

# BARROWS WRITES FROM CALIFORNIA

Gives Interesting Account of Climate and Talks About Coffee

Ventura, Cal., Nov. 28, 1925.  
 320, Crema St.  
 Editor Salem Statesman:—  
 My Dear Editor: You asked me to write something of my trip and also about Florida, as many of my friends about Salem have. I still have a warm spot in my heart for Salem and the vicinity about as well as for my many friends there. I did not go to Florida direct as I had expected but stopped here in Ventura by the sea in Ventura county, southern California. Mrs. Barrows, Frederick, Walter, baby Ruth and myself are all well; had a fine trip here; enjoying the sunshine, flowers blooming on every hand in the open; lemons and oranges ripening every day in the year. There does not seem to be much distinction here between summer and winter.  
 The boys are in school and like it very well. The agriculturist of this country as a rule is very prosperous, especially those that have water for irrigation. Those who have not water have a very hard struggle. Land is high ranging from \$1000 to \$5,000 per acre for good land. The land is very fertile. Lima beans running as high as \$500 pounds per acre for which they receive \$10.00 to \$12 per hundred. Walnuts do fine, one orchard attracted my attention in which six acres produced sixteen tons of nuts, for which the grower received 23c per pound. On arriving here I went to work for my brother Frank who is doing a large and profitable trucking business. I did not know there were so many lima beans and walnuts in the world.  
 Brother Frank and I have planned to sail for the upper part of Panama Los Barrocos Del Volcan in the Providence of Orlin, December 15th, and return by the way of Cuba and Florida. I feel there is still big possibilities in Florida including money making and heavy producing coffee lands of the Republic of Panama.  
 I, Frank and my nephew Orris Barrows have been in various parts of this section and bought

up options on 500 or 600 acres of this splendid coffee land. If it shows up to be one-half what is claimed for it by many from here who have seen it, the investment will be inviting. The soil at the Volcan is composed of a top layer of a foot or more of decomposed leaf mold the accumulation of centuries of growth, overlying a bed of volcanic ash and black loam running to ten or twelve feet in depth. The few Volcan coffee groves are young and unproductive except one grove which is producing net to its grower \$5880 per acre for a ten year period. Beginning at the third year from planting or the first crop the coffee will bring \$760 net per acre, with an increase until the tenth year \$1440 per acre. Even a ten-acre unit would place a man on the road to ease from a financial standpoint in a very few years. We find this Panama coffee land lies a short distance from and in the same belt with the coffee groves of Costa Rica which are world known for their quality of coffee and quantity of production. The Volcan has an average rainfall of 93 inches which makes an abundance for the production of coffee. Those to whom I have talked and who have been there state the elevation is from 3,000 to 5,000 feet. The temperature never drops below 45 degrees and never is above 80 degrees. Looking over the coffee may of the world we find a very small part is adapted to coffee growing. While Brazil produces the greatest portion of the coffee of the world it is of the low land coffee, and much of it needs irrigation and this upland coffee of Panama will bring enough more in New York to more than pay the cost of production and is a much heavier producer. We base our opinion on the world's greatest authority William H. Ukers. Many men and women in all walk of life about Ventura, California, and some of my friends in Oregon are anxious to buy some of this coffee land if we are willing to develop it, providing we find it to be even one-half what is claimed for it. We are sure going to investigate it carefully. On my return from Panama, Cuba and Florida I hope to write something of interest of my findings to the Statesman. This will likely be some time in February or March.  
 —A. C. BARROWS.

SALEM—Producers Canning & Packing Co., says net of \$85 a ton for Bartlett pear pool. Ordinary prices were \$65 to \$60 a ton.

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL MEETING**  
 Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of school district No. 24 of Marion county, state of Oregon, that a school meeting of said district will be held at high school building on the 8th day of December, 1925, at 7 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of discussing the budget herewith set out with the levying board, and to vote on the proposition of levying a special district tax.  
 The total amount of money needed by the said school district during the fiscal year beginning on June 15, 1925, and ending June 30, 1926, is estimated in the following budget and includes the amounts to be received from the county school fund, state school fund, elementary school fund, special district tax, and all other moneys of the district:

BUDGET		Estimated Expenditures	Receipts
<b>I. Personal Service:</b>		\$237,470.00	
47 High school teachers	462,995		
53 Junior high school teachers	60,320		
61 Grade teachers	65,700		
1 Elementary supervisor	2,900		
10 Principals	16,350		
1 Superintendent	3,800		
1 Clerk	1,350		
1 Nurse	1,125		
1 School physician	500		
3 Secretaries	2,820		
1 Attendance supervisor and census enumerator	900		
2 Librarians	2,250		
2 Substitute teachers	1,500		
15 Janitors	15,400		
<b>II. Material and Supplies:</b>		19,600.00	
1. Educational equipment	2,500		
2. Furniture	1,500		
3. Educational supplies	3,000		
4. Library	750		
5. Janitors' supplies	1,400		
6. Fuel and wood	5,500		
7. Light, power and gas	1,850		
8. Water and phones	1,850		
9. Postage and stationery	150		
10. Printing	650		
11. Freight and drayage	250		
<b>III. Maintenance and Repairs:</b>		4,850.00	
1. High school	600		
2. Parrish junior high school	350		
3. Mackalely junior high school	300		
4. Eastwood	250		
5. Garfield	150		
6. Grant	1,700		
7. Highland	150		
8. Lincoln	150		
9. Park	500		
10. Richmond	500		
<b>IV. Insurance:</b>		1,000.00	
V. Miscellaneous:	500.00		
VI. Interest on Warrants:	580.00		
<b>Total Current Expenditures</b>		\$264,000.00	
<b>VIII. Indebtedness:</b>		\$1,182.00	
1. Redemption of old bonds	10,000		
2. Interest on old bonds	3,322		
3. Redemption of high school addition	10,000		
4. Interest on high school addition bonds	4,000		
5. Redemption of Parrish J.H.S. bonds	22,000		
6. Interest on Parrish J.H.S. bonds	9,300		
7. Street assessments	2,000		
<b>Total Current and Indebtedness Expenditures</b>		\$325,182.00	
<b>Receipts</b>		\$264,000.00	
<b>Receipts for Current Expenditures:</b>			
1. State school funds	\$ 8,100		
2. County school funds	51,500		
3. Elementary school funds	23,000		
4. High school tuition fund	30,500		
5. Other sources	3,400		
6. District tax (six per cent limitation)	141,500		
<b>Receipts for Indebtedness:</b>			
1. District tax for redemption and interest on bonds and sinking fund	61,182.00		
<b>Total Receipts</b>		\$325,182.00	
Dated this 18th day of November, 1925.			
H. H. Olinger,	E. T. Barnes,		
L. J. Simeral,	Edward Schunke,		
Wm. Gahlsdorf,	U. G. Shipley,		
F. M. Gregory,	T. M. Hicks,		
Frank E. Neer,	W. I. Staley,		
Budget Committee,		W. H. BURGHARDT, Secretary.	239-27-26

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 Padded sole, spring heel, cut-out collar.  
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**Rayon Scarfs For "His" Gift**  


Wide stripes, narrow stripes, checks and plaids, in the silky Rayon weaves. Warmth without weight or bulkiness. Cut wide, long and fringed. All low priced at—  
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Silk and rayon mixed; mercerized lisle heel, toe and top.  
 Novelty designs in checks, plaids and plain colors. A remarkable Christmas hose at the low price of—  
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The beautiful, appropriate, and useful Christmas gift is found in silk hose! Number 445 is something which you can afford to give—and which any woman will be happy to receive.  
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 Do your Christmas shopping to-day—and do it in our Hosiery Department.

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 The Gift of Warmth and Comfort  
  
 Our assortment of warm, roomy, comfortable Blanket Bath Robes will answer your problem of what to give "him."  
 Cut full and good length. Trimmed with silk cord; some are braid trimmed. Well tailored; big pockets.  
 Make your selections early while stocks are at the best. Exceptional values at every price—  
**\$4.98 to \$8.90**

**Gift Pen and Pencil Sets For Men and Women, Boxed**  
 An unusually attractive and acceptable gift for men, women or young people.  
  
 Silver Filled, Black Rubber or Gold Filled; also red rubber in men's only. Each set is encased in beautiful plush lined gift boxes. Made by one of the most reliable makers. Exceptionally low priced, ranging from—  
**\$2.98**

**Best Books For Children**  
 Stories They Love to Read  
 Give a book to make a child happy! There are many books in this store from which to choose. There are the old stories which each generation acclaims, and the new stories which future generations will also love!  
 Select your books here! We have received a generous shipment for the holidays. And our prices are remarkably low!  
**5c to 49c**

**Gift Ties Select Now**  
  
 Loud Ties! Quiet Ties! To suit all likes and tastes! Ties hat fit into any color-scheme! Stripes, figured designs! All cut long and wide.  
**49c to \$1.25**

**Stationery Christmas Boxes**  
  
 One always needs writing paper! It is a most desired Christmas Gift! You will find the most attractive stationery at this store! Prettily boxed, ribbon tied. Priced,  
**25c to \$2.25**

**Garters, Combination Sets For Christmas Gifts**  
  
**Ladies' Round Garters**—Lace-edge trimmed and plain styles with novelty and fancy bows, assorted patterns... 23c, 49c, 69c, 98c  
**Ladies' Hickory Negligee Garters**—In a large assortment of colors and patterns... 23c to 98c  
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**Paris Garters**—Single or double grip... 23c, 39c, 49c  
**Paris Garter and Arm Band Sets**—Single or double grip, narrow or wide web, assorted styles... 49c to 89c  
**Other Garter and Arm Band Sets**... 49c to 69c  
**Belt and Garter Sets**... 98c to \$1.49

**The True Spirit of the Holidays**  
 Again the joyous holidays approach. This is reflected in the preparations of stores everywhere.  
 The true holiday spirit in a store is not a matter of decoration.  
 The real spirit comes from behind the counter—from the salespeople wherever they may be in the store.  
 This store is proud of its salesfolk for to them to serve helpfully and courteously is to attain the high ideals of modern salesmanship.  
 The holiday season cheers them to serve with even greater than their usual helpfulness.  
 Their gift to you is to be one of painstaking service.  
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**Choice Perfumes**  
 Make Delightful Gifts  
  
 A bottle of Perfume! Here is a present in good taste—and it's even better if you select the Perfume here. Our prices are lower! Ranging from  
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**Give A "Hanky" For Xmas**  
 See Our Fine Assortment  
  
 The old reliable, the always welcome gift—a Handkerchief! This year the Christmas hankies are prettier than ever and they will delight the recipient.  
**Daintily Made of Sheer Materials**  
 Some are fashioned of silk, others of linen, others from novelty fabrics. In white and colors. There's lace, embroidery, applique, and every conceivable trimming. Priced,  
**10c to \$1.25**

**Pearl Beads**  
 Beautiful Gifts  
 She will like a string of pearls for Christmas! We have a variety of styles—single, double, and triple strands in chokers and long beads. Priced,  
**69c to \$5.90**

**Sweater Sets**  
 For Infants  
 Booties, a Cap, and a Sweater compose this "outing suit" for the little fellow.  
 A splendid purchase at our price!  
**\$2.98**

**Dainty Gift Lingerie**  
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 Something truly different and beautiful to give your friends is found in our selection of novelty lingerie made from these fine, attractive fabrics.  
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