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Smudge Smoke
The rural areas are alive with farmers jabbing plows in the earth.

Henry Von Hovenberg, Jr. is back from Washington, D. C., coming home before the inauguration of Herbert Hoover in the morning.

No major activity is going on here at present, but some ex-2nd legs are busy.

Hobias Douel is erecting a commodious woodshed at his woldyard.

The legislature is in its death throes, and the Jack Co. delegation will be home some day—or night—this week.

Yellow flowers are reported blooming on the sides of hills next the sun.

Corb Edgell is working for the SOB. The writer caught him at it Tues.

Corn Kenly is back from the southland.

Owners of new 4ds better look astn at the caution on their windshield. Many have mis-read five miles per hour, for 500.

Three skyscrapers were built here last week. Two transcontinental railroad whisked through, during the same period.

Elmer Oatman said Sat. that he was going to don his straw hat, which will be followed by rain.

Brisbane's Today
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be out of Russia, in the way of oil.

Labor unions and others that sometimes fight, instead of getting together, there is a lesson for you.

Good boys make good men. Herbert Hoover, who appoints William DeWitt Mitchell attorney general, would be interested to hear a description of the new cabinet of ficer by Dr. Abbott, head master of the Lawrenceville school.

Dr. Abbott, who taught Mr. Mitchell long ago, believes that country will have a great attorney general.

New rules in our canal zone restrict flying to American aircraft, which is good, as far as it goes.

But how would the airplane flying be restricted in that zone in time of war?

You can do anything in peace with words. But in war you need flying machines and submarines.

Governor Roosevelt of New York wants a committee to investigate and provide for the needs of poverty stricken old people. For that, he will have the banks of aid that voted for him, and all that did not vote for him.

If the richest country in the world can't take care of poor and worn-out old people, at least as well as a decent man takes care of an old horse, there is something wrong with that richest country.

The postoffice department receives bids for what will be the longest airmail route in the world, from Cristobal in the Panama Canal Zone, to Santiago, Chile, far on the other side of the equator.

Under the contract, the postmaster can order the contractor to extend that long route over the Andes mountains to Buenos Aires and to Montevideo.

Thanks to Mr. New in the post office, and Mr. Coolidge in the White House, there is some encouragement of American aviation. Nobody doubts that Mr. Hoover will continue that and increase it.

Mussolini's Fascist grand council selects 100 names of whom exactly 100 will be nominated and elected to the next Italian chamber of deputies.

That you might call a complete system. A socialist believes one man is enough to run a government.

QUILL POINTS

"You can learn to write in six weeks," says an ad. So that explains the new novels.

If he is afraid to trust daughter out with the boys, he probably remembers moonlight nights in a swan-shaped sleigh.

The way Oklahoma changes her mind about governors, it's a wonder she ever struck to one hole long enough to strike oil.

It's hard to tell, when you examine a graduate, whether the purpose of education is to broaden the mind or make the individual more useful.

So a well dressed man needs 24 suits? Not unless his wife wife enjoys changing the color of the furniture at intervals.

A "business conference" is a gathering where the others nod heads wisely while the one who runs things tells what he is going to do.

The man who says automobiles deprive us of needed exercise never tried to dodge two trucks and a coupe at the same time.

It is no longer a hick town if you don't dread having to explain why Junior came home from college.

Reach for a cigarette instead of a sweet? Better make it a chew. You can smoke and eat candy at the same time.

Americanism: Using the table cover as a slate to show how sophisticated you are; wondering why restaurant prices are so high.

Of course the stock exchange is a necessity. There aren't enough crap games to afford action for half of the money.

Of course the new generation is smarter. Children know how to handle their parents without a book on the subject.

The nature sharps tell us half of every tree is under ground. Nearly all of a family tree is.

One way to cure daughter of her longing to join a chorus is to let her meet a millionaire some other way.

Every man wishes to reform his brother, and the thoughtest cynic yearns to reform the reformer.

Can Pear Costs Be Made To Meet Pear Prices

Excerpts From An Address by R. S. Bease, at a Pear Growers' Meeting Held in This City, February 22

A discussion of the subject, "Can Pear Costs Be Made to Meet the Pear Prices," involves at once a consideration of the present cost of production and the average price received by growers.

In co-operation with the pear growers of the Rogue River district, the Fruit Growers' League and Mr. Reimer of the Southern Oregon Experiment station, the departments of farm management and horticulture of the Oregon Experiment station, conducted a three-year cost of production study covering the pear crops of 1924, 1925 and 1927.

All items of cost chargeable to the bearing orchards were carefully collected and analyzed on 162 farms having 6341 acres of bearing pears, producing 874,815 boxes of packed and graded fruit.

The average cost of producing the 874,815 boxes of pears for the three-year period was \$1.48 per box. It was \$2.92 per acre. Figured on the tonnage basis it was \$48 per ton, while on the tree basis the cost was \$2.37 per tree of bearing pears.

A summary of the cost of producing pears may be itemized as follows:

(Average for the crops of 1924, 1925 and 1927, Rogue River valley, Oregon.)

Table with 3 columns: Item, Box, Total. Rows include Labor, Materials, Machinery, General, Depreciation, Int. on Investment.

Total \$1.48 100.0 From the standpoint of the grower the per cent of total cost which must be paid in out of the grower's pocket, and that percentage which is not cash is of material interest.

The non-cash items include part of the labor, all of the depreciation, and the interest on the grower's own investment.

A dominant factor, controlling to a large extent profits in pear production is that of yield per acre. This fact is indicated in the following table, which shows number of boxes produced and cost per box:

Table with 3 columns: Boxes per acre, Average yield per acre, Average cost per box.

Over 200 boxes 210 \$ 3.55 19.30 150 to 200 boxes 170 1.29 22.44 100 to 150 boxes 120 1.64 24.06 Less than 100 boxes 62 3.56 37.70

Ave. all farms 140 \$1.48 100.00 It is clearly evident that as the yield per acre is decreased the cost per box of production is increased. Approximately three e-

Press Comment

IN NO HURRY

The principal reason the legislature cannot complete its labors within the allotted 40 days period as former legislators did, is because little effort is made to speed up the work. Until recently night sessions were regular occurrences the last two and sometimes three weeks of the session, so the two houses could keep abreast of each other. No night sessions have been held this year, the legislators being apparently indifferent as to how long they continue in session.

Formerly the committees were limited in time for consideration of measures and of a report was not speedily forthcoming, action was forced or the bill taken out of the committee's hands. Now committees hold measures indefinitely, regardless of importance.

Since the legislators have discovered that they could illegally get away with a \$3 a day expense appropriation not sanctioned by the constitution as well as place numerous relatives and friends on the payroll for sinecures, the longer they can drag out the sessions, apparently the better they are satisfied. At least they do not work near as hard as when they limited themselves to the \$2 a day allowance. Evidently the \$3 a day extra is considered worth staying for.

The worst feature of these drawn out sessions is the opportunity it offers for holding up to the last many bills which are rushed thru without proper consideration in the closing hours. In this way many jokers are slipped through, the effects of which are not discovered until after they are on the statute books.—(Salem Capital Journal).

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Formal Opening of SPRING MILLINERY

...affording a "cross section" of the spring straws, silhouettes, colors and style trends, authenticated by Paris and New York designers.

French originals, adaptations and the exclusive creations of our own atelier... presented Monday in the Hat Salon.

\$10 to \$22.50

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Dear Lois - (extract from Norma's letter) Here's real news! At last the Eastner sisters have agreed upon something. They both look wonderful in their Spring coats. And they both came from

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Advertisement for Hotel Manx, San Francisco. Includes text: 'Meet me at the Manx', 'Excursionists HOTEL MANX SAN FRANCISCO', 'HEADQUARTERS FOR OREGONIANS', 'POPULAR PRICED RATES', 'FREE BUS MEETS ALL TRAINS', 'The HOTEL MANX POWELL ST. & O'FARRELL - SAN FRANCISCO'

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Advertisement for The Bootery. Includes text: 'Particular Women Choose Their Shoes from The Bootery', 'See the Newest Footwear for Spring in Our Windows', 'TUESDAY NIGHT March 5th', 'The Bootery'.

Advertisement for L. & H. Electric Range. Includes text: '\$10.00 Will Put An L. & H. Electric Range In Your Home', 'Large Seamless Oven', 'Full Automatic Control', 'Fastest Cooking Elements', 'Balance in Twelve Monthly Installments With No Interest or Carrying Charge', 'SOUTHERN OREGON ELECTRIC', 'Morris B. Leonard 409 E. Main St. H. O. Frohbach'.