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KIN'S BITTER FRUIT—And they said one to another, We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul when he brought us, and we would not hear.—Gen. 42: 21.

THANKSGIVING FOR TREES.

Arbor days are at hand, public ones to be observed with exercises in schools and private ones to be observed by the planting of trees around homes and by rejoicing over the return of blossoms and foliage to the deciduous trees.

In some states a Bird Day has been added to the calendar of special days. These two might very well be observed simultaneously. We couldn't keep our lovely song birds if we didn't have our trees, and we couldn't keep our trees if we didn't have the birds to devour insect pests and to carry seeds and make themselves generally useful as well as delightful.

Arbor Day, with its emphasis on tree cultivation and conservation, has played a useful part in developing the national interest in forestation. But there is still need of watchfulness and of wiser policies in the manufacture of wood products if the trees now planted are to hold their own in the coming years. Even if there were no such need, Arbor Day would remain an excellent special occasion for being glad that the old earth is blessed with trees.

SCENIC WONDERLAND.

For the preservation of the primeval Great Smoky mountains on the border line of Tennessee and North Carolina as a national park and public playground these two states have raised more than \$1,000,000 and will ask the rest of the country to aid them in securing the \$4,000,000 balance of the purchase price. If these virgin forests and unmapped mountains can be purchased by public subscription the federal government will maintain them and open them, through the means of good roads, to the general public.

Saving of the Great Smokies has inspired numerous articles in recent issues of magazines and reviews, one of them describing these mountains as "the last of the eastern wilderness." If not made public property within the next few years this "last wilderness" will vanish like the others before the onslaughts of the lumberman's axe.

Until about 10 years ago the Great Smokies were virtually unknown. Within the black depths of its forests there are gulfs and gorges never visited by man. Even the mountaineer squatter in the foothills does not roam these peaks and ridges mysteriously vague behind the haze from which they derive their name. Seven of the capital peaks, all higher than any in the Blue Ridge mountains, are still unnamed and large areas of the range have never been surveyed.

As a national park the Great Smokies are destined to become as famous and popular as the Yellowstone, Yosemite and other great national reservations. The east now has but one national park, Lafayette national park on Mt. Desert Island off the coast of Maine, but its park system will rival that of the west with the addition of the proposed Shenandoah park in the Blue Ridge mountains of Virginia and of the Great Smokies.

Fishing Season Is Here!

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Five men kidnaped D. M. Haley, 19, of Fort Worth, Tex., took him out in the country and gave him 40 lashes with a whip. He was secretly married last summer. After the marriage he and his wife separated, and his wife recently died.



OFFICE CAT
By Junius

Fable—Once upon a time a housewife had guests for dinner and failed to apologize for the biscuits.

Food Wife—Will, do you know you haven't kissed me for eight days?

Absent-minded Grocer—No? Dear me, how annoying! Whom have I been kissing?

Congress and the senate are kicking up a big fuss about two twenty-five beer. What we want brought back is two seventy-five shoes; five dollar coat and four cent milk.

HONEY AND BEANS POME. He mixed his beans with honey. And has done it all his life. He says, while it makes them taste funny, it keeps them on his knife.

A man will never admit that he is a poor judge of women till he is married, nor a poor judge of liquor till he is blind.

First Burn—Mighty fine coffee they give in at this mission.

Second Burn—Yes; but it keeps me awake during the sermon.

NUDE
"Isn't she a little bear?"
"Yes, someone ought to speak to her about it."

Silver moon.
Pretty notes;
lips upturned
For a kiss.

None to see!
Just us two;
Sore I did;
Wouldn't you?

"My stars, Mr. Wolfe!" ejaculated the picture enlarger. "What makes that little fellow cry and how so loudly?" "I reckon it's 'cause he's too young to cuss," replied Windy Wolf. "It's cutting teeth."

When a woman runs over in the morning before she gets her breakfast dishes done to tell you she wouldn't live with her husband if it wasn't for the children, put her down as a bum house-keeper.

PERRY LOCAL NEWS OF WEEK

PERRY, (Special)—Mrs. Howard Robinson was shopping in La Grande Saturday afternoon.

Chester Thompson, Sidney Reed and James Meacham departed for Ice, Oregon last Thursday morning. They drove through in Mr. Meacham's car and hope to find work there.

Mrs. George Robertson made a trip to La Grande last week. Mrs. Zareta Murray recently visited her mother, Mrs. Jack Briggs in La Grande. Mrs. Clara Johanson visited her daughter, Mrs. Henry Hess, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fuller moved to Elgin Monday. They have purchased a farm there and will make their home there permanently.

Mrs. Hibba Murray entertained several friends last week at a social gathering. Dainty refreshments were served at an appropriate hour.

Miss June Lee and Miss Isabel Hayler are absent from school this week because of illness.

Blanche Martin made a trip to Portland last week. She went with the girls guards of the Salvation army.

Mrs. C. C. Johansen visited at the Harvey Larsen home Sunday afternoon. Miss Yvonne Deane recently visited her aunt, Mrs. George Fuller.

Mrs. Fred Postor called upon her sister, Mrs. Tilda Johansen one day last week.

Opal Heikel was a recent visitor to La Grande one day last week. Guy Tripp and family made a trip to Baker Sunday.

HEALTH

DO YOU DRINK WATER ON THE TRAIN? (By Dr. Frederick Stricker)

Have you ever stopped to think when you are traveling on a steam or electric train, where the drinking water used on it comes from? You probably have never given it a thought you take it for granted that there must be some drinking water on the train, and when you become thirsty you lurch over to the tank and drink until your thirst is quenched. What assurance have you that the water may not be badly contaminated? You say that the water is clear and sparkling? True enough; but a water may be loaded with death-dealing typhoid germs and yet be clear and sparkling to the naked eye.

The water that you drink on the train is free from disease germs, and so you may quench your thirst with impunity. Uncle Sam, through his public health service, aided by the boards of health of the various states, sees to it that you are furnished with a perfectly safe drinking water while you are a passenger of a railroad.

At least once a year every railroad engaged in interstate commerce of the United States, public health service, a list of all sources of water supplies used for drinking purposes. A list of such sources is also sent to the health officer of the respective state wherein they are located. He or his representative, usually the state sanitary engineer, inspects the water shed of every supply, and submits samples of the water to the state laboratory for sanitary analysis. If both the sanitary survey and the laboratory tests show the water to be in a sanitary condition, the state health officer recommends to the surgeon general of the United States public health service that a certificate of approval be issued. A questionnaire or

contaminated supply receives no certificate of approval, and such a supply may not be used for drinking purposes.

In Oregon a few of the water supplies come from wells owned by the railroads. The vast majority of the water supplies come from the drinking water of the cities and towns through which the railroads pass. You may be certain that if a train takes on drinking water at your town, and if that water is from your public water supply, then your town has a supply which has been approved by your state board of health and certified by your government.

LOANS GIRL CAR COSTLY.

DETROIT—Lending his automobile to a woman cost Morris Feigenbaum \$12,057.59 when a jury in Judge Marschner's court returned a verdict in that amount in favor of Mrs. Maude J. Congo, 55 years old, as the result of a collision.

Miss Alice Phillips borrowed the car, a new maroon sedan, the morning of August 29, 1922, for the purpose of taking an elderly wo-

Decrease in U. S. Farm Population Is Noted

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7, (AP)—A decrease in the farm population of the United States of nearly half a million in 1925 is reported by the department of agriculture, which estimated the number of persons living on farms January 1, 1925 to have been 30,655,000, compared with 31,134,000 January 1, 1925.

The estimated net movement away from farms last year amounted to 981,000 persons, but there was an estimated excess of farm births over farm deaths amounting to 422,000, which reduced the loss due to city-ward movement to 479,000.

University Alumni to Meet on Eugene Campus

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 7 (AP)—The alumni visiting committee of the University of Oregon Alumni association composed of John C. Veatch, of Portland, Henry N. Fowler, of Bend, Mrs. Charles Robinson, of Astoria, Alfred Powers, of Portland and Vernon Weaver, of Medford, will meet on the university campus here Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The object of the visit will be to make a survey of conditions and matters of interest to alumni. A written report will be submitted to the alumni council.

MID-SUMMER IN ENGLAND

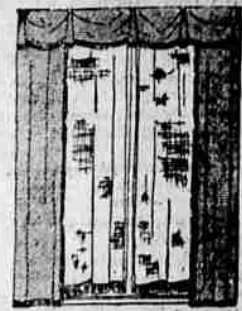
LONDON—England is having mid-summer weather and the golf fair is biting the Prince of Wales hard. With his hand bandaged as the result of an affliction of one ear that has left him in bed lately, he visited an indoor school and turned up his drive to take a post at a seaside resort where there is a gold course.

A hollow golden Easter egg, (1924) with pearls and gems valued at about \$100,000, was presented by Napoleon III to his empress at Easter in 1862.

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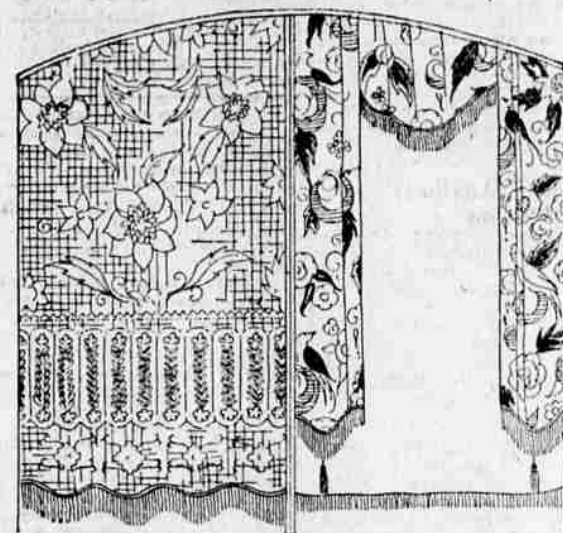
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