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Judgement Should Be Reserved

THE death of "Bud" Johnston following a street altercation with "Chuck" Davis, is a tragic and deplorable affair. It is particularly lamentable because the ballot burning issue was involved...

AS far as this immediate fatality is concerned, the people should reserve judgment, until ALL THE FACTS surrounding the tragedy are known. First reports are almost always unreliable, and usually exaggerated.

"Attorney General" Moody

IT is hardly necessary to commend Assistant Attorney General Ralph Moody for the MASTERFUL way in which he handled the criminal cases growing out of the "revolution" that tore this section of the state asunder for so long a time.

The results speak for themselves! Out of the six trials held, there were five convictions, and one acquittal. This is a batting average of about .835—which is as unprecedented in the legal, as it is in the baseball profession.

Only those close to these cases, appreciate the time Mr. Moody devoted to them, the personal sacrifices he made, the skill with which he prepared them.

They talk about an eight hour day! Mr. Moody, for over four months, put in from 12 to 20 hours a day. In fact during important crises he worked from sunrise to sunrise, without batting an eye, or uttering a word of complaint.

He was given invaluable assistance by the state and local police, by the district attorney's office, by the Committee of 100, and the right thinking people of Medford and Jackson county, but the chief responsibility from the outset was on his shoulders and his alone, and there to the end it remained.

He was the "GENERAL". And to him, as to the commanding general, in a victorious battle, the chief credit is due,—to him the honors should—and WILL be—given.

EFFECTIVE as he was, in the conduct of the state's case, eager as he NATURALLY was, to "make good"; from first to last, he never departed from the highest standards of his profession, never resorted to tactics or methods which were not in harmony with the standards of a GENTLEMAN.

Subjected to personal abuse, from opposing counsel, his life actually in danger at many times; he never retaliated in kind, to the first; he never changed his course, because of the second.

To this community he rendered a public service, which can scarcely be over-estimated, and this section of Southern Oregon owes him a debt of gratitude, which it will take many years to repay.

Mr. Banks Writes a Book

LEWELLYN A. BANKS, convicted of murder in the second degree and now awaiting sentence in Lane county prison, has written a book. This was better employment than brooding darkly. It lifted the mind of the prisoner out of the abyss, and though in all likelihood the volume is not a great contribution to letters its preparation was important to the well-being of the author.

Yet the obsession which drove Banks the editor to murder, until he became Banks the criminal, is evident in the brief review of this work that thus far has been afforded us. From his cell, as he did in the sunlight when he was free, Banks believes he perceives the world to be decadent and doomed. The messianic delusion persists, we may safely assume. And how the author reconciles his own disregard for authority and order, which culminated in the worst of crimes, with his opinion that he alone knows what is amiss with humanity, does not appear.

These zealots that deal in confused and epithetical generalities, assailing things as they are on the theory that whatever is is wrong, do not regard themselves as under least obligation to be logical. For illogic to them is logic of the first water, lucid, irrefutable. Thus Banks in his book, as in his sad life.

The book is called "Weighed in the Balance," meaning of course that our civilization has been weighed and found wanting. Poor fatuous scribbler. There is much amiss with the world, and a deal that might easily be righted, but it wasn't the world that was weighed and found wanting. It was the zealot who, without sufficient intelligence, or the requisite information, convinced himself that he was a man with a mission, and drummed up a following of unwisdom, and pursued his conceit to an end bitter as gall and wormwood.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here.

ARE YOU'RE NOT SLEEPING WELL?

In practice I have observed that people who can and do sleep well often have poor sleeping conditions, and people who have excellent sleeping equipment are likely to suffer from insomnia of their own making.

It is astonishing, too, how many people insist on having and even go heavily in debt to have luxurious comforts in an automobile which they enjoy for an hour or two a day.

In earlier lessons in this course all neurotics or so-called nervous wrecks were divided into two classes—the dumb and the crooked.

Adults over 30 ordinarily need eight hours sleep. If they sleep for less than eight hours, particularly in the open air, they can do with nine hours.

Fear of sleeplessness, like any other form of worry or anxiety, is injurious to health. Worry about sleeplessness is a habit cultivated by neurotics. Instead of taking advantage of a wakeful hour or two to cogitate some pleasant problem or plan they dwell on their nefarious schemes or their sins or the perils or being found out.

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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre

NEW ORK, Aug. 7.—Diary of a modern Peppy: Out through the town and meeting Arthur McKeogh, the editor, who is living on a houseboat this summer.

What's to become of 50 of New York's legitimate theaters is a problem that grows increasingly tense. There are roundly 90 theaters of this sort. It is not believed there is sufficient talent or interest in the legit, when properly returns, to keep more than 20 open.

Ye Poet's Corner

The Old Rattle Flivver. How dear to us kids was the old rattle flivver; The second-hand flivver that balked in the road.

We pushed it and pulled it, both backward and forward. And all our effort on the flivver bestowed. We primed it and cranked it and ratted, it and cranked it and in order to make the ignition explode.

When Vanoe Thompson was in London years ago, an American magazine called him to secure a little Christmas story from Sarah Bernhardt.

Communications

Not Member of Bar Association. To the Editor: In an article in Sunday's paper giving the names of those mentioned for the appointment of county judge, I wish to correct some statements you made in connection with my name.

State Press Comments On Conviction of Fehl

Purge of the Jackson County Feudists. The conviction of Judge Earl Fehl of Jackson county by a jury in Klamath county on a charge of ballot theft is the last nail in the coffin of the Medford insurrectionists led by L. A. Banks, convicted murderer, and Judge Fehl.

How about Fear Pickers? Now that Olympus has labored and given birth to the N. R. A., which magically produces jobs, and raises prices, won't some kind person please ponder the parlous plight of the poor peepicker, who must labor 9 hours for a pittance of 15 to 20 cents an hour.

The "good government" county judge and sheriff of Jackson county have been found guilty of stealing ballots in order to prevent a recount. These men gained office by telling the voters all other candidates were crooks.

County Judge Fehl is the last to be convicted of conspiracy in connection with the Jackson county ballot theft, and it required only 20 minutes for the jury to reach a verdict. One by one the leaders of the so-called "good government league" are being convicted of crimes growing out of their attempt to control the political situation in Jackson county.

Jenkins' Comment

Can it be done? Before answering that question, please recall that savage and untutored people HAVE STOMACH ACHES pretty regularly. Civilized peoples, on the other hand, have learned how to avoid a lot of stomach aches, by eating more sensibly.

Berlin, Aug. 7.—(AP)—The German police today arrested Dr. Paul Goldmann, correspondent here for 30 years of the Vienna News Presse on a charge of subversive activity, but released him later because of his ill health.

Fall Knitted Suits, two- and three-piece. Just what you need for campus wear. \$9.95 to \$29.95 at Adrienne's.

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County History from the Files of the Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Years Ago.)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 7, 1923. (It was Tuesday) President Harding's funeral train arrives at Washington, D. C., amid world wide testimonials of love and affection.

Court Hall's stolen Chevrolet is found along road near Oakland, Calif. Herbert Strang, while camping at Diamond Lake, is stricken with abdominal pains, but three physicians and a specialist camped at the resort cure him.

Tourist traffic shows steady increase. Many entered for races at the county fair. Rotarians at weekly meet discuss the prospects of oil in the valley.

Twenty Years Ago Today August 7, 1913. (It was Thursday) A merry party of Medford girls are vacationing at Coletuin (the names are deleted, as it was 20 years ago, and for the editor's own good)—Ed Note.

Attorney Porter J. Neff left for Salem yesterday to argue a case before the supreme court. Delay action on proposed short road to Astoria.

Orchardists urged to beware quack cures for fruit tree troubles. "Pearl's Dilemma" at the Star. "Complicated Complications" at the Isis; "Vengeance Rides the Night" at the It.

Vote on Pacific Highway bonds to be held September 9. Editorial declares "Medford needs civic leaders who will lead—not talk."

SOFT PEDAL FOR INFLATION HINTS ON ORDER OF F. R.

(Continued from Page One) the unnotified appointment of a new federal board of statistical experts. They are to be known as the central statistical board. Their job is going to be to keep Mr. Roosevelt privately informed as to how much purchasing power the N. R. A. is creating. They will keep their eyes on re-employment and wage figures particularly.

The board has a mixed personnel. Some are strong anti-inflationists while others want to keep the ball rolling. They probably will confine themselves to pointing out the problem rather than giving service on remedies.

The most responsible officials leave a neat way out for themselves in their denial of inflation talk. The White House spokesman offered his denial only for the period "until the N. R. A. gets working." Acting Treasury Secretary Acheson made his denial purely personal. He said it reflected only his own view and not that of the administration. He is a conservative opposed to inflation.

The warns being passed around that they cannot think of dollar revaluation because it would hurt the government bond market really is hot weather talk. The treasury would make such a gold profit out of dollar revaluation that all speculation about budget balancing would be ended.

The state department is NOT so confident as the president was that Prof. Moley will ultimately return as assistant secretary of state. Recent callers for Prof. Moley were told that the state department does not know whether he will be there in the future. The expression did not come from an underling but from one of the highest officials.

While Moley is turning detective, he and his advisers expect to devote some time to ascertaining who inspired all those stories against him from London. They would like to know particularly who let the fact out that he spent \$5000. It caused all his troubles. Obviously the story came from someone attached to the American delegation or the London embassy. No one else knew about it.

The Nobel prize for literature this year should go to some unidentified person in State Secretary Hull's London office. He composed a volume in two words. After Prof. Moley and his publicity adviser left London and were at sea, they sent a radiogram to State Sec. Hull's office. It read: "What does the London press say about our departure?"

The reply came back swiftly: "PRESS UNCOMMENTED." Senator Elmer Thomas is conducting an inner inflation campaign. He recently saw Moley and Chairman Black of the federal reserve, trying to convince them.

Apparently the most influential Wall street people are playing ball with the administration on the inside. They recently took up the new curb on margin accounts. The original suggestion is supposed to have come from close to Mr. Roosevelt. Also you need not be surprised if the stock exchanges come into General Johnson's office shortly with a code. It has been in the course of preparation for a week.

Banks are NOT accepting the R. F. C. liberal policy of purchasing preferred stocks in their institutions. At least not to the degree that has been hoped. Apparently they fear the R. F. C. will take too big a hand in the operation of banks in which it holds stock.

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