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CONSIDER THE COST.

THE next time you visit the Crater, Deschutes or Fremont National Forest, see if you can visualize roads and schools houses in the big pine trees.

Twenty-five per cent of the total yearly income from the national forests goes to the county and state in lieu of taxes for road and school funds. The total amount up to June, 1923, was \$110,011.77 for Klamath county, in which there are portions of the Crater, Fremont and Deschutes National Forests. In addition, the government spends ten per cent of the income from the national forests in road construction and maintenance within the forests.

Our national forests are being protected from fire and are being developed so as to yield a continuous supply of timber and forage, which means that not only will the revenue increase as time goes on but also that we will always receive an income from these lands.

A fire in the forests of Klamath county means less money for roads and schools in the county. Eighty per cent of our forest fires are man-caused and are, therefore, preventable. Every taxpayer is interested in reducing his taxes, and one way of doing this is to work for the prevention of fires in our forests, which contribute to our roads and schools. For the first few years, the national forests contributed very little to our tax funds, but with their increased development the amount has steadily grown and will continue to grow as the more inaccessible timbered areas find a market.

There is a saying that "The Swiss keep their mountains up and their taxes down with their forests." But the Swiss no longer burn their forests—man-caused fires are an unheard of thing in Switzerland. Let us get rid of the careless smoker and camper, and of anyone else who thoughtlessly sets the woods afire. We have no place for the firebug in Klamath county.

TOWN PRIDE RETURNS

WHAT we think of as normal times may as yet be a long way off, but here and there straws point to an early return of that civic and community pride, which gave so much promise for American town life before the war. Nine years ago the sudden shift of interest to the great conflict dealt a severe blow to that community spirit which reflects itself in neat lawns, clean streets, sanitation, bright paints and play centers. Today one does not travel far without noting a change for the better.

In many instances contracts have been let for long delayed improvements. Most of the smaller communities in particular seem to be brushing up shoes and shining buttons, so to speak. Experienced observant motorists attribute the rebirth of a consciousness of appearance to the improvement in highways. Once a main artery of travel is improved through a community a transformation takes place. The Dingeyvilles awaken to the fact that they are not as neat in appearance, to the stranger on the road, as the rival nearby town. Presently a property owner improves his place, out of pride, or business sagacity, and soon Shabbyburg becomes a veritable Spotlessville.

According to architects, contractors and engineers, scores of municipalities are about to undertake improvements of a public nature. The bulk of these are in the form of street paving, waterworks and sewer extension and small bridge building. A number of progressive small towns are establishing parks and playgrounds. They are providing against the day when ground will be higher in price and their larger population in greater need of breathing spots.

MALIN NOW HAS NEWSPAPER

THE first appearance of The Malin Progress, a weekly newspaper guided by Tom W. Shaughnessy, was heralded this week and a welcome to Klamath county's newspaper ranks is herewith accorded. The Progress is a six-column sheet of four pages, and its initial issue bespeaks well for its editor and the community the paper seeks to represent. There are 250,000 acres of excellent soil in the Malin section and the town is thriving. A news medium will unquestionably aid materially in the development of this wonderful country, which happens to be tributary to Klamath Falls. It is our hope and confidence that Mr. Shaughnessy will be given the support his pioneering venture deserves.

Simply to keep the record straight, it ought to be noted that ex-Bandit Al Jennings claims to have been thoroughly reformed by the time that 1920 convention money is supposed to have been flying around.

Average man says he cannot understand why he should be fined for making the old bus go 50. Thinks he ought to be congratulated.

When Europe faces a plan for putting its affairs on a sound business basis it has a conviction fit.

Politics may make strange bedfellows, but it also makes bad fellows acquainted.

HUNT'S WASHINGTON LETTER

By HARRY B. HUNT
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 25.—Cal Coolidge is no fan. The "great national game" of baseball leaves him "cold."

That was evident to all present on the occasion of the opening of the American league season at the Washington ball park.

Coolidge complied with the tradition that the first ball of the first game in Washington must be tossed out by the president. But he did it with an expression and a gesture that indicated the job was the most distasteful he had yet been called upon to perform as chief executive. If hurling a horsehide sphere out into a ball park, while a crazy mob of screeching lunatics looks on, was a daily part of the presidential routine, well—we'll bet Calvin Coolidge wouldn't run for re-election.

Coolidge's discomfiture as he stood up to throw the ball was plain. He not only didn't grin, he didn't even smile.

He went at it as an unpleasant, rather undignified proceeding that had to be gone through with, but which he didn't enjoy or even approve.

Instead of tossing the ball out snappily, he sort of pushed it away from him with an overhand gesture, much as Caesar might have spurned the crown.

And then, with the home team winning, Cal up and left in the middle of the third inning!

Though Coolidge may not warm up to baseball, he does seem to be onto the curves of that other great national pastime, politics. Already his campaign managers claim to have about 500 of the necessary 256 delegates to the republican convention roped and tied.

So cocksure are his boosters of a walkaway for him at Cleveland that they are suggesting having the president drop in on the convention in person, receive direct notification of his nomination and deliver his speech of acceptance and campaign keynote on the spot.

Such a procedure, however, does not seem quite to fit in with the Coolidge character. It would be rather too spectacular, too great a departure from custom and precedent. Doubtless it might be good strategy, it might disclose him as less "cautious" and "careful" than he has often been pictured, might humanize him and help start the battle with a bang, but our guess is Coolidge will receive the "news" of his nomination through press reports relayed to the executive office.

Poetically inclined persons are convinced that the action of congress in passing the Japanese exclusion act just when it did proves that our legislators have no souls.

The very day the vote was taken which precipitated all the discussion of "grave consequences," the Japanese cherry trees along the speedway and around the tidal basin burst into full bloom.

These cherry trees, a gift from the mikado to the government of the United States some 20 years ago, have done more than any other single thing to beautify the national capital. Their masses of delicate pink blossoms make a veritable fairyland of the capital in spring-time.

Perhaps the exclusion act was all right. Perhaps it was proper that it should be passed.

But to pass it in cherry blossom time, when the beauty and fragrance of Japan's gift to us was in itself a plea for harmony, an invitation to peace—ah, surely that revealed us as a nation of materialists, shorts of souls and sentiment!

Mamie Williams of Savannah, Ga., will have the distinction of being the first colored woman delegate ever to sit in a national convention. She will sit in the Georgia delegation at Cleveland.

Ten Years Ago Today

APRIL 25, 1914
Buys Bank Stock—
Ernest M. Bubb, a popular young business man of the city, has evolved from an abstractor and accountant into a banker. Today he purchased a block of stock in the First National bank of Merrill and next week will assume the position of cashier. Later he will become manager.
Bubb has disposed of his interest in the Klamath County Abstract company to his partners, Bert Withrow and Don J. Zumwalt. That Bubb is qualified for the position, is shown by his high record during four years' connection with the old Klamath County bank and the American Bank and Trust company. He is also the proper kind of a mixer and the town of Merrill can be justly proud of acquiring a new citizen of this desirable type.

Although the Hindus, like the Canadians, are subjects of the British Empire, they are excluded from Canada and even when admitted under special conditions they are refused the rights of citizenship.

THE OFFICE CAT

If she wouldn't wash dishes at \$50 a week, that's pride; if she does it for nothing, that's matrimony.

Henry Ford says the way to get world peace is to make everybody speak English. The last time a peace plan of that kind was launched was in 1914, when the kaiser started out to make everybody speak German.

The Original Fall was occasioned

by an apple. There was no oil at that time.

Criticism is of two kinds, destructive and constructive. What kind are you peddling.

Polite is the quality that enables a man to smile placidly while his love letters are read in court.

Two fleas were talking in the zoo. "Join me in a game of golf," said one.

"Where?" said the other.

"Over on the Lynx," said the first, do.

Cheer Up.

Why double other people's woes by looking grim and grey?

Let's whistle up a hope or two to chase the fairs away!

Say—what's the use of envying the feasts we haven't got?

Let's count the currants in our buns—'twill cheer us up a lot.

We won't talk glibly, dimly or trouble, grief and loss—

We'll chat of blessing thankfully, and hide each petty cross.

For don't we know—of course we know—life must have tracks of care?

But still it has some sunny miles—thank God they are there!

A colored lady recently entered Smith's Emporium and asked for some black underwear.

The clerk told her that she had none of this ombre hue in stock but could supply her in almost any other shade and color.

"It's black or nothing young lady," answered Mammy. "It's got to be black, that all. Youah see mah man he jes took a trip across de ole rich Jordan and when Ah mourns—why Ah mourns all yeah!"

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