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Editorial Correspondence

SANTA BARBARA, Jan. 15.—Good work by the Medford and Ashland Legion posts! Also by Colonel E. E. Kelly. They give just what the Medford and Jackson county situation needs—courageous leadership and outspoken adherence to the fundamental principles of good citizenship. No names were mentioned. What they both said all good citizens could uncomplainingly endorse. If the shoe fitted certain agitating trouble makers, let the agitating trouble makers put it on. We congratulate the two legion posts and Col. Kelly on rendering a genuine public service to a community, which from all we can learn, is sadly confused, disrupted and distressed. These public statements should go far toward clearing the atmosphere, and allowing the right thinking public spirited citizens of the community, getting behind a program of forward-looking progress and constructive accomplishment.

The trouble with the situation in Jackson county for many months has been the lack of leadership and the absence of any organized opposition. The job of trying to stop this tiresome and destructive hubbalooboo, has devolved entirely upon the newspapers. What one newspaper may say of another is always discounted, and therefore this opposition was ineffective. There have been many citizens willing to condemn this disruptive and incendiary propaganda, in private, but few willing to do it in public,—to suffer the vilification and personal abuse that any public opposition would involve.

Colonel Kelly SHOWS THE WAY, and his action is backed up by members of the American Legion. We hope other organization and individuals will follow their example, not to injure ANYONE, or retard any movement for GENUINE reform that may be needed, but to pull Medford and Jackson county out of the mess in which it has fallen, and allow it to fight its way out of this depression, instead of being ruined by it.

Because of an unexpected and decidedly unwelcome visitation of Old Man Flu, what was planned as a one night stop in Santa Barbara, has been lengthened into a two weeks stay. As a result this delegation's mail has been wandering all over southern California, and its communications have been sadly shattered. But we believe our appraisal of the situation is not far from correct,—for unless we are greatly mistaken, the recent crisis, has merely been the logical and inevitable outcome, of what has been going on for so many months—in fact for at least two or three years.

This has been in a few words, the attempt of a small minority, headed by the Banks-Fehl-Wilkins triumvirate, to capitalize the prevailing unrest and discontent; so aggravate it, by circulating false charges and distorting facts, that in the resulting chaos and confusion, they could attain complete political control of Medford and Jackson county.

The will-to-power—the hope of cashing in on this power—has been the milk in the cocoon—the nigger in the woodpile—from the start, and is today.

We believe the slightest analysis of the latest denouement in this opera bouffe, by any fair minded citizen, will establish the truth of this statement. To an outsider the performance may seem like the ravings of the Mad Hatter, or an excerpt from some comic opera extravaganza, but analysis shows a definite and shrewd purpose behind it all. This is to remove all county officials who will not take orders from the triumvirate.

There is absolutely no other explanation to this melodramatic original effort to remove such recently elected officials as County Clerk Carter, such a recently RE-ELECTED official as District Attorney George Coddling, and such a recently AP-POINTED official as Commissioner Nealon.

Only a little over two months ago the people of Jackson county chose George Coddling to serve a second term; they also chose County Clerk Carter, and Commissioner Billings. Mr. Nealon, only about two weeks ago, was appointed county commissioner.

It is obvious that in this short time—only since the first of the year—none of these men in their official capacity, COULD have done anything to justify their recall, or to demand their retirement. In fact as far as we can learn no charges whatever have been brought against them,—and for a very good reason because nothing can be said against them. They are all good citizens, honest, conscientious, and devoted to the public interest.

Why then this frenzied effort to get rid of them!

The answer is plain—simply because they would be obstacles to this attempt—or any other attempt,—of this clique or any other clique, to dictate to them what they should do, or not do—to make them mere rubber stamps,—to take their orders day by day, from self appointed dictatorship.

THAT'S ALL! If any of these officials had agreed to do what Mr. Wilkins for example did—repudiate their own statements (as he did on the Norton recall) agree to be GOOD and play ball, this effort to drive them from office would stop overnight.

The people of Jackson county as a whole are becoming wise to this situation now, as recent developments have opened their eyes to the real nature of the problem confronting them.

We believe they are wise—at least a vast majority of them. And in spite of the distance from the scene of action, and the inability to be in close touch with the day to day developments we feel that the recent statements by the Medford and Ashland Legion posts and "Judge" Kelly, justify this belief. Now let the loyal, right-thinking citizens of Medford and Jackson county get behind them, follow this leadership—a leadership so greatly needed—and ALL WILL BE WELL! R. W. R.

HOW CHILDREN DIFFER WILL BE P. T. A. TOPIC

A meeting of the Parent Study club has been announced for Thursday afternoon of this week and all mothers interested in child psychology are invited to attend the session, which will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock in the city library.

"How Children Differ and Why" will be the subject of the meeting. Material forwarded by Mrs. Sarah Prentice, professor of child development at Oregon State college, will be used and a very interesting study period is promised.

London Slayer Dies By Poison

LONDON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Samuel James Furnace, who was in custody on a charge of murdering his friend, Walter Spatchett, died early today in St. Pancras hospital from the effects of a self-administered poison.

Ever since Furnace was found suffering from the poison in a Kentish town (a London quarter) police station cell early yesterday, the doctor and staff of the hospital worked desperately for his life, but without avail.

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By William Brady, M. D.

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SLEEPING HEADED NORTH

It seems evident, from the queries that turn up regularly in our correspondence with people in all walks of life and in every part of the country, that the notion or fancy is common that one should sleep headed north.

For most popularly held beliefs or fancies one can find some plausible reason or explanation, plausible to a layman ignorant of scientific facts. For this persistent idea that it is well to head north when sleeping I can discover not the slightest ground. If any of our readers can enlighten me or suggest a substantial theory to account for the notion, I shall be grateful. Here is a chance to get back at me.

Sleep is as deep a mystery to us today as it was to the ancient doctors. Every little while some half-quack "scientist," usually a "research laboratory" worker, or some big business "subsidized" by some big business (interest) discoverer and tells the world the secret of sleep.

Of the numerous theories that physiologists have conceived to account for natural sleep half a dozen are worthy of mention. 1.—Sleep is brought on by the accumulation of acid waste products in the blood. The main experimental evidence in support of this theory is the effect produced by injecting into the blood a solution of lactic acid. This produces a state of fatigue and finally loss of consciousness. 2.—Sleep is due to the exhaustion of the store of oxygen available to the brain cells faster than it can be replaced by oxygen from the blood. This theory is practically abandoned, since precise measurements of metabolism have shown that the brain cells use an insignificant amount of oxygen, when the individual does concentrated brain "work." 3.—Sleep is caused by retraction of neurons, the terminal filaments of nerve fibres by which contact is made with the brain cell. This retraction of nerve connections cannot be demonstrated by microscopic observation of brain tissue during natural sleep, of course. 4.—The great Russian physiologist, Pawlow, proposed the theory of inhibition to account for natural sleep—only a fundamental knowledge of physiology can make this theory clear. 5.—Some special toxin formed during waking hours finally accumulates in

the brain and produces sleep. This theory is also abandoned, since it is now known that the brain cells are able to deal with such a toxin.

Electro-surgery for Goltzer. Is diathermy ever used in the treatment of inward going? I mean electro-surgery or the electric knife? Thank you for having recommended me to you for having recommended me to you. Who removed my tonsils with diathermy. He is very skillful. My throat is as clean as a throat could be after any operation. My family physician says—M. R. F.

Answer—Yes, the endothermy knife (which sears the tissue as the spark dissects it) is used by most surgeons in gopher operations, brain operations, kidney operations, and other surgery where it is desirable to prevent oozing or the spreading of malignancy.

Tapeworm. Is there such a thing as tapeworm? Old-time fakers who exhibited jars of "anakes".... have a relative who is very thin yet eats twice as much as an average person....

Answer—Yes, many healthy, well-nourished persons, with normal appetite, harbor tapeworm, which usually does not affect the host's health appreciably.

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Editorial Comment

Look O and Laugh. Williamina has its school fight, Klamath Falls its mayoralty contest and Medford, where the flowers of discord flourish perennially, is having now its latest blossom of animosity and vindictiveness. It seems as though cities from time to time must have their first-class row which, like a thunderbolt, attracts great attention, but it is always followed by a period of calm. Emulating the late, noted George Joseph, who when disbarred, ran for governor and won, Earl Fehl, editor of a spindly Medford paper and subject of numerous libel suits, sought the county judgeship last year in a divided field, and came home the winner.

Fehl's right bower is L. A. Banks of the Medford News. Banks has been sued on a half dozen counts, has rowed with one group of employees after another, has fought off receivership and attachment. Both men hold to the theory that the best defense is a good offense and answer charges with countercharges. Fehl and Banks now seek to out the two commissioners who, sitting with Fehl on the county court, nevertheless oppose him. Apparently the "lunatic fringe" which always appears to help out men who talk loudly and wave the bloodstained flag, are out to aid Fehl and Banks. People away from Medford look on with a laugh, cooperative Medfordites deplore the state to which their city has fallen and partisans on each side attack and defend one another with great seriousness. Time will solve the situation for the Fehl, the Huey Long, the Hefline, have their day and are forgotten. Without adequate publicity their day would never come—Coco Bay Times.

Grants Pass Goes Forward. Unless we are very careful it is probable that tomorrow will find us bewailing the lost opportunities of today. The citizens of Grants Pass prefer their next project of beautifying the approach to their city, on the Redwood highway, to the dubious pleasures of commiserating one another upon the depression. It is a sane and helpful reference, and it insures progress at a time when retrogression is the usual watchword.

If every city of comparable population were to cease lamenting, and cast about for some useful work ready to its hand, and begin working, most of us would cease discussing the depression. For the depression no longer would exist. It would be banished by the return of initiative, and hope, and elvive pride. There can be no depression when you are not depressed. It is not suggested that these opportunities for civic improvement, such as Grants Pass has embraced, should bespeak considerable expenditures of money. They need not.

There are contributions to the times, and very corrective ones, which can be made by cooperative citizenship in large degree. But their combined effect would certainly express itself in the stimulation of other enterprises. It has long ago been agreed that the country is comparable to the patient, organically sound, who lacks enough interest in his own condition to get well.—Oregonian.

Patronize Home Industry. Buy White's Chocolates. Keep that money at home.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Talent
 TALENT, Jan. 17.—(Spl.)—Mrs. Lillian Scott was a recent guest of Mrs. J. J. Tryon. Mrs. Scott formerly taught in the Talent schools and has many friends here.

Grandma Booth, who has been confined to her bed for the past month at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Long, is improving and able to be up a part of the day.

Ladies Aid of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. Sue Clayton Thursday.

Mrs. Mae Avery has returned to her home in Medford after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Jim Gregg and Mr. Gregg.

Dr. and Mrs. Miller were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Webster Tuesday in celebration of Dr. Webster's birthday.

J. S. Crawford has been quite ill at his home.

Grange will meet Thursday, January 19, when the degree team from Eagle Point will put on the work. There are 12 candidates to be initiated. Neighboring Granges are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Homes have moved to the Tom Lamb home where Mrs. Homes will keep house for her father.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Mary Work is improving from her recent serious illness.

Community club will meet on Wednesday and it is desired that every member be present.

Gold Hill
 GOLD HILL, Jan. 17.—(Spl.)—Frank Pink returned Sunday from Portland after a short visit with his mother.

Mrs. C. W. Martin has been ill at her home in this city. Her aunt, Mrs. Lilly McKay is caring for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Puhl and Kendall Dufur spent Sunday in Ashland, guests of relatives.

Asil Walker returned last week from Portland. He made the trip on one of Reinking's trucks.

Frank Doty returned Friday from Nebraska accompanied by his brother, Judd. Frank has been back there since early fall and says Oregon looks good to him. Judd expects to open up the old Nugget garage.

Miss Nettie Stone returned Sunday from Coquille, where she had spent two weeks the guest of her sister Mrs. Ernest Waldrip. Her niece, Juanita Wardip accompanied her home.

Miss Wilna Poe of Grants Pass was a visitor at the high school Monday. Miss Wilna was a member of the class of 1932.

Alvin Pena entertained Sunday in honor of his sixth birthday. The afternoon was spent in games and contests followed by lovely refreshments. Guests were Leroy Carter, Robert Hollifield, Harry and Gladys Smith.

Mr. J. West and Daisy Payne of Sams Valley, he 48, and she 26, were married last Thursday afternoon in Medford by Rev. Belknap. They expect to make their home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Aurile Meunier and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blair were Medford shoppers Saturday.

Lowell Tracy, who has been in the Veterans' Hospital for some time, returned to his home the first of last week.

Mrs. R. E. Blankenburg spent Friday and Saturday in Glendale, attending to business in connection with the Glendale Log, published by Mac's Printing Co., of which Mrs. Blankenburg is associate editor.

Alvin Guidt of Seattle is visiting with Mrs. Guidt in this city for several days.

Mrs. Daisy Gilchrist is visiting relatives in Coquille and Marafish this week.

Mrs. Kals of Medford spent the week-end the guest of her father, Mr. Hall.

Mr. Opal Wertz and son Jimmy Green, are living in the Parker tenant house, formerly occupied by Alva Cook and family.

The Boy Scout troop and Girl Scout troop have secured the store room belonging to the I. O. O. F. and are fixing it up to use for their Scout meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. William Puhl are Medford shoppers Saturday.

Eagle Point
 EAGLE POINT, Jan. 17.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd V. Barrett were entertained at dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davies.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford A. Clark entertained at dinner and cards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young on Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Mittelsteadt, James Walters, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Seaman, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Davies, C. F. Davies and Mrs. W. H. Young.

Mrs. N. B. Newcomb spent Thursday in Medford where she attended the Delphian club and took part in the program.

Rev. George Iverson and Mrs. Iverson and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Putney, and Helen Smith, all of Medford, attended the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and afterwards had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Esch.

George Iverson preached at the Presbyterian church on Sunday and had charge of the communion service.

P-T-A. met at the schoolhouse Friday with good attendance. Public lunches are being served the whole school day, financed by the parents and the Parent-Teacher association. Mrs. Julia Davis has charge of the hot lunches, for the week of January 15 to 19. New cloths for the tables has been bought by the school board, adding much to the attractive appearance of the dining-room.

Morton S. Hanna of Auburn, Wash., brother of Mrs. NN. B. Newcomb, was here en route to Los Angeles a week ago. He expects to be back here in about a week, and will stop over for a time to visit with his sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd V. Barrett spent Saturday in Ashland at the home of Mrs. Barrett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, and a brother, Earl Stevens, recently returned from the U. S. navy. Carl Stevens has been in poor health for some time and is expecting to enter the Veterans' hospital in Portland in the near future.

Miss Yella Olson, Miss Fern Simpson, Miss Donna Earl and Mrs. F. V. Barrett spent Friday evening at cards at the home of Mrs. Nora Harris.

News was received from Pendleton, Ore., that will be of interest to the many Eagle Point friends of J. M. Spencer, former district manager of the Eagle Point Irrigation Co., to the effect that twin boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Spencer, December 27, 1932. The boys weigh about five and one-half pounds each. They were named James Herbert and Lee Aden.

McLeod
 McLEOD, Jan. 7.—(Spl.)—Jack Casey skied down from the "dude" ranch through about eight inches of snow and spent the evening with the Hardings and took in the basketball game at Prospect before returning.

Dick Harding and Glen Tyne have returned from a business trip of several days' duration, which took them as far as the coast.

The Home Demonstration club, has had several rehearsals on their community play. They have a picked cast and the production bids fair to be a success.

Rehearsals are being held at Dr. Coleman's store here.

Real Estate or Insurance—Leave it to Jones Phone 798.

Williams Creek
 WILLIAMS CREEK, Jan. 16.—(Spl.)—Edith Mullen has been seriously ill with pneumonia but is better at present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hartman were very pleasantly surprised by a party of friends on the evening of Jan. 10, their wedding anniversary.

The Pennington boys, Robert, Ambrose and Ernest are cutting wood for Art Farrar of Provoit.

Dean Elder and Harold Boat have secured instruments and have joined the school orchestra. There was orchestra practice Monday night after which a surprise treat of cake, cookies and pickles was served by two members to all present.

Vern Hartman and Victor Cairn have begun making shingles and are turning out a very good quality.

The Gibson and Shultz families have been very ill with flu but are now better.

Mrs. Bert Banks who has been seriously ill, was able to drive into Grants Pass last week.

The three Madden children, George, Donald and Morgan entered school last week. All three are in Mrs. Verner's room. The Maddens have leased the Lovell place in front of the Williams store and took possession last week.

Mrs. Mollie Thatcher and son Brennan spent Thursday at the C. W. Roberts home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer House spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. House's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wisecarver of Grants Pass.

Grace Roberts spent the week end with relatives in Medford and east Phoenix.

The four youngest children of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Valenrud have been very sick with flu.

Mrs. John Lettken, who has been confined to her bed with flu, is better at present, but Mr. Lettken is now in bed.

Ernest Kinade spent the holidays in Grants Pass with her sister, Mrs. Beale Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turvey of Long Beach are visiting relatives on Williams creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Moosman were recent business visitors in Grants Pass.

Flight 'o Time
 (Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 24 and 10 Year Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
 January 17, 1923.
 (It was Wednesday.)
 City water commission named by Mayor Gaddis.

Ralph Bailey, 15, gets a Cuban station on his home-made radio.

Local farmers get loans from Federal Aid banks.

Espee plans to build Natron cut-off.

Wallace Reid, famed picture star, dies at Hollywood. He was a victim of the drug habit.

Bill before legislature to abolish Oregon primary system.

Jackson county fish tangle to be discussed at banquet.

Price tendency in December was slightly upward.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
 January 17, 1913.
 (It was Friday.)
 Minister in trouble down south, well known in Ashland.

Court Hall starts petition to have road to Sacred Heart hospital made fit to travel.

Four railroads now in course of construction on paper, out of Grants Pass.

"Gold and the Glimmer Thereof" at the Isis; "Julia's Sin" at the Ugo.

J. A. Perry elected head of Commercial club.

BIG ENTERTAINMENT BY PHOENIX GRANGE WEDNESDAY EVENING

PHOENIX, Jan. 17.—(Spl.)—Plans are complete for the program at the Grange hall Wednesday night when the Rogue River Cowboys will provide entertainment. This group of players under leadership of Sam Coy of Eagle Point, has been making regular weekly appearances over KMEM, and have won favor in a number of homes. A slight admission charge will be made. The program is open to the community and any one wishing to may attend.

Dancing will be another event of the evening. This, with the other stunts, and plans of amusement for the evening, promises to be one of the most enjoyable programs given in the Phoenix Grange for some time.

The committee in charge of the "eat booth" are planning that no one go away hungry.

La Grande Cold. LA GRANDE, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—The current cold wave was continuing in La Grande today with a minimum temperature here early today of 11 above. The sky was cloudy and there was slight traces of fine snow.

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