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"SALEM AND PORTLAND"

"When you pass along the streets of Salem you wonder why the streets of Portland were made so narrow.

"The broad streets of Salem are rest for the eye and refreshment for the soul. Standing at the west end of Wilson park and looking eastward with the state house in the perspective, you behold a beautiful picture. The broad thoroughfares on both sides, flanked by beautiful homes, rows of trees and splendidly kept lawns are the frame of a wonderful setting. As you pass in contemplation along either side, you highly resolve that if you ever lay out a city, you will never commit the criminal mistake of an under allowance for streets.

"Salem is a beautiful state capital. Other capitals may have taller buildings and more population, but not one has more beautiful lines than are the broad thoroughfares stretching, tree-arched and lawn-lined, away to the country.

"The whole atmosphere is atmosphere of breadth, airiness and comfort. It is the opposite of the narrowed, cramped, gloomy tenement district. It conveys to you the thought that the original owners were not tightwads, and that when they came to making allowance for streets, their hearts were big and their hands wide open.

"Unlike those who platted Portland, the original Salem men seem to have divined that some day the automobile would come along and bring its tremendous traffic problems. In the broad streets there, all the automobiles and all the other now undreamed of vehicles that may appear can never seriously congest traffic. There will be room for them all because Salem, the beautiful Oregon state capital, is an uncrowded outdoors city.

"Meanwhile, automobiles will multiply and thicken and speed and have occasional idiots to drive them. And within five years or less what will poor Portland with her narrowed and cramped thoroughfares do?

"Is there anybody who doesn't realize that here is a problem that presently will become acute and that it will have to be solved by some drastic and unusual method?"

The above is from the Portland Journal of Sunday, June 22. It is what Frank Irvine, the blind editor of that paper, "saw" during his recent visit to Salem, to be present and speak at the commencement exercises of Willamette University.

And Frank Irvine "sees" very many things that people with two eyes overlook.

All the people of Salem are friends of his; and they will feel still more friendly, if possible, on account of the kind and truthful words quoted above.

The fourteen wars in Russia go on.

President Wilson seems to like to shatter precedents.

It will likely be up to the United States to put the house of Mexico in order. Then only Russia will remain.

Japan is sending more soldiers into Russia. Will the little brown men of Asia have to whip the great European nation again?

When the covenant of the league of nations is ratified it will still be necessary to keep a dog in some neighborhoods where chickens are raised. This is official.—Exchange.

Carrying the mail by airplane will soon be the rule in the United States. It can't be any more uncertain in delivery than that we have enjoyed under the Burleson administration.—Exchange.

William Howard Taft says he could not get the Republican nomination in 1920 if he desired it. Don't

worry. William, you are not the only statesman in that box.—Exchange.

The fact is, Mr. Taft is the least worried big man on the green earth.

A friend at the writer's elbow complains: "We have just learned how to dodge a fast flying automobile, but it is new necessary to learn to be able to skid from under an airplane that evidences a desire to drop."

There are 1400 members in the official party of the United States at the Paris peace conference. If some Parisian hotels are a sample of what they have been compelled to endure the past few months they will no doubt be glad to get back to the dear old U. S. A. and get some real eats.—Los Angeles Times.

"President" De Valera's arrival by way of seaplane and steamship suggests difficulties to some in keeping tabs on the departure of fugitives. A "hop" to the three-mile limit is already quite a simple matter. But perhaps the League of Nations will find it necessary to give

the world some new rules concerning the rights of persons beyond the three mile limit; or some clear interpretations of the old rules.

There are some senators in Washington who are trying to save their faces in this covenant-of-nations matter and it isn't those who are in favor of the pact, either. The clever Elihu Root is doing his best to unscramble things.—Exchange. The senators feel called upon to do a little harmless camouflage work in order to help these togged brothers out of a hole; or make them think they feel like they are out.

There is a good deal of running off at the mouth by the Berlin newspapers. But Germany will finally settle down, and buckle-down to the fulfillment of her obligations under the peace treaty. She will have to; and, when she gets down to business she will probably be surprised at how easy is her task; with the great army and navy expenses and the support of royalty off her back.

FREIGHTS AND RATES.

One of the members of the Interstate commerce commission is of the opinion that another advance of about 30 per cent will be necessary in freight rates before the railroads can meet their increased expenditures.

And this is only a starter. The advance will be reflected in the price of commodities and as these increase so must also the cost of freighting them. It is an endless chain—mostly wound about the consumer's neck.

And the only way to break it is to give the railroads back to their owners—and this should be done with all possible haste.

PLENTY OF NEWS.

With peace finally declared, what will the statesmen of the world have to talk about? We shall miss the familiar views of "Tiger" Clemenceau and the piano passages of the Hon. David Lloyd George.—Exchange.

There will be plenty of things to talk about in future days, and the old "Tiger" of France and the stormy petrel of British politics are not likely to disappear: from the front page for a long time yet; if they live and retain their usual robust health.

The world will have a lot of important things to do in the reconstruction period.

In fact, it will never get through. There are a lot of things much more worthy of being talked about and read about than war; though the historians have that fact yet to learn.

HARD TO SAY.

It is still hard to tell whether the administration of Admiral Kolehak at Omsk is a government default or defect.

THE BETTER PART.

There's more sense in working for money than wishing for it.

LEST WE FORGET!

The tumult and the shouting dies—The captains and the kings depart—Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice, An humble and a contrite heart, Lord God of hosts, be with us yet, Lest we forget—lest we forget!

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

July first, The pickers are still busier. Some of the loganberry pickers will do most of their celebrating in the yards. There will be other years after 1919; and the loganberry interests ought to cooperate and work together. They will get much farther, in the long run, by this plan. Things are growing busier down at the foot of Trade street, where the construction of Salem's paper mill is proceeding. Senator Borah is going so far afield, in his running amuck, that he will never get back. He is committing political suicide. Salem is assuming a holiday appearance. There will be three days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There are indications that the land boom that has struck the middle west is traveling this way, with seven league boots.

FUTURE DATES.

June 20 to July 13—Methodist Centenary celebration at Columbus, Ohio. June 2 to 30—Salvation Army fund drive by Elks. July 2 and 3—State encampment of United Spanish war veterans in Salem. July 5 to 13—Annual convention of the Christian church at Turner. July 23, Wednesday—William J. Bryan speaks in Salem. August 14, 15, and 16—Elks state convention at Klamath Falls. September, 22-27—Fifty-eighth Oregon state fair.

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IN A SOCIAL WAY

By RUTH LENORE FISHER

A very quiet home wedding occurred last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lot L. Pearce when their only daughter Miss Jennie L. Pearce was united in marriage to William A. Erwin of Knappa. The Rev. W. C. Kantner officiated at the ring ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Erwin left for Portland and other cities and will later go to Knappa to make their home where the groom is assistant manager of the Big Creek Logging company. Mrs. Erwin is well known here where she has made her home for some time. She is a graduate of the Salem high school and of the Salem hospital. Her many friends here will regret very much that she is leaving Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cook and daughter, Jennie, and son, Joseph, have returned to their home in Burns after visiting at the W. W. Corey home.

Mrs. L. M. Vance of Portland accompanied by her two daughters, Dorothy and Lena, spent the weekend with her son, F. R. Vance. Sunday they formed a picnic party and went to Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wood entertained over the week-end a group of friends from Portland who motored up. Those in the party were: Mrs. R. M. Gill, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Crawford, Miss Helen Wood, Miss Mary Gill, John Fitzgerald, J. W. Crawford, and Robert Gill.

The members of Professor Ralph Harr's music class met last Thursday night and enjoyed a real musical treat from his pupils. The house was artistically decorated with roses. Professor Harr opened the program by asking those present to sing the Star Spangled Banner. The first of the program consisted of scale work and exercises by the class followed by the program:

Martha (Smith) Gladys Anderson. Home Sweet Home. Lucille Rhoten. Heavenward Marche Celeste (Sawyers) Daphne Way.

Whispers of Love (Kinkle) Elmer Schoen. Duet—"The Old Folks at Home" (Rosewig) Marion Muriel, Robert Renner.

Woodland Echoes (Wyman) Margaret Hogg. Drill in musical terms. Star of the Sea (Kennedy) Florence McDonald.

My Old Kentucky Home (Rosewig) Robert Renner. Silvery Waves (Wyman) Esther Fisher.

The Alphabet March (Bilbro) Harriet Packard. Thine Own (Lang) Margaret Hogg. Rudiments of music by the class. Poet and Peasant Overture (Suppe) Gladys Anderson. Moonlight on the Hudson (Smith) Mrs. J. Robison.

Miss Dorothy Churchill of Portland is spending her vacation with Miss Marian Bretz.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Schuneman will leave today for an extended motor trip. They will drive to Yellowstone Park and spend a few days there, and from there to Council Bluffs, Iowa, to visit Mrs. Schuneman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth McCarty. From there they will drive to Columbia, Tennessee, to visit Mr. Schuneman's brother, whom he has not seen for 16 years. They will return to Salem about October 1.

The Northwestern School of Music and art gave their closing graduating recital at the Young Men's Christian Association auditorium, Portland last Tuesday night, June 24. The class was assisted by a piano solo by Mrs. Mary Matovich of Salem. In closing the audience sang "Sweet Bunch of Daisies" the words of which were written by the late Charles H. Jones, editor of the Oregon Teachers Monthly.

A merry group of young people motored to Silver Creek falls Sunday and enjoyed an all day picnic at that pleasant place. Those making up the party were: Misses Lucy Nichols, Louise Timme, Ruth Tucker, Ida Schunk, Alice Schunk, Bessie Schunk, and John Hain, Alex Dunas, Madison Nichols, Arthur Johnson, Ray Hawthorne, and Archie Dunas.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Austin will regret to hear that they will soon leave Salem to make their home in Anaheim, Calif. Mrs. Austin accompanied her husband to Portland

Friday from where he will go to San Francisco and later to Anaheim to make arrangements for their home. Mrs. Austin and daughter, Florence and Harriet plan to leave in a few weeks.

Friends are again welcoming Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Ashenbrenner of Coena, Calif., who when they formerly lived in this city were very well known. They motored up from

their home arriving Sunday. Where here they will be the guests of Mrs. Ashenbrenner's sister, Mrs. E. E. Martin and of Mrs. Ashenbrenner's sister Mrs. W. J. Culver. They plan to here and in Portland several weeks visiting relatives and old friends.

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Mrs. G. E. Terwilliger is her guest, Mrs. Bertha Drey Gilman, past department president of the Women's Relief corps, of Heppner. Mrs. Gilman comes to represent the department of Oregon at the meeting of the Spanish American War veterans on July 4.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Farby and daughter, Helen, arrived home last



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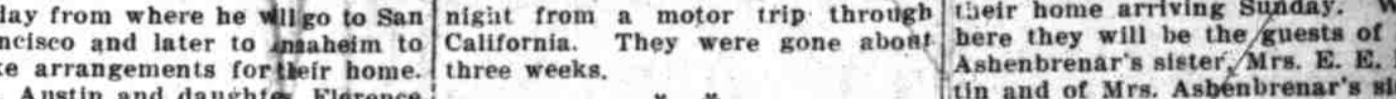
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