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EXPLAINS ABSENCE OF GARDENERS

WRITER REPLIES TO ARTICLE BY "HOUSEKEEPER" RECENTLY

SAYS IRRIGATION IS NEEDED

Newcomer From Hood River Says Soil of Willamette Valley is Very Superior, But Insists That Water Is Needed in the Summer.

Editor GAZETTE-TIMES:

I do not wish to get into controversy with any of your correspondents, and especially at this time do I exceedingly fear and quake less my identity become known, because the article in a recent issue of your valuable paper to which I wish to refer was from the pen of a Corvallis lady, and you know a lady is proverbial for having the last word. My experience has taught me that in a contest with the fair sex if I once in a while take only "second money" I am extremely fortunate.

Vegetables Failed

I take no exceptions to the "Wail of the Housekeeper" as a whole, but I do feel it my duty to say a word in behalf of the Corvallis boosters, that the reason they did not feel justified in enlarging on the opportunities of market gardeners at Corvallis is the same reason that Mr. John Chinaman (as a market gardener) is conspicuous by his absence. The average Celestial is not given credit for a superabundance of shrewdness, but he is smart enough not to undertake to raise a market garden at Corvallis under the circumstances as they exist here today. To illustrate, we moved here from Hood River, June 25, '09. The place we sold at Hood River had plenty of all kinds of vegetables, but when we arrived here we found on the place we had purchased a good place for a garden, but like the Chinese gardener in the lady's article, the vegetables were conspicuous by their absence. Well, as soon as I could get some ground ready, I planted some sweet corn, cabbage, turnips, tomatoes, etc. This was about

BIG EXCURSION IN THE MORNING

Prospect of Large Number Going with Merchants to Toledo.

Tomorrow is Benton County Day at the Lincoln County Fair, Toledo. A special train will leave here at 7:30 a. m. and leave Toledo at 7 p. m. on the return trip. The round trip fare is \$1.50. If the weather conditions are satisfactory a fair-sized crowd will go down from here. The business men hope to have at least one representative from each store in the city, and already many business men have promised. The Corvallis band will go, badges have been printed, and a pleasant time is anticipated. Those who do not care to remain in Toledo will be carried to Yaquina and taken to Newport by boat which will meet the special. Get your lunch ready, get into a good humor and go with the crowd to the Lincoln County Fair.

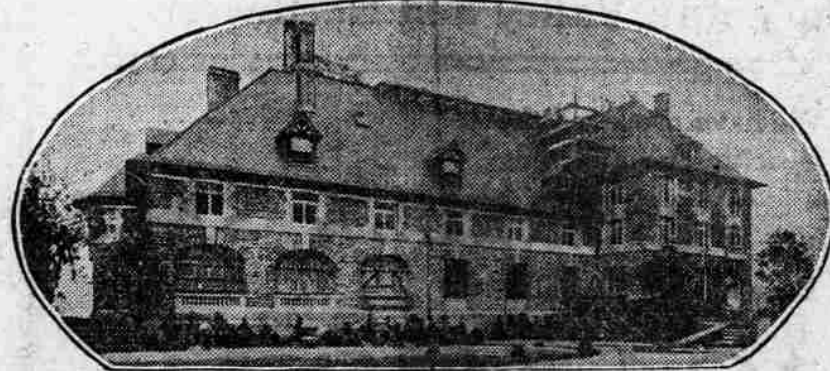
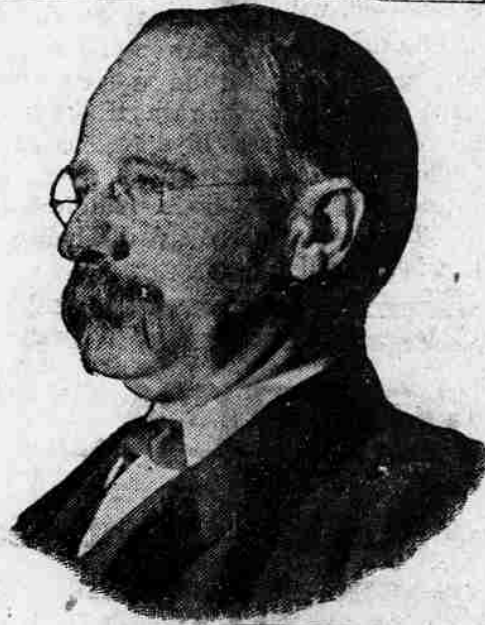
July 1st and by this time the ground was so dry I had to pour water in each hill to cause the seed to germinate. Well, we have had just about as many vegetables as would supply our own table, with the promise that we may have ten cents' worth to exchange for oat meal.

Now, in order to raise this amount of vegetables, we had to pump from two to five barrels of water each day (Sunday excepted) and put it on the plants. This is why the Chinese market gardener at Corvallis is conspicuous by his absence. Let a corporation, syndicate, water company, or whatever you are pleased to call it, be formed, with a capital stock of \$50,000, tap Mary's River up near Philomath, bring the water to the land around Corvallis, and charge each farmer \$5 per acre for water right and a maintenance fee of \$3 or \$4 per acre per year, and when that is done you will not only find Mr. John Chinaman here ready to serve you with vegetables, but there will be plenty of good vegetables here all the year.

Better Than Hood River

I am confident this soil is superior to Hood River soil, at least for the growing of vegetables,

E. H. Harriman Died at 2:30



EDWARD HENRY HARRIMAN AND HIS COUNTRY HOME NEAR ARDEN, N. Y.

Edward H. Harriman, master of more roads than any man—the most talked of man in America, with the exception of Theodore Roosevelt and John D. Rockefeller—died today at 2:30 p. m. at his country home near Arden, N. Y.

While acute indigestion was the immediate cause of his death, overwork undoubtedly lay at the bottom of his difficulty.

Harriman was undoubtedly the greatest railroad man of this or any other age, made so by money and organization. He "lived in present profit and crashed through opposition with the weight of financial support." The Standard Oil crowd was his backers, and Harriman was able to buy or crush when and where he would. As a result he became the virtual master of half the railroads of the United States in ten years.

Harriman came into prominence in connection with the Chicago & Alton railway in 1898, and by purchase of the Union Pacific lines following the death of Collis P. Huntington he came into the broad glare of national finance. He absorbed the Illinois Central, O. R. & N., became master of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul from Chicago to Seattle, took in the Santa Fe and a dozen other smaller lines. He had but one rival, James J. Hill who has done, unaided, all that Harriman did with Standard Oil back of him. Yet there is no discount to be placed on Harriman as a wonderful character in the railroad world.

and the only reason we had good vegetables at Hood River was because we could turn the water onto them when it was needed. And at Hood River there were not only two Chinese market gardeners, but several Japanese gardeners and two American gardeners who made a business of shipping vegetables to other markets. So now, I think the lady in "The Wail of the Housekeeper," who had ten cents' worth of peas to exchange for oat meal and the little boy who was nearly kidnapped because he had ten cents' worth of beans to sell were situated much like we are, and had only time to pump water for ten cents' worth in excess of the demands of their own tables.

You will find my name in the telephone directory.

Razors, safety and the other kind. Largest line at Hester & Harrington's. 9-3-tf.

Furniture, stoves, ranges, etc., at Kempin's store. 103 N. 2nd St. 6-11

PEARY AND COOK STILL QUARRRELING

But Neither Has Yet Produced Proof of Having Seen Pole.

Press dispatches present nothing from either Peary or Cook that proves or disproves anything except that these two men and their friends are extremely jealous of each other. Peary insinuates that Cook is a fakir, but Cook merely smiles and says Peary is a great explorer. Cook's friends, however, resent the attitude of Peary and his adherents. Cook does not propose to show his proofs until he writes his book. In the meantime, former mates of Cook are giving the press some matter that places Cook in a bad light, and it is certain that his failure to present proofs to European audiences is militating against him.

The press of Paris was today absorbed in the rival claims of Dr. Cook and Commander Peary and there is a noticeable drift of opinion in the direction that Dr. Cook will have difficulty in proving the validity of his claim in the face of the story of an experienced explorer like Peary. Virtually all the newspapers agree that Dr. Cook has passed into the background since Peary entered upon the scene and some of them declare that since Peary's appearance he will be doubted more than ever.

The *Matin* says that Dr. Cook's lecture at Copenhagen last night fell coldly upon his audience, which awaited proofs instead of repeating of old statements, and that public opinion is changing against Cook. Continuing, the paper says that Professor Torp, rector of the Copenhagen University, voted against giving Dr. Cook an honorary degree and it asks:

"Would Professor Torp have voted thus without serious reason?"

The *Petit Parisien* says the world will acclaim Peary as the real conqueror of the Pole and publishes the insinuation that Cook is merely trying to appropriate to himself the honor which belongs to Peary.

For Sale—An Oliver typewriter. New, used less than two months. Perfect condition. Cheap for cash.

FAIR AT TOLEDO IS A SUCCESS

NO LARGE CROWD FIRST DAY BUT EXCELLENT EXHIBITS.

AERONAUT FALLS INTO SLOUGH

Corvallis Team Beat Elk City Badly—Game Today and Tomorrow, Together With Races—Benton County Day Tomorrow.

TOLEDO, Sept. 9.—(Special)—The Lincoln county fair opened here yesterday. There was not a heavy attendance but the exhibits are well worthy of a large crowd. Some very fine farm products are on display, and some of the best looking stock ever seen in this section may be viewed at this fair. This is the first fair ever attempted by the Lincoln county people and they are to be congratulated on this showing. There will be some racing today and tomorrow.

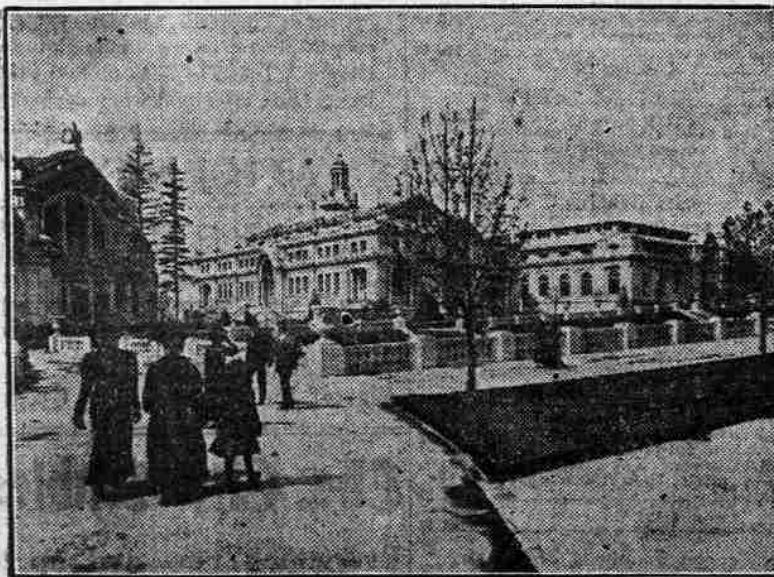
Balloon Falls In the Water.

The special attractions are balloon ascensions, a slide for life, side shows, merry-go-round and W. F. Keady's Waldport band. The balloon ascension yesterday was a thriller, the great bag soaring to a splendid height and then both the bag and the aeronaut dropped into a big slough near the grounds. A launch went out and rescued both. This furnished an interesting diversion.

Corvallis a Winner.

The Corvallis Cubs were here to play the Siletz braves a game of baseball, but the Indians backed out, so Elk City essayed the task of scalping the Corvallis bunch. Instead of this they lost their own top-knots, the score resulting 16 to 3 in favor of the boys from O. A. C. ville. Parks, a southpaw, pitched for Elk City and the first two innings things looked gloomy for the Cubs, but after K. Colbert hit for three bases with two men running, and Southerland hit for two bases with all bases full, the ginger was taken out of Elk City. Keilblock, for Corvallis, was rather wild, but tightened up like a drum whenever the

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SCENE ON THE COURT OF HONOR, A-Y-P. EXPOSITION, SEATTLE.

In constructing its group of five buildings, the United States Government had regard for the type of architecture followed generally in the buildings of the Exposition proper. The Exposition structures are in the modern French renaissance and the Government in the modern Spanish. The two styles tie in nicely together and make an harmonious whole. On the right of the picture is the Alaska building, one of the Government group. In the center is the European Exhibits Palace. On the left is a facade of the Palace of Agriculture. The last two named are in the French renaissance and were completed before December 1, 1908. The Alaska building was completed April 15.

APPRECIATES KERR

Beneath an excellent likeness of President W. J. Kerr, of O. A. C., the Pacific Northwest, published in Portland, has the following to say of him:

"During the latter part of August Portland was the meeting place of the Associated American Agricultural College Presidents and the Directors of Agricultural College Experiment Stations. It was the occasion of their National Convention and attended by representatives from every state in the Union and the islands of the sea. Portland has entertained many organizations of prominence, but none to compare with these presidents and directors, for the reason that they represent the growing youth of the farm, seeking opportunity in up-to-

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CORVALLISITES CATCH FISH AT NEWPORT

Grant Elgin, ex-recorder of Benton county, and James McCausland, whom many of the fair sex regard as perfectly irresistible, made a tremendous catch of tomcods recently on Yaquina bay. All sorts of stories are told of the number caught, the manner of fishing and the kind of bate used. Captain Roy Bensill, mayor of Newport, thinks they used silver bait, the Newport Times man says the work was done principally by the small boy who has been inevitable in the campaign; while the signal service man, who had his eye on the boys most of the time believes the boys caught many or possibly the most of the tomcods they brought in; John Allen's kodak, which



is considerable of a joker, made a snap-shot of the boys in their glory. The boys had a hint that the snapshot was coming, so they posed by a well to emphasize their fondness for cold water. This is the second part of the joke.