



From The Old Scrap Book

Blessedness in Service

Wouldn't you like to be off and away
Where the waves wash a sandy beach,
And the sea gulls flash as they swoop
and dash
And strike the waves with a sparkling
splash;
And far as your eyes can reach
The sea is a maze of blue, and green,
And arrows of light and silvery sheen?
And you'd lie on the sand, and quite
forget
The workaday worry, and work, and
fret!
Wouldn't it be a joy? And yet—
It's rather fine to be here at your post,
Coping with brothers, a countless host!
Wouldn't you like to be climbing high
On a rugged mountainside,
Under skies of blue, with prospects new,
In a sweeter air, to a nobler view
Over the country wide,
Thrilled by the near companionship
Of great white billowing clouds that
swing
Across the heavens in wind that blows
From what far country nobody knows,
While you breathe so deep! And yet—
suppose
What life would be like if you couldn't
work?
Did that bring your dreaming up with a
jerk?
Wouldn't you like to be sailing far,
Over a summer sea?
The foam-wreaths break in your vanishing
wake,
And watching their gleam you seem to
shake
Your life from fretting free,
Every turn of the mighty screw
Taking you nearer to countries new,
And farther away from the every day,
And the common place, and the dingy
gray
Of daily duty at home! But say—
What if you'd no one who cared a
whack
Whether you ever came sailing back?
Minnie L. Upton.

Pleasant Hour Reading Club

The annual open meeting of the Pleasant Hour Reading Club was held this year at the home of Mrs. J. L. Stuart, on Friday afternoon February 20. There were about fifty people present, part of them being children who very cleverly assisted in the old-fashioned program. The hollyhock decorations and the dresses of by-gone days helped to carry out the old-fashioned idea. The interesting relics displayed, ranging from one hundred to five hundred or more years since their first days of use or beauty, were the center of attraction until with much regret we felt obliged to separate and get back to present day duties and obligations. Our next regular meeting will be with Mrs. J. L. Sherman.

The display of antiques at the Reading Club last Friday, deserves more than a passing mention. Dayton has many old settlers who have carefully preserved heirlooms which would be valuable in any collector's cabinet. The autograph album containing autographs of Queen Victoria and of George III and George IV, also the silver mustard pot that once belonged to the Duke of Kent were very interesting. An old Bible in the Flemish language dated back nearly 500 years, a homespun counterpane of 1840, homespun bed linen spun and woven about that time, an old mirror of 1825, a "sampler" worked in 1824, old daguerreotypes, silver spoons, infants clothing of 100 years ago and many other things both quaint and valuable brought the days of our fore-fathers before us.

With Oregon wool at a good price it is important to get as heavy a fleece as possible from the flock. The buck will be one means of increasing the fleece weight. In selecting a buck to head the flock, the mutton conformation should be the first consideration. Next comes the wool. A dense fleece with a good length of staple covering the entire body evenly should be selected. Care is taken not to get a ram with black fibers in the wool, advises the experient station.

It is said, 'that a man can acquire courage in an hour,' and it has often been done on battle fields. Courage has even been acquired in a moment, in the case of rescuing a loved one from drowning or fire.

A harder battle than gaining courage is the battle for self-possession which it may take a year to win.

But the hardest battle of all is the battle against temper. It takes years of the most intensive training to teach a person to keep his temper. Temper and greed have killed more trusts and friendships than any one thing. A few hot words spoken in a moment of rage will kill a friendship that has grown for years. It may take years to overcome temper but if you succeed those years will have been well spent. At some time, on some important occasion, you may lose control of your temper and do or say something that you will regret the rest of your life. You must learn to avoid sudden anger for in quick fits of temper are the most damaging things done. It is perfectly right to be angry at evil such as abuse of animals and children, but all your power to help the one in distress is lost if you give way to a fit of violent temper. Sudden anger is much different from the slow, deliberate anger which should be felt in the face of a great wrong or evil. If you cannot control your temper you cannot be sure of yourself at any time. For instance you may be walking in the woods, along a narrow path where the brush must be pushed aside to admit you, when the person ahead thoughtlessly releases a branch which flies back and strikes you in the face. You instantly fly into a rage and say something that takes all the sunshine from the day for everyone concerned, while if you had only spent a little time in training your temper you could have left that thing unsaid and the day would have been saved. Learn to control your temper and 'think twice before you speak.' It will be a long, hard lesson but it will pay.

THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

Good Packs Lower Freight

The surest way to get a lower freight rate in Oregon on the perishable commodities of the northwest is to grow, grade, pack and ship them so there will be fewer claims to be met by the railways, according to C. J. Hurd, market specialist of the extension service. The cost of claims is passed back to the grower in the high rates to cover the amount of the claims.

Obituary

Mrs. Charlotte Gibbon Abdill, died at her home in Dayton, Oregon, February 22, 1925, aged 74 years, 9 months and 5 days. She was the daughter of William and Jane Gibbon and was born in Parish St. P., Canada, May 17, 1850. In 1858 she came to the United States and settled in Kossuth County, Iowa. She was married May 9, 1869 to G. B. Abdill. To this union was born three children: W. F. Abdill, D. B. Abdill, and a daughter who passed away in infancy. They came to Dayton in 1875 and spent one year near Amity. In 1876 they moved to Dayton where they have since resided. Mrs. Abdill has been in poor health the last twelve years. She was an affectionate wife and mother and was cheerful to the last. Those whom she leaves to mourn her loss are a loving husband, her two sons, 10 grand children, 9 great grand children, 2 brothers, Joseph Gibbon of Gaston, Oregon, and Dan Gibbon of Dayton, and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Harty of Sheridan and Mrs. Anna Dundas of Dayton. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was active as long as her physical well being permitted. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. F. Franklin at the M. E. church Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock and interment in the Brookside cemetery.

Gard of Thanks

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their kindness during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother, and for the beautiful floral offerings.
G. B. Abdill
W. F. Abdill
D. B. Abdill
Mrs. Annie Abdill.

Those who have held the lucky numbers at the Arcade Theatre to-date are: John Shelburne, a sack of flour given by the Farmer's Warehouse Co.; Iner Mortensen, a basket of groceries given by Hibbert's Grocery; John Williams, a non-resident and brother of J. O. Williams of this city, a \$2.50 savings account given by the Bank of Dayton; and Chas. Krummel \$2.50 order for hardware given by the U'Ren Hardware Co.

M. E. Church Social

All members of the Methodist church are invited to the church Friday evening, February 27, at 8:00 o'clock, for a get-together social. Each member may bring their friends and are asked to furnish sandwiches for themselves and friends. Hot coffee will be served by the Ladies Aid Society. The first part of the evening will be taken up by a few musical numbers and a short talk by a visiting speaker. All members are urged to come and make this social evening a success.

Young People's Party

The Associated Young People of Dayton held their February party in the Community Hall, Friday evening, Feb. 20. There were fifty or sixty young people present and everyone enjoyed an evening full of jolly games. Cherry pie with whipped cream and hot coffee was served at 11:00 o'clock in memory of George Washington.

Watch for announcements of the St. Patrick's Party.

Library Benefit Food Sale

The Civic Club will hold a food sale Saturday, Feb. 28 in the vacant building formerly occupied as a drug store, near the post office. The proceeds are for the up-keep of the library so please be as generous as you can. There are no other funds for the purpose and the children and young people show that the books are very much appreciated, sometimes as many as 200 books are loaned out in a month.

The meeting held at the school building last Friday evening for the purpose of discussing the feasibility of organizing a Union High School district was largely attended, there being considerable more than a hundred present. Co. Supt. Duncan was present to give legal advice, and the settlement practically unanimous for the proposed district. We feel that this is a move along the right lines as no school was ever good enough: the foundation of our government depends on our schools and churches, but first our schools. Any right minded person is in favor of the betterment of our educational institutions and this is an opportunity for us to put into practice a good theory. Of course, it means an outlay of cash, but who ever made an improvement without some sacrifice. Get behind this Union High School proposition and push it along.



A RADIO PORTRAIT OF NORMAN KERRY, UNIVERSAL STAR

Prevent Carbon Monoxide Gas Poisoning.

1. Never go to bed with a gas fire burning in a bed room.
 2. Never attempt to warm up an automobile in a closed garage.
 3. If you have a gas heater, see that it is frequently cleaned, inspected, and that it has ample flue connections.
- These precautions are so simple that everyone can understand them and carry them out. Perhaps that is why so many people ignore them. The only way to combat the carbon monoxide evil is to take no chances with it.
- Just a few mornings ago seven persons, six of them members of a prominent Portland family and the seventh their physician, were overcome by carbon monoxide poisoning. Three deaths occurred recently on the eastside of Portland from an unvented gas floor heater. Such occurrences demonstrate the urgent necessity of further education of the public in the proper use of domestic gas heating appliances. At this time the only solution is that gas stoves be looked upon exactly as coal stoves and provided with adequate and effective flue connections for leading all combustion products to the outside air.

As the gas stove produces no smoke or definitely irritating fumes, no warning accompanies its production of carbon monoxide. Remember this poisonous gas itself is odorless, colorless and non-irritating. When the person is moving about, the gas produces headache, shortness of breath and a weakness of the knees, followed by fainting. Not so when one is at rest. Then it accumulates rapidly in the blood without symptoms except those of drowsiness. Hence the sleeper sleeps more soundly, his breathing becomes deeper and slower and finally stops. It is a painless but ever so thorough exit, as press reports show.

The following resolutions were adopted at a recent meeting of the Oregon State Board of Health:

WHEREAS, Improper and inefficient methods of using gas for heating purposes have resulted in the unnecessary loss of human lives in the State of Oregon and elsewhere;

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Oregon State Board of Health that this Board recommends: 1. The effective venting of every gas-fired room heater and instantaneous gas-fired water heater to the exterior of the building; 2. the removal of all gas-fired water heaters from bathrooms, kitchens, and similar quarters; 3. the discontinuance of the use of gas-fired cooking stoves or ranges or hot plates for room heating purposes, unless same are effectively flued to the outside air; 4. also, that teachers and text books having to do with the subjects of hygiene, physiology and household economics, and similar branches, shall emphasize the principle and correct use of and the necessity for adequately venting all gas fired appliances for the better protection of the health, safety and lives of the users thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Board recommends that building regulations shall provide that wherever a gas outlet is installed, except for lighting purposes exclusively,

provision shall be made for effectively venting any gas stove or other heating appliance that may be attached to such outlet.

Wave Length Distribution

The most difficult problem in radio regulation and development is the distribution of wave length use so as to prevent interference between stations. There are in all 86 different wave lengths available if we keep the stations ten kilocycles apart and stagger the assignment of wave lengths geographically so as to prevent overlap in the area of effective reception. The recent experiment of the Department in attempting to increase the number of wave lengths by decreasing the difference to seven kilocycles proved unsuccessful with the present development of instruments.

Class A stations (500 watts or less power) were assigned the wave length of 278 meters and below by recommendation of the Radio conference and there are in this area 39 possible wave lengths. Owing to their limited radius and the irregular character of their programme (largely churches, educational institutions, etc.) Class A stations have not presented so many difficulties in wave length assignment and interference as Class B stations although there are 455 of them.

Class B stations present a far more serious situation because of their wider radius and their regular performance. There are 47 wave lengths to be divided over a total of 108 stations now operating or under construction. That is, there is now an average of less than one wave length for each two stations, which means that they must divide their time of operation. The Class B stations are the ones which furnish most of the regular programs and from which the public receives its most effective service. Most of them naturally desire and need to operate continuously as the cost of overhead is much increased by dividing time.

The Department has asked for appropriations with which to carry out an investigation to determine accurately the effective service area of different stations and different degrees of power. Such an investigation may disclose possibilities of a better basis of wave length distribution.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Feb. 26 (Special)—Mrs. Myona Gray of Dayton completed a correspondence-study course offered by the University of Oregon in Methods of Study and Child Study last term. Fifty eight students in all made completions in the various courses offered through the Extension division.

The University correspondence-study group will represent a cross-section of the adult population of Oregon, such occupations as the following being represented among those taking work: accountant, engineer, attorney, banker, bookkeeper, carpenter, cashier, cook, county assessor, dairy worker, driver, electrician, farmer, insurance man, librarian, lumberman, advertising manager, minister, nurse, music teacher, physician, pharmacist, printer, publisher, school superintendent, teacher, stenographer, and salesman.

Fifteen Hundred Miles From Washington



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