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250 MILLIONS ON BOOKS

Despite such distractions as ocean flights, heavyweight championship fights and Mississippi floods, the American people last year managed to spend $250,000,000 on books. These figures were revealed at the convention of the American Booksellers' association in Atlantic City recently. The money bought approximately 200,000,000 books—twice the number sold annually a decade ago. Of course, a great number of these books were utter trash and might as well never have been written. Yet the fact remains that this unheard of sale of books indicates a vast intellectual curiosity and alertness on the part of the American public. And this is something more or less new. For a great many years the citizens of the republic had little use for any abstract ideas. Hard, concrete facts were all that interested anyone. One of the greatest poet's in the world's history—Walt Whitman—was unable to arouse more than a ripple of public attention. Van Wyck Brooks has pointed out how Mark Twain, born to be a Swift or a Cervantes, had to content himself with harmless jocosities because he knew the public would not buy anything more weighty. But the pendulum has swung the other way, with a vengeance. Instead of ignoring new ideas we are fairly falling over ourselves to devour them. Let any moderately talented young man write a book that advances an idea even faintly original and his fortune is made. We fall upon him en masse, with heaven-rending shouts, and hail him as a genius. There is something surprising about our liking for books that criticise us. A nation that worships its business men, we dote on books which paint our business men as purblind morons. A nation of builders and doers, we revel in books that proclaim all our deeds inept and sterile. A nation that lives and dies by the machine, we fairly lap up books telling us that all machines are futile and soul-fearing. What does it mean, anyway? Why are we, the hard-facts Americans, spending $250,000,000 annually on books? It means, plainly enough, that we are not half as materialistic and unthinking as some people tell us. We are not stagnating into a complacent conversation. We are more aert and awake than ever before. It is all immensely encouraging.

STANFIELD'S REWARD

Here is a pretty incident: The Douglas county commissioner's court has just completed the purchase of $99,000 of the county's outstanding road bonds, held by the bank of Oakland. The purchase brings the total of such bonds recently retired to $160,000, on which interest, of course, is stopped. The money for retiring bonds came from the Stanfield land grant relief fund. Douglas county has about $1,000,000 in road bonds still outstanding. On the other hand, it has about $1,000,000 of the Stanfield relief fund lying in the bank, ready to retire the bonds as fast as they mature. You don't often read a tax story so pleasing. It recalls that Robert Stanfield, then senator from Oregon, worked the land grant relief bill through congress, and for his pains was kicked out of his position. The Portland manipulators of the republican party in Oregon "know their onions."—Oregon Journal.

If you think that industrial Europe has entirely recovered from the effects of the World War, consider these figures presented by the foreign information department of the Bankers Trust Co., of New York. British blast furnaces have shown an improvement in big iron production, turning out 592,600 tons during March as compared with 550,800 tons in February. Yet in 1913 the monthly average was 855,000 tons. Present production, therefore, is still 25 per cent below pre-war levels. To a nation that leans on its industries as heavily as England does, that margin is important. The World War, verily, was an expensive undertaking for everybody involved. It will be many, many years before workers and employers have ceased to pay for it.

Congress and the president are to be commended for finding a compromise plan for Mississippi flood relief. The bill recently signed by President Coolidge calls for an enormous expenditure of money, of course. But it will be money well spent. The nation cannot afford to have the Mississippi valley states devastated every few years by floods. The river must be curbed, no matter what the cost. For a time it appeared that differences between the legislative and executive branches of the government over the proper means to employ might mean no relief at all, for this year at least. Fortunately, a compromise was found. The valley states can rest more easily now.

COMING EVENTS IN ROSEBURG

Cut out this list of dates of outstanding events for the year and keep it in your pocket for handy reference. Watch for changes and additional announcements as they may be arranged.

Umpqua Academy Reunion at Wilbur.....June 2
Annual Free Salmon Bake by Douglas County Sportsmen's and Game Protective Assn. ....June 3
Federal Land Bank Convention .....June 23
State Convention of G. A. R. and W. R. C. .....June 27-28-29
Epworth League Institute on Little River site ....July 9-16
State P. T. A. Convention .....October (no date set)
Knights of Pythias Convention, Dist. No. 5.....Sept. 22
Fall Meeting Presbytery of Southern Oregon . Oct. 23-24
National Election .....November 6
State Horticultural Meeting .....Dec. 12-13-14

BRIDE-ELECT OF NEXT MIKADO ENDS U. S. EDUCATION

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, June 2.—To become in a few months the bride of Japan's royal heir apparent, Miss Setsu Matsudaira, daughter of the Japanese ambassador, today was journeying back to the land of cherry blossoms, her schooling in America completed.

Sped upon her way by the good wishes of a host of friends who gathered at the Union station, Miss Matsudaira left the capital late yesterday, accompanied by her father and mother. There were more than 200 in the group which greeted her in the main concourse of the station and the United States government had its official representative.

Out of deference to the Japanese custom of keeping young girls within the seclusion of the home, the ambassador spoke with newspapermen for her.

He said that in spite of the restrictions of the Imperial household, his daughter would hardly lose contact with the western world. Through the diplomatic circles of Tokyo he predicted she would frequently find occasion to use the French and English she has learned here. She is carrying back ,he said, treasured memories of America that will influence her whole life.

Her marriage to Prince Chichibu, brother to Emperor Hirohito, will be surrounded with the utmost privacy, the ambassador continued, and instead of being a public ceremony, will take place within the palace at Tokyo before the shrine of the emperor's ancestors.

Our cow spray kills the flies. Sold in bulk at Wharton Bros.

OAKLAND-PONTIAC AGENCY OPENS UP

The Roseburg Motor Company is a recent concern to begin operations in this city, and in today's issue will be found the official announcement of the organization. Mr. W. B. Day, well known in Roseburg and the county, is the local manager, and the building at Oak and Rose streets is the headquarters.

Mr. Day has a wide acquaintance throughout Douglas County, and his activities as head of the Umpqua Chiefs who recently put over the carnival, gives him considerable prominence. In securing Mr. Day as manager of the organization, The Roseburg Motor Co. feels that a wise selection has been made, and that he will be able to push sales of Oaklands and Pontiacs in a most successful way. A car load of these automobiles was received here yesterday, and they are being placed on display at the salesrooms. These cars have not heretofore been sold here continuously by local people, but as products of the General Motors Co. they have a high standing as among the standard cars, so that the new company feels that the introduction of these automobiles here will meet with favor by intending purchasers.

Seed potatoes at Wharton Bros.

MALHEUR TIMBER TRACT IS BOUGHT BY CHICAGO FIRM

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Ore., June 2.—Bid of Edward Hines Associated Lumber interests of Chicago for the 67,400 acre tract of timber in the Malheur National Forest, surrendered recently by Fred Herrick and associates, was favorably acted upon here yesterday by the forest service. Herrick also submitted two bids.

The bid of the Hines interests of $2.85 per thousand feet would return to the government $2,194,500 for the pine alone. At the bid prices of $1.10 per thousand for fir and 60 cents per thousand for the timber of other species, consummation of the sale to the Hines interests would yield more than $2,250,000 to the government.

The tract is estimated to contain 770,000,000 feet of pine and 120,000,000 feet of other timber.

Eat barbecue sandwiches and live forever. Brand's Road Stand.

DESCHUTES CLAIMS BOY

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

BEND, Ore., June 2.—Falling into the Deschutes river late yesterday while he and his two brothers were helping in hauling a boat upstream, Burton Lyle, 11, was drowned. His brothers, Harold, 14, and William, 13, dived in to aid him, and were themselves saved by Moyne Simpson, who was in the boat they were hauling.

DESCENDANT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY PIONEER KILLED

A Los Anzeles, California, news item of May 26 tells of the accidental death of the seven-year-old son of Owen Churchill, millionaire yachtsman, when struck by an ornamental post while playing in the backyard of his home. The child, Owen H., toppled the post by swinging from a rope attached to it. The father is a grandson of the late Willoughby Churchhill, Douglas County pioneer of 1852, who settled that year on a donation land claim at Umpqua. The claim is the one now owned by Mrs. W. W. Cardwell, whose late husband purchased it from the late S. D. Evans, Sr.

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FAIR WEATHER NEXT WEEK

SAN FRANCISCO, June 2.—The weath outlook for the week beginning June 3 was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows:

Far western states: The outlook is for generally fair weather and normal temperature with fog or low clouds along the coast.

RADIO PROGRAMS

Portland Stations

KGW, 491.5—6 to 7 p. m., dinner concert; 7 to 8 p. m., program from KOMO; 8 to 9 p. m., "R. C. A. Hour"; 9 to 10 p. m., "Broadways and Boulevards"; 10 to 11 p. m., dance program; 11 to 12 p. m., dance frolic.

KOIN, 319—5:15-6 p. m., topsy-turvy time; 6-7, dinner concert; 7-7:15, amusement guide; 7:15-8, orchestra music; 8-11, silent; 11-1 a. m., midnight frolic.

KEX, 277.6—6-6:30 p. m., utility; 6:30-7, sports; 7-8, dance music; 8-8:30, community program; 9-10, studio concert and piano sholos; 10, time signals; 10-2, dance music.

Coast Stations

KOAC, Corvallis, Ore., 270.1—6:30-7, music and utility.

KMO, Tacoma, Wash., 254.1—6:30-7, studio program; 7-7:30, request program; 7:30-8, classical music; 9-10, orchestra.

KJR, Seattle, Wash., 348.6—6-6:30 p. m., time signals and varied utility; 6:30-7:30, dinner concert; 7:30-10, studio program, 10, time signals; 10-12, dance orchestra.

KHQ, Spokane, Wash., 370.2—6-6:45 p. m., dinner music; 6:45-7, travelogues; 7-8, concert orchestra; 8-9, network concert; 9-10, network concert; 10-12, dance frolic.

KFOA, Seattle, Wash., 447.5—7-7:30 p. m., Boy Scouts' program; 7:30-8, Camp Fire Girls' program.

KOMO, Seattle, Wash., 309.1—7-8 p. m., studio presentation to KGW; 8-9, network concert; 9-10, network concert; 10-11, orchestra and vocal music; 11-12:30, popular songs.

KGO, Oakland, Cal., 384.4—6-6:30 p. m., utility; 6:30-7, songs; 7-7:15, Hawaiian music; 8-9, studio concert; 9-10, Pacific coast network; 10-12, Saturday night dance frolic.

KFRC, San Francisco, Cal., 454.3—6:30-7:30 p. m., dinner music by the Cecellans; 7:30-8, cou... concert; 8-9, trio recital; 9-11, dance orchestra; 11-12, Jungletown orchestra; 12-1 a. m., organ recital.

KHJ, Los Angeles, Cal., 399.8—7-7:30 p. m., courtesy concert; 7:30-8, movie club; 8-9, continuity program; 9-10, concert orchestra and soloists; 10-12, Biltmore hotel orchestra; 12-1 a. m., Saturday night frolic.

KYA, San Francisco, Cal., 352.7—7:30-8 p. m., studio program; 8-9, old-timers' hour; 9-10, popular program; 10-1 a. m., frolic.

KFI, Los Angeles, Cal., 468.5—6-7 p. m., orchestra music; 7-8, KFI symphonette; 8-9, studio concert; 9-10, string program; 10-11, orchestral program; 11-2 a. m., KFI frolic.

KPO, San Francisco, Cal., 422.3—6-7 p. m., orchestra concert; 7-7:30, studio feature; 7:30-8, dance orchestra; 8-9, studio concert; 9-10, network concert; 10-12, dance music from the Pacific coast network.

Synopsis of Annual Statement of the
London and Lancashire Indemnity Company of America
Of New York, in the State of New York, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock paid up	$ 750,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during year	$3,395,006.73
Interest, rents and dividends received during the year	191,179.77
Income from other cources received during the year	600,433.40
Total income	$4,186,619.90
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	$1,828,163.72
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	37,503.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	$1,137,185.18
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	67,147.48
All other items not given above	171,160.46
Total expenditures	$3,241,159.84
ASSETS	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	$3,814,334.33
Insurance and salvage recoverable	165,020.04
Cash in banks and on hand	678,429.06
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927	918,466.98
Interest and rents due and accrued	58,599.32
Total admitted assets	$5,435,849.93
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	$1,540,982.35
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,812,364.26
Due for commission and brokerage	266,873.79
All other liabilities	86,900.63
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital of $750,000	$3,617,121.03
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Net premiums received during the year	$29,121.78
Losses paid during the year	16,256.90
Losses incurred during the year	22,969.90

Name of Company, London and Lancashire Indemnity Company of America.
Name of President, Oliver H. Beckwith.
Name of Secretary, John Urquhart.
Statutory resident attorney for service, A. A. Ferns, Portland, Oregon.

Farm News

State Market Agent's Letter
(By Seymour Jones.)

he prospects now are that the southern section east of the Mississippi river will be looking to Oregon and the northwest for their milling wheat the coming fall and winter. Already the grain division of this department has had inquiries from Nashville, Tenn., and from Louisville, Ky., saying that owing to a short crop of soft wheat they are looking to the west for their supply, and asking about conditions in Oregon. The Louisville correspondent says: "We are having a serious shortage in the coming crop of red winter wheat and are anxious to acquaint ourselves with the source of supply of similar wheats which are available in the west that will do to take the place of winter wheat or mix therewith." The Nashville correspondence is similar.

The Rain Very Welcome

The rain, which began Sunday morning, giving way to sunshine during the day and resuming activity early Monday morning, will prove a great blessing in Oregon and the whole northwest. The hot weather of the previous week had threatened serious damage to various crops, the eastern Oregon and Idaho wheat being in especial danger. The berry crop was also affected, the hot sun ripening the berries too rapidly, without proper development, also drying up the vines, but the generous rain has cooled the atmosphere, drenched the parched earth and revived the drooping vegetation in field, garden and orchard in a most encouraging way.

Important Grange Meetings

The Oregon state grange is called to meet at Rainier in annual session, June 5th to 8th. A joint session with Washington grange will be held at Longview on the 6th, and on the 9th a meeting will be held, also at Longview, of the executive committees of the state granges of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California. In the Oregon state grange is said to be spirited contest for master between Geo. A. Palmiter of Hood River, present incumbent, and M. S. Shrock of Milwaukie. C. W. Craft of Forest Grove would like to succeed M. C. Glover of Boring as overseer. Bertha J. Beck of Albany for secretary, and Minnie E. Bond of Eugene for lecturer, have no opposition.

Divide It or Drop It

If it be true, as alleged by wheat growers in eastern Oregon and Washington, that they do not receive any benefit in price by reason of the 10 per cent differential on grain coming to Portland, but that it all goes to the profit of Portland buyers and exporters, then Portland might as well expect to see that differential removed, and most people will acknowledge that the loss will be deserved. It is quite generally believed that the Portland buyers claim that they goodly share of the differential, vested in the United States totalled do.

Vetoed With a Vengeance

President Coolidge on last Wednesday vetoed the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill, as was expected, but in language so vigorous and condemnatory as to surprise friends and opponents who know the president's usual moderation. His strongest objection was against the equalization fee, but he characterized various features of the bill as out of keeping with sound business policy. The friends of the measure were several votes short of enough to pass it over the veto.

Decreased Wheat Area

The winter wheat area to be harvested in the United States totaled 35,858,000 acres on May 1, showing an abandonment of 25 per cent of the acreage planted last autumn, according to the crop report as of that date issued by the department of agriculture on May 9th. The average condition was 73.8 per cent of normal.

OH, YOU WORM!

HEN: Fancy a woman getting $2000 damages for the loss of a thumb.

PECK: But perhaps it was the one she kept her husband under. —Bulletin, Sidney.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

BROOKLYN — Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia, defeated Pete Latzo, Scanton, 15. Jack Townsend, New York, won by disqualification from Al Walker, New Haven 7.

OMAHA—Tommy Grogan, Omaha, knocked out Augie Pisano, Brooklyn 1.

ERIE, Pa.—Maxie Strub, Erie, knocked out Boots Antley, Atlanta, Ga., 3.

ST. LOUIS—Dave Knost, St. Louis, knocked out Rocco Stramaglia, Italy, 1.

BALL SCORES IN MAJOR LEAGUES

(By the Associated Press)

The opening conflicts of the west's first invasion of eastern National league strongholds today found scalps dangling at the belts of the Cincinnati Reds and St. Louis Cards.

Hugh Critz's home run in the tenth gave the leading Reds a 7 to 6 triumph over Boston.

The St. Louis Cards gave the Phillies their seventh defeat, 1 to 0 in a row but knew they were in a battle.

At Pittsburgh, the Pirates batted hard behind Grimes' good pitching to beat the Chicago Cubs, 10 to 4. Sheriff Blake suffered his first defeat in six starts.

Joe McCarthy, pilot of the Cubs, and Coach Doolan were ejected from the field for disputing a decision in the fourth.

John McGraw's New York Giants kept firm hold of second place by downing the Brooklyn Robins again 4 to 3, in a pitching duel between Larry Benton and Jim Elliott.

In the only American league engagement, the Detroit Tigers made it four in a row over Cleveland.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE GAMES

(By the Associated Press)

San Francisco stepped into first place yesterday by drubbing Portland 14-0, Smead Jolley hitting two home runs. Mails kept 10 Portland hits widely scattered. Batteries: Mails and Vargas Couch, Stoud and Ainsmith.

Sacramento continued to slide down the chute before the rejuvenated Hollywood Stars, losing her fourth straight to the movie town boys, 10-2. Dick McCabe toyed with the Senators as his mates lashed out 14 solid hits. Batteries: Shea, Keefe and Severeid; McCabe and Bassler, Cook.

Seattle and Los Angeles divided a pair of ball games, the Indians taking the first 6-5 by virtue of a three run rally in the sixth and losing the second 4-2, because the three run rally which came in the eighth was staged by the Angels. Batteries: Peters, Cubbingham and Sandberg, Hannah; Teachout, Graham and Schmidt.

Second game: Osborn, Cunningham, Barfoot and Hannah; Wilson and Parker.

The Missions offensive exploded with a loud bang in the final six frames, and three Oakland hurlers were buffeted to all corners of the lot as the Bells hammered out a 20-5 victory. In the fourth inning, after Hasty had hit a Bell batter with a pitched ball, Wetzel, who replaced the big right hander, hit three of the first six batters to face him with wild htrows. Batteries: Hasty, Wetzel, Sparks and Lombardi, Bool; Holling and Baldwin, Sypher.

THE TINYMITES

STORY by HAL COCHRAN — PICTURES by KNICK

READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

"We're on our way for goah knows where, but, anyhow, we do not care, as long as we sail smoothly on," sang Clowny in delight. "Four happy Tinymites are we, just out to see what we can see. We hope we reach some real nice spot before dark of night."

"That's fine," yelled Coppy, "sing some more. What other songs have you in store. Sing something that we all can sing, and we will join right in." "All right," laughed Clowny. "Here it goes; a song most everybody knows." He then sang, "Mary Had a Lamb," which made the Tinies grin.

"Oh, my, that's kindergarten stuff," snapped Scouty, "we have had enough." And thus the song was ended. "Let's go swimming, Carpy cried. "Of course the water may be cold, but I am not afraid. I'm bold. We can't tell how it is of course, until we jump in i.ie."

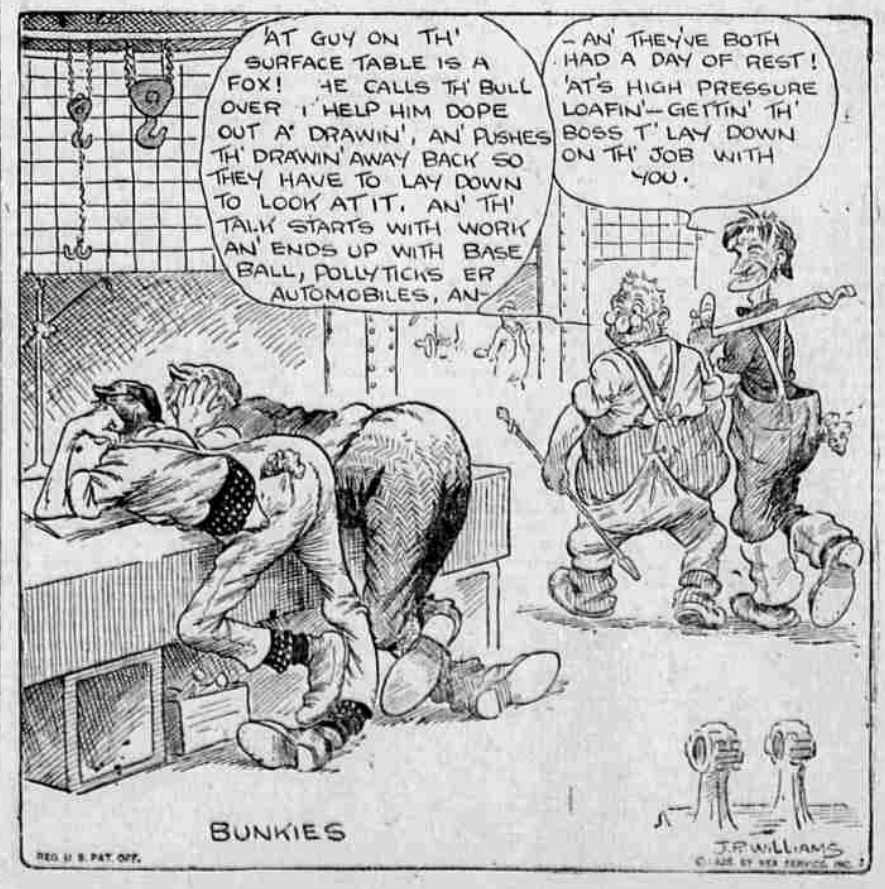
Just then they felt a ...amp, thump, thump. The small ...ase-boat began to bump. The ...mites were all so scared that they could hardly speak. "We've run against a rock, I'll bet," said Scouty. "Oh, we'll all get wet. Supposing it's a sharp one, and the boat begins to leak."

"Ha, ha," laughed Clowny, "that's not right. I don't think there's a rock in sight. But just look down, and you will see what's causing all this harm. Our boat, I'm sure, is safe and sound. It seems we've merely run aground. Oh, look! The stream is running dry. That's real cause for alarm."

The Tinies found that he was right. The water drifted out of sight, and soon the little stream bed was dry as it could be. "Oh, gracious me, what can we do?" said Coppy. "Is our trip all through? How are we going to sail along I surely cannot see."

(The Tinymites find a way out of their trouble in the next story.)

SIDE GLANCES—By George Clark

"But I'm certain my husband didn't order a whole case or dried prunes . . . . oh, I see!"

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