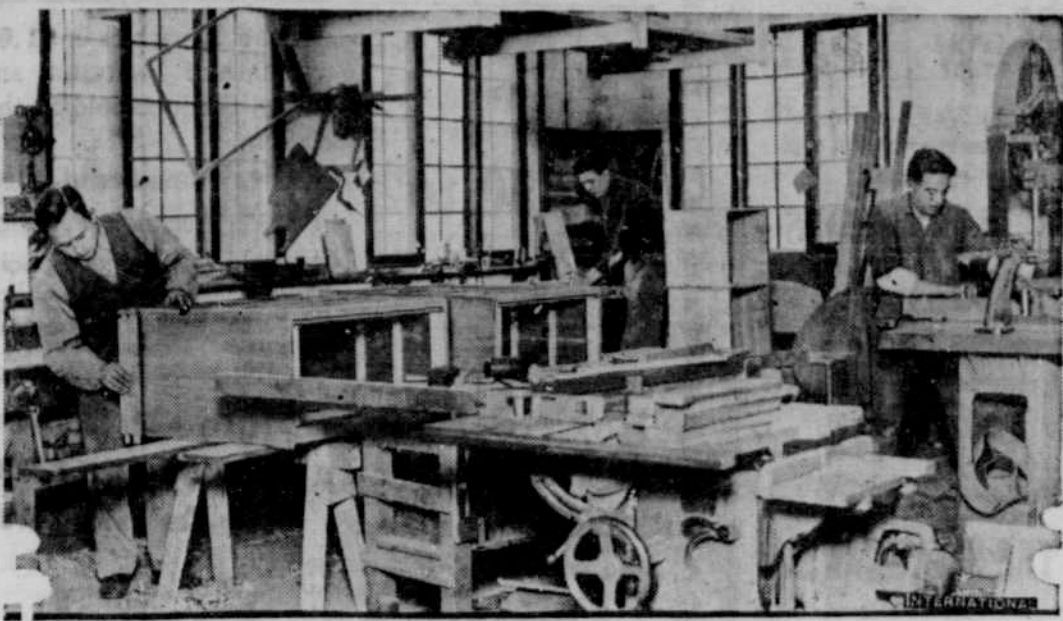


Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt's Furniture Factory



View of the workshop of the furniture factory at Hyde Park, N. Y., which is conducted by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the new governor of New York. She specializes in early American copies and adaptations.

Con Men Named in Murder Case

Ring of Crooks at Tulsa Blamed for Long List of Crimes.

Fort Smith, Ark.—Why was W. C. Clayton, forty-three, formerly of Tulsa and Muskogee, shot to death and his body sunk in the murky waters of Frog lake bayou, near Ruby, Ark., recently?

The true answer may never be known to the public, but Fort Smith officers are positive of this one thing they say:

The man who is held for safekeeping in Arkansas state penitentiary pending trial for the murder of Clayton was a member of the band of confidence men that is maintaining headquarters in Tulsa and has been operating throughout Oklahoma and neighboring states for the last four years, fleeing glibly victims of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Other Acts of Violence.

The murder is but one of several violent acts that have been laid at the door of the confidence men. The suicide of a Sapulpa man, an attempted suicide of a Tulsa man who later died a natural death, the kidnapping and intimidation of a witness against them, "dealing" of a victim who was in their clutches, a gun battle among members of their own crowd, and the flashing of guns and knives in several of their games are blamed on these schemers who have been permitted to run at large in Tulsa.

The band has been growing rich and powerful the last year or two. It has extended its operations to include many towns and cities of the Southwest, but it has maintained its headquarters at Tulsa and it is here that it has played its biggest games, seemingly safe from prosecution of the law. But now for the first time since the wave of crime began it looks like the swindlers' activities may be brought to an end.

A Gruesome Catch.

It was a gruesome catch that J. L. Byrd, Fort Smith contractor, made when he was fishing in Frog bayou, beyond Ruby, Ark.

He was fly fishing in the bayou. His luck had been fair. He took a bass off his hook, threw it into his basket and made another cast.

The hook caught in a heavy object. He couldn't pull it from the water. Frank Miller of Fort Smith, who had gone fishing with him, and two other men came to his assistance.

They brought the object from the water to find it was the body of a man, clothed only in a shirt, tie, and underwear. The arms and legs were bound tightly with rope and the body was weighted down with heavy rocks. The man's face was powder burned. There was a bullet hole through the temple.

The body was identified as that of W. C. Clayton, and the next day charges of murder were filed against

Birdie Cooper Adams Clayton, the widow, and her brothers, Russell and Hugh Cooper. Mrs. Clayton was arrested three hours after positive identification of the body. She had been married to Clayton two days before his death.

Russell Cooper, who with his brother and sister was indicted for the murder of Clayton, was not found until September 28, when he was arrested in Tulsa. He was taken to the Arkansas penitentiary, where he is being held pending trial.

Recently he was granted a change of venue, while at the same time a nolle prosequere was entered in the state in the case of Hugh Cooper and hearing of the case against Mrs. Clayton was continued until the March term of court by agreement.

Three Theories.

Officers who have been working on the Clayton murder mystery have three theories:

The Cooper brothers, learning that Clayton had married his sister without divorcing an estranged wife who resided in Tulsa, may have planned and carried out the killing on that account.

Clayton may have been an intended victim of the swindling ring who resisted and was killed for his trouble. Or—and Fort Smith officers say this theory is as tenable as the others—

Clayton was a member of the swindling ring and quarreled with Cooper over a division of the spoils. D. L. Ford, assistant prosecuting attorney of Fort Smith, said that Clayton had a wide acquaintance in northeastern Oklahoma and it was their theory that he had been used as a "come-on" man in that section of the state.

Community in Ohio Develops Prize Park

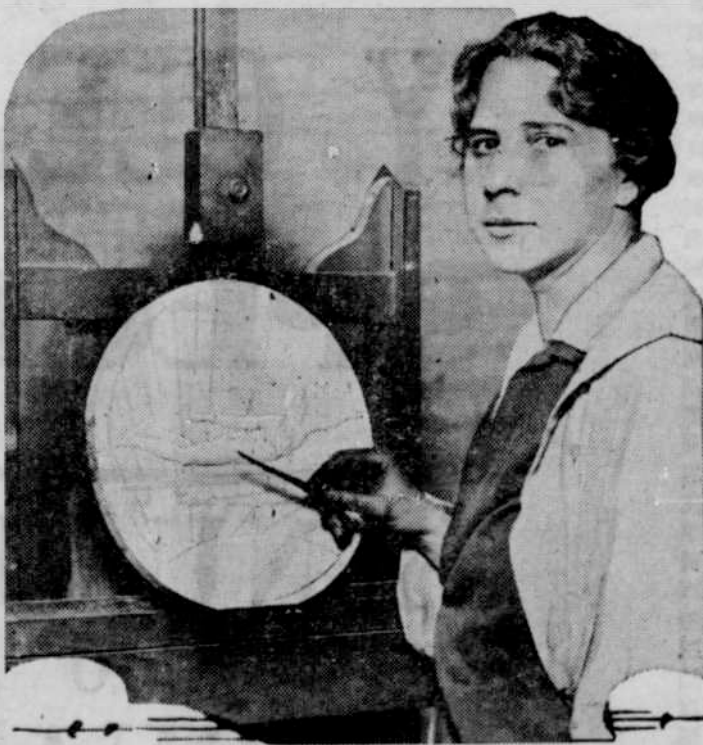
Fremont, Ohio.—Two years after Fremont bought a debris-littered plot of ground and converted it into a community park, the Harmon foundation gave its 1928 award to that city, indicating that it showed the greatest advancement in playground facilities. Fremont has 12,000 persons.

Public school officials acquired the plot of ground in 1925 after the Harmon foundation advanced \$1,000. The field was tiled and sodded, bleacher seats, accommodating 2,500, and a high wire fence were erected. A concrete fieldhouse, accommodating 50 boys, was built. For its first-year development the Fremont park won a prize.

In the second year a cinder track and baseball diamond were laid out, volleyball and croquet courts built and new equipment added to the small children's play sections. Vorys Collier of the junior high-school staff became physical director for the ground, and a program of play was mapped. By spring tennis courts will be added.

Collier now boasts that sports for all ages are available at the playground. More than 7,600 persons used it last year. The playground is called Harmon Field.

Making the Medal for Lindbergh



Mrs. Laura Gardin Fraser of New York, who in national competition was awarded by a jury composed of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and the National Commission of Fine Arts, the assignment to make the special congressional medal which has been awarded to Col. Chas. A. Lindbergh, in commemoration of his epochal flight.

CLAM DIGGER KILLS FRIEND TO SAVE LIFE OF MONGREL

Twain Drinking on Slayer's Houseboat When Crowbar and Ax Settle Argument.

Beach Haven, N. J.—Samuel Conklin, a clam digger, and John Carlson, a fisherman, sat down in the cabin of Conklin's houseboat in Marmalade bay, near here, for an hour of quiet drinking.

Within the hour Conklin had beaten his friend to death with an ax because, he said, Carlson had tried to kill his dog. Conklin has signed a confession of the killing and is in the jail here awaiting arraignment on a charge of murder.

The dog is a ragged brown mongrel, about two years old. Despite its homely appearance, Conklin, who lived alone in the houseboat off Bay avenue, Beach Haven terrace, loved the dog next to his friend Carlson. One morning as Conklin was on

the beach digging for clams his friend approached and asked: "Sam, how'd you like to have a drink of whiskey?" Conklin replied that he would be pleased and made arrangements to meet his friend at the houseboat later in the afternoon.

At 5 o'clock Carlson came aboard carrying two pint bottles of whiskey. They went into Conklin's cabin lighted poorly by a kerosene lamp. On the floor the dog lay whimpering.

They drank a while, and then Carlson said: "I'm going to kill that hound. He's sick and I don't like him." With this he grabbed a crowbar from behind the door and started toward the dog. Conklin rushed at him and sought to wrest the bar from him. In the struggle Carlson was hit on the head.

"I'll kill you, too," the latter panted as they fought. Whereupon Conklin picked up an ax from under the

bunk and struck Carlson three times twice with the butt and the third time with the blade. The fisherman fell to the floor and did not get up. Conklin went to bed.

About 3 o'clock in the morning he awoke and saw the body lying on the floor. He dragged it off the houseboat, across the beach and over the Pennsylvania railroad tracks, 200 feet away, and dropped it in the middle of Bay avenue. Then he returned to the boat, washed the floor and the ax, which he placed under the bunk and retired.

K. C. Burlingame, a milkman was making his first delivery when he came upon the body. He hurried back to Beach Haven and informed Patrolman Albert Murphy and State Trooper Atkinson. They accompanied him to the place where the body lay and found a trail of blood leading to the water's edge at a point near where the houseboat was moored.

They boarded the boat and aroused Conklin arrested him and took him to jail. "I did it because I thought he would kill me," the clam digger said.

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

The Oregon Wool Growers' association held its annual state convention in Baker recently.

Postal receipts at the Astoria post-office during 1928 totaled \$67,214, an increase of \$250.47 over the 1927 receipts.

Illinois valley Port Orford cedar is being shipped to Japan. The logs are obtained near Bandon and hauled to Waters Creek by truck.

The Inland Grain company, a new \$25,000 corporation, has been organized at Freewater by H. S. Murray, A. L. Grover and John R. Barnes.

According to a recent survey, Eugene's population is now estimated at 27,542, an increase of 160 per cent since the decennial census of 1920.

Approximately 40 new business houses, representing a large number of various lines of endeavor, were opened in Medford during the year 1928.

The oil prospecting well at Fossil has reached a depth of 700 feet and the crew is now drilling in red shale. Work is going on continuously day and night.

All-time building records in McMinnville were shattered in 1928 when a total of \$463,984 was invested. The amount is \$237,000 more than was spent in 1927.

Medford and Jackson county during the year 1928 broke all records in pear shipments, lumber production, Crater Lake travel, school attendance and bank deposits.

Wasco county's total of tax to be raised for county purposes this year will be \$421,318.80. The county purse, previously dropped from the budget, will be retained.

With a cash balance of \$155,532.97, the Linn county court enters the new year well supplied with funds. The balance is one of the largest in the history of the county.

John Laing of Haines and two partners have uncovered a commercial vein of ore in their mine 14 miles from Haines which shows values as high as \$450 per ton in silver-lead.

A seagull flew into a 2300-volt power line at Seaside one day last week, causing a short circuit and leaving the town without power for an hour. The gull recovered and flew away.

The sea-going tug Georgia M. Brown, owned by the Star Towing company, went aground recently on the beach just south of the Siletz Bay bar when a tow line fouled her propeller.

Although there was no great activity in building in Pendleton during 1928, records show that permits issued during the year had a value of \$157,442, or \$63,691 more than in 1927.

Oregon land in 1928 yielded farm products worth \$565,000,000, surpassing the total of 1927 by nearly \$20,000,000. Eleven million more dollars was taken from the streams in fish.

The West Lane Lumber company plant near Swishome started up the first of the year with 40 employees. The plant, recently taken over by new owners, had been idle for about a year.

In the two months in which the cooperative shipping association of Wal-lawa county farmers has been in existence, 3756 hogs have been shipped, bringing the farmers a total of \$62,713.

Dogs killed 448 sheep and 19 goats in Linn county during 1928, according to records of claims filed with the Linn county court. The loss is more than \$5000. The court is now auditing the claims.

Richard Cayzer, artist, lost heavily at Tillamook recently when fire destroyed his studio with many valuable paintings. Mr. Cayzer was severely burned in an attempt to save some of his property.

A report compiled by Sheriff Taylor shows that 296 persons were inmates of the Lane county jail during 1928. This is considerably less than the three preceding years, which show an average of 525.

P. G. Gilmore, owner of the Gilmore hotel in Newport, was killed in an automobile accident six miles east of Toledo on the icy Newport-Corvallis highway. Mrs. Gilmore, who was trapped under the car, was badly bruised, but not seriously injured.

The total tax levy in Eugene this year will be \$5.5 mills, according to County Assessor Keeney. Last year the total was \$4.6 mills. The big item of increase is the 4-mill levy for construction of the McKenzie and Florence state highways.

The Hood River county court has announced that funds available for county fruit inspection work will be used in employment of a county agent. The cost of the agent's annual work will be \$5000 a year, of which the county will pay \$2400.

Henry Holden, resident of the North Fork community, near Florence, was killed instantly when a large log rolled over him.

Sheriff Taylor of Lane county has recovered from an assault by thugs a few days ago, who waylaid him and knocked him unconscious. He was not robbed and the motive is supposed to have been revenge.

Ike Weatherford, whose hobby is aviation, recently purchased 80 acres of land near Arlington and has a crew of men erecting buildings and leveling the ground preparatory to establishing an aviation field.

Mary Margaret Grimes, 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Grimes, living 14 miles northwest of Junction City, was fatally shot by her 9-year-old brother Robert while the two were playing with a small rifle.

Attainments of Edgar Grimes of Harrisburg, 1928 national 4-H club leader champion, bore fruit recently in the appropriation of \$850 by the county court to restore the office of Linn county club leader, vacated five years ago by failure of the court to provide funds.

C. Marsters of Roseburg was elected president of the Oregon state fair board at the annual meeting of the board held in Salem recently. This is Mr. Marsters' second successive term as president of the board. Mrs. Ella Shultz Wilson was re-elected secretary of the board.

While cleaning out the mail boxes used in the house and senate during the legislature two years ago, workmen found three letters which were overlooked and not taken to the post-office. This carelessness will be called to the attention of the mail clerks at the 1929 session.

A gavel fashioned from a piece of timber which had been in the White House for more than 112 years was presented to the Portland chamber of commerce by F. C. Knapp, president of the Peninsula Lumber company, in behalf of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association.

State prohibition operatives participated in 88 arrests for violations of liquor laws during December, according to a report filed with Governor Patterson by George Alexander, state prohibition director. Fines imposed in the cases aggregated \$7925, with jail sentences totaling 520 days.

Sinking of a number of wells which, if successful, will provide Salem with an improved water supply, was announced by the Oregon-Washington Water Service company. Work on one of the wells was under way last week. The Salem water has had a peculiar taste for several weeks, and many householders have obtained their drinking water at springs and from wells outside of the city.

Merger of 125 retail grocery stores in the Willamette valley, presenting aggregate resources of nearly \$1,500,000, was perfected in Salem recently. The merger, created by the Willamette Grocery company, brings into existence one of the largest chain store organizations in Oregon. The organization will be allied for buying with a chain of 450 stores in Washington. Theodore Roth, president of the company, said.

Rural residents from various districts petitioned the Hood River city council for domestic water supply from the new \$250,000 Cold Springs municipal water system now under construction. City Attorney Smith informed the country residents that they may form water districts along the pipeline and that the city will deliver water to the districts at its pipelines. Each district will arrange its own distributing system.

S. G. Simon of Tangent was elected president of the Oregon Dairymen's association at the closing session of the 36th annual convention of the organization held in Medford. Berton Aldrich of Redmond was named vice-president, and P. M. Brandt of Corvallis, secretary-treasurer. Marshfield was selected as the convention city for next year, with the understanding that an eastern Oregon city would be named the following year.

The public schools of Oregon are the largest single enterprise in the state and represent an investment of more than \$40,000,000 in buildings, grounds and equipment, according to the biennial report of C. A. Howard, state superintendent of schools, which was filed with Governor Patterson recently. During the fiscal year ending June 18, 1928, these schools expended \$22,000,000. Approximately 8000 teachers are employed and more than 187,000 children are enrolled. There are 9624 clerks and school board members.

State highway maintenance forces are spreading gravel south from Myrtle Point toward Bridge, where the distance is supplied with reserve piles of gravel for 11 miles. This gravel is being leveled with a grader as fast as laid. The state expects to oil half of the road this spring or summer. The thoroughfare is the state highway between Coos county and Douglas, and there are said to be many soft and bad places in the road as far as Camas valley, due to trucking of logs in the summer months.

Community Building

Important for House

to Fit Neighborhood

Dwellings well suited to their sites and to the neighborhood will have a market value corresponding to their original cost, contends the latest of a series of articles on "Looking Into Real Estate," published by the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

"Houses should fit the neighborhood in which they are built if maximum values are to be secured from residential real estate sites," the article reads in part. "The home builder will do well to look over the other homes in the neighborhood in which he is contemplating construction, and see that his home conforms to the general cost level of the other structures if he wishes to make best use of his land."

"In determining what in technical language is called the highest and best use for commercial property, consideration is given to the kind of structure that will produce the largest income. In general this rule holds true for residential property also; but in the case of a dwelling this income is figured in terms of satisfaction and enjoyment and not in money, unless or until the home owner thinks about reselling. Then the kind of a house that has been put on the land from the point of view of the other flows becomes very important."

Court Ruling of More Than Usual Interest

An interesting case which has occurred recently is that of a Baltimore ordinance, which has been upheld by the Maryland Court of Appeals. This ordinance differs from most others in that it aims not merely to protect the property of householders, but to aid in preserving their health and in beautifying residence districts. It provides that homes shall not be placed closer together than a certain number of feet, thus insuring better ventilation than is now possible in many residence sections, and compelling builders to place houses in such a way as to present a well-balanced appearance.

That a court would support such an ordinance shows how rapidly the cause of zoning is advancing. We are awakening to some of the possibilities of this procedure, in beautifying our cities and making them healthful, as well as in preserving property values against the inroads of unscrupulous speculators and other mercenary interests.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

"Frame" House Properly

In planning the planting for the new home it is well to remember that shrubs and trees perform the same function for the home that a frame does for a picture.

It frequently happens that instead of serving as a frame, the planting arrangement will, when the trees get a few years' growth, act as a screen, hiding the charm of the home's outlines and cutting off too much sunlight. Some shade is desirable, it is true, but modern hygienists have discovered the human body needs plenty of sunlight, not alone the direct rays, but also the germ-sterilizing and body-building action of the invisible ultraviolet rays on foods, on growing plants in the home and on the home interior and its furnishings.

As Men See Trees

A small boy looks on a tree as a challenge to his anthropoid inheritance and the endurance of his trousers or as a standing invitation to build there in a tree house at the risk of his young neck. A tree surgeon estimates it in terms of cavities and vegetable calamities. A lumberman looks out over an ancient forest and is busy with calculations of timber lengths and sizes.

But plain people who must live and work in cities do greater honor to the friendly trees and regard them, care for them and preserve them for their varied beauty, infinite capacity for refreshment to eyes and ears wearied with the sharp edges of city life.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Need for Widened Roads

A future trend of road building will be toward the construction of wider highways in addition to more highways. For a good many years now the roads have been extended rapidly, but they are not wide enough. An excursion into the more heavily traveled portions of the state amply emphasizes this fact. Many accidents might well be avoided if the highways were a few feet wider.—Tillamook (Ore.) Headlight.

Best Garden Plan

Concerning the general shape of a garden, Sir William Temple long ago declared, "The best figure of a garden is either square or an oblong, and either upon a flat or a descent; they all have their beauties, but the best I esteem an oblong upon a descent."

Easy to Transform House

New houses for old. It only takes, after all, a little time and money and a bit of skill and imagination to transform a shapeless, graceless old-fashioned little home into a modern dwelling of real charm.

Have Kidneys Examined By Your Doctor

Take Salts to Wash Kidneys if Back Pains You or Bladder Bothers

Flush your kidneys by drinking a quart of water each day, also take salts occasionally, says a noted authority, who tells us that too much rich food forms acids which almost paralyze the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaker; then you suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sours, tongue is coated, and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids, to help cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink.

More Routine

"This is a million-dollar scheme." "The office boy can finance that for you."

Will Cold Worry

Some men throw off a cold within a few hours of contracting it. Anyone can do it with the aid of a simple compound which comes in tablet form, and is no trouble to take or to always have about you. Don't "dope" yourself when you catch cold; use Pape's Cold Compound. Men and women everywhere rely on this amazing little tablet.—Adv.

The most profitable teaching is the lesson of the moment.

Harold's Mother Knew Answer

"Yes, sir, I am certainly proud of my little boy," says Mrs. H. M. Smith, 421 Topeka Ave., Topeka, Kansas. "He's five and weighs fifty-seven pounds. He's the picture of health as you can see, and I feel like he'll always be that way as long as I can get California Fig Syrup. I have used it with him ever since he was a year old. I knew what to give him for his colds and his feverish, upset spells because Mother used California Fig Syrup with all of us as children. I have used it freely with my boy and he loves it. It always fixes him up, quick."

In many homes, like this, the third and fourth generations are using pure, wholesome California Fig Syrup because it has never failed to do what is expected of it. Nothing so quickly and thoroughly purges a child's system of the souring waste which keeps him cross, feverish, headachy, bilious, half-sick, with coated tongue, bad breath and no appetite or energy as long as it is allowed to remain in the little stomach and bowels. Fig Syrup gives tone and strength to these organs so they continue to act as Nature intends them to do, and helps build up and strengthen weak, pale and underweight children. Over four million bottles used in a year shows its popularity. The genuine, endorsed by physicians for 50 years, always bears the word "California."

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