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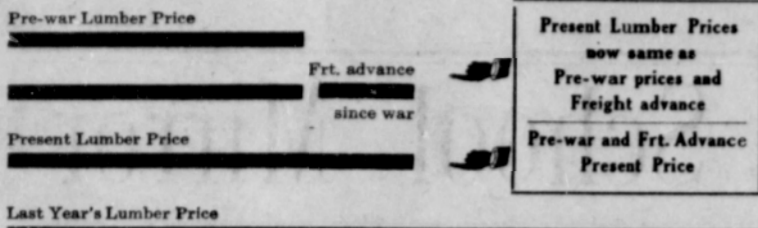
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HONOR THE FALLEN
May 30—Decoration Day.

Again the American people will honor the heroes who have fought and died for their country.

It will sorrow and sadness to a nation of people, and painful memories to many hearts. But it is a sacred duty we owe to those who have made the great sacrifice. It is a privilege to those who have benefited through the misfortunes of others.

A nation is only as great as its people, and the record of America's greatness is illustrated by the graves of her fallen sons.

No word that we may utter, no act that we may perform, will add to or detract from the nobility of their great service to their country.

But we may be true to ourselves, to our country, and to our God, by reverently commemorating the noblest act of mankind—the sacrifice of life that home and country may be preserved and that others may live and prosper.

Heroes of all American wars! In humility and sadness of heart, in pride and glory of your achievements, in our knowledge that heaven is a fitting abode for all heroes, we humbly salute the unconquerable spirit of your valor and fidelity!

Peace to your eternal slumber.

POOR CAPTAINS

Big corporations are vociferously demanding a reduction in the price of labor. They can not understand why the laborer should object to such a reduction, or perhaps they prefer not to understand.

A good captain in time of war will not ask his men to go where he is not willing to lead. That would be cowardice and poor judgement, and neither would last long in the army.

The chief officials are the captains of industry. Craftsmen and laborers are the under-officers and men.

Captains of industry should emulate the captains of the army. They should learn to lead instead of drive. Americans will follow a good leader but they object to being driven like sheep.

When the captains of industry begin the downward trend by reducing their own salaries in proportion to the reduction demanded from their men there will be less objection voiced by labor.

But this they will not do. Their personal greed prevents.

They are poor captains—short sighted—deficient in judgement—very foolish.

Franklin K. Lane

Franklin K. Lane, ex-Secretary of the Interior died at Rochester, Minn. Thursday morning of heart disease. As Secretary of the Interior Mr. Lane visited this project on one occasion and his assurance to the settlers of fair treatment by the department did more than any other factor in bringing about a better feeling between the settlers on this and other government projects, and the U. S. R. S. The editorial in the Oregonian of Thursday says in part:

"He was one of the few really strong men in the Wilson cabinet. The esteem in which he was held had been won before he took office and it grew through his merits, unaided by the prestige that his position gave.

The nation is richer for having had Lane as a citizen and as a public servant and nothing better can be wished than that it will produce many more such men."

It isn't wise to drift through life copying other people. The world recognizes the imitation as quickly as it does the original.

Yes, we've heard a lot about Adam eating the forbidden apple, but never a word of whether he peeled it or took it whole.

The luck of some people isn't luck at all. It is merely energy and perseverance regulated by good horse sense.

When a woman starts out to make a name for herself she generally ends up by letting the preacher do it.

If you want to go far on the river of life just paddle your own canoe. The other fellow's may sink.

As positive proof that this country is full of brave men, just scan the list of marriage licenses.

Some men are eternally getting something for nothing. They are henpecked.

The fellow who doesn't like loafing has probably never tried working.

FIRE CHIEF'S "DON'TS"

Every day 39 persons die as a result of fires in dwellings. An additional 43 persons are injured in dwellings through the same cause. A majority of the victims in the dwelling fires are women and children, 90 per cent being children.

Now, Mr. Editor, I contend that the vital question of fire prevention and protection in our homes is one of the most important things to be brought to the attention of the people of our growing city of Hermiston, that we may all do our share to protect the mothers and children; and I would respectfully suggest a few precautions that should be strictly observed in every home:

Don't allow the stovepipe to become loose.

Don't place the stove too close to the wall.

Don't put the kindling wood back of the range to dry.

Don't try to start fires with kerosene.

Don't place matches within the reach of children.

Don't have gasoline in the home under any circumstances.

Don't place oily rags used to clean furniture in the cupboards.

Don't try to clean hardwood floors with gasoline—you may start on a long journey with no return ticket.

Don't place waste paper and loose wood in the furnace room.

Don't pile old newspapers and magazines in the attic.

Don't fail to call up your fire department if in doubt about any hazardous conditions around your home.

Don't put water on gasoline fires.

Always, please remember, that your fire department is always at your service, and always ready to help the taxpayers in every effort to prevent fires.

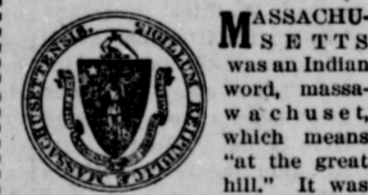
Hoping the question of protecting the homes of our people will always receive the attention and careful publication of the facts that has always been given through the columns of your valuable paper, I remain, yours for a better and safer city, respectfully,

I. E. Putman,
Chief of Fire Department

Some people make their funniest remarks when attempting to be serious.

The Story of
Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE
VI.—MASSACHUSETTS



MASSACHUSETTS was an Indian word, massa-wachuset, which means "at the great hill." It was used by the Algonquins to designate the tribe living near Blue Hill in Milton, now a state reservation near Boston and the highest hill in the eastern part of the state. This name was later applied to the great bay which Blue Hill overlooks. It was from this bay that the state was named. In fact, until 1692 the colony was called the Massachusetts Bay colony, and after that the Province of Massachusetts Bay until the Revolution made it a commonwealth. Even today it is often called the Bay state.

It was Capt. John Smith who first made a map of the New England coast and named the Charles river in honor of "Baby Charles," who afterward became King Charles I. Other captains visited the coast from time to time, but it was not until the fall of 1620 that the Mayflower brought the first permanent settlers to the Massachusetts shore. The landing of the Pilgrims at Provincetown and Plymouth three hundred years ago was recently celebrated. Of the original one hundred passengers on the Mayflower more than half died during the first winter. But the sturdy survivors, with indomitable courage, soon became firmly established and from their beginning, augmented by the Puritan settlements of Salem and the towns around Boston, grew the state of Massachusetts, which now extends over 8,288 square miles. In proportion to its area Massachusetts is second only to Rhode Island in population and has eighteen presidential electoral votes. This makes Massachusetts one of the six most important states from a political point of view.

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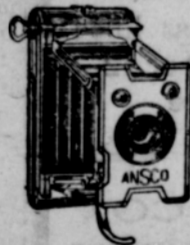
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