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IT IS THE PEOPLE'S FAIR

The State Fair is the people's fair. It is a public institution. It belongs to the state of Oregon—And every humblest citizen is a part owner. No wonder that, given a competent and vigorous and resourceful management, it grows from year to year, and, with the same sort of management, will keep on growing.

Witness the great expansion shown on the grounds this year over last year. Witness the great live stock exhibitions, overflowing into tents, into the old poultry building, into the big stadium.

Witness the increased space taken by every kind of concession; every sort of resource and enterprise in every single department.

Witness the great crowds, from far and near.

All this proves, too, that Salem, the center of the greatest farming, horticultural, gardening and live stock district, is the natural and preferred place for this important and useful state institution.

Given even the comparatively meager state appropriations it has had the past few years, the state fair, under good management, has the making of ever greater records from year to year, because it is the people's fair, and because it is in the location where they believe it belongs.

FOUL WEATHER FRIENDS

(Los Angeles Times)

When the border ruffian, Marmion (as Scott tells the story,) lay dying on the fatal field of Flodden there was no page, squire or groom, no comrade-at-arms, to bring him a drink of blessed water from the spring to slake his thirst. They were all too busy attending to the bloody affairs of the battlefield. And Marmion was no longer of any practical value.

It was Clare, the woman he had deceived, who, forgetting hatreds, wrongs and fears, heard only a plaintive voice, saw only a human being in distress. It was the woman he had scorned who brought him from Sybil Grey's consecrated fountain the needed cup of cold water. So, too, it was a priest, a stranger, not one of his own kith and kin, who, with the woman, ministered to the last mortal wants of the old swash-buckling warrior.

An American swashbuckler, knight of a different order, who had fallen like Marmion, but to more insidious foes than Scottish spearmen, found out also that the boon companions of his prosperity were too busy with their own affairs to express more than perfunctory regret over the fall of one they had once been proud to recognize.

Again it was the woman, the wife he had deserted, for whose help he had never called when the world had hailed him as a popular idol, who threw all discretion to the winds and hastened to his side, simply saying, "I don't know just how I can be of service to him, but many things may turn up that I can do." No rhapsody, no sentimentalizing, just a plain wish to see the thing through, whatever the rights or wrongs.

One other faithful friend waited disconsolately for the return of his absent master, the old bulldog, Luke. He, too, never reasoned why. Indictments, murder charges mean nothing to the dog who loves the hand that feeds him, the heart that sympathizes with his lowly lot. And the fallen comedian had been kind to his dog, Luke.

Marmion had a woman and a priest to still remember him when the world had passed him by. Roscoe Arbuckle had a woman and a dog to weigh not the heinousness of the charge against him or the censure of the public. It is worth nothing that the wife returned to him after his chances of continued affluence were lost and, whatever the outcome of the trial, he would remain a marked man.

A woman, a priest, a dog—an incongruous trinity of devotion—three foul-weather friends whose true gold is re-

vealed in the dark hours of desertion and defeat. The dog was animated by unreasoning devotion to a higher creation. The priest was moved by disciplined devotion to a Superior Being. The woman was swayed by a spirit of pure devotion that God alone can interpret.

Of this strangely assorted trio the greatest is the woman. That which in the dog is instinct, in the priest duty, is revealed in the woman as the redeeming factor in imperfect human nature. So foolishly idealistic, so sublimely impractical is this womanly trait that it can produce in what we call the worst of women a divine pity that links her directly with those whom we number among the noblest of the sex. Under its influence a woman will sacrifice all the material world values most. She will even bind up the hand that was maimed in striking her.

No one has summed up this amazing feminine attribute better than Sir Walter Scott himself in the exquisite lines from his dramatic epic:

"O woman! in our hours of ease
Uncertain, coy, and hard to please,
And variable as the shade
By the light quivering aspen made;
When pain and anguish wring the brow,
A ministering angel thou!"

Let the human race be glad that the world is still full of such ministering angels.

Former President Taft has given his opinion on so many current issues through the medium of the press within the past year or two that he is likely to have some of his views coming down to meet him in his supreme court decisions later on.

Between the thieves and the dishonest owners of automobiles the automobile insurance companies are having their troubles. And it is hard to differentiate between the two classes.—Los Angeles Times.

It is officially announced that James A. Stillman will go to Paris to prosecute a divorce action against his wife. Over there several hearings in such actions are provided for and he will not be compelled to endure the litanies of the American press. Litigants of the Stillman style have no love for the newspapers. In Paris he can square things. Here he couldn't.

There will be no representative of the west coast on the American delegation to the disarmament conference. President Harding recognizes that the Japanese issue will be one of the dominant subjects for discussion before the gathering, and he desires the representatives of the United States to have an open mind. It is a move in the interest of all concerned, in the opinion of the chief executive.—Los Angeles Times.

TRADE REVIVAL CONTINUES.

Following are some brief excerpts from the current weekly financial letter of Henry Clews, the Wall Street authority:

"The revival of trade in many parts of the country has already been very decided. There is an increasing volume of retail and wholesale business in nearly all sections of the country. In the south and west the decidedly better situation of the farmer is growing even clearer as weeks go by. Bank loans are being rapidly paid off. The retailers who have allowed their stocks to run down to very low levels have necessarily been placing orders with the result that distinct improvement has made itself evident in the manufacturing regions.

"Better conditions in the steel and iron trade, although still on a moderate scale, continue to show themselves, and are in part the result of the improvement of the railroad situation. Current price indexes show that the level of values is still moderately on the upgrade, a tendency which will be accentuated as interest rates fall and business becomes more active.

"The situation is decidedly clearing up in certain branches of export business, conditions being distinctly better in relations with South America."

DOLLAR-A-DAY LOVE.

An eastern woman is demanding remuneration of a dollar a day for the alienation of her husband's affections. She alleges in her bill of complaint that she was deprived of his love for 250 days and she therefore asks for a recompense of \$250. If domestic love is to be standardized at a dollar a day we may as well have a ruling by the supreme court. Every now and then some woman with a half-portion husband wearing a No. 6 hat will be suing another skirt for a million dollars' worth of damages because she stole his affections. How much simpler it would be to have the aforesaid love computed at a stabilized price of \$1 a day and let a low-priced bookkeeper calculate

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suspicion holds good. If the United States is sincere in its desire for world disarmament it cannot afford to antagonize the League, even though it declines to become a member.

NOSING IT OUT.

A former saloon keeper is now a United States marshal in Florida and has been given a gold medal by the W. C. T. U. for his splendid activities on behalf of the 18th amendment. He has the second best record of all government officials in the capture and conviction of bootleggers and rum runners. His experience and training enables him to smell the stuff through 18 inches of armor plate. If all our bartenders were made booze sleuths there would be quite an uncovering—and also some scandal.

THUMBS UP.

A New York bank having a large number of foreigners among its depositors has adopted the idea of using the thumb print instead of a signature at the bottom of a check. When an account is opened the print of the depositor's thumb is recorded in the book and on an especially prepared card. After that the money may be withdrawn by "the rule of thumb." There are hundreds of depositors who cannot write their own names, but they all have thumbs, and so the money is still at instant command. This is an idea that may be expanded in other lines.

OBITUARY

Cyrus Harvey Green was born March 22, 1871 near Des Moines, Iowa. When he was five months old his parents moved to Wash county, Kansas, where he lived until he was 20 years of age, when he went to Woodburn, Ore., and then returned to Rawlins county, Kansas, where he was united in marriage to Mary E. Kirlin May 20, 1894. To this union were born seven children. They were John Harvey who died March 9, 1920 at Fort Sheridan, Ill., from wounds received during the World war; Oren V., Walton, Wash.; Mrs. H. L. Sullivan, Seattle; Charles, Bertha, Estell, Ruth and Frieda, all of Walton, Wash.

Others who remain to mourn their loss are his beloved wife, Mrs. Mary E. Green, his mother, Phoebe A. Green, Woodburn, Ore., his brothers, George W. Green, Belleville, Kans.; J. L. Gren, Billings, Mont.; E. O. Green, Monroe, Wash., and one half brother, James Powers of Los Angeles. His sisters, Mrs. M. V. Bond, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. Lizzie Evars, Woodburn, Ore.; Mrs. Mamie

SPANISH TROOPS LEAVE BARCELONA FOR MOROCCO.



The Spanish Government, endeavoring to meet the Moroccan situation, has ordered troops to move to several important points in Morocco. The photograph was taken at Barcelona and shows a regiment of Spanish troops ready to embark for some place along the enemy's coast.

Beach, Friend, Ore., and many other friends and relatives. He died September 17, 1920 at the age of 50 years, 5 months and 25 days.

Farm Bureau Campaign Started in Polk County

INDEPENDENCE, Ore., Sept. 27.—(Special to The Statesman) —The Polk county farm bureau will join with the state farm bureau in a county-wide membership campaign during the whole month of October. There will be extensive publicity spread by all the county papers and a week of public speaking by enough speakers to reach every community, and later followed by an army of solicitors sufficient to see every farmer in the county during the following year.

Cattle Cross Continent For Big Portland Show

PORTLAND, Sept. 27.—A show herd of 33 prize winning, pure bred Ayrshire cattle, owned at Spencer, Mass., will cross the continent to compete at the Pacific International Livestock exposition November 5 to 12, according to advices received today by General Manager O. M. Plummer. Enroute to Portland the herd will stop at St. Paul to exhibit at the national dairy show there and at San Francisco where they will be shown at the California National Stock show just preceding the Pacific International at Portland.

G. A. R. WOULD REPEL ATTACKS

Insidious Propaganda Of Various Kinds Attacked By Old Veterans

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 27.—Every insidious attack against the principles of free government must be fought off. Commander-in-Chief W. A. Ketcham of the Grand Army of the Republic declared today in an address at the formal opening of the 55th annual encampment. He told his comrades they should "set their faces like flint against all the evils that are threatening — bolshevism, I. W. W. 'ism, anarchism, Ku Klux Klan—whatever their name may be—that tend to throw a blight on the fair name of the land that we saved and still love." Commander Ketcham's address marked the opening of the business session. While the veterans were meeting allied organizations also began formal hearings. The Sons of Veterans began their convention this afternoon. The auxiliary of this organization also opened its meeting. Mrs. Inez Jameson Bender, president of the Woman's Relief Corps, in opening the session of that body suggested unification of the woman's organizations affil-

ated with the G. A. R. While the various organizations were meeting the veterans also found time to attend brigade and regimental reunions.

As on previous days the veterans apparently found more pleasure in the informal reunions with their war-time friends than in the formal sessions.

Bearish Influence is Felt on Wheat Market

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—Wheat had a downward slant most of today, bearish aspects of economic conditions receiving much notice. The market closed unsettled 3/4c to 1 1/2c net lower, with December \$1.23 1/4 to \$1.23 1/2, and May \$1.27 1/4. Corn lost 3/4c to 5/8c, and oats showed an equal setback. In provisions the outcome varied from 10c decline to \$1.75 advance.

A further drop in the value of German marks counted as a special depressing influence, and so did the domestic unemployment situation and the possibility of railway strike troubles. Subsequently, however, prices hardened as a result of the word that lower ocean freight rates and higher foreign exchange had brought about some export buying, estimated at 500,000 bushels.

Corn and oats were weak in sympathy with wheat. September and December corn touched the lowest prices yet this season.

Shorts bid up the September delivery of pork but failed to obtain any offers. Besides higher quotations on hogs helped to lift the provision market.

Did you ever—
ride in a street car with someone near by carrying coffee in a paper bag? Of course, the appetizing aroma made you hungry for a cup of it, too.

When the person carrying that coffee reached home, the package was intact, but a large percentage of the flavor, the real life of the article, had disappeared into the atmosphere with the result, of a sure loss of many cents per pound. Think of it—paying a good price to get a quality coffee and then losing much of what you pay for—flavor—simply because its not packed right.

When you buy Hills Bros. "RED CAN" you get all the aroma and strength that you pay for. The vacuum tin keeps the flavor in.

Hills Bros.
the vacuum tin keeps the flavor in

Remember the MAN and you will remember the CAN

Hills Bros. Red Can COFFEE

SOMETHING DOING EVERY MINUTE

OUT at the Fair grounds there's a host of happy Oregon people—from farms, towns, and Portland. They're renewing acquaintance with each other, and filling themselves with enthusiasm for this wonderful state.

Don't forget, however, that down at the United States National you'll find banking headquarters, and a quiet place to talk over financial difficulties.

There's a special welcome here for Polk and Marion County folks.

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