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DEVELOP THE SANTIAM COUNTRY

The contention by Col. E. Hofer that the construction of a line by the Oregon Electric into the Santiam country and the full development of that country, would rejuvenate that property is sound reasoning.

With all the available water for irrigation flowing in the Santiam put to use on the land, the tonnage in freights from that region would be immensely increased. There would be supplies for a dozen more canneries and dehydration plants and other fruit and vegetable manufacturing concerns in Salem.

There would be the raw materials for a sugar factory here; and this would be important in many ways.

Lumber and cord wood and pulp wood supplies would be made available in immense quantities; and raw supplies for furniture factories and other wood working plants.

The extension of the line far enough to tap the mineral resources of the Santiam country would result in developing tonnage that alone would justify its construction.

This construction would lead to the development of the water powers of the Santiam and the Little North Fork and the South Fork of the Santiam and of such powers as that of Marion Lake—something over 100,000 potential horse power, most of it easily and cheaply developed, now running to waste.

The full development of the Santiam region would alone double the population of Salem.

And lead to other developments that would double it again, and more than double and then double again the total business of this city.

There would be at least two more paper mills in Salem. The Oregon Electric extension into the Santiam country would itself pay; more than this, it would make the whole property of the Oregon Electric pay.

CO-OPERATION IN ADVERTISING

It is better late than never, but for 60 years the Cincinnati Fire Underwriters' Association has been in existence, developing into a powerful factor in the insurance community, but, while it performed useful service and has to its credit a splendid record of accomplishment, it went its way so unobtrusively that the general public had no conception of its activities and importance in the life of the city.

Now, according to Printer's Ink, it proposes to change its method and to make a campaign in the local daily newspapers for the purpose of making the character and extent of its work known. Members of the association, in their individual capacity, are well aware of the value of advertising and some of them are preparing to tie up the association's advertising with their own, which is entirely legitimate, and brings a cumulative force to bear upon newspaper readers, beneficial to the association and to its advertising members. Day by day the potency of newspaper advertising is recognized more and more. Its use is the convincing test.

A halt in the state highway construction would be a great mistake. By all means, work should go on, at least to

the extent of finishing the gaps and matching the government money. This should be the definite program; indefinitely.

Keep on keeping on, with high-ways development.

Broccoli men will look for The Statesman of tomorrow.

The annual development number of The Statesman will be ready for delivery Friday or Saturday—forty pages or more.

Senator Pepper has started a movement to end filibustering in the senate. He cannot make it too strong or hot.

Dr. Firmin Roz says that France will pay her debt to the United States both principal and interest. In what year, dook?

The death of Edward Lauterbach in the east, at the age of 73, recalls the fact that he is the man who wrote the gold plank of the Republican national convention in 1896 and presented it to the committee on platform.

The highest record hen in the world is not far from Salem, and her eggs have been selling at \$50 each. The Statesman of tomorrow will tell about her. How would you like to own a hen laying eggs worth \$50 each? Well, you may. No one has a better opportunity than you have, if you live in the Salem district, the best poultry country in the world.

Portland is growing as a shipping center. Some of her forward looking people are becoming interested in ship lines in a large way, reaching out to Europe and the Orient, as well as American ports on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. This sort of activity will affect beneficially the vast hinterland tributary to Portland, including all of Oregon. It will put our products in easier reach of wider markets.

FUTURE DATES

- March 28, Wednesday—Presentation of "The Bat" at Grand theater.
March 28, Wednesday—Frank Ober to lecture on Asia Minor at Chamber of Commerce.
March 29, Maundy Thursday—Scottish Rite Masons' banquet at Hotel Marion.
March 31, Saturday—State fair board to meet.
April 7, Saturday—Shrine Vaudeville De Luxe at Armory.
April 2 to 6—Music Week.
April 2, Monday—Clarence C. Hamilton, field secretary United Society of Christian Endeavor, to speak in Salem.
April 3, Monday—Made-in-Salem week begins.
April 3, Tuesday—Septic tank and water bond election at Dallas.
April 4, Wednesday—Williamette Tent, Maclellens' district initiation Degree work by Mt. Hood Tent, Portland.
April 13, Friday—Williamette Men's Glee club concert at armory.
April 19, 20 and 21—Christian Cherrigo.
April 28, Saturday—Whitney Boys chorus at Armory.
May 5, Saturday—Al Kader temple Shrine ceremonial in Salem.
May 6, Sunday—Blossom Day.
May 18, Friday—May Festival, Hayden's saratoga, "The Four Seasons."
May 28, 29, 30 and 31—Oregon Jersey jubilee.

IT'S A WISE CHILD

It costs about 40 per cent more for the education of a child in California now than it did five years ago, but see what a wise child you are getting! Think how much more he knows than the old man!—Los Angeles Times.

THUMBPRINTS BY WIRELESS

They are not only sending portraits by wireless, but it has been found possible to broadcast fingerprints by radio. This is getting down to real cases in the business of hands across the sea. A safe burglar will have to step easy or his impressions will be wireless over the country and his identification be made possible at any point.

THE PEOPLE'S PULSE

Former Vice-President Marshall says that he knew a "statesman" who served something like twenty years in congress and whose proud boast it was that in all that time he had never voted for a tax or against an appropriation. "How he got away with it or squared his performance the Indiana philosopher does not say. The point is that the average voter wants his representative to favor most of the appropriations that come up, but when they reach the form of a tax he seems to have a kick coming.

ALL THE COMFORTS

The new union station in Chicago is to have a jail, a morgue and a chapel as part of its equipment. Any sheriff passing through the village with a prisoner in his entourage can lock his ward up in a steel cell while he goes up town for breakfast or to ask for mail. Also, if any man dies of old-age while waiting for the 9:15 he can be nicely laid out on a stone slab in the morgue until his friends identify the remains. If it should be necessary to have a funeral there is the chapel with its pews and hymn books and its preacher just around the corner. The railways are now building

their terminals with all the comforts of home.

THE NEW CHINA

A distinguished authority in Uncle Sam's consular service declares that our Pacific coast should be able to take command of the foreign trade of China and that this commerce should be a wonderful thing. The "buying power" of this vast oriental republic can only be vaguely guessed. The authority tells that China has great natural resources. It also has its hundreds of millions of population, yet is sparsely settled. Six-sevenths of the inhabitants dwell in less than one-third of the area. There are vast sections that must be opened by railroads. There are natural stores of iron, coal, zinc, lead and other minerals and the lands are rich for agriculture. All the possibilities of climate are furnished. Its range is virtually equal to that of the United States. It is a great field for the investment of American capital. It would take billions to give the new republic the railways it so badly needs, but these lines would show an early profit and they would create a new and expansive market for almost everything that America makes. The opportunity offered our coast goes up like a mighty cry. We are nearer to China than any other port of the English-speaking races. There are marvelous possibilities for the mere grasping.

MEXICO'S UNIQUE POET

Senor J. J. R. Nino of Guadalupe has just issued a book of poems and a small volume of short essays and aphorisms of sufficient natural merit to attract all those interested in Spanish literature or susceptible to the soft cadences of that dulcet tongue.

If one says that Senor Nino will number among his readers those chiefly interested in himself and his story, it is without reflecting at all on the value of his work. Because, while many others under no circumstances might have produced equally as good verse and equally good philosophy, no other poet in the world ever wrote anything good, bad or indifferent under the terrible handicap from which Senor Nino suffered.

On the 16th of May, 1904, in a small Guatemalan village four or five bandits attacked the Senor in his bed, and as he was in the act of lighting a cigarette, and with a shotgun blew off both his arms. At 30 years of age he was thus left permanently disabled.

The tenacity and perseverance inherent in some natures, however, actually turned this terrible mutilation to ultimate gain. Senor Nino taught himself to handle a pen in his mouth and by this novel feat started on a literary career. His two books, "Cadenencias" and "Ninadas," are both reproduced in the original script, as he wrote it with his mouth—and the handwriting is attractive to look upon and clear to decipher.

Senor J. J. R. Nino was fortunate in attracting the attention of President Obregon—who, it is well known, lost an arm in battle—and who was moved to sympathy at the more serious loss suffered by his fellow countryman. Impressed by the pluck and skill of this sadly handicapped writer, the president of Mexico has endorsed his work for him and is doing all he legitimately can to make the books a success.

BATTLES IN THE AIR

A crashing conflict of electric waves rages daily in the heavens over central and western Europe and reaches even to the blue eyrie above Moscow and the Balkans.

It is caused by the latest form of warfare carried on between the fiery Frank and the indignant Teuton. While at present it threatens no physical harm to either contestant, it opens prospects for more vexatious issues for international diplomacy in days to come.

Germany may be losing in the Ruhr valley, but in this latest scrap she seems to be gaining the upper hand—or rather the upper air. For the battle is being waged by radio between the Eberswalde plant in Berlin and the Eiffel Tower in Paris, and as Berlin has the more powerful broadcasting machine, she can effectu-

SULPHUR IS BEST TO CLEAR UP UGLY, BROKEN OUT SKIN

Any breaking out or skin irritation on face, neck or body is overcome quickly by applying Mentho-Sulphur, says a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ destroying properties, nothing has ever been found to take the place of this sulphur preparation that instantly brings ease from the itching, burning and irritation.

Mentho-Sulphur heals eczema right up, leaving the skin clear and smooth. It seldom fails to relieve the torment or disfigurement. A little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur may be obtained at any drug store. It is used like cold cream.—Adv.

Mrs. Harding is threatened with a return of her old trouble that nearly caused her death some months ago. How that woman does urge herself to keep company with her distinguished husband, Florence King Harding is the salt of the earth.—Los Angeles Times.

Advertisement for West Coast Life Insurance Company. Features include: 1. Accident, 2. Sickness, 3. Adversity, 4. Old Age, 5. Death. Includes a coupon to mail for more information.

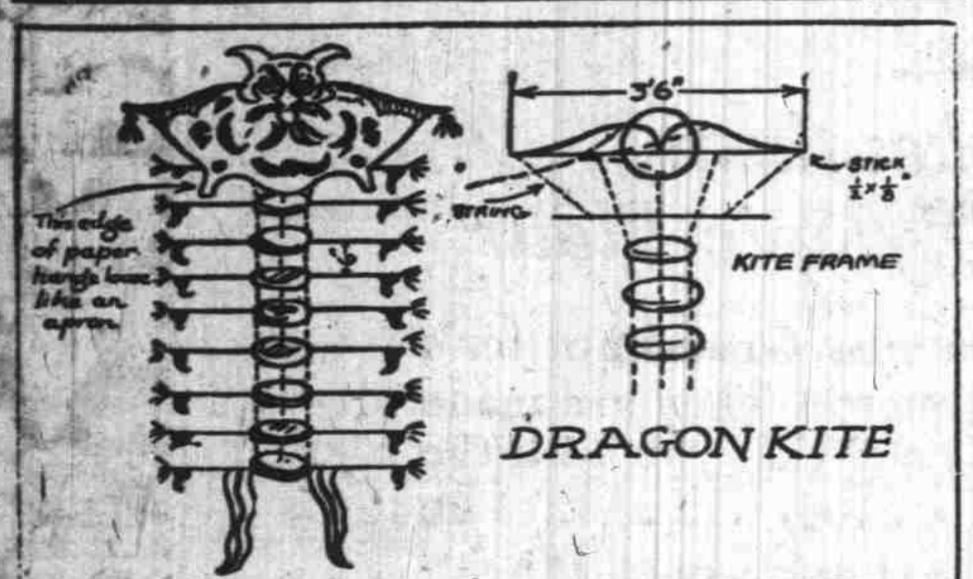
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For Boys and Girls



DRAGON KITE

NEW KITES FOR WINDY DAYS

How to Build a Dragon Kite

Boys who like the unusual will find what they want in the dragon kite. The Chinese boys were the first to see the possibilities of this type of kite. On warm summer evenings the young of

To make this kite begin with the wooden framework. Do not be alarmed at the illustrations, for the dragon kite really is not hard to build.

May Vary Sizes

All the dimensions given with the plan may, of course, be varied. You may make the kite larger or smaller, although it is a good plan to try the first kite with the sizes given. Bamboo, which is merely fish-pole wood, is used. Nine straight pieces are needed, the rest of the framework being of circular construction. Here is a hint for the making of bamboo circles. Secure a piece of ordinary stove pipe, and dent one in, so that it will be a little smaller than the rest. Over this you can bend your bamboo circles, slipping them off the narrow end. Be sure, however, that all the bamboo strips are of the same width and thickness.

Ordinary thread is used for lashing the two ends of the circle together. Make the bindings neat, then apply a coat of varnish. By following these directions you can easily make any number of hoops in a short space of time. The large hoop that makes the head can be made of a barrel hoop, if you do not think you can make the circle exact enough with bamboo. Be sure, if you do use a barrel hoop, that the material is dry.

Make Special String

A good deal of string is used in tying the various tall hoops together. A special string which you can make yourself should be used for this work. Use linen thread, twisting three or four strands together. If cobbler's wax is put on the string it will be stronger, although this last is not necessary.

Decorations can be applied as you wish. Remember, however, that the edges of the face are loose. The paper waves in the wind. All the tassels and trailers are fastened with the intention of balancing the kite. So if you put a tassel on one side, be sure you put another on the opposite side. Fancy paper cut-outs make good decorations for the face.

The lead strings are shown by

the dotted lines in the illustration. (Next Week: "How to Make a Circular Kite.")

THE SHORT STORY, JR.

FAIRY FIDGET SETS TO WORK

When Fidget was doing his work. With a dance and a twist and a Quirk. The pupils would squirm And twist like a worm— Their lessons they'd cheerfully shirk.

Fairy Fidget crawled out from behind the schoolroom clock where he had been taking a nap. He yawned and looked around the room. The pupils all sat quietly listening to the teacher's voice as it ran on and on. She was reading what seemed to Fairy Fidget a very dry story.

"How tiresome!" Fidget grumbled. "I should think the teacher would like a little excitement. I know I would. No one here looks like he had ever heard of me before. I'll show them who I am." He jumped up on the clock and danced a lively jig to see if he couldn't stir up some excitement.

Two of the students shifted their positions and looked up at the clock. Immediately they began shuffling their feet and moving their hands, unconsciously keeping time to the rhythm of Fairy Fidget's dance.

But don't think for a moment that Fairy Fidget was satisfied with this. He was a very spoiled fairy and would not be satisfied until he had the whole school following his every move. He quickly hopped down from the clock and set to work in earnest. First he jumped up on the teacher's desk. Right under her nose he did the Highland Fling and then went through his setting-up exercises.

Then from the desk to desk he hopped. He stood on his head on one desk, turned all sorts of flips on the next, spun on one toe on the next, and bounced up and down on his nose after that. There wasn't anything in the world that Fairy Fidget couldn't



do. He was never still a minute.

Now, after Fairy Fidget had danced all over the room there wasn't a boy or girl who was sitting still. Such a racket as there was in that schoolroom! Even the teacher could scarcely hear herself read.

Fairy Fidget chuckled to himself. "This is more like it," he laughed. "I surely do like excitement."

At last the teacher closed her book with a sigh. "My, but you children do have the fidgets badly today," she said.

Fairy Fidget did a fancy dive behind the clock. His work was done in that room; he'd move on to the next one.



PICTURE PUZZLE

A "MOVIE" ADVERTISES



Answer to yesterday's: Down, Ohio, wins, nose.



The Telephone Directory

Good telephone service depends vitally upon care in calling telephone numbers. A wrong number called causes loss of time to you, to the party called and to the operator. Every instance means avoidable inconvenience to all concerned.

It is not the loss of time to you alone or to the operator that concerns us most, but it is the annoyance to the party called. Your mistake cannot be explained to him, and the Telephone Company is held responsible for your error.

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