# ANGLERS' LUCK NOT THE BEST

IMBLER, Ore. (Special).—Fishermen suffered hard luck in this vicinity the past week. Some of the streams have overflowed their banks and therefore are muddy. Three of our most respected citizens, most honest too, Lyle Kiddie, Lyle Stringham and Otis Buchanan went fishing the first of the week. They report that they fished from the Minam to the Country club bathing pool, used 40 gallons of gas, ten gallons of oil, ate six dozen sandwiches, drank one bottle of pop and came home with two fish.

The pupils of the Imbler high school went on their annual picnic Tuesday, to Catherine Creek. The usual program of hiking, fishing, wading, eating, singing and picking wood ticks was followed.

Great interest is being expressed in the senior class play to be given Friday evening, May 1, by the Elgin high school. An excellent cast, that has been well coached, is presenting the play and a large crowd is anticipated.

The Imbler high school baseball team returned from Helix and Umapine with two more victories to add to those already earned. Imbler has a real team as several other baseball teams will testify.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stringham and Elwood Stringham of Astoria are visiting relatives and friends in the valley. They will help Mrs. Mary Metcalf celebrate her birthday this coming week. Mrs. Metcalf is the mother of Mrs. Stringham.

Mrs. Roe Buchanan of La Grande and Mr. and Mrs. Rube Porter of Union visited Mrs. William Wiggans during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Marshall and children of Baker City, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan of Alicel called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Buchanan, Sunday.

Mrs. Fanny Shillings, Mrs. Bessie Westenskow and Mrs. William Smith were in La Grande Friday on business and pleasure.

The skating rink at the Rex hall in La Grande is taking many of our young people to town evenings. And occasionally some of the older boys and girls of 50 young summers and a few old winters sneak in to attend to a business engagement and are later found at the skating rink where they spend most of the time dusting the floor for the Rex hall management. Such is the effect of spring.

Wednesday evening, May 6th, the Lewis family will put on a musical novelty and comedy show at the Imbler Amusement hall. This show comes endorsed by the press, public and pulpit, and should be one worth seeing.

Mrs. Fred Nodine, Doris, Marion and Sam Nodine of Union, and Dewey Cassidy of Baker were guests of Fred Nodine Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Martin has been very ill with the flu for the past two weeks, and is now in a critical condition.

Mrs. Effie Skaggs and Mrs. Edith Davis were guests of Mrs. M. H. Payne Saturday. Mrs. Payne accompanied them on their return trip to Enterprise and spent Sunday calling on relatives and friends in Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McBride and Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Westenskow left Monday on a pleasure trip to Walla Walla. While there they expect to visit the tulip farm, which is one of Walla Walla's points of interest.

Hugh Davis, photographer of Enterprise, spent the week in Imbler taking pictures of the different high school classes and organizations of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Keller Stringham were shopping in Baker on Saturday.

Mrs. H. A. Watson entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hagey of La Grande and Mrs. Etta Long, of Imbler, at dinner Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown of Union were visitors at the Dick Osborne home this week.

Mrs. Laura Ratcliffe of La Grande called on Imbler friends Friday.

J. E. Woods, father of Mrs. C. M. Hale, who has been ailing since a severe attack of the flu, is just able to be around again. It is hoped that the warm spring weather will help Mr. Woods to regain his health.

H. A. Watson left Sunday for Enterprise, where he will be employed during the summer.

### FLORIDA DRAWS SPENDERS FROM SHORES OF FRANCE

LONDON (AP)—The balmy winter climate of Florida, long a lure to Americans from the cold northern states, has begun to draw wealthy Britons away from their sunny but chilly coves along the Riviera.

The winter just ended saw hundreds of leisured Londoners cross the Atlantic to get away from the fogs and rain of their gray and gloomy capital. Formerly only a few score Englishmen took the time and trouble to discover the sunshine of the West Indies and Florida. The steamship companies have begun to trumpet the attractions of both, and expect increasing numbers of tourists to cross the Atlantic next winter in search of bright skies and soft southern breezes.

Those who have tried the trip bring back tempting tales of their experiences. One relishes a winter swim in the gulf, they say, whereas along the Riviera winter-time dips in the Mediterranean are dips in the Mediterranean are braggier visitors.

### GOLD DRAWS ADVENTURERS INTO TROPICAL SURINAM

THE HAGUE (AP)—Baron A. J. van Heemstra, governor of Dutch Guiana, does not cease expressing his admiration for the enterprise of Americans in his colony.

Gold draws these adventurers, according to the governor, and American engineers now are seeking the location of a rich lode in the far interior from which the present low-land alluvial deposits must have come.

Local papers in Surinam are full of admiration for the go-ahead methods pursued by Americans in that country, especially their organization of air transport which does away with the slow and cumbersome travel by river boats.

### Artists of Malmesbury Page the King's Barber

MALMESBURY, Wiltshire, Eng. (AP)—The authorities of this city have set themselves the task of ascertaining the color and the cut of the whiskers worn by Old King Athelstan, who died in 945. They have looked through ancient books studied statues and pored over archives, but up to the present time with no success. They are not discouraged, however, and the search is still going on.

A fund has been subscribed for the creation of a stained glass portrait of King Athelstan in the local town hall. It seems Athelstan drove out the Danes 1000 years ago and the people of Malmesbury want to commemorate his act. Hence they want to know what he looked like in order that his portrait may do him honor.

An American aviatrix is startling Paris, so sunburned noses may soon be considered stylish.

# Grotesque Pictures Fill Paris Salon; Nude Prevails

PARIS (AP)—The revolutionary character of this year's Independent Art Salon, with its 2500 canvasses, is typified at the threshold by a painting of Lenine in blacksmith's garb, forging the peace of the world.

This is the first exhibit that strikes the eye, and all through the show the eye never rests from painful contemplation of that that is rebellious and insurrectional in art. Along with Lenine's portrait which resembles Lenine as little or as much as anyone else, there is a bust of one of the lesser apostles of Bolshevism, Krassine, ambassador to Paris, which seems to have been made by some old sinner in art who stuck to line and form; the bust looks like the subject. The same may be said of a study for a portrait of another more or less revolutionary character, Blasco Ibanez, whose features are quite exactly portrayed by Marcel Poncin.

These exhibits, along with a full-length portrait of Benes, the Czechoslovak "peacemaker," and a few meritorious landscapes, are the saving features of a show which in the words of a prominent art critic, is chiefly "composed of meat."

The nude prevails, nude that is muscular, massive and contortionist. In some respects the nude is less repellent than in some previous shows, but in no sense does it give promise of progress either in drawing or coloring.

A study of the salon leaves one at the end with the impression of just having recovered from a nightmare. There is nothing in it to indicate that the exhibitors have discovered that indefinable something that the futurists, cubists and dadaists are searching for in art. They have found practically no new ways even of making art more horrible; they have just continued drawing cows' noses longer than their legs and making all their human figures look like super contortionists.

The few American exhibits are among neither the worst nor the best. Russians prevail among the foreign artists, and in their work is accentuated startling departures from the accepted rules of technique in drawing and painting.

# SPEAKERS SET FOR CONTEST

NEW YORK (AP) — Several thousand high school contestants throughout the United States are now engaged in elimination trials for the second annual National Oratorical contest "to increase interest in and respect for the Constitution," which is held under the auspices of representative national newspapers.

The field of youthful speakers will be further sifted down through successive district and state contests to produce a finalist for each of seven major zones. The honor seven will measure declamation strides at Washington May 2 for prize awards of $300 to $2000, and for invisible distinction in the school world.

The contest supplants a nationwide movement to foster better appreciation of the true meaning of the charter document of American democracy. This has been under way for 15 years along women's clubs. American school teachers and civic societies such as the National Security League.

Primarily, the contest was launched to fire the youthful mind with a desire to learn the principles of American government. Actually, its supporters say, it has succeeded, and has gone thus success one better. It has helped produce to a gratifying degree a similar effect upon the adult mind in varied walks of life.

Miss Etta V. Leighton, civic secretary of the National Security League, a pioneer in the work, measures the first success by the fuller cross-section of the student body to be seen represented in this year's contest. Last year, she said, the entrants were largely the "stars," who presumably would be helped the least. This year the entry list carries both "stars" and plodders, the latter being the ones who will be helped more, according to Miss Leighton, who reported a particularly heavy quota from rural and backwoods districts.

The National Security League has received a flood of inquiries on the Constitution from the country at large which definitely dated from last year's competition, Miss Leighton said. Conductors and brakemen, grocers and heads of concerns, trade unionists and doctors, all had appealed for help along the conspicuous path the oratorical contest had opened.

### Londons Latest Fashion Note.

LONDON (AP) — Glasses with their heavy horn rims tinted to match the hat or gown of the well-dressed woman have appeared in London this spring.

The Honorable Lady Ward appeared recently with a scarlet hat and scarlet rimmed glasses to match. The next afternoon she wore a blue dress and blue rimmed glasses.

### Lisbon Poor Pay Homage to Well-Beloved Actress

LISBON, Portugal (AP)—Enormous crowds blocked the streets of the city the other day when Angela Pinto, the popular Portuguese actress was buried. The slums of Lisbon emptied themselves to come and see "Our Angela" pass to her last resting place. She was the idol of the people and her remarkable versatility ran from comic opera to tragedy. Her favorite roles were women of the people.

# OREGON BACKS SETTLING PLAN

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special).—Major communities of Oregon are thoroughly sold on the value of the present state-wide settlement program, according to letters received by the land settlement department of the Portland Chamber of Commerce following publication of the annual report of the department last week, in which it was mentioned that more than 700 families, bringing with them an aggregate capital in excess of $2,000,000, had been brought here during the past year.

"Personally," writes Lloyd L. Crocker, president of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, "I think the work done by your department was more directly responsible for the large number of settlers we received in Douglas county than any other agency. We received more real farmers, that had some money, than we have before in 10 years, I think I am safe in saying."

"We certainly think the people of Southern Oregon should appreciate your efforts in settling up this part of the country," writes J. W. Lucas of Grants Pass, representative of large undeveloped holdings under the Grants Pass irrigation district, in reporting the names of 20 new settlers. "I am very positive that a few years of this kind of concentrated effort along the land settlement line will make Oregon one of the best states on the Pacific coast."

Other letters of a like tenor have been received from chambers of commerce officials in practically all major districts of Western and Eastern Oregon, according to W. G. Ide, manager of the department.

### Dairy Drum Up Trade.

BERLIN (AP) — Berlin drinks today only a little more than one-half the quantity of milk it consumed before the war. The reason evidently is that the use of milk substitutes still prevails. A municipal exhibition is planned to bring milk back to its former popularity.

### Airmen Grateful to Cities That Tell Them Their Names

WASHINGTON (AP)—Advertising for the benefit of those who ride in the air is seen by army air service officers as a possibility.

Thus far this branch of "letting the world know," is confined to cities that blazon their names literally from the housetops. This is coming to be recognized as a vital factor in flying, enabling the aviator readily to discerne his whereabouts simply by looking over his cockpit to where giant white letters, painted on the roof of a large building, gaze up at him. The number of communities that are thus setting forth their names is substantially on the increase, army airmen say.

Large cities have their own landmarks, the Washington monument and the dome of the capitol being two of the best anywhere.

While in some cases the name of the community is painted on the roof of the railroad station, officers said they believed that transportation branch slow in favoring that method, sensing probable competition from the airplane in the future.

### ROSEBURG HIT BY FIRE

ROSEBURG, Ore.—Three stores in the north side of town were damaged by fire early which for a short time threatened considerable business and industrial property in that section of the city.

The fire was discovered in the attic of a frame building occupied by a grocery store and the people residing in the apartment above the store had a narrow escape, their regular means of exit being blocked by the flames, making it necessary for them to break down a door leading into the storeroom. A butcher shop and restaurant adjoining were both damaged.

### Bird Refuge to Be Fought.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—Plans for fighting the proposal to reflood lower Klamath lake and make it a bird refuge will be laid by the Klamath Wool Growers' association at a meeting here. According to A. M. Thomas, secretary of the association, reflooding of the lake would destroy pasture land for 50,000 head of sheep and would mean a financial loss of $600,000 to the county.


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