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A CHEERFUL NOTE FOR SALEM

It is an ill wind that blows no one any good—
And the freezing weather of a few weeks ago throughout some of the eastern sections of the country and in parts of California and the southern and southwestern sections has caused the buyers of fruits to sit up and take notice—
Whereas before they were distressingly apathetic.
The market for canned fruits, jams and jellies and dried and dehydrated fruits have picked up, decidedly, in the past few weeks, and they are going stronger all the time now—
And good judges believe all the prunes that are unsold will be taken by the time the next crop is ready to ship; and a well posted prune man told the writer yesterday that, if the prunes at present unsold were under firm control at the present time, instead of so many of them being scattered throughout the country on consignment, the prices would be soaring, or at least going to heights that would mean good returns for the growers for what are left—
And, even as it is now, prune prices are stiffening.
This sounds a very cheerful note for Salem—
For a large part of the prosperity of Salem depends upon the market for the fruit crops of our growers.
No one need look for bonanza prices this year—
But the present outlook is that there will be sale, at some price, for all the prospective bumper fruit crops now coming on in the Salem district; if the facilities of manufacturers and shippers prove sufficient, with the limited amount of cold storage space that will be available. That is the main fly in the ointment now—the lack of cold storage facilities.
"Einstein explains the dazed condition of the world on the ground that it's coming out of the ether," says the Manchester Guardian. This is condensing Einstein; relativity in tabloid form.
Chauncey M. Depew at 87 ascribes his health to eating but a fourth of what he ate at 50 and to a habit of thinking only about the good things and the good people in the world. This last is a good cure for mental indigestion.
A picture on sale in Paris for \$8000 on the supposition that it was a Whistler has been identified by an obscure artist as his own and the price accordingly reduced to \$7. It is a reminder of Mark Twain's judgment on the copies of old masters being made by students in the European galleries, that they were uniformly better than their originals.
A striking benevolence of after-the-war days is happily completed by the safe arrival in their Russian homes of the children whom the American Red Cross transported from Siberia by way of the United States. Of 777 children, a New York Russian newspaper learns, 82 per cent have joined their parents, while the orphans have been placed in children's institutions. Parents and children were brought together after two and a half years of ignorance as to each other's whereabouts.
Senator Harding's praise, in his speech at the dedication of the Bolivar statue, of the South American republics for having refrained from competition in military armaments would find more of a comparative than a literal justification. The Christ of the Andes on the boundary line between Argentina and Chili is an earnest of a highly idealistic effort to maintain amicable relations. But Brazil, Argentina and Chili have each, to some degree, gone into the buying of modern dreadnought battleships, one of which, the powerful Argentine superdreadnought Rivadavia, named after a national hero, was built and launched in Massachusetts some seven years ago at the Fore River shipyard of the Bethlehem Steel company.
France was the first nation to get sugar out of a beet, and she may be the first to get blood out of a turnip.
The Associated Press reports a Turk named Zora working on the docks of Constantinople, a carrier of heavy burdens, who is 147 years old, and he sticks to his job, refusing to be retired. He probably needs the exercise, to qualify for the Methuselah class.
The Associated Press brings news from Hawaii of the certainty of the early complete eradication of that ancient scourge.

The Living Trust

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SALEM, OREGON
Don't forget your Will—It's Important

leprosy, which has stood throughout the ages the most feared of all the diseases that have afflicted the human race.

The Japs are growing stronger for the American game, baseball. The yellow fans will help to blow away the yellow peril.

The drug garden is the Salem slogan subject for Thursday. Salem is the crude drug center of Oregon.

An elder statesman of Japan says Tokio is now the most expensive city in the world in which to dwell. The natural question outside of Japan will be, is it worth it?

A shavetail with the American troops on the Rhine gets a higher salary than Marshal Foch. The greatest living military leader receives 33,000 francs a year, but the salary and allowances of a second lieutenant in the United States army amounts to 33,350 francs, when the American dollars are exchanged into French money.

Music week, during which 34 separate types of concerts will be given, is to be observed in Denver May 15 to 29, inclusive. Concerts will be held in all parts of the city. Churches will herald the opening of the week with sermons devoted to music and with special musical programs. The week's schedules includes a concert of more than 2000 school children in the city auditorium and chorus recitals by social clubs. An "All Nations" at which groups of Denver's foreign population will sing their native songs, will be held. No doubt the people of the Rocky mountain metropolis are "starting something" that will spread.

THE PACIFIC AND TOMORROW

One billion of the 1,600,000,000 people of the earth are, commercially and politically speaking, on the Pacific. While the birth rate is decreasing in the Atlantic portions of the world, it is rising in the Pacific. Add to this the greater number of females per thousand of population in the Pacific, as contrasted with the Atlantic regions, and it is evident that population will increasingly favor the Pacific.
Furthermore, the basic and now sorely needed raw materials for industry are more abundant on the Pacific than the Atlantic, as is the man power for working those raw materials. Culture and philosophy and the arts are there in a degree which is just beginning to be appreciated.
Everything is on the Pacific side except the final say, which belongs to two Atlantic powers and one power which is geographically divided between the Atlantic and the Pacific. Of these three nations England, which stands supreme in world rule, has a population of 45,000,000 and dominates a Pacific and Asian population of almost 400,000,000. France, second in power internationally, has in Europe 39,000,000 people and controls nearly as many Asians. England and France together hold 8,500,000 of the 18,000,000 square miles of Asian territory and over half of the population looking out on the Pacific. The third power of the great trio is point of actual participation is the United States, with 9,000,000 Asians outside its continental area and 121,000 square miles of outside territory. Japan, the only nation of Asia which has to date withstood Europe, presents, with her 82,000,000 people and her added territory, a factor to be reckoned with in case the great trio plays carelessly.
There is a strong probability that the Pacific of tomorrow will be economically what the Atlantic, the Mediterranean and the Aegean in their turn were in preceding eras. Population, raw materials and potential development all point that way. This does not necessarily mean that a Pacific nation will dominate the world, or even the Pacific, but that the Pacific littoral will play so vast a part in the affairs of the world that its problems will be in a new sense world problems—our problems.

The Pacific littoral was really one of the big problems before the conference of Paris, but it was played with so swiftly and secretly that the settlement may yet cause grave reactions. The

FUTURE DATES

May 2 to 7—Audobon exhibit with lectures, at Public Library.
May 4, Wednesday—Apollo club in concert with Irene Pavlovka, mezzo soprano, at Armory.
May 5 to 8 inclusive—Annual conference of Evangelical Association.
May 7, Saturday—Celebration of Founders' day at Clatsop.
May 7, Saturday—Marion County track meet and baseball tournament.
May 8, Sunday—Mother's Day.
May 16 to 19—State Rebekah assembly in Albion.
May 26, 27 and 28—Baseball, Williamette vs. Whitson, at Walls Walls.
June 16, Thursday—Oregon Pioneer association meeting in Portland.
June 17, Friday—High school graduation exercises.
June 3, Friday—Annual senior play by High School.
June 4, Friday—Annual Iowa picnic, State fair grounds.

three great nations referred to went into the issue of the Pacific in a significant manner: England and France wanted all they could get, and got it. America wanted nothing and got it, with the exception of a quarrel over the tiny Isle of Yap, which no one ever heard of before the conference. Japan won all of her territorial demands, but was slapped in the face needlessly on the abstract question of racial equality. China was sliced up more effectively than before, and consistently insulted to boot. All of which may have a direct bearing on the future in the Pacific.
Starting from the obvious fact that the Pacific littoral is in the hands of three nations thousands of miles removed from it and infinitely below it in population and raw materials, the question is, how is that littoral to be managed in the future so as to keep it in its present hands and so as to yield the greatest benefits to the world? There are only two ways of administering a subject territory; the garrison, or mailed fist, method; and the diplomatic or veiled-force method. One is strictly military in character, the other primarily economic.
About the only thing which all great empires have proven is that one nation cannot hold another nation down by the use of heavy garrisons and make it pay over a long period. Spain learned that in the Netherlands, Rome in Gaul, Italy in North Africa, England is also learning it in Ireland, Persia, Babylon, Macedonia and the others demonstrated the same fatal truth. Slavery is not good business, and a chain gang is not profitable to operate.
There is a highly profitable method of handling subject peoples, as England has shown. That method is based on economic utilization and political direction in such a way as to hurt the pride of the natives as little as possible and to give them a substantial portion of the benefits of the system. The Pacific peoples, even under the leadership of Japan, could hardly defeat the now dominant nations in an actual clash within this century. But even though they could not take up arms, they could render the exploitation of the needed resources of the Pacific so costly in life and treasure as to be economically and politically prohibitive. There is a tremendous, though heretofore unused, veto power in the fatalism of the Orient, and the Occident has already stirred it up ominously. After all, imperialism is not today a bit of cheap strutting. It has become an economic necessity, and the object of empire is not crushing people down, but getting them to stand up and do more. The only excuse for domination is that it pays economically and in benefits to mankind as a whole.

The tactful rather than the Prussian plan seems, then, to be the only sane course from any standpoint. It behooves the United States, which has become a world power, to use its influence in behalf of the tactful plan which heretofore, with the exception of the conference of Paris, has been the British plan. The Pacific coast of the United States, which will profit most directly in the inevitable development of the Orient, has 'good reason to desire that development to be along permanent lines and of such a character as to multiply our customers rather than our enemies in the Far East.
We need, without yielding one iota of our right to keep out any and all immigrants regarded by us as undesirable, and without any waste of time or words regarding the theoretical standing of the races, to throw our weight on the side of far-seeing, fair methods for the exploitation of that vast littoral upon which the thoughts of statesmen are centered today. A new era is dawning on the Pacific. It can mean peace and undreamed of prosperity for the weaker as well as for the dominant nations, or it can mean the deluging of continents in blood.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. They brought their axes, saws, and chains. And other junk that loggers use. And all the men wore flannel shirts. And big-eyed, strap-laced, loggers' shoes.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. We boys were half-scared of the gang. We thought them tough, and rough, and rude. And we were frightened when we met them. Tramping through the rain-soaked woods.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. All winter long their axes rang: They telled the white fir straight and tall. And Bob, the teamster, took the oxen. And began the logs to haul.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. Sometimes it seemed his team was stuck. And could not move the logs at all. For Hob would roar, and yell, and cuss. Enough to jar the Rickreall.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. When spring came and the drive began. The news among the lads did fly. And we hied for the swoolen stream. To watch the logs go drifting by.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. And I for one lurked on the bank. And peered through buck brush thick and tall. And eyed the toughs that rode the logs. When Spaulding drove the Rickreall.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. Disgustingly damp. But spring, well see it yet, you bet.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. The broccoli growers have plenty of time yet; they may plant 'heir seed till the 10th or 15th, or even later.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. The paving of North Summer street and the Fair Grounds road are going ahead. Salem is not going to stand in the way of a paved Pacific highway through every foot of Marion county.

When Spaulding drove the Rickreall. The way Herbert Welch, son of J. A. Welch, down in Gaiser bottom, is getting messages by wireless from the air, as well as from near by points, is interesting. And he is only one of a

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GHORMLEY HEADS COUNTY "Y"



H. K. GHORMLEY

H. K. Ghormley, who comes directly from Spokane, has been in this community a week as successor to W. P. Walter as Marion county Y. M. C. A. secretary. In Spokane Mr. Ghormley served three and one-half years as boys' work secretary in the city association.

Mr. Ghormley's first Y. M. C. A. work in official capacity was at Sioux City, Ia., where he put in one year, and then devoted himself to boys' work. For two years he remained in boys' work at Sioux City and then accepted the call to Spokane.

The new county secretary has a thorough college training, both in Y. M. C. A. work, athletics and most other student activities.
County work here has been in progress for 18 months and has been well organized by Mr. Walter.

number of our youngsters who are becoming experts, in and around Salem. Who knows but a greater than Marconi may not arise in Marion county, to make further vocal the air currents around the earth, to say nothing of the prospect of talking with the people of other planets. The world has gone beyond the point of being surprised at anything. The border land between the finite and the infinite is growing narrower all the time.

If the fruit growers of the Salem district are not expecting too much, they may have their hopes realized this year. It looks brighter for them than it did; decidedly.

AT THE LIBRARY

NEW BOOKS

"From Newton to Einstein," a simple explanation of the laws of the universe accepted by scientists since Newton's discovery of the law of gravitation, with special attention to Einstein's new theory of relativity which is now being criticised. The book is presented by Benjamin Harrow who quotes articles by Professor Einstein and other authorities.
"Abraham Lincoln, man of God," a new biography presenting the moral and religious side of Lincoln's character, written by Dr. John Wesley H. H. chancellor of Lincoln Memorial university.
"The Construction of the Panama Canal," by William L. Sibert, who was in charge of the building of the Gatun Locks and dam and of the channel from Gatun to the Atlantic ocean, and John F. Stevens, formerly chief engineer of the Ishmian canal commission.
"The Oxford History of India, From the Earliest Times to the

Present," by Vincent A. Smith.
"Finding the Worth While California," a handy little book for the traveler in California, by Charles Francis Saunders.
"Electric Motor Control Systems and Methods," a collection of practical diagrams and descriptions of the many methods employed, by Henry C. Horstmann and Victor H. Toussley.
"Motor Boats and Boat Motors," a handbook for those interested in their design, construction, operation and repair, by a corps of experts and edited by Victor W. Page.
"Manual of Radio Telegraphy and Telephony for the use of Naval Electricians," by Capt. S. S. Robinson of the U. S. navy.
"Intercollegiate Debates, Affirmative and Negative," edited by Paul M. Pearson.
"The Heroes of Early Israel," stories told for use with adolescents, by Irving F. Wood. Excellent lists are appended of books helpful in teaching the Bible.
"Good Form for All Occasions," a manual of manners, dress and entertainment for both men and women, by Florence Howe Hall.
"The Merchant of Venice," the text prepared for the Ben Greet Players, by Mr. Greet, suitable for amateur performance.
"The Comedy of Errors," another volume of the Ben Greet Shakespeare.
"The Book of Games and Parties," suggestions for parties, selected from those that have appeared in the Ladies' Home Journal, edited by Theresa Hunt Wocott.
"The Jolly Book of Funerit," descriptions of games and parties for the little ones, by Patten Beard.
"Humorous Dialogues and Dramas," a collection of the rarest, brightest, most mirth-producing dialogues ever published, compiled by Charles C. Shoemaker.
"On the Art of Reading," by Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch.
A new copy of the often requested "Philosophy 4," by Owen Wister is just received.
"The Maelstrom," by E. Phillips Oppenheim.
"The Squire's Daughter," by Archibald Marshall.
"The Purple Heights," by Marie Conway Oemle.
"Seldwyla Folks," three Swiss tales by the poet Gottfried Keller. Children's Books.
"The British Empire in Pictures," fifty-eight pictures of scenes from Canada, Australia, India, Africa, etc., with descriptions useful in the fifth and sixth grades, by H. Clive Barnard.
"Star Stories for Little Folks," told for small children, with pictures of the constellations, by Gertrude Chandler Warner.
"Mouffou," one of the best dog stories for young children, by De La Rame.
"The Home Book of Verse for Young Folks," selected by Burton Egbert Stevenson, probably the best collection of verse for the child's library. This copy, because of its value for reference, and also because of its attractive illustrations, by Pogany will be retained for use in the library.
"Guert Ten Ervek," a hero story by W. O. Stoddard.
"Daddy Jake, the Runaway," by Uncle Remus, Joel Chandler Harris.
"Comic Dialogues," by John R. Dennis and others.
"Child's Own Speaker," by E. C. and L. J. Rook.
"Tiny Tot's Speaker," by L. J. Rook.

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