

CONDITIONS ARE IDEAL

RAINS IN MAY REACH NORMAL AMOUNT.

APRIL EXCEEDED THE AVERAGE

Prof. O'Gara States That Weather Conditions Have Been Ideal so Far For Both Quantity and Quality of Fruit Crop.

That barring unforeseen conditions never before encountered after this time of year the Rogue River Valley will have bumper crops along all lines, is the opinion of all observers.

Professor O'Gara is quoted by the Medford Sun as stating that the fact the heavy rainfall of the season fell in the spring instead of the fall made it much more valuable to the fruit crop, and that the amount of available moisture in the ground is much greater than usual this time of year.

With the almost total failure of crops from drought in many portions of California, and the heavy flood and tornado losses in the middle west it looks as if there was bound to be a big influx of settlers into Oregon the coming year and the Rogue River Valley should be alert to secure its share and to make them all boosters by refraining from misrepresentation.

Death of Mrs. Cryderman.

The friends of Mrs. Mary Cryderman will grieve to learn of her death at the home of a niece in Canada last Tuesday.

Mrs. Cryderman was a former resident of Ashland, going from here to Central Point to reside, and later to Canada.

Even Exchange.

Eggs and produce taken in exchange for dry goods, shoes, groceries, etc., at the Ashland Trading Company.

For Sale.

At a bargain and on easy terms if sold soon, a 5-room cottage with bath. Address J. E. G., care the Tidings office.

You'll find it at the big store up the hill.

St. Helens Hall

Resident and Day School for Girls. In charge of Sister M. John Baptist (Episcopal). Courses: Academic and Elementary Departments. Music, Art, Elongation, Domestic Art, Domestic Science, Gymnasium.

PLEASE HELP US.

Co-operation Needed to Issue Tidings Promptly.

The Tidings is again obliged to ask the co-operation of its patrons in its effort to get the paper out on time. The management hates to turn down either news items or advertising which come in late, but it is impossible to get the paper to its readers on time if either items or advertising matter are late in coming into the office.

For this reason it is necessary that the last copy for display advertising be in by 10 o'clock on publication day. The earlier copy is in the better both for the advertiser and for the office.

The same is equally true of pay readers and news items, though they can sometimes be gotten in up to noon.

Unless the paper goes to press shortly after noon it is impossible to make the afternoon mail south, and as there is but one paper mail north per day they have to lay until the next afternoon if we miss the mail on publication days.

Farmers' Meeting

to prepare for the U. S. Land Show at Chicago and other places in the fall of 1913.

The Commercial Club of Ashland has selected D. M. Lowe to again head our land show displays, and this year means to invade the U. S. land shows. The State Development League will transport all exhibits and stand expense of displaying.

Come and hear how the project is to be carried on. Give a boost for the valley. Help the land show display. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Fourth shipment of garden hose at Warner's—and we will have special prices again on Friday.

One-third off on Red Seal hair goods at Enders'.

TEA AS A BEVERAGE.

It is Said to Enrich a Person Both Morally and Physically.

Did you know that tea drinking is a splendid aid to one's morals? At least that is the opinion of an English scientist who not long ago compiled a learned treatise to show the beneficial effects of tea drinking from a spiritual, physical and moral standpoint.

A meal in the morning, he says, with tea as the beverage will enable a man to pursue his day's work with faculties unclouded, temper unruffled and a generally amiable state of nerves.

It vanishes dreams, increases the memory and prevents sleeplessness. It has been observed that it has contributed more to the sobriety of the Chinese than the severest laws, the most eloquent harangues and the best treatise on morality.

But, in addition to all this, he claims for tea a strengthening effect on morality. A man who is stimulated by a generous cupful of tea, moderately strong, will be able to withstand more successfully the manifold temptations that assail him in the business and social world into which he is plunged than the man who is not sustained by the same beverage.

TONGUES OF BIRDS.

That of the Humming Bird is About the Most Curious of All.

A German naturalist has gathered some curious data with reference to the tongues of birds. As he points out, many persons suppose that woodpeckers use their sharp pointed tongues as darts with which to transfix their prey. It is true that the woodpecker, like the humming bird, can dart out its tongue with extraordinary rapidity and that its mouth is furnished with an elaborate mechanism for this purpose, yet investigation shows that the object of their swift motion is only to catch the prey, not to pierce it.

Inasmuch as it possesses the power of imitating speech, it is not surprising to learn that the parrot's tongue resembles that of man more closely than any other bird's tongue does. It is not because the parrot is more intelligent than many other birds, but because its tongue is better suited for articulation than theirs that it is able to amuse us with its mimicry.

In some respects the humming bird's tongue is the most remarkable of all, it is double nearly from end to end, so that the little creature is able to grasp its insect prey very dextrously as if its mouth were furnished with a pair of fingers.

Gardens of the Bosphorus.

The gardens of the Bosphorus are one of the most characteristic features of that river-like strait. They have, moreover, a definite cachet of their own. This is largely prescribed to them by the nature of the soil on which they are laid out.

He Wouldn't Respond.

When Joaquin Miller's play, "The Danites," was produced for the first time the play caught the crowd's fancy, and at the end of the second act there were great calls from the audience for "Author, author!"

The manager looked around for Miller, but could not find him. He sent several of his assistants all over the theater to hunt Miller up and bring him before the footlights to address the clamorous audience.

After some time spent in searching Miller was spied sitting among the crowd way up in the gallery, where the calls of "Author!" were most numerous. Upon being asked to go down and address the audience, Miller refused, saying that wild horses couldn't drag him down there.

Value of Merriment.

The mere physical act of laughter quickens the circulation and the breathing, supplies the body with more oxygen and stimulates every organ. Good humor dispels ill health. Our moods or humors affect the health for good or ill. The meal eaten to the accompaniment of family quarrels or depressing arguments is infinitely less valuable than the one taken in pleasant company.

Proof.

"I tell you, Pat, it's the old friends that are the best, and I can prove it." "How will ye do that, Mike?" "Where I ask ye as man to man—where will ye find a new friend that has stood by ye as long as the old ones?"

More Deadly.

"Pat!" "Well?" "What is a buttress?" "A buttress is—er—why—a nanny goat, of course. Why don't you use your head a little and not ask so many questions?"

CORK TREE BARK.

If Carefully Removed a New Supply Grows in a Few Years.

As most people know, cork is the outer bark of an oak. This tree, known to the botanists as Quercus suber, is an evergreen, native to the Mediterranean region, and is cultivated in France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Morocco, Tunis and Algiers.

We are so familiar with the use of cork for the stoppers of bottles that we seldom realize its manifold other uses, though its connection with bottles dates back only about 500 years.

Just as our word for stopper has been derived from the word cork, so cork itself has probably been derived from the Spanish corcho, which in turn is derived from the Latin cortex, meaning rind. Some authors, however, would derive cork from quercus, the generic name of all oaks.

Cork is present in the bark of all trees, though in quantities too small to make it useful in the many ways in which cork from the cork oak is employed. The cork barked elm, the sweet gum and a few others have strongly developed cork.

The Modern Cinderella.

One day the teacher during recess told the children the story of Cinderella. The next day, to test their memory, she asked them:

"Why did Cinderella have to leave the ball promptly at 12?"

A bright little maid answered: "So she could catch the last car."—St. Louis Republic.

The Dear Friends.

"You should not talk about that girl in that fashion."

"Why not?"

"The Bible says we should love our enemies."

"She ain't no enemy; she's a friend of mine."—Houston Post.

Shakespeare on the Road.

Hamlet had just been bit by a cold storage egg, whereupon he turned gravely to his audience.

"How truly spoke the good Marcellus!" quoth he. "Something is rotten in the state of Denmark!"—Harper's Weekly.

Inquisitive.

"Could you learn to love me?" "I don't know," replied the girl. "What is your particular system of instruction?"—Washington Herald.

It is always easier to stand off and criticise than it is to rush in and help.—Sydney Smith.

Rose Festival Special

via the



FROM

Ashland---Medford---Grants Pass

AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

Leaving Ashland Monday evening, June 9, at 6 P. M.

ROUND TRIP FARE FROM ASHLAND \$10.25

One fare round trip from other points in the Rogue River Valley.

Tickets will be sold Monday, June 9th, only, and will be good for return on or before June 16.

For further particulars, reservations, etc., call on George N. Kramer, Agent, or address:

JOHN M. SCOTT

General Passenger Agent, Portland, Ore.

The Descending Point of View.

"Sir," he said, "you have more money than I have—you should divide with me."

The man of wealth received the suggestion with a strong show of interest.

"I think I get your point of view," he said. "And the man with less wealth than yourself—will you divide with him?"

"That's his affair," replied the adjuster coldly and stalked away.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

NOTICE.

Please get your items for the Tidings in the day before date of publication, if possible. All matter must hereafter be in type by noon on publication day.

British imports of wood pulp last year amounted to 2,037,000,000 pounds.

Natatorium!

Baths Are Open Night and Day At the Natatorium

Mrs. J. R. Burnett will give private swimming lessons afternoon and evening, 50 cents each.

MONRAD NYBY

Brick and Cement Work

Fireplaces a Specialty.

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We have just added a rubber stamp department and are now prepared to furnish every kind of stamp.



Including Steel Dies, Metal Checks, Seals, Stencils, Dog Tax Checks, Notarial Seals,

And everything in the stamp and die line. Mail orders solicited.

The Tidings, Ashland, Ore.

Advertisement for 'Behind the Counter' by Ashland Electric Power and Light Company, featuring an illustration of a man behind a counter.