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KLAMATH FALLS, FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 21, 1908

### WHEN FISH WON'T BITE.

There's days when the fish won't bite  
 It's either too calm or else too rough;  
 It's either too warm or it's not warm enough;  
 It's either too cloudy or the sun's too bright;  
 The wind's the wrong way, or the moon's not right;  
 It's either too wet or else it's too dry;  
 Or for some other reason you can't tell why,  
 But there's days when the fish won't bite.  
 There's days when the fish won't bite  
 You may try every lure, you may try every bait,  
 You may do what you will, and wait and wait  
 From morning till noon and from noon till night,  
 But you won't get a nibble tho' you try all your might;  
 You may grumble and swear,  
 But the fish don't care,  
 For there's days when the fish won't bite,  
 But there's days when the fish will bite;  
 When it ain't too calm and it ain't too rough,  
 When it ain't too warm, but just warm enough;  
 And the big old fellows, oh, joy, how they fight!  
 Your rod's bent double as you keep your line tight,  
 How they leap! How they run!  
 Gee whizz, but it's fun!  
 On the days when the fish will bite!  
 —Jos. Thurman, in the National Sportsman.

Hon. C. J. Blanchard, of the U. S. Reclamation Service, is in Oregon and will spend thirty days investigating the various government irrigation projects. He reports such a mass of inquiry at the home office that the clerks are unable to answer all intending colonists.

Frances Pinkerton, 15 years old, in short dresses, eloped from her home at East Bradford township, near Westchester, Pa., with John McKnight, aged 72, a veteran of the civil war. When the pair returned home they were given the parental blessing.

It has been announced by Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt that she will take the stump for her father in the campaign this fall. She will devote most of her time to those states which have woman's suffrage. Mrs. Leavitt's home is in Denver, where women are allowed to vote. She is an officer of the Jane Jefferson Club of that city, which is composed entirely of women and which has come to be recognized as a powerful political organization. At present Mrs. Leavitt is in Fairview resting at her father's home.

Every family in the country uses salt at almost every meal. It is a necessity in all households and yet, although it is more largely used than any other product, but little is known about it, and few persons are aware of the fact that in both quantity and value of output the United States stands at the head of the salt-producing countries of the world, and in quantity the United Kingdom, the German Empire and France rank next, in the order given, although the value of both the German and the French output exceeds that of the United Kingdom.

### MONEY IN HOGS.

A recent bulletin issued by the Oregon agricultural college says: "There is no branch of animal husbandry in a grain growing section

that will give quicker, surer, or larger returns than will hogs. Despite the fact that Oregon for a number of years has utterly failed to produce enough pork products to supply the home demand it is certainly a strange anomaly that train loads of Nebraska fed hogs are brought past one of the best hog producing sections of the continent. These hogs can be grown and finished for the market on field peas, or upon wheat and barley. It has been demonstrated by farmers in this section that hogs can be profitably grown on wheat pasture during the summer. Experimental feeding has shown that three and one-half pounds of wheat will produce a gain of one pound of live weight on a hog fattened for bacon. For a longer period of fattening so as to secure a hard type of hog, more grain will be required. The heavier larded hog will require about 450 pounds of wheat for 100 pounds gain in live weight. This at 5 1/2 cents per pound would bring to the grower 73 cents per bushel for his wheat. The bacon type would take less wheat because the finishing will be done in shorter time, hence the less grain consumed per pound gain. For 100-pound gain in this type of a hog it will require about 250 pounds of wheat.

This at 5 1/2 cents per pound will return to the grower 94 cents per bushel for his wheat. If the young hogs are mainly grown on pasture, such as alfalfa, rape, peas, or winter grains sown in the spring, they can be grown to a fattening stage for 2 1/2 cents per pound.

The pigs should be farrowed early in the spring and permitted to run with their dams on pasture until they are at least two months old. In the meantime they should be taught to eat a small supplemental grain feed. After this he will make a satisfactory growth on good pasture. By fall this pig should weigh 125 pounds, costing 5 1/2 cents per pound. This includes the cost of supplemental grain fed and the value of the pasture. The pig is then finished for market, and during this process consumes 350 pounds of wheat and makes an additional 100 pounds gain. The cost of growing the pig is \$4.37, but after consuming 350 pounds of wheat he weighs 225 pounds worth 5 1/2 cents per pound, or represents a value of \$12.37, thus returning to the grower for his wheat \$8 or \$13.77 per bushel. Equally good results can be secured from peas. The hogs can harvest these themselves. It is believed that a quarter section of good wheat land sown to peas would fatten 250 hogs worth \$2000 and at the same time carry over the breeding stock.

It may be well to state that the younger the pig the greater gains are secured for the food consumed. Also the shorter the period of fattening the greater the gains for food consumed. This is largely the reason why the bacon type is the more desirable to grow. Furthermore, peas and wheat, or peas and barley produce the very best quality of bacon hog. In fact the wheat, barley and pea-fed hog will command a premium over the corn-fed hog in any discriminating market.

### ADAPTED TO MUSHROOMS.

Oregon is naturally well adapted to the growth of wild mushrooms, owing to the warm rains and balmy air of early autumn.

but in this instance only the common pink gilled field mushroom will be dealt with. The value of this highly nutritious and natural food product has been somewhat neglected because many people fear the poisonous varieties, others have not acquired a taste for them, and because those who use them do so only during the growing season, yet they may be easily preserved with all their delicacy of flavor and deliciousness for future use.

The variety may readily be recognized by a child without fear of obtaining a poisonous one. It first appears in the form of a white ball, or button, connected by a stem which extends into the earth. As it increases in size the cap expands from the lower side and a veil which connects it with the stem is torn, leaving a ragged membrane adhering to the stem; the cap is covered with a rather tough skin, which may be peeled off quite readily. The gills vary in color from a delicate pink in the young growth to a deep brown as they mature; they are not attached to the stem. The stem is white, and is smooth and brittle, with the lower end somewhat pointed and blunt. When young they are as good to eat as the cap. No mushrooms having a bulb or cap on the lower end should be eaten.

### MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

As the days roll by the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Ephraim Hedberg on the night of August 5th, at Pendleton, Ore., deepens. Not the slightest trace has been found of the wealthy Wisconsin farmer. The police are nonplussed. He was on his way to Albany, Ore., to locate, and was accompanied by his daughter, Elma, who thought her father had missed the train and that he would follow on the next. He stepped off to get a cup of coffee and left his overcoat, grip and luggage on the seat. He had drafts for \$1,000 on the Cumberland state bank of Cumberland in his pocket. He was 42 years of age, sandy complexion, five feet six inches in height, and wore a dark business suit. It is feared he has met with foul play as a number of tough characters are known to have been in Umatilla. His nephew, G. H. Hedberg, a Southern Pacific fireman of Ashland, is now making a personal search of the railroad yards, river bank and every possible place near Umatilla where the body could have

been buried but so far has found no clue.

### Langell Valley News

E. B. Hall, the real estate man, made a trip around the valley Saturday with a party who was looking for a location. The party stopped at the Swingle stock ranch long enough to take some pictures of the largest miles in the valley, also some other pictures of large stock.

It seems that a few of the Bonanza people are taking considerable interest in the upper part of the Reclamation Project, and stating through the local paper that the government is hoodwinking the people, and advocating the best thing they can do is to make application for the return of their contracts with the government, and that there are parties ready to take up the work as soon as the government is out of the way. Now we would like to state that we consider the directors of our Water Users Association men of too much wisdom to even consider this matter as they realize that the majority of the business men who own land want water and do not want their contracts annulled. It is an assured fact that if the people here have been hoodwinked by the government and can get their contracts returned they will be too wise to be hoodwinked by any Bonanza people and we think it would be well for those who are at the head of this work to put a wet cloth on their heads and fall into line and try to help instead of knocking continually.

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