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OREGON ELECTRIC ON THE SANTIAM

That the Oregon Electric railway is behind the proposed railroad up the Santiam to a point above Cascadia became a known fact a few days ago when that company filed a petition with the Interstate Commerce Commission, to be substituted for the original petitioners. Those who have followed the situation believe this is the forerunner of a plan for Oregon Electric extension into other parts of Western Oregon.

The officials of the Oregon Electric have always desired to make extensions to make their road show a profit instead of a loss year after year. The parent companies, the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, have never before granted them the funds for building more railroad—the Northern Pacific particularly being the one to hold back on spending more money in Oregon. Recently the Great Northern has made an arrangement with the N. P. to build branch lines on her own account and the extension was started to Klamath Falls in eastern Oregon. Now with the announced extension up the Santiam we can reasonably expect other territory in Western Oregon to be tapped by the Oregon Electric—perhaps even Springfield and the McKenzie valley.

Added impetus to building in Western Oregon can be expected if the proposed merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern is allowed. The Oregon Electric in that case would be actually a part of the larger company and would be a stronger competitor of the Southern Pacific.

UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODES NEEDED

Washington has estimated that in 1927 there were 26,618 persons killed in highway accidents, 798,700 persons seriously injured, and economic losses of \$672,097,000. This economic loss figure is exclusive of minor damage to motor vehicles. The total killed is an increase of 1,316 over 1926.

The injuries and losses awaken one to the need of expansion of the nation's road-building program, and the necessity for the immediate adoption of uniform traffic codes.

Of course, it will be said, the human factor is the main element contributing to these accidents. But the human factor could be offset to a large extent by adequate motoring facilities and regulation.

Added to that, the individual practice of courtesy and caution is important.

Of late the great menace has been the "hit and run" driver. There is no more obnoxious person than the one who will run on and escape detection after hitting a pedestrian.

William J. Fitzgerald, a member of the New Jersey Bar Association, has invented a device designed to put a stop to "hit and run" driving. It may be adopted by the state for use on all automobiles. This invention will scatter fifty metal discs with the license number of the car on them on the ground whenever an accident occurs. The metal discs will be scattered over an area of twenty-five feet, and so it will be almost impossible for the "hit and run" driver to stop and collect them.

The discs will fall to the ground when a trigger is released, the trigger responding to the collision of the bumper with a moving body.

If this invention will work smoothly, it seems as though to be pretty universally adopted.

It is estimated that during May and June 60,000-659 girls will be told they are the "only girl in the world."

The baseball season is soon to begin, and automatically the mortality rate among grandmothers will mount high.

LET US BUILD THIS COMMUNITY UPON GOOD WILL

Communities built upon a foundation of good will toward all, a sincere effort toward honest dealing with our fellow men, are the communities that will endure long after others founded upon a less liberal application of the golden rule have passed away.

It is the earnest wish of every true member of this community that it shall grow and prosper. Each one is anxious and willing to do his share toward promoting this growth. Each may do his share by doing each day his daily task in the best way he knows how.

Confidence in our home institutions, in our neighbors, and a pride in our local developments of both private and public nature will make for the progress and growth of this community of ours.

WEATHER FORECASTS

Fame and fortune await the man who can discover some method of making accurate long-range weather forecasts. Such a weather prophet would be worth all the hire he asked if he could tell how much rain would fall here next August. He would save the farmers a great deal of money and worry.

The Chief of the United States Weather Bureau in Washington recently made himself the center of a word storm because he denied the ability of weather prophets to make such long-range forecasts with any degree of accuracy.

Official forecasts do not pretend to foretell the weather for more than a week or so ahead, and two or three days is nearer their normal prophecy. But at that there may be some method of telling, other than by mere conjecture, what the temperature and rainfall will be for months ahead. If there is any such method, its discovery would be farm relief of the best possible kind.

BACK UP YOUR CITY OFFICIALS

The arrangement by which the duties of Chief of Police were transferred from the Fire Chief to the Street Commissioner may not suit everybody. But it must be remembered the city council was elected to govern the city—it has made a decision, and it is responsible for its own acts. To secure the best government and greatest harmony in the city people should back up the council in all its acts or at least until it is clearly demonstrated that an unwise decision, has been made. A poor plan with support will work better than a good one with no support from the public.

Among the contenders who claim that they deserve a crack at Tunney is a man with two artificial legs. It seems to us that hasn't a leg to stand on.

A dance fiddler claims that he taps his foot a half million times every year. Something should be attached to his shoe to utilize the energy produced!

Much has been said about the rights of the pedestrians but their only right in the streets seems to be the right to be carted away to the hospital.

Some of the politicians who are climbing on the band wagon may find the old thing is only a dump cart later on.

Statistics of the vast number of people who are not working are quite alarming. What we would like to know is how many of them have jobs.

We pity the candidate for sheriff who makes too many pre-election promises. He will have a hard row to hoe if he is elected.

Hildegard Schwinghammer won the nail-driving contest at the University of Minnesota, so it appears there is something in a name after all.

They have trained a bull dog to talk in Boston. Soon we may expect to be bull dogged over the radio.

Atlantic City is to have no more bathing beauty parades. It is estimated that this omission will save the eyesight of 8,659 persons.

MRS. WALKER WINNER IN LAUNDRY CONTEST

Mrs. Gladys Walker, 944 A St., Springfield, Oregon, has been declared among the winners in the \$50,000 cash prize competition conducted by the laundryowners of the United States and Canada, according to information received here today from contest headquarters at Indianapolis.

Selection was made from among the 1,944,372 letters entered in the competition from practically every civilized country on the face of the globe. The subject was, "Why The Laundry..... Do My Washing." With the honor accorded goes an award.

Mrs. Gladys Walker has the distinction of being the only winning honorable mention in a field of national competition in which more than a million letters were entered but will also receive a laundry service credit. The prize winning letter of the local contestant follows:

"Cleanliness, is one of the essentials upon which our personal welfare and happiness are directly dependent. When I send the washing to the laundry I am safeguarding health. At the laundry every step is taken for sterilization and cleanliness, all lurking foes to health are destroyed, as every trace of fabric destroying dirt is removed. The modern laundry adds greatly to my wealth, comfort and happiness. Absolute cleanliness is assured and a superior quality of work is guaranteed, due to up-to-date washing facilities, which aid in a longer life for my clothes.

"Social recreation, business opportunities and elimination of drudgery, are also factors which prompt me to send the family washing to the laundry, where I obtain a better quality of work for less. I am thus promoting thrift and economy, two of the leading essentials for prosperity."

She: "Are you very busy right now, Mr. Barber?"

He: "Yes, I'm scraping an acquaintance."

"It takes Tom a night and a day to tell a story. He'd make a pretty good bookkeeper."

"How's zat?"

"He's never short in his accounts."

RELIEF FROM CURSE OF CONSTIPATION

A Battle Creek physician says, "Constipation is responsible for more misery than any other cause."

But immediate relief has been found. A tablet called Rexall Orderlies has been discovered. This tablet attracts water from the system into the lazy dry, evacuating bowel called the colon. The water loosens the dry food waste and causes a gentle, thorough, natural movement without forming a habit or ever increasing the dose.

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ATTENTION VOTERS:

NOTICE is hereby given that the registration books for the primary Election will close on April 17th, and remain closed until after the Primary Election.

Cards have been mailed to all registered voters, showing the precinct they are registered in. All voters should check up carefully and see if they are registered in the precinct in which they live, and all voters who do not get a card should re-register at once or get in touch with this office and find out whether or not they are registered.

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Ralph Inman was splitting wood for the stove in the Inman furnishing store Monday morning when he inadvertently let the axe strike the thumb on his left hand. A portion of the thumb was almost severed, but his doctor stated that the stitches put in it might save that part of the thumb.

He: "What time should I come to-night?"

She: "Come after dinner."
"That's what I was coming after."

Tom: "Say, did you ever kiss a girl in a quiet spot?"

Bill: "Yes, but the spot was only quiet while I was kissing it."

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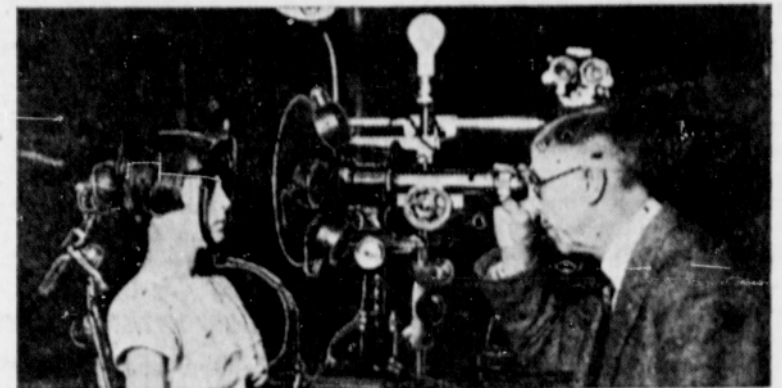
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