

Ornithology via Cafeteria Method

Roseburg Clergyman-Author Establishes Dining Table For Wild Birds and is Rewarded With Many Hours of Enjoyment by Their Liberal Patronage

By Dr. Louis Albert Banks
Some of the readers of the News-Review will remember that one of my ten New Year's resolutions was: "I will keep daily record of the birds alighting in the Hawthorne tree outside my study window." That I might keep that resolution the more effectively I took two window shutters, fastened them together so as to make a table about thirty inches wide and six feet long. One end of this table was hinged to the wall of the house. I put a screw eye into the other end to which I fastened a strong wire which ran through another screw eye set immediately above the window holding the table at level where I can easily, by aid of a long handled rake, bring in empty dishes and push out refilled ones, and so replenish the food on the table of my restaurant for what I like to call "God's wild chickens."

his mother hatched out the egg from which he came far up along the frozen coast of Labrador. But he was a wanderling boy and in his adventures hit my table on a day when I had a lot of preferred stock bird seed on hand and it went right to the spot, and I enjoyed him for over an hour. The white and black combination on his beautiful body seven inches in length made me happy. I hope he comes back. Among other birds who came only on a day or two were the Wood Pewee, the Green Backed Goldfinch, the Purple House Finch, the Red Shanked Flicker, the Western Lark Sparrow, the Say Phoebe and a Hermit Thrush which appears only on the last day of the month.

Nearly all of the twenty-nine varieties of these wild birds visiting the Hawthorne tree during January ate at my table except the Wax Wings. They have often alighted on the table but only to pick up the red berries dropped there. They pay no attention to the other food. Such birds as Kinglets, Nuthatches and Woodpeckers eat only what I always have in abundance. Ground bread crumbs or soaked bread, delight all the Sparrow and Junco families except the Oregon Vesper Sparrow, which greatly prefers seeds. The Jay bird and the Robin eat either bread or suet but prefer suet. I have been greatly interested in the manners of the table among the birds. The English Sparrow have a bad name and no one seems to love them and they row abominably among themselves but I have not seen one fighting outside his tribe. The Junco scrap a good deal with each other but fly at no one else. I expected the Robin to give trouble but he exists in the midst of the smaller birds in perfect peace. But when a Jay bird flies into the tree on his way to the table every bird leaves the table instantly. He does not attack anyone. He does not need to. He eats in solitary grandeur, a ray and saucy bandit. But I enjoy him and all the rest.

More Traffic Bills Enlarge Session Work
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quiring that men receive physical examination when securing marriage license.
Carrying out the suggestion of Speaker Curtin the authors of a fleet of proposed revenue bills yesterday afternoon withdrew their measure to give a clear path for the governor's proposed income tax and tilting bills. This unloads the taxation and revenue committees' hopper so that it can grind on the governor's plan.
Representative Schumacher withdrew his bill which would have imposed a tax of 50 cents per kilowatt capacity on hydro-electric plants in Oregon.
Turner's Charges Fall
Fraud and bad faith were both absent when the state text book commission met last November 15 and adopted text books for use in the schools, according to the findings of the special senate committee appointed to investigate. Its findings were made known last night. One public hearing was held in the course of the inquiry. No company has a monopoly of the text book business in Oregon, the investigators found.
Court Bill Killed.
On grounds that the legislature has no right to dictate to the members of the supreme court how or what length they should write their opinions the revision of laws committee of the senate today returned an adverse report on house bill 372 and it was killed by indefinite postponement. It was introduced in the house by the committee on constitutional law and provided that the supreme court write memorandum opinions.
The house passed a bill introduced by Representative Graham of Washington county making it a felony for any one to break out of jail or to assist some one else to do so.

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MARKET RATINGS

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PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—Good butter is more plentiful in the local market and prices are sagging. On the exchange today top grades are a fraction lower while ordinary stock remained unchanged, narrowing the margin down to 13 cents between extra grade and first when ordinarily there should be from 4 to 5 cents a pound difference.
Extras, standards and prime first are down a half cent at 45 cents, 44 cents and 44 cents respectively. Cube first are still holding at 43 cents.
No change has been made in print prices or butterfat bids but receipts continue heavy and stocks are inclined to accumulate. This may result in prices being revised downward in the near future.
Medium grade or pullet eggs and current receipts are a cent higher on the local exchange today at 26 cents. Top grades re-

main unchanged but the market is holding firm at present levels.
Country dressed calves are weak and lower along the street. Bulk of sales now around 17 cents with an occasional fancy veal going at 17 1/2 cents. Choice light hogs are holding at the 17 cent level.
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—Wholesale prices:
Bids to farmer: Milk steady. Best churning cream, 48 cents in valley, 49 cents net shippers' track in zone 1; cream, delivered, Portland 50¢@52 cents per pound. Raw milk (4 per cent) \$2.60 cwt., f. o. b. Portland.
Poultry steady. Prices fully maintained. Heavy hens 25¢@26; light 20¢@21; spring nominal; broilers 30¢@31; pekin white ducks 30; colored nominal; turkeys, live, 35; dressed 40¢@42.
Potatoes weak, local \$2.75@3.00. Onions quiet, local \$2.75@3.00. Nuts quiet. Walnuts 27¢@28; filberts 19¢@20; almonds 22¢@25; Brazil nuts 14¢@16; Oregon chestnuts 17¢@20; peanuts 11¢@14. Cascara bark nominally steady.

3 cents lb.; Oregon grape root nominal.
Hops quiet, 1926 fuggles 25; clusters 21¢@23; one year contracts 29; 3-year contracts 19.
BOSTON, Feb. 4.—The Commercial Bulletin, tomorrow will say:
There is a fair, steady demand for wool in the eastern seaboard markets, which keeps prices very firm, although endeavors to advance prices, except on some foreign wools, have met with decided resistance on the part of the mills, and it is difficult to see where prices are notably dearer this week than last on domestic wools.
The slight increase in strength in the foreign markets again this week has added to the confidence of holders of foreign wools here. London closed at the top for the series and about five per cent above opening prices. Primary markets tend against the buyer.
Mohair is more active but hardly changed in price.
Wool quotations tomorrow: Scoured basis: Oregon: North-

ern \$1.00@1.05; fine and fine medium clothing .90¢@95; valley number 1, .90¢@95.
Mohairs: Best combing .73@.75; best carding .58¢@.60.
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—Wheat: BBB hard white \$1.37; hard white, bluestem, haart \$1.36; federation, soft white, western white, northern spring \$1.35; hard winter \$1.33; western red \$1.30.
W. O. CLINGER TO CONDUCT MODERN LA GRANDE HOTEL
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LA GRANDE, Ore., Feb. 4.—Following announcement that W. C. Becktell, Portland realtor, will build a six-story modern hotel here this spring and that the present proprietor of the Foley hotel will erect a seven-story hotel this year, Julius Rosch, local capitalist, announced today that \$250,000 had been subscribed by local people for the purpose of building a six or seven-story hotel here this

spring, in the East Adams section of the business district.
Business men of the community feel confident that a new hotel will result from the various projects but some express doubt that more than one of the three will eventually be built.
L. S. Weeks, local realtor, re-Becktell that the construction contract would be let February 21 and that the hotel has already been leased to W. O. Clinger, formerly of Roseburg, for 10 years.
LINDSEY'S IDEA FINDS SUPPORTER
(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
DENVER, Colo., Feb. 4.—The Denver Morning Post today quotes Mrs. E. Haldeman-Julius, wife of the Kansas publisher and niece of Jane Addams, Chicago social worker, as approving the "companionate marriage" idea advanced by Judge Ben. H. Lindsey of the Denver juvenile court, for 10 years.
Mrs. Haldeman-Julius, the first

adult publicly to endorse the judge's plan, declared her willingness for her 16-year-old daughter to "enter into such a marriage as the first step in the selection of a life mate," the Post says.
"It is a legal marriage to be performed by a clergy or a judge precisely as any marriage is" today performed. It is the exact opposite of trial marriage as that term is commonly understood.
HOUSE HAS BILL BASED ON IDEAS OF PATTERSON
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sion of the income tax proposal to the people at a special election at an early date, may go in this afternoon or may be held back until the first of next week.
We have a complete stock of Planet Jr. seeders and hand cultivators. Wharton Bros.

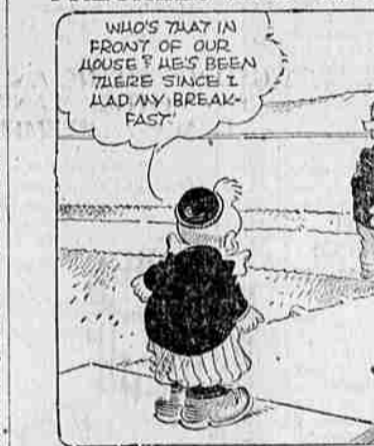
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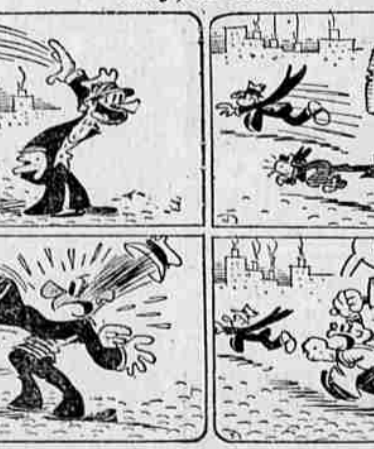
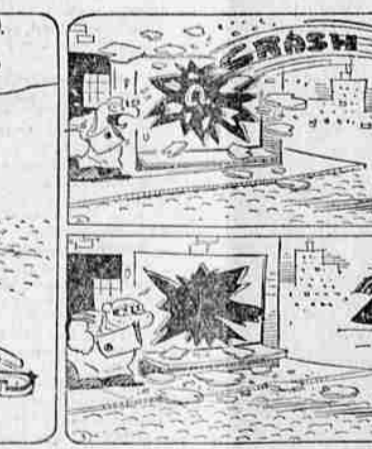
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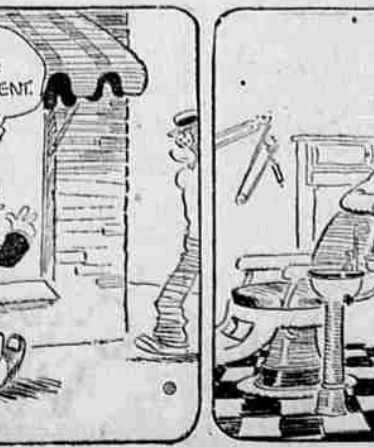
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FATHER ATTORNEY ORCUTT SUFFERS SECOND STROKE

Attorney A. N. Orcutt left this afternoon by automobile for Portland in response to a message announcing the critical illness of his father, J. H. Orcutt. The elder Mr. Orcutt, who is 82 years of age, last night suffered a second stroke of paralysis and is in a very serious condition, according to the message received. He is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. W. Cooley, who he has been making his home for a number of years. Mrs. A. N. Orcutt is going as far as Corvallis with her husband and will later go on into Portland to join him there, but will first visit with their daughters at Corvallis.

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