

RABBIT AND SMALL STOCK IN MEETING

Constitution Adopted; Chinchilla Rabbits Discussed; Pelts Shown

Permanent organization... The adoption of a constitution was effected by the Salem Rabbit and Small Stock Breeders' association at Saturday night's meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

The objects of the organization are set out in the constitution as follows:

1. To provide, encourage and develop the rabbit, cavy and other fur bearing animals industry, and for the purpose of establishing a well organized central body charged with the duties of carrying out this object in this territory.
2. To provide a center of information and advice on all matters pertaining to the above industry.
3. To promote by all possible means original investigation in the industry, and with that object in view to keep in touch with institutions of learning and men of science interested in the industry.

President Charles N. Anderson of the Oregon Chinchilla Rabbit Breeders' association discussed the chinchilla rabbits and the importance of care in breeding, mentioning the need of better registration rules. Mrs. Anderson displayed an interesting collection of rabbit pelts.

E. M. Walker, vice president of the chinchilla association, and his wife, who is a licensed registrar, also had a part in the program.

President J. H. Zinser of the local association presided.

The third Tuesday of each month has been selected as the association's meeting night. Thirty members are now enrolled, and more are expected to sign up soon. This was the association's fourth meeting.

of paved streets? Give the pioneers a little leeway till their districts grow up.

Beauty hint: Shoes that fit lessen facial wrinkles.

No good news ever came in one of those envelopes that have a little sun parlor in front.

A great movie director is one who can spend enough money on a picture to make you forget how silly the story is.

Perhaps the street railway would be more popular if it would put out a new model every year.

Speaking of endurance tests, there's that Bristol, England, 95-year-old woman who has just died after 31 surgical operations.

"A Californian seeking a location in this valley spent a few days in Salem recently. He was driving a Maxwell sedan on which he had paid a \$4 license fee in California and \$3 personal tax, a total of \$7, and at the end of three years this personal tax is no longer required in that state. Here, he said, they demanded a \$34 license on his car, but he went on up into Washington state to look around before locating. He was interested in poultry raising." (The foregoing in quotation marks was handed to the Bits for Breakfast man by a friend. It is the truth. A small thing. But small things have their influence. A man from New York came to Oregon on an important business mission, involving possible large operations in this state. The man in the room next to his in a Portland hotel was drunk and vomited and raved and stormed around all night, so that he could not sleep. The New York man the next morning checked out and returned home. He judged Oregon by the bird in the next room. An extreme case. But a fact.)

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ARMY MULES LIKE VACUUM CLEANERS

Nervousness Disappears After Few Times and Animals Show Pleasure

NEW YORK.—(Special.)—The American army mule is being glorified by vacuum cleaner—and likes it.

Use of vacuum cleaners in place of grooming by hand has been voted an unqualified success by commanders of horse and mule units of the army, according to a survey published in the current number of the Field Artillery Journal.

The machines do a more thorough job and complete the work in one-fifth of the time required by hand method, the survey showed. On an average of a gallon of dirt was removed from every dozen animals and the coat took on a finer gloss.

So effective were the vacuum cleaners in getting at the root of the dirt that army mules and horses in many posts were permitted to go through the winter months without their periodic clipping.

Nervousness disappeared after one application of the new machine and horses submitted quietly to its use. It was reported that mules seemed to experience sensations of pleasure from the massage effect of the appliance. In fact, one report told of a notorious mule which the soldiers dreaded to groom. Its reluctance vanished at the initial touch and now the animal visibly leans against the suction brush with much contentment.

Man Found Dead in Home Missed By His Neighbors

SILVERTON, Ore., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—John W. Redding, 82, was found dead in his home on East Hill Friday. It was thought he had been dead 48 hours at least when found by neighbors. Mr. Redding has been a resident of Silverton since 1917, and besides his widow he leaves nine children.

Funeral services will be held from the Jack & Ekman chapel with interment in the Silverton cemetery.

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PARIS THE CAPITAL FOR ERSATZ FOOD

Many Substitutes Found by Inspectors as Rounds of Storerooms Made

PARIS.—Paris, apparently, is the capital of ersatz food.

Food inspectors found more than half the samples they took recently from stores were adulterated or fraudulent. Of 728 articles of food or drink they reported that chemical analysis showed 395 were falsified in some way while only 332 were honest goods.

There was everything from watered milk to synthetic wine, from chocolate that contained no chocolate, to sugar that contained no sugar. One of the curious products discovered was milk manufactured from water, chalk, sheep brains, gum arabic, fat and sugar. Another was mineral water fresh from a hydrant.

There is published also by indignant commentators long extracts from the annual report of a financially successful grocery jobber wherein the directors are told how the firm manufactures food substitutes. Coffee is made from wheat and chestnut flours, slightly roasted, ground to a paste and moulded into the shape of coffee beans.

Other substitutes described in this report are tea made from vegetable leaves, tomato purée from squash and carrots, and nice-smelling French artichokes carved from the Jerusalem variety.

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Screen Women Spurn Diet and Start Taking on Flesh

LOS ANGELES.—The agitation against over-dieting to keep down fat is beginning to show results in the films.

Casting directors, who have kept statistics on women of the silver sheet, say that there has been an average increase of one and three-quarters pounds each in four months in the weights of hundreds of girls registered for work in motion pictures. Wardrobe departments bear out the report of the casting directors.

Directors do not believe that women of the screen will willingly permit themselves to get into the "fat" class, but many of them frankly admit the belief that the "boyish figure," at least when induced by strenuous dieting, soon will be a thing of the past.

RUN OVER; FEW INJURIES

SILVERTON, Ore., Feb. 26.—(Special.)—Little Thomas Patty, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Patty, was run over by the Valley Market delivery truck Saturday afternoon. With the exception of a few bruises he seemed to be all right.

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CEREMONIAL MACE USED IN CONGRESS

Symbol of Constituted Authority Important Part of Settings

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—A ceremonial mace, the symbol of constituted authority rooted in the customs of the ancient Roman Republic, is as much a part of the settings of the House of Representatives as the members are, themselves.

Whenever the House is in session, it is mounted in a marble pedestal to the right of the speaker's chair. If the members are meeting as a committee of the whole on the spot of the union, it stands in a lower pedestal nearby. It is never unguarded, and for more than eight years has been in the custody of A. C. Jordan of Lyons, Kansas, tall, stalwart, genial assistant sergeant at arms whose duty it is to maintain order on the floor.

Made in 1842 of ebony fuses, or rods, three feet long, resplendent with silver and surmounted with a silver globe and spreading eagle, the mace of the House represents powers rarely exercised, including summary expulsion of a disorderly member.

Usually, when the assistant sergeant at arms is called upon to restore order, he is able to do so merely by marching through the disturbed aisles carrying the mace, or by holding it over two excited members. If a misbehaving member fails to heed that display of authority, however, he may lay it aside him. That act automatically expels him, and formal reinstatement would have to be obtained for him to resume his place in the membership. Mr. Jordan is glad he has never had to lay down the mace.

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CHINESE RACE FOR SHANGHAI

CANTONESE AND MEN OF SHANTUNG TO FIGHT SOON

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Eight thousand foreign residents of this city awaited today the result of alignments of forces by contending warlords for its possession—the richest prize dangling before the militarists of China.

Thousands of soldiers from Shantung province continued to pour in from the north to swell the army of its governor, General Chang Tsung-Chang, who has displaced Marshal Sun Chuan-Fang in military control of this province of Kiangsu. Sun, not long ago dictator of five provinces and 113,000,000 people, has fallen into obscurity, and Chang rides the uncertain Chinese wave of power.

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lord of the northern alliance head-tator, Chang Tso-Lin, concentrated his troops near Shanghai today preparatory to moving south along the railroads to Sungking to do battle with the victorious advancing army of Cantonese.

Small clashes took place when Chang's troops halted deserting soldiers of Sun Chuan-Fang, fleeing toward Shanghai to avoid facing the Cantonese who drove them from Hangchow eight days ago.

Sun's beaten army, once 40,000 strong, depleted by capture and its morale weakened by threatening army and Cantonese propaganda within ranks, had disintegrated today until little more than 10,000 remained to block the advance of the Cantonese.

Diplomatic Crisis Averted by Quick Thinking Usher

WASHINGTON (AP)—A diplomatic crisis was averted at the Washington auditorium by the diplomacy of an usher. An orchestra from Minneapolis was giving a concert. Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador, arrived early and, with his party, filled a box. Later, the Belgian ambassador, Baron de Cartier de Marchienne, dean of the diplomatic corps, came in with his party, armed with tickets for that box.

Quick searching of British pockets failed to bring out box checks. The British could show no treaty right for their box concession. Giggling was gaining headway among the irreverent juniors of the diplomats. Then the diplomatic usher took a hand asking in whose name the Britisher's box had been engaged.



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Del Sarte Considers Statue His Best; Dedicated "To Those Who Suffer"

PARIS. (AP)—A great monument dedicated "To Those Who Suffer" will soon be set up in Paris. It will represent Christ. His cross on His shoulders supported by points, laborers and a horde of half-lame and blind.

The sculptor, Maxime del Sarte, is himself a wounded man. He lost his left forearm before Verdun.

He considers the statue his masterpiece. The monument, already acquired by the Paris municipality, will be placed either on the heights of Montmartre, or in front of the Pantheon where France's illustrious dead repose. The latter place was once adorned by Rodin's statue "The Thinker."

Maxime del Sarte is a descendant of Andrea del Sarte, a Florentine master whom Francis First, husband of Mary Queen of Scots, brought from Italy to embellish



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his domain. Like his ancestor del Sarte would like to serve a king of France. He is an ardent royalist and is always in the front line when royalists battle the police of the Third Republic. His one good arm can wield a stout cane.

His career as a militant royalist started when he was a student of 18 at the Sorbonne and publicly spanked his professor of history, with the aid of fellow students, because he had disparaged Joan of Arc in a lecture. Del Sarte, badly damaged by the police, was put in prison for his escapade. Later when Clemenceau, then minister of the interior charged with maintaining public order, saw and admired del Sarte's work at a war-

time exposition, he sent for the artist he had imprisoned. When he saw the war-maimed soldier promoted from volunteer private to a lieutenant, for gallantry, he took him in his arms and kissed him. Since then the two have been friends.

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