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**HEALTH**  
 Today's Talk  
 By R. S. Copeland, M. D.

Every year many thousands of persons are bitten by dogs. Not all of these bites are made by mad dogs, of course. Frequently much unnecessary alarm is aroused. However, in view of the seriousness of rabies, it is well to keep the animal under observation.

The number of bites from dogs has increased within the past few years. But the number of dogs found with rabies has decreased, as have the number of deaths from hydrophobia.

It is of interest to note that in 1925 there were 8,693 dog bites reported in the city of New York, while in 1929 there were 12,279 dog bites. In 1926, 463 dogs were found rabid and in 1929 only 157 were found to be truly mad. In 1927 there were six deaths in the city of New York due to hydrophobia, as against two deaths in 1929.

Rabies or hydrophobia is a disease caused by a germ. The disease in animals is spoken of as "rabid" and in man is known as "hydrophobia." The germ causing this disease is carried in the saliva of the animal. When the animal bites, the skin is torn and the germ enters through the broken skin.

Every dog bite should be immediately placed under the care of a physician. Regardless of whether the dog was mad or not, the wound should be immediately cauterized. This is exceedingly important and often proves to be the saving of a life. Prompt cauterization of all bites with fuming nitric acid is the emergency treatment and it should never be overlooked—if it is possible to apply it.

Where it is definitely known that the animal made the victim must be sent immediately to a hospital. Here he receives the treatment known as the "Pasteur treatment." This treatment covers a period of three weeks and is usually successful, particularly if there has not been too long a delay in the cauterization of the wound.

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**BITS for BREAKFAST**  
 By R. J. HENDRICKS

Salem's first store again:  
 (Continuing from Sunday:) Gideon and John Cox were the fourth and fifth customers of Salem's first store granted charge accounts. The first few days after its opening, also Joe Hansen (grandfather of Joseph M. Albert) bought \$6 worth of boots and shoes; likely for himself and wife. Joseph Brown and William Shaw became customers in the first few days. Eugene Brown had another charge for a \$25.25 bill of goods on October 23. Thomas Monteith had taken out \$38 worth a day or two before.

Turner Crump was a good customer, and J. B. McClean made many purchases. The "Crawley lady" and the "McClellan lady" bought bills of goods, no doubt charged up to their husbands on the ledger. Hilliard Shaw and Mr. King opened accounts. Shaw was charged up with \$5.50 for a pair of pants. Lucinda Brown bought "prints" and other articles.

On October 27, "Mr. Looney" took out a bill of \$28.52 worth of goods and Thomas Howell was credited with \$15.50 worth of potatoes on the 28th. Lindsey Applegate bought a \$19.58 bill of goods, and Peter Polley got \$13.75 worth, a \$1.75 charge being for powder; gunpowder, of course.

"Mr. Kaiser" came in on October 29th and was charged with a \$12.00 bill of goods, and on the 29th "Proacher McKimley" was charged 75c for "stuff for drawers." Joseph Cox had a \$26.25 charge entered against him October 29, of which \$21 went for six axes. He no doubt had rails to make and land to clear. The next day John Cox opened a \$24 charge account. The day before, "Parson Leslie" was charged with a bill of goods amounting to \$35.12, and Walter Monteith opened a small account. On the 30th, J. Townsend opened a \$5.50 account, and N. R. Bradshaw bought a \$1.37 cravat and \$1.20 worth of odds and ends. (He was no doubt the pilot of the wagon train.)

Rev. J. L. Parrish came in on October 30 for a bill of goods running to \$6.05, and "Mr. Durbin" bought \$22.55 worth and was credited with \$1.80 worth of matter N. Ford, H. Campbell, James Force, W. L. English, Horace Holden, H. Shaw and others bearing historic names opened early accounts before the end of October.

L. H. Judson opened a \$45.88 account February 1. G. Applegate opened an account long ago that date. Likely one of the younger members of that famous Cox family, J. D. Boon, Charles Cratt, Dr. W. H. Willson and many others of historic fame came in soon after the first goods. John Heron was a customer, as was I. N. Gilbert, and "Capt." Chapman (no doubt Wiley Chapman) became regular customers, in that year and the years following. Up to 1853, as did John Heron, William H. Rector, Hiram English, and many other pioneers whose names are written large on the pages of Oregon history.

Riley and Kendall were large patrons; their purchases being in such volume as to indicate that Thomas Cox was before long doing something in the way of a wholesale business. On February 16, 1848, Riley & Kendall were charged with \$85.75 worth of miscellaneous merchandise, including that they were opening their place of business in the northern part of the beginning village, near the present 960 Broadway and the Larmer warehouse, where the mission mills were located. Riley & Kendall had a store of business there later that would correspond to the old time "grocery," where there was a little card playing and gambling and a sort of "poor man's club" was maintained, with per-

"Right-o. Any new developments? Arrest within twenty-four hours?" he asked mockingly.

Walter blushed furiously and turned his back; he would have stalked away but Carey called after him. "Hear some of your pet witnesses are laid low, Chief. Mind if the coroner and I go in on you?" "Strolls over for an interview with Mr. Robert Trent?"

"Trent?" Walter whistled about and Bin looked agitated as she repeated the name. "Is Bob ill? Why, that's terrible."

"So I'm told," Carey replied. "How's for a ramble up the mountain, Bin, my child?"

"Oh, well, all go," the girl put in quickly. "Poor Bob and poor Millicent! All this excitement—"

Three's a Crowd  
 The three started out, Walter silent and ungracious and Carey chattering gaily to the apprehensive girl. They climbed over the stile in the wall which ran along the back of Eagle's Nest and padded through the white dust of the private road on a short cut to Lowland Drive, which curved about the mountain past the Trent cottage.

There they found Millicent sitting on the little porch. She received them with a brave smile, though Bin saw at once that her eyes were wet with weeping. She put her arms around the fluttering shoulders of little Mrs. Trent and tried to be reassuring.

"Is Bob very ill, dear? You've got a nurse?"

"I'm taking care of him. Bin. He's just worn out, you know how it is. A few days in bed, the doctor says. In spite of her worry, Millicent flirted a little with Walter and with Carl, struck rather by the reporter's good looks. "Come and speak to him a minute; it'll do him good." She led the way through the neat living room to a bedroom where Bob lay as one completely exhausted, his face white as the pillow upon which his head rested.

(To be continued)

**The Oregonian and the Legislature**  
 THE Oregonian has taken up "Come Home" as its editorial theme song on the legislature. As Noah had to put up with only forty days of continuous rain, the Portland daily believes that the legislators should cease their floods of law-making in the same period of time. Wind up business and come home is the admonition from the Oregonian. It criticizes the legislature for a lack of leadership, for attempting too many things, for dilly-dallying along so many days with nothing accomplished.

To all of which The Statesman rises to remark that the Portland daily is no more eager for the legislature to close than the members are themselves. Forty days is long enough for them; and they are all dead anxious to wind things up and go home.

We must resent too the imputation that the legislature has trifled along without leadership and without accomplishment. From rather close observation we may say that the legislature has been singularly industrious, and that its delays have been due to a desire to hear from all parties concerned with proposed legislation and to make alterations which will make the laws that are enacted workable and constitutional.

Members have worked early and late. Hearings start the day at 8:30 and wind up the day somewhere along ten o'clock at night. It has been a steady grind and strain. Regardless of what we may think of the accomplishment of this session, the truth remains that it has worked harder, played less and attempted more than any session in recent years. We may go further and remark that there has been less dissipation, more sober, painstaking deliberation than on many occasions in the past history of the state.

Nor do we condemn out of hand the introduction of so many bills. Life is growing more complicated all the while; social velocities are increasing and the need for legislation grows. Contrast the Oregon of 1859 and that of today; the simple, rural life of those times which needed only a simple set of laws, and the complicated structure of business and social organization at present.

Forty days is not enough to give to needed legislation the patient, critical consideration which it merits. That is why so much time each session goes to revision of errors in previous laws that were rushed through.

The Oregonian asserts that the legislature needs a hard-boiled sifting committee which will segregate the important bills from those less important. That calls for an all-powerful junta in the shape of a rules committee which controls the calendar with an iron hand. We have seen it work at Olympia; and much prefer the Oregon plan which gives less opportunity for machine control.

It is too early to appraise the results of this session. The reign of terror which permitted such pernicious legislation as the utility regulation measure to pass is regrettable. But the tax program promises to be constructive; and the watchful economy of the ways and means committee is commendable.

In its method of working, its devotion to duty, its industry, its sobriety, its whole-hearted interest in the welfare of Oregon, its freedom from rotten deals, its avoidance of legislative deadlocks, this legislature deserves praise. Its presiding officers have sought to be fair, and to dispatch business. The duty of the legislature is clear: to remain a few days longer, without compensation as it must, and clear the desk of the vitally important measures which must be enacted. There is more danger in indiscriminate haste this week than in consuming too much time.

**CHAPTER XXX**  
 Closer examination of the linen skirt showed that it was marked by the same grayish stains that bespattered the slippers.

"It's stone-dust from the pebble path," Walter said. "The woman stepped on the path and then walked through the dewy grass—that is, she was the one who brought the dress down here—burned the waist and probably something happened to frighten her before she could dispose of the skirt the same way."

"She might have been a servant," Bin suggested. "Someone from the house all comes to visit. One of Em's servants? Of course they wouldn't tell—they'd deny it. Maybe she just was snooping around to see what went on here. Only if that was the case, how would she have found a chance to come into this shop, to see the dress and to get on the roof and hide the slippers? Unless she's very, very clever. Clever than any servant I've ever heard of."

"Well, if she crawled the roof, she would have to get down. She would have to come away with it afterward?" Walter demanded.

"Fear, probably. She got scared, I think. Listen, Walter; suppose she were someone spying about and saw the killing in progress of herself. Of course, she'd destroy every possible thing that might give herself away."

Walter nodded, more than half convinced. Spying around seems to have been the popular indoor and outdoor sport of Eagle's Nest. What do you say, Bin?"

"Imagine? Let me find out, Wally."

He shrugged, but gave permission and they left the old basement rather stealthily and crept away to the kitchen. A door opened and they found William gathering the magazines from the wicker table—the same magazines, Bin reflected which had caught the attention of the Baroness; one of them, indeed, would be the very book upon whose torn page the dead woman had written the note indirectly responsible for her visit to the garden and for her death.

"Where are you taking those?" Bin asked the butler.

"We change them every week, miss. The new ones have come and Mrs. Hardy gives me the old ones."

Bin asked him to leave them for a little while. "Something I want to look up, William. If you don't mind?"

"Certainly, miss." He swung away with his lithe, graceful stride and Bin settled herself beside the periodicals while Walter looked on somewhat puzzled till Bin explained, whereupon he helped with the search.

It was fruitless, however, in the dozen or more magazines they leafed through not one page was missing.

"Which shows," Bin said, "that one of the books has been taken away."

"And which also shows that someone around here is working against us. Well..." Walter strolled away across the grounds while Bin went to find Em Hardy.

Em was in her boudoir, resting off the effects of her afternoon business with the undertaker, on a chaise longue while her maid bathed her head with eau de cologne.

**"Murder at Eagle's Nest" By WINIFRED VAN DUZER**

The body of Baroness von Wiene is found in the garden of Eagle's Nest, Emily Hardy's paternal aunt and Ted Frost's mother, particularly if there has not been too long a delay in the cauterization of the wound.

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circulation to perform the duties expected of it. That is evident by the fact that this country was never richer than now, neither was it ever burdened with as much unemployment and distress. We witness a spectacle of farms over-supplied with food for which there is no market, and on the other hand ten million people clamoring for this same food.

The only reason that I know of, why these two elements of our society cannot get together is the lack of the medium of exchange which is money. The total wealth of the state of Oregon is about three billion dollars, while the money in circulation is not in excess of fifty million, or less than two per cent of our total wealth. You can see, therefore, that if it were possible, if this fifty million dollars which is all the money we have in circulation, was to be taken out of the state that we would be bankrupt and would starve. In spite of the fact that 98 per cent of our wealth would still remain in our hands.

Insofar as the security back of this money would be concerned, there could be none better, for when we reach the place, if we ever do, when a 60 per cent mortgage on improved real estate is not security, then there will be no security, no credit, no wealth in the state. This currency thus guaranteed and discount prohibited by law as provided in my bill, would in the course of ten years save to the borrower in interest alone, an amount equal to the mortgage. The ordinary loan carries an interest rate of approximately eight per cent. Over a period of ten years this would equal 80 per cent of the loan and if it were compounded it would be nearly 196 per cent of the loan. The total cost to the borrower under my bill would be only four per cent for the entire period of ten years which would leave a net of 96 per cent to credit on the mortgage. For example, we will say a loan of \$1,000, made for a period of five years. Under my bill the borrower cost the borrower twenty dollars

Dallas, Oregon  
 February 18, 1931  
 Editor of Oregon Statesman:  
 Dear Sir: I have read so much of the water difficulty in Salem that I would like to say a word. I think I have drilled more wells in the city of Salem than any man now living. I feel sure there is an abundance of water under Salem to supply the city for all time to come; much better water than any ever had or which may be obtained from either the Willamette or the Santiam, and at a much less cost to the city. There is no comparison. The water may be had at a depth of one hundred and twenty-five to 150 feet. Respectfully,  
 C. A. Witecraft & Sons,  
 Dallas, Oregon.

**Two Husbands and a Crook**  
 ONLY eighteen, twice married, and off on a jaunt with a man not her husband, now Pearl Billings languishes in the Clackamas county jail while authorities decide whether to bring criminal charges against her or not. The man she was with is dead, killed by the man he and she had robbed. She, just 18, a girl who ought to be finishing high school, is in jail. Pearl took a course in real life; it was short—two husbands and a crook; and she is still only 18. One wonders what the succeeding chapters will be, for Pearl will soon be out of jail or prison if she does go there.

The fellow Wheeler, her companion, was only 22, a grandson of pioneers, it was said. About all the girl knew about him was that he had served a penitentiary sentence. He was from Lebanon and she from Waterloo, an ex-town up the Santiam. They didn't get far away to get in trouble, only the suburbs of Portland.

You wonder sometimes where they come from, these boys and girls who set out in crime. Usually we think they come from a big city. This pair came from rural communities. The cases would afford interesting studies in heredity and environment. We may surmise what the investigation would show—lack of parental control, stepping out to taste life, perhaps skirting the edge of crime before plunging into the current.

Wheeler, dead; Pearl, in jail. Draw your own moral.

**The Safety Valve**  
 Letters from Statesman Readers

To The Editor:  
 I was very much pleased with the editorial written by you in which you discussed Senate Bill No. 266, introduced by me which provides that the state print \$50,000,000.00 in currency and loan the same on first mortgages on improved real estate, such loan not to be in excess of 60 per cent of the value of such improved real estate and no loan shall be for an amount greater than \$5,000.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am very thankful for the publicity you gave this bill. Your reaction to it was natural and to be expected, as on first glance it does seem ridiculous, yet, upon reflection it becomes more or less real and feasible.

To begin with let me say that the world is a changed place

**Yesterdays**  
 Of Old Oregon  
 Town Talks from The Statesman Our Authors Read  
 February 24, 1906

Howard Catlin and Midshipman Fred Perkins were drowned in the river here shortly before 5 o'clock last night, when the light skiff in which they were riding capsized. Heroic effort on part of Perkins to save life of his companion was without success.

One of the most successful events of its kind ever carried out in Salem was the flag raising event yesterday at the Auburn schoolhouse, under leadership of the Rev. Evelyn Nash. There are 55 pupils.

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