferson Memorial at St. Louis.

## THE MELTING POT

### THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE FITLER

Why will bull fighting never become an American game? (Answer at bottom of column)

"I am afraid, doctor," said Mrs. Harris "that my husband has some terrible mental affliction. Some times I talk to him for hours and then discover that he hasn't heard a single word."

"That isn't an affliction madam," was the weary reply. "That's a gift."

### Dispersed Harmony

A Southern storekeeper, who was also justice of the peace was sitting in front of his store when a colored man drove up.

"Say, squibh," the latter announced, "dat woman you married use to las' week has ten children, ent' every one ob dem plays some kind' ob musical instrument."

"Why that's a regular band," replied the justice. "Do you want me to send off and get you a horn, too?"

"No, sah," was the dismal response. "Ah wants to git disbanded."

Prof.: Wise men hesitate; fools are certain.

Duppl: "Are you sure?"

Prof.: "I am certain."

### An Up-to-date Job

Customer: (upon entering store) "My! What is it that smells!"

Merchant: "Do you smell it too?"

"Yes, what is it?"

The Merchant: "The business—it's rotten."

Minister: Let me hear how far you can count.

Boy: One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, Jack, Queen, King.

Famous One Liners

Dollgoodnotatall!

And so in closing the column this week we will give one remark by hubby (at 3 a. m.) "It's a great wife if she doesn't waken."

### ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE FITLER:

Because you can't tempt a bull by offering him free tuition.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1926

ays the Tribune writer, Tom Peleg in the research laboratory of the General Electric company a Schenectady.

**The BEST Gray Hair Remedy is Home Made**

To half pint of water add one ounce bay rum, animal fat, fifty miles, was the limit. Less than 300 in these days. Over that, heavy loss in power. The new little bulbous robot is called "Hyatron" and will be described February 11th, at Chicago, by C. W. Stone, consulting engineer, before the mid-west power engineering conference. The tube was born several years ago.

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