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Whatever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. Galatians 6: 7.

WAR ON INSECT PESTS

To fool the hen and to persuade the flower to bloom have been some of the wonders wrought by electricity. An artificial dawn wakes the hen, sets her to pecking earlier than the sunrise, and more food in her gizzard means more eggs for the poultryman.

Now the insect world is to be lighted up, to the destruction of some of the pests that infest orchards, fields and gardens. Many a clumsy moth has gone to its death in the flame of lamp or candle, but never before has wholesale killing been planned through such means.

Electric light traps will be placed in the orchards to lure the female moth before she lays her eggs in the heart of the apple blossoms. Success will depend to some extent on the time of day when she emerges from her cocoon and the length of time that elapses between her birth and her egg-laying.

Electrocution may halt the destructive march westward of the Japanese beetle which has already crossed New Jersey and is now wintering its fruit ranks in Central Pennsylvania.

Eventually man will perfect devices by which moths, mosquitoes and other harmful insects will be exterminated, and then the lot of the farmer will be easier and life will lose some of its little annoyances.

FILCHING RIDES

Every mode of travel has its parasites. At sea it is the stowaway, and his tactics have remained the same from the era of sailing vessels down to the modern liner and the days of restricted immigration.

Have they taken to the automobile? With their instinct for wandering, they may have seen that the great state and national systems of highways offer them the best opportunities. They depend on the good will of the autoist to "get a lift," and on the long stretches, away from the populous districts, they are generally successful.

The spread of this habit of accepting or soliciting rides is an imposition on the good nature of the auto owners. Their real object, of course, is to save carfare. The whole thing amounts to a petty hold-up and should be stopped.

COVE PERSONALS

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent) COVE (Special) — Mrs. Mae Kelly, who was taken suddenly and seriously ill last Monday, is recovering nicely.

George Chadwick was honored on his 16th birthday anniversary by his mother, who gave him a birthday dinner Sunday and invited six chums: LaVon Koger, Darcy McCool, Frank Brodie, J. Wallace Simmons, Allen Mills and Richard Miller. His grandmother, Mrs. George Miller, was an honored guest and his parents and brother, Virgil, completed the party.

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer WASHINGTON — It came as no great surprise to Washington observers that young "T. R." — Theodore Roosevelt — had been chosen by the president to be governor-general of the Philippines.

The resignation of Dwight Davis had been expected for a long time. And it was common gossip around the capital that when it did come, "T. R." would take his place.

Roosevelt has had marked success with his job of governing Porto Rico. He was in Eastern Asia when appointed to the post in Porto Rico.

One of the first things he did was to buy a Spanish grammar. By the time he reached Porto Rico he had learned it by heart and was a bilingualist of sorts.

It was this attitude of Roosevelt which aided him in his work. He was a "Porto Rican" as long as he was governor.

Metals Valued

At \$314,100 Are Mined in State WASHINGTON (Special) — The total value of the gold, silver, copper and lead from lode and placer mines in Oregon in 1931 is estimated at \$314,100, according to figures prepared by Victor C. Heikes of the United States bureau of mines, department of commerce.

The output of gold in Oregon in 1931 is estimated at 15,000 ounces, valued at about \$210,000, an increase of approximately 600 ounces in quantity and \$12,398 in value, compared with 1930.

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SUNSET PASS by Zane Grey

and by we'll tackle the marryin' problem. I'd go loco if I thought you'd be my wife some day. . . . But just now make this dream come true. I want your kisses, Thiry. "I daren't. . . It's not fair."

"You?" "I'll risk it. . . Thiry, I'll compromise. I'll be generous. Just one — but not like that fairy kiss you gave me on Winter's porch."

"Trueman, if I give one — it means all . . . ten million will follow," she said, tremulously.

"Dear, I'll save the nine hundred and ninety-nine thousand, and so forth. . . . Come."

"And lifting her head he turned her face to his. "You are wrong to — to master me this way," she rejoined, mournfully. "If you knew — you might not want it."

"Master nothing? I am your slave. But kiss me. Settle it forever!" How slowly she lifted her pale face, with eyes like black stars! In the sweet fire of her lips Rock gained his heart's desire.

"Then she lay in his arms, her face hidden, while he gazed into the stormy night, across the black paths to the dim stars along the battlements of the range. His victory brought happiness and sorrow commingled."

"Now, Trueman, explain what you meant by my — falsehood to all!" she asked, presently.

"Are you quite prepared?" he returned, gravely. "Sure it's not easy to rush from joy to trouble."

"She sat up, startled, with hands nervously releasing their hold. All about her expressed doubts, misgivings, but she had no inkling of what he had to reveal."

"Thiry, you are keepin' Ash's and your father's secret from all." "Trueman!" she cried, as if her own mind had deceived her ears.

"They are cattle thieves. Beef thieves. So are your brothers Range, Scoot and Boots, along with them."

"O my God! — You know!" she almost screamed, and slipped to her knees before him.

"Hush! Not so loud! You'll wake some one," he said, sternly, placing a firm hand over her mouth. "Get up off your knees."

"But she only leaned forward, clutching him, peering up into his face. "Trueman, how do — you know?" she gasped, convulsively.

"I suspected it when I first came. I found signs. Quicklime! That made me suspicious. Slagle's well is half full of hides. Sure those hides have not the Preston brand. . . . Then over near where they butchered last I came on the same boot track that I'd seen down near the slaughterhouse. I trailed that track. It led under a culvert. There I found hundreds of hides, tied up in burlap sacks. Most were old, but some were new. I opened one. That hide had a Halt Moon brand! Down here at your barn, one day, after the dance, I measured Ash's boot track. It was the same as that one I'd trailed. . . . But for real proof, I heard your Dad and Ash talking together. One night I happened to be out, thinking of you, watchin' like tonight. Four father and Ash came out, right to the place where I sat. I lay down. . . . And I heard them talk about this. They gave it all away."

"Oh, you were a spy," she burst out, in hot agonized words. "I'm afraid I was."

"I knew — it would come. . . . It will — kill me," she wailed, brokenly. "Oh, to make love to me — while you were spying on my brother — my father!"

"Little girl, I told you to speak low. . . . Reckon it does look pretty bad to you. But it's not so bad as it looks — so far as I'm concerned. But, Thiry, you're in this secret and you would be held guilty in some degree in court, if your part in it was found out. And let me tell you Ash would hold no secret. He would drag even you into it!" "Oh, no! Not!" "He would. And there's the danger for you."

"Court! — Danger? . . . My God, you mean they'll be arrested — and I will be dragged in with them!" "Reckon that is liable to happen," he replied, wanting, stern as the task was to impose upon her once and for all the peril of the situation. "You'd betray get!" Swift as a striking snake her hand darted out and snatched his gun as it rested against his thigh. Leaning back, she extended it with both hands. "I'll kill you!" (Copyright, Zane Grey)

Speaking of the Weather

by Charles Fitzhugh Tolman of the U.S. Weather Bureau

Your Guess As Good As The Almanac's When It Comes to Forecasting the Weather

No farm home seems complete without an almanac, and no farmer's almanac is quite complete without a series of weather predictions.

Unfortunately this demand can be satisfied in only a limited way by accurate scientific methods, and the almanac maker either employs some non-scientific process of prediction based on the moon, stars, or what not, or simply sets down whatever his imagination suggests.

Almanac weather predictions are worthless, but they have acquired a considerable reputation. The reason is twofold: In the first place, we live in a very changeable climate, and almost any prediction that is not absolutely out of keeping with the season — such, for example, as the announcement of a snowstorm in August, or a hot wave in February — is pretty sure to be verified within a specified period of three or four days, or within a few days before or after such a period, in which case the

Grant and Josephine counties, the next largest producers.

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WORK BEGINS ON PORTLAND POST OFFICE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 19 (AP) — Work started Monday on construction of Portland's \$1,200,000 federal building.

Contractors were engaged in building a fence around the block bounded by Main, Madison, Sixth streets and Broadway, and excavation work was started.

A large group of carpenters, laborers and general construction workers, gathered around the block hoping to be employed. Excavation is expected to take a month or more since two stories will be underground.

The seven-story building must be completed not later than May 1, 1933.

TO INSTALL WATER SYSTEM

THE DALLES, Ore. (AP) — Mosier, center of the apple district at the west edge of Wasco county, plans early installation of a municipal water system.

The city will utilize water from a well in which drillers have tapped a heavy flow at a depth of 149 feet.

The well will furnish the town with 200 gallons of water a minute, a volume sufficient for domestic purposes, fire protection and irrigation of lawns and gardens.

Puzzling School Problem Exists Near Bend, Ore.

BEND, Ore. (AP) — As a result of one of the most puzzling controversies in Oregon educational system, 20 pupils of the Tumalo grade school district outside of Bend face the possibility of being unable to continue their high school education on the last half of their tuition.

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transportation charges of pupils to another high school district. The Bend board voted to permit pupils from Tumalo to finish their semester's work. The board felt, however, Bend could not afford to permit the Tumalo students to continue next semester until tuition has been paid.

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