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BEEKEEPING A GREAT AND A NECESSARY INDUSTRY

Aristotle, Cato, Varro, Pliny, Columella, Palladius all studied the bees. Aristomachus, according to Pliny, watched them for fifty-eight years.

Palestine was known to the Israelites as the land of milk and honey.

Honey is spoken of at least a dozen times in the Bible. But the real history of the bee dates from the seventeenth century, with the discoveries of the great Dutch savant Swammerdam, who brought the whole political scheme of the hive into a most unexpected light by basing it upon maternity. The queen had theretofore been regarded as a king, with the attributes of both sexes.

A German clergyman invented the first hive with movable combs, thereby enabling beekeepers thereafter to take their share of the harvest without being obliged to destroy their best colonies. Its imperfections were given masterly improvements by Langstroth, who invented the movable frame adopted in America.

"The Life of the Bee" by Maurice Maeterlinck, is the greatest of all books of its class; a romance of the life and work and government of the little republics of the apiary. It is a book that no one who can read and understand should miss. It will give any one feelings of reverence akin to the author's own in contemplation of the "virgin daughters of toil," in their "curious, profound and intimate" relationships in their hives; in their "rustling, wing-lit" homes, where there is a "spirit and atmosphere" of "perfume and mystery," a feeling of awe at the work which "begins in the dazzling sunshine and receives its crown in the darkness."

But we are more intimately concerned with beekeeping as one of the fifty-two (or more) basic industries of Salem, being covered by the Salem Slogan campaign of a year being carried on by The Statesman.

The reader will conclude, after going over the matter on the Slogan pages, that beekeeping is indeed a basic industry for this section. One man interviewed calls it our greatest industry; he means potentially greatest.

Beekeeping is profitable here; and can be made very profitable. And, for the fruit grower, it carries more than a double profit. The fruit grower must have bees, for pollination purposes.

He cannot be sure of success in his industry without the help of the winged workers in carrying the pollen from flower to flower, as they go their rounds gathering the nectar.

"No farmer should be without a few stands of bees," says Prof. Lovett of the O. A. C. He gives this encouraging word to our people: "Average yields in the Willamette valley, considered for a period of years, WILL EXCEED THOSE OF ANY REGION EXCEPT SOUTHERN OREGON."

J. N. Skaife, who has kept bees for 40 years within 40 miles of Salem, recommends one colony of bees for each ten acres of fruit and each five acres of berries.

G. A. Miller, who has kept bees all his life and is successful with them, and is a fruit grower, puts it one colony to every three acres of fruit. And he himself has 26 colonies with his 20 acres of berries, and he got 40 pounds of surplus honey to the hive last year.

Henry Wohlfart of St. Paul gets 3000 to 4000 pounds of honey annually from 65 colonies. He says he finds beekeeping both a pleasure and a profit, and he expects to have bees as long as he is able to attend to them.

R. W. Hogg, over in Polk, one of our most successful breeders and fruit growers, makes beekeeping pay; and he says beekeeping would be carried on by him as a necessary part of his fruit growing industry, if he never got a pound of surplus honey.

The list might be extended almost indefinitely. But there is enough information contained in the Slogan pages to convince any one that beekeeping is a potentially great basic industry here; that it is absolutely necessary in connection with our immense and expanding fruit industry; that the bees, in order to thrive, must have care, and they must have all have bee pasture.

There must be more sweet clover; more Scotch broom, and more of a lot of other crops and growths in order to insure the success of all who will take up and intelligently and industriously follow beekeeping.

And in the days to come the "honey of Hymettus" will be outdone by the fame of the honey of the Willamette valley.

A REJOINER BY WALTER L. TOOZE

Editor Statesman: Replying to the comments of Frank Davey in your issue of Feb. 25, captioned, "Davey Sticks To His Contention," I regret to note that my esteemed friend is evidently somewhat peeved and even resorts to the questionable method of ridicule to bolster up his argument. I am neither the Republican National nor State Chairman of the great party of which Frank and I are loyal members. If his contention is based on correct "Party Political Ethics," then even a precinct committeeman can and should do nothing to elect his choice for President. The theory of brother Davey might be applied to any and all candidates for county and state offices. In other words, our friend Davey would establish a wide zone of neutrality and would divest and withhold from thousands of loyal Republicans the freedom of political action and the God-given American privilege to make their choice untrammelled and unfettered by the political leaders of the country. I ask no voter to follow my lead because of the fact that I am the chairman of the Marion county Republican central committee, and I decline absolutely to favor any particular candidate or candidates in my territory, but when it comes to candidates on the Republican ticket for President of the United States no political fetters shall bind me and therefore I support General Leonard Wood who in my estimation is Rooseveltian in character and action and is best fitted as an executive organizer and reconstructionist to occupy the presidential chair.

My friend for more than thirty years throws into his article for good measure or camouflage two expressions which are entirely uncalled for, namely, "100 per cent American" ("by self proclamation") and "glittering sky rocket expressions don't count, Walter." "In the language of the small boy they are only 'bunk' and the world is getting sick of this stuff." These words are and ought to be beneath the dignity of my esteemed friend Davey, and I am sure that

he regrets already such puerile and infantile language to one who has been and is his friend. These expressions, however, coming from a friend of mine who may sit in the coming session of the Oregon legislature remind me of the fact that on Sunday I received from the hands of the Daughters of the American Revolution through the American Legion a most beautiful memorial from the government of France in honor of my brilliant and heroic son who fell on the battlefield of the Argonne. The chasm of my grief can never be bridged by the passing of the years, and it does appear to me that at least I should have the American privilege of exercising my political rights without the bitter and useless criticism of a friend and one of my own political faith. Frank, you may call it "bunk" and "glittering sky rocket expressions," but I remind you that you and many other American citizens HAVE NOT PAID the price in this great war and still do not value American citizenship and the blessings of liberty to their fullest extent.

Hon. Frank Davey, in conclusion permit me to call your attention to the fact that I have not written or spoken a single word that might be construed as an attempt to belittle or to ridicule you before the people of this county, state, or nation, and this statement also applies to your candidate for the presidency, Hon. Frank Lowden, and all other candidates who are mentioned for the presidency, by the Republican Party.

My position since the death of Roosevelt has been and now is that General Leonard Wood is best qualified to fill the position of chief executive of this the greatest nation on earth. —WALTER LINCOLN TOOZE, SR.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

The bee is no slacker.

The worker bee just works herself to death, in six weeks.

She is the virgin daughter of toil.

The fruit men can make this the bee paradise of the world. They have got to do it, too, in order to make their crops absolutely safe.

Provide plenty of bee pasture, and plenty of bees, and one hour of sunshine in the fruit blooming season of any variety of fruit will make pollenization absolutely sure.

And there is no other way under heaven.

Next slogan subject, mining. Didn't know Salem is a coming mining center, did you?

Gold and silver and copper and lead. And perhaps oil, too.

Readers no longer bother with the reports of the senate proceedings. They are tired and sick and nauseated. They want action, not words and promises and hot air.

GRAVEL CASE IS BEFORE OLCOTT

Bids Must Be Submitted Under New Law, According to Attorneys

Prospective bidders for furnishing gravel to the state for the improvement of roads in Coos county appeared before the governor here yesterday and urged a ruling as to how to proceed under a new law passed at the recent special session of the legislature providing that persons wishing to take gravel from any navigable stream in Oregon must first file with the state land board formal bids. The receipts for the sale of this gravel, under the provisions of the act, shall become a part of the state school funds. Inasmuch as the prospective bidders propose to take the gravel from the Umpqua river, the state land board today authorized the state engineer to make an investigation with relation to adjudication of rights along the stream as they affect ownership of gravel deposits. A representative of the state engineer's office left today for southern Oregon to conduct this investigation. Because the law gives preference to property owners abutting the streams from which gravel is to be taken, it is expected that keen competition will prevail among the prospective bidders and the state will save several thousands of dollars in obtaining gravel necessary to complete the Coos Bay project.

JOHNSON EAGER FOR BIG BATTLE

Burly Negro Would Fight Provided He Gets Share of Entrance Receipts

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 25.—Jack Johnson, the negro fighter who won the heavyweight championship from Jeffries and who has been a fugitive from justice from the United States for several years, being charged with violation of the Mann act, is ready to accept a proposal to fight at Tijuana, just across the border in Mexico, according to a telegram received from him. The message from Mexico City said: "Send man to close contract and give him \$1000 expense money for me. I want 32 1-3 per cent of the gate receipts."



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BOOZE DEALERS GET DECISION

Enforcement of Dry Statute Is In Doubt Because of Legal Interpretation

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—The first setback in the enforcement of national prohibition in this district when the Volstead act came today when Judge J. Whitaker Thompson, in the United States district court, refused to grant an injunction to restrain a local saloonkeeper from maintaining and conducting a public and common nuisance, and rebuked Federal prohibition enforcement officers for searching the saloon without a warrant after it had been admitted that agents had driven patrons from the place at the point of a pistol.

"I never heard of such autocratic authority exercised by federal officers before," said Judge Thompson. "and it will not be tolerated by this court."

Idaho Defeats Aggies In One-Sided Game

WALLACE, Idaho, Feb. 25.—Jerome J. Day, chairman of the Democratic state central committee, today issued a call for a special meeting of the committee at Moscow on March 5, to select a date and place for holding a state convention. The state convention will select delegates to the national convention at San Francisco and also will name a national committeeman. Selection of a place for the meeting of the state convention, which will be held under the law on the fourth Tuesday in August, also is to be made. This will be the first meeting of a Democratic state committee held in northern Idaho for ten years.

Electrical Workers to Vote on Future Strike

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—The general strike committee of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers voted tonight to submit the question of calling off the strike against the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company to the local union of the organization. This announcement was made by T. C. Ackers, chairman of the committee.

Drink Question Looms For Due Consideration

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 25.—The drink problem must be considered anew in all its bearings, by some entirely disinterested body, said Hugh Fox, New York, secretary of the United States Brewers' association, in an address to the members of that organization here today. "Such a body," he continued, "should be non-partisan and unsectarian. It should be given definite authority by the president of the United States or by congress or both, to study the question in all its bearings, and in the light of experience in the rest of progressive countries not for the purpose of making an academic report, but to decide what is the most practical temperance method."

Hiram Johnson Ready for Grand Forks Talk

GRAND FORKS, N. D., Feb. 25.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California arrived here tonight to campaign for North Dakota's endorsement for the Republican presidential nomination. Senator Johnson did not arrive until nearly four hours after his scheduled time. He appeared at a club dinner and spoke informally, but did not discuss the campaign. A large crowd waited for more than an hour to hear him.

Leland Stanford Again Tops University of Oregon

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 25.—The Stanford university basketball team vanquished the team of the University of Oregon here tonight by the score of 29 to 18. Good team work was shown by both teams, much better than that of the game last evening. Bill Steers played guard for Oregon tonight. It is the first time in two years that he has been in a basketball suit. Durno played the other guard for Oregon, giving his place at forward to McCreedy. Righter, with eight field goals, starred for Stanford. Pelouse, the other Stanford forward, also shone. This was the final game of the series.

LIQUOR SEARCH IN IRON RIVER IS CALLED OFF

Federal Officers Leave For Homes After Day Spent In Futile Hunt

DRY LAW IS AT ISSUE

District Attorney Goes East to Confer With Prohibition Commissioner

IRON RIVER, Mich., Feb. 25.—Thirty-five federal agents and members of the Michigan state constabulary, who arrived here last night on a "clean up" Iron county tonight were returning to their homes, while Major Dalrymple was bound for Washington to confer with prohibition Commissioner John Kramer. Major Dalrymple, who led the armed expedition with the avowed purpose of arresting county and village officers on charges of conspiracy to obstruct enforcement of prohibition, was called off by Mr. Kramer and ordered to meet the opposing sides and seek a compromise without legal action.

The worsting of federal agents in the first clash with state officers in enforcing the eighteenth constitutional amendment has given a serious blow to the enforcement of the dry law, Major Dalrymple declared before he left for Washington.

Martin S. McDonough, prosecuting attorney of Iron county and leader of the county authorities, received a telegram today from District Attorney M. H. Walker at Grand Rapids, advising him to take no action until the district attorney could come here to investigate the case.

Mr. McDonough had obtained a warrant for the arrest of Major Dalrymple charging him with malicious libel, and had planned to have it served when the train bringing the federal men arrived last night. A telephone message from Crystal Falls, 15 miles away, however, notified McDonough that Major Dalrymple, in anticipation of trouble, had issued fifty rounds of ammunition to each man in his party. The prosecutor then advised Iron county citizens to go home, and avert a demonstration that would provoke open hostilities.

Today Mr. McDonough waited upon Major Dalrymple at the hotel where the latter was staying and warned him that if he carried out his announced plan and arrested any one in Iron county without a warrant, or searched any private home for liquor, the county officers would "arrest every man in your party and put them in jail."

"Reports that I took the 11 barrels of wine from Leo J. Grove, federal prohibition supervisor for northern Michigan and the state police and returned it to the Italians from whom it was taken, are absolutely false," McDonough declared today. "I confiscated this wine when I found it in the possession of Grove. I placed my own men in charge of it and put the barrels in a safe place."

Major Dalrymple found nine barrels of the wine in the basement of the home of the parish priest today and destroyed the liquor after taking samples from each barrel for evidence.

McDonough explained that the basement of the parish house was the only one in Iron River with a secure lock and therefore was borrowed as a storage place for the wine.

"Dalrymple's action in destroying the liquor, which he needed for evidence, was ridiculous," McDonough declared. "It gave the major a fine opportunity to pose before the movie cameras while he knocked in the barrel to see he gained by the performance."

OHIO LOOMS AS BATTLE GROUND

Several Candidates File Candidacy for President of United States

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 25.—Ohio, a pivotal state in presidential elections, which promises to be one of the chief battle grounds next November, is to be also one of the chief storm centers in the selection of delegations to the Republican national convention.

This was made certain today when Major General Leonard Wood, formally entered the state to contest with United States Senator Warren G. Harding, the preferential choice of Ohio's voters, for president and also for the state's 48 delegates to the Chicago convention. The Ohio primary will be held April 27.

James R. Garfield of Cleveland, secretary of the interior under Roosevelt, also filed as a candidate for president. His candidacy, it was explained at General Wood's headquarters, is for the purpose of giving Wood candidates for delegate a second choice preference as required by the Ohio primary law.

Idaho Democrats Plan For State Convention

CORVALLIS, Or., Feb. 25.—The University of Idaho basketball team continued its winning streak, defeating the Oregon Agricultural quintet 20 to 21, on the Aggie floor tonight.

two points after the game had been under way for several minutes. The Aggies' lead was to be short-lived, however, as the Idaho squad spurred up its efforts when scored upon and in a few minutes tossed their way to the front and held the lead during the remainder of the game.

Training Camps Banned For Year 1920, Report

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The war department does not plan to hold training camps for reserve officers this summer and in no case will reserve officers be called this year without their consent, General March announced today.

Ripe Olives Declared Fatal to Eastern Man

RICHMOND, Cal., Feb. 25.—Botulism poisoning today was believed to have caused the death here of Mrs. H. B. Mack and the illness of her husband. An autopsy was conducted today by Dr. G. Y. Rusk, representing the United States public health service who said botulism poisoning probably due to eating a prepared dish of ripe olives and other ingredients, apparently was the cause of death, but that a microscopic examination would be necessary to definitely establish this.

Palman Hands Out Defeat to California

PULLMAN, Wash., Feb. 25.—The Washington state college basketball players outgamed the University of California quintet here tonight and coming from behind in the last 10 minutes of play, won 31 to 27. At times the contest was so rough as to assume the character of football. Many personal fouls were called.

Canned Salmon Rained Report to Government

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Between 75,000 and 100,000 cases of canned salmon, bought for the army in 1918, were condemned as unfit for consumption, Director Alsberg of the department of agriculture's bureau of chemistry today told the house committee investigating contracts between the war department and salmon packers. The salmon measure, Dr. Alsberg said, was composed before canning and was not allowed to be sold to the public.

HOME RULE BILL UP TO COMMONS

Measure Provides For Freedom of Ireland Under Proposal of Premier

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The bill for Irish home rule, long promised by the house of commons today. The first reading was of the title alone and was a mere formality, preliminary to taking up the measure tomorrow. The present bill, it is understood, adheres comparatively closely to the measure outlined by Lloyd George in December 22 last. The government's project enters into the setting up of two parliaments in Ireland, one for the south and one for the north.

Home rule as the government hopes to give it to Ireland, is based primarily upon the declaration of the premier in his December speech that "Great Britain cannot accept separation." But the largest opportunity will be given to the people to unite in the constitution of a parliament; in the course of time which will embrace Ireland as a whole.

For the north of Ireland, the area embraced will probably include the six counties mentioned by the premier in his original outline, with possibly some slight modifications, as a consequence of which the northern parliament would be a very much smaller body than the southern organization.

The proposed legislatures will have extensive powers and also representation in the imperial parliament. Such matters as education, transportation, municipal affairs, insurance and the collection of the taxes will be under the control of these two legislatures while matters of more serious import to the empire such as foreign affairs, defense, navigation and the higher judiciary are reserved for the decision of the imperial government.

Deals in Real Estate

John W. Minner to Margaret Wright, lot 13, block 4, Salem, \$600. Margaret J. Gould and husband to Robert B. Duncan, part of block 29 Salem, \$125. Falls City-Salem Lumber company to Mary Eighmey, lot 7, block 8, Southwest addition, Salem, \$550. Rex B. Randall and wife to Mary Eighmey, lot 8, block 2, Randall's addition, Salem, \$150. Amelia Rodger and husband to Harry E. Brown, 74 acres Ewald Fruit farms, \$375. Samuel Stauffer to C. M. Crittenden and wife, 61 acres T. 4 S. R. 1 W., \$269.90. James W. Imbler to John E. Young, acreage in T. 9 S. R. 2 E., \$4500. Allen Bellinger to I. W. Mayer, 6-2 acres Oregon Colony tract, \$1,250. Henry Meussing to William P. Wurster and wife, 5 acres T. 4 S. R. 1 W.

Joseph F. Nanthan and wife to Frank Vaecher, 54 acres T. 4 N. R. 4 W., \$4150. Barbara Ashford to Elnora Witzel, 2 acres T. 7 S. R. 3 W., \$2800.

PETROGRAD COLD BUT NOT HUNGRY

London Reporter in Russian Capital Sees No Sign of Despair

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Griffith Barry telegraphs from Petrograd to the Daily Herald, (labor organ) saying that if there is real hunger in the city he has been unable to discover it. The people looked cold, rather than ill fed, the great war seemed to be firewood and there was a universal hunt for warmth and comforts. "Yet," he adds, "I cannot say that I saw any signs of despair. Petrograd has plenty of bread for the moment. No doubt there is suffering as there is suffering in many of the blockaded capitals of Europe. But the real surprise was the calm with which the people met it. "The simple logic of the revolution has made everyone a worker unless he has saved enough gold to buy the vanishing commodities at fantastic prices."

BIG DEFICIT DUE TO HIGH PRICES

Director Hines Tells Dinner Guests Why Lines Fell Short on Revenue

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Accomplishments of the railroad administration were reviewed tonight at the last dinner of the executives before government control ceases March 1. Discussing the deficit of several hundred million dollars which it has cost the government to run the transportation systems Director General Hines said: "If the railroad administration had been able to raise its prices as quickly as other industries to meet the rapidly advancing costs, there would have been no loss, but an actual profit in operation of the roads for the first year and ten months of government control. There would have been no deficit until October, 1919, when bad weather, the coal and steel strikes created abnormal conditions." Bidding his associates farewell, Mr. Hines declared that the railroad administration had been the most efficient organ of its kind ever gathered together in so short a time.

Congressional Record Gives Joy to Franklin Roosevelt

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 25.—If party leaders would talk less of George Washington and devote more attention to efficient governmental administration, they would be of more service to their country, assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt said tonight in an address at the Harvard Union. "The United States government as a whole is the least efficient administrative body in this country," Mr. Roosevelt said. "I mean the executive and legislative branches. Congress is 100 years behind the times in the way things are done. I wonder how many of you read the congressional record. I read it in the same spirit as I read Life or London Punch. It gives me keen joy."

Labor Department to Help Seattle Longshoremen

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—E. P. Marsh and G. Y. Harvey, mediators for the United States department of labor, are in Seattle to assist in negotiating a new agreement between longshoremen and waterfront employers. It became known here today. The old agreement expired last Saturday.

THREE DEAD IN OMAHA BATTLE

Bandits Hold up Pool Hall and Fight Follows With Three Dead

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 25.—Three men are dead and three may die as the result of a gun battle between three bandits who attempted to hold up a pool hall and soft drink parlor in Council Bluffs tonight.

According to Louis Ortego, the only witness to the shooting, the police were able to find last night, all of the dead and wounded were victims of a fusillade of shots fired by the bandits when some foreigners in the pool hall failed to understand the robbers' demands to "stick 'em up."

Pedro Jimines, one of the dead refused to put up his hands. Instead, he grappled with one of the bandits. A second bandit came to his partner's aid and fired a volley of shots in Pedro's direction. At the shooting, Pedro wheeled about and placed his captor in front of him for a shield. The bandit partially collapsed as a bullet penetrated his chest. He staggered toward the front door and out into the street. When about 50 feet away from the door he fell dead.

American Wrestler Humbles Spanish Champion

BOISE, Ida., Feb. 25.—Ad Santel threw Paul Alvarez, reputed champion heavyweight wrestler of Spain and Portugal, twice here tonight. The first fall came in 45 1/2 minutes with a short arm scissors hold; the second with a double arm bar, in 23 1/2 minutes.