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Portland's Fleet Week

DORTLAND is having a fleet week, when several "cannoned cruisers", so described by the Oregonian, worked their way up the creek and tied up along the sea-wall.

I would advise for his health, that Mr. Plummer go pick some ment in the navy. When the ships come to town the mer- of Oregon's crops going to waste, chants and restaurant keepers put on expansive smiles be-cause they know business will be good. Not only will the whether it takes a month or 3 sailors spend money on shore leave, but the fleet attracts months many to town who drop a few dollars along the great white way. Social dividends also are declared as the officers and their wives, if any are present, are lionized at the parties of the city's elite. All in all, fleet week is a big week in any correctly absorb that brief letter partake of its hospitality, just coast town; and a real event for Portland which heretofore has never had more than one "cannoned cruiser" at a time to July 19th. He rails about unem- young fellow who comes along, thread the river channels up past the grain elevators.

The navy of the United States is not only formidable as

a fighting arm, but also one with a high rating for efficiency and morale. Our naval officers have been leaders in main- to have put him upon a bed of When we have looked those visittaining the navy at a high standard of training both in the feathers. handling of ships and in target practice. We like to think that man for man, and ton for ton, the American navy has no superior. Its business is grim, to be sure; but there is a pension, in harmony with our solid satisfaction in knowing that if the order comes to strip commercial means, and that while we?" for action the fleet will speedily be ready to engage what- the aged are geting benefits from ever enemy shoots a ball across our bows.

In the sense therefore that fleet week does give the men mer railing about anyhow? No priate one; that is, the answer. and ships of the navy a chance to report to the plain people, there is reason for sending the vessels around to seaport printed \$200 per month. Read cities. The people get a better understanding of vessel types and capacities. The men in the service get a better understanding of the country for which they are the guardians. ting unemployed to work. There German-American bearing that So aside from the embellishments of social affairs and cour-tesy calls, fleet week does have a meaning for Portland and the same who if they would could for the back country too.

Material for Pipeline

JTHIS paper doesn't believe anyone is a grafter on the water pipe purchase; but it does think the council committee may profitably pursue the inquiry into the merits of merce from which to earn his own wood pipe further than the engineer on the work has done. livlihood while a strong young His report employs general terms. It ought to be possible to man, why does he expect some get data more scientific than the summary report of the en- lihood, and \$200 per month for gineer conveys. The capacity of woodpipe to withstand pres- Plummer? sures should be susceptible of determination; also its internal friction. The pipe has been in use long enough to find out about its longevity. It ought easily to be possible to determine from users or from trial whether water slightly chlorinated will taste or smell bad when passed through creosoted pipe. Likewise steel should be studied as to its merits. The city isn't any more anxious to replace rusted steel in a decade or

two than it is to replace leaky wood pipe.

Laymen without making a careful study cannot decide intelligently on the best material for use on the pipeline. We do not believe the summary of Engineer Koon offers a very definite basis for comparison, though it is granted his judg- To the Editor: ment is not affected by any ulterior purpose. Engineering there appeared an article stating departments of the state have made studies and reports on the American Legion post no. 1 building material and on road materials. Have not such studies been made on conduit material which would help the nists and their activities. Why

This paper feels wholly incompetent to make a recommendation as to the proper material for the city's pipeline. But is does not believe that the fragmentary data submitted by the engineer affords an adequate basis for decision in the matter. We are not concerned about outside pressures for or against materials. The importance and cost of the work call for further investigation. If time does not permit laboratory tests, then the inquiry should extend to practical experience,

council members to make their decision?

Wallace on Straw Ballots

CECRETARY HENRY A. WALLACE is grieved over the political polls which have shown a receding popularity for President Roosevelt. He says: "We seem to have reached a time when political polls are being used not only to reflect public opinion, but in an attempt to mould public opin- to those who till the soil.

Four years ago Mr. Wallace had no grievance against the collectors of straw ballots. In spite of the fact that the shoe now pinches another foot, we are inclined to agree with the agriculture head. The Statesman has had little use for straw votes, and has not publicized them; in part because we think the proper poll is the election itself; in part because as employed the straw ballots accentuate swings to extremes. There are so many people, shallow-pated, who want only to be in the big parade that are swayed in their balloting by what they think "everybody is doing". There is another ele- lieving we can demonstrate to any ment which shifts political allegiance chiefly from hope of political reward; and these may take their cues from the early polls or the betting odds.

The political campaign should be fought out on the basis of the issues of government which are involved, and not made to hinge on the reports of those who have put their wet fingers to the wind. Walter Pierce, congressman from the second district, wanted to ban straw ballots from operation through the mails. That may be too drastic. For our own part we have quit answering straw ballot inquiries. Unless we want the Lit. Dig or Dr. Gallup to serve as election agents, more people should do the same. Make the election itself the real moment of decision. America's rendezvous with destiny should be on November 3 and not when Funk & Wagnalls hold a preliminary ballot round-up.

Nine Lives for Pinball

IKE the near-immortality of the fabled cat the pinball machines seem to refuse to remain dead. It was somewhat surprising however to have their fresh effort at revival sponsored in part by Councilman Goodenough who was elected on a reform ticket. The proposed ordinance to license the games is a travesty. It would use the city's share of the loot as an investigation fund for use in running down other forms of gambling, among other crimes. If an investigation fund is needed the city of Salem is not too poor to provide it. Goodness knows, the city spends many thousands of dollars on its police department now, with very meagre returns, as the rec-ord of unpunished robberies alone will prove.

No legitimate interest has suffered since the games were banished. Greed alone for easy profits prompts their installation, with knowledge that weak men will be the ones chiefly to play them to their own loss. They should not be revived or licensed.

A Clackamas county deputy has confessed embezzling some \$15,000 in county tax money and the Oregon City Enterprise makes te of the fact his wage was \$112.50. While we have never observed that the rule of honesty operated in inverse ratio to the size of one's salary, the Enterprise is correct in chiding the county with paying no larger salary to one charged with responsibility for handling millions of dollars. In this county the deputy in charge of tax collections disappeared some months ago, though no indication of any defalcation has been found. But in this county the compensation paid to deputies in the court house is unreasonably low in comparison with the labor and responsibility involved. The county ought not to wait until some one "goes wrong" to provide more adequate wages to had-working deputies.

The Safety

Letters from

PENSION IN HARMONY WITH

Holley, Oregon To the Editor: Kindly permit me this brief sary abuse given by B. I. Plummer

where he can do some good, and honestly earn himself \$200.00

Instead of night dreaming of an I wrote you via your columns of ployment, and fails to frankly admit: that the people of Oregon called 2 cents sales tax which was it pleases us to share them.

this aiready ample eats allowance are satisfied, what is Mr. Plumone can eat paper on which is mine again please of 19th of July. The Plummer argument is far from any solution even for puttage, who if they would, could produce for themselves jobs in harmony with environment and commerce, who will not make any effort as long as such as Plum-mer deceive their imaginations with \$200 per coming. Furnished by who? If Plummer did not have enough ambition to utilize comother young man to earn his liv-

Uncle Sam is not going to have another paper money spree, like he once had to discard, just to please a handfull of Utopian Dreamers from a racket that does not even hold itself together.

That is that; honorable; yes! Daniel C. Burkholder

DEFENDS COMMUNIST PARTY West Stayton, Ore, August 2nd.

was going to investigate commudon't they investigate activities of the Liberty league or the Black Legion? Is it because American Legion members have been identified with those organizations and they wish to divert attention from their own lawless acts of intimidation and terrorism by misrepre senting the aims and objects of its members? A political party can easily be judged by studying its platform. The communist platform calls for:

Put America back to work; provide jobs and a living wage. Provide unemployment insurance, old age pensions and social security for all.

Save the younger generation. Free the farmers from debts unbearable taxes, burdens and foreclosures; guarantee the land

The rich hold the wealth our country, make the rich pay. Defend and extend democratic and civil liberties; curb the supreme court.

Full rights for the negroes. Keep America out of war by keeping war out of the world. This platform can be secured at a cost of 1 cent per copy. If there is anything unAmerican in it we welcome discussion, beunbiased person or group that everything in the platform conforms to and upholds the tradi-

tions of American struggle for

The issue in this political campaign is "Democracy vs Fascism" and on that base the communists are conducting their campaign. All attempts to prevent free discussion and create prejudice can only come from those who wish to establish a fascist dictator similar to what exists in Germany or Italy. Fascism has no respect for democratic decisions; it is a brutal, awless terrorism. Spain fully proves this statement. After being defeated in a democratic election at the polls, the fascists threw all regards for law away and resorted to force and murder, to seize power and establish a dictator.

In all countries they control their actions are identical. The Black Legion, the Liberty league, the K.K.K. and other similar organizations can only carry on their activities by violating established law to prevent the exercise of democratic rights. It has been established beyond any doubt that American Legion members have been and are identified with

these organizations. Let the American Legion in vestigate the activities of these groups and compare their objects and aims with the communist platform and principles.

Herbert Dennett West Stayton, Ore.

Picnic Held

AURORA, Aug. 4. - Morris Warnock of Lancaster, Pa., sales man for the Armstrong Linoleum

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

An Astor passes through and makes a snooty remark that draws persnickety reply:

"But the Name Still Makes News" was the caption of an editorial in the Portland Oregonian of Monday, this week, read-

"John Jacob Aster III, sprout of the wealthy family of that name in New York, passed through the other day in his special car en route to Santa Barbara. At Eugene there was polite inquiry if he would make a stop in Oregon, and the report is he responded with the bored question: 'Why should I?'

"Why, indeed? Certainly not on Oregon's account. as it is extended to every other

including the hitchhiker thumbing his way. There are a number spoke for themselves on the so of nice things about Oregon and Townsend Pension: He fails to them to stay on. Whether or not acknowledge, as in that brief we would have done that with statement indicated; that we have young Astor cannot now be said;

> A snooty remark drawing a persnickity answer but an appro-

A John Jacob Astor flitting through the Oregon country, with even much diluted blood in his veins of the original prominent name, would naturally be expect-ed, in the very nature of things, to have at least a passing interest.

If he did not, he might appropriately be called a cad, not as much deserving as a nondescript hitchhiker grateful for a lift.

It was not Oregon's fault that the original John Jacob Astor doing business in this section was sold out by his unfaithful or cowardly partners for \$58,291, taking a great loss in actual money and in prospects for princely returns. That is what the Northwesters

paid for Fort George at Astoria, the forts beyond the Cascades, the two on the Willamette, and all the furs already gathered. But the loss was due to the war of 1812, for which no one in

Health

moyal S. Copeland, M.D

AT THIS time of the year we are likely to hear of an occasional case of botulism. These attacks can be traced to carelessness in the handling and preparation of

Food poisoning is always more prevalent during hot weather, es-pecially if refrigeration and preservation of food are neglected. We used to hear a great deal about food poisoning. There is no doubt that the decrease in these cases can be traced to the marked improvement in refrigeration, sterilization of food, the safer canning of food, and the protection of meats, vegetables, milk and other edible

Caused by Germ "Botulism" is caused by a germ found in contaminated food materials. This organism is given a big name, "clostridium botulinum" It is occasionally found in canned foods, but only when they are not scientifically prepared.

Botulism is not a new disease.

It was known more than a century ago. But it was not until within recent years that its actual cause was discovered. The research scientists observing that an occasional case occurred from the eating of canned foods, set out to find how contamination might be prevented. They perfected methods of complete sterilization to overcome the evil effects of contamination

I am glad to say that as a re-sult of this work the canning industry has advanced to the point that the germs of botulism are no longer found in canned foods. Not only are the foods protected from contamination, but the containers are subjected to rigid cleansing and sterilization before they are

Home Canning Unfortunately, the home canner has not made the same progress. An occasional case of bota traced to the inadequate methods of canning in the home. It takes considerable boiling to destroy certain germs. This is particularly true of the larger fruits, any fruit canned in large pieces. It takes a lot of heat to penetrate the deepest portion of the big pieces.

The commercially-canned product is of superior quality and free from all danger of botulism. It is safe, clean and economical. But if you still can foods at home be sure to take the necessary precau-

Answers to Health Queries

J. B. Q.-My son, two and half years of age, has developed a swelling around his knees (during the past six months). When it rains he finds it difficult to walk. He seems better when it is very warm and sunny. He has had sun iamp treatment and gets cod liver oil daily. What would you advise under the circumstances?

A.—Have the child undergo Make sure there is no underlying infection which may be causing a rheumatic condition. Your doctor will outline specific treatment and

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5 5 5 John Jacob Three I might have bear part of the site of which was in sight as he passed through Sa-lem's northern suburbs around the Valley Packing company's

Had he not been a cad, he would have been interested in the fact that, May 25, 1813, his grandfather's company received at its Fort Astoria the first fruits of its Pacific enterprise from Fort Wallace, on Wallace prairie, now the Bush farm—in the shape of 1360 beaver skins and 32 bales of dried venison; the latter much needed by the men near the Columbia's mouth.

And, but for the same defect, he would have been interested in a commonwealth aided much in its beginnings by at least 12 pio-

They were William Canning, Joseph Gervais, Louis LaBonte, Michel LaFramboise, Etienne Lu-cier, Jean B. D. McKay, M. Dubruille, George Montour, Antoine Revoir, and Madame Dorion and And Capt. Tom McKay, coining on the Tonquin, which landed in 1811.

5 5 5 These Astorians all played prominent parts in early days of Oregon, and some of them heroic and noble ones, worthy of the pride of any appreciative member of the Astor clan. 5 5 5

Besides these, Gabriel Franchere, Ross Cox and Alexander Ross wrote great books concerning the expedition and its discoveries-volumes that made the Astor name famous throughout the world.

The Lewis and Clark expedition left only two of its members in the Oregon country, Baptiste DeLoar and Francis Rivet. 4 4 4

The first expedition took its heroic guide, Sacagewea, bird woman, or, as the latest book has it, boat launcher, back, while the Dorion woman remained and founded an extensive family number of members of which have rendered and are still rendering valuable contributions to their country and their clan; men who fought in all our Indian wars on the side of the whites, and men and women who are comparable to the famous FFV, the first families of Virginia.

Gerig Reunion Is **Held at Pratum**

PRATUM, Aug. 4-On Sunday the annual Gerig reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gerig. Dinner was served under an immense walnut tree. Following the dinner a short program was rendered, consisting of the following numbers:

Vocal solo, Raymond Gerig: Joe Gerig gave a brief history conerning the journey from Germany to Oregon; Nick Gerig gave a talk concerning settling of the old nome place; Jacob Gerig gave s talk about the early schooling and Frank Girod also gave a talk Mrs. William Roth and daughter Lucille rendered a duet.

Following the program a short usiness session was held during whch officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Harold devries, president Sther Girod, vice-president; and Olivia deVries , secretary - treasurer.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent running races and other

social events. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde May and daughter, Ruth and son, Everett from Tillamook, attended the Gerig reunion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph deVries are the parents of a son, born Monday evening. The son has been named Lee Owen.

Children Gather for Father's Birthday; Church Council Meets

PIONEER, Aug. 4 .- Mrs. John Keller honored her husband John Keller sr. Sunday for his 73rd birthday when all his children came home with a birthday dinner. Those who attended were Mrs. Helen Anderson and two sons of Walla Walla, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Schneider and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frakes of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Keller and two daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Chet Neswald of

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slater celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with a picnic in the Dallas city park arranged by their children and families who are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Coy and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hughes and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lau-dahl and Maxine Slater.

Church Council Meets Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Robbins opened their park to the Sunday school council of the Christian school council of the Christian church of Dallas Sunday, Supt. Vergil McPherson had charge of the affair. Several of the teachers attended the affair. After the council meeting several others joined the group and had the lo-cal Sunday school with Mrs. A. C. Wood in charge. The Sunday chool plans to meet with the

Wood family next Sunday.

When Knights Are Bold!



"KING OF HEARTS"

Edna Robb Webster

Jack rejoiced that his impulsive departure had landed him in the northern city on Sunday, when he might go directly to Mrs. Kime's and find Lynn. That is, he hoped to find her at Mrs. Kime's, if some hoydenish prank had not deceived him. So many times had hope lured him to the same destination, in vain, that he was still skeptical at seeing her there at all. But if Lynn were living there again, as the letter had assured him she was, it would be nice to surprise her on this lovely

iving there again, as the letter had assured him she was, it would be nice to surprise her on this lovely apring day of her leisure.

Mrs. Kime's greeting was decidedly more gracious than her first work on had been. "She's come back!" were her first jubilant words.

"She's here it' his words were half interogation and half conviction." "No—she isn't here, just now, but she'll be back some time this evening. She went away for the day—with a friend of hers," she finished with an apologetic tone.

"Which tone betrayed to Jack that the friend was masculine. "Oh!" he exclaimed with hitter disappontment. He hesitated, then decided. "I'll come hack, later—and wait for her." He turned away slowly, reluctantly.

The spring sky was a deep walf of blue, high above, pricked with stars and dusty-aliver abovers of light ao remote that they did not even twinkle. Lyan remembered the low ceiling of the tropies with its multitudes of flashing lights—offices unpended in the alt like star's and the stars. This night was divine, but ahl the magic dosenase of the night, and the fire of the was precious, even if ale did now ceiling of the tropies with its multitudes of flashing lights—offices unpended in the alt like star's and the tropies with its multitudes of flashing lights—offices unpended in the alt like star's and the stars and the atmosphere were different. On that other reight, Jack was driving his can be more than the stars and the atmosphere were different. On that other reight, Jack was driving his can be able to be a star-filled might. To night, it was Jed Townsond who are the background—Jack and the regret and bewilderment. Thank, you, Jed, for being so wonderful you!" I'm so glad now that you didn't." Lyan comforted him. "How should have let you go away that first time," he repreted the first words and the discovered her love for him prove could have let you go away that first time," he repreted the star filled might. To night, it was Jed Townsond who are the star stand beauticed to have been seen to have been seed has phere were different. On that other night, Jack was driving his car through the star-filled night. Tonight, it was Jed Townsend who sat beside her in the cool, thin silence of lake breezes. And their conversation had progressed rapidly from casual business to very direct perness to very direct personal matters.

"That's something!" he rejoiced.
"Maybe I can be more than that."
"You are—very much more. I happiness with you."
"My sweet! I shall take you higher, then."
The night breathed its blessing "Well, how do you like it?" he had referred to her new work.
"I love it, Jed! It was so sweet of you to help me get started."
"Love anything else?" he suggested quickly, bending toward her.
"Why—" she laughed with confusion, wondering how to reply to him, "what—do you mean?"

"That's something!" he rejoiced.
"Maybe I can be more than that."
"You are—very much more. I can't begin to thank you—ever—"
"Don't do it now. You see, I know your thoughts of me are all mixed up with gratitude that I don't deserve. Let's skip it, shall we? From now on, you just forget I have done anything for you—if I have—and contribute that I con't deserve. Let's skip it, shall we? From now on, you just forget I have done anything for you—if I have—and contribute that I can't begin to thank you—ever—"

The night breathed its blessing and the hovering stars winked with delight. The moon sank to the horizon behind a fringe of aged cypress trees, and prepared to rise upon now on, you just forget I have done anything for you—if I have—and contribute. Itself the night breathed its blessing and the hovering stars winked with delight. The moon sank to the horizon behind a fringe of aged cypress trees, and prepared to rise upon now on, you just forget I have done anything for you—if I have—and

The night was palpably warm, and sweet with the fragrance of s

Ten Years Ago

August 5, 1926 Walter Tooze was in a serious automobile accident yesterday.

Dempsey has declared he is ing match with Tunney in Sep- bush Springs for a few weeks. tember.

An article on the market page says that Jantzen is the largest manufacturer of swimming suits in the world.

Twenty Years Ago

August 5, 1916 Major Carle Abrams is pictur- Returning from Visit ed on the mount presented to him by Salem friends and whom he has christened "Salem Girl."

The second anniversary of the World war brings declarations from England that a triumphant peace looms for the Allies.

Miss Emma Kramer resigne as principal of McKinley sch this week after 22 years service.

Sublimity Women Are Working at Stayton: Threshing Gets Start

the Stayton cannery working at Teacher Resigns Place the beans.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ruef are visiting at the Norris Hunt

Mrs. William Hermans and son not worried over his forthcom- and John Bentz are at Breiten-Mrs. Sam Castleberry and son Milton, left Monday for their home at Oakland, Calif. after a month's visit here with her par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Van Handle. She was accompanied ome by her sister, Mrs. Angeline Hartman and small daughter Geraldine for a visit of a few weeks.

With Coast Relatives

TURNER, Aug. 4-Mrs. L. M Small who has spent the last six weeks on the coast with her sisters, Mrs. Olive Catterlin, Mrs. Erms Cole and Mrs. E. J. Heml-Mrs. Olive Catterlin, Mrs. ken, is returning home this week by the way of Eugene where she will visit her sons Willis H. and Cecil I. Smith and their families. Mrs. Thomas Little was brought

to her home Saturday from a Sa-lem hospital where she spent two

In High School at Gates

GATES, Aug. 3-Miss Lois Mr. and Mrs. Mike Benedict, Reninger of Albany, teacher of English and history in the local high school has tendered her risignation.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Hayward spent the weekend with relatives at Nashville and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Larsen and two children accompanied them as far as Jefferson where they visited with Laren's parents.

The work of painting the Gates high school building was begun the first of the week and is in charge of two painters from Sa-

Aurora Visitor

AURORA, Aug. 4 .- The Weisfield and Goldberg jewelry store employes of Portland held their annual plense in the Aurora park Sunday. Eighteen employes and M. Ryan was in charge of araugements. The following emtem hospital where she spent two present: C. M. Ryan, J. Murphy, weeks after a major operation. B. Wasson, Abbie Rankin, Mar-The Methodist Ladies Aid so-clety will hold a silver tea with program Friday afternoon at the ber, June Sundt, L. Hall, Ken-Loyal Aydelott of Eugene arrived at the Clyde Robbins home SUBLIMITY, Aug. 4.—ThreshSunday evening after a trip over the weekend from Eugene to Garibaldi.

SUBLIMITY, Aug. 4.—Threshlog is now started around here and a large number of women nesday afternoon, August 12, with lap, Ernest Bublinger and Mrs.

Elsie Wallace of Olympia, Wash