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Summing up the Farm Ledger

FROM now until after the first of the year adding machines will be busy in counting offices totalling accounts for the year's business. In some divisions the amount has already been rung up. Take farming: the bureau of agricultural economics says that the farm value of Oregon crops for 1935 is \$50,323,000, which is over a million dollars in excess of the value for last year, \$49,268,000. For 1933 the value is reported at \$63,002,000. In view of the farm prosperity generally reported it is hard to see on what it is based if the farm income this year is nearly \$13,000,000 less than two years ago. It is also hard to see where the slump has occurred. The income from hops is very much less; and the wheat crop was smaller both because of drought and because of reduced acreage. It would hardly seem that these would amount to anywhere near the deficiency reported for the two-year term.

Wheat is still the principal crop in the state. The 1935 yield of 15,551,000 bushels brought the growers \$10,730,000 while last year's crop of 12,944,000 bushels gave a return to growers of \$9,538,000. These yields are much below the five-year (1928-1932) average of 21,205,000 bushels, due to serious drought in 1934 and again in 1935. Moisture conditions now are very unfavorable for the 1936 crop; and plantings of fall wheat are much below normal. So the outlook is not very good for next season.

Potatoes in Oregon get into big money, \$3,367,000 for 1935 and \$3,032,000 for 1934. Production amounted to 4,810,000 bushels this year and 5,720,000 bushels last year. The freeze of November destroyed many tons of undug potatoes. The hay crop is an important one, with a total farm value this year of \$14,766,000 for 1,823,000 tons; which compares with \$15,923,000 for 1,977,000 tons.

For hops the estimated returns to growers for 1935 crop are \$2,955,000 for 123,500 bales. Last year's production of 97,750 bales brought \$2,932,000. This year only about 100,000 bales were harvested the remainder "being left on vines because of crop damage, labor shortage and low prices."

Apples, peaches, prunes and cherries returned the growers \$8,202,000 which is about \$571,000 less than for 1934. The dried prune production this year was 31,500 tons, about 7,300 tons more than last year, but the value this year of \$1,732,000 is \$325,000 less than for the smaller 1934 crop.

The earth has again yielded its fruits in bountiful store. The farmers have labored and produced that the world may not starve. For their labors the farmers have received a great deal of money, two per cent more than last year; but when the \$50,000,000 is spread among the thousands of farm families in the state it is easy to see that the average cash income of the farmer is still low.

Big News Stories of 1935

NEWS departments cannot run up their scores on adding machines to make impressive totals. But there has grown up a custom to appraise the news stories of the year, on about the same basis that All-American football teams are selected or best plays of the year picked out. J. M. Kendrick and W. F. Brooks, executive news editors of the Associated Press, have posted their lists of ten biggest news stories for 1935 already, evidently assuming that no big story will break in the interval before New Year's day. The fallacy of making any such assumption is evident in the fact that No. 1 story on the Kendrick list and No. 2 story on the Brooks list is the Rogers-Post crash in Alaska, an unpredictable event, a parallel to which might occur at any moment.

Readers may be interested in the evaluations made by these men who daily handle the news of the world.

- Kendrick list: 1. Rogers-Post crash. 2. Trial and conviction of Hauptmann. 3. Huey Long assassination. 4. Economic improvement and court attacks on "New Deal." 5. Italo-Ethiopian war. 6. German rearmament. 7. Sinking of the Mohawk. 8. Midwest's dust-storms. 9. Weyerhaeuser kidnaping. 10. Barbara Hutton's divorce, remarriage.

Salem has had some big news stories in 1935. Among them are the burning of the state capital and the subsequent effort at rebuilding culminating in the special session of the legislature; sale of control of the pioneer Ladd & Bush bank; launching of building program including post-office and school buildings; acquisition of water system by city.

Teachers to Meet

A program of unusual merit seems to be in store for the teachers of Oregon who attend the 36th annual convention in Portland. Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter will give an address Friday morning on "The American Pattern." Dr. Hunter can meet public school teachers on familiar ground, because he was for many years a city school superintendent. Many Oregon superintendents became acquainted with him while he was located in Oakland. Others scheduled to appear are Dr. F. J. Kelly, chief of the division of higher education, Washington; who is known here as the head of the survey commission for Oregon's higher educational system in 1930; Dr. Grayson N. Kefauver, dean of the Stanford school of education; City Superintendent Edwin A. Lee of San Francisco.

Teachers attend these conventions at their own time and expense, in a desire to develop themselves professionally. The contacts they find stimulating. Though they may bring few specific things for practical use they usually are well repaid in finding out educational trends and in associating with leaders in the profession.

Romantic Nights

AN advertisement for a springs resort in southern California emphasizes: "Carefree days; romantic nights; golf, tennis, riding and swimming, along with steam-caves and mud baths. This is 'taking the cure' made a genuine holiday. One wonders if after a strenuous course at such a health resort the patron must not go home to take another cure by resting."

There is one word the world has borrowed from the movies, that is "glamour." Spell it with the "u" please, the English way. It has a color of meaning all its own. There is no doubt of its popularity. Glamour is what all the world is seeking. Some get it by absorption through attending the movies, for example. Others get it by participating through a session at Palm Springs or some other swell resort.

Glamour may be what our Oregon country lacks. We have failed at our mineral springs and other resorts to put in enough "carefree days" and "romantic nights." Life here is much too orderly. But what fine qualities would go out if Hollywood "glamour" came in.

President Roosevelt is said to be devoting his attention to his next message to congress. He might refresh his memory by reading the democratic platform of 1932 and his own messages on the necessity for a balanced budget.

The Great Game of Politics

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Limelight for Liberals

Washington, Dec. 26. IT is becoming increasingly clear that in the 1936 national campaign, already opened, there will figure an unprecedented variety of "Liberals," from whom will emanate much raucous and ridiculous noise. SOME day the American people may wake up to the fact that that word "Liberals" is a more bun than any other in the whole lexicon of politics; that it is the inevitable designation of every shoddy scheme for the "salvation of the country" and is mouthed by all the political mountebanks and frauds as the indispensable tag for their wares. However, up to date, the word continues to confuse the credulous and is accepted by many as a substitute for logic, tolerance, fairness, common sense and, not infrequently, common honesty.

HARDLY a week passes without some more or less conspicuous person twanging away on the Liberal string. The romantic and published Professor Tugwell, in his articles and addresses, is almost lyrical about the "Liberals," speaking with horror and loathing of those not of that persuasion. General Johnson, the once proud sealer of the defunct Blue Eagle, lecturing in the West, inconspicuously referred to Dr. Tugwell as a "marcelled ass," but indorsed the Tugwellian idea that the country should be in the hands of the "Liberals."

A GROUP of patriotic and unselfish labor leaders publicly call upon Mr. Roosevelt to name only "Liberals" to the Federal Bench, and the great political idealist, Mr. James Farley, loudly bellows that this is a "Liberal" Administration. All the New Deal press agents praise the President as a "Liberal." One of the ablest and most likeable of the professional Liberals is Mr. Borah, who a few days ago, with solemnity, declared himself willing to become a Presidential candidate, solely because of the necessity of "Liberalizing" the Republican party and compelling it to nominate a "Liberal." It is difficult to know what Mr. Borah means by that. He can orate eloquently about it, but he can't be concretely or at least he never is. Representative Hamilton Fish, of New York, is another great "Liberal" whose heart is attuned to that of Borah; Mr. Gerald Nye, the Great Snoothing Senator from North Dakota, is another. The La Follette brothers in Wisconsin are a couple of others. The late Huey Long was one; Father Coughlin is one; Dr. Townsend one; Upton Sinclair one—Liberals all.

THEY are for "human rights"; those who do not agree with them are for "property rights." That is the smug assumption. It is a great pity they are not all in one party or in some campaign could not be shunted into a party all their own. That would be the logical thing and it also would be ideal if it could be arranged. It then could be seen exactly how disproportionate is the noise they make to their numerical forces. However, that is not practical for two reasons—first, they are congenitally incapable of cooperation; second, so many of them find that clinging to the label of one or the other of the major parties is essential to their political lives. It is impossible to give a clear definition of what these professional Liberals mean by the word. They are the most mucky-minded group in American public life, the most disreputable of the multiplication table, the most careless with figures, with the greatest distaste for facts. They inveigh against "Giant Corporations," "Trust and Monopolies," "Wall Street and the Money Devils," the "International Bankers" and "Captains of Industry"; riches and success. They are for large expenditures of public money on public works, higher taxes on business, a larger national debt, with a strong trend toward currency inflation, national ownership and socialism.

PROPOSALS such as the Townsend plan, no matter how patently unworkable, invariably attract the better grade among them. Liberals generally assume the attitude that all the virtues, as well as all the wisdom, is exclusively their possession, and that those not of their breed are Tories, reactionaries, Old Guard men, "tools of the interests," hirelings of the press, and oppressors of the poor. The true Liberal is generally happy-hearted because he has no sense of responsibility and can't count. Essentially, the appeal of the professional Liberal is to the saps of the country. With a few notable exceptions, they are as sincere as the well-known china egg—though nothing like as sound.

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Bear Family at Home To Many Guests; Time Of Holidays Is Merry

TURNER, Dec. 26 - Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bear entertained Christmas day for relatives and friends; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagers and sons, Bobby and Glenn, of Salem; Loyd Silva, of Grants Pass; Miss Mary Wilson, Albany; Willard Beard, Newport; Mr. and Mrs. Clio Murdoch and children, Elenita, Mary Lou, Wilma, Roy and Olenata of Springfield, Roy-

gene Stewart, Lars Larson and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stewart and children, Quentin and Pauline. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Bond are spending the holidays with their son Alvin and family at Pullman, Wash. Miss Claire Stewart, teacher, is spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. Y. Stewart, of Albany. Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Riches, students at O. S. C., arrived Monday night at the parental S-A-Riches home for the holidays.

What an Oil Can You Turned Out to Be!



"WIFE IN CUSTODY" by BEATRICE LUBITZ

CHAPTER XXXVIII "Think of your child, if not for yourself." "She'll be perfectly safe, Agnes dear. Really, she will. I know some people have a dread of the sea, but I never hear of a big boat sinking except the Lusitania, and that was blown up. I guess the only boat that ever sank itself was the Titanic, and I'm sure that today that couldn't happen."

"I'm not thinking of that. I'm thinking of you," Agnes declared, accusingly. "Are you not afraid God will punish you and your innocent child for your sins?" Helen tried to keep the amusement out of her voice. Agnes was certainly queer. "I'm not so sinful," she protested gently. Agnes' face broke. Suddenly she began to sway. If Helen hadn't caught her she'd have toppled over. Helen started to loosen her clothing. "Marie, water, quick! Marie. Marie has fainted. Lord, this coast's so tight, no wonder she's fainted!" "I didn't faint. Open—my corset," Agnes moaned.

"Oh, Agnes, why did you tighten yourself in like this? You'll kill yourself." "The girls—so young—so slim," Agnes gasped. "Oh, Agnes, you look so charming. You don't want to be a skinny sleeper. You look better than any of these human herring." "Do you really think I look young?" she gasped. "Of course! You are in your second adolescence. When a woman has a beautiful maturity of mind, as you have, combined with a rounded, womanly figure, she's superb. Here, take a drink of this brandy. That feels better, doesn't it?" "Yes, I'm all right. I'll go now. Thanks. Phone for mama's car. It's at the garage."

"Please stay, Agnes, and have dinner with me." Agnes shuddered. "No, I couldn't stay." "Very well, dear, as you say." After Agnes was gone Helen was perplexed for a moment. "What ails her, I wonder?" Then she laughed uneasily. "Poor girl, just neurotic. I'd better keep as far from her as possible!"

Irene said: "I shall never forgive you, Helen, if you take a chance and take the new Helen. Helen is full of typhoid. Dr. Asche says you can't get fresh milk on ship-board no matter what you pay. Suppose Grace gets dysentery." "Please stay, Agnes, and have dinner with me." "Besides, I'll do just as I did when we went South. I'm taking a fast boat and I'll get sealed milk." "It's taking a terrible chance. If my brother has any sense he'd forbid you to go." Helen raised her eyebrows. With an effort, she restrained herself. "Don't expect me to help you in your wild scheme." "When I call on you for help," Helen remarked pleasantly, "you can use my discretion."

"I wish there were someone who could forbid it," Irene snapped. Helen smiled. "Luckily for my plans, there isn't." After Irene had gone, Helen raged about the apartment. "The nerve," she gasped. "The unmitigated cheek!" Then she burst out laughing. "I wonder," she thought, "whether it's Grace they're so concerned about or just keeping Walter and me apart!" Helen shook her fist at her imaginary opponent. "This is the one time Helen Riley has the gumption to do as she pleases!" It was Dirk who attended to the thousand and one little errands and smoothed the way for Helen to sail on April thirtieth. Dirk, Marian Craley, Belle, Mr. and Mrs. Terhune and Helen's cousins from Brooklyn were at the boat to see them off. Not one of the Rileys appeared. Irene sent an apologetic telegram from Greenwich. She had gone up for a few days to see about telegrams. Summer place and had forgotten the sailing date. The others, Helen felt, simply couldn't bear to see her go off on a pleasure jaunt.

Dirk and his parents stayed with Helen until the boat sailed at noon. They were sitting chatting in the salon when Agnes suddenly rushed in, her face covered with a fine sweat, her hair disheveled. Helen had never seen her look so wild. "How sweet of you to come, Agnes. How are you?" "I'm all right. Hello, Dirk. How do you do, Mrs. Terhune. Is Irene here?" "No, she's in Greenwich. I just had a wire from her. She couldn't get the business done today." "Oh, I see. Just Dirk is here!" "He's here with his parents. They're going back with him. The all ashore signal will be given in a few seconds but I think I can persuade the steward to get you a cold drink." "Don't bother," she snapped icily. "I won't wait. There was something I had to see. I saw it with my own eyes. That's all. Oh, here's a little book for Grace. Goodbye." She rushed off, leaving Helen staring after her. "She's dreadfully neurotic," Helen apologized, resuming her seat. "She's dreadfully rude," Mrs. Terhune said bluntly. "I don't think I've ever seen an exhibition of worse manners." "Don't mind her. Mother Terhune. She's more sinned against than sinning. She has a young husband and she's insatiable with jealousy and fear that she'll lose him." "Curiously enough she's doing the very thing to drive him away," Dirk mused.

Helen forgot all about them in the thrill of her first ocean voyage. As she neared Europe, she was bitten with impatience to see Walter. They had been separated a month, the longest separation they had ever had.

Health

By Royal S. Copeland, M.D.

THERE ARE many persons who complain about being afflicted with "sinusitis." Some of them, I fear, are unfamiliar with the exact meaning of the term. Suppose I tell you what sinusitis really is and how to avoid it.

Sinus disease or sinusitis, as it is more commonly called, is an inflammation of the nasal sinuses. These are cavities, air cells, in the bones of the head. They connect with the inside of the nose by means of small openings. Under normal circumstances no germs are found in the sinuses. Frequently, however, the germs of a simple head cold may reach the sinuses. This is apt to be the case if a cold is neglected, or the sufferer is in run-down condition. The germs easily reach a sinus and since its interior is moist and warm, rapidly multiply. One or more sinuses may become infected in this manner. Pus quickly forms. This produces pressure and may result in severe headache and pain in the face.

Pain is not always present in sinus disease. But pus from these cavities may be carried to other parts of the body. This will lead to disturbances elsewhere. The pus may drop into the throat and then enter the stomach. Sometimes it reaches the lungs. Improve Resistance This center of infection is frequently responsible for disease of the chest, as well as for asthma, arthritis and other disturbances. In children sinusitis may affect the eyes, brain, or lungs. Sinusitis should never be allowed to become chronic. Sometimes nasal packs are sufficient to cure the disease in its early stages. In the more severe cases surgical measures may become necessary.

Sinus colds and infections of other parts of the breathing machinery promote sinusitis. It is important to give prompt attention to every such ailment, to head off trouble in the nasal sinuses. This will avoid those persons who have colds and coughs. If possible keep away from crowded and poorly ventilated places. Improve your resistance against colds by proper hygiene. Get plenty of rest. Eat a diet of adequate hours of sleep and rest, as well as a moderate amount of exercise every day. Include in your diet an abundance of fresh fruits, vegetables, cereals, butter, cream, milk and eggs. These are rich vitamins and other valuable food substances. They help to ward off colds, coughs, sinusitis and other infections.

Answers to Health Queries R. M. Q.—What can be done for a shiny nose? My skin is very oily, especially around the nose and forehead.

A.—This condition is frequently due to some fault in the diet. The elimination is apt to be a factor also. For further particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and repeat your question.

Mrs. Z. Q.—What can be done to overcome acne and a red face? A.—Proper diet and regular habits should be of general benefit and advantage under such circumstances. For full particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and repeat your question.

Dr. Copeland is glad to answer inquiries from readers who send addressed stamped envelopes with their questions. All inquiries should be addressed to him in care of this newspaper. (Copyright, 1935, K. F. S., Inc.)

Editorial Comment

From Other Papers

"DEPORTING" THE LINDBERGHs So, the Lindberghs have been deported. They have been deported from their own country. The fact that the deportation is voluntary on the part of the Lindberghs is a situation except that the disgrace of it falls on the United States instead of the deportees.

Quietly, as has always been their modest custom, they took a midnight steamer out of their native Sweden and sailed for England to avoid threatened kidnaping of their only child. There was another one, but the cruelty of our immigration laws resulted in his murder. They could take no chances on another kidnaping. Another murder—so, they go to England to live where they hope to rear their child in peace and security.

That is the most severe indictment this government has had that we can remember. As stated in this column many, many times, government was not changed for one purpose and only one,—to protect the individuals of the organization in their lives and property. In our eagerness to go beyond this and create economic Utopias, we have squandered billions of taxpayers' money that should have gone into industrial expansion to provide jobs for jobless. One tenth as much as we have spent on silly experiments, spent on adequate police protection, would have been a step toward the perfection of the plan for which government was originally organized. —Corvallis Gazette-Times.

Bids on Construction At T. B. Hospital Will Be Opened Next Monday Bids for the construction of a physician's cottage and remodeling of the main building at the state tuberculosis hospital here, will be opened by the public works administration in Portland next Monday, Dan Fry, state purchasing agent, announced Thursday. The cost of the projects was estimated at \$94,000. Bids previously were opened for these improvements but they were found to be in excess of the amount of money allocated by the state and federal governments.

Twenty Years Ago December 27, 1915 A picture of a 13-year-old French soldier smoking a pipe appears on page 7. There have been several mob attacks in Vienna because of food shortage. President Wilson will be 59 years old tomorrow. He and his bride are at Hot Springs, Va.

Ten Years Ago December 27, 1925 An intense cold wave is sweeping across the United States toward the Atlantic coast. A. M. Dalrymple, formerly warden at the Oregon state penitentiary, has been appointed inspector of the state insurance department. Krishnamurti, the "second Christ," is interviewed in a special article.

Increase in Mail For Holiday Seen Christmas business at the Salem postoffice registered a substantial increase over last year. H. R. Crawford, postmaster, said yesterday. In 1934 from December 10 to 25, \$17,763.09 was taken in by the department, during the same period for 1935, \$22,418.22 was received, or an increase of \$4,655.18 for the holiday period. The 1935 increase makes this year's holiday receipts the biggest in the history of the local postoffice, it was said.