

Announcement

The Common Sense Foot - Arch Co.'s Demonstrator from Portland will be at Conkey & Walker's Store, Independence, Or., on the 11th of January.

You people who are bothered with aches or pains of the feet or tired feet and ankles are especially invited to call and consult this man. It is absolutely free to all. Don't forget the place and date.

Conkey & Walker

LOCAL BREVITIES

The Civic Improvement League will meet Jan. 9.

Dr. R. E. Duganne, dentist, National Bank Building.

Mrs. O. J. Whiteaker returned to Milton, Wednesday to resume teaching school.

Mrs. A. M. Canady of Portland is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jones.

Dr. J. B. Grider, dentist, successor to Dr. Allen, Cooper Building, Phone Main 1021.

Work shoes from \$3.50 to \$10 at Kreamer's.

Roofing one dollar per roll at Goldman's store.

John Patterson has joined the regular army and will enter the artillery service.

Miss Thelma Toney of McMinnville was an Independence visitor Monday.

Paul Bickley accepted a position as traveling salesman for a Portland grocery house and commenced work Tuesday.

Sale on boilers and tubs at Goldman's store.

P. R. Alexander was an arrival from Montana this week. He has a good position in that state which seems to agree with him.

A good pair of reading glasses for \$1.00 at O. A. Kreamer's.

Something New—The Western Junk Co. has established an office in Independence on C street and will pay the highest prices for metal, hides, rags and old papers.

Briquets--Not Biscuits

They are entirely different. One is heat and the other eat.

They each depend upon the other to the greatest degree.

If you will use our coal briquets you can make the finest biscuits you ever tasted.

We also have lump coal which is mighty nice to burn.

If you are not using our coal or coal briquets, get the habit.

It's black business but we treat you white.

The Chas. K. Spaulding Logging Co.

Apples 50c a box at Goldman's store.

If you love your wife, buy her a home. Tripp sells them.

Only five prisoners were in county jail in 1916. There were 31 in 1915.

Allen Clark has sold his Monmouth grocery store to Wm. Lightfoot of Portland.

J. N. Jones has been appointed road supervisor of district nine, F. N. Stump in ten and John Underwood in sixteen.

There was not much noise when the new year arrived in Independence. The fire bell jingled a little, the Presbyterian bell turned over a few times, the Methodist bell gave a couple of taps, but somebody pulled the Baptist bell with plenty of vim.

A singing chorus will be organized at the high school building next Thursday evening which will be under the direction of Professor Finley, who is in charge of the music in the public schools. There is no expense for the singers except for the music.

A chorus of 25 voices under the direction of D. V. Poling will give a concert at the Methodist church, Wednesday evening, Jan. 10. Admission 15c. Among the soloists will appear Sheriff John Orr, Mr. Steelquist of the Oregon Power Co., Miss Owing and Miss Morrison.

MUST KEEP BOOKS

The city council has passed an ordinance requiring second hand dealers to "keep books" on everything they buy, so that petty thieves will have more difficulty in disposing of the loot.

FORTUNE IN ELOPEMENT.

Father Will Inherit Through Publicity That Was Brought About.

San Francisco, Cal.—Through publicity attending the wrecked romance of their eighteen-year-old daughter, Signe, the Gerstad family of Bellingham, Wash., it was said here, is about to come into a fortune.

The girl recently became a temporary ward of the police through the arrest of D. M. Delmas, with whom she had eloped on his promise to marry her. After being arrested on a bad check charge Delmas was identified as an escaped convict from a penitentiary in Texas, where he had wrecked a bank. The girl was sent home.

Attorney Sydney P. Robertson of this city told recently of having received a letter from a firm of Chicago attorneys asking for the address of Hilgar Gerstad, the girl's father, sought for years as heir to an estate in Sweden. The Chicago attorneys, the letter said, had read of the girl's escapade in a Chicago paper.

BOY PROVES BEST FARMER.

Montclair Lad Makes Plot of 20 by 100 Feet Pay \$56.

Montclair, N. J.—Robert Hickie, a sixteen-year-old Montclair boy, raised vegetables worth \$56 on a plot of ground 20 by 100 feet assigned him last spring by the Montclair community gardens committee. His was the most productive and attractive of the fifty-six gardens cultivated during the past season. Supervisor George Huttenlock reported to President Dallas Flanagan.

Two tracts of land were at the disposal of the community gardens committee, and by cultivating the vacant lots the gardeners made productive 115,850 square feet of land that otherwise would have yielded nothing.

The gardens furnished vegetables to 287 persons during the growing season, besides quantities of celery, carrots and cabbage for winter consumption.

Hen Gobbles Pearl.

Portland, Ore.—Mrs. Lottie Trapp of this city has a valued pet hen named Clarice. The other day as Mrs. Trapp was feeding her fowls Clarice leaped affectionately up to her shoulder, spied a valuable pearl in Mrs. Trapp's ear-ring, gobbled it and leaped down again gulping. Mrs. Trapp screamed, first with pain as the pearl was wrenched away and then with horror at her loss. She caught Clarice and imprisoned her, but could not make up her mind to have the pet dispatched so that the jewel could be recovered.

2,000,000 ORANGES TOO RIPE.

Shipments Valued at \$50,000 Are Destroyed in Week.

New York.—Two million oranges, much too ripe for consumption, were destroyed in New York by a squad under the supervision of Lucius F. Brown, head of the bureau of foods and drugs of the department of health.

The oranges were taken from shipping and railroad terminals. They aggregated about 250 tons and were mostly from Porto Rico and Jamaica. The loss to the shippers was about \$50,000.

PLANS LONG FLIGHT

Miss Law Will Try to Soar Across Continent.

START FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Will Ask Aero Club of America to Time Her—Estimates Trip Will Take Thirty Hours' Flying Time—She Will Be Sole Occupant of Machine, Which Can Carry Two Passengers.

New York.—From San Francisco to New York by aeroplane—that is the latest ambition of Miss Ruth Law. She announced she had accepted the offer of the president of an aeroplane company to build for her a new type of machine especially for long distance flying.

"I will make the flight under my own auspices, just as I did the trip from Chicago," Miss Law said. "The Aero Club of America probably will time me."



MISS LAW LANDING AFTER FLIGHT.

but I will be in complete charge of all the arrangements. I estimate the trip will take thirty hours' flying time.

"This new machine will carry ten hours' fuel supply, will be capable of a sustained speed of more than 100 miles an hour and will be practical for the business man who must make a hurried trip to Chicago or elsewhere and doesn't find it convenient to wait for a train."

Miss Law, who established an American cross country record of 500 miles by the recent trip from Chicago to New York, left for Buffalo to supervise the construction of the machine. The first tryout will be given within a month, and the transcontinental journey will follow soon afterward.

The avatrix believes that reliability and safety are more important factors in popularizing air travel than speed. Consequently she will attempt to see that these elements are contained in the new flier. It will carry two passengers, but Miss Law will be the sole occupant on the coast to coast trip.

The plucky bird woman's last spectacular appearance was when she flew over the statue of Liberty on Dec. 2, when the lighting system built by popular subscriptions was dedicated. She rode in an illuminated aeroplane which left a comet-like trail of fire behind it.

VOTED ILLEGALLY 52 YEARS.

Man Who Thought He Was a Citizen Naturalized at Last.

Denver.—James Lockart, a rancher near Ordway, Colo., was granted naturalization papers in the United States district court here after exercising all the rights of citizenship for fifty-two years. Lockart, a native of Ireland, assumed that he was a citizen because of naturalization papers believed to have been issued to his father before his son had reached his majority. He has voted at every presidential election since the civil war, of which he is a veteran; held a commission in the United States army, served as a delegate to the Republican national convention, served as sheriff of Gibson county, Ind., and has taken an active part in politics for many years.

The question of his citizenship arose when he filed on government land in southern Colorado and it was learned that he was not native born and that no record was available to show that his father had become naturalized.

FOR SALE

Single comb Black Minorca cockerels, \$3.00 to \$10.00 each; from trap-nested hens and sired by a 208 egg cock of the McConnell strain. Setting eggs in season. Chas. E. Frazier, Independence, Ore. Phone Main 6922.

SALE TO CONTINUE

Until Entire Jewelry Stock Is Sold.

The balance of the stock to be sold for most anything we can get for it.

I will continue in the repairing business until stock is disposed of.

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TO LIE NEAR HER FIVE HUSBANDS IS LAST WISH

Mrs. Van Sickle Had Personally Erected Tombstones to Them.

La Crosse, Wis.—To be buried in her own private cemetery in a corner of her farm near the graves of her five husbands was the last wish of Mrs. Emma C. Van Sickle, who died recently.

Over the graves of her husbands are tombstones erected by the wife's own hands. One has this verse inscribed upon it:

Clintie, my heart clings to thee, love, in heaven I hope to meet above. You was ever kind and true to me, so was I to you, Emma C. Van Sickle.

Another reads: "Peter, died Jan. 12, 1884, aged fifty-three years. By Emma C. Van Sickle."

The other three stones are small and the inscriptions brief. One reads "D. C. Van Sickle," another "P. D. C." and the third "P. E."

WAR DRIVES FOREIGN THIEVES TO AMERICA

Detectives Expect Big Haul In Jewelry at Some Society Event This Winter.

Washington.—If you happen to own a jewel collection and your taste runs toward wearing it in public, you had better hire a bodyguard this winter. The United States is overrun with European crooks, some of them the smoothest thieves on the continent.

Private detective and police agencies in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, Chicago and other big centers are looking forward to one of the most active years in the last decade. It's all on account of the European war, which has made theft hardly worth while on a big scale across the water.

In Washington there's a detective agency which specializes in the guarding of guests and jewelry at big social functions. The business of this agency is not confined to events at the capital, for private detectives of faultless manner and speech are sent out on jobs as far west as Chicago by this same agency.

One man who has devoted years of experience and his organization of sleuths to the protection of social leaders and their guests recently returned from a trip that extended north to Boston and west to the Mississippi.

"It's going to be a big year for agencies like ours," he said. "Within the past twelve months Europe has been sending over some of the cleverest jewel thieves this country has ever seen, and they have only come here when it was clear that robbery as a profession was up against hard times abroad until the war was over."

INHERITANCE AFTER YEARS.

Rover Never in One Place Long Enough to Apply For It.

St. Louis.—George Weise, a former sailor and of an admitted roving disposition, recently received \$3,225 from the local free legal aid bureau, representing his share of the estate of an uncle who died in Adrian, Mich., eighty-two years ago.

Weise applied to the bureau several days ago and asked Matthew Conkling, assistant superintendent, to assist him in getting his inheritance. He explained that he had never applied for it because since the death of his uncle he had not been long enough in one place to take the time to apply for his share.

Conkling wrote to Adrian and in reply to his letter received one from E. A. Cole, present owner of the property of Weise's uncle, Edward Bauer, containing the money due Weise and a quit claim deed to the property for the latter's signature.

DRIVES MILES FOR MAIL.

Farmer Will Not Allow Rural Carrier to Bring It.

Smith Center, Kan.—Frank Nichols lives on route No. 5 out of this city. For years Nichols has stubbornly refused to have his mail come by carrier, although a route runs right by his door.

Each Saturday he makes the eleven mile drive from home and gets his mail out of the postoffice here.

He insists the carrier system is an unnecessary expense to the government and that it is putting false and injurious notions into the rising generations on the farms.

A CONVICT'S WORD

Lewis Returns to Sing Sing Ahead of Time.

WENT TO WIFE'S FUNERAL.

Physician Declares That Prisoner Would Have Come Back Even if No Guard Had Been Sent Along With Him—Convicts Decide to Give New Warden a Chance.

Ossining, N. Y.—As a graphic illustration of the determination of the prisoners in Sing Sing to give a square deal to William H. Moyer, the new warden, Abe Lewis, a convict who had been granted permission by Governor Whitman to attend, with a guard, the funeral of his wife in Brooklyn, returned to the prison twelve hours ahead of time.

When Lewis learned that Mr. Moyer was to begin his work as warden he decided to come back immediately to demonstrate to the new warden that the prisoners could be safely trusted with privileges. Lewis is regarded as one of the most reliable prisoners. He has spent seven years in Sing Sing.

With only twenty months more to serve the convict learned that his wife, who had stuck by him through everything, had died suddenly. Their three young children were left without any one to care for them. The news nearly prostrated the prisoner. He implored Calvin Derrick, the acting warden, to let him go to Brooklyn to see the face of his wife once more and to arrange for the care of his children.

Permission from Governor Whitman was obtained by telegraph, and Lewis and a guard started for New York. In Brooklyn Lewis learned that Mr. Moyer surely was to assume the warden's ship. After making hasty arrangements Lewis hurried back to the prison. The convict turned up there unexpectedly, although the governor had granted him permission to stay overnight.

"He would have come back just the same even if no guard had been sent along with him," commented Dr. Barry, the prison physician.

The convicts are frankly relieved now that the "permanent" warden has taken charge of the prison. Life for them within the last year has just been one warden after another. With every succession to office came changes in discipline, modification of privileges and doubt and mistrust on the part of the prisoners.

"I'm glad he's come at last," said one of the leaders of the prisoners. "We've been on tenterhooks every time a new man came in, and we've been on the anxious seat every time a man went out. Now we can settle down to a regular life."

"We're going to give the new warden a chance to show how he stands. He's promised to meet us halfway, and we'll do our share. Nobody is going to start anything inside until he has a chance to make good his word."

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