



THE GAME LAW.

It is reported a bill will be introduced in the coming legislature to shorten the open season for buck deer.

Such an act is what the outside "sport" hunter wants. He can only get away for two or three weeks at a time, and he would gladly cut the season down to a month, if he could, so as to preserve as much game as possible for his amusement. He would deprive the families of many homesteaders of meat eleven months out of twelve if it would just add a little to his fun.

It is safe to say the city sport, as a whole, destroys more game than he gets. Being unused to hunting, he shoots at every deer that jumps up; many bucks are wounded and lost and does are killed and left in the woods. He probably does not expect to ever come back to that locality and thus has no interest in the conservation of the game.

Not that it could be or would be, but rather what should be done, is to cut the open season for outside hunters to about two weeks during which time they could be carefully watched by Game Wardens, and then extend the time for residents of each county from June 1st to Nov. 1st. Bucks are as good during June, July and the first 15 days in August as at any other time of the year, yet under the present law they cannot be killed.

However, one change under the existing law that would help to preserve our deer, is to allow the hunter to kill his two deer in either sex. He does this as a rule now, but the does lie where they fall, as he dares not pack them in, and so he keeps on until he gets his two bucks. Those who take an interest in our game generally concur in this opinion, and almost any hunter can tell you of does that have been left to lie and rot that otherwise would have been carried in.

PRESIDENT WILSON MAKING GOOD.

President Wilson has certainly received a flattering welcome in both France and England, and his conduct has been such as to inspire in all European nations a greater confidence in the United States. His speeches have been able and tactful, and no blunders of any kind can be laid at his door. In short, he has been all that the president of the greatest republic on earth should be.

It is to be hoped that president Wilson will lose none of the prestige he has gained, however, the fear still exists in many circles that he is going to advocate too much leniency toward Germany in the Peace Conference by showing a tendency to treat her as an honorable adversary instead of a foe to mankind that has forfeited all right to the respect or consideration of civilized nations.

One point president Wilson is said to advocate is the restoring to Germany of her colonies. Unless it is a new Germany of a more humane rule, the returning of the helpless people of these colonies to her merciless rule would be almost as great a stain upon the world's civilization as has been the long persecution and massacre of the Armenians. In time of peace, Germany's rule in her African colonies has shown the same inhuman brutality that marked her advance into Belgium, France and Poland during the war. If right and humanity are to triumph, such conditions must cease to exist.

SHOULD LENGTHEN SCHOOL YEAR.

It seems to the TRIBUNE that it would be only doing the fair thing by the school children of the State for the coming legislature to pass an emergency act extending the school year of 1918-19 at least one month.

On account of the influenza, many districts throughout the State will not be able to have the required 8 month of school if the school year is to close the third Monday in June, and as a result a large number of children are going to be unable to make their grades.

Some towns have contemplated opening school at 8 o'clock in the morning and also keeping in session on Saturdays to try and make up for the lost time. This is a questionable policy for several reasons. In the first place, the hours are now long enough and it is doubtful if lengthening them would make any noticeable difference in the pupils' advancement. Also the physical development of the child is fully as important as its mental training, and to confine the pupil longer in the school room will, in many instances, impair his or her health.

Give the children of Oregon a fair chance by making this a longer school year.

The coming year of 1919 should be one of the most prosperous the United States has ever known. The rebuilding of the destruction wrought by the war in Europe is going to demand vast quantities of material from this country, and the Pacific Northwest will come in for its share of this trade.

The Bayou Teche.

The Bayou Teche, a 3500 ton vessel of the Ferris type recently built in Madisonville, La., by the Jahnke Shipbuilding Company for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, was inspected Wednesday following its arrival in the city Monday after a trial trip to Gulfport and Mobile. The ship, which draws 17 feet of water, has to be lifted by means of a stern dock and pontoons in order to bring it into the Mississippi river from Lake Pontchartrain.

The ship was built by E. V. Hengben, marine superintendent. It is 287 3/4 feet long, 46 feet wide, and 23 1/2 feet deep, with 1400 horsepower and two cargo hatches. It has been accepted and classed as A-1, 15 years, by the United States Shipping Board, and will be turned over to the Emergency Fleet Corporation in a few days. It will be used for Latin-American trade, it is thought. Several large privately owned concerns are said to be in line for it.

Completed before the signing of the armistice, the Bayou Teche is the last vessel built by the Jahnke company, to be camouflaged.—New Orleans Exchange.

The following lines were suggested to the writer by reading the article entitled "The Bayou Teche":

Bayou Teche, they named this ship
That's making now her maiden trip.
Louisiana's Southern pine
And Oregon fir now both entwined.

In Oregon I long did dwell,
I knew her then, and loved her well.
My rifle's crack would echo then
From rocky hill to wooded glen.
I'd follow close o'er bush and crag
The bayou bound, to fallen stag.
I wandered far in course of time
To Louisiana's Southern clime,
Where New Orleans does proudly rank
As Queen, on Mississippi's bank.
And casts her shadows tall and high
On shimmering waters flowing by.
And through her busy mart I trod,
And far beyond upon the sod
Into her forests, dark and deep
Where rays of sunshine seldom peep.
With rod and reel and line and hook
I fished in many a winding brook.
I sailed on river, lake, and bayou too
In stately ship and small canoe.
I bathed and swam and all but drowned
In waters deep, no bottom found.

Now, 'cross the intervening space
Louisiana-Oregon embrace.
No North, no South, no East, no West,
Just one big whole, and that the best.
For Uncle Sam, of pine, fir-wood
The very best, is none too good.
Each ship that to the wave is sent
Will score just 99 per cent.

W. F. RILEY.

Mr. Riley, the writer of the above verse, was raised at Gold Beach and later edited the TRIBUNE for several years. He now lives in San Jose, but as his writing indicates, he still has a warm spot in his heart for Oregon, particularly Curry county. He met Mrs. Riley at Madisonville, Louisiana, so when he writes of Louisiana and Oregon embracing we presume he speaks with authority.

Sanders Creek Items.

Walter Shearer drove to Gold Beach Monday, on business.

The week of sunshiny weather has been much appreciated, coming as it has at a time when other sections of the country are having very cold days.

Mrs. Chas. Bothwell and father in law went to Gold Beach for supplies, Friday.

Mr. Richard Donaca and family spent Christmas with relatives up the river.

J. B. Davis moved Mrs. Harrington's household goods to Gold Beach Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson visited their ranch Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Davis, Mrs. J. B. Nichols, Miss Ethel Donaca and Miss Gertrude Bothwell called on Mrs. Cooley Sunday.

The children's Christmas tree and party given at the Shadybrook Study club was enjoyed by a large number of children and their parents and friends. After a short but interesting program by the children, Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed the generous supply of candy and nuts. Games and music filled the remainder of the evening, and every one had a general good time. The most pleasing feature of the event was the community spirit which was shown in the preparation and enjoyment of the evening.

WESTERN WORLD.

George Dunn of Eugene Creek went to Portland Sunday where he will spend the holidays.

C. C. Jensen and Hal Stutsman of Sikee, Ore., are here to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Addie Helmen has accepted a position as night operator at the local telephone exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cappe have gone to Portland to spend the holidays with Mrs. Cappe's parents.

John Thorhaven, who was recently discharged from the Service, left Tuesday for Portland, where he will attend an auto mechanic school.

John McMullen of Denmark who has been attending school at Portland returned to his home Saturday to spend the holidays.

Schuyler Cook who has been mustered out from Ft. McArthur, was here Monday evening en route to home at Port Orford.

Ray Zumwalt and family accompanied by Miss Agnes McCracken of Port Orford were up here Monday to visit the dentist and do a little Xmas shopping.

Nick Marsh of Port Orford came up Monday to meet his brother, Fred who has been mustered out of the S. A. T. C. at O. A. C. They returned to their home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Olsen proprietors of the Hotel Coos at Marshfield were here Saturday. Mr. Olsen having come here to meet Mrs. Olsen who had been visiting relatives at Gold Beach.

Mrs. Roy Dixon of Gold Beach is here to take a position at the telephone exchange. Mrs. Dixon's mother-in-law and father-in-law intend to move here from Coquille in view of making their future home.

Mrs. R. A. Marsh of Port Orford stopped in Bandon Tuesday en route home from Coquille where she spent several days visiting her mother, Mrs. John Kronenberg. Mrs. Kronenberg has not been in good health lately.

A mining party composed of Dr. G. H. Cox and H. T. Man of Raleigh Mo., and Charles A. Gresham of Oakman, Arizona, left Bandon Tuesday morning after investigating mining properties on Sixes river. Dr. Cox is an optician and Mr. Mann is a mining engineer. They gave out no information as to the outcome of their visit.

ORIENTAL PHILOSOPHY.

Seek not every quality in one individual.—Shoo King (bk. ii.); Keun (ch. xli).

To see what is right and not do it, is want of courage.—Confucius An. Wei Ching (ch. xiv).

Beware. What proceeds from you will return to you again.—Mencius, King Hwuy (pt. ii., ch. xli).

Great as heaven and earth are, men still find things in them with which to be dissatisfied.—Doctrine of the Mean (ch. xli).

In ancient times men learned with a view to their own improvement. Nowadays men learn with a view to the approbation of others.—Confucius An. Hsien Wan (ch. xxv).

THE CHRISTMAS NECKTIES.

They Seldom Suit the Recipient, But They Must Be Worn Just the Same.

"Look at the trouble that is being stored up there," asserted the morbid pessimist as he pointed to a group of women around the necktie counter. "It would be funny," he continued, "if it were not so tragic. Why it is that lovely woman with all her eye for the beautiful and with all her ear for the complimentary, cannot select a necktie for a man is one of the things that rank with the unfathomable mysteries of life," says the Philadelphia Inquirer. "I would sooner send a blind man to buy me a 'warranted sound' horse than I would enlist the services of a woman to select a necktie."

"Think of the far men that will wake up on Christmas morning to find in their stockings a delicate emerald baby pink necktie that will look like a consumptive shoestring when it responds on their beautiful bosoms. Then on the other hand, the human skeleton," will probably get delirium tremens when he is made the recipient of a spotted necktie big enough to make a shawl for grandmothers. Of course, nothing will do for the nice, dignified old gentleman who never wears anything but a little black bow, but a flowing sack of passion's hue. Willie, the gay sport, on the other hand, will get something that would look nice on grandpa, and so it will go on down the line.

"On the Christmas neckties! What tragedies are written in the name!" The pessimist paused. Then he added thoughtfully: "I would, though, rather have my wife buy me a necktie than pick out my cigars."

THE NORTH SEA.

The voice of the North Sea calls, Solenn and full and slow:
"Come down to my icy cavern,
My grottoes and deeps below,
I will lay my head on your forehead
And on your forehead breast.
You shall sleep serene and quiet—
No dreams shall haunt your rest."

"I saw the boat of the Norseman
Afloat in the silent night;
I marked in the danger calms,
In the eye undimmed light,
"Come down," I cried, "We are kindred,
Thou man of fearless heart!
The door is open of Valhalla!
How all his slumbers now!

"When the herring boats outwaded
I lift my mighty arms,
I lift my heart for fishers,
The lovers of ocean charms!
The cold has kept these waters
As pure as falling snow.
Come hither, intrepid seaman!
Behold, they lie below."

"No harbor am I for spices,
Upon my gleam
In fligree of frost I wear
The midnight sun for a gem.
The Unknown North has fingers
That reach into my tide.
Oh, that our way pleased you!
He clutches deep and wide."

"Ho, ye who fear not anguish,
Ye souls of steel, come forth!
As Jacob fought with the angel,
Come, struggle with the North!
Stand face to face with trouble
And meet death with a shout.
The gate that dims your courage
Shall show the North seaman
—Youth's Companion.

THE YEAR THAT IS PAST

It Is Always the Record of What We Have Done in the Past That Counts.

New Year's day is in some way recognized by every people having a solar calendar, yet the hours of the last day of the old year generally pass with little variation from ordinary routine. Nevertheless, it is the completed book whose story impresses the reader to good or bad, that covers or fronts the pages of the new one. Near the close of our language applying to a course not absolutely marked out, describe the path that is left behind and not that which is before, says Youth's Companion. There is no count against the ship's "waa" for the course which the crew is about to break, nor of the "track of the cyclone," nor of the "spur of the tiger" nor of "the trail" of numbers and mals. It may be noted incidentally that many states and cities have recently passed laws or ordinances requiring automobiles to carry a number, in large figures, hanging from the back. Nobody who sees an automobile coming cares what its number is. Only when it happens to leave some record behind in its track is the knowledge of its number important. It is doubtless because the future is swarming with possibilities, whereas the past constitutes a record which cannot be changed, that most of our festive center about the anticipation of the new year rather than in a retrospective affection for the old. In the side days of the world, prophecy held a place of prominence among all peoples, but of history in the scientific sense there was none. This has been reversed by the utterly practical modern world. History is at a premium prophesy at a discount. Yet the old, most disregarded day of December stands for the completed record, a New Year's does for the prophecy of what is to come.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS.

We Never Get Too Old or Too Good to Have No Need of Them.

What makes New Year resolutions again? Certainly, no one is too old or too good to have need of them. But curb your enthusiasm; weigh well your chances of success, and be a little more lenient with yourself than you were a year ago. Better to set a easier task and win than to risk weakening your will power and self-respect by another failure, says the Country Gentleman. Have your ideal of perfect manhood, or womanhood, by all means. Life is indeed prosaic and commonplace without one, and—alas! it is a bitter disappointment with one unless we remember that we build the ladder by which we rise to a nobler character, and that more actual progress is made by gaining one strong round than by ten shaky ones.

Just what particular step is most needed each one must determine for him or herself. Probably 98 out of every 100 of us "boys and girls grow tall" need most to brace up and strengthen the round of cheerfulness and I question if there are many of you who can make a resolve that will do more to develop and strengthen your higher nature than an earnest one to be cheerful—even when things go wrong—for from its roots is sure to spring thoughtfulness of others, and hope, and courage.

Think of these things, and remember not only the precious assurance of help to him who "worketh out his own salvation," but that the dear "Lord loveth the cheerful giver" of hope and courage, as well as him who gladly "gives of his tongue and substance."

I will honor Christmas in my heart, I will live in the past, the present and the future. The spirits of all three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons which they teach.—Dickens.

Vanishing Pomp.
How worldly pride his pass away,
"I'm taking 'for my text,"
What is a Christmas tree one day
In holiday 'wood de wax?—Washington Star.

Under the Mistletoe.
He—This is an ideal spot for lovers, isn't it?
She—Yes. What a pity there aren't any around.—Brooklyn Life.

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