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Editorial Program

- I. Make Springfield the Industrial Center of Western Oregon.
- II. Develop a Strong Trading Point; Build a City of Contented Homes.
- III. Improve Living Conditions on the Farm. Promote the Raising of Purebred Livestock and the Growing of Fruit; Work for Better Markets.
- IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

BUILDERS OF MEN.

Probably the most valuable material of any country is its boys—the potential leaders of the community a few years hence. It seems to be pretty well agreed that there never was a time when leaders of vision and moral fiber were more needed in America. To build such men we must begin with the boys.

Three important influences play a part in forming the boy of today. These influences determine to a large extent what sort of a boy he will be. These are the home, the church, and the school. Their influences should be for good. Sometimes, unfortunately, the home influence is either negligible or bad.

But there is another factor in this moulding of the boy—his spare time. During a boy's year 1000 hours are spent at leisure—with the gang—with his pals. What is he doing? What is he learning? What ideals is he finding, and what habits is he forming?

A boy in the teens has to follow some leader—either a gang leader or someone better. The dads who make pals out of their boys can afford to laugh at the gang leaders. So can the dads whose sons are Boy Scouts. They can safely entrust their boys to the scout leader who is a volunteer—giving freely of hours with worthwhile interests. His gang is a clean gang—the scout troop. His lessons are given in God's outdoor temple of nature. He is a guide and counselor to your boy and mine. More power to him.

Scouting work has become highly organized in Lane county and within the last few months Springfield has organized two troops. Now comes a time when Springfield is invited to become a member of the Lane County council and bear a share in the cost of supporting scout work. There are now some dozen scout troops in the county and Lane county council has a program for organizing many more. It takes a paid official to devote all his time to this work and there are many other expenses in connection with summer camps and general administration. When you are asked to give a few dollars toward this work, you may know they are well spent.

History repeats itself. Boiled cocoa, corn and red pepper constituted a drink of the ancient Aztecs. Must have been similar to Oregon moonshine.

Fifty thousands grocers fail in business every year, according to trade statistics. Don't believe too much bunk about the average grocer being a profiteer.

THE WENDLING MAIL.

Each day mail from Wendling for Springfield passes through our city bound for another town for distribution. We receive it the next day. Each day we mail a letter to Wendling we see it going through our town next day to its destination. Hence it takes ordinarily four days to get a direct reply from a locality within the range of vision from our city. Such mail service is absurd and detrimental to our business interests. If the postal authorities continue to be blind to this situation it should be brought to the attention of the Oregon congressmen.

Those of us who have been unfortunate enough to have motor meters and other spare parts stolen from our flivvers can console ourselves that thieving is not so bad in this country as some other places. In the Philippine Islands police are having much trouble with wholesale stealing of tombstones from the grave yards.

Josh Billings said it isn't what people don't know that makes all the trouble, but knowing so many things that aren't so.

One thing about these full balloon pants. A fellow don't have to take off his shoes first to disrobe.

Some folks say the Charleston is a revival of the St. Vitus dance.

Editorial Comment

CAN'T BE MADE TO PAY, SAYS EDITOR L. C. HALL.
(U. S. Publisher.)

L. C. Hall, member of the executive committee of the National Editorial Association and editor of the Wareham (Mass.) Courier, hits the nail on the head when he states in a recent editorial that the ideas of some recent postmaster generals that each class of mail should pay its own way are impossible of carrying out, that there always will be a deficit in the postoffice as long as the present system of bookkeeping is in vogue. He explains his statement by this charge against the postal system:

"It subsidizes certain interests and then asks that other users of the mails pay rates high enough to make up the loss thus incurred. The rural mail routes cannot be made to pay. They never were expected to pay. They were inaugurated for the purpose of serving people in isolated districts, principally farmers, and keep them contented on the farms.

"The rural mail routes make an expense which should be paid from the public treasury. They are a benefit to a certain class of people who are being subsidized by the whole people—willingly. But the deficit should not be charged as an operating expense for other users of the mails to pay. There should be a special appropriation made by congress for the deficit in the rural mail service.

"Carrying mail by airplane is an expense that cannot be met by revenue. If mail is to be continued to be carried in that way an appropriation should be made by congress. It should not be made a charge against other users of the mail.

"The departments at Washington use the franking privilege. Government mail is carried free. That is all right, but the carrying free of government mail should not be made a charge against other users of the mail. The cost of carrying government mail should be chargeable to each department in proportion to the service rendered."

Referring to second-class mail rates, Editor Hall says: "The raising of second-class mail rates has forced some newspapers to the wall; has driven others from the mails, and has forced others to move their plants to the central parts of the country. A big farm paper which was published in Springfield, Mass., was forced to sell out to a western competitor on account of the zone rates applicable to its location.

"The big newspapers have found it cheaper to send their papers by express freight, the rate being lower than the government rate. Too high rates of postage on second-class matter has resulted in a loss of revenue to the government from that source."

AL. G. BARNES CIRCUS AT EUGENE NEXT FRIDAY

The announcement of Al. G. Barnes' circus appears in this issue. The coming of this organization is welcome news, as the Al. G. Barnes circus is one that always presents a clean, wholesome and entertaining program.

This year, according to announcements the circus has been greatly enlarged, and in addition to the all new spectacle of Pocahontas at the Court of Queen Anne with the enormous cast, selected from the 1080 employees, other new features are: 180 horses in one big act, the Popton tribe of Arabs from the Sarah desert—their first visit to America, the Canton Troupe of Chinese circus artists, the Imperial Midget family from Bavaria, Joe Martin (himself), the giant gorilla man, Lotus, the only performing hippopotamus in the world, and the famous exclusive Al. G. Barnes feature—40 dancing horses and 40 dancing girls, and Al. G. Barnes appears in person at each performance.

Owing to the enormous size of the circus this year, the management announces that no street parade will be given in any city visited, however, in place of the omitted procession, a mammoth open air free exhibition will take place on the show grounds at 1:00 and 7:00 p. m., immediately preceding the opening of the doors to the circus, and the largest traveling managerie in the world, comprising over 400 rare animals from all quarters of the earth.

The circus performance starts promptly at 2:00 and 8:00 p. m. Ample parking space for autos is reserved on the show grounds and a city ticket office, where numbered reserved chairs may be obtained at same price charged on the show grounds, is maintained in each city.

Tennis Tournament Planned.

Announcement was made this week by university authorities, that Springfield tennis players are invited to participate in the first annual tournament, Eugene Center Junior Tennis championships, to be held May 27, 28 and 29 on the University of Oregon courts.

The tournaments are authorized by the United States Lawn Tennis Association. Any amateur athlete who had not attained the age of 18 prior to January 1, 1926, is eligible to enter. Winners will be eligible to compete in the Pacific Northwest Junior championships at Tacoma early in the summer.

Old Time Dance.

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Reduce taxes by reducing cost of Government.
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Hasten construction of Roosevelt Highway.
Adequate provision for retiring Control. Make Board of Control the Parole Board; fewer pardons.
Enforcement of Prohibition by officials who believe in enforcing the bonds. Issue no tax free bonds.
Fish and Game Commission function for people and not as political machines.
Play fair with ex-service men.
Maintain high standards of public schools and institutions of higher learning.
I do not believe in taking any political power from the individual voter.
No discount on the taxpayer's dollar.
(Paid. Adv.)

Clearwater in Town—J. A. Clearwater of Natron spent a part of Monday transacting business in Springfield.

Sneed Is Visitor—William Sneed of Waverlyville was a business visitor here Monday.

Waverlyville Residents Here—Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ream of Waverlyville shopped in Springfield Monday morning.

McKay Is Visitor—William McKay of Marcola was a visitor here Monday.

Drive Over Pass—Ed Griffin and son, of West Springfield, returned Sunday after making a trip over the McKenzie Pass. They reported that it snowed in the pass district several times during the latter part of the week.



Republican Candidate for the Legislature

Nineteen years a resident and tax payer of Lane County—native Oregonian.

If elected will support or introduce an income tax bill. Insist on economy and elimination of useless commissions.

Strict enforcement of the prohibition law.

CHARLES M. EMERY

VOTE FOR

ALFRED E. CLARK

Of Portland

Candidate for Republican Nomination for United States Senator

OREGON NEEDS A MAN IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE WHO CAN SECURE RESULTS FOR ITS PEOPLE AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL.

It needs a man familiar with its resources, agricultural interests, industries, harbor and reclamation projects.

It needs a man with the energy, industry and ability to secure governmental recognition and aid for the development of these resources, various interests, industrial enterprises and projects.

IN ALFRED E. CLARK, CANDIDATE FOR THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR, THE PEOPLE OF OREGON HAVE SUCH A MAN.

He has the energy.
He has the industry.
He has the ability.

Moreover he already has to his credit a record of faithful and efficient public service.

HE HAS COURAGEOUSLY OPPOSED IN THIS CAMPAIGN THOSE WHO WOULD DEPRIVE THE PEOPLE OF THE RIGHT TO SELECT THEIR OWN CANDIDATES UNDER THE DIRECT PRIMARY LAW AND WHO NOW SEEK TO DICTATE PARTY NOMINATIONS.

These factors have made him the leading Republican candidate for the senatorship and his nomination seems assured.

A VOTE FOR ALFRED E. CLARK FOR SENATOR IS A VOTE FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE OF OREGON AND ITS PEOPLE.

Paid Adv.—Alfred E. Clark for United States Senator Campaign Committee.

"The Strain is the same Anyway"—says Mrs. Randall



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