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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 Wonders.

## OIL THE MCKENZIE HIGHWAY

The McKenzie highway was a splendid road in June after the rains had stopped and the patrolmen had smoothed up the surface. Now it is rough and spotted except in the timber where it is shaded and the moisture is holding. The top dressing is all in the ditch. The road is disagreeable to ride over and prevent one from enjoying the scenery—especially tourists who have been brought here through the wide advertising given the McKenzie river highway.

The McKenzie highway should be oiled the same way as the Central Oregon and Crater Lake Highways, except possible on some of the sharpest curves. The writer was over the Central Oregon highway a few days after the stretch north of Bend was oiled. It was slick and mussy then. But a month later the same road was as smooth as a floor and resembled closely asphalt pavement. There is no doubt that when oil is put on in heavy applications it does the work. While it may not last as long in Western Oregon climate as in Eastern Oregon it is the best known method for treating macadam roads. When the Central Oregon highway is finished the McKenzie should be fed from the east end just the same as it is now fed from the Pacific highway, but with the present condition of the McKenzie highway the incentive to leave good roads to travel over it is lessened.

In Kentucky they have an anti-gossip law that has been called into effect when people talk about their neighbors still. In other words in Kentucky one must keep still about a still.

The murderer who is hanged never commits another offense.

## THE BOY WHO FOUNDED A GREAT FORTUNE IN A GLASS DISH

Seventy-nine years ago a boy, then aged eight years, put his pennies in a glass dish on the mantle.

He worked three days in a potato patch. He wasn't satisfied with the wages.

One day he saw a stray turkey hen stealthily making for the woods. He patiently trailed her. For days he hunted her nest. When he found it, he took home the baby chicks and fed them with scraps his mother gave him. He sold them in the Fall at the village market.

That was his first money-making enterprise.

And he began to figure and figure. He found that he'd earned less from three days working in the potato patch than the year's interest on the money from his turkey "business."

"So," he concluded, "it is easier to have money work for you than to work for money."

He put his savings to work. He even took the pennies from the glass dish on the mantle and put them to work.

This boy celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday a few days ago. His money "worked" for him until he accumulated one of the largest fortunes in the world.

The boy was John D. Rockefeller.

## WONDERS WILL NEVER CEASE

The Worcester Electric Light Company of Worcester, Mass., announces that in October it will pass back to its customers excess net profits of \$136,000 in the form of a 50 percent discount on the bills.

Nearly 45,000 bills will bear discount and practically every family will share in what is in effect a customer's dividend. The city of Worcester will profit about \$10,300.

The company's action was made possible by its immense profits, which after paying all fixed charges, and paying a 30 percent dividend, showed a balance of \$137,000.

This looks like good business. Public utility corporations have changed tactics considerably in the last decade. No longer do they follow the "public be damned" policy. Hundreds of them have sold stock to their customers. Thousands and thousands of persons who used to fight the utility corporations as "big business" seeking to "rob the public" today are their staunch supporters.

We'll gamble that the Worcester Electric Light Company will benefit more than once from its unusual move to maintain the good will of its public.

Times have changed since we were in the army. Now they have vacuum cleaners to "cuff" the mules with.

No one ever heard of a woman who got up a nice dinner and didn't apologize for it.

## NORTHWEST EMPLOYMENT AT HIGH PEAK OF YEAR

Portland, July 22—(Special) The quite general activity of all industries in the Pacific Northwest has brought employment to the year's high point, according to the 4L employment letter published here today. Farming, including berry picking, haying, harvesting and threshing, together with railroad, highway, factory, building and government construction work, are now giving employment to more men than at any time since Jan. 1. Fire fighting and fire prevention work are also requiring large numbers of men at the present time.

The mid-year let-up of fir logging varies greatly in the different districts, the 4L letter reported. Mill-owned camps are more active than independent loggers. Sawmills, both east and west of the Cascades, are operating on normal schedules.

Forest fires in the Inland Empire territory are reported to be most serious in many years, the 4L letter said. More than 1000 fire fighters were sent out of Spokane last week.

The wheat harvest in the Inland Empire is earlier than usual this year and reports indicate that it is difficult to fill orders for harvest help promptly, due to demand for men to fight fires.

Labor supply and demand in the Pacific Northwest are at present not far from balance.

## OLD TIME DANCE

Every Saturday night at Coburg Bridge Dance Hall, Garrett's Orchestra.

## FARES FOR "TRAIL TO RAIL" CELEBRATION

Roundtrip fares for the price of the one way fare from all points in Oregon to Eugene at the time of the "Trail to Rail" celebration has been announced by the Southern Pacific company. Special trains from Portland, Klamath Falls and San Francisco have been authorized. Sale dates of tickets are August 18, 19 and 20 with return limit August 24. The committee in charge of the celebration expect 30,000 visitors.

## Free Old Time Dance

at Thurston Saturday night July 24th. Everybody invited.

G. W. KETCHEM

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given, that sealed bids will be received by the Recorder at his office in the City Hall, Springfield, Oregon, for the grading and graveling of J Street, from its intersection with Mill Street, east to the Railroad right of way, thence south along the Railroad right of way, West side, across the East side of Block 4 Holos Add.

Contractor to furnish all material and labor and risk in the fulfilling of the Contract. The Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids close July 25th, 1926.

Jl. 15-22.

R. W. Smith, City Recorder.

## Change Time of Dance

The old time dance being conducted in Stevens hall has been changed from Saturday to Thursday night. Garrett's Orchestra which furnished the music for the dance will play at an old time dance each Saturday night at Coburg Bridge hall. The old time dance has been very popular in Springfield both among the older and young folks.

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by Ordinance Number 503 the Common Council of the Town of Springfield has called a special election to submit to the voters of said town the question of issuing bonds in the sum not to exceed \$7500.00 in \$500.00 denominations, to mature in five years from date thereof and bearing 6 per cent interest per annum, with which to purchase a fire engine and apparatus and equipment for the same.

The place for holding said special election is the City Hall of the Town of Springfield, at which place the electors of the entire Town of Springfield shall cast their ballots. The time for holding said special election is the 27th day of July, 1926, and the polls will open at 8 o'clock A. M. of said day and close at 8 o'clock P. M. of said day.

The following named persons are the judges and clerks of said special election:

Judges, L. K. Page and L. E. Thompson.  
Clerks, Hattie Myers, Evelyn Emery and Vina McClain.

R. W. Smith, Town Recorder.

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## Announcement

I have returned to my former business, the Sanitary Market in Springfield, and wish again to see all my old friends and patrons of this meat market.

Quality and Service has always been my motto. You will find here a full line of fresh meats, salted and smoked meats and fish.

Fresh fish on Fridays will also be a feature of this market.

Ice delivery will be three times a week.

## Sanitary Market

T. F. Bennett, Prop.

Fifth and Main St.

Phone 80

## Eugene Business College

A. E. Roberts, President

Secretarial

Stenographic Courses

Bookkeeping

## IT'S A GOOD SCHOOL

992 Willamette Street

Eugene, Oregon

## C'mon Let's Go To Eggimann's

That's the favorite slogan in Springfield these hot days. Everyone appreciates that on our fountain is to be found all kinds of sodas and other soft drinks as well as ice creams. No matter how hot it is Eggimann can always cool you off.

## EGGIMANN'S

## THE BROWN CRISPY LOAF

There are so many good points about PERFECTION BREAD that about the only way to find them out is to try a brown, crispy loaf. Tastes just like homemade—only a little better.

Perfection cake, too, are full of substantial goodness. If you want to make a hit with every member of the family, take one home with you.

## THE BREAD YOU DON'T TIRE OF SPRINGFIELD BAKERY

Perkins Laxton Building

FRED FRESE, Prop.

Fifth St. Springfield Phone 66

## This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

### ONE TON TOM NO CHURCH TO SUE THE JAIL COMPLAINS I'LL CUT YOUR HEAD OFF

Ancient rulers liked uncouth dwarfs and strangely deformed creatures about them. In that respect the human race is not entirely changed.

In Los Angeles an undertaker builds an unusual coffin for Theodore Valenzuela, known to the circus as "One Ton Tom." He weighed 945 pounds.

People paid to see him. If he had weighed only forty-five pounds they would have paid to see him, and if he had had two heads, fat or thin, they would have paid more.

With "One Ton Tom" and everybody else too fat, the trouble is overeating or defective metabolism. Part of our energy creates new tissue. When old tissue stays, you get fat. Beware of fat after fifty. It shortens life.

The good Bishop William Montgomery Brown, out out of the Episcopal Church for doing his own thinking, tried to compel the church by legal procedure to take him back. His lawyers sued "the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America."

But the court says there is no such organization, no such thing for Bishop Brown to sue; so his suit falls to the ground.

The aged bishop is puzzled to know how an organization could be real enough to throw him out and not real enough to stand a lawsuit. There are more mysterious things than that in religion.

We are all influenced by others. Students have protested against "unfairness and cruelty" that forced human beings to be present at religious services, every day. So university officials made

chapel attendance no longer compulsory.

Now the prisoners in jail at New Haven, Conn., say they also consider "unfair and cruel" to make them go to chapel every day. They want the same rights as Yale students. But they are willing to go to church once a week, whereas the Yale men demanded the right to stay away altogether. This shows how careful we should be to set a good example.

The French Minister of Industry discovers that fashion can affect a nation's prosperity. France makes silks, velvets, feathers, rules fashion. Women have been using little material in their dresses, and French industries have suffered. That is to change. Soon American women will find themselves wearing longer skirts, fashions calling for many yards of goods.

Secretary Hoover, in an able speech, worries about our national morals. "The moral and spiritual may be submerged by our great material success." He did not say whether submergence would come from the bootleggers, hijackers and night clubs or from high finance.

In all ages good men have worried about the general condition of morals. One fine Roman emperor had to discipline his own daughter. But somehow the human race manages to stagger along, gradually improving. Every new generation, every new born baby, is a clean page on which a new story of progress can be written.

The Treasury Department, Bureau of Efficiency, Crane and Company, currency paper manufacturers, and the Bureau of Standards combined, after long research, announce that the life of a one dollar bill is only six months.

The average citizen can testify that in some cases the life of a one dollar bill is less than six minutes.

James Brand, four years old, was disobedient. His father admits that he had threatened to cut the boy's head off, hoping the threat might frighten him into obedience. It had not that effect. On Monday James Brand got an axe and, trying to carry out his father's idea, cut off the head of his little brother, aged three. He killed the brother. Children imitate their parents. Be careful how you threaten, or set a bad example.

## About Your Health

Things You Should Know



by John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

### CUSTOM VS. COMMON-SENSE.

I saw a man suffering from sciatic neuritis, due to an injury to his hip. Somebody told him he had rheumatism, and that it was caused by defective teeth; he had eleven teeth extracted; did the neuritis get well promptly? No. If he had sold the car just before he cranked it, he might have escaped the neuritis which followed; but to extract teeth for an injury to the hip, well—

Another patient suffered with a lame back for a number of months. "Rheumatism" of course. She submitted to a severe tonsil operation and, kept her backache until the real cause of it was discovered by a careful diagnostician.

Parting with all of one's teeth is a grave matter; but the fact remains, that thousands of serviceable molars are sacrificed annually, in obedience to custom—to a fad.

The tonsil may be diseased—many times they are; but, is the only remedy to be found in extirpation? We treat other infections successfully and preserve the infected organs, why not give the tonsil a chance? I believe that multiplied thousands of curable tonsils are "massacred" that should have been cured rationally, and this does not mean that the hopeless tonsil should not come out as soon as possible.

It is so easy to go to extremes. Some day there may be a requirement that all high-school pupils shall have their appendices removed as a qualification for entry. Once we remove barriers on the slightest pretext, we are glad to say. Let us study how to preserve teeth and tonsils, before we become a nation of "plate-bearers" and tonsil fiends.