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Editorial

Better begin "Stepping on it" if Oregon is to have a World's Fair in 1930.

The barbers in Portland, by raising the prices, are increasing the sales of safety razors.

It is possible that you have heard like rumors hence we feel that we are giving away no secret when we say that the next governor of Oregon will be Ike Patterson.

If more school scholars realized that they are paying real cash for the privilege of going to school they probably would try to get all they could for their money.

Over in Washington county they are going to have a "Tunnel Election," to decide whether or not to build a tunnel under Council Crest into Portland. The Inland highway from Portland to Astoria, by the way of Vernonia, is more important and cheaper. Better vote that freak tunnel question down and down it for all time.

The Oregon Blue Book for 1925-26 is just received. The volumn is full of valuable statistics and information of our state and accurate for reference as to various state officials, history, etc. The Blue Book is compiled by Sam A. Kozler, secretary of state, and can be had by any citizen writing for one. A newspaper can hardly get along without one.

Motorists are missing the really beautiful scenery and the timber and farms that are the backbone of our state when they persist in staying on the paved highways. These graveled roads are as easy to drive over as the pavement and look what you see when you get into the country through the interior. Take the graveled roads for scenery that is different. Then too, avoid the danger of heavy traffic.

The county court is going to cut off the embankment straighten a bad bridge on the St. Helens road some day, but not now. Some day after a machine slides off the bridge and some are killed in the accident, then the place will be made safer. The bridge seven miles from Vernonia, called the Hill Bridge by some, is the most dangerous we have in the county. It is a sharp turn, a blind turn, a slippery floor narrow and weak banasters.

The Columbia County Fair this year, was pronounced a splendidsuccess, considering that it is the first year on the new grounds. The location is new, the buildings new, the race track new and the fair old and well known. Each year we will grow and the Columbia County Fair will be one of the principal yearly events in the state. To the management and the fair board we extend congratulations. It was well done.

Vernonia didn't entirely forget that September nine was "Vernonia Day." But Vernonia couldn't celebrate on account of the entire main business streets being paved and traffic being detoured. Besides Vernonia is buying and equipping a new city park which is taking time, money and work. It was three years ago on September nine that the new Vernonia saw her first train and that the town was really started. The first celebration will long be remembered and next year on the ninth the city will show the state a real city.

DON'T BELIEVE IT

ON'T believe the man or woman who says this is "a Godless age" and that folks nowadays care nothing about religion. It is true that there is more need for religion today than there ever was, but we believe that this demand is being fully met. The average man is interested in religion, often to a deeper extent than you know. He doesn't go around talking and bragging about his religion, but the average man tries to lead a good and honest life. That goes for the average woman and girl, too. Church statistics show increased membership and there are other things to contradict the fellow who say swe're living in "a Godless age." Do not lose faith in your fellowman by believing it. He may not go to church as often as he should, but that doesn't mean that he isn't leading a decent life. Turn a deaf ear to those who would cripple our moral life by painting disagreeable and untruthful pictures.

TIME TO CELEBRATE

LL arrangements have been completed by the bankers of the U. S. for one of the greatest celebrations in the history of this nation—not a big jubilee, with fireworks and brass bands—but a great gathering at which 22,000 out of 30,000 bankers are to be present.

Citizens of Vernonia should be interested in it because it is going to show the wonderful progress made in the

past 50 years, progress in which almost everyone around here has had a hand. It will be the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of national banking interests in America. Fifty years ago all the banks in the U. S. combined boasted deposits and resources of \$3,000,000,000. Today the banks of this nation have deposits and resources of \$60,000,000,000. In other words, the people of this country are twenty times better off financially than they were 50 years ago. Fifty years ago Americans supported but 3,000 banks; today they are maintaining a total of 30,000, and each year shows deposits gaining at an enormous rate.

The average man has come to realize how rapidly the money piles up when it is placed at interest. He only wishes he had found it out when he was a younger man. But, not stopping to worry about water that has already gone over the dam, he is doing the next best thing—he is trying to teach the coming generation the value of a savings account. As a result of this the next fifty years will see a far greater growth than the fifty years just closing. Fifty years from now the nation can write its deposits in twelve figures, instead of in eleven as at present, a feat, beyond doubt, that no other nation will be able to boast.

BRODIE FOR SENATOR

ROBABLY a dozen names have been mentioned as candidates for U. S. Senate by various organizations, papers, parties and individuals for the 1926 election in Oregon. It becomes a habit or hobby and some of the names rank among the unknown. Why not mention a true Oregonian who puts more of his time for the state than he does for his own business. E. E. Brodie of Oregon City, a native son, and a man who has Oregon at heart and who has worked for Oregon all his life, has not been mentioned. Mr. Brodie has probably never given it a thought. But why not Brodie? Mr. Brodie has just returned from Siam where for four years he has been as minister from the United States, and he has settled down in his editorial chair on his paper, the Oregon City Enterprise, apparently content to work for the Great Northwest and live among his own people in happiness, good will and content. Will Oregon let him do it? He is too good a man for the state and the Northwest not to be used. Mr. Brodie certainly knows Oregon's points and Oregon's needs; he would be probably the best man for the state yet mentioned for the senate. It may be a little previous but regardless of any protests from Mr. Brodie, the Eagle is going to nominate him for United States Senator from Oregon. And if we get a second, we are sure he could win, as it is the common people and the majority who elect in Oregon today. Oregonians would at this time, with the others, be for Brodie, and we see no harm in mentioning him.

IN THE FARM HOME

OR years we've heard about the drurgery and dreariness of domstic life in rural communities. For centuries the good housewife was condemned to human slavery in doing her part to make the old farm earn a living. But today the farms of this country are yielding an income, and the burdens of the women who live on them have been lightened.

Not long ago the government picked out one county in northwestern Ohio in which to conduct a survey. It developed that almost every farm house boasted a sewing machine. Out of 100 homes canvassed, the following conveniences were found: Automobiles, 66; sinks, 63; oil or gas stoves 61; washing machines, 55; piano or organ, 38; phonograph, 33; gas or electric iron, 32; telephone, 22; carpet sweeper, 13; bath, 12; fireless cooker, 3. Residents of Vernonia who study over this list for a few minutes will see how drurgery is disappearing from the farm home and how labor saving devices and modern conveniences are slowly but surely coming to relieve the woman of the rural district of back breaking toil.

That was in an average county in Ohio. In many other states the percentage would be as great, or greater. Farm lighting systems and power from gasoline engines or dynamos are to be found now in every state in the union. And these are the things that are freeing the farm wife from the slavery that has already existed entirely too long

At the meeting of the Oregon State Editorial association last June, Mr. Frank Jenkins, editor of the Eugene Morning Register, said, "That he had observed that the most successful papers were those that used crime news profusely throughout the paper, but took a high stand against it in the editorial columns."

By successful he meant "Newspapers whose circulation is an important part of their publication."

It is a sad commentary on human nature that the details of crimes and criminals furnish such an appeal to so many readers, but we opine that the appeal is not new to this generation. Ever since Robin Hood waylaid the unwary traveler in the shady lanes of Old England the public mind has grasped with avidity all tales of daring deeds committed beyond the pale of law by ruthless and unscrupulous men.

In our own day we have seen women willing and anxious to crown with garlands the brow of the dead Tracy who won his way through the country some years ago by preying upon the helpless and holding others at bay at th emuzzle of his gun.

It is therefore scarcely to be wondered at that at this time the escapades of Murray and his pals have stirred up another epidemic of what we rightly call maudlin sentimentalism.

It is, however, unfortunate that the papers are allowed to cater to this taste. Better were it for the future of the race if all details of crimes were suppressed. Thoughts centered on heroic deeds and charitable works will never lead to crime nor the study of noble lives to acts of de-

pravity, but the contemplation of vicious acts and the study of law violations can and does beget in weak-minded persons oftentimes a temptation which leads to the pen if not to the grave.—Aurora Observer.

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