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'Haste Ye Back Again' Scots Tell Penistons

By D. Hugh Peniston

Not long ago we were in our little German car crossing the border between Canada and the United States. Over the customs building the American flag was flying. Sometimes when you are home and go down the street, and you see the flag you hardly notice it. But believe me, when you have been away for five months, it seems very beautiful! It stands for everything you love about your country — for home and friends you've missed and those intangible values hard to put into words. Sometimes our way is very materialistic. I know — we search too much after things to make life comfortable. But after five months my wife was thinking of some of these things too, and when we got home the reunion between her and her automatic washing machine was really quite touching.

In the course of a summer, however, we had come to love Scotland too, this little land which is surely one of the most beautiful in the world. The variety of scenery is unending, and a day's drive takes you through low rolling hills and quaint villages, past tranquil lochs and shiny brooks, centuries old and saturated in history, up into the wild and barren beauty of the Highlands where the water sparkles with unbelievable brilliance and the thatched houses speak of a life much simpler than ours. We had come too, to love the people, whose hospitality, friendliness, generosity, and responsiveness had quite overwhelmed us. Sometimes now a snatch of Scottish song comes to me — not enough to sing perhaps, but enough to bring back with astonishing sharpness the feel of Scotland, and a wave of homesickness comes over me for this country which was ours for a while and will always remain partly ours.

It is a great privilege to go as we went — not as tourists but as people with a task to do and a place to take in the lives of people who need you — no matter what nationality you are. From the first night when some of the church officers came for what the Scottish people call "tea," but which means a table groaning with good things, we felt we belonged. We lived in a beautiful old house with a century and a half of dignity settled about its stone walls. I preached each Sunday in the parish church to a large congregation, many of whom came out of curiosity. I suppose, to hear some-



LOCKWINNOCH PARISH CHURCH established in 1160, was served by the Rev. D. Hugh Peniston, pastor of Cottage Grove Presbyterian church, during the past summer. The present church, pictured here, was built in 1807 of field stone. At right the Cottage Grove pastor is shown in Scotch kilt borrowed from a member of Lockwinnoch parish. There is a special tartan plaid for the clergy but this is not the one. — Peniston Photo.

one whom they expected to be, as one young person told me, "a sort of combination Billy Graham and Peter Marshall." I took my place as chaplain of the school system, carried out the pastoral responsibilities of the parish, and enjoyed with the family a vigorous social life as we absorbed quantities of tea in people's homes. We came to feel soon that we were ambassadors in a very real sense. We found everywhere a reservoir of good will for America, but some strange pictures of Americans nurtured by Hollywood movies. Many people were quite shocked that we did not chew gum or jiggerbug. Most people in the village of Lockwinnoch had never really met an American before. They were full of questions about America, which I answered as best I could, and which Mr. Jack is now

undoubtedly answering from his different experience here in Cottage Grove.

I do not know just how to put into words our impressions of these people. Their lives are much simpler than ours, and they do not struggle with the same problems. Life is harder and considerably less comfortable, and the impression they have that we live in luxury is based on the fact that compared to them we do.

They have a deep love of their country which they nourish on every holiday, and there is a happiness in them which bubbles up in music and dancing. They are open and sincere, and although a certain shyness may sometimes make them hesitant in the expression of friendliness and emotion, (Continued on page 8)



Knox Hill Club Elects Mrs. Nowak

By Mrs. J. W. Fisher
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THORNTON CORNERS — The Knox Hill Neighbors club met with Mrs. A. L. Carey at her home in Cottage Grove at an all day meeting Thursday. The annual election of officers was held during the business meeting. Mrs. Cus Nowak was elected president, Mrs. Melvin Tonole, vice president, and Mrs. A. W. Shotstall, secretary-treasurer. Tea towels and aprons were sold at the meeting by the members and plans were made to hold the Christmas party and gift exchange in December with Mrs. Frank Bradford at her home in Eugene. Names were drawn for the Polyanthus gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Read Hemenway have purchased a 530 gallon stainless steel milk refrigerator tank to store milk until it is picked up by the creamery truck each day. They are remodeling their milk house to accommodate the huge tank.

Mrs. Arleigh Kenyon reports the theft of a five months old pet coon Halloween night. Mrs. Kenyon has raised the baby coon by hand. The animal was taken from its little house in the Kenyon's back yard early in the evening by some one who tore the house apart to reach the coon. The loss of the little pet is much regretted by the family.

Mrs. R. B. Dixon accompanied her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rakish, to Eugene one day last week. The visitors left Wednesday for their home in San Carlos, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Merwin and baby of Ashland were visitors over the weekend of Mrs. Merwin's sister, Mrs. Arleigh Kenyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Anderson of Denver, Colo., were recent visitors of Mrs. Bessie Rakestraw. Mrs. Anderson was a former neighbor of Mrs. Rakestraw in Wyoming nearly 40 years ago.

Mrs. May Denney of Cottage Grove and Mrs. Tom Foster of Ashland were guests one evening last week of Mrs. R. B. Dixon. Mrs. Foster was in Cottage Grove to visit her sister, Mrs. S. P. Shortridge, on her birthday anniversary last week.

EXAMS FOR COAST GUARD — Congressman Harris Ellsworth (R-Ore.) has announced that the competitive examination for entrance to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy will be held on February 25 and 26 next year in 111 cities.

Ellsworth emphasized the opportunity offered young men who choose this four year course which leads to a bachelor of science degree and a commission as a career officer in America's oldest seagoing service.

"There are no appointments or geographical quotas for entrance to the Coast Guard Academy," he said.

If mankind had wished for what is right, they might have had it long ago. — William Hazlitt

Carnival Queen Contest in Home Stretch at Lorane

By Mrs. R. G. Conner
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LORANE — Classes are on the home stretch in the queen contest for the Lorane Carnival to be held in the high school Friday evening beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Escorts were picked this week for the princesses. Senior Princess Arizona Brown will be escorted by Gary Mitchell; Junior Princess Marie Milford by Robert Conner; Sophomore Princess Darlene Miller by Lloyd Paseman; and Freshman Princess Sharon Kotre by Don Terrell. Little Lynn Purdy will carry the crown and will be escorted to the stage by Michael Maley.

Results of the contest will not be announced until just before coronation.

The scheduled November school board meeting has been changed from the 12th to the 15th because of the Veterans Day holiday.

Attends OHA Board Meeting — Mrs. Chester Purdy attended a board of directors meeting of the Oregon Horseman assn. in Portland last Thursday evening.

She announced that a light horse judging school sponsored by Oregon State college and by the OHA will be held at Corvallis November 12 and 13. The class will be limited to an enrollment of 120. Entrants must be 18 years old or over. The fee will be \$10 and anyone attending must be prepared to furnish their own board and room.

Some of the instructors will be Dr. M. E. Emsinger of the Washington State college department of animal husbandry and C. E. Howell, professor of animal husbandry at the University of California.

According to C. B. Johnson of the OSC animal husbandry department the purpose of the short course is to teach selection, care, training and showing of light horses and to train judges for amateur and professional horsemen to exchange ideas on horses. Diplomats will be awarded to those who successfully complete the course.

Mrs. Purdy also invites anyone interested in horses to attend the OHA convention at the Multnomah hotel in Portland December 1. Sessions will begin at 8 a.m. and continue through out the day, ending with a banquet and dance in the evening.

Immediately following the dinner high score award trophies and Reserve Championship ribbons will be distributed to winners in 26 classifications.

Mrs. Dora Allen, who has spent the past month in a Portland hospital, is again at home for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Groshong of Albany came down Friday afternoon and took Jerry Holland home with them for the weekend. Mrs. Chester Purdy and grandchildren Lynn and Steve Purdy went up to get him Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Jack) Chambers spent last week in Washington attending to business. Taylor Circle, who has recently been a patient in a Eugene hospital, is again at home and feeling much better.

Grade school report cards for the first nine weeks were given out Wednesday afternoon.

School pictures will be taken Thursday, November 8.

If you don't vote, don't gripe about the way the election went.

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The answers to everyday insurance problems*
By J. B. Leonard



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