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SCIENCE, THE MOON AND THE SECRETARY.

SECRETARY of Agriculture Houston may be called upon to back up the statement issued from his department, that "the belief still to be found in all countries that the planets, and especially the moon, affect the weather never had any scientific basis whatever." The bulletin issued by the department brands this belief as a remnant of a superstition fostered by astrology. It may be as the secretary asserts, but still there are many things that are being learned daily that had no scientific basis before. The X-rays will do for an example. The bulletin says all weather changes depend ultimately on heat and that the moon gives out no heat. Byron says "the devil's in the moon for mischief," and other poets speak of the "moon-mad sea." On top of this comes the fact that crazy folks were supposed to be so influenced by the moon that the name lunatics was given them. Would the department have the farmers plan their spuds in the light of the moon and raise nothing but tops? Would it have the pet porker slaughtered while the moon was on the decrease and so have the meat shrink to nothingness when cooked in the family skillet? Does not old Tige, the faithful watch dog, express his annoyance and objection to the moon in nightly baying? Would the secretary have us believe that the moon that is powerful enough to make the dogs bark has no effect on mundane things? Does not she have pull enough to cause the tides which, by the way, these same wise experts on whom the secretary relies, tell us will eventually stop the revolutions of the earth, and if it can do this can it not also help vegetation force its way up from a stubborn soil?

Have not lovers time out of mind pledged their vows under the strangely subtle influences of the pale-faced moon, and regretted it perhaps in the broader light of day? A dark mackerel, it is claimed, shines with redoubled effulgence when its phosphorescence is stirred by the rays of the moon, and it is well known that moonshine whiskey has a more delicate flavor and is more pure than almost any other.

Besides, if the moon does not help crops, what was it made for? It must have some use and we submit that a moon that can make some folks crazy and others fall in love; that can make dogs bark and cats develop a liking for midnight serenading; that can cause tides and keep in endless turmoil the waters of mighty oceans; that can make poets write and artists paint; that can besides all these and countless other things also rhyme with June, and so make one-half the world's poetry possible that would otherwise be lost forever; can also make meat shrink in the pan if it wants to, and the lowly spud go to tops or tubers just as it pleases her to do.

EUGENICS LEGISLATION IS PREMATURE?

THE amateur eugenisists, who are rejoicing at the decision of the courts that the Wisconsin eugenics marriage law is constitutional, should remind themselves that there is a great difference between a statute which is within the power of the legislature to enact and a law which will accomplish the purpose sought by its promoters. One of the speakers before the convention of the Eugenics Research association expressed the opinion of many able and conscientious investigators when he said that medical men do not know enough about heredity, the causes of feeble-mindedness and similar things to warrant lawmakers in passing any radical statutes dealing with marriage.

Every reform has to pass through the stages of investigation, education and legislation, and according to the experts, the matter of eugenics is still in the early stages of investigation. Lawmakers ought, therefore, to let the whole subject alone for a while longer, it is argued.

But it must be remembered that knowledge and correction of most evils come only through agitation. Many laws which cannot be enforced are nevertheless good be-

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cause they stand as expression of the public sense and set the moral standard.

There remains but about 15 miles of a gap between San Francisco and Eureka for the Southern Pacific to complete before it has a railroad operating into Eureka. When this is finished, it is said that work will soon after be begun on the road from Eureka to Marshfield, and here it will connect with the road from Eugene and have practically a water level road from Portland to San Francisco. This has been a dream of the company for years, and it will soon be "a dream come true."

Chris Bassan, a German 55 years old, was found Sunday in a wild part of the gulch on the east side of Council Crest, at Portland, where he had been without food for eight days. His fast was voluntary, he telling those who found him that he belonged to the Apostolic Mission of Portland and had "gone into the wilderness to talk with God." It is probable he did not succeed, as he did not get far enough into the wilderness, or to be exact, far enough from Portland.

From all parts of the state comes the report that "the republicans are preparing for a red-hot campaign." With a registration more than double that of any other party, why the strenuousness?

At the Monmouth Fourth of July celebration, Dr. Smith, the democratic nominee for governor, will be the principal speaker.

Banks has a population of 300 but boasts of having six baseball teams. Must be a case of "everybody plays but another."

THE ROUND-UP.

The salmon catch in the Columbia this season is one of the best in years and promises to equal that of 1911.

The board of trade of Oregon City is arranging to establish a public market along the lines of that at Vancouver.

A special session of the general convention has been called to select a successor to the late Bishop Scandling.

Medford has complained so much about the county court doing the work on the central point section of the Pacific Highway by day's labor, that State Engineer Bowley has announced that the section between Talent and Ashland will be let by contract.

The Corvallis Chautauque began Friday afternoon with a very large attendance at the opening meeting.

North Bend is to have a \$60,000 hotel to be built and managed by J. C. Hamel, recently proprietor of the Hamel hotel of Albany.

Sixty members of the Oregon National Guard were vaccinated at the Clackamas rifle range Sunday with typhoid prophylaxis, or whatever it is that prevents typhoid fever.

Astoria is getting ready for the three days' regatta and Fourth of July celebration which will begin on Thursday, the second, and end Saturday night. It will be a notable event and will attract an immense crowd.

Joseph's high school building is to be improved by the addition of a bell tower at the cost of \$752.

Among the Fourth of July attractions at Sutherlin will be a tennis tournament for the championship of Douglas county.

Concrete drain curbs along either side of the street, crosswalks to be raised and approaches built at each end, and grading and grading of the streets, are improvements that will soon be put in at Wallawa.

Pendleton East Oregonian: A remarkable contrast between the old and new way of cross country travel has been furnished Pendletonians within the last 24 hours. Yesterday afternoon an automobile equipped with a bed, stove and entire camping and travel-

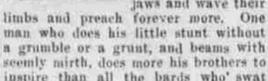
ing outfit passed through en route from Chicago to California and this afternoon a caravan of four covered wagons of the "prairie schooner" type, pulled by mules and containing the entire worldly possessions of a family, passed along the main streets.

The public hall that is near completion at Molalla, the Pioneer says, will be one of the best in the state outside of the large cities. Great preparations are being made for the opening ball, on the Fourth of July.

Employees of the city of Baker are cutting weeds and trimming trees on the premises of negligent and contumacious owners of lots, which expense is charged against the property cleaned up.

The Glad Game

All men admire the cheerful gent who doesn't grumble worth a cent when things are going wrong, who doesn't nurse his trifling sores, but whistles as he does his chores, or splits the air with song. This worker hasn't much to say, as cheerily he toils away, and hoos his row of beans; he preaches to us by his acts, and not by handling the help of Facts through books or magazines. Example is the stuff we need, for admonition's gone to seed, and precepts are a bore; we're growing tired of Sunny Jims who swing their jaws and wave their limbs and preach forever more. One man who does his little stunt without a grumble or a grunt, and beams with serene mirth, does more his brothers to inspire than all the haris who sweat the lyre, or orators, on earth. One sorehead, working in a crowd, will act upon it like a cloud that threatens rain or snow; but one brave chap who gaily sings, the while his busy hammer rings, will dissipate its woe. The sermons that achieve the most are sprung by men who seldom boast of how they sing and dance, who wear the workman's sweat-stained clothes, and give their jaws profound repose whenever they have the chance.



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Racial Amalgamation Will Make American of Future Taller, Stronger, More Prolific

By Professor J. P. LICHTENBERGER In Address at University of Pennsylvania

THE American race of the future will be taller, stronger, more prolific and more progressive as the result of rapid racial AMALGAMATION BETWEEN NATIVE AMERICANS OF TODAY AND THE MILLIONS OF IMMIGRANTS WHO COME TO THIS COUNTRY ANNUALLY.

THE CROSSING OF THE PUSHING, DRIVING, PROGRESSING, DOMINEERING ANGLO-SAXON WITH THE ARTISTIC, CULTURE LOVING PEOPLES OF SOUTHERN AND EASTERN EUROPE WILL RESULT IN THE FINEST RACIAL TYPE THAT THE WORLD HAS YET PRODUCED.

Heterogeneous populations, because of the diversity of their racial elements, tend toward progressiveness, whereas HOMOGENEOUS POPULATIONS TEND TOWARD CONSERVATISM. The fact that a majority of immigrants come from southern and eastern Europe will not affect the continued progress of the American race. This is the only objection sociologists have raised against the advancement of the race.

MEDITERRANEAN RACES, OF WHICH OUR NEW IMMIGRATION LARGELY IS CONSTITUTED, IN THE HISTORY OF THE PAST HAVE ORIGINATED ALL THE GREAT CIVILIZATIONS OF THE WORLD. WESTERN NATIONS HAVE MERELY BUILT UPON AND IMPROVED THESE STRUCTURES.

IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

Flush the Kidneys at Once When Back-Achy or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage, or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jud Salts, from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jud Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

NEBRASKAN HAS LIVED IN THREE CENTURIES

Westerville, Nebraska, July 1.—Thos. Morris, who this month is 120 years and six months of age, is believed by some of his friends to be the oldest man in the United States. He is the only man in Nebraska, at least, who has lived in three centuries. He was born in the eighteenth century, saw all the nineteenth and now has a pre-emptive good start into the twentieth. He was two years old when Washington's term as president closed. This fact connects him with the administration of every American president.

Morris was one year old when the famous trial of Warren Hastings closed, and 11 years old when Admiral Nelson won his victory at Trafalgar. He lived during the periods of the Napoleonic wars, attaining his majority six months before the battle of Waterloo. He was seven years old when Ireland and England united and has lived during the reigns of King George III, George IV, William IV, Queen Victoria, King Edward VII and the present king, George V. He was past three score and ten when Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. Thomas Morris was born January 15, 1794, at Bellow, Montgomeryshire, Wales. His father was a common laborer. As a lad Thomas was apprenticed to a shoemaker, which work he continued until recently. In 1871 when he was 77 years of age, he came to the United States. He is a bachelor and has been for years a confirmed woman-hater. He walks with the aid of a stick and wears spectacles, the first pair of which he purchased after celebrating his 100th birthday.

EASY TO DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

Try This! Mix Sage Tea and Sulphur and Brush It Through Your Hair, Taking One Strand at a Time.

When you darken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it's done so naturally, so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is messy and troublesome. For 50 cents you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use tonic called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Restorer." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant. You will also discover dandruff is gone and hair has stopped falling.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur and look years younger.

J. C. Perry, Local Agent.

EPWORTH LEAGUES MEET.

Buffalo, July 1.—Delegates from every civilized country of the world met here today in the opening sessions of the quadrennial convention of the Epworth League of the World. A feature will be a parade of 20,000 men and women to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the birth of the organization. The paraders will march to the McKinley monument, where all will sing "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

OLDEST NORMAL CELEBRATES.

Framingham, Mass., July 1.—Framingham normal school, the oldest institution of its kind in America, today celebrated its opening at Lexington, July 3, 1839, by Cyrus Pierce of Nantucket. The school was moved to Framingham in 1852.

COMPENSATION ACT EFFECTIVE.

Albany, N. Y., July 1.—The compensation features of New York's workmen's compensation law became effective throughout the Empire state today.

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Tickets sold July 3rd and 4th with return limit July 6th.

Trains for Portland: 6:30, 8:00, 9:45, 11:20 a. m. 1:50, 4:00, 4:15, 5:50, 7:50 p. m.

J. W. RITCHIE, Agent, Salem, Oregon.

CLATSOP BEACH WEEK-END ROUND TRIPS

ROSEDALE NOTES.

Mrs. L. P. Hopkins, has returned from town, where she has been for several days with her daughter.

Mr. L. M. Crozer attended Chautauque Tuesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Hadley attended a wedding in Turner Tuesday evening where Mr. Hadley officiated. They returned to Salem with Mrs. Hadley's uncle, B. C. Miles, and remained over night.

It was announced that the Rosedale Friends Sunday School picnic would be held in L. M. Crozer's woods, but because of the many machines, it was decided to have it in Smith's woods, on the hill just west of Crozers. Every one is cordially invited to bring their lunch and spend the day and have a good time.

McMinnville News Reporter: Fishing for the delicacy so widely advertised by the Portland restaurants and grills, "Yamhill crawfish," is not so successful as in years past. It is said the bass is an enemy of the crawfish and that the former are propagating fast in the Yamhill river.

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FATALITY AT FIRE.

San Francisco, July 1.—The Union hotel here was damaged \$2,000 by fire early today. Fireman William Neifer was probably fatally injured by falling from the second to the first floor.

Something for the whole family to read about on pages 10 and 11.

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