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The man who lacks courage to make a start
has already reached the finish.

—L. M. CRANDALL.

A GOOD SPRING

This has been a particularly good winter and spring for farming in this section. Farmers have plowed all winter and much of the spring seeding has been done. The weather has not interfered with farming in the least and with the prospects of the unusual amount of rain coming in the growing season everything seems bright in this regard for the farmer.

While the winter freeze did some injury to the fall sown grain in some localities it mellowed the land so that it worked up well. This has been a great aid to spring seeding.

If Hoover and the extra session of congress can do anything to better farm prices this season the farmer in the Willamette valley should come into his own.

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The state has just been presented with a 125-acre wooded area on the Columbia river highway as a park. Other acreage has been received for state parks from time to time but none in this part of Oregon. We believe that it would be a forward looking move to get areas on the McKenzie and Willamette highways set aside for state parks. Let some civic body take this matter up make selections of appropriate sites and see if they can not be acquired for the state. Ten or 20 years from now these parks will be of great value to the traveling public.

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A start toward reforestation of logged off lands was made in a law passed by the legislature. Land replanted to forest should be tax exempt during the growing period. The state should also assist the owner in replanting the timber. When it is ripe and cut the state may come in for its share as a yield tax. Only by this method can we expect to prolong a great natural resource—timber.

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It now appears that we are going to get through the winter without any high water on the Willamette river. While there is still a possibility of flood it is rather unusual after March. It is not how much snow falls as how it melts that makes the high water especially if it is helped by a heavy rain.

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The sun is shining most of the time and many people have a little garden in. That is spring and the month of March in the Willamette valley. Contrasted with the floods and blizzards in other parts of this continent we should be thankful we live in God's favored country.

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The Southern Pacific is building a 12 million dollar bridge across San Francisco bay. It will cut train time 20 minutes. Each year at this rate it will save 500,000 visitors to Frisco 10 million minutes. Surely time is money in this regard.

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The lopping off of five hours running time between Chicago and Portland looks like the railroads were trying to compete with the airplane.

THE FUMBLE FAMILY

by Dunkel



A NEW WAY TO TELL TIME

Henry Rheinhardt, chairman of the Associated Dress Industries, Chicago, comes forth with a brand new idea on the moot problem of the length of skirts.

He suggests that dresses should be worn down to the knee at noon, and hour by hour longer dresses should be worn until at midnight the dresses would be as long as in the days of our grandmothers.

This would give women fashion's authority to change their frocks every hour. The suggestion has been given serious attention all over the country.

It is said that this suggestion, if followed, would be a wonderful compromise, pleasing both the advocates of long and short skirts.

We don't pose as an authority in such matters, but pass the idea on in the thought that it is interesting at any rate—and would provide us with a rather charming way of telling time.

DON'T WORRY YET

The sun will shine for a billion years, and then when it begins to dim another will form to take its place.

So says Professor Millikan of the California Institute of Technology.

Others have said that the sun would eventually go out and all would be darkness. Many theories have been advanced. We trust in God to keep the world alight and going, and are seldom if ever disturbed for a moment by all the predictions that tell us the world is going to end on such and such a date.

As for that second sun, thanks Professor. It's a great comfort to know that it is coming along. But really, we guess we'll just string along for a while with the sun that we know, and just refuse to worry as to whether a second one is coming along or not. Personally, we don't need it!

Editorial Comment

THINGS ARE LOOKING UP

(Portland Telegram)

Within a month, work will start on a three million dollar enlargement and improvement of the Camas plant of the Crown Willamette Paper company.

On Coos Bay, the new mill of the Wenich-Finley Lumber company will soon be in operation and within two weeks work will start on a spruce sawmill of 125,000 feet daily capacity to be operated in connection with the Sitka Spruce Pulp and Paper Mills under construction at Empire.

Direct air mail and passenger service from Portland to the East will start June 1. Operating headquarters of the Varney Air Lines will be moved from Boise, Idaho, to Portland, where terminal facilities costing between \$50,000 and \$75,000 must be provided and a staff maintained that will give the city a new \$100,000 pay roll.

Two crews are at work on the survey for the 80-mile extension of the Great Northern railway from Klamath Falls south to Lookout, Cal. The Southern Pacific announces purchase of eight buses to be added to their motor fleet, and ten lounge cars which will make the Shasta a luxury train. The Union Pacific system will spend \$28,000,000 this year in development work in its Northwest sector. A large part of this money will be spent directly in Oregon and much of it will go for equipment which will benefit equally all parts of the territory.

A new plane built by the National Aircraft corporation at Beaverton makes a successful maiden flight from the Swan Island field promising success to a new industry.

Henry W. Collins, president of the Collins Flour Mills of Pendleton and of the Pendleton Round-Up, and Harry Banfield, president of the Iron Fireman Manufacturing company of Portland, have bought 3000 acres of the richest wheat land in the Pendleton area, indicating a healthy confidence in Oregon agriculture.

This is the feast of good news that may be gathered from one day's chronicle—and just for dessert, we add Professor L. E. Griffin's discovery that maple syrup, sugar and flavoring extract, may be made from the sap of Oregon maple trees.

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Harrisburg is practically free from money snobbery. Other places have their wealthy 400's, their moneyed aristocracy the social elite based on money, houses and furniture but not so here. We have neither the very wealthy nor the very poor. There is a common level that forgets all about the dollar sign, the floor rugs and the fine raiment. Groups are formed for business reasons, for social affairs or for religious affiliation, but the possession of wealth is not given a thought in them. It is a fine spirit of democracy and one that should be encouraged.—Harrisburg Bulletin

POULTRY MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN VICINITY

Professor A. G. Lunn, head of the poultry department of the Oregon Agricultural College, will discuss the brooding of chicks and the care of pullets until the laying period at a series of five meetings in Lane county next week, according to County Agent O. S. Fletcher, who has arranged for this service to poultrymen. The schedule for the meetings is as follows: Tuesday, March 26.

2:00 p. m. Farm of George H. Gilmore, one mile north of Junction City on Pacific Highway.

7:45 p. m. County court room, in court house, Eugene.

Wednesday, March 27

2:00 p. m. Veach farm, one-half mile south of Lowell.

8:00 p. m. City Hall, Cottage Grove. (In cooperation with American Legion)

Thursday, March 28.

9:30 a. m. Farm of C. A. Jessen, two miles west of Walterville and across road from Eugene power plant.

The county agent states that success in the poultry business depends more upon the poultrymen's ability to produce healthy, vigorous pullets than upon any other one factor and that Professor Lunn will outline methods of producing such pullets. All interested parties are invited to attend these meetings.

Marriage Licenses for Week

During the past week marriage licenses have been granted by the county clerk to the following: Daniel McCallum and Pearl Jackson, both of Eugene; Henry Ottman and Katherine Bloom, both of Wendling; Harry Dovenhill, Leaburg, and Alberta Weaver, Thurston; Elmer Borgaard, Junction City, and Ellnor Kocks, Santa Clara; Cuthbert Crites, Cottage



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Teonisberg, Germany, Mar 21, (AC) —If statistics matter, this little Rhine village is the healthiest place in Ger-

many. Of 72 inhabitants 20 are over eighty years old. During the last year, there were twenty-one births and only eight deaths.

Private Promoted—Private Norman E. Louk of the local national guard unit was promoted to private of the first class at the regular drill Thursday night.

Visiting in Astoria—Mrs. John Bushman is spending the week in Astoria where she is visiting here parents.

EASTER CANDIES

Make Easter exceptionally happy this year by getting your candy at this shop—where all the merchandise offered is pure and wholesome, made by experts out of the very freshest and purest ingredients. Special Easter candies in Special Easter Boxes expressing the Spirit of Easter—chocolate Easter eggs—Easter bunnies—eat 'em alive. You don't have to be afraid of them if you get them here!

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