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AIR TRAVEL IS COMING.

Medford will dedicate a new aviation field on Labor Day which is said to be the finest forest patrol landing field on the coast. The field has been carefully leveled and is 1200 by 2300 feet in extent. It is one mile from the business section of the city. The Medford Commercial club expended \$1000 leveling the field and the United States government did the rest.

All of which should remind other towns, Heppner for instance, that aviation is coming and will, in all probability, be soon here. It is practically assured that mail will be carried through this part of Oregon by airplane within the next year and the town that is not prepared to offer a suitable landing place will be passed up.

Heppner should take some steps towards a landing field before the summer and fall is over.

Other towns are waking up to the importance as well as the imminence of aviation. Why not Heppner?

FINANCIAL BOOTLEGGING.

A new set of initiative jugglers from the legislative mill at Oregon City have a great scheme to make money cheap by imposing low legal rates of interest on all loans—4 per cent for one kind, 5 per cent for another. Or are they from Oregon City? Nobody knows much about them, or cares, except that their scheme has the familiar flavor of the old reform bunk that a few years ago had the Oregon City trademark.

Under the new method there is to be introduced into Oregon a new and odious creature—a financial bootlegger. You want to borrow, say, \$1000. How are you to get it if the measure passes? The banks won't lend it to you, nor any other institution or person, at either 4 or 5 per cent. You hunt up a broker. He will arrange it. He fixes it all up by having you sign a note for \$1200 or \$1500. He gets the money from some bucket shop, or financial still, run by a new style bootlegger. You get the \$1000, perhaps; but when your note is due, you pay \$1200 or \$1500.

Of course no reputable bank will adopt any such practices. But what will it do? It will either send its money out of the state, or not lend it at all. Either way spells trouble, and even bankruptcy, for the borrower. But the bank must and will itself avoid bankruptcy by protecting itself as it can.

If no money can be borrowed in Oregon at normal rates all industry will be affected. You cannot make the bank, or the individual who has money, lend it; but the borrower must have it. Where will he get it, either for primary loans or for renewals?—Oregonian.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN ACTION

Some people talk of the League of Nations as tho it were up in the air; as tho it had not yet been formed, but that the question whether it would be for the best interest of the nations that they bind themselves together in a league were open for discussion; when the fact is that a League of Nations has been formed and there are 33 nations now members of it, while the only nations of importance outside of it at the present time are Russia, Turkey, Germany, Mexico and the United States. The following concerning the "League of Nations in Action", is reproduced from the New York World:

The Council of the League of Nations devoted its first days session at San Sebastian to ironing out one of the troublesome wrinkles left by the war by taking steps to abolish delays and discomforts imposed on travelers at the frontiers of the new states of Central Europe. These involve not only vexatious detention but the frequent confiscation of personal property, the loss of money under the enforced purchase of new tickets at an unfavorable rate of exchange and other serious handicaps to free communication. The council also heard reports on the dispute between Sweden and Finland for the possession of the Aland Islands and discussed the payment of the expenses of the Saar Basin boundary commission.

These, to be sure, are minor disagreements in international relations. But they show the League of Nations functioning in good order and sitting as the world's high court of political justice to adjudicate problems arising from conflicts of national interest. And whether the problem relates to the passage of travelers or troops across a frontier, to the payment of a commission's expense bill or a threat of war, everything that concerns the peace and welfare of Europe is equally within the great tribunal's scope.

And the drama goes on with Hamlet out of it, with

the United States aloof and apart from councils in which it should have a powerful voice and does have an inalienable interest.

COX STANDS FOR THE LEAGUE.

That those who believe that the League of Nations is necessary for the future peace and prosperity of the world are to have a candidate who is committed to the League may be learned from the following extract from Governor Cox's speech of acceptance:

"The question is whether we shall or shall not join in this practical and humane movement. President Wilson as our representative at the peace table entered the League in our name, in so far as the executive authority permitted. Senator Harding as the Republican candidate for the presidency proposes in plain words that we remain out of it. I favor going in."

RECLAMATION OF PRIME IMPORTANCE TO MORROW CO.

In view of the start already made towards working out of the John Day irrigation project it may be said that perhaps no other county in the Northwest has a greater interest in the reclamation of arid lands than has Morrow county.

The reclamation of nearly 300,000 acres in the northern part of this county will mean not only the bringing into productivity of that amount of unproductive and practically worthless land, but it will also, to those conversant with the subject tell us, have a decidedly beneficial effect on the wheat lands lying above the canals because of the added rainfall and the prevention of hot winds the evaporation from such a vast area of irrigated lands will bring about.

Every additional acre brought into production in the county is an asset to the county and to all of its inhabitants and for that reason the people of the county should use every honorable means to advance the cause of irrigation in the west with particular reference to our own local project.

On September 16th and 17th representatives from the States of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming will hold an Irrigation and Development Congress at Seattle at which states, counties, municipalities, irrigation districts and commercial organizations will be represented.

At this meeting an educational program will be promulgated pressing upon the United States Congress the necessity of the speedy reclamation of the arid lands of the West.

Morrow county should be well represented at this congress. Every commercial organization should send a representative as should the John Day district. Speedy government aid for the reclamation of arid lands means too much to Morrow county to permit any slacking at this time. We should join hands with other sections of the great Northwest in demanding and helping to bring about the development of the arid West.

MAKING LAW-BREAKERS

No right thinking person will blame a law officer for enforcing a law it is his sworn duty to enforce, no matter how obnoxious that law may be. But when men are employed to tempt others to violate the prohibition law by giving unsuspecting persons drink and offering to sell them liquor in order to bring a charge against them, every decent person should deprecate the act, whether such means are used by law officers or over-zealous temperance advocates.

It is said this ruse has been worked in Ione this week, though unsuccessfully. The spy using such tactics is nothing more nor less than a law breaker himself and should be

so considered and dealt with accordingly by the law, unless an outraged community should beat the authorities to the miserable creature and apply a coat of tar and feathers to his worthless carcass.—Ione Indep't.

BOARDMAN VOTE WITH HERMISTON

Editor Heppner Herald,
Dear Sir:

In regard to the matter of relative road route superiority from the John Day ferry to Pendleton, I see the discussion left the matter still open, and apparently no decision was reached which would guide the travelling public in a choice of roads. Therefore the Boardman Commercial club by casting the deciding vote in favor of the Columbia river route hopes to effect a peaceful and final adjustment of the question in debate.

We do not believe that a careful survey of the two routes will admit of much doubt as to which is the most desirable and we are inclined to think that our Heppner friends will be willing to concede that they were in error, if they go over both roads.

The fact that the claim recently made in the Herald in regard to the best route brags up the wheat fields scenic charm and not the road itself lends emphasis to the belief that the friends of this route have seen things in a new light and are now converted.

It is hardly credible that any motorist who had from either direction passed through endless miles of wheat farms, hilly, dusty, hot and dry, would still prefer such scenery when the other road lay open to his choice, with its fine level stretches along the magnificent Columbia river and picturesque Umatilla river, well settled, well watered and with cities and villages close at hand all the entire distance.

In conclusion we will say that to us it seems that the conditions as to rival routes is unimportant, as with the close of this season there will be no question whatever as to which way we should go, and we expect in the future as in the past, to work with the rest of Morrow county for the establishment of good permanent well located highways, so that in the future the motorist may travel in any direction without fear of disaster and delay.

Yours truly,
A. W. Cobb,
Pres. Boardman Com'l Club.

THE CALL

He's going where it's home again,
Just going back to roam again
Through woods and winding streams;
Back to the place that's best for him,
The spot that holds real rest for him,
Beside the campfire gleams.

Through mists of men it steals again.

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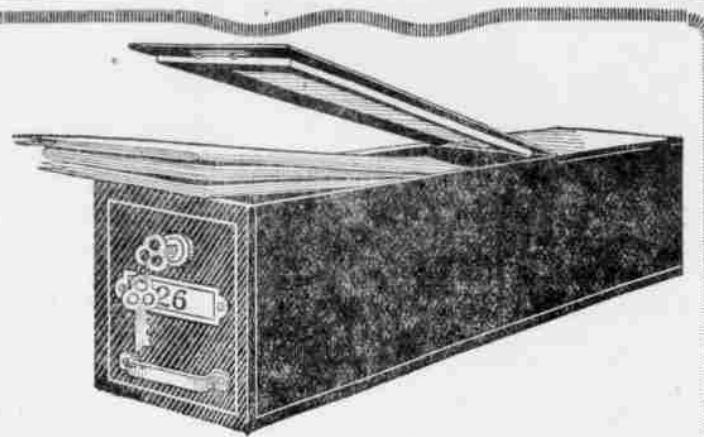
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FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Heppner, Oregon

The luring that he feels again,
From where the red gods rule;
The whispered voices call to him
The vision of it all to him,
Of woods and waters cool.

He sees the leaping trout again,
Come flashing swiftly out again;
He feels the tingling thrill
That's found along the trail he makes
The lone and silent trail he takes,
O'er valley land and hill.

And so he starts to pack again,
And soon he'll travel back again,
To seek the haunts of old;
To take the sunset route again,
And watch the day dim out again
Through gates of fading gold!
George B. Staff
In Field and Stream

SHERIFF RAIDS IONE

Sheriff McDuffee and Deputy Childsey swooped down on Ione last Tuesday night looking for moonshiners and violators of the prohibition law. With the assistance of Marshall Frank several places were searched but no incriminating evidence found, we are

told, but five of our citizens were placed under arrest. The arrested parties were taken before Judge Campbell at Heppner next day and three of them were charged with being drunk. Two pleaded guilty and were fined \$10 and cost, the other entered a plea of not guilty and his case was continued. No charge was placed against the other two arrested.

We are reliably informed that a person who has been notoriously making and selling a vile concoction of booze here in town for weeks past was not molested, though he did not leave town until next day and is now said to be in another state.

—Ione Independent

Hermiston, Ore.—A new, modern \$12,000 moving picture house built by local capital, is nearing completion at Hermiston.

Ashland, Ore.—Pear picking is now in progress in the Rogue river valley. The green fruit are being prepared for shipment by the five packing plants of the Ashland Fruit and Produce association.

Ease and Comfort

HOW MUCH EASE AND COMFORT YOU CAN GET OUT OF A PROPERLY REPAIRED OLD SHOE THROUGH THE HOT SUMMER DAYS. IT'S EASY AS AN OLD GLOVE AND EVERY DAY'S WEAR YOU GET OUT OF AN OLD PAIR MEANS THAT MUCH SAVED ON THE NEW PAIR WHEN THE STORMY SEASON COMES. BRING US THE OLD ONES AND WE WILL MAKE THEM

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