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Last Saturday was a lucky day for The Post family. Mrs. J. E. Hubbard to start the day presented us with a thoroughbred cake. Her cakes are community famous and the expression "as good as Cora Hubbard's cake" will survive for 50 years after she is dead and buried. The cake The Post family got was the best one she ever made. Then J. S. Cooper, back from the mountain streams of the Coast Range, made a delightful day more delightful by leaving a string of salmon trout in the dining room ready for frying.

Thus was a whole day made lovely and as a result both Mr. Post and Mrs. Post have added twenty pounds to their weight and feel fifteen years younger; in fact Mrs. Post has been telling her friends that she believes there has been some mistake regarding her age and that she really is only twenty years old after all.

### HERE'S A RECOMMENDATION THAT MEANS A LOT

(By Margaret E. Sangster in the Christian Herald.)

Some people—many people, know the story of Maeterlinck's "The Blue Bird." Everybody should know it. And now that the producers of Artcraft Pictures have put the story in a perfect picture, there is no reason why everyone should not know it.

The Christian Herald does not often feel that it can heartily endorse a film, for many film stories are, regrettably, not the sort of thing that one could take one small, or older, son or daughter to see. But "The Blue Bird" is the sort of film that holds a lesson worth learning. It is the kind of a film few people have dreamed of producing—an idealistic picture made real by splendid acting and remarkable photography.

Several points stand out from the story—stand out by sheer beauty of word and action. When the children go at twelve o'clock to the graveyard to see the dead arise—when they tiptoe fearfully in thru door and walk in frightened silence, past the yawning tombs, one can perfectly understand why folk fear death. But, when suddenly the graves burst forth into blossoms and the roses and lilies grow fragrant all about, one sees the Easter story retold in a marvelous way. For the little boy, astounded, asks—"Where are the dead?" and the girl-child, with a triumphant smile upon her face answers—"There are no dead!"

The moving picture has come to stay—come to stay with its unlimited possibilities for good or for evil. And "The Blue Bird" is the sort of picture that cannot fail to do unlimited good. It will be a delight to children, but only the grown-ups can read their lives into the search for Happiness. It will be a dream, a fairy-tale come true, to your boy or girl; put to you it will be the meaning of life, told poetically, but none the less truly.

"The Blue Bird" is a milestone in the production of motion pictures. We hope for more pictures of the same sort.

### OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Dr. R. C. Virgil, Osteopathic Physician, is in Independence Tuesday and Friday afternoons of each week at the offices formerly occupied by Dr. Grider. Please make appointments with Dr. Barrick.

Dr. R. E. Duganne, Dentist, Independence National Bank Building.

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### POLK COUNTY POST Twice A Week Phone M. 621

News items of public interest are gladly received and much appreciated. Bring them, send them, phone them or mail them. We thank you.

### TO THE PEOPLE OF POLK COUNTY

This is to inform you that I have arrived in Polk county to take up my duties as your Home Demonstration Agent. It will be a great pleasure to work with the people of this county and I all ready feel that I have your co-operation. I want to assist you in any way possible and want you to feel free to call upon me.

Should you wish to arrange for canning, drying or salting demonstrations, or some other subject, write to me or call me by telephone. My office is just north of the court house in Dallas and my telephone No. 1093. Do not hesitate to call upon me and make your wants known.

EDNA L. MILLS,  
County Home Demonstration Agent.

### SCRUFF MACKENZIE WOOS A DUSKY INDIAN GIRL

When Scruff Mackenzie sought the hand of Zariniska, the Indian maiden and asked her father, the great chief, Thling-Tinuch, the old gentleman said things among them being that "the king salmon does not mate with the dog salmon nor the raven with the wolf." Whether Scruff, for fear of the old man's boot, gave up his dream of a happy life in a wigwam, we do not know for we have not yet read Jack London's short story, "The Son of the Wolf" which begins in this issue of The Post with the climax and concluding chapters to appear in Friday's Post.

### U. S. BOYS CHEER AT SIGHT OF AMERICAN ENGINE

One of the things that gets deeply into a doughboy's blood is the whistle of a good old American locomotive in France, and the clang of its bell.

It sounds like home. The American locomotives are big, husky ones, making the French engines look like toys.

When the first American locomotives arrived in France, the natives were astonished at the deep-toned bells and whistles. French locomotives have a "tooter" on them resembling an enlarged peanut-wagon whistle, say the doughboys, and there is no bell at all. The Americans contend that the shrill French whistle is too screechy and effeminate.

A truckload of doughboys was bouncing over the road near a wood, from which a railroad emerged, in the vicinity of Verdun. Suddenly there came a deep-toned blast of a locomotive from the woods, followed by the panting chug that reminded you of a train going over the Rockies.

"Sounds like an American locomotive, surer than thunder!" shouted one of the doughboys; "you could tell that noise a mile away. Let's stop until it comes out of the wood."

"We're liable to get shelled here," said the truck driver, "but if you fellows are game, I am. I'd take a chance on shells any day to see a Baldwin locomotive go by, with a good old American puff and chug and whistle."

The group insisted on stopping, and the locomotive, hauling a host of tiny French freight cars, came puffing out of the wood. The doughboys broke out into cheers, and more doughboys running the engine replied with a full-steam resounding whistle that echoed clear into Germany.

"I can die happy now!" said one of the doughboys, as the truck moved on toward the front, after the husky American locomotive had been watched out of sight.

Tell The Post.

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Lebanon has good prospects of having a flouring mill established there. The run of salmon in the Columbia river for the past week has been exceptionally good.

A drastic measure forcing all idlers to go to work has been adopted by the Klamath city council.

The Columbia river highway between Hood River and Cascade Locks was opened to traffic Sunday.

Marion and Polk counties will celebrate the completion of the new inter-county bridge over the Willamette river at Salem on July 30.

According to records, 10,000 more automobiles are in operation in Oregon already this year than were in operation during all of 1917.

Attendance at the summer school of the Oregon Normal at Monmouth has now passed 400 and is a few in advance of the attendance last year.

During the month of August the state supreme court will take the annual summer recess and most of the justices will leave on vacation trips.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Bryant, one of the oldest pioneers of Oregon, who crossed the plains in infancy, died at her home in Portland at the age of 87 years.

Fruit growers of the northwest are being urged to place their orders for boxes as early in the season as possible in anticipation of a possible shortage of box shooks.

J. D. McKennon, president of the La Grande city commission, has offered publicly to furnish a suitable site for any reputable dehydrating firm that will install a plant there.

Farmers near Redmond are having difficulty in obtaining help in their hayfields. Practically every boy over 11 years of age is out on the ranches doing the work men usually do.

A deadline on Yaquina bay to protect the oyster industry and conserve the supply is being planned through the co-operation of the oystermen and the state fish and game commission.

The first annual convention of the Oregon State Elks' association will be held in Portland August 26, 27 and 28 when an attendance of 12,000 Elks and their friends will join in a three days' patriotic celebration.

The body of Ralph V. Poindexter, manager of the Owl Pharmacy at Bend, who, with Vernon A. Forbes, was drowned in Crescent Lake, has been recovered. Mr. Forbes' body had been previously recovered.

Captain W. C. McNaught, well known in marine circles in Portland, has been appointed a member of the Oregon state board of pilot commissioners by Governor Withycombe, to succeed Captain J. Speier, resigned.

An investigation of the price of substitutes for wheat flour sold in Oregon has been requested by the national food administration, according to a letter received from Senator Chamberlain by Attorney L. E. Bean.

The high cost of living has invaded the University of Oregon summer camp. As a result men who attend the second summer camp for the 30-day period beginning August 3, will have their expenses increased 25 per cent.

As a result of investigations conducted in the state by George T. Dalton, special representative of the federal trade commission, prices of coal are to be immediately lifted, according to Fred J. Holmes, state fuel administrator.

That some of the Indians on the Klamath reservation will not be able to take stock, available this year under the \$400,000 congressional appropriation, on account of shortage of hay crops, is reported by some of the prominent Indians.

A forest fire which has been burning on the northern boundary of the Klamath Indian reservation in Klamath county, now has entered the southern portion of the Deschutes national forest and threatens great tracts of standing white pine timber.

For the purpose of educating the public to the value of dairy products as a food and stimulating the almost moribund state of dairying in parts of Oregon, Governor Withycombe will be asked to set aside an entire week in August as Dairy Products week.

Threshing outfits have begun work in Linn county threshing fall grain. The fall grain generally is yielding a fair crop and in many cases grain planted on land well drained and properly cultivated is producing a good crop. Due to lack of rain, the spring grain is practically a failure.

The University of Oregon received notice from the war department that it will be permitted to send additional students to the cadet officers' training camp at Presidio up to one-half its present student quota, in the camp. There are now 37 students and four faculty members receiving instruction. Eighteen additional students will be appointed to attend.

Appropriations carried in the rivers and harbors bill for maintenance work and improvements in the first district of Oregon consist of \$40,000 for the Coquille, Coos, Siuslaw and Yaquina rivers and Coos, Tillamook and Nehalem bays, and \$250,000 for the Columbia river and lower Willamette.

County Agriculturist H. R. Glaisyer, of Klamath county, and J. E. Pittman, of the department of irrigation and drainage, who have been conducting experiments in this county, report that the application of 100 pounds of sulphur per acre on alfalfa lands has increased the yield about one ton per acre.

Valuable fir timber on an area approximately two miles wide and four miles long, the residence of J. C. Williams, on Rogue river, in the western part of Jackson county, and many buildings owned by farmers in the district badly burned, is the toll of a forest fire one mile south of Rogue river.

At the request of sheepmen in Klamath county, Representative Sinnott has submitted to the wool division of the war industries board petitions for lower freight rates on feed, and that bureau has promised to take the matter up with the railroad administration and secure any relief that is found proper.

The Pendleton water commission has installed a chlorine plant at the intake of the city water system to guard against any possible infection from river water which was turned into the system some weeks ago to avoid a shortage during the time the new extension to Chapliss springs is being completed.

Prices for the fall run of salmon on Oregon coast streams were announced by W. B. Ayer, federal food administrator, following several conferences and approval of the prices by the food administration heads at Washington. The approved price for chinooks is placed at 8 cents. That for silverides is set at 6 1/2 cents, and that for chums at 3 1/2 cents.

Secretary Lane has approved Congressman Sinnott's bill granting the citizens of Malheur county the right to cut timber in Idaho for agricultural, mining or other domestic purposes. The passage of the bill will be of great assistance to citizens of Malheur county in Gordon valley, and Mr. Sinnott will endeavor to have the same enacted on the reconvening of congress.

Principals and superintendents of Oregon schools in attendance at the University of Oregon summer school are sending out letters to the school boards of the state urging that the districts send some man of their faculty to the second summer camp at the university, which opens on August 3, that they may be trained in military work and be able to teach the boys in the schools.

A reduction is shown this week in the number of accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission. During the week there were reported 534 accidents, of which five were fatal, as follows: Louis Gjertsen, Olney, logging; Lester Vaughn, Springfield, lumbering; S. Mathisen, Portland, shipbuilding; Charles Eckert, Tillamook, logging; William G. Murray, Portland, motorman.

The shortage of harvest hands in the Prineville community is becoming very acute. Many of the farmers are able to obtain only about one-half the number of men required for harvesting their crops. A number of men and boys from the town, including store clerks and professional men, are working in the harvest fields, because of the scarcity of labor. The wages paid average from \$3 to \$4 a day, including board.

A second shipment of foxglove, 850 pounds—enough for nearly 510,000,000 doses of tincture of digitalis—dried and shipped by citizens of Oregon at the request of the United States government, has just been sent by Dean Adolph Ziefle, of the Oregon Agricultural college school of pharmacy, to the federal laboratory at the University of Minnesota, where it will be made into tincture of digitalis for the army and navy.

State Highway Engineer Nunn has submitted to Governor Withycombe a statement showing the total of estimated funds available for highway improvement purposes contemplated by the commission for the five-year period, 1917 to 1921, inclusive. The statement shows that from the several sources a grand total of \$15,058,500.13 will be produced. Up to July 1, this year, \$1,895,525.91 has been expended and the total amount available in the next five years will be \$13,162,974.22.

Probably not since the days when the waters of Jordan rolled back at the command of Moses for the children of Israel to cross dry-shod, has a more wonderful phenomenon of this kind occurred than the drying of the rapids of Link river at the west end of Klamath falls by winds sweeping up the canyon from the south. These rapids, which have a fall of 63 feet in two miles, and which furnish enough power under ordinary conditions to turn every wheel in Klamath county, were blown back in a few hours, leaving the bed of the river so dry that it could be crossed on foot at almost any point.



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