

## INTERESTING TRIP OVER CALIFORNIA

E. A. Rhoten Tells of What He Saw in Neighboring State To South

E. A. Rhoten returned home Friday from a trip into California, having been gone something over two weeks, traveling by automobile.

Mrs. Rhoten accompanying him on the trip. In speaking of the trip and conditions in California, he says:

"We traveled approximately 8500 miles. Our own speedometer registered 2776 miles, and we traveled with others perhaps 700 miles more. On the trip into California, we followed the Pacific highway to Red Bluff, and then took the west side highway into San Francisco, following the coast line to Los Angeles and Tia Juana, and there turned by way of the inland route through Bakersfield, Stockton, Sacramento, etc. A few hundred miles were used in making side trips out of Los Angeles into the southern California district; also we stayed a few days in San Francisco and made a number of side drives out of that city.

"We covered too much territory to secure the real details regarding California, but did get a very good general survey of the entire state. Weather conditions were good, no rain from the time we left Salem until we reached home. We passed through some sections where it was said that frost never visits—one town had a banner out proclaiming that this was the 44th consecutive year without frost. We saw peas and beans growing for the 1928 crop. Orange trees with fruit of all stages as well as blossoms. California is a large state, with varied industries. A part of California is very rich from an agricultural and real producing standpoint. The section from Fresno north to Sacramento appeared to be perhaps the richest. However the orange groves in the extreme southern part of the state claimed tremendous returns per acre. The southern part of the state has a wonderful climate, unequalled any place in the United States. This is a wonderful asset. It has attracted people from over the United States as a place to 'live'.

Tremendous Growth

"California, and the lower part especially, has made a wonderful growth in population the past few years. Long Beach had a population of possibly 15,000 in 1910 while now it is estimated to have approximately 147,000. Other towns claim similar gains. One frequently hears the report of how California, and especially the extreme southern part, has passed a boom period, and now is in bad condition. We failed to find any evidence of any serious setback. It is probable that building has slowed up, for there were no great amount of building activities in progress, but I failed to see any abnormal vacancies in either the residence or business districts. As far as I was able to observe, general conditions are good. There are many wealthy families that have palatial homes, but really I could not see that they were any great asset, for this class was not spending much money, only for their actual living. However, there is a class that has been com-

## SIDE LIGHTS OF THE STAGE AND SCREEN

**Elmore Theater**  
Comedy is supposed to be closely akin to tragedy. The greatest comedians and critics say the best comedy is that which is mingled with pathos, and if this is true then Charlie Murray, who is featured in "The Gorilla," has all the laughs coming to him.

"The Gorilla" is the hilarious and hysterical mystery comedy coming to the Elmore today, in which Murray, with Fred Kelsey, combine to form a new screen team.

And one must not forget the gorilla himself. There is where Charlie Murray and his pathos and comedy come in. It's comedy for the audience to see him playing around cliffs, house-tops, cellars, etc., etc., with a nine foot, four hundred pound ape man, but as for Murray, let the pathos speak for itself. Just place yourself in the same predicament and imagine the fun.

"The Gorilla," is an adaptation of Ralph Spence's stage play of the same name and combines all the elements of fun and chills that made the legitimate version so popular. The situation in the motion picture has been enlarged over those in the stage play. It is reported to be a combination of the weirdest, spookiest mystery and the greatest comedy imaginable.

Murray and Kelsey have the roles of the two dumb detectives, Mulligan and Garity, whose greatest problem is to keep together.

ing to California from throughout the United States and is still coming that is a great asset; and that is of those who are active in business, bringing money with them, and are willing to spend it.

High Prices

"Prices of real estate are much higher than corresponding values in Salem. They ask larger prices and get it. Then another thing that has helped lower California materially has been the oil wells. These have made many people very wealthy. A man who has been in moderate circumstances throughout his life and suddenly finds that he has an income of say \$500 or \$1,000 a day is a good spender and makes business active. There are many of this class. The fact of some one with a few thousand dollars playing the oil game and going broke does not seriously affect general business only so far as this one individual is concerned. On the contrary, his spending his money might make general business conditions more active. I believe that the person who waits for a slump in lower California, in order to buy land and other property cheaper than it can now be secured, is in the class with a man who is waiting for a lessening in values of Salem property. There is nothing in eight as I view it that would indicate such.

Special Productions

"Much of California is devoted to special production—that is, one section will produce almost nothing but grapes; another, livestock; still another, tree fruits, etc. We spent a day in the Petaluma district where the White Leghorn reign supreme. Flocks of from 5,000 to 20,000 birds are common. One hatchery has a capacity approximately 2,000,000 baby chicks at one hatching. This sounds pretty big, but I counted the incubators and estimated their capacity, and found that it checks very close.

Also in Tia Juana

"We drove to Tia Juana, Mexico. Those who do not believe in the Volstead act on account of it interfering with their personal liberties would find Tia Juana very much to their liking, as there was apparently no effort being made to interfere with anyone's personal liberties. A party of five of us visited this city on a Sunday afternoon. There were thousands of visitors there; they were largely from the lower California cities and were there for a Sunday's drunken carousal. There dance halls and gambling games were running wide open. The crowd was composed about equally of men and women, and made up to a large extent of the younger set. There were girls and boys who did not appear to be above the high school age, or perhaps not even that old, who were drinking and then dancing as long as they were able to stay on their feet. Most of the younger generation appeared to be drinking beer, while the older and veterans at the business were calling for whiskey. The crowds were not made up of residents of Mexico but of Americans from the United States. Tia Juana is but a short distance beyond the border line; and a large signboard at the border line proclaimed that the gate would be shut at 6 p. m. However, we were tipped off that if we were actually in line at 6 o'clock we would be permitted to get out of Mexico that evening. So we got in line for the return trip about 5:30, and as we were being re-checked into the U. S. by the immigration officers there were seven lines of automobiles waiting for this service, and by standing back those lines appeared to be at least half a mile long. This will convey an idea of the number of cars and people who were visiting Tia Juana that day. The officers at the line made no attempt to search our cars. The immigration officer simply looked in and said, 'I see you are all Americans.' However, if their suspicion had been aroused, then there would have been a careful search. It is esti-

er. The gorilla is a whole melodrama in himself. His huge bulk and tremendous size present a ferocious aspect. A four hundred pound gorilla is menace enough for any picture.

Oregon Theater

More than ten cases of iodine swabs—enough to stock an emergency hospital ten times over—went into the making of Jackie Coogan's new starring vehicle, "The Bugle Call," which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer presents at the Oregon theater, last time today.

They weren't used for accidents in the spectacular Indian battles that mark the new historical romance—as a matter of fact the iodine swabs were what made the Indians what they were. Iodine rubbed on the skin lightly makes a perfect disguise for an Indian, and several hundred extras were so bedecked for the picture.

There are many real Indians in it, too, a tribe commanded by Chief Standing Bear and several others, all playing screen actors for the replicas of historic plains battles.

The new story is a vivid drama of life in the plains in the '70s, with Jackie as the son of a cavalry captain in a frontier post. Claire Windsor plays the heroine, and Herbert Rawlinson, Tom O'Brien, Bodil Rosing, Sarah Padden, Johnny Mack-Brown and others of note are in the cast, directed by Edward Sedgwick.

Government control of railroads

was played by Mr. Flynn. "If railroads were under government control, you wouldn't have any more to say about them than you do now about the post office. The railroads are yours.

"We returned from Tia Juana to San Diego and registered at a hotel and were shown to rooms on the fifth floor. The windows were open and just as we entered our rooms the air was filled with the music from the church tower just across the street. We looked out of the window and found that we were located just across the street from the Methodist church and the chimes were playing 'How Firm a Foundation,' etc., this was followed by other well known church hymns. A large electric lighted cross was revolving on top of the church tower. No greater contrast would be possible than to imagine the significance of the two, one the jazz music, if such it might be called, of a Mexican dance hall and the other the chimes of the church.

Country is Prosperous

"No unusual amount of unemployment was in evidence in Los Angeles, and the surrounding country, no more than one would expect in a city of this size. This refers to the transient labor class. However, there are small cities in this district as well as localities in the larger cities that seem to be populated with a class in comfortable circumstances, but could not be classed as wealthy. I talked with a number of this class that have a living income from various sources. Many of them own their own homes, and plan to live there the balance of their days. They have come from various parts of the United States on account of favorable climatic conditions, and it seems that those of this class are constantly increasing; more of them coming each year. They are bringing in money from outside sources, buy good comfortable homes and are good citizens and a great asset. It is not fair to Los Angeles to leave the impression that this is their only resource; because they do have numerous large industrial and manufacturing plants, and many of the middle west and far east have either established branch plants in this section or such a move is in progress. So far as pretty parks and places of amusement are concerned, California has done much more than Oregon, as to development. When it comes to natural beauty, however, and natural scenic drives and other places that would appeal to the heart of a person who enjoys natural beauty, the northwest has California badly defeated. It has been said that God made the northwest, and man made California. The Californians are strong believers in their own state, and are rightly good boosters. No exception can be taken to that attitude. The 'It Can't Be Done' clubs are apparently better organized in Oregon than they are in California. We met a number of Salem people, among them are Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Fleming, Dr. and Mrs. Fairchild, Mrs. Dwyer, and others. We traveled over paved roads practically the entire distance. There are seven miles of the highway between Dunsmuir and Redding which is now under construction, and traveling over this portion was necessarily slow. Otherwise the roads are good throughout."

The small boy who used to be

unable to swallow the one-grain quinine pill his mother gave him in apple butter has now grown up and can swallow anything the doctor brings him.

## FLYNN FAST TALKER

ADDRESS COVERS FIELD FROM ROTARY TO RAILROADS

Smitting words of wit and wisdom like the swift and precise bullets from a machine gun, accurately aimed, Edward F. Flynn, of St. Paul, speaker of Rotary and Railroad fame, held spell-bound his hearers at the chamber of commerce luncheon yesterday.

Mr. Flynn covered more territory in his 20 minute speech than any other speaker appearing before the chamber. From ethics in business to railroad service and development figures; from comparisons of European conditions with those of the United States to an effective rap at the institution of war; from an estimate of European monarchs to a brief resume of happenings at the international Rotary convention, the speaker touched here and there, quoted poetry and related funny stories, building it all finally into a delightful pattern.

"Faith marches ahead on the highway of progress," said Mr. Flynn, in effect, "and nowhere should there be greater faith than in the Pacific northwest, with its multiplicity of opportunities. But in addition to faith, there is need of men who deliver the goods. We can't all be captains, for crews are needed, but each has a service to perform—do it."

The law of compensation has kept railroad companies out of the red, according to Mr. Flynn. While automobiles have increased in number 3005 per cent since 1912, cutting heavily into the passenger traffic of railroads, the loss has been made up by the carriage of automobiles, accessories, and gasoline.

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"Railroad taxation on American roads in 1925 was \$58,000,000, now it is \$400,000,000, all of which is ultimately paid by the public served. Any legislation detrimental to the railroads, then, is a big tax on you.

"We must give 'Packard-eight' service on the railroads for the public won't stand for 'Ford' service. To give this service high class workers must be employed. Salaries have been increased 124 per cent since the days when a 770 ton average was carried on railroad cars. Now we carry 7,000 tons to a car.

"Don't talk of paying employees less, because that would be a step backward. We want the present conditions, not pre-war normalcy." Mr. Flynn is director of the Bureau of public relations, and assistant to the vice-president of the Great Northern Railway company. He is also a director of Rotary International.

## SUNSHINE VALUABLE

PRINGLE FARMERS NOTING WHILE WEATHER GOOD

PRINGLE, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—Farmers here that have plowing to do are making good use of the favorable weather.

Percy Robins has just built a new henhouse. Pringle Community club met last Friday night. There was a full house and a long session. The young people are preparing a program for the next community meeting.

Miss Helen Sealey, who works in Salem, has arranged to board at home for a time.

William Propst is expected

home from the logging camp soon. Pringle school is preparing a little Christmas program. Tom Davidson was a frequent business caller in Pringle vicinity last week.

## Question of Military Authorities Comes Up

SHANGHAI, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Supremacy of civil authority over military rule is the cardinal point on which Cantonese nationalists will enter this week's conference of the central executive committee of the Kuomintang, or nationalist political organization, it was announced.

Other policies of the Cantonese at the conference which it is hoped will result in healing the split within the nationalist ranks, are the doing away of an attempt to create anti-foreignism, and concluding the drive against the unequal treaties, the expulsion of communists from the Kuomintang and greater power for the provincial government.

Wang Ching-wei, former chairman of the executive committee, speaking as chief of the delegation from Canton, asserted tonight that tomorrow's meeting will be the most important held in China in recent years.

China's future for many years is hanging in the balance and the determination depends upon the outcome of this conference," he said.

## Infantile Paralysis Hits School District Teacher

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Mrs. J. M. Owens, 35, a teacher in the Harmony school district, has been stricken with infantile paralysis and the school has been closed for ten days. Public gatherings have been forbidden. This is the twelfth case of infantile paralysis reported in Clark county, but the first in which an adult has been stricken.

## ATONES FOR 25 YEAR OLD PILFERINGS

CLEVELAND, O.—Twenty five years ago Morris Garfinkel operated a small store. One day, although he did not know it, a small quantity of candy disappeared from the store. Now Garfinkel has received a letter from a man containing a money order for fifty cents, confessing the larceny now quarter of a century old. "Now that I want to be right with cents will atone for my juvenile pilferings."

The Pennsylvania railroad has

now put on a smoking car for women. But we'll bet they didn't put it just back of the tender.

## DIRECTORIES HERE

INFORMATION ABOUT MANY CITIES FILED AT C. OF C.

Population directories for a number of American cities have been received at the chamber of commerce office and are available for the use of persons who wish to get information from them.

The R. L. Polk company which has provided these directories, intends to make up a new directory of Salem citizens as soon as the houses have been re-numbered.

Directories at the chamber of commerce are of the following cities: Albuquerque, N. M.; Atlanta, Ga.; Albany, N. Y.; Astoria and Rensselaer; Astoria and Clatsop county; Bellingham and Whalom county; Bremerton and Kitsap county; Butte, Mont.; Bakersfield, Cal.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Baltimore, Birmingham, Ala.; Caron's Columbus; Coeur d'Alene City and Kootenai county; Dayton, O.; The Dalles; Denver, Colo.; Detroit, Mich.; Dallas, Texas; Ellensburg, Wash.; El Paso, Texas; Flint, Mich.; Fresno and Johnstown; Great Falls and Cascade county; Great or Pittsburg; Grays Harbor county; Homestead; Indianapolis; Jacksonville and South Jacksonville; Kansas City; Lancaster, O.; Lewis county; Muncie, Ind.; Moline and Rock Island; Memphis, Tenn.; Mobile, Ala.; Miami, Fla.; New Orleans, La.; New Albany and Jeffersonville; Newport, R. I.; Ogden City; Oklahoma; Olympic and Thurston and Mason county; Peoria City; Reno, Nev.; Richmond, Va.; Sanford and Springvale; Syracuse, N. Y.; Shreveport; Salem and Marion county; Springfield, Ill.; Seattle, Wash.; Schneetady and Scotia; Sandusky; Epokane, Wash.; San Diego City and county; Santa Monica, Ocean Park; Venice; Sawtelle and Brentwood Heights; Sacramento, Cal.; Santa Cruz and Watsonville; Stockton City, Cal.; Sacramento, Cal.; San Francisco, Cal.; Toledo, O.; Tacoma, Wash.; Tampa, Fla.; Twin Falls City and Twin Falls, Cassia; Gooding, Jerome and Minidoka county; Vermon and Wilbarre county; Wallace and Shoshone; Walla Walla city and county; Yakima city and county; Yonkers, N. Y.; Yukon Gazette; Los Angeles, Cal.

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## NEW INCORPORATIONS

The Seaboard International corporation, with capital stock of \$75,000 and headquarters in Portland, has been incorporated by Fred Gronmet, W. K. Phillips and C. E. Cann.

Other articles filed in the state corporation department follow: C. W. Friedrich & Son, Oregon City, \$40,000; C. W. Friedrich, R. R. Friedrich and Genevieve Friedrich.

Carl A. Theobald Productions, Inc., Ashland, \$10,000; Carl A. Theobald, E. G. Harlan and J. N. Dennis.

Westerberg Pole and Piling company, Inc., Portland, \$50,000; G. Westcott, W. O. Sims and F. R. Westerberg.

Wiedman Holding company, Portland, \$50,000; E. L. Wiedman, Ella Kelly and Carl Wiedman.

Willamette Valley Southern Railway company, Portland; notice of dissolution.

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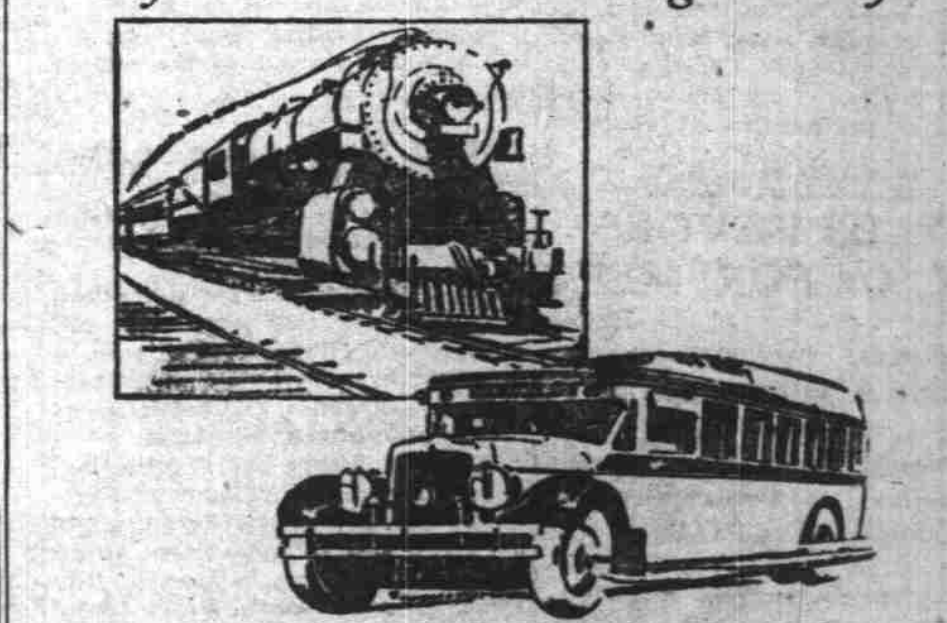
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