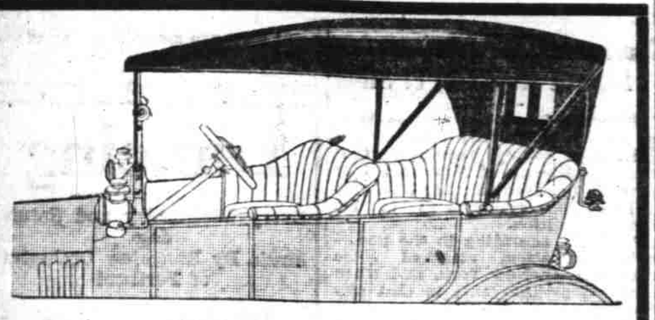

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MUSIC OF OLDEN TIMES HEARD

Blind Accordion Players Attracts Sympathy of Passers By

Music was defined by Ben Johnson as being a queer harmony of pleasant noise. It is observed that there are many folk in Salem who are of the Johnson type when it comes to the appeal of music—it has no appeal.

An old man garbed shabbily, bent in stature, with rounded and stooped shoulders sat on a tickety camp stool by the curb playing melodies of bygone days on an age-worn accordion.

Every afternoon he may be heard on the street corner playing his accordion—and playing to no audience. The pedestrians pass by, hurrying on their errands, without even casting a glance in the direction of the music.

The marvel is not that an old man should be dexterously endowed as to be able to play an accordion; other old men have been able to play the accordion.

But this old man is blind.

He plays the accordion with its melodies of bygone days, being the melodies he learned before suffering the loss of sight, in an effort to earn a living.

The younger folk, in the prime of life, pass by without contributing a glance; sleek appearing men behave in similar manner. The folk, as have been observed, who halt and give a studied examination of the old and blind musician and contribute a piece of coin to the cup, are past middle age and appear they could ill afford to give.

Music of by-gone days may have its peculiar appeal, or perhaps it is a response of an impulse of sympathy. At any rate they respond to the appeal of the music.

And the old man continues to play whether the people stop to listen or to pass by him unarrested by the music from his accordion.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Visit Boy Scout Camp

Jack Walker and Mrs. Walker and their daughter, Phyllis, returned Sunday night from a visit to the Salem Boy Scout camp, having made the trip to the camp on Saturday, all the way by automobile.

The camp is situated on Salt creek about 10 miles out of Oak Ridge, 50 miles east of Eugene, in the Cascades

It is between two high hills, within a half mile of a half dozen hot mineral springs. They are called the Macready springs. There is a hotel at the springs.

The boys have the use of a big concrete swimming tank 70 feet long and 30 feet wide, and the water is heated from the hot springs. The water is boiling when it comes from the springs. If one dips the water with a drinking cup, the cup will burn his fingers.

Mr. Walker says the boys are all housed in tents.

There are about 108 boys.

Scout Executive Harold L. Cook is in charge, with Scout Masters Zinser and Craig assisting.

The commissary is in charge of Mrs. Cook, Harold's mother, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon.

The boys are spending their time with scout work, taking long hikes, and at night they have camp fire entertainments. Arrangements have been made for forest rangers and several professors from the University of Oregon to give lectures illustrated with moving pictures.

The boys are all very happy, and, judging from their appetites and the amount of food consumed, Mr. Walker thinks they are not losing any weight.

The parents of the boys will be pleased to know that the first two days ,till their camp was in order, the boys were kept at the hotel.

A bunch of Salem Rotarians are going up to the camp on July 4. They will find the roads in very good condition, but the route in places is pretty steep, and it is a strenuous trip, though a good auto can negotiate all the grades.

Getting ready to leave for home, Mr. Walker said he would be glad to bring back anything the boys wanted to send. The result was nearly 100 letters, several packages and numerous bouquets of rhododendrons.

Mr. Walker says great credit is due to Mr. Cook for the clean and sanitary conditions of the camp.

The boys will be in camp till July 14, when they will return, ready for their summer's work.

California Family Buys Home and Will Live Here

One family who came to the Salem automobile camp from McArthur, Calif., have become so attached to Salem and the surrounding country they have purchased a home here and will remain.

They are Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Crouch and their four daughters. They drove into the park on the evening of June 17 expecting to camp for a short time. However, they were so taken with the people and the country hereabouts they purchased a home and several acres of ground on North Capital street and will make their future home in this city.

The park has been filled to capacity during the past few days according to T. G. Albert, superintendent. There were 33 cars camped last night with machines constantly coming and going.

Most of the tourists during the past few days have been from southern Oregon and California, on their way to the Shrine conclave in Portland. All express pleasure at the conveniences of the site and many call it the best camp in the state.

The camp begins to fill with tents early in the afternoon and by evening is quite crowded, looking much like a small tent city. There are enough desirable site sto enable everyone to find a comfortable spot.

A complete system of registration has been established so that those persons having friends on the road may trace them without trouble.

Widow of Capitalist Less Than 24 Hours, Became Bride of Naval Officer

Mrs. Helen Griffin Bastedo

Less than twenty-four hours after the death of her husband, George Francis Griffin, Chicago capitalist, his widow, who was Miss Helen Prindiville, was married to Lieutenant-Commander Paul H. Bastedo, U. S. N., in San Diego, Cal. Attorneys in charge of the Griffin estate, which has been estimated to be worth as much as $9,000,000 said that her marriage to the naval officer would not affect her rights and that she and her two small children would inherit the entire estate. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin had been separated for several years and she had instituted an action for divorce which, however, was not pressed.

JAP DEPORTATION URGED IN SOUTH

California Governor Expresses Desire to Rid State of Increasing Populace

SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 21.—The influx of Japanese into California has brought about "alarming" conditions and it has become necessary to protect the sovereignty of the state against this "growing menace" through diplomatic negotiation or a strict exclusion act, Governor William D. Stephens said in a letter addressed to Secretary of State Colby today.

Governor Stephens expressed the hope in the letter, which was 5000 words in length, that the initiative measure now being projected in the state to deny Asiatics the right to all land purchases or leaseholds would be accepted by the electorate by an overwhelming majority. While California harbors no animosity against the Japanese people, he said, the state does not wish them to settle within her borders and to develop a Japanese population in her midst.

He asks that immediate negotiations be entered into with the empire of Japan to make impossible any further "evasions' 'of existing immigration agreements and to make such agreements as rigorous as possible.

"Twenty years ago our Japanese population was nominal," the letter said. "Ten years ago the census reports of the United States government showe da Japanese population in California of 41,356. A computation and survey recently made by the board of control of the state of California indicates that at the present time this Japanese population has been more than doubled—it amounting to 87,279. The best figures available indicate that our Japanese population comprises between 80 and 85 per cent of the total Japanese population of continental United States.

"In productive values, that is to say, in the market value of crops produced by them, our figures show that as against $6,235,856 worth of produce marketed in 1909 the increase has been to $67,145,730—approximately ten fold. * * * So that it is apparent without much more effective restrictions that in a very short time, historically speaking, the Japanese population within our midst will represent considerable proportion of our entire population and the Japanese control over certain essential food products will be an absolute one. * * *

"They send their children for short periods of time to our white schools and in many of the country schools of our state the spectacle is presented of having a few white children acquiring their education in class rooms crowded with Japanese. The deep seated and often outspoken resentment of our white mothers at this situation can only be appreciated by those people who have struggled with similar problems."

Although respecting Japanese culture and advancement and the right of Japanese to true development, Governor Stephens held that "the people of California are determined to exhaust every power in their keeping to maintain this state for its own people."

After stating that "the blood fusion of the occident and the orient has nowhere ever successfully taken place," Governor Stephens said that "California views with alarm the rapid growth of these people within the last decade in population as well as in land control and foresees in the not distant future the gravest menace of serious conflict if this development is not immediately and effectively checked. * * *

"We are confronted at this time by the problems that have arisen in the Hawaiian Islands, where the Japanese have new developed to an extent which gives them a preponderance, I am informed, in the affairs of that territory, the letter continued. "That mistake of Hawaii must not, and California is determined shall not be repeated here."

The spirit of existing anti-alien land laws and immigration agreements has been evaded through the employment of legal and other subterfuges to such an extent that the purpose of these measures has been frustrated, Governor Stephens charged. He referred to the suspension of anti-Asiatic legislation in the state during the peace conference at the request of Secretary of State Lansing but held that decisive action was necessary now.

Newsy Notes of State Industrial Growth

Condon——Contract let for grading most important link of John Day highway.

Hood River—Total returns on Spitzenberg apple crop said to reach $749,700.

Klamath Falls—Hope of oil development in this section aroused.

Marshfield shipping Port Orford cedar to Japan for pencils.

Lebanon—Farmer to install sawmill to harvest his own trees.

Klamath Falls planning new scenic road.

Medford is now a member of the federal reserve system, with gild reserve of $200,000,000.

Dufur—Number of local improvements being made.

Hood River—Paving between here and Sunny being rushed.

Cost of living is now descending and railroad employes must take this fact into consideration in demanding higher wages, says the railway board.

Oregon City Manufacturing company will give employes two weeks vacation.

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