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A DATE IN MORROW COUNTY HISTORY.

Thursday, September 11 will be a date in Morrow county history. It will be a date closely linked with the mighty progress of aerial invention. On that day will be recorded the first passenger flight of an airplane within the air confines of the county. The Morrow County Fair management has secured a reliable airplane pilot and during the three days of the fair he will take passengers up into the heretofore much untraveled air lanes over the city of Heppner.

Secretary Brown of the Fair Board is receiving daily requests for reservations for at least one flight by local people. The first passenger booked is Ed. H. Kellogg. Mr. Kellogg has long been a lowly pedestrian, but he has ever had ambitions. His opportunity has now arrived and in a few more days he will be able to tell his fellowmen if the sensations of a plane ride are all that has been claimed for them. Close on Mr. Kellogg's heels for an air ticket was E. M. Shutt. Mr. Shutt will be second man to make the flight. It has been said that the airplane is going to come into common use among the sheriffs of Oregon in locating the position of moonshine stills, so there may be some official connection in Mr. Shutt's application for a ride in the clouds.

In any event, the arrival of the passenger airplane into Heppner will be a novel one and probably only the forerunner of a regular established aerial passenger service. These things come fast, once they start.

WAR TAXES.

A recent statement by Secretary Glass shows that expenditures of the Government from the beginning of the war to June 30, 1919, were something more than thirty-two billion dollars, of which twenty-nine per cent was raised by taxes and the balance by borrowing. But not all the war taxes levied in the last fiscal year had been paid, so when the accounts are finally cast up it will probably be found that nearly one-third of the war cost was met by taxation. Probably that is the practicable limit, though at the beginning of the war a good many theorists saw no difficulty in raising half or more of the war costs by taxation. It is doubtful that as much as one-third of the cost of a four-year struggle, with our scale of expenditure, could profitably be raised by taxation.

The amount borrowed in the period was twenty-three billion dollars, but a considerable part of that was mere fiat—a book credit obtained by inflation of bank credits. A. C. Miller, of the Federal Reserve Board, has said that the amount of government paper carried by the banks in one way or another and representing inflation of credit might be as much as seven billion dollars.

As it happens, seven billion dollars is about the amount of war taxes paid in the period reviewed by Secretary Glass—or a sum about equal to the probable inflation of credit. This inflation undoubtedly imposed a tax on consumption by raising the prices of commodities. The nation needs more credit than its savings amounted to and resorted to an overdraft that reacted adversely on cost of living—imposed a heavy tax on consumers,

in short. It may plausibly be held that the amount of the overdraft, or of the inflation, is more important for the mass of the people than the proportion between the sums raised by taxation and by borrowing; in other words, that lower taxes and no inflation would, in the long run, have made the war actually less costly to the mass of the people. And it is most likely that decidedly higher taxes would, by the burden imposed on production, have made the war actually more costly to the mass of the people.—Saturday Evening Post.

LOWDEN.

Illinois is early in the field with a business man as candidate for president. The public may not be ready as yet to center upon any individual, but public sentiment is rapidly crystallizing in favor of a practical man with business experience. In presenting Governor Lowden of Illinois, Representative Frank L. Smith, who is also chairman of the Illinois Republican State Central Committee, offers the name of one who has demonstrated what a business man can do in the Executive Chamber. Illinois had long been talking about a budget system and got nowhere, but when Governor Lowden was elected, points out Mr. Smith, "it quit talking and got the system." Governor Lowden has shown himself absolutely fearless in seeing that the laws of the state are respected. In the face of the lawless elements so much in evidence today, this is the type of man needed at the head of the nation's affairs. The Middle West will undoubtedly favor the Governor of Illinois for the presidency. The country awaits presentation by other sections of candidates of similar type.—Leslies.

McARTHUR'S CANDIDACY.

Washington dispatches are to the effect that Congressman McArthur is ambitious to advance to a seat in the senate, and that he contemplates a venture against Chamberlain in 1920. This is probably intended as a feeler. We guess that the Portland congressman will not run.

It must be admitted that there are few republicans possessing the temerity to face Chamberlain at the polls. If anybody can defeat him it will be a man of more progressive record than that made by McArthur. His alignment has invariably been with the conservative wing of his party.

The maternal grandfather of Clifton Nesmith McArthur was a senator

from Oregon during the Civil war, and ably represented his state as a Lincoln democrat. Colonel Nesmith was a typical pioneer, courageous, rough, witty and a good mixer. There have been few characters prominent in Oregon history more attractive than J. W. Nesmith.

That the grandson should aspire to follow in the footsteps of so distinguished an ancestor is to his credit, in any event.—Pendleton Tribune.

WHAT THE EDITORS SAY.

It is estimated that 15,000,000 lines of first-page copy have been sent East to scores of newspapers, and among them the leading journals of the country, respecting the things the visiting editors of the country have seen and experienced during their transitory sojourn in the Pacific Northwest. The estimate may be exaggerated. Even so, we know that the volume of this best advertising any section of the country could get is great and we have the assurance that the quality of it is all that could be desired.

The East is in a mood to become better acquainted with the Pacific West and that which the visiting editors have to say of this section of the country will be especially opportune. They are observers beyond the ordinary. By reason of their business, they are men of trained observation and they will not fail to present to their readers a vivid conception of the things out here that are worth the while.

Oregon was fortunate in securing its fair share of the attention and under most favorable auspices and conditions. The visiting editors saw enough of Oregon to gather some idea of the extent of the commonwealth and its diversity of charm and resource. Many of them will return East better informed about Oregon than some of the people who have lived and done business in this state, and especially in this city, for many a year. We were glad to extend to them the warmth of hospitality; we shall also be pleased to profit by their good report.—Portland Telegram.

A San Francisco judge has ruled in favor of a man who has a big nose and snored, the ruling being on the ground that all great men have big noses and that such noses call for snoring. It is a divided compliment; all wish to be considered great but there are certain drawbacks about being officially listed as a chronic disturber of the nighttime peace.—

Made Inspection of Plant.

The Gazette-Times was favored on Tuesday afternoon by a visit from Lawrence Shutt and his friend, Professor Frank Sanders of Salem. Mr. Shutt and Mr. Sanders were classmates while attending the State School for the Blind at Salem. The young men came in primarily to see our new cylinder printing press but found so much of interest in other printing machinery that they gave the plant a pretty thorough inspection before leaving. It was Mr. Sanders' first privilege of coming in close contact with printing machinery and the explanation of the various operations through which printing is developed was very interesting to him. As for Lawrence, he was raised in the uplifting influence of printerdom and the smell of printers' ink brings him back to the days when his father was running this great family journal. They were accompanied by Lawrence's mother and his sister, Miss Essie.

Dodd Returns From Washington.

E. P. Dodd, who made a trip to Washington, D. C., for our interests in the construction of the McKay creek reservoir and the greater Unalilla project, has returned home. He reports that if the project is built under the soldier settlement act, now pending in Congress, it will include the greater part of the West extension now under water. Secretary Lane is very much interested in the development of the West extension. Mr. Dodd says. Mr. Dodd also said that he had taken particular notice of the crops in other states during his trip and that none of them, whether potatoes, wheat or other truck looked half so good to him from a profitable point of view as our own alfalfa fields right here at home.—Boardman Bee.

Boardman Has New Hotel.

O. H. Warner, the enterprising pioneer business man of Boardman is completing a hotel that this city will be proud of, says the Boardman Bee. It will fill a long felt want and will doubtless be the stopping place for many an auto party traveling the highway, as Mr. Warner has prepared accommodations for cars as well as men.

Building Brick Oven.

Howard Weaver, Portland brick contractor, arrived in Heppner last week and is busy building a new 7x9 brick oven for N. W. Hammer, the baker. Mr. Weaver is the man who had charge of the brick work on the Masonic building here four years ago.

First Impressions

FIRST IMPRESSIONS are always important, and to a large extent govern future opinions. The first impression received of any business house is through the business stationery and printing used by that house, and if that business is to be held in esteem its printed matter must make a favorable impression.

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- Barley Flour, 10 lb. sacks was 90c, now 45c Albers Self-rising Buckwheat, was 40c, now 25c
- Rice Flour, 10 lb. sacks, was \$1.25, now 65c Cream Wheat Barley Mush, was 30c, now 20c
- Rice Self-rising Pancake Flour, was \$1.25, now 75c Whole Grain Wheat Mush, was 15c, now 10c
- Eastern Buckwheat, was \$1.25, now 75c Corn Meal Flour (Lexington) was 90c, now 45c

No very large quantity of any of these so you had better hurry.

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