



### From The Old Scrap Book An Ecstasy

Oh, do you hear how the robins are singing:  
Greeting the dawn with their anthems of praise?  
And have you noted the soft grasses springing  
Up to the sunlight these beautiful days?  
Buttercups glimmer like stars in the meadows,  
Gnarly old orchards are laughing in glee.  
Saucy young breezes are tossing the petals—  
Rose-tinted petals, you'd take them to be.

Oh, have you heard the low murmur of waters,  
Rippling and hurrying down to the spring?  
Stealthily spied out some merry songster  
Dipping and shaking the drops from his wing?  
Listened at evening to trills of the thrushes—  
Vespers of joy for each sweet breath of May—  
Come, I will show you the nest in the bushes;  
One tiny peep while the birds are away.

Ah, do you know there are violets blooming,  
Daintily sweet in their bonnets of blue;  
Nodding and wishing, I'm sure, to be gathered—  
Oh, how I love the wee darlings, don't you?  
Then all the treasures of field and of woodland,  
Tinted like shells in their mossy retreat;  
Do let us take them—great clusters of blossoms—  
Armful of bloom—make our Maying complete!

Is it not joyous to welcome the Spring-time?  
Is not your heart just as light as the birds?  
Do you not thrill as the perfume of lilac  
Steals o'er your senses—too happy for words?  
Is it not worth all the gloom of the winter—  
Lowering skies—even death and decay,  
Now to be witnessing old Earth's awakening—  
Glad to be roused by the kisses of May?  
—Linnie Hawley Drake.

### Evangelical Christian Endeavor

The Evangelical League of Christian Endeavor changed the order of the meeting somewhat last Sunday evening by having a "backwards" meeting. The meeting opened with the closing hymn and the request that all who could, stay for the preaching service. This order was followed all thru the meeting, ending with the opening song. In this manner those who came in very late were at least there for the song service and the scripture reading.

Experimental work at O. A. C. with potatoes has shown the hot formaldehyde and the corrosive sublimate treatments to be about equally effective. The corrosive sublimate treatment is best suited to small lots of potatoes, while, where there are to be large plantings, and where facilities are available for providing plenty of hot water, the hot formaldehyde treatment is most economical.

That 1925 should be a good corn year in Oregon, as there is not nearly enough corn produced in the state and there was a large amount of high classed seed harvested in 1924 in both eastern and western Oregon, is the belief of experiment station authorities.

Red and alsike clover planted with spring grain in Oregon is usually successful in seasons of fair summer rainfall, reports the experiment station. The best of the nurse crops for clover is barley and next best wheat.

### Fewer Unemployed Now in Northwest, 4L's Survey Shows

Portland, March 30, (Special)—Unemployment on the west coast, more acute during January and February than it was during those same months for the past three years, gradually decreased during March and is now little more than seasonal, according to a monthly survey by 4L employment service headquarters here today. The fir lumber industry continues to operate below normal capacity, the survey shows, and demands for men are coming chiefly from agricultural, mining and construction sources.

The usual spring cutting of lumber stocks in the pine districts east of the Cascades is under way it is reported, but order files are light and planing departments are operating far below normal capacity. There are plenty of loggers and sawmill workers in the pine country to supply present demands. Current employment conditions in various northwestern cities are reported from 4L offices as follows:

Marshfield, Ore.—Resident sawmill workers are quite generally employed and there are also unemployed men on Coos Bay. Fir sawmills in this city are operating five days weekly; cedar mills and veneer plants are running six days. Logging in Coos Bay territory is about 60 per cent of capacity. Truck logging is active. Two Reedsport sawmills are down temporarily and two others are operating six days per week.

Spokane—The supply of labor in the Inland Empire is still equal to demand. Pine sawmills, as usual at this time of the year, are busy cutting stock, but due to lack of orders planing departments without exception are operating at greatly reduced capacity. Preparatory work has been started at high-level woods operations. Snow shovellers are at work clearing roads of the Winton Lumber company at Emerald crook, and the Blackwell Lumber company is plowing tracks at its Fernwood operation. Railroad construction is opening up; the Northern Pacific here will put on an extra gang of fifty men today. There are yet a number of unemployed men in Spokane and nearby towns and cities.

### Obituary

Lutner Joseph Fletcher was born July 27, 1848 and departed this life March 25, 1925, being 76 years, 8 months, and 28 days of age. He was the son of Francis and Elizabeth Fletcher, early pioneers of Yamhill County, Oregon, and was born and grew to manhood on the Fletcher farm one mile south of LaFayette, and one and one half miles west of Dayton. He received his education in the Dayton Public Schools and later attended Willamette University in Salem, Oregon. After finishing school he went to Klickitat, Washington, and it was there he married Caroline E. Graham, in the year 1872, over 50 years ago. After residing there for a time he moved with his family to Dayton, Oregon where he engaged in farming and for a number of years was connected with farming at this place. He then moved to Willamina, Oregon where he lived until about six weeks ago, when he suffered a paralytic stroke. He went then to the home of a daughter in Sheridan in order to be near a doctor and there he passed away. He is survived by his widow, six children, namely: Lois Booth of Willamina, Della Edwards of Newberg, Myrtle McCleary of Beaver, Neva Scholtz and Velma Davis of Sheridan, and Warnick the only son who resides at home; also two brothers, A. S. Fletcher of McMinnville, and A. P. Fletcher of LaFayette, and two sisters, Mrs. Florence Olds of Portland, and Mrs. James Reid of near Dayton. There are fourteen grand children and three great grand children. Funeral services in the Dayton Methodist church, interment in the Brookside Cemetery, Rev. Franklin officiating.

He was a man of generous impulses, and never forgot the hospitable ways of the pioneer. The stranger, even though a beggar, never failed to find food and shelter if sought at his hands; he delighted in all kinds of neighborly acts. He had born adversity bravely and enjoyed prosperity quietly. His death has brought a bitter cup of sorrow to the lips of friends and relatives. He was one of nature's noblemen in its truest sense, brave, generous, manly. His was the soul of honor, and his friends and friendships were sacred to him. He had filled the various relations of life, as, son, husband, father, brother, friend; and had filled them well. Who can do more?

Another old landmark has been obliterated, this time it was a large maple tree that had stood in front of the D. A. Snyder home many years.

### "Typhoid Marys" Gossip Smirches Good Names

By BACKE BARTON

Without confiding his plans to anybody, a very busy man slipped off for his first long vacation. When he returned, an acquaintance stopped him on the street, staring at him in obvious amazement. "Why the ghastly glance?" exclaimed the man, who was feeling jovial and fit. "What is so strange about my taking a vacation?" "Vacation?" repeated the other. "Do you know what they are saying about you? Six different people have told me that you had broken down and were in a sanitarium out West."

One of the oldest and most stable concerns of its kind suffered a temporary embarrassment through the failure of a customer. There was no permanent loss, but rumors spread fast. "They are busted," said the couriers of misfortune. "They have discharged ninety people. They will announce their suspension tomorrow."

It happened that the company, at that very hour, had more than a million dollars in cash in the banks. Did the rumor mongers stop to learn this fact? They did not; each was too eager to be the first to spread the fatal tidings.

The president of the company traveled from bank to bank, and office to office, presenting the facts. Sometimes he had to show his bankbooks in order to make himself believed.

Two gentlemen of inquiring turn of mind decided to test the rumor possibilities of business. They agreed that each of them would stop the first three individuals he met and conduct the following conversation: "Have you heard about Smith?" "A man prominent in their industry."

"No?" "Well, if you haven't heard anything, don't say anything."

Within a week it was widely reported that: (1) Smith was dead. (2) He had been fired. (3) He had quarreled with the boss and resigned. (4) He was about to be divorced. (5) He had disappeared with the company's funds.

After answering thousands of phone calls and letters, poor Smith was driven to buy space in the trade press, to explain that he contemplated no business change, and that all rumors about him were groundless.

Do you remember Typhoid Mary? The health authorities rounded her up after a long search. She was a walking hive of typhoid germs, and though not sick herself, she made everybody sick whom she met.

Business is full of male Typhoid Marys. They are a vast and costly nuisance. Having too little to do, they wander from office to office spreading germs of suspicion and fear.

Ask the Rockefeller institute to invent a serum which will annihilate these business pests. Ask the Secretary of Agriculture to spray them, like gypsy moths in the spring.

"Texas Ranger" at Opera House tomorrow night.

### Pleasantdale

Mrs. W. L. Reichstein and sons Lawrence and Wayne visited relatives in McMinnville, Saturday.

G. B. Foster and wife were county seat visitors Saturday.

Several from this vicinity attended the Senior play in Dayton, Friday night.

Mrs. Ralph Hadley and Mrs. Chas. Simler and daughter Theresa were McMinnville visitors Saturday.

Howard Hadley of Portland spent the week end with home folks.

Fred Reichstein and wife, and Mrs. Mabel Gibson and children were transacting business in the county seat, last Wednesday.

Rev. Fred Post, a former resident of this vicinity, left here March 10, and sailed from New York, March 20, for an extended tour of foreign countries. He expects to visit Jerusalem, Palestine, Cairo, Egypt; Naples, Rome, and Venice, Italy; Berne, Switzerland; Paris, France; and London, England.

The Pleasantdale Needle Club was pleasantly entertained at the home of Miss Esther Nichols, last Friday afternoon. Those present were Mesdames Martin, Sims, Geo. Robinson, David Robinson, McFarlane and the hostess.

Miss Neva Gubser was quite sick last week and unable to take her part in the Senior play, Friday night.

Bert McFarlane and wife, Arthur Robinson and family, and Vernon Hadley of Willamina spent the week end with homefolks.

The N. U. girls of the Evangelical Sunday School gave a party at the home of Miss Hazel Taylor last Saturday night. The evening was spent playing games, after which refreshments were served. Those present were June Bishop, Lucille Fisher, Eloeretta Brown, Marjorie Hadaway, Opal Purkey, Elsie Stoutenberg, Hazel and Lois Taylor, Gladys Litcher, Kenneth Hadley, John Litcher, Orange Willard, and Ronald and Roswell Rossner. All report a jolly good time.

Geo. Jackman is suffering with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Elmer Jackman and his friend Mr. Morgan returned to their school in Monmouth, Monday afternoon, after a few days vacation at the Jackman home.

Mrs. George Robinson visited her mother, Mrs. Bower, in Hopewell last Saturday.

Roy Robinson shipped a car load of bridge plank from Newberg last week for the Nebraskas Bridge Co. The plank went to Ohio.

Gerald and Kenneth Hadley, and John Litcher attended the play at LaFayette, Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sims are moving back onto their farm this week after residing in Dayton since the burning of their residence several months ago.

Mrs. Clifford Gibbon, who has been ill in the New Hospital in McMinnville for some time, returned to her home this week.

Dale Hadley was in Newberg on business Monday.

Mrs. Manning and children returned to their home in Seattle, Wash., last Friday, after spending several days at the Brooks Sweeney home.

Mrs. Almada Simler and daughter Theresa June spent last Thursday at the Ralph Hadley home.

Mrs. Kulper of Dayton, and Mrs. Alice Naevae and daughter Betty of Tigard spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. David Robinson.

### May Day Fete

The Dayton Schools, High and Grade combined, are planning an all day program to be held in the City Park, Friday, May 1. The Misses Stiiwell and Gleddie are heads of the committees. The morning will be devoted to crowning the May Queen, winding the May Pole, and other May Day features; the afternoon to a baseball game and other games; and the evening to the Junior Class Play.

### Automobile Goes Into Ditch Here

Two Women Injured

Last Sunday evening as Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bateman of Newberg and Mrs. Carson of this place were driving into town, the car skidded off the pavement, about two and one half miles north of here, and turned over into the ditch. Mrs. Bateman was quite seriously injured, sustaining a severely sprained back. She was brought into town, where Dr. Snook administered first aid; she was then taken to a hospital in Newberg. Mrs. Carson received only minor injuries of a few sprains and bruises. The car was badly wrecked.

### HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white space this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white squares up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

### CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 17

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- Horizontal.
- 1—A color
  - 2—Hurts
  - 3—Another color
  - 4—Boy's name
  - 5—Branch of learning
  - 6—Queer
  - 7—Elderly
  - 8—Small mound of earth
  - 9—Kind of ribbed cloth
  - 10—Approaches
  - 11—Kind of duck
  - 12—Period of years
  - 13—Young woman (coil)
  - 14—Pebble
  - 15—No longer considered necessary to poetry
  - 16—Support for auxiliary boat
  - 17—Native metal
  - 18—Free
  - 19—Source of newspaper publisher's revenue
  - 20—Vehicle
  - 21—Trail behind
  - 22—Hint
  - 23—Black wood
  - 24—Praise

- Vertical.
- 1—A color
  - 2—Shown the way
  - 3—Total
  - 4—Recognizes
  - 5—Middle
  - 6—Article of wearing apparel
  - 7—Metre (poetic)
  - 8—Inside
  - 9—Nickname of eastern university
  - 10—Inclination in certain direction
  - 11—Having little weight
  - 12—Consume
  - 13—Past time
  - 14—Twenty-four hours
  - 15—Free
  - 16—Land bordering water
  - 17—In plenty of time
  - 18—Raised strip of ground
  - 19—Artist's standard
  - 20—By way of
  - 21—Curved bone
  - 22—Self
  - 23—Dead
  - 24—Two

The solution will appear in next issue.

### Sprouting



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