

Over 2000 Miles of Smelt Are Eaten According to Local Market Proprietor

W. S. Fitts Estimates that 156,000 Pounds of the Fish Were Handled by His Firm During Season; Savings Also Effectuated

This may sound a little "fishy," but W. S. Fitts, fish and poultry market proprietor, has gone into the subject and vouches for the truthfulness of the figures.

Mr. Fitts recalls that the annual smelt run is about over for the year and bases his figures upon the amount of fish handled by the market. From January 15 to April 3 a total of 156,000 pounds of the little fish was sold. The fish average 10 to the pound, making a total of 12,480,000 fish. The average length is about 8 inches, and if all the smelt sold were placed head to tail in one long line this would stretch 2363 miles. Private fishermen have increased this amount and Mr. Fitts estimates that about 25,000 of the fish have been used in this district.

Not only have the fish been caught in quantities, but residents of the district served have been saved a small fortune. Due to the difference in prices between smelt and fresh meat, a saving of about 10 cents a pound is possible. Using his original figures of 156,000 pounds, Mr. Fitts estimates that by eating smelt instead of

meat, a total of \$15,600 has been saved. Mr. Fitts includes Oswego, Oregon City, Canby, Aurora, Hubbard, Mt. Angel, Monitor, Silverton, Stayton, Aumsville, Lyons, Corvallis, Jefferson, Albany, Corvallis, Monmouth, Independence, Dallas and Salem is the territory that he serves.

SALEM LINEN PLANT NEARLY ASSURED NOW

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\$150,000 necessary to complete the funds.

D. M. Sanson, the promoter, is on his way to Los Angeles and will return to Salem after a three-day visit. At this time definite action will be taken.

M. G. Gunderson, who attended the conference from Silverton, stated that the residents of his community are enthusiastic about the new industry. Leonard Gilkey secretary of the Albany Chamber of Commerce and Dr. S. Robnett, were present at the meeting. They were glad to see Salem men getting down to business. Albany people are willing to do their share in stimulating the interest in flax growing.

Rating Is High The feeling is generally optimistic regarding the plan submitted by Mr. Sanson and it is considered the best one that Salem people have ever been offered. Some considered it the best offer that could be made, in view of the action of Mr. Sanson in backing the proposition with his own money.

The rating that the R. G. Dunn company gave on the Dominion's Linens, Ltd., of Toronto, is \$450,000, which is a very conservative estimate, according to the opinion of local capitalists who are familiar with the ratings of the company. In addition, Mr. Sanson is

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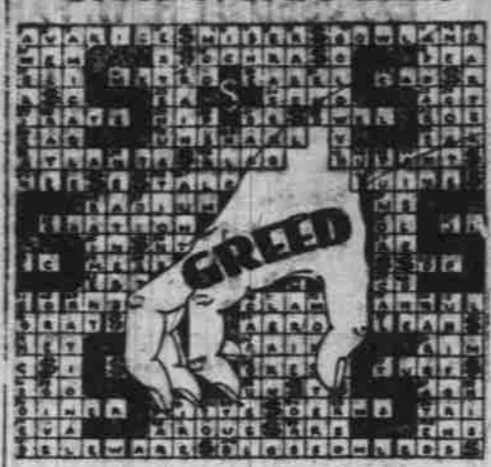
Just as soon as the definite form of subscription blank is drawn up by the committee to satisfy T. B. Kay and John McNary, the opportunity to subscribe to the proposal will be given Salem residents. The sentiment expressed by the Albany people, who have met Mr. Sanson is favorable and many of the farmers are willing to grow flax and to assist in every way. This fact has influenced the men who are drawing up the subscription blanks.

Albany Wants Mill Dr. Bobnett speaking before the conference said: "I am glad to see Salem taking an interest in the mill, because if Salem does not want it, Albany does."

The committee which has been instrumental in investigating the record of Mr. Sanson and the proposal that he has advanced recommend as a whole, the immediate acceptance of the proposition to erect the linen mill at Salem. Members of the committee are as follows: Theodore Roth, George Putnam, T. A. Livealey, Dan J. Fry, John H. McNary, W. F. Buckner, E. F. Slade, George Vick, T. M. Hicks, U. S. Page, G. H. Grabenhorst, I. L. Patterson, Harry M. Hawkins, E. Hofer, and F. A. Erixon.

AIR EXPERTS DELIMIT ALTITUDE TO WHICH MAN IS ABLE TO FLY

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Flight surgeons of the army air service believe that man has about reached the maximum flying speed at which he can suddenly change direction, owing to the centrifugal force exerted on the body and its effect on the blood. This speed is placed in the vicinity of 250 miles an hour. The limit of speed on a straightaway course, they say, can probably be placed much higher than is now mechanically possible, but experience will have to write the actual figure. The height



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limit, they add, is around 45,000 feet.

This contention regarding the maximum speed for turning, the flight surgeons point out, is predicted upon the experience of Lieutenant Alvin J. Williams, of the navy, at the Pulitzer air races at St. Louis in October, 1923, who said he became practically unconscious at turns of the triangular course, when he rounded at 243.67 miles an hour.

The flyer at the turn banks his craft at right angles, the centrifugal force acting at right angles to the new direction of travel and the blood being carried away from the head toward the stomach, and probably even to the legs, causes



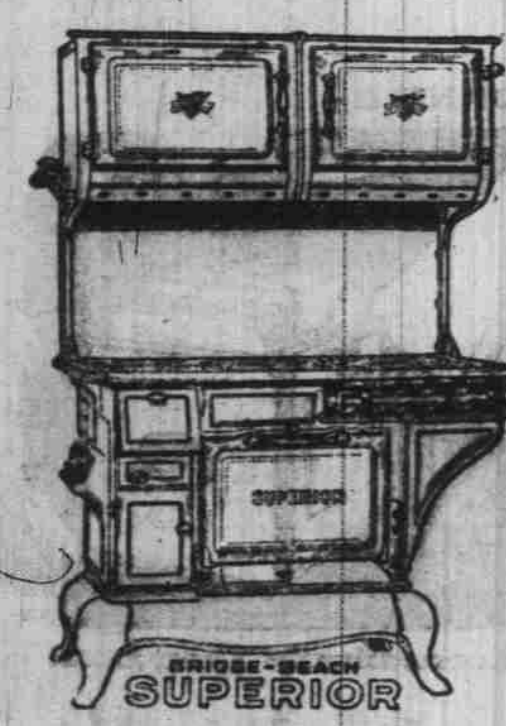
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Demonstration Continued

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Monday and Tuesday OF THIS WEEK



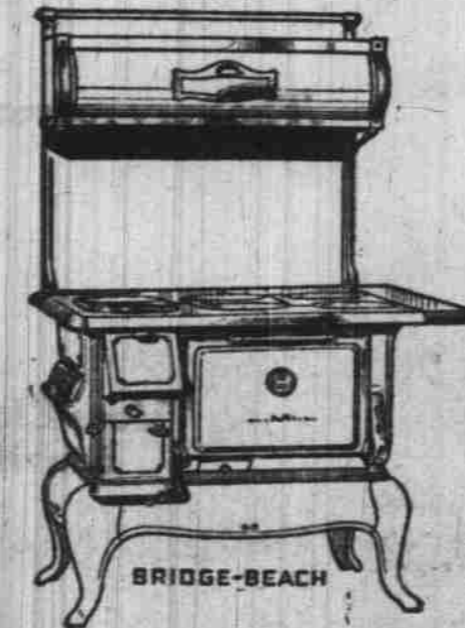
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faintness and possibly unconsciousness. Blood circulation quickly adjusts itself, the flight surgeons say, and the direction of centrifugal force is rapidly changed, although at turns at very high speeds in airplanes, brain injury or rupture of a vital blood vessel might result.

Even when supplied with oxygen, the flight surgeons hold, an aviator could not survive beyond a height of 45,000 feet, under ordinary circumstances, because the available oxygen pressure in the lungs would be too low to sustain life.

Between 23,000 and 25,000 feet is the "upper limit of consciousness" without oxygen, say the flight surgeons, and at higher altitudes oxygen is indispensable. Only if enclosed in a cabin or suit in which the barometric pressure were kept at a degree compatible with life, would it be possible to ascend beyond the 45,000 limit, with suitable arrangement being made for disposing of the surplus carbon dioxide.

The aviator experiences, among other things, as the result of high altitude flights, sleepiness, uncontrolled emotion, including giggling, singing or laughter; muscular weakness, shortness of breath, impairment of the intellect and judgment, and impairment of vision and hearing. These are chiefly due, medical men explain, to a lack of oxygen in the brain.

There are 50 army flight surgeons, stationed at different flying fields, all on flying status. A flight medical school is maintained at Mitchell Field, N. Y., where courses are given selected medical officers picked for aviation duty. Aviation psychology forms a large share of their work, and they are acquainted with first-hand conditions of the men who go up in the air in ships.

The National Aeronautic association's records show that the present maximum altitude record is held by a French flier with 33,548 feet, and the speed record in a straightaway course is held by another French aviator at 278.48 miles an hour.

The Most Likely Causes—Delbert: "Gosh, but I'm sleepy!" Hoover: "Radio, cross word puzzles, or a baby?" —Mrs B. D. Cantor.

SERIOUS CHARGES FACED BY YOUTHS

Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor Causes Arrest of Local Trio

Three Salem youths are held in the city and county jail on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor. They are Max Carter and Bud Harris at the city jail and Bert Pery at the county jail.

A 14-year old Silverton girl is said to be involved in the escapade, which is alleged to have been committed in Salem.

Warrants were sworn out Friday night and Carter and Harris were arrested by Officers Hickman and Olson on information furnished by Police Matron Myra Shanks.

Indications are that several other local men are involved in the case. Police of Portland and other nearby points are on the lookout for the men, who are believed to have obtained advance information and left the city.

Late last night Clifford Willard was arrested by Officer Hickman on the charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, making a total of four arrests for the offense during the past two days.

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Another man is being sought and when arrested the quintet will be brought before the justice of the peace during the coming week, according to the police record.

French Designers Failed To Grasp American Theme

CHICAGO, April 4.—The quick, impulsive curve of the French art nouveau style had its origin in the American broom corn, asserted Charles R. Richards, directors of the American association of Museums, speaking recently at the Art institute of Chicago.

"When the French and Belgian artists of the eighties, searching for a new style of art, turned to the curved line of nature, a young lad of 17 in Dayton, Ohio, named E. Colonna, was a publishing a little book called 'An Essay on Broom Corn,'" Mr. Richards said. "The book, dated 1887, consisted first of a naturalistic drawing of the broom corn, and then a series of abstract designs utilizing its curves.

"Colonna later went to Paris and eventually joined the Paris group which was developing the art nouveau style. His furniture and jewelry appeared in the Paris exposition of 1900, and were so impressive that photographs were made. When I was visiting a prominent art official in Paris I noticed in his offices some of Colonna's furniture. He admired its artistic worth and preserved it, though the art nouveau style is now dead."

The art nouveau style in the hand of great designers like Colonna has a lasting artistic value, according to Professor Richards. The reason that it failed as a great art movement was that the curve on which it was based was too subtle an art form and could only be handled with success by genius. When it was taken up by the French manufacturers they did not call in the best designers, with the result that the curve was used in all sorts of exaggerated and bizarre ways and the style was soon run out.



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