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He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it.—Isaiah 25:8.

MAN'S FEATHERED FRIENDS

In order to arouse an intelligent love of birds among children the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds in England sponsors a contest which is carried on in a manner worthy of emulation in this country.

The surest protection for bird life is a general knowledge, on the part of the public, of the economic and esthetic value of birds. Anything that disseminates such information is a distinct aid to bird conservation.

The contest sponsored by the British society obtains this result by inducing school children to take up indoor and outdoor study of birds. What they learn they embody in essays and drawings which are submitted to judges for determining the winners of the contest.

Public schools in this country are doing a similar service for conservation by including in the regular curriculum the study of birds and their habits. It is in such studies that the little one-room country school has a decided advantage over the city schools, but the latter overcome this situation by frequently organizing excursions for the study of birds in their natural habitats.

Though psychologists say—and human conduct seems to sustain their verdict—that the lust to kill is still instinctive in human beings, it is not one of those heritages which refuse to be disinherited. Most boys commence their slaughter of bird life with their first air rifles. But it is not an uncommon thing for these little "barbarians" to become ardent conservationists even before adolescence. In fact that is just the time that conservation education is the most effective.

THE OLD-FASHIONED GIRL

College students were recently asked in a questionnaire to describe the kind of girls they wish to marry. The answers were varied, as might be expected; but a large number indicated a preference for the "old-fashioned girl," whatever she may be. In the vocabulary of youth she is apparently the opposite of the flapper, though that word, too, calls for definition. "One as much like my mother as possible" is the ideal of one student; but even mothers are not necessarily old-fashioned these days.

Yet this preference for the sedate is considerably qualified in most instances. Many insist that the state of mind known as "up-to-date" is an important factor. "A good girl, but a live wire," is the modest desire of one. Another calls for a girl who can cook good meals. Another, in a cynically frank mood, says that his wife-to-be must have "a rich old man." He would enjoy wedded happiness without working too hard for it. This is perhaps the unconfessed ambition of many young men who can hardly support themselves, let alone a wife. It would be interesting if the answers were sufficiently biographical to give some picture of the husbands-to-be. How many of them are of the type that would attract the girls they say they want?

"Love knows no type" is the most sensible answer on the list. The admirer of the old-fashioned girl is quite likely to succumb to the most modern girl. And why not? The chances are he will be as happy with her as with anyone else.

NEGLECTED

The library of congress is one of the most valuable possessions of our nation, and the largest library in the world. Even the library of the British Museum is smaller, and though the Bibliotheque Nationale of Paris claims to have more books it has no catalogue to back up that claim.

But congress, aside from housing our library in one of the finest buildings in the world, has treated it without proper regard, evidently considering it some sort of white elephant that must be content with subsisting on the left-overs. That few congressmen make sufficient demands upon the library's services to know their great worth is apparent from the inadequacy of its appropriations.

In Washington

WASHINGTON — It is an interesting fact that two United States senators who are most capable at holding a crowd spellbound, and rarely fail to stage "a good show," once had the urge to be Shakespearean actors.—They are Watson of Indiana and Borah of Idaho. Watson, the Republican leader of the senate, and Borah, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, are "super-show-men." Watson from early youth has been a student of Shakespeare. Even now, when opportunity permits, he delights in reading again his favorite plays. Back in the days when he was a student at De Pauw university—in 1888—the great Edwin Booth came to Indiana. Young Watson forgot nearly everything in his desire to see and hear him. He followed Booth to several cities, and finally was fortunate enough to get an introduction and interview with the actor. Meeting An Idol He remembers that experience as vividly now as the day is occurred. "I ask Booth what he considered his greatest role," he says. "King Lear," he replied. And he added, "young man, I am King Lear when I play that role." Watson's stage career never got any further than the "urge" stage. The year after he was graduated from the

Rev. Bradner Is Speaker Sunday At Cove Church

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)
COVE, Ore. (Special)—Rev. William Murray Bradner, director of religious education in the diocese of Massachusetts, occupied the pulpit of the Ascension Episcopal church Sunday morning, June 7. He told of his work in the East and of how the young people respond, relating many instances of their work and its results. His address was an inspiration to all lay members who might interpret it as meaning how each and every one could take up his or her cross and follow on to victory. Mr. Bradner said that the prevailing idea that church pews are becoming empty is not true, as he has noted a steady increase over a three-year period. Archdeacon S. W. Creasey read the lessons and conducted morning service. There were several arrivals Sunday at the Ascension Grove among the pupils ready for the opening of the summer school for church workers, and Monday a full registration took place. The marriage of Walter Kaufman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kaufman, of Portland, to Miss Katherine Brasher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Everett, also of Portland, will be an event of Thursday, June 16 at the Presbyterian church. Mr. Kaufman will be remembered as a student of Cove school when his father was principal here a few years ago. Mr. and Mrs. M. Boerkren returned Monday from a ten-day visit with their son, Ernest, and family, at Wenatchee, Wash. Royal Boerkren left at the same time of week, but he expects to remain for a month. Mrs. Homer Lefell and daughter, Lorna Jane, of La Grande, and Mrs. Lefell's sister, Miss Edna Comstock, of Portland, spent the day at the home of their brother, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Comstock here. Miss Comstock is enjoying her vacation with Mrs. Lefell left Saturday evening for Nampa, Idaho, where they will visit their parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Comstock and other relatives. Miss Audrey Proctor, a teacher at Missoula, Mont., is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Bertha Proctor, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Daniel. Misses Beahon and Katherine Davis, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. M. Gardner, have registered at the summer school. Mrs. Charles Fisher is quite ill at her home here as a result of vaccination. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Daniel, Mrs. Bertha Proctor, Miss Audrey, Kenneth and Richard went to Moody Creek Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Daniel. Kenneth stayed to help with the haying.

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UNION PERSONALS

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall (Observer Correspondent)
UNION, Ore. (Special)—Children's day was observed at the Methodist church Sunday evening with a special program by the children, given from an attractively decorated stage. Flowers and shrubs were in the spring setting that was the theme of the program. Songs and recitations. Little girls who gave recitations were Donna Ackley, Frieda Posey, Rose Mary Turner, Shirley Moffitt, Julia Hulse, Barbara Wells and Pauline Miller. A duet was sung by Elaine Hess and Wanda Ackley and another by Betty and Eunice Ackley. After the program the children were treated to a social hour. The program was explained the origin and significance of Children's day, several girls enacted a play, "The Hidden Treasure." Girls in costume represented the different races, who had been benefited by the educational loan fund of the church and the hidden treasure was the money that went to make up this fund. Eight dollars were added to the fund.

In the morning church services Mrs. Worth Halsey was elected as lay delegate to attend the conference in Buell, Idaho, Aug. 16, and Mrs. Walter Cook was elected as alternate. In case the regular delegate could not attend. Dorothy Posey underwent an appendectomy at a La Grande hospital on Saturday. Alfred Crouter returned from O. S. C. Saturday to spend his summer vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Crouter. He has three months work to do before completing his college work. Herman Edvason returned recently from a trip to Portland and other coast points. Mrs. Will Vogel and Betty returned Thursday evening from a two weeks visit in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Littler left Sunday for Portland where Mrs. Littler will attend grand lodge of the Oregon Eastern Star, as a delegate from the local chapter. Dr. George Hoffman drove to Pendleton for Mrs. Hoffman and the baby who visited her parents there the past week. Lucille Sturgill has been making her aunt, Mrs. Bert Tucker, in Walla Walla a visit.

By Mrs. J. A. Nice (Observer Correspondent)
WOLF CREEK (Special)—John Daugherty and family spent Sunday at the William Roper home. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Daugherty, former residents of this community but now of Idaho, spent the weekend with relatives. C. E. Keister, who has been in Los Angeles for the last eight years, returned last Saturday for a visit with relatives and to look after business. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carney and children visited in Grange Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Peter McGovern and children, of Baker, spent Monday at their cabin on Clear creek. Jack Gorham was a business visitor in Hatfield Monday. Mr. and Mrs. William Keister and C. E. Keister were business visitors in La Grande Monday. Carney was a Baker visitor Monday where she went to consult a doctor. Mr. and Mrs. Lee George are Monday at Baker hospital. Mrs. Maudie Monday, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bowman, has been quite ill this week. Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gorham, of Powder River, are the parents of a baby boy born Tuesday at a Baker hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Gorham spent part of their earlier days on Wolf creek. Mrs. Oscar Pierce is in North Powder taking care of Mrs. Florence Blevens, who has been quite ill of late. Henry Simons, of Baker, spent Wednesday night visiting at the J. A. Nice home. Mr. Arthur Gorham and daughter went to Baker Thursday to visit her sister, Mrs. Byron Gorham. The Wolf Creek Pig club held a meeting at the Grange hall Wednesday evening. Those in attendance were the members present. They are planning on taking a judging team to the Eastern Oregon Livestock show at Union this week. Nicholas Simons, of North Powder, spent Wednesday night visiting at the H. L. Nice home. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gorham were Sunday visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Maudie Monday evening, the occasion being their 20th wedding anniversary. Refreshments were served by Olive Gorham and Mrs. James Newman. Those in attendance were Mrs. Gorham's sister, Mrs. Dick Brothers, and daughters, Sarah and Mrs. Lola DeHaas, of Cove, Rev. and Mrs. Merrie Fox and Mrs. Bertie Erwin, of North Powder, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Aveland and daughter, Laura, Mr. and Mrs. Windon Carney, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lund and daughter, Alva, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Nice and son, Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bowman and daughter, Bonnie, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nice and children, Charles, Virginia and Elsie, Mr. and Mrs. George Cusick, of Jimmy Creek, Ruth Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill, Mr. and Mrs. James Newman, of North Powder, Mr. and Mrs. John Nice and daughter, Eva, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gorham and children, Owen Oliver, Audrey Lorenz, Gordon and Noel. Jesse Smith and Charles Nice were La Grande visitors Tuesday. M. L. Clement, of North Powder, was a visitor here Friday morning, hauling stock which he will ship. Mrs. Ernest Simons and sons, of

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