



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**Industry Looks at Our Town**

Maybe you read how a group of industrial experts have decided that the small town is the place for industry—not big cities. Reasons they give are better housing, pleasanter living, and more opportunity for wholesome recreation.

Well, looking around our town I'd say that was about right. Most of us own our homes, and keep them looking nice; we enjoy each other's company; and our recreations are mostly simple outdoor sports, and in the evening a mellow glass of beer with pleasant company.

As Doc Walters says, that sort of life just naturally sets you up for work the next day... whether it's in office, mill, or field. And Doc should know. He works fourteen hours, but never misses his morning "constitutional" or his evening glass of beer with friends.

From where I sit, any industry could profit from being in a town where wholesome living, temperance, and friendship are the rule.

Joe Marsh  
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**Local News Items of the Week**

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Everson, Clarence Linn and Earl Padberg of La Grande and Lowell Clark of Ordinance were lone visitors over the week end.

Mrs. Cecil Thorne of Morgan received word of the birth of a grandson, John Charles to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eagle, May 11, at Spokane. Mr. Eagle is a son of Mrs. Thorne.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buschke of Los Angeles spent last week with Mr. Buschke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Buschke at Morgan. The Buschkes were recently married in Los Angeles and were given a reception at the Ed Buschke home Tuesday, May 6. About thirty guests were present. A wedding cake and ice cream were served. Mr. Buschke is on the police force in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Clara Kincaid is in The Dalles with her brother, Jesse Mason, who is ill.

Mrs. Cecil Thorne states that the veterans poppies have arrived and will be on sale May 24, and it is hoped everyone will cooperate to make the sale a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ekstrom and family are in Portland for a week.

The De Molays held a benefit card party at the grange hall Friday evening of last week.

Floyd Wiles was host to a party at the American Legion hall Friday night, May 9. The evening was spent in playing cards and dancing. Doughnuts and pop were served by the host. Charles Hodge of Heppner presented the Legion with a P. A. system.

Lone high school won a baseball game at Condon Friday.

Mrs. Ray Barnett returned from Seattle Sunday. Her son Jimmy met her in Portland. Mrs. Barnett reports that her daughter Mary, who recently underwent an appendectomy operation, has recovered and will resume her studies at a bible institute that she attends in Seattle. While there Mrs. Barnett saw Stewart Aldrich who is attending Simpson's Memorial university.

The study meeting of the Topic club met at the Congregational church parlor Friday afternoon, May 8. The book, "My Africa," by O. Jike, was reviewed by Mrs. M. E. Cotter and Mrs. Wm. Seehafer. The following books were given to the library in a book shower: "Days and Nights" and "The Exile's Daughter," from Mrs. Wallace Matthews; "Dave Dawson," "It's Hell To Be a Ranger" and "A Far Country," from Mrs. John Ransler; "Balzac," from Mrs. B. C. Forsythe; "Reunion of Strawberry Hill," from Mrs. Milton Morgan; "This Is Your America," from Mrs. Walter Roberts; "Wild Orchard" and "Now That April's Here," from Mrs. Noel Dubyns; "Turquoise," Mrs. Victor Rietmann; "Sherlock Holmes," Mrs. Harry Yarnell; "How Green Was My Father," Mrs. Carl Feldman. Other members will bring books later. Luncheon was served by the committee. Mrs. Cotter, Mrs. Seehafer and Mrs. E. R. Lundell.

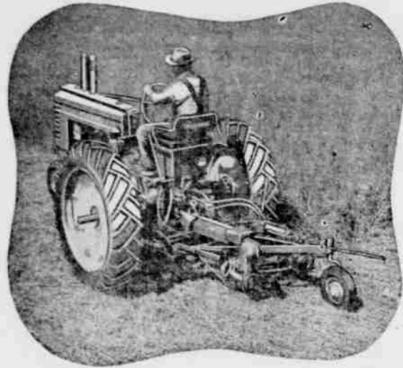
Mrs. J. E. Sampson of Lafayette and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Inskeep and children of Helix were recent visitors at the Frank Lindsay home. Mrs. Sampson and Mr. Inskeep are cousins of Mrs. Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stone and a niece of Selah Wash, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Ely.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Nickle of Sumner, Wash., are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Nickle is a sister of Mrs. C. W. Swanson. Mrs. Elmo McMillan of Salem is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mary Swanson. (Additional lone on Page 3)

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We believe telephone jobs are good jobs. But we'd like to tell you something about working conditions in the telephone company so you may decide for yourself. Good jobs are made up of a number of things... for example...

- **Is the work steady?**  
Telephone pay checks come regularly—month in and month out. That's mighty important to wage earners who can plan ahead and have reasonable assurance of steady telephone work all through the year.
- **Are extra payments made for Sundays worked?**  
Yes. Double time is paid for specified holidays worked. Full pay, with a few exceptions, is received by those who do not work these holidays. The holidays are New Years Day, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- **Are there paid vacations?**  
Certainly. After a year's service, employees get one week with pay... two weeks after two years on the job... three weeks after fifteen years.
- **Are there sickness benefits, death benefits and pensions?**  
Yes, since 1913 and provided at no cost to the employee.  
Sickness benefits range from four weeks at full pay plus nine weeks at half pay for an employee with two years' service on up to a year at full pay for those with 25 years' service. The spectre of illness doesn't worry the telephone family quite as much as it would without this plan.  
Death benefits to dependents range from four months' pay for an employee with two years' service on up to a full year's pay for an employee of ten years or more.  
Pensions—A fund plan paid for wholly by the company. Money accumulated over the past twenty years is held by the Bankers Trust Company as trustee. This money can be used for employees' pensions only. Each employee's pension is based on his rate of pay and length of service.

● **Are cafeterias provided?**  
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