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Smudge Smoke

Friday turned off pretty, and it was like spring, and somebody will pick wild flowers if it keeps up.

Bill Vawter who cut his lip on a barbed wire fence, is on the mend, and soon none but those in the know will be any the wiser.

The social horizon is enlivened by the presence of a goodlooking dame from the south, who can see a joke once in awhile.

Eme Mohr is in Europe, writes that he wishes he was in the Rogue River valley, but he is still in Europe.

Hank Bates has fitted out his hip in khaki-colored semi-Moth-er - Hubbards, and is ready to shave, trim or argue the public.

Among those who have been enjoying an attack of the flu is Hobias Deuel. Profiting by experience Mr. D. did not try to wear it out.

The posthole is again confronted with the grave problem of keeping the two of the 3 doors shut during the winter. This col. has always maintained that if Uncle Sam did not want the three (3) doors left open, he would never have put them in, in the 1st place.

Several of our young men are worrying about how their neckties hang, which is the ominous sign they will soon be social fodder.

People are getting ready to kill the fatted turkey on the 29th inst.

Jim Keene stayed in his hole all during the campaign.

Herb Hoover was elected and C. Yen Tengwald had a birthday Tuesday.

Brisbane's Today

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The week is devoted to an educational campaign, based on "Fight cancer with knowledge; take it early and cure it."

Cancer of the breast, most common in women, is easily cured if taken in time.

A Pennsylvania judge decided that what a woman says, talking in her sleep, cannot be used against her in a divorce case.

That is fortunate for women, who at least should have a right to dream as they please.

Mr. Solly Wertheim, defeated in a transaction, said to his opponent with deep feeling, "For what I am thinking about you, I could be put in jail."

That Herbert Hoover will ask Andrew Mellon to remain in the cabinet is taken for granted.

Business men will read with satisfaction of Mr. Hoover's plans for building United States trade abroad.

Yesterday Germany celebrated the tenth birthday of the republic "in rather gloomy mood."

The birthday of the Republic recalls defeat by the Allies of the German empire, and Germany does not make a national holiday of the Republic's birthday.

That will change probably when Germany realizes how grateful it should be to have escaped Hohenzollern foolishness that proved so costly.

At least the next war will be started by the Germans, not handed to them.

A WONDERFUL ELECTION

A WEEK ago we said something about every election being a test of Democracy. That is true. And with the election over, it is gratifying to note that the test last Tuesday was a very satisfactory one.

We don't mean it was satisfactory simply because it came out as we wished. We mean it was satisfactory because it demonstrated the people of this state studied the men and issues involved, and voted intelligently.

Evidence of this discriminating judgment might be found in innumerable directions, but in none more favorably, perhaps, than in the fate of the initiative measures.

Here were a number of measures which, superficially, undoubtedly appealed to a majority of the people of this state. There were measures to reduce the automobile license fees, to protect the game fish in our streams, to distribute the tax burden more equitably by placing a tax burden upon incomes that in many cases escape taxation—all popular measures in principle.

Certainly many of them—perhaps all of them—would have passed if the people of Oregon, as a whole, had paid no attention to them, made no serious effort to analyze and understand them, not endeavored before election to secure all the facts available concerning them.

But the people of the state, here and elsewhere, did not do this. During the two weeks before election there were many calls to this office by phone and by person, every day, by men and women who wanted, not to know how we stood on these bills—although some of course wished to know that,—but precisely what the measures meant, and what, in our opinion, would happen if they were enacted into law.

In other words, they wished to be politically informed,—not to be arbitrarily held now to vote—but to be given facts, so they could make their votes count in the direction in which they wished them to be counted.

Now that is real Democracy. It is successful Democracy. Just so long as such a condition exists, in this or any other state, election day is not only a test of Democracy, it is a demonstration that, whatever the strains and emergencies of the future, "government of the people, by the people and for the people," will endure.

THE SACCO-VANZETTI CASE ISN'T OVER

A NEWS STORY which deserved a place on the front page was scarcely noticed by the American press, because it happened to break during the exciting close of the presidential campaign.

The story, sent out by The Outlook, established beyond reasonable doubt that Vanzetti was innocent of the crime for which he was originally convicted, and which served as a vital connecting link in the mass of evidence which subsequently resulted in his execution.

Those who followed this sensational case, which aroused such bitter feeling throughout the world, will remember there were two crimes involved. One was a bungling hold-up at Bridgewater, the other was a holdup and murder at Braintree, Massachusetts.

Sacco alone was involved in the first, while the two men, Sacco and Vanzetti, were involved in the second. The Outlook story does not deal with the second crime, upon the conviction for which these two men were sent to the chair, but it does absolutely destroy the state's case against Vanzetti on the first count.

Naturally there is justification for the view, that if the state was entirely wrong in one case there is reason to believe it was not entirely right in the other.

And if the state was not entirely and completely right, then the execution of Vanzetti at least, was a ghastly miscarriage of justice and a violation of the first principle of American jurisprudence, which is that a man must be regarded as innocent unless his guilt is proved beyond all reasonable doubt.

We maintain no fair-minded person can read the new facts in this Bridgewater case, and review the evidence in the Braintrees case, and not regard the guilt of this Italian fish peddler of murder as very doubtful indeed. In fact, while we started out in this case with a determined prejudice against the radicals and wild-eyed fanatics who maintained these men were being railroaded to their doom, we now believe they were right, and we feel the burden of evidence to disprove this lies upon the state of Massachusetts.

In fact, in the light of this new development, every circumstance points to Vanzetti's innocence. And there is every reason to believe that as the first charge is disproved, by confessions of the men who really committed the crime, the second charge will ultimately be disproved in the same way.

The Sacco-Vanzetti case is not over. Unless we are much mistaken, its importance will increase as time goes on.

Industry won't get you anywhere. The best new amendments are the ones that won't work.

Think how romance would suffer if a false tongue came out at night as teeth do.

Orators are born, but it takes practice to learn the trick of tossing a forelock out of your eyes.

President Cosgrove, of Ireland, says each U. S. citizen owes \$160. He'd be surprised.

NEW SCHEDULE ON ESPEE ANNOUNCED

In accordance with the new Southern Pacific schedule which was wired to the local district office from headquarters yesterday, No. 13 will henceforth leave Portland at 9:30 p. m. and arrive in Medford at 10:40 a. m. instead of at 11:20 as it does at present.

PEARL CONTEST BEGINS MONDAY

A novel and beautiful exhibition of Bluebird pearls is now on display in the window of Brophy's Jewelry store. A contest will be held by this firm, giving the local people a chance to try their skill in selecting the best from artificial pearls.

Bluebird pearls are a nationally advertised product that rival the real pearl in beauty and durability, and to demonstrate to the public the perfection of the manufactured product, the contest is conducted.

The prizes offered by Brophy's will be a string of pearls. The first prize is a string worth \$50. Second prize is a string worth \$25, and third prize is a \$10 string.

civic leaders will be asked to serve on the board.

Everyone is invited to enter the contest, but only one selection to a person is the rule of the contest. Ballots and envelopes are furnished by the store. Winners will be announced as soon after the close of the contest as possible.

Every pearl on the board will have a number, and the winning one is in a sealed envelope which will be in the hands of the judges until time for making it public.

DR. PASKE OPENS DENTAL SUITE

For the past thirty days carpenters and artisans have been engaged in remodeling and refitting one of the finest and best appointed dental suites to be found in southern Oregon.

The Gift Portrait advertisement for The Peasleys Photographic Art, 331 East Main Street, featuring the slogan 'Something Only You Can Give' and 'PHOTOGRAPHS Live Forever'.

ORGAN CONCERT advertisement for Fernando Germani, 21-Year-Old Organist of the Augusteo Orchestra in Rome, Italy, performing at the Presbyterian Church on Saturday, November 17, 1928, 8:30 P. M.

Have Your Teeth Examined advertisement for Dr. I. H. Gove, Dentist, 235 East Main Street, featuring a portrait of the doctor and text about dental care.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 10.—(AP)—The state highway commission next Tuesday will order several important items of construction delayed by uncertainty over the Ukiah Damme bills which were defeated at the election.

Dear Lois advertisement for Mann's clothing store, featuring a drawing of a woman and text: 'Mother just returned from Aunt Ella's—and the way auntie raved about her new clothes! She's coming to visit us, and of course we'll take her to Mann's'.

Individual Personal Service advertisement for Community Hospital, featuring a drawing of a woman's face and text: 'Every possible step is taken to assure the comfort of the patient here at the Community. There's a real atmosphere of friendliness.'

ELECTROL advertisement for Southern Oregon Electric, featuring the slogan 'The Quiet All-Electric Oil Burner' and text: 'The Oil Burner Has Taken Its Place as an Essential of our Modern Life.'