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THE MIGRATORY BIRD LAW

Politics and outdoor sports have become badly mixed in Oregon. The fish and game commission has been frequently on one side or the other of controversies and the laws concerning fish and game have numerous jokers. The migratory bird law is an example of this situation which right now is timely.

Most of the states in the union have submitted to the federal law regarding the shooting of migratory birds. Because of the treaty with Canada and the habits of these birds, zones extending across the United States have been designated, with uniform game law which is in conflict with the federal law.

The federal law, according to constitution, takes precedence over a law of any state in contradiction. The state law, however, is not ignored. The federal law opens the season in this section on September 16, but last year hunters who had ducks were confronted with state authorities and told that the state does not open the season until October 1st.

The federal law closes the season December 31, but the state makes the close January 15. Persons hunting during this season violate the federal law, those who hunt between September 16 and October 1 are in danger of arrest by the state officials.

With four weeks thus in the danger zone, hunters in this section feel they must be unduly wary. They are using all influence they can bring to bear to have the state acquiesce to federal sovereignty and follow that this season. As yet the state has not bowed and stepped down.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

DECENT PROFIT WILL REVIVE BUYING

The depressed state of mind of the average business man is due to the fact that he was caught with large quantities of high-cost goods, in stock ordered, and with an expensive organization in a falling market. The courts at present are clogged with actions brought by firms which sold goods at high prices only to find that the buyer refused acceptance because he found he could get them much cheaper. Pacific coast firms, for instance, suffered large losses because Cuban importers refused to pay for rice that they had ordered for eleven cents when the price dropped to six cents. But these firms did not complain when they bought six-cent rice eight months ago and sold it for eleven cents.

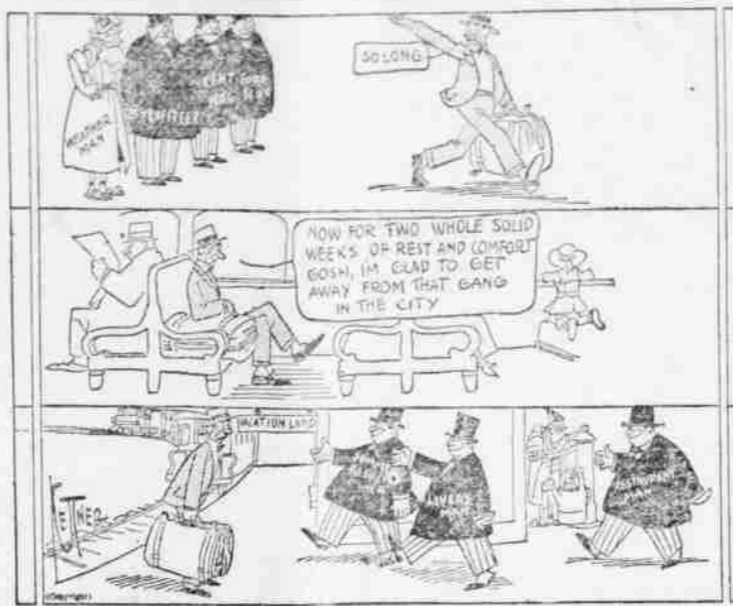
Still, the situation is not serious. Lower prices had to come sooner or later. In several lines, as for instance wool, hides and beans, they are entirely too low at the prices quoted in July. The demand for clothes made of wool and for leather shoes has been temporarily diminished below normal because most of the manufacturers and dealers in these commodities profited so outrageously that the disgusted public ceased buying. When the average man is convinced that manufacturers and dealers will no longer skin him, but will be satisfied with a fair, decent profit, he will resume his purchasing, for he needs the goods and he has the money to buy them. The full extent of the outraged feeling was revealed by the short-lived overall craze. It was merely the country-wide spontaneous combustion of accumulated wrath and indignation.—September Sunset.

"BUNK" IN PLATFORMS ABOUT PEACE TREATY

The platforms of both parties were designed with a twofold purpose, to save the face of the party leaders and to spread the vote-getting honey of meaningless promises over as large a surface as possible. Nowhere does the quality of this face-saving, vote-catching platform bunk become more apparent than in the planks devoted to the leading issue, the League of Nations.

The Democratic platform builders profess to believe that Mr. Wilson's policies and actions would have brought the Millennium if the wicked Republicans had not tacked his tires and drained his gasoline tank. Knowing full well that they can't get what they ask for, they demand ratification of the Treaty practically in its present form. The Republicans, on the other hand, try to please all varieties of treaty opponents by denouncing the Covenant in ambiguous phrases devoid of meaning. Neither party touches the heart of the problem which lies in the conditions of the imperialistic peace treaty which the League of Nations is to uphold. Neither party promises to use America's limitless economic and financial power to redeem the broken pledge of the Fourteen Points. Neither party seems to realize that America, whether it wants to or not, must

You Can't Get Away From 'Em



for the next twenty-five years exercise constant diplomatic, economic and financial pressure in Europe and Asia to check militarism, restore production, revive trade and suppress hatred, not in the Wilsonian manner of lifting eyes to heaven in a fine frenzy and leaving the open pockets totally unguarded, but through the Roosevelt-Hoover manner of applying quiet practical pressure in the most vulnerable spot.—September Sunset.

LET'S NOT BRAG—LET'S ADVERTISE!

When you have smashed the line, or saved the nation,
 When you have climbed the icy Matterhorn,
 When you have hit the bulleye of Creation,
 When you have grown the record yield of corn,
 When you have skinned the crowd which tried to skin you
 You naturally want the crowd to know.
 When you have scooped the world, there's something in you

As hard to smother as a rooster's crow,
 But take my tip—however much you prize it,
 Don't brag about your stunt, but advertise it!

How many a man you've known both wise and witty,
 But wasted wit too much in bragging of it.
 How many a favored woman would be pretty,
 But loves her face so much you cannot love it.
 None of us like this being told forever
 That wit is wit and beauty beauty. No;
 We like to think we, too, are somewhat clever
 At finding two-times-two is really so.
 Then the remedy—let me advise it—
 Boast not your chiefest charm, but advertise it!

Now, I know poets who would give an eye-tooth
 To write, well, say, as I do if you please.
 It's not their fault they cannot paint a high truth
 In words which stick and stay with you, like these,
 Nor is it my fault that I have the fashion
 Of putting in this punch the way I do;
 It's merely that I know your own pet passion,
 Because I'm just a common dub like you.
 You see I do not brag. No, I despise it;
 I merely write the stuff—and advertise it!
 —Edmund Vance Cooke.

FARMERS BUY SORGHUM MILL

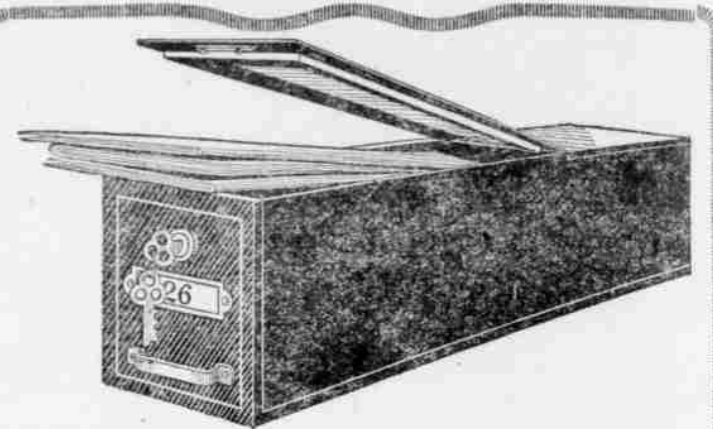
Farm bureau members of Benton county have bought a sorghum mill, which they expect to start up early in September. No announcement of a "molasses bee" has been made—all that is needed to make things look as they do "back east."

THE ROUND-UP

Pendleton, Ore., September.—New relay strings from California, promising even faster relay and pony express races than heretofore, will be seen at the 1920 Round-Up which opens Thursday, September 23 and shows for three days. These strings will compete against the old favorites who have thrilled Round-Up audien-

ees for years past. Indians of the Umatilla reservation in spite of the high cost of getting Indians to perform, will be in the parades and much in evidence at the show this year. There will be at least 500 of the natives and their cayuses in the parades, lending that element of savage finery that is so appealing to those who come here to see the real west.

Roads leading to Pendleton are being put in the best possible condition for auto travel and each will be generously marked with signs to point the correct way to the Round-Up city. Special efforts have been made to provide ample accommodations for auto tourists and they are also to find enough gasoline here to start them homeward with a full tank.



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BACK TO THE PRIMITIVE

Mr. Urbansky—"I see your boys are aving a great time up there on the hill signalling—playing Indians I suppose?"
 Farmer Heint—"Playing nothing! They're signalling the price of eggs to the next farm—our telephone service is so doidered punk."
 New York World

HE LOOMED SO LARGE

Just as the train was about to start, a very stout man struggled into a carriage and sank into a seat, breathing heavily.
 A small boy who sat opposite appeared to be fascinated. His ardent gaze eventually began to annoy the fat man, who demanded, angrily:
 "What are you staring at me for?"
 "Please, sir," replied the lad, "there is nowhere else to look."
 —Answer

HORTICULTURAL

A teacher in an Englewood school asked the other day: "How many kinds of flowers are there?"
 Three pupils held up their hands. She chose one to reply.
 "Well, Isidore, how many kinds of flowers are there?"
 "Three, teacher."
 "Indeed? And what are they?"
 "Wild, tame, an' collic."—Philadelphia Lutheran.

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POLITICAL POINTS

"And whom did you vote for, Miss Sophy?"
 "Well, you see, the Republican was simply stunningly good-looking. But the Democrat had always been perfectly splendid to his family, so I marked both ballots, closed my eyes, shuffled them, put one in the box and tore up the other. Nothing could be fairer than that."—Life.

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