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BACK TO THE FARM

All over the United States there is a back to the farm movement until the loss of 1,500,000 persons on the farm in 1920 to 1930 has been overcome. Not only have more people returned to farming in two years than have left it in the ten year period but the march seems to be going steadily on.

Here in Lane county we see new cottages everywhere in the country and lumber firms report that most of the building the last two years has been in the rural districts. The reason for this is a security in living in the country that does not exist in the cities, even with the low price of farm produce.

Whether a farmer produces a great deal to sell or not he can, if he has average thrift and intelligence, make a fair living for his family on good land. Especially is this true in the Willamette valley where almost any kind of agricultural food product can be produced.

With plenty of fruit and vegetables, a few cows, chickens and hogs a farmer, with clear property, will not reach the point of destitution that the laborer and even the professional man in the cities do in hard times.

Here in Oregon where the lumber business is not expected to come back to its former prosperity the hope of the country is to have more people on the soil, intensively farming small acreage. This depression movement may ultimately be the foundation for a greater Oregon.

THEORY AND PRACTICE IN VETERAN AFFAIRS

Democratic newspapers and others that have been turning liberal in an attempt to climb on the band wagon and ride on the November landslide were first to assure the good people of this country that the so-called national economy bill would not affect the world-war veteran disabled in battle. They knew the country was going to look after its battle casualties no matter what happened.

But now comes a practical example. Portland has discovered she is about to lose her veterans' hospital and the Oregonian is moved to write these words: "The prospective patients, in short, are cut down to a very few. Even a veteran whose arms and legs had been shot away in the service of his flag could not get into the hospital for an ordinary ailment unless he were a pauper. Worse still, there is now no government care whatever for the indigent veterans who are without war-connected disabilities. With the great modern hospital on Marquam hill rapidly becoming vacated, the full burden of caring for almost all the veterans is thrown back upon the city, county and state, which already are strained to capacity to care for the poor among the rest of the population."

THE AKRON DISASTER

The loss of the huge Navy dirigible "Akron" with seventy-three lives is the most serious disaster since men first began to navigate the air. Caught in the middle of a terrific thunderstorm off Barnegat Bay the great airship plunged into the sea and only four of its crew and passengers were rescued, one of them dying shortly afterwards.

Tragedies like this are a part of the price humanity pays for progress. Doubtless there will be a great outcry against further experiments in aerial navigation as a result of the "Akron's" crash. But there were outcries against railroads, against the automobile against airplanes, when they were young. Millions have perished at sea, yet nobody proposes to abolish ships. If safety were the only rule of life mankind would still be living in the primitive jungle.

The high school girls have displayed political acumen far beyond that of their mothers. In the recent student body election they allowed boys to elect but one male officer, social promoter. Perhaps males are to be politically exterminated in the future generations. Women were always better campaigners than men.

President Roosevelt's plea to stop aggression and the passing of armies beyond a country's own borders will be received in China at least with acclaim. But in Japan we can imagine they will probably thumb their nose at it or use some other uncomplimentary universal language.

Marriages in Oregon are off 9.1 per cent. Nebraska during the same period went up 6.6 per cent. Which goes to show that it may be the legislatures instead of the depression that are affecting the marriage market.

Ode to our out-of-doors he-men: "There's fish in our rivers, and gold in our hills, but the money in our pockets won't pay our bills."

New Jersey and Wyoming are the latest additions to the repeal column. Ten to one batting averages for the wets have been chalked up. The democrats want whiskey and it looks like they are going to get it.

Woodrow Wilson and your editor made a mistake by going to France. What will Franklin do?



The FAMILY DOCTOR by JOHN JOSEPH GAINES MD

A FRIENDLY TALK

I have just read in a big daily newspaper, a very learned discussion by a high powered health-columnist, of the action and uses of THYROID. Of course many physicians may be attracted by the heading and read for their edification what a brother has to say to lay readers. But I am of the opinion that the article was worth next to nothing for the average business man or family.

The ultimate effect of thyroid when administered as a medicine is a subject for serious debate among skilled scientists; all do not agree by any means, upon its action, or, the chief indications for its use. Then, why introduce it to the lay readers? Since it takes many years of intense application to make a skilled physician, why try to make the average newspaper reader into a bewildered pseudo-scientist?

Thyroid should never be taken or administered without the advice of a capable physician. I have had middle-aged ladies ask me, "Doctor, don't you think I need THYROID?" All she knew about the powerful gland extract she had gleaned from the newspaper! It was only a step for this woman to go to the drug-store and buy a package of thyroid tablets—and go to taking them on her own initiative! And—nine times out of ten—the very thing she did not need.

I must say to my readers that I am exceedingly "leary" of the discussion of powerful, dangerous drugs to the layman. It may lead the best of people into harm.

That's why my "talks" abound in simplicity. I'd rather give you a hint based on common-sense—how to behave in emergency—or how to deal with a sore toe to the best advantage. I wouldn't stuff my reader with chemical equations and disputed theories on vitamins and hormones—even if I were qualified to do so. My technical talk belongs to the medical society.



WASHINGTON, May 18.—President Roosevelt's declaration over the radio that he intended to use the power to inflate the currency only if, as and when it became necessary to do so has quieted the fears of a good many to whom the word "inflation" meant something like what happened in Germany ten years ago, when the mark went so low that it took a billion of them to buy a ham sandwich.

Nothing of the sort is contemplated by the American government; and it is regarded as quite possible that the president will not have to use very much of the inflationary power given him before the downward course of the dollar meets the rising curve of commodities at a level comparable with that of seven years ago, when everybody was more prosperous than most people had dreamed of ever becoming.

There seems to be a quite definite determination to put silver back to its old monetary position, but it is doubtful that Mr. Roosevelt will make a step in that direction until the World Economic conference, which meets in London on June 12, has had a chance to consider international action for the remonetization of silver.

Without any inflation of the currency whatever, but merely as a result of the power known to be vested in the president, and of his action in locking up all the nation's monetary gold, commodity prices began a sharp rise in April and are still going up. This has made Mr. Roosevelt's friends very happy, and it seems tangible evidence that his administration has already been able to keep its campaign promise of higher prices.

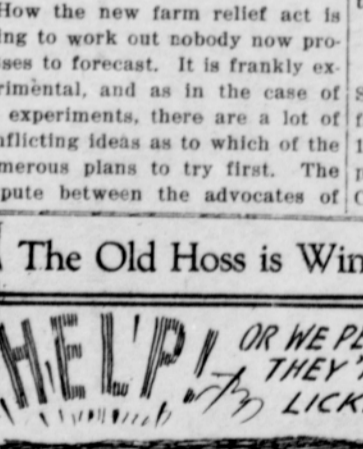
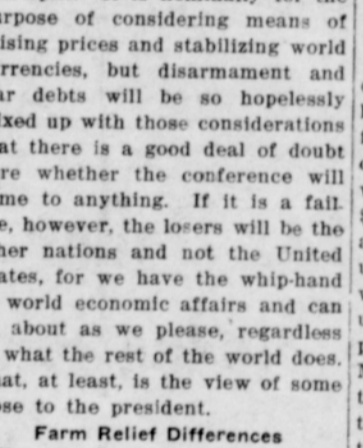
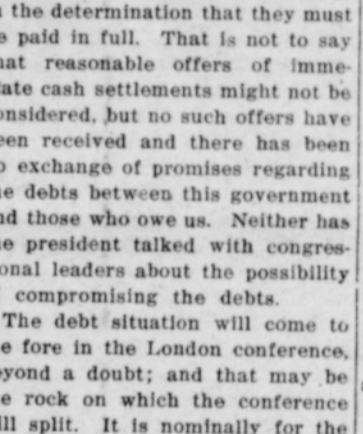
The debt situation The only financial question pending which is still unsettled is that of the European war debts. Europe is still trying to wriggle out of paying them, and congress is still firm in the determination that they must be paid in full.

More Crop Loans Offered Oregon farmers may obtain additional crop production loans to help finance summer fallowing and fall seeding, according to word received by the Oregon Extension Service.

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OREGON INSTITUTIONS PLAN SUMMER SESSIONS

Secretary Wallace believes that acreage reduction is the important thing; it alone will cure the major troubles of the majority of farmers, he thinks. George N. Peek, who for years represented various farm organizations as the principal lobbyist for the equalization fee plan of farm relief, believes that farmers should be permitted to raise as much as they like, under a government guarantee of an equalized domestic price and the surplus over domestic consumption to be dumped abroad for whatever it will bring.

Mr. Peek, having been selected to be the administrator of farm relief under the new law, had quite a run-in with his chief, the secretary of agriculture, it is reported. At any rate, the situation has been smoothed out and the duties of the different executives defined.

Peek, Wilson and Tugwell Mr. Peek is to administer the trade agreements provided in the new law. His task will be to line up all the various units of agriculture and agricultural industry.

Professor M. L. Wilson, said to be the originator of the domestic allotment plan, which has been to some extent put into the new law, will be the wheat administrator.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Rexford G. Tugwell, will specialize in the effort to expand our foreign market for agricultural products through reciprocal trade agreements and tariff treaties and the effort to obtain international agreement on control of production in other countries.

Secretary Wallace will be in general charge, and is expected to devote much of his own energy to emphasizing the necessity for acreage reduction.

No time is being lost, and it will not be long before every farmer growing cash crops in every part of the United States will receive a visit from a local representative of the department of Agriculture to explain the whole scheme to him, and show him how he can make more money by not producing than by enlarging his activities.

The expectation now is that congress will get through about the first of June, having accomplished more in three months than any previous congress ever accomplished in three years. The talk of the members will not start home until they have had a chance to read up on the bills they have passed so that they can give their constituents some sort of an idea of what they are about. For it is literally true that the majority of members in both houses do not pretend to understand all the implications of the measures which they have been adopting at the president's request.

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Extensive lists of materials now available at the State Library which can be used in studying the history of the sales tax movement and its accomplishments have been prepared by Harriet C. Long, state librarian, and have been distributed to all newspaper editors in the state. Some of the material can be obtained free, other books and pamphlets have fixed charges, which are indicated on the lists.

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MANY LOCAL PEOPLE TAKE LICENSE EXAM

Many Springfield people have taken the state examinations and have applied for new driver's licenses during the past few days. The examinations were given at the Knights of Pythias hall in Eugene on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday. Long lines of people formed each day awaiting their turn to be examined.

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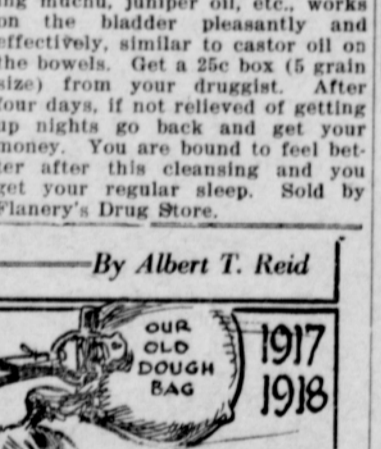
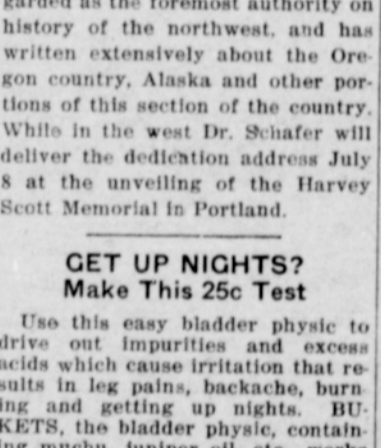
Science at State College At the state college the biological and physical sciences will be given this summer for the first time, together with the usual work in home economics, industrial arts, secretarial training and branches of education including vocational and educational guidance assigned the college. Some general service courses are also included.

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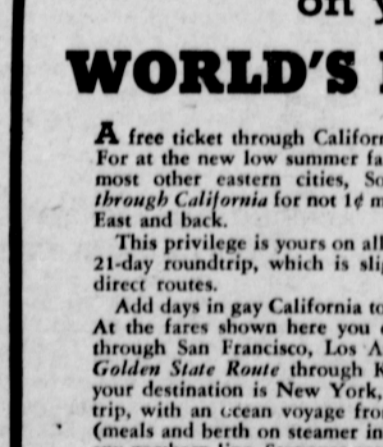
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newed on payment of 50 cents now if the tests are taken before June 9. The fee for the license to drive will be advanced to \$1.00 after that date.

No announcement regarding the holding of these examinations in Springfield has been made by the Secretary of State.

MANY OREGONIANS AT WASHINGTON PICNIC

The Oregon State society, an organization of former Oregonians, now residents of Washington, D. C., held their annual meeting and banquet Friday evening at Barker hall. Honored guests and speakers for the evening were James W. Mott, congressman from the first district, and Walter M. Pierce, former governor and congressman from the second district. More than 200 former webfoots and friends were in attendance.

Prominent Oregonians attending the annual convalescence included Senators McNary and Stelwer, Judge John L. Rand, chief justice of the supreme court and Mrs. Rand; Mr. and Mrs. Evan A. Reames of Medford; J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway commission; R. D. Dodson, executive manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce; J. R. Callahan, former state savings and loan supervisor; and Ben S. Fisher, former district attorney of Coos county.

Carl Hubbard, International League umpire, weighs 265 pounds. After the baseball season he plays football for the Green Bay professional team.

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