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GIFTS OF GOD—"And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering; of every man that giveth it willingly."—Ex. 25:1, 2.

A Portland pedestrian is in the hospital with a fractured leg. He walked into an automobile. As the speed cops would say, he must have been steppin' on it.

Half an inch of ice in parts of the Grande Ronde valley Monday night. Now, if Burbank's successor will just develop cherries which won't freeze.

Farmers already are cutting their first crop of hay in the Grande Ronde valley, ten days to two weeks earlier than usual. It may be a summerless 1926 eventually, but here in Northeast Oregon we believe in making the best of the opportunity, anyway.

We notice that according to one of those essays on the early history of the Grande Ronde valley, written by high school students and now running in The Observer, the Indians say the white immigrants brought the measles out here. Yesterday some of us were out in the sage brush and last night we wondered if the white men brought the ticks, too.

AN ANCIENT ARCTIC TRAIL

While others are looking for a new land in the Arctic region, an expedition sent out by the bureau of ethnology of the Smithsonian Institution is heading for Alaska, under the leadership of Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, to try to find the route by which primitive man first found his way to the American continent.

Dr. Hrdlicka's method will be to follow up clues of pottery fragments, stone implements and bones and bits of worked ivory which Eskimos and prospectors have picked up from time to time in the far northwest.

The theory is that small groups of human beings wandered across the ice fields through periods of perhaps thousands of years. The expedition does not expect to find any ancient sites of magnitude at the top of the continent, but it does anticipate a good deal of smaller material, equally precious to science.

There is romance in the fact that two types of exploration, so different, yet both aimed at the advancement of human knowledge and power, should be carried on in the same season in the same comparatively unfamiliar region.

"FITTER FAMILIES"

Dr. Florence Sherbon of the University of Kansas doesn't see why the horses, cows and pigs should have all the pedigree. So several years ago she inaugurated at the state fair in Topeka a "Fitter Families" contest, giving certificates to families found, on examination by experts, sound in body and mind.

So far 523 persons, comprising 126 families, have been examined at the Kansas fair and pronounced as fit as the blue-ribbon cattle. Six other states and the National Eugenics society have adopted the idea, and the number of certified men and women seems destined to grow rapidly. Why not? There has been too much talk about "blue blood" and not enough about red blood, too much emphasis in family tradition and not enough on present soundness and vigor and the means of promoting them.

This is a practical kind of eugenics, setting up a new and worthy source of family pride to add to traditional values, and promoting a wholesome interest in good physical heredity. Man is body as well as soul, and a good physique may be more essential to personal and social effectiveness than a gallery of ancestral portraits.

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Opposite Observer



By Jimmie

Many a girl is single today because she couldn't stay awake while a man talked about himself.

Hazel: "I am thinking of marrying Jack."
Edna: "So am I. Do you know anybody who's got it?"

Fashion note: "Women's ears to show this year." Industrial note: "Large output of soap this year." Draw your own conclusions.

Dad complains that every time the family has duck for dinner he gets the bill.

Elsie: Did you hear what Mrs. Simpers said about you?
Alice: No. I was in the other group talking about her.

WHO CAN TELL—

What the first hyena laughed at? If giraffes attend necking parties?

Why flies don't go to the same place in summer as they do in winter? Does the porcupine because it's lovelier?

If it's called a golden wedding when gold fish marry for the first time?

The preacher announced as a sermon subject "A Big Fool" and every big one in town turned out to hear what he had to say about every other big one.

A hick town is one where there is less picking of pockets and more picking of teeth on Main Street.

The fresh eggs come from the country. But the fresh chickens come from the city.

Malczewski Disappears Following Polish Coup

WARSAW, Poland, May 26 (AP).—General Malczewski, who was minister of war in the cabinet overthrown by the Pilsudski coup, has mysteriously disappeared.

After the internment of the cabinet at Wilanow, it was stated that he was suffering from a nervous shock and had been taken to a sanatorium. When his family tried to find him, however, nobody knew of his whereabouts and all trace of him has been lost.

THREE TIED IN RACE

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 26 (AP).—In a harrowing race for the constable's job in Odele district, three contestants are tied, became known here today: Fred Stover, W. Mahory and R. Malory, each got one vote.

CHERRY HARVEST BEGINS

PENDLETON, May 26 (AP).—Harvesting of Bing and Royal Anne cherries has started in the east end of Umatilla county, according to the county agent's office.

GOLDSMITH APPOINTED

SALEM, Ore., May 26 (AP).—Louis J. Goldsmith, of Portland, was today reappointed by Governor Pierce as a member of the tax supervising and conservation commission for Multnomah county.

TEST PLANE IN FLIGHT

MEDFORD, Ore., May 26 (AP).—A test plane of the air mail service arrived here last night at dusk and left this morning for Seattle.

BILL TABLED

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP).—Under an agreement between Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, and Secretary Work the bill to confirm the states' titles to school lands in the land grant states will not be passed at this session of congress.

Americans carry approximately \$55,000,000 in life insurance policies, and more than 150 persons have individual policies of a million dollars and more.

Blue Grass



When the little city of King City, Mo., holds its unique Blue Grass Seed Festival on June 3, Miss Ruth Pulley, a teacher, will be queen of the proceedings. Twenty counties, of which King City is county seat, markets more blue grass seed than any other country in the nation.

WOMAN SHOT TO DEATH; HUSBAND HELD BY POLICE

INGLEWOOD, Cal., May 26 (AP).—Mrs. Emily Reynolds was shot to death in her home at Hawthorne today, the township constable reported. R. R. Reynolds, Hawthorne real estate man, husband of the dead woman, was arrested and brought here for questioning.

Constable Grigsby said that Reynolds was found tottering, apparently insane, over the body of his wife. As the officer entered the room Reynolds was threatening his four children.

"I killed her," the officer quoted him. "I am a good shot, you kids line up against the wall."

He was disarmed and taken to the township jail here.

The Reynolds family came here from Pasadena five years ago. They formerly lived at Hatton, Wash., where Reynolds was engaged in business.

Inquiry into Rebellion in Nicaragua Planned

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP).—An informal inquiry into the situation in Nicaragua, where a revolution has been in progress, was initiated today by the senate foreign relation committee. Chairman Borah was directed to take the matter up with the state department.

Murder Charge May Be Filed Against Woman

WALLACE, Ida., May 26 (AP).—County Prosecutor Charles E. Herning has announced that he will probably file a first degree murder charge against Mrs. Florence Jordan, 37, who shot and killed E. J. Hicks, state line owner and paroled federal prisoner, here Monday night.

Cyclone in Burma Is Cause of Many Deaths

RANGOON, Burma, May 26 (AP).—Reports reaching here from Akyab say that a severe cyclone has caused considerable loss of life and extensive damage to property. The law courts and most government buildings were destroyed. Telegraphic communication has been interrupted.

TWO FACE CHARGES

SALEM, Ore., May 26 (AP).—Informations charging J. J. Nunn, Salem, and John Conner, a local printer, with violation of the state corrupt practices act in publishing and circulating an unsigned election pamphlet during the recent city election campaign were filed today by District Attorney John Carson, following an investigation under way since last Thursday.

TOWNSMEN GREET STEWART

PENDLETON, May 26 (AP).—Prod Stewart, successful candidate for the republican nomination for United States senator, was given a rousing ovation by fellow towns-men at his first appearance since returning home. He was guest of honor at the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis club today.

WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP).—The shipping board voted full authority today to Chairman O'Connor to complete the sale of the five liners of the American-Oriental mail line out of Seattle to the Orient to R. Stanley Dollar of San Francisco.

COFFEYVILLE, Kan., May 26 (AP).—The Montgomery National bank of Coffeyville was robbed by three unmasked men today and \$3000 cash and \$40,000 in liberty bonds taken.

THIS BIRD PLAYS NO FAVORITES



Diphtheria Breaks Out In State Reform School

SALEM, Ore., May 26 (AP).—Carl E. Abrams, secretary of the state board of control, has notified all county courts in the state that for an indefinite period no boys will be admitted to the state training school because of diphtheria in the school. At present there are three cases of the disease and several other boys have been classified as carriers. All the cases are at the old school near Turner. All new boys received are given immunization treatment and it is said that four months is required for this to become effective.

UNION STUDENT AVERAGES 97.3

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stock, Melvin Baxter, Graydon Loece, Thelma Heryford, Melba Mitchell, Elden Southwick and



My small vocabulary is a great hindrance to me just now. We received yesterday through this mail a handsome picture pasted over my advertisement picture at the top of our ad. If I could describe this picture in words so that you could see it I would never have to work any more. However we will try in a feeble way to give you a slight idea as to how some people think I look.

The nationality of the specimen seems to be a cross between a rhinoceros and an alligator in human form. The lower jaw protrudes out about 3 feet 9 inches long, while the upper lip is probably only a foot long and the specimen has its mouth open about like a rhinoceros in the act of bawling. The eyes look like squashed pumpkins with an Arkansas Black apple inserted. The ears are about the size of a rusty fry pan filled half full of mud. A necklace of clam shells and not a single tooth in his head. When it opens its mouth the top of its head is an island. It is no doubt one of our close friends who sent us this picture, thinking it was a good likeness of Claud C. Pratt. We appreciate it very much and in case the party gets out of a job we might consider hiring them as advertising manager. However their hand writing would have to be improved, as the scribbling on the envelope was either done by the left hand or by a poor scribe. While I still have my mouth open and no teeth in my head, we will say: Guaranteed home paint, \$2.25 per gallon, cedar shingles, stove wood and turpentine.

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Inland City also has nine in the graduating class: Lyle Steinbeck, Cecil Herman, Fred Bond, Mildred Blokland, Lena Duckett, Ethel Shaffer, Erma Kennedy and Lorraine Smith.

Academy

Sacred Heart academy graduates eight: Barbara Lavey, Paul Donovan, Verona Stoop, Agnes Deberry, Joseph Marler, Athol Oliver, Agnes Waldorff and Virginia McWilliams.

Liberty's class of eight includes: Frances DeLong, Mabel Berry, Leona Berry, Arthur McCall, Donald Spencer, Lillian Mullenburg, Irene Pearson and George Smith. Telocast has five in the finishing grade: Gilbert Wilkinson, Rose Asper, Elfrida Asper, Inez Wilson and Earl Miller. At Pumpkin Ridge the graduates are Dorothy Coffin, Arthur Smith, Ruth Smith and Margaret Burroughs.

Other Graduates

Augusta McCoy and Cora Kent are the graduates this year at Mt. Glen. William Melbow and Mary Vanorder compose the class at The Park. At Wolf Creek school: Edna Niece and Lena Graham are entitled to diplomas. Summerville graduates are Frank Hensley and William Vermillion.

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