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ENJOYING LIFE IN AMERICA.

Not long ago a well-known book reviewer remarked of a recently published autobiography, "This book will be a surprise to our intellectuals. Why, the author actually seems to have enjoyed living in America."

It is startling, when you stop to think of it, that so many of our best writers nowadays are taking it for granted that America is a poor sort of place in which to enjoy life. They seem to feel that we are missing something; that we have paid so much attention to industry and business that we have had no time for the finer graces of existence; that our big cities and our small towns alike are suffering from an over-emphasis on hustle and bustle.

All of this may be very true; but we suspect that it is rather absurd.

To our notion America is the best place to live on the planet. And we believe that this is true not because of our country's natural advantages, nor because of its prosperity, but chiefly because of the spirit that is abroad in it.

America is a beautiful land, to be sure. Each section differs from every other and each has its own peculiar appeal. There is old New England, with the veneer of modern industrialism laid too thinly over its colonial heritage; there are the Atlantic coast states, with their busy plains stretching back to blue mountain ranges, and the salt breeze coming in from the sea; there is the fertile, languorous south, steeped in an ancient tradition; there is the amazing middle west, with busy cities flung wide on prosperous, well-kept countryside; there are the limitless rolling plains of the west, where the air is bracing and the sky is cloudless; there are the magnificent Rockies, and the blue-and-gold of the Pacific coast beaches, with the luxuriant valleys behind them.

Yet it is not this catalogue of attractions that makes us glad we live in America. It is the spirit of hope that is to be found in every hamlet in the land; the indomitable, forward-looking spirit that expresses itself in boosterism, in towering skyscrapers, in advertising campaigns, in a grand sort of "bigger and better" mania.

True enough, some of these manifestations are at times unpleasant. But consider; almost alone among white nations, we are living in the present and the future—especially the future. Our faces are turned forward. We have few traditions and we do not miss them. We lack the artistic expression of Europe and we hardly miss it. We are too busy going somewhere.

We do not know exactly where we are going so fast; most of us, probably, do not care. We know that we are forever moving; we know that our life is keyed to a rapid pace; and we suspect that our hustlers and bustlers are, somehow, a trifle wiser than their critics. For we are fulfilling destiny on a grand scale.

It is useless for any of us to cry out against this tendency. We are committed to it. We are fated to build largely and rapidly, to talk and think in terms of millions, to wring from our lives the last drops of energy.

Why? We hardly know. Yet, deep down, we feel assured that we are setting up a new civilization; that our gaudy dreams will prove to contain a beautiful element of truth.

Do you remember the days when our good, old friend, Ike Ketch, used to parade the main drag in a spick and span policeman's garb—topped off with a neat derby? Sure you do! And didn't he look like a million? Sure he did! Well, why wouldn't it be a good idea for the city cops to don some sort of a "garment" that they might be distinguished from the ordinary individual? You know, a policeman's duty is not solely confined to tripping law-breakers. He should also act as a sort of information bureau to strangers—giving them kindly and gentlemanly advice when so requested. But how can a stranger pick out a policeman in Roseburg? There's no difference in his makeup from that of any other citizen.

Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Tree association, comes forward with a new idea relative to floods. Reforestation on a large scale, he says, would cut down our flood perils enormously. Here is his argument; deforested areas shed rainfall. The soil absorbs little water; rivers, in consequence, go over their banks in the springtime. In forested areas the reverse is true. The ground acts as a sponge, and the rivers do not rise so high. As a result, there are fewer floods. We believe Mr. Pack is right. This adds one more to the many valid arguments for nation-wide reforestation efforts.

It is a certainty if Roseburg expects to get that highway completed up the North Umpqua a lot of energy must be expended. And no time should be lost in shaping matters so that a definite proposal might be presented to the highway commission. Help usually comes to those who help themselves. This proposed improvement means a whole lot to the entire county—far more than a lot of people realize.

The Umpqua Chiefs are "bitting the ball" for Roseburg's annual strawberry carnival. This fine weather insures a big crop of luscious strawberries and the green hills are supplying the fodder to the cow that gives the cream. So, we are sitting pretty for a great event.

Summer has arrived. So has the straw hat season. Old Jupe can nide his sprinkler and don his duster.

PRUNE DICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS

If we do hafta go to Europe, we'd a dern sight rather go in a boat in spite of that Orteig aerial prize.

The Ump, Chiefs are gettin' ready for the annual carnival which'll give 'em a chance to reclaim their marchin' suits from the moths.

This is certainly slick Spring weather, folks, but then it's time we're gettin' it with Winter practically upon us.

A "former resident" of the village broke out in a rash in the "come and go" colyum of the Oregonian yesterday a m. statin that stings were dern quiet here. If we remember the individual who has thus spoken, things were always kinda quiet for him, except for the days when he had to take his hands outta his pockets to scratch his back.

Today is Straw Hat Day but not for we fellers who've been wearin' our alfalfa derby all winter.

Chawley Lockwood is startin' to sell second hand flippers in bunches like bananas which is a bad omen for the poor pedestrian.

It'll soon be swimmin' time and that'll solve the perennial bathin' problem.

We ed. is still wipin' the crocodile tears from our vest which were shed there by irate taxpayers of Jackson county who could see no good reason for a juror up and dyin'.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ—

"If the fish'll ever quit bitin' we might be able to colyminate a leetle better."

HANKOW SITUATION REPORTED WORSE

(Associated Press Feature Wire.) SHANGHAI, China, May 12.—Wireless dispatches from Hankow say the situation there has become worse since the news leaked out that the northern general, Yang Sen, had captured Ihsank, and was moving down the river toward Hankow.

Thousands of middle class Chinese, unable to leave the city, are reported to have taken refuge in the Japanese concession, anticipating grave trouble in Hankow soon.

The Nationalists are said to have seized all the flour in the native city for their troops on the Honan front. The price of flour consequently has risen 25 percent. Rice is also becoming scarcer daily.

SOFT WOOD INDUSTRY NOTES LARGER OUTPUT

NEW YORK, May 12.—An increase in production, and a decline in shipments and new business in soft wood lumber industry is indicated in reports to the National Manufacturers' association, for the week ended May 11, compared with the week before.

Decreases in all three items are shown in comparison with a year ago. Hard wood operations gained in production with shipments and new business about the same as the week before, but production was 30 per cent lower than a year ago, doubtless due to the Mississippi Valley floods, while shipments and new business showed notable gains. Unfilled orders of 177 southern pine and west coast mills were \$23,313,371 feet, against \$28,204,829 in the previous week.

Large coffee cups, 10c at Powell's.

NOW YOU ASK ONE

Today's list of questions includes a little bit of everything—it's a sort of hash. The answers are on the back page.

- 1—Rearrange this list so that each city is grouped with the industry in which it leads: Fall River furniture; Minneapolis shoes; Lynn textiles; Grand Rapids steel; Detroit flour; Gary automobiles. 2—What did Ponce de Leon try to find in Florida? 3—Who was Damon's famous friend? 4—What was the name of the 42d American army division in the World War? 5—What waterfall near Minneapolis, Minn., is mentioned in Longfellow's "Hiawatha"? 6—Who were the two most prominent men in the plot that resulted in the murder of Julius Caesar? 7—In what year was the treaty of peace ending the American Revolution signed? 8—Who was Charles Wakefield Calhoun? 9—On what date did Jack Dempsey win the heavyweight championship? 10—In what city did his predecessor, Jess Willard, win it?

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Friday's the day to put your felt hat away



Friday is the day to buy your straw

Tall men, short men, fat men, thin men, will be blossoming forth Friday in their summer head wear. You'll want yours—and you'll want to look over these new styles to be sure to get the one that suits you. Many styles of straws here—and everyone can qualify in quality.

Harth's TOGGERY

RESERVE OFFICERS TO MEET IN CITY SATURDAY, MAY 14

Aviators From Pearson Field to Present Air Circus Over City at About 4 P. M.

Roseburg will resemble a military camp tomorrow, when reserve officers from all parts of the western half of the state gather in this city for the annual spring get-together conference. Indications are that the estimates for attendance will be far exceeded and there will be 200 or more officers present.

One of the features of the day will be the air circus to be presented by fliers from Pearson field. There will be a squadron of four planes, commanded by Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelley, Lieutenant Earl E. McMurtry. The three Curtis planes will be piloted by Captain DeVaney, until recently a resident of Roseburg; Lieutenant Earl E. Garbutt and Lieutenant Herschel J. Laublin. Captain Willard J. Chamberlain will fly as one of the observers. Two other observers will be members of the party, but the names of the men have not yet been announced. The fliers will arrive about 4 p. m. and will do a number of stunts in the air before landing.

Officers will start arriving tomorrow morning and arrangements have been made for the early arrivals to play golf at the Country Club in the afternoon. The banquet will be held at 2 o'clock at the Umpqua Hotel, and will be followed by the meeting, which will be addressed by Captain W. W. Woodbridge, until recently a field officer in China and Colonel Arnold, commanding officer of the reserve division.

BUSINESS WOMEN GO TO CORVALLIS FOR STATE MEET

CORVALLIS, May 12.—Delegates to the seventh annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs were flocking in the city today. The opening session was set for this afternoon. Miss Margaret A. Fleming, state president, calling it to order. Miss Florence Spencer, of New York, representing the national federation, is to speak at the annual banquet Saturday night. The executive council meets late today with a dinner and there will be an informal reception by the local club tonight. Miss Marjorie Hall, of Eugene, first vice-president, is to preside at a luncheon Saturday noon. President W. J. Kerr and Dean J. A. Boxell of Oregon Agricultural College are to speak.

PENDLETON ATHLETES TO CONTEST AT CORVALLIS

PENDLETON, May 12.—Hubert Allen, jumper and hurdler, and Ralph Penland, hurdler, will represent Pendleton High School at the Oregon Agricultural College track and field meet tomorrow at Corvallis. Allen has an excellent chance to break the broad jump mark of 21 feet 7 inches held by Dan Keel, and Donald of Eugene. Allen has been beating the mark in meets in this season.

COUNTY PASSES ITS QUOTA IN RELIEF DRIVE

Apportionment Surpassed With Several Towns Unreported.

MORE MONEY NEEDED

Work Will Not Halt as Additional Disasters Will Cause Need for Larger Fund.

Douglas county has subscribed \$1,332 to the Red Cross Mississippi Relief Fund, considerably over the quota for the county, according to a report made today from the headquarters of the local chapter. While the apportionment has been raised, yet the drive is not slackening, as the Red Cross is still appealing for money, the more recent torridities and the added flood disasters have increased the need for money and it will be necessary to provide a great deal more than had originally been estimated. The drive in Douglas county has not yet been finished, as many communities are yet to make their reports. The solicitation in Roseburg has not been finished, as the Rotary club team has not yet canvassed its district.

Roseburg has subscribed over \$1,000 of the county's total. The solicitation made by the Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls was very successful, the youngsters meeting with a ready response on the part of all residents visited. Other communities are also responding liberally. Elsie leading candidate of Roseburg with a donation of \$137.34. Others reported are Gardiner \$50, Sutherlin \$50, Grand Valley \$50, Wilbur \$42, Garden Valley \$38.50, Yoncalia \$41.77, Drain \$69, Camas Valley \$54.70, and Melrose \$34.80. Glendale, Myrtle Creek, Canyonville, Reedsport and Glide, are yet to be heard from. Several organizations have become interested in the relief work, and will add to the fund raised by the county. The Spanish-American War Veterans at their meeting last night raised \$12, which was turned over to the local Red Cross chapter this morning. Every man present at the meeting contributed to the fund. Several other organizations will make contributions before the campaign fund closes. Several benefit dances are also planned in different parts of the county.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received for furnishing labor and material required for the erection of a greenhouse at the Oregon State Soldiers' Home, at Roseburg, Oregon, will be opened by the Oregon State Board of Control at the Capitol building, Salem, Oregon, at 2 p. m. May 20, 1927. A certified check in the amount of \$100 must accompany the bid as evidence of good faith and a guarantee of performance by the bidder. Plans and specifications, and bid form, may be obtained from the commanding officer of the Soldiers' Home or from the office of the undersigned. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

CARLE ABRAMS, Secretary Oregon State Board of Control.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

In the County Court of Douglas in the State of Oregon, in the matter of the estate of Jack H. Greenwood, deceased. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Douglas county, state of Oregon, made on the 5th day of May, 1927, in the matter of the estate of Jack H. Greenwood, deceased, the undersigned administrator of said estate, will sell at public auction in one parcel on the premises described, to the highest bidder of the terms hereinafter mentioned, and subject to the order of said court, on the 13th day of June, 1927, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, the right title, interest, and estate in and to the real property hereinafter described, and all of the right, title and interest the said estate has by operation of law or otherwise acquired other or in addition to that of said deceased at the time of his death, and in and to that certain piece of parcel of land situated being and being in the county of Douglas and state of Oregon, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the north bank of the North Umpqua River at the quarter section corner between sections ten and eleven, township 26 south of range 2 west, thence north 53 feet, thence west 125 feet, thence south 122 feet to north bank of river, thence east 100 feet to the place of beginning, excepting road through said premises. Terms and conditions of sale such as that of the United States, and 10 per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale, balance on confirmation of sale, the purchaser to assume the payments of and take the property purchased by him subject to all of the state and county taxes and assessments of whatsoever name and nature which are now or may hereafter become due on said property purchased by him. The above described property will be sold as one parcel, and the same and bids must be made and will be received accordingly. Dated May 9, 1927. G. DOBERNATHE, Administrator of the estate of Jack H. Greenwood, deceased, of Douglas County, Oregon. George Jones, attorney for estate.

THE TINYMITES STORY by HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES by KNICK



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE) back upon the dock, and by the time the nighttime came, the diving place was done. (The Tinymites' plans are upset in the next story.) Copyright, 1927, NEA Service, Inc.

LOCAL BOY ON CREW AT YALE WINNING CLASS CONTEST

Word received here this morning by Dr. A. C. Seely from his son, Hal Seely, a sophomore at Yale University, contained the news that the Sophomore A class rowing crew, of which he is coxswain, won the class championship Thursday night, beating the Junior A rowing crew by a quarter length. The rivalry between the three low-class crews at the university for the championship has been keen this year and this victory will enable the Sophomores A class rowers to compete with the winning class crew of Harvard at Cambridge on May 21. Mr. Seely stated that the water was rough and that the crew had the outside lane, making an additional obstacle for them. The crew, however, gained on the start and held even to the finish. Mr. Seely also sent word that the varsity eight club, of which also he is a member, is now planning to tour Europe in the senior year. Mr. Seely will leave for home for the summer vacation next month.

40,000 ALIENS TO BE MASSES IN CHINA, FORECAST

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12.—Upon Close, traveler and writer on the Orient, said while here today on a visit that he had information that Chinese at Shanghai are smarting under indignities inflicted upon natives by foreign troops now quartered in the Chinese cities. Close predicted that the Chinese wrath would result in a great anti-foreign upheaval in China.

HOW IS YOUR BLOOD?

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COLUMBIA BASIN LEAGUE MEETS IN SPOKANE MAY 20

(Associated Press Feature Wire.) SPOKANE, May 12.—President Dr. Elwood Mead, federal director of reclamation, members of the congressional delegations of Washington and Oregon are to appear on the program of the annual meeting of the Columbia basin irrigation league to be held here May 20. It was announced by the league here today.

NEW CHANDELIER

The new delicate chandeliers will bring beauty to your home at moderate cost. Arthur H. Crowell.

FAMILY OF SEVEN TO RESIDE IN OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12.—Allen, Anna and Alice Spencer, triplets, aged 5 months, arrived in Portland late yesterday from Sterling, Colorado, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Spencer, and went on to Salem, to become Oregon soldiers with the rest of the family. Besides the triplets there are two other children, Delbert, 4, and Mildred, 3. They will visit at the home of Mrs. J. N. Mitchell, 1224 North Fourth street, Salem, until they find a farm on which to locate.

PACIFIC POSTAL NET PROFIT SMALL

(Associated Press Feature Wire.) SALEM, Ore., May 12.—The opening income of the Postal Telegraph company in Oregon for 1926 was \$104,409, according to its report to the Public Service commission. Other figures in the report are: Operating revenue, \$187,471.06; operating expenses, \$173,289.25; net operating revenue, \$14,181.81; uncollectible operating revenue \$153,957; taxes, \$57,939; deduction from net operating revenue, \$10,139.16.

About Time to Declare War

