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Smudge Smoke

Among the signs of better times around here last week, was the debut of the smudge train.

Jim Keene, farmer, sojourned in town Wednesday and gave verbal testimony that his staunch Republicanism has started to frizzle at the edges.

Ben Harder was named on another committee last week. This puts him 2 up, and a meeting to attend, on Peoria Hill Gate.

Due to the change in the weather, several have caught colds. He says the smudge train is a valley visitor last week.

Considerable enthusiasm is being manifested over pear pie, but no ardent booster has yet argued that it is substituted for ham and eggs.

A move is afoot to abolish Santa Claus, owing to the banks being full of money and all hands scared to spend some of it.

Somebody asked where Roger Bennett was the other day, and then somebody recalled he was at Salem on state business.

Fall plowing is in the offing, and will start right after a visit of a Portland politician.

School started Tuesday in the new high school building. Colonel Stewart had to work like a major to get it finished in time.

Roseburg now has a Eugenic hospital. Rain fell Monday, but enough to make snow skidding profitable and dangerous.

F. Wortman of Phoenix has returned from a long visit to the famine districts of the mid-west, and is as full of woe and dire prediction as a correspondent back from the western front in 1918.

The crisp mornings have caused the ancient ads to rattle fiercely before they strike.

The fall exodus of brains and beauty to the campuses has started. Snow bedevils the flanks of Mt. Pitt.

There will be no "Hard Times" dances this fall, as it is nothing to be gay about.

The Older Girls report that the fleas are coming into the house along with the family cat.

The deer hunting season opens next Sunday, and helpers and humans are warned to watch their locality and stay close to the house and barn.

The next festival occasion will be Halloween, which is not enough of a holiday for the barber shops to close offices.

Quite a few weddings between men and women are on the docket between now and Xmas.

We heard of a man last week who was not going to run for office next spring.

The dull plunk of the football is heard once more in the land.

Labor Day passed without incident. Those who journeyed to Lake of the Woods have stopped creaking and are walking natural.

And education might put an end to boogeying if the general public could be educated to a taste for good liquor.—San Diego Union.

Increasingly frequent movements for a federated church would indicate that religion is losing its sect appeal.—Thomaston (Ga.) Times.

Historic Spots of The Rogue Valley

(By Alice A. Sargent)

Jacksonville is the oldest town in southern Oregon, and one of the most historic spots in the state.

The Brunner Building in 1852 the Brunner brothers built of brick this building, which was used as a store.

In 1855 the Indians again took up arms against the white settlers. Two pioneers were murdered near the town, and fearing an attack the women and children in Jacksonville fled to the Brunner building for safety.

The walls of the old building still stand, though the hands that built them have long since mouldered into dust.

Pilot Rock High on the summit of the Siskiyou mountains in southern Oregon stands guard old Pilot Rock.

For many miles on every side this great gray rock stands up against the sky like a beacon light to the weary voyager.

To the pioneers, this old landmark was invaluable, guiding the way, giving courage to despondent hearts with the promise it gave that the end of the long and tedious journey was near.

When Abraham Lincoln made his immortal call for "three hundred thousand more," the ringing appeal reached far away Oregon.

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Scanning New Books

Richard Aldington, in "The Colonel's Daughter," shows himself to be in the transition stage between his former high rank as Imagist poet and his present inclination of novelist.

War days and the beautiful experiences of the Imagist still are strong upon him, and after all, something ought to be done about Miss Smithers.

For Miss Smithers—first name Georgiana—is the chief concern of the book. Pair of form but not of face, she at around 25, finds that her country has sold its men a million short and she must play the marriage market against at least that many excess women, after the war.

"What of the Georgians?" is the problem which Aldington tackles. "The Colonel's Daughter" is not as significant as Mr. Aldington himself. It indicates that it is he, rather than the book, about whom we may expect to hear more, even though the book has been banned in England by some chain stores.

England of the 40s England before the war, back in the 1840s, is described in Sheila Kaye-Smith's "Susan Spray." The book is dominantly a character study of Susan, but she is affected by both the simplicity and the depression of the Sussex countryside.

Susan is strongly influenced by religion. As a child she is said to have the "gift of sight," and she eventually becomes a woman preacher. Miss Kaye-Smith deals with her development with both insight and power.

In "Albert Grope," F. O. Matthiessen's central character is a chimney sweep's boy from London's poorest tenements who climbs to business success over the handicap of a sentimental faith in humanity. Success, he feels, should mean friends. Mr. Matthiessen's keen observation and ironic humor help him to paint excellent portraits of the "friends" who gather about him.

The American Scene. Returning from England to America several books of the week are studies of the country during the present period. "Old Philadelphia," a book of four brief books by George Gibb, contains four charming stories inlaid in picturesque Philadelphia settings. The set is a companion to Edith Wharton's well-known series about "Old New York."

"The Big Bonanza," by C. B. Glascock, tells the story of the Comstock Lode. A first novel, "The Border," by Dargmar Donoghue, treats of civil war days on the Kansas-Missouri border.

Other books that deserve mention include "John Henry," by Roark Bradford, the legend of a gigantic negro rooster, and "Dodd the Potter," by Cedric Beadmore, who is Arnold Bennett's nephew.

The fire of the Russian Revolution is contained in "February, 1919," by Aleksandr Rodzinskiy. The author played an important role in the revolution and adds the vividness of first-hand knowledge to his energetic style.

IN 48 HOURS In less than 48 hours after they had robbed the First National bank of Aurora, three criminals were in the Oregon penitentiary. They had been arrested, had confessed robbery of the bank and had been sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary by Circuit Judge L. H. McManhan.

There was no delayed justice in that case. There were not technicalities. There were no pleas of guilty. Crime was committed, it was solved, the case was disposed of by the court, and the criminals were in prison cells, all in two days.

That was sure justice. It was swift justice. And the two have a deterrent effect on criminals.

The prosecution in the Aurora bank case is far different from the action in the James E. Kingsley case in Oregon, the case in which a police officer was brutally shot down in cold blood on January 24 last, a case in which there was full evidence of guilt, a case in which a plea of guilty entered and sentence passed, but a case in which the slayer is still in the hands of the courts.

The Kingsley case was taken to the supreme court after sentence was passed. The supreme court affirmed the lower court. Then came another attempt to set aside the decision and more delay. Meantime, Kingsley is still avoiding the sentence and Jackson county is paying heavy costs as a result.

There have been frequent headlines relating to the Kingsley case in Oregon papers. The course of that case, conviction and trial, plea of guilty, conviction and sentence, is thus described in part in those headlines: "Ashland slayer asks new trial; plans to appeal."

"Ashland slayer's attorneys start move for appeal."

"Kingsley appeal from rope fate ready for filing."

"Kingsley to await appeal decision in Medford jail."

"Kingsley appeal heard by court."

"Kingsley gets extension."

"Kingsley hanging halted by court."

"Kingsley attorneys tries hanging stay."

"Kingsley doomed; court seals fate."

"Re-sentence of Kingsley hears."

And again, after all these actions, came these headlines: "Aids rehearing in officer's slaying."

"Kingsley staves off noose death."

"And there the matter hangs. What a difference between the Kingsley case and that in which the Aurora robbers were in the penitentiary in 48 hours after a crime that did not approximate that of Kingsley! What a difference in the cost to the taxpayers! What a difference in the effect on potential criminals between the Kingsley affair and that in which justice was served in a short 48 hours!"—Oregon Daily Journal.

FLIGHT O' TIME

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO THIS WEEK From the Files of The Mail Tribune

Monday E. V. Carter of Ashland visits in city, and inspects new federal building.

Four days rain, with snow in hills, pour ground in shape for fall plowing. Mike Hanley declares, "Rain good as far as it went, but more is needed."

Editorial declares, "Woodrow Wilson is the second Messiah," and resulting letters from republicans cause editor to issue edit urging citizens to control their fountain pens."

Eads Bros. buy a new Packard truck. Choral society practice starts. Longer and less flaring skirts decreed for women.

Tuesday Detroit again defeated by Boston, and eliminated from American pennant race. Half million die in allies' drive on the Somme.

Mann's hold annual blanket sale. Frank Gotch, heavyweight wrestling champion, retires due to broken leg.

500 attend Hughes rally at Nat, in which Mrs. Ed Hanley flays Wilson's Mexican policy. Interspersed in the political meeting were musical numbers. Herbert Alford sang a solo, and Fletcher Plan rendered two Yiddish lullabies.

Work on Crater Lake road to cease November 1. Wednesday Wall Street stocks enjoy boom. Rumanians flee before German and Austrian hords.

Showers of box cars causes Oregon lumber mills to close. Democratic orator pledges air to the fruitgrowers, and promises to cut taxes.

Norma Talmadge, in "Going Straight," at the Page, thrills movie fans. Mrs. Ralph Woodford names Mrs. F. E. Merrick, Mrs. H. P. Platt, Mrs. Moe Alford, and Treve Lumaden on the executive committee of the Hughes Alliance.

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Simmering of the Political Pot

Sen. Steiwer and 32. (Salem Statesman)

Sen. Steiwer has been diligent at political fence-building the past summer. He intends being a candidate for re-election next year and is going to be ready to take on all comers.

While the Grange Bulletin in last week expressed its doubt whether farmers should vote for him because he did not support the Grange's debenture plan, the senator has been almost out-Heroding Brookhart in overtures "to the left."

He declared himself for a moratorium of loans of the federal land bank, and recently announced his favored sticking the books in deeper on the box in the "upper brackets" of the income tax.

Up in Washington, the Yakima Republic, which doesn't get to vote for Oregon senators or congressmen, but does get to appear here tomorrow, has proposed what bears the name: Farm relief, tariff, and now higher taxes, rises to remark on this wise regarding Sen. Steiwer's recent declarations:

"To increase the federal inheritance tax and to step up the income tax in the upper brackets," says Sen. Steiwer of Oregon, is the only whereby the national government can meet its obligations without imposing additional hardships on the average man. In the name of government of the people,

by the people and for the people, since when has the average man been immune from all hardships of government? Of all blatant, palpable and insulting appeals to the lowest and most selfish instincts of the common people, the senator's pronouncement should receive the palm. It is an open offer to the average man; it is the avowed confession of a demagogue that he appeals for support to the prejudices of the majority rather than to the patriotism of all; the average man is in the majority—if course he is—and has the vote, if he can be seduced by an appeal to his selfishness, his seducer will get his support—maybe. Why should the government fulfill its obligations if the average man is to be relieved of his own? Of course, it is our present day leaders made!"

A Contest in Sight. (Salem Capital-Journal) Ed Bailey of Eugene, Democratic nominee in 1930 for governor, is said to be under "Mr. pressure" to induce him to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress next year.

Candidates, of course, are always under "heavy pressure" and being forced against their inclinations, at least in the newspapers, is a bitter hostility in Lane county against Congressman Hawley because of his avowed enmity to Eugene in the selection of a site for the national soldiers' home—and naturally the people want a Lane county man to have the honor.

So in all probability there will be a contest in the Democratic primaries, with Mr. Bailey's hat in the ring, though most of the Lane county voters are Republican and will not figure in the primaries.

We believe, however, the nomination should go to W. A. Delzell of Salem, who without money or organization gave such a close race to Mr. Hawley that a switch of 5523 votes would have elected him. He pioneered the way, while Mr. Bailey was vainly contending against Messrs. Meier and Metachan, and deserves a second chance.

The relative strength of Delzell and Bailey is shown by the votes both polled in the 17 counties of the first district. Delzell for congress polled 44,810 votes. Bailey for governor polled 36,000 votes. In his home county of Lane, Delzell polled 8957 in his home county of Marion, and that against a Marion man, the hitherto invincible Hawley.

However, we favor a primary contest, it will inject a little life in the party and let the best man win. Either is good material for congress. Either is better than the author of the tariff atrocity that bears his name and has made us so prosperous.

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The Modern Midas

But "Safety First" (Kansas City Star)

Despite the fact that no special inducements have been offered for the importation of gold into this country, our stocks of that metal continue to increase and now total virtually 5 billion dollars. That is the greatest accumulation of gold in the possession of one country known to financial history. It represents nearly half the whole supply of monetary gold in the world.

Economists are agreed that the present concentration of gold in the United States and France is not desirable and is tending dangerously to reduce the reserves of other countries, upon which their domestic credit is based. But the drain of gold is serious.

The usual method of governing international gold shipments in normal times has proved inadequate. Interest rates have not been producing their ordinary effect. The countries with dwindling gold reserves have raised their rates in the orthodox manner and ours have been lowered. But even with the inducements

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ment of high returns abroad and the discouragement of the cost rates for money in this country the flow has continued. No doubt the general fall in commodity prices is having an influence upon the movement of gold. Debtor countries find that their products are of less and less value in terms of money charges and are having to supplement them more and more with exports of gold. Extravagant public improvement programs on borrowed money have done their share in dislocating business. But it seems plain that a dominant factor in the situation today is the disturbance of political conditions in many parts of the world. The prevailing direction of gold shipments suggests, in the words of one authority, that investors are valuing "safety above opportunity for profit."

Inasmuch as the political disturbances reflect economic misadjustments and these in turn are accentuated by the effects of the disturbances, the complexity of the world situation is evident. Our enormous holdings of gold in this country render our domestic finances practically impregnable, but they also are a symptom of the international business depression.

Mr. Hoover's Burden

Depression Adds Woes (New York Times)

The pressure put upon the perilous in normal times is heavy, but it is doubled in a period like the present. Every man with a grievance, or request, or a freakish political or social scheme desires to run with it at once to the White House. One has only to glance at the daily lists of Mr. Hoover's callers to see what a variety and urgency of problems are continually being forced upon his attention.

Because the American President has a very great responsibility, it is so hastily assumed that he has unlimited power. Because he feels it his duty to listen patiently to complaints, people go away thinking that he ought at once to furnish the remedy. It is even argued that "without congress on his hands" just now, Mr. Hoover ought to be doing everything that is feasible.

But the American President is not a dictator. He cannot, like Mussolini, on his own motion, set aside funds for public works or apportion money for the relief of the unemployed. Even President Hindenburg, with the reichstag not in session, had greater power to govern by decree than has the President of the United States with congress not sitting. Some of these necessary limitations of the functions and ability of any American President ought to be kept in mind by those who keep on clamoring over what they call Mr. Hoover's policy. He is, in fact, doing all that he can—and angels could do no more.

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Call Special Meet of Bellview Board

BELLVIEW, Ore., Sept. 12.—(Sp.)—Bellview school board held a call meeting at the home of the clerk, Mrs. Ralph Clapp, Wednesday afternoon. They decided to hold another meeting Friday evening, October 9, to vote on the school budget for the school year of 1932 to 1933.

At the budget meeting held last week, several illegal votes were cast, necessitating the second meeting. Mrs. Susanne Homes Carter, county superintendent, will act as chairman.

Students Pay In Produce STILLWATER, Okla. (AP)—Board and room bills paid in produce are the latest wrinkle at Oklahoma A. & M. college. Two students started by trading 150 quarts of fruits and vegetables, canned by their mothers, to their landlords for a semester's residence. Others heard of it and followed the example.

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