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A BETTER PLACE TO FARM—A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE

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"It will be worth your while to learn more about the farming opportunities of Oregon! Larger yields, lower costs, GREATER PROFITS—this is what Oregon offers the farmer—offers YOU today. For not only are acre yields higher, but for the most part these yields are obtained on land that averages lower in price than the lands in the eastern states.

Cap'n Zyb

Our magic show won't be complete without a couple of good card tricks. The best ones are rather simple and Maxwell the



Great has told me of one very simple trick which he has used to fool lots of people.

Take the 8 of clubs and the 9 of spades, 8 of spades and 9 of clubs and put them on top of the deck in the order named, secretly and in advance of the time for performing the trick.

Take the first two cards and show them to the audience for a very short space of time. Put the cards back into the deck at random, in full view of the audience and leave them on a table in plain sight of all.

Appear to think hard for a moment and then walk back over and pick up the top two cards from the deck. Of course, they are not the same ones you originally took from the top of the deck.

—CAP'N ZYB.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Yesterday, a clear spring day.

This winter season, so far, must be about like several in the early fifties, when our fathers and mothers arrived in the Willamette valley with the immigrant trains.

Blackberry slogan tomorrow. If we could market all the Evergreen blackberries we could produce, our growers would have about all the money in the world.

Some one suggests that what the old time politicians fear is not the 3d party but the 4d party.

A man broke into a house and took nothing but a gramophone. All the neighbors are now under suspicion.

"A woman's secret society has been formed in America. It sounds impossible."—London Opinion. Here is a cause for international trouble—those English judging our women by their own.

If we are to have a linen mill in Salem, one thing is certain. Our farmers are ready to grow all the flax needed—no matter how large the mill. They can do it within a radius of 15 miles from Salem, and not touch an acre of land now devoted to other crops.

Many Salem radio fans hear daily from the Calgary Herald's station. That station is now furnishing regular quotations on furs, and to the traders ordinarily weeks and even months from mail service. The world was already growing small. The radio is making it smaller and smaller.

FUTURE DATES

- December 18, Tuesday—City Federation of clubs to elect officers.
December 18, Tuesday—Dancing at armory.
December 21, Friday—OAO club Christmas party, Woman's club building.
December 22, Saturday—Christmas vacation begins in Salem schools.
December 25, Tuesday—Christmas day.
December 26, Wednesday—Annual election of officers Business Men's League.
January 1, Tuesday—Annual open house, YMCA.
January 1, Tuesday—New Years day.
January 2, Wednesday—Holiday vacation ends in Salem schools.
January 3, Thursday—Marion County Grand Jury meets.
January 8 and 9—Hollywood show at Grand theater for Albertina Kerr Baby Show.
January 8, Tuesday—Installation of officers, Capitol Post No. 9, American Legion.
January 8-15—International week of prayer.
January 10, 11 and 12—County judges and commissioners of Oregon to meet in Salem.
January 12, Saturday—Memorial service at Albany.
January 15, Tuesday—Masonic Memorial service at Oregon.
January 17-24—National Fruit Week.
February 23, Saturday—Dedication of statue "The Oregon Pioneer" in Astoria.

RUSSELL HECKER WILL BE HANGED

Supreme Court Affirms Conviction and Sentence in Lower Tribunal

Russell Hecker of Albany must suffer the death penalty for the murder of Frank Bowker, Portland musician, on April 16, 1922. The state supreme court yesterday, in an opinion written by Justice Harris, upheld the conviction and sentence of death in Judge J. U. Campbell's court in Clackamas county. The crime was committed in that county.

Hecker was sentenced to be hanged on September 22, 1922, but the execution was automatically stayed by appeal of the case to the supreme court. It will now be necessary for Hecker to be taken back to Oregon City and re-sentenced. For many months Hecker has been held in the Multnomah county jail instead of in a cell at the state penitentiary.

The crime apparently was a bootlegging affair and followed a deal over some whiskey. After the murder Hecker carried the body by automobile almost the entire length of the Willamette valley and threw it over a bridge into the Calapooya river near Albany. He had placed the body in a hop sack, which the evidence showed he had purchased before he and Bowker began the trip out of Portland.

The opinion of the supreme court holds that the trial in the lower court was free from prejudicial errors. Other opinions were: In the matter of the estate of Adelaide J. Hodgkin, deceased, Frank E. Hodgkin, petitioner, vs. Wilson B. Miller, administrator, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; proceeding to require administrator to discharge certain mortgage. Opinion by Chief Justice McBride. Decree of Judge George Tazewell modified by not including Jennings Lodge property in a sale.

Joseph Trippier, appellant, vs. U. G. Couch, county judge of Union county, et al; appeal from Union county; proceeding in mandamus to compel construction of road between Island City and Cove Opinion by Justice Brown. Judge J. W. Knowles affirmed. State of Oregon vs. F. E. Stillwell, appellant; appeal from Union county; appeal from conviction of perjury. Opinion by Justice Bean. Judge Walter H. Evans affirmed. J. Felder vs. S. A. Foster Lumber company, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; motion to dismiss appeal allowed, in opinion of Chief Justice McBride. Petition for rehearing denied in Rockwell vs. School district.

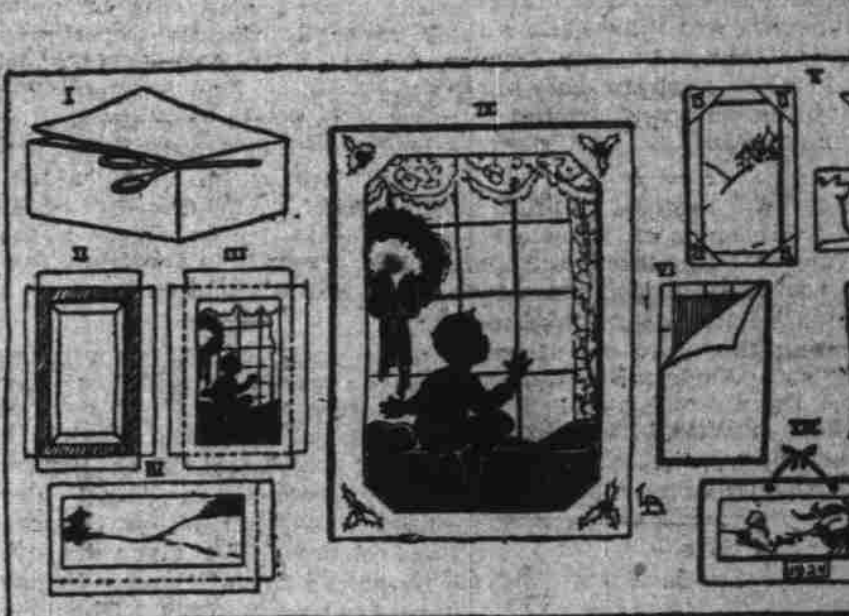
Common Law Marriage is Recognized by Commission

The state industrial accident commission yesterday recognized as valid a common law marriage that took place in this state. It is a question that the Oregon su-

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LET'S GET READY NOW FOR CHRISTMAS



Take the picture that you have selected to frame, which may be a photograph of yourself or a colored picture cut from a magazine, and find a candy box of stiff cardboard the same size. Cut away the sides of both the lid and the bottom so that you have two uniform cardboards.

If the frame is to be an inch wide, measure in an inch on one piece and mark off a rectangle, then cut it out, as in diagram II. Now you have the base for your frame, and it is ready to be covered with paper of an appropriate color. A "patent leather" frame, made by using black kindergarten paper with a high gloss, is attractive, or you may follow the predominating color of the picture in choosing the hue for the

The picture will stand when a cardboard strip is fastened to the back as in figure VII. A frame made wider at the bottom may have a calendar pad pasted on with a hanger string through at the top.

Peter Puzzle Says—My first is something that grows on trees; my second means leisure and rhymes with trees, my third is a country covered with trees, and my fourth is what you're performed when you climb a tree. The whole forms a four-letter word-square.

Answer to today's picture puzzle: The boy is crying the word of Captain Perry in the battle of Lake Erie, "Don't give up the ship!"

Answer to today's word puzzle: The words that form the square are: leaf, case, Ask, foot, tiny Tim, Capt. January, "Snowbound."

Answer to today's riddle: Because he always has his eye on Witchcraft.

Randy Riddle Says—Why would a Chinaman be a good actor? What type of vessels did he harbor in the old days?



BLOUSES \$5.95 and \$9.75 WAISTS Hand Beaded or Embroidered Canton Crepe and Crepe De Chine Shipley's CLASSIFIED ADS IN THE STATESMAN BRING RESULTS

OREGON STATESMAN AUTOMOBILE CONTEST VOTE LIST Votes Polled up to Noon December 18th CITY OF SALEM Allen, Martha, 625 N. Winter 380,260 Barriball, Mary, 1780 Hickory 400,100 Beckendorf, Mrs. A. L., 2237 Nebraska Ave. 634,830 Brady, Ruth, 1555 N. Capitol 624,340 Blixeth, Olaf, 545 N. 21st 623,895 Barlow, Herbert, 1730 Fairmount Ave. 624,124 Cook, Leslie, 1247 Ferry St. 570,100 Cummings, Evelyn, 1257 N. Winter 635,975 Desinger, Erma, Oregon Theatre 500,300 Edwards, John, 295 N. 15th 549,000 Ely, Raymond, 147 Marion 624,945 Edmundson, Paul, 2146 N. Church 424,100 Escheleman, Mrs. Bert, 176 S. Com'l 525,710 George Koehler, 1750 State 500,100 Gwynn, Harold, 1407 N. Winter 500,120 Gilmer, Faith, 332 N. 19th 501,000 Hunt, Bill, Fire Station 639,430 Hirsch, Richard, 1345 Madison 627,355 Hamby, Henry, 1345 B. St. 261,500 Hileman, Katherine, 1309 Waller 400,200 Johnson, Eunice, 1525 Highland 562,400 Kloessen, Henry, 645 Ferry 635,900 Lewis, Edward, 224 N. 15th 627,310 Luthy, Miss A. M., 1497 S. 13th 635,020 McCoy, Maurice, 1507 Fairgrounds Road 625,465 Mitchell, Nellie, White House 624,725 Newport, Howard, 337 S. 18th 628,025 Paulus, George, 353 State 600,100 Paumala, Nellie, 806 N. High 595,400 Price, Chas. H., 372 N. Church 620,100 Peebles, Jesse, 2395 N. Front 400,200 Pence, Viola, 1825 N. Com'l 500,400 Plant, Harry, Armory 624,120 Snook, Frank, 2409 4th 500,300 Satren, Morris, 246 Marion 400,300 Saing, Elmer, 1297 S. High 520,400 Varley, John, 560 Electric 634,280 Ward, Connel, 1487 Broadway 630,945 Weir, Leo, 1420 Chemeketa 608,530 COUNTEE Bates, Mrs. C. F., Rt. 5, Box 55, Salem 320,125 Bradley, Robert, Chemawa 240,200 Berchold, Joseph, Mount Angel 224,371

FRONT STREET PAVING With large paving programs it is more important that every job be an honest job. In the year 1924 a large program will be put into operation. It is in a single instant the foundation is not what it ought to be, if in a single instance the work is not complete, the city council is responsible. The people expect it to be perfect and the judgment of the men selected. We do not know that there is an effort being made to shirk this responsibility, certainly there should not be. What Salem wants is good paving at fair prices. It must have this and nothing else. Paving laid on dirt can not be good, and such paving work should be restricted to be accepted and paid for traffic. There are some pieces of bad paving in the