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STATE MARKET AGENT'S LETTER

County Agent Briggs, of Benton county, reports that inspection of seed potatoes in that county shows the stock in good condition and with good yields, and that there will doubtless be a considerable increased acreage this year. The potatoes are the low vine Burbank variety, the only main crop potato grown there, and Mr. Briggs says that since the adoption of the grading law in this state this variety has topped the market and sold at a premium in the San Francisco markets.

A Mamoth Organization

Co-operative egg handling in the Pacific coast states has made giant strides in the past few years and the allied organizations are outstanding demononstrations of what may be accomplished when producers unite solidly. The Pacific Egg Producers Co-operative, which is the selling agency for the egg co-operatives of this coast, has handled nearly a million cases of eggs in the past year, worth more than $10,500,000 for its members. Chicago headquarters have now been opened for the distribution of Pep in that section of the country and a publication, "The Cackler," has been started.

The Oregon Outlook

The Extension Department of the O. A. C. says reports from county agents are optimistic for 1927. Sixteen believed the outlook is better than a year ago; five anticipated the same condition; one reported a mixed situation and one as less favorable. An increase in crop acreage was anticipated in 15 counties; six counties were expected to remain the same, and a decrease was anticipated in two. Eleven counties reported increase in the number of farms, seven to remain the same and three to lose. Farmers are urged to carefully study the market demands and prices and base their production on these. There will be ample capital for justifiable loans and the credit situation of the state is generally favorable and indications are that long term loans will increase and short term loans decrease.

Same Breeds, Same Variety

If the farmers of a neighborhood would get together and agree to raise the same breeds and varieties, they would be in a far better shape to sell for better prices and to make it worth while for buyers to come to them. The average farm producers too many products and too small volume of any one. Co-operative organizations of the south and middle west centralize on the standard products their exact most stringent grading standards; they sell collectively and the big buyers come to them.

Must Narrow the Gap

C. E. Newhouse, of Yamhill county, says that some radical action must be taken to narrow the gap between the producer and consumer, either through federal regulation of profit-taking or through control of markets by co-operative associations. He cited, for illustration, that a farmer in his county sold a department store in Portland filberts for 18 cents per pound and then later went up stairs and found they were retailed at 40 cents. This condition is true of very many farm and manufactured products. Co-operation between producer, with farm products handled all the way from the farm to the retail store, could greatly reduce the middle handling and profit charges, but the west seems to be slow in taking such action that would unite producers with consumers.

MARKETS

Bordeaux spray—6-6-50 strength—is put on now for peach leaf curl, if not already applied, says H. P. Barss, plant pathologist of the experiment station. It will soon be too late to control the disease with bordeaux. Lime sulphur is used later but cannot always be depended on to give good results.

Selection of the best tubers for seed potatoes is made now according to the Oregon experiment station. The best size for seed is 4 ounces. Tubers well filled out on the ends are desirable. Better results are obtained when the stem end of the tuber is clipped. Tubers that show discoloration are thrown out of the seed stock. Potatoes with deep eyes apparently carry less disease than smooth ones.

Application of nicotine sprays and dusts, or three-in-one dusts to flowering plants controls aphids or plant lice in Oregon, according to experiment station authorities. Three-in-one dust is made by mixing one-half pound of arsenate of lead with a 5-pound lot of nicotine dusts. Several weekly applications are often necessary. Aphids appear in early spring. They seldom kill plants but reduce their vigor considerably.

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IN CHICAGO'S "TUB" MURDER

Mrs. Mabel Wood, 18, pretty tea-room employe found slain in a bathtub in a Chicago hotel, is pictured above with her husband, Carl Wood, a hotel steward. Wood, arrested, could give no clew to the identity of the slayers and was released.

All at Sea

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By Carolyn Wells

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Death strikes Garrett Folsom while swimming at Ocean Town, N. J. It is thought at first that he is a stroke victim, but investigation shows he has been stabbed to death under the water.

Folsom's swimming companions were Roger Neville, a business partner; Mrs. Helen Barnaby and Carmelita Valdon. Folsom, just before his death, had been standing next to Ned Barron, known as the copper king.

Anastasia Folsom, eccentric and masterful sister of the dead man, arrives and takes command. At the inquest it is learned that the death weapon was a pichaq, an Oriental knife, and it had been bought on the boardwalk.

It is also learned that one Croydon Sears, who was in Barron's party, is a fancier of curious knives. Anastasia engages Titus Riggs, an architect, to work on the case. Dan Pelton, the dead man's nephew, arrives and is intrigued by the curious French dolls in Folsom's room.

He believes his uncle had been blackmailing several people and he and Riggs discover suspicious documents in Folsom's effects. Anastasia tells Riggs to go ahead; she is not afraid of her brother's name being smirched by a full investigation.

Now go on with the story:

CHAPTER XXVIII

"Stop at nothing," commanded Anastasia. "Tell any one who cares to know the fullest details of Garrett Folsom's life. Show him up entirely, and you will be pleased with the result. I haven't lived with that man half a century for nothing. He was as incapable of conscious wrong-doing as I am myself. And I assure you I would do an injustice to no one."

"I believe you implicitly, Miss Folsom, but I want to warn you once more, that you may be mistaken. That, blinded by love for your brother, you have misread some signs or indications, and that, in his love for you, he may have kept from you some details of his life that must have distressed you."

"You make him out worse with every word you utter. If you are working for me, Mr. Riggs, you are working at my orders, and those are for you to go on the lines I lay down to ryou and no others. Will you do this?"

"I will," said Tite Riggs, gravely, "now that I have carefully warned you of the calamities you invite."

"They are my calamities. I will meet them should they come. First, then, Mr. Riggs, you will investigate such cases as you can get further details about from that notebook—"

"There are many definite dates and names of places, Miss Folsom. Shall I go right through the list?"

"By all means."

"Hold on, auntie," said Dan Pelton, "you may get yourself involved in libel suits and all sorts of horrible things."

"For heaven's sake, Dan, remember that I ordered you to keep out of this. You have no regard for your uncle's good name, no care for his unjust arraignment, but at least you may keep quiet and let me go my own way."

"As if I could stop you!"

Pelton gazed at his formidible relative with something of admiration.

"And there's another thing," the lady went on, "As I came in you two mentioned the name of Croydon Sears. Is he in your precious book?"

"The initials C. R. S. occur a few times," Riggs told her.

"Very well. That's Mr. Sears. And, of course, he is the murderer. Don't you remember he was at the auction where that knife was sold?"

"But he didn't buy it!"

"We don't know that he didn't. He's the man, I tell you."

"Then you must admit that Folsom had such a stranglehold on him that Sears went to the length of murder to be free from him!" exclaimed Pelton.

"Shut up!" said his aunt. "Oh, Don, do go away! Go and bathe or something; I can't stand another minute of you!"

Dan went.

"Now, Mr. Riggs," his employer continued, "will you get busy on Croydon Sears at once?"

"I will, Miss Folsom, but I must work in my own way. You've laid down laws which I will obey. Now I must make stipulations which you must regard. You are not to take any active or open part in this investigation. Are the regular detectives, as you call them, making headway?"

"I doubt if they're doing anything. The police are on what they call a still hunt, but I think it will be kept so still we never shall hear of it at all."

"Very likely. I heard Mr. Neville say he thought the affair would blow over as an unsolved mystery."

"Oh, he did, did he? Well, it will do nothing of the sort? It may be an unsolved mystery, for we may not succeed, but it won't blow over! It will take more than Roger Neville to blow over any enterprise on which I am embarked! Go to it, Mr. Riggs. Do your darndest!"

Tite Riggs was always amused at the sudden lapses from dignified diction to less formal phrases, and walked smilingly away.

Left alone in her brother's rooms, Anastasia Folsom devoted her attention to the dolls.

For the first time she regarded them with interest, and, as she gazed at them, her interest increased.

"My heavens and earth!" she ejaculated. "That one is the very image of Jeanie Frew! Poor little Jeanie. Garry wasn't very good to her. But bless his heart, he couldn't be tangled up with a stenographer! I wonder if he bought that doll because it looks so like Jeanie!"

"And that one," she went on, communing with herself, "is Kitty Leigh to the life! I believe the boy did buy these puppets when they looked like the girls he admired. For that blond one is enough like May Farmer to be made for her. Yes, and this is like Loo Bailey—though not so much so. Well, Garry, dear, you were always a boy! How well I remember you as a baby. Fond of dolls even then."

Her loving eyes saw only an innocent exhibition of romance—but it was romance that had represented to Folsom's mind the number and quality of his conquests.

He had had many and various sorts of "romances" and when he could find a doll which looked like one of his favorites, past or present, he bought it. And this occurred more often than one might think likely, and there were at least a dozen dolls in his collection, thought not all here present.

And then Miss Folsom had another thought. A gruesome one. Was it possible her brother had had any — unpleasantness or upset with any of the girls he had known, and that such a one had killed him?

But it seemed to her too preposterous — she know so little of that sort of thing. Garrett had been her idol and the sole human interest in her life.

The only love she had ever given had been to him; the only jealousy she had suffered had been of him.

So she knew naught of any other varieties or degrees of love or jealousy, and the thought of a girl murderer was vague indeed.

She ranged the dolls on a sofa, in a straight, even line, all sitting in prim, decorous positions which spectacle sent Myrtle, the chambermaid off in peals of laughter the next time she entered the room.

Not all were recognized by Miss Folsom, but at least six she was sure of, two pretty confident, and the others reminded her of no one she knew.

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Tite Riggs went from the presence of his employer, as he amusedly called Miss Folsom, and sought the society of Robin Sears.

He found him idle, and proposed a stroll on the boardwalk, which Robin accepted gleefully.

"Where's the inamorata?" asked Riggs.

"Dunno," Robin said. "She's getting sort of elusive."

"Had a mad?"

"No, nothing of the sort. But Madeline is weedy. They want to go home, at least Maddy does, and what she wants Angel generally wants, too."

"And Barron?"

"He's all for staying down. Says the weather is perfect and the kiddy is doing fine, and there's no place where there are more diversions and wetter water and roller chairs and no mosquitoes, and he just wants to stay. So, whatever Madeline wanted or however much she craved it, she'd give in to old Ned."

"So they're staying on!"

"For another week or two. My old man loves it, too. Dad is in his element down here. He loves the water, and even more, he loves to potter about the shops."

"Odd taste, that."

"Oh, I don't mean the catchpennies. He never bothers with cheap stuff. But you know the boardwalk has displays in some instances that are among the best ever."

"Yes, I know it. Robin, have you dropped out of our detective collaboration?"

"Are you still at that?" He looked his surprise. "Why, I thought it was past history. The inquest—"

"Oh, the inquest isn't the be-all and end-all of a murder case."

"What can I do to help?"

"Nothing, if you ask in that lackadaisical way."

"Now there's a word I've always enjoyed. Don't know how to spell it; don't know how to pronounce it, but I just adore that word."

"Stalling!" Riggs thought to himself, amazed. Whatever ailed the chap?"

(To be continued.)

Riggs thinks Robin Sears would be well satisfied if the investigation were dropped. Is he trying to shield his father, Croydon Sears?

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ON RADIO BOARD

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Indiana Backwoods Same as 100 Years Ago.

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INDIANAPOLIS, March 10—Indiana is rapidly becoming an industrial commonwealth, but within an hour's ride of the Hoosier capital the traveler may encounter a community almost as primitive as when the state belonged to the northwest territory.

Log cabins, ancient well sweeps and horse drawn vehicles typify the mode of life in Brown county's wooded hills. Except for one railroad which cuts across a corner of the county and a state highway which intersects it, the region is much the same as when Van Buren was president.

And its history runs farther back than that for an abandoned graveyard at Nashville, inland county seat, contains blackened and fallen headstones recording the deaths as early as 1837. Until lately the only jail in the county was a two-story log structure built in 1838.

The inhabitants are as picturesque as their domiciles. Abe Martin, Kin Hubbard's fictional sage of the Indiana hills, has many prototypes. Farming is on a small scale, for steep hill and rocky subsoil make agriculture difficult. Corn, tobacco, and hogs are grown, and in recent years some of the cleared hills have been made acessible for fruit culture by newcomers.

Bean Blossom Hill, B'ar Wallow, Clarwater "crick" and the hamlets of Trevlac and Needmore survive as names a century old. Except on the main roads automobile travel, even in good weather, is hazardous.

The beauty of the country's hills and valleys, untrammeled by progress, have attracted a growing colony of artists and writers. Brooks, winding cow paths, and fences of rails like Abraham Lincoln hewed farther south, are fertile subjects for the painter. Many of the old cabins have been rebuilt as summer cottages, one remodelled from a wayside inn built in 1830.

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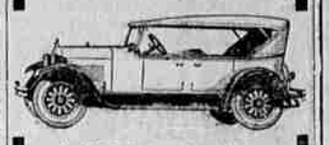

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