

OREGON PEOPLE HAVE POWER TO KEEP PROSPEROUS

Individual Increase of Purchase of Oregon Products Would Bring Prodigious Wealth.

"I trust that not only every member of this federation, but every member of her family will be literally 'full of prunes' next week," said Mrs. Alexander Thompson, president of the Portland Federation of Women's Organizations, at the meeting of that body Saturday afternoon at the Portland hotel. Mrs. Thompson's admonition to observe Prune week was a follow up of the address by B. F. Irvine, editor of The Journal, on "Keeping People Prosperous in Spite of Themselves."

Irvine set forth facts and figures to show that the women of the state have it within their power to keep Oregon prosperous by demanding at all times Oregon made products. "Just remember this one little cycle," he said. "Employment makes buying power; buying power makes consumption; consumption makes production and production makes employment."

"There are in Oregon 70,000 people employed in the production of commodities that you are buying every day; their annual wage is \$70,000,000; their output is worth \$200,000,000. The question is, do we want to keep those people employed so that their wages may be spent here and the money involved in their output circulated here, or are we going to continue to buy Northern and Eastern products, thereby helping those who contribute not one cent to us or to our state, and at the same time deny our own manufacturers and their employees the livelihood that is rightfully theirs? If we would increase our purchase of Oregon-made goods but 50 cents a day, we would increase Oregon's income \$150,000,000. That is a little thing to do and quite within our power, yet is it not worth while?"

An address on the evolution of the status of women of the Far East and the power of women in bringing about world peace, was delivered by Janabe Fazel, Persian.

The federation's endorsement was given senate bill 287 providing for an appropriation for \$5000 for the Albert J. Kerr Nursery; and of the new industrial department of the Public Welfare bureau providing for the salvaging of discarded clothing and furniture.

The federation voiced its disapproval of gambling at the state fair and of any effort to decrease the powers of the law in controlling gambling.

Pioneer Coal Miner Dies
Marshallfield, Feb. 12. Philip Brynn, aged 78 and a resident of Coos county for 37 years, died at his home here. He was a native of Wales and was one of the pioneer coal miners of this locality.

DANISH AID SUFFERERS



Above—Miss Ella Anderson in tableau as Goddess of Denmark. Below—Miss Marie Hagensen (sitting) and Miss Grace Hagensen as maidens of Schleswig.

The tableaux of Maidens of Schleswig and the Goddess of Denmark with Miss Ella Anderson as the goddess and Miss Grace Hagensen and Miss Marie Hagensen as the maidens, were features of the benefit program given by the Danish societies of Portland for the relief of the war orphans of the province of Schleswig, recently restored to Denmark. The tableaux were directed by Mrs. George Lindahl, who was assisted by Mrs. M. Jensen.

The musical program was furnished by Dr. Emil Enna, pianist; Miss Helen Harper, violinist, and Robert Wallace, vocal soloist. The ushers, Evelyn Krog, Laura Christensen, Lillian Bjerdal and Elise Theilade, were in the national costume of red and white.

PRUNES GIFT TO STARVING CHINESE

Marion Growers Heartily Favor Relief Plan; Donation Made Campaign Gains.

Enthusiastic indorsement of the plan to send shipments of Oregon foodstuffs to famine-stricken China was a feature of a meeting at Salem Wednesday night of 250 Marion county prune growers, who backed up their indorsement with the promise of liberal donations of first quality Oregon prunes to aid in making up consignments of salmon, wheat, flour and other varieties of home-grown foods of which there are great



surplus stocks unsold on the hands of Oregon producers.

The meeting was addressed by F. A. Kurtz, chairman of the prune campaign committee, which will launch the heavy program of varied publicity activities scheduled for prune week, February 14-21, next Monday morning.

Chairman Kurtz personally donated

200 pounds of prunes for the first food shipment, which will probably be sent to China February 21 via free government transportation on the West Nipponia. Many of the orchardists present said they would make generous contributions to the China famine fund, that liberal quantities, based on a percentage of the fruit which it is expected, will be moved through the "prune week" selling campaign, will be given outright by the growers, in addition to the offer to sell prunes at bed-rock prices, to the China famine fund management. The latter is appealing to public spirited and humanitarian citizens to help a great home industry and at the same time provide food for the starving Chinese by sending cash contributions to the China famine fund, 606 Stock Exchange building, for the purchase of prunes to be sent to China.

Throughout the state, according to reports of county chairmen of the Near East relief organization, handling the joint China and Near East campaign, there are overstocks of various foods suitable for shipment to the famine-stricken Chinese provinces. Because there is a sluggish market for these stocks there is a scarcity of ready money for cash subscriptions, so that many sections are anxious to make up their China famine fund and Near East relief quota largely in foodstuffs. Many counties will raise funds locally to purchase local food stocks, and in Umatilla and Union counties, where there are tremendous supplies of wheat, this work is already well under way.

EAT PRUNES; PRICE TO BE LOW DURING WEEK

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These, along with the other supplies, are to be given free transportation to China, where over 45,000,000 people, 10,000,000 of them children, due to two consecutive seasons of drouth, are menaced by a famine.

OFFICES DONATED

The Near East relief committee, with J. J. Handaker at its head, has loaned its office machinery and is cooperating in every way with the Chinese relief committee, which is headed by A. L. Mills and E. B. Piper. The wheat which is being sent will be used for both food and seed purposes.

Many civic, state and some national organizations are lending their assistance to make Prune week a success. School children will be given material for essays upon the importance of the prune industry, and recipes showing new methods of using prunes will be given out by the school superintendents.

Business men's organizations will feature prunes in their week's programs. The Spanish War Veterans have adopted the slogan, "We bought your cotton, now buy our prunes," which will be used in practically every state of the Union.

BUSINESS HOUSES TO HELP

Hotels, groceries and restaurants have promised their support, and the prune will have an important place on every menu. Grocery stores will show well arranged window displays, with the prune as the center of attraction.

Prune bread has been found to be equally as good as raisin bread, and it is anticipated that it will not be long until prune bread will be used almost entirely in place of raisin bread.

Warning Bell Ordered

Salem, Feb. 12.—An order issued by the public service commission today requires that the Southern Pacific company and the Oregon Electric Railway companies join in maintaining a bell signal at the Lombardy street crossing in Beaverton.

Eastern Multnomah Farmers Seek New Members for Bureau

A preliminary meeting of farmers in Eastern Multnomah county was held Friday at the office of County Agricultural Agent S. B. Hall, and arrangements made by them to carry on an intensive campaign for membership and permanent organization of a Multnomah county farm bureau. There were about 60 farmers present and the interest was so strong that a joint note for \$1500 was signed to guarantee the preliminary expenses of organization. H. A. Lewis was appointed county campaign manager. The membership fee during this campaign will be \$5.

The farm bureau aims to improve

agriculture by modern methods of marketing, breeding, seedling and mutual conferences concerning practical questions pertaining to farm life.

Sentiment in Curry Is Not for Boycott

Gold Beach, Feb. 12.—The boycott threatened in some quarters of southwestern Oregon as an expression of resentment against Portland business houses for alleged participation in urging defeat of the Roosevelt highway bill before the legislature, is not seriously considered by the people of Curry county. General public sentiment places confidence in the state highway commission and action detrimental to the state road program is not urged.

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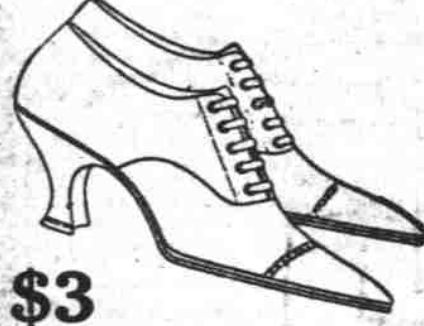
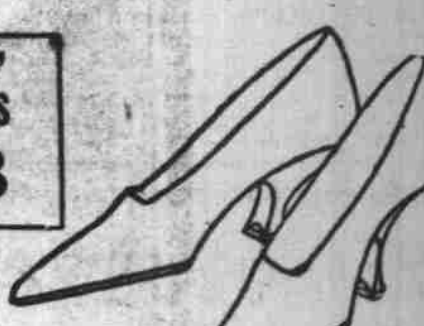
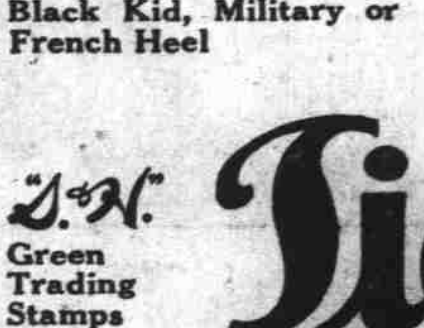
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OREGON MINERALS CONVENTION TOPIC

Chromite, Manganese, Quicksilver in State Are Expected to Get Attention of Convention.

Chromite, manganese and quicksilver deposits which abound in many sections of Oregon and which are valuable for many uses, are neglected because these native products cannot be extracted from the earth and put on the market to compete on equal terms with similar products sent out by the cheaper labor of Spain and Caledonia.

This subject has been selected as one to be presented to the third international mining convention to be held in Portland April 5 to 9, according to Henry M. Parks, executive chairman of the convention.

U. S. AID WANTED
"The convention will no doubt take some step urging federal legislation to encourage mining," Parks said. "Chromite in particular is found in Oregon in large and extensive deposits, and its value as an alloy with steel renders it extremely valuable to the steel industry and profitable to the miner."

"Manganese and quicksilver are also plentiful in Oregon, and as their uses are many, these deposits could be developed to such an extent that they would become a thriving industry in Oregon."

PHOSPHATE INTERESTS
"Another feature of the convention which will prove of much local interest will be the discussions which will center about the phosphate deposits of Idaho. Nearly all of this valuable soft rock from Idaho is shipped through the Port of Portland to the Japanese, who have become large users of it as a fertilizer. The magnitude of these deposits, their origin, methods of mining and shipment and the manner of handling at the Portland terminal will be outlined by an expert. It is predicted that these shipments to Japan will total 300,000 tons annually. This will leave in the coffers of Portland \$150,000 a year."

Rivers Overflowing About Grays Harbor

Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 12.—The heavy warm rains for the past two days have raised the rivers in the upper part of Grays Harbor county. The Chehalis, Wynoochee and Satsop rivers are overflowing their banks and the lowlands around Elma, Satsop and Montesano are flooded. Residents living in those localities say the water is higher than at any time this winter. No damage has been reported. The Pacific highway, between Hoquiam and Moclips, has been flooded in places with 2 feet of water. Traffic was resumed over this route today.

Hot Lake Arrivals

Hot Lake, Feb. 12.—Arrivals at Hot Lake sanatorium Thursday were: John H. Ingram, Baker; F. W. Brayford, Portland; W. A. Rhodes, Pendleton; Mrs. A. M. Canball, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Russell, Sand Point; D. J. Kenney, Portland; Mrs. Belle Hart, Baker; Bruce Cox and F. Appling, La Grande; A. D. Boyd, Portland; Carl Christensen, Joseph; J. L. Brown, Yakima, Wash.; James A. Hopkins, Harrisville, N. J.; Mrs. O. W. Smith and Alice Smith, The Dalles; S. A. Ingerson, Kamela.

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