

Married Undergraduates Band Together for Mutual Benefits

Teclacka May Gain Converts

Two Really Live Cheaper,
One Discovery Cited
by New Society

EUGENE, ORE., Dec. 12.—(AP)—Dan Cupid has a new ally on the University of Oregon campus—"Teclacka"—the phonetic for the "Two Can Live As Cheaply As One Association."

Through it he hopes to prove to the ambitious but wary campus lovers that being in school should not stop them from taking a canter down the middle aisle.

Cupid's sponsor is Howard Kessler, Alberta, Canada, student whose idea on proving the benefits of being married in college grew into an organization with a membership of many of Oregon's more than 100 married students and enthusiastic approval of university officials.

"Before I was married," said Kessler, "my girl and I started a scrap book of clippings, articles and other matter tending to show how to be happy, though married. After we married a few weeks ago, it came to me that now was an excellent opportunity to iron out the much-publicized early marriage difficulties and learn how to live together in a truly harmonious fashion."

"Then I thought that if we tried that, why not others, too, so the idea of an organization of young married students, banded together for the purpose of social, economic and cultural advancement, naturally followed."

Kessler's three-week-old brain child began to grow rapidly. Married students at Oregon State college in Corvallis promptly joined with the Oregon husbands and wives in the investigation of how to make a success of marriage and letters began to pour into Kessler's home from many students in other parts of the country asking for information. A Connecticut enthusiast volunteered \$5 toward a car chest.

"Teclacka" is aimed toward three objectives. By social activities, such as club suppers, parties and trips it hopes to overcome the somewhat restricted life to which married couples in college frequently are confined. An educational phase involves the working out of budgets, studies on home management through committees, open forum discussions of mutual problems—mayhap even family squabbles and antidotes—and the circulation of printed information.

The third is cooperative buying of necessities to cut expenses. "The organization even would be willing to help create new membership by selling doubtful campus lovers on the bliss of wedded life in school, although there are some who would soft pedal that idea."

"Having similar interests, in fact, with nearly everything pointed toward common enterprise in student activity, we believe that students who marry have a far better chance of making successful marriages than if they waited until they were out of school," argued Kessler, and not without facts.

Grades Run Higher
Kessler found that grade records of married students averaged about "B" while the university average was "C" plus. From the Oregon State students came results of a survey showing that husband and wife can live in school for as little as \$76 a month, or \$11 less than the college administration estimates is necessary for a single student.

Grade records of students marrying in college at Oregon State showed an average of 2.45 B. M. (before marriage) and 2.72 A. M. (after marriage). Sixty five per cent of the women worked to help their husbands while \$3 per cent of the husbands were employed. Most of the couples advised against raising a family while in school and 75 out of 95 advised other students to "take the leap while in college."

Why? Because—
"Cheaper," "lots more fun," "settles one," "constant companionship," "more incentive to study and easier to concentrate."

The Safety Valve

Letters from
Statesman Readers

TRAFFIC AND PARKING IN SALEM

To the Editor: I wonder how soon the Salem city officials will get to do something about the traffic and parking problems in the city. It seems to me that the officials have talked enough about doing something but have failed to show any visible accomplishments. Almost any day I drive my car downtown I fall to find a place to park unless I go up by the Ellis temple or a block or two north of the city hall. In looking for a place to park I find cars at intersections that makes the appearance of four funeral processions each trying to go through the intersection at the same time. I think the city officials should have had regulations for the heavy traffic during this Christmas shopping season.

They have been talking about it for a year or so, why haven't they done something about it in this time. They should have reduced the parking limit time during the Christmas shopping season so as to give more persons—out of town

Gracious and Popular Couple Who Will Rule Over Britannia



King George and Queen Elizabeth, formerly the duke and duchess of York, who Friday became rulers of Great Britain.

England's New Rulers Charming and Unaffected Says Governor Martin; Met The mat Panama Ten Years Ago

CHARMING, gracious and unaffected people—such was the description of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, England's new royal couple, given by Governor Charles H. Martin following their accession to the throne last Friday.

It was in January, 1928, that Governor Martin, then commanding the United States army forces at Panama, met and had a part in establishing the Duke and Duchess. At that time the royal couple spent three days at Panama en route to Canberra, Australia, to preside at the opening of the new parliament house as representatives of the king and queen.

"I will never forget the arrival of the royal couple, all Panama was in a flutter, and lessons in courtesy, including 'kissing the royal hand' were eagerly sought."

On January 25, the day the Duke and Duchess arrived aboard the ship "Renown," Governor Martin said he assembled 14,000 troops under command of General Simmonds, now in charge of the 9th army corps area, San Francisco.

"The Duke reviewed the troops and I was surprised at his knowledge of army matters," Governor Martin continued.

Has Photograph
Governor Martin then displayed a photograph of himself and the Duchess.

"This photograph," the governor said, "was taken by the royal photographer who accompanied the Duke and Duchess."

The governor said the natives of Panama invariably referred to the Duke and Duchess as the royal pair.

A dinner served to the new British embassy probably was one of the outstanding entertainment events," Governor Martin said. "The initiated kissed the hand of the Duchess while the uninitiated eagerly shook her hand in true American fashion. She apparently didn't mind."

At the conclusion of the dinner Governor Martin said the Duchess, attired in a simple dress of chiffon, went into the yard where she and the Duke greeted thousands of natives who lined the fence enclosing the embassy.

"The address by the Duke was most gracious and was well received," Governor Martin averred. The governor said a minor impediment of speech experienced by the king in his younger days was hardly noticeable at that time.

At next to the Duchess at the dinner," Governor Martin continued, "and I will never forget her gracious manners. Her eyes twinkled and her conversation was interesting and inspiring."

President Estess
Governor Martin said the royal couple also were entertained at the Union club, Panama's night recreational center, where both the Duke and Duchess danced and had a good time. At another dinner the couple were entertained by the president of Panama. This dinner was attended by virtually all foreign ministers in the Panama district and many United States officials.

"I had the honor of escorting the Duchess to this dinner and listened attentively to the address by the Duke in response to greetings from the president of Panama," Governor Martin said. "I was impressed by the substance of his address on the part of either the Duke or Duchess."

Governor Martin said the natives followed the car occupied by the royal couple in hordes. "My orderly did not return to his duties for three days," the governor said.

"It is my opinion that the new king and queen will prove popular rulers and that they will uphold the traditions on which Eng-

Tourists Pay Out Eighteen Million

Estimate Made by Highway Commission Travel Bureau Worker

Expenditures of motor vehicle tourists in Oregon in 1937 will aggregate a minimum of \$18,000,000, Harold Say, in charge of the travel bureau for the state highway commission, announced Saturday.

Say estimated that 175,000 non-resident automobiles will have visited Oregon at the end of the present year. For the first 11 months of the year these numbered 184,772. Based on previous tabulations these visitors spent an average of 12.37 days in the state at an expense of \$2.78 per day per person.

Stacks of letters in Say's office from all sections of the United States and foreign countries indicate that Oregon scenery is unusually attractive. Great numbers take occasion to comment on the general friendliness and hospitality of the people here.

Several thousand tourists were asked, "What attractions did you find most pleasing in Oregon?"

Virtually all replied "scenery."

More Hotels Needed
A few complaints that hotel accommodations along some of the highways were lacking. A number of the older tourist camps also brought criticism.

This year boosted the Oregon gasoline tax collections by \$250,000. This money is used for the construction and maintenance of highways.

The travel bureau and its advisory committee are now mapping out a recommended tourist promotion program for 1937.

Members of the advisory committee are Raymond B. Wilcox, Donald J. Sterling, John A. Leing, Dr. E. C. McDaniel, all of Portland; Judge Robert W. Sawyer, Bend; Robert W. Ruhl, Medford; Frank Jenkins, Klamath Falls; Hugh Ball, Hood River; Ed W. Miller, Marshfield; R. R. Cronlie, Albany; Merle Chessman, Astoria; Charles H. Reynolds, LaGrande; and Harold Say, Salem.

Say predicted that 1937 would witness the largest tourist travel ever recorded in Oregon.

Legislators Must Drop Public Jobs

Two attorneys for the state bonus commission are affected by the recent opinion of Attorney General Van Winkle that these attorneys are not eligible to serve both in this capacity and as members of the state legislature.

They are Representative Thomas F. Graham, Jr., and Senator Lawrence Lessard, both of Portland. Their opinion was requested by Graham.

Both Graham and Lessard were expected to resign as attorneys for the bonus commission. Attorneys for other state agencies may be affected by the opinion, officials said.

Religious Lesson Of Auto Is Topic

A unique service is planned for today at the First Church of God, North Cottage and H & O streets, when the pastor, Rev. L. W. Johnson, will preach a sermon on the religious lessons learned from the automobile.

A prize will be given to the person driving the oldest car to the service, to the one driving the greatest distance and also to the person who brings the most passengers in one car.

How Does Your Garden Grow? Spraying Should Be Done, Rain or No Rain; Tips Given on House Plants

By LILLIE E. MADSEN

OUR rain has finally arrived, for which I am sure all gardeners are thankful. However, we are apt to experience a little difficulty in getting our December spraying done properly. We'll have to dash out between showers and spray roses, lilacs, gooseberry bushes and stray fruit trees with winter doses of lime-sulphur. If the spray is washed off too early, we'll have to find time to spray again. Even should both sprayings be effective, we need not feel that we have overdone the thing.

Around the first of the year we should try to get in a Bordeaux spraying, dormant strength. Your containers give the directions, which should be followed quite closely. If you happen to have a grape vine about the yard spray that also. Mildew was quite prevalent on grapes this past year.

Before this rain began, I was all set to write something more about seeing to it that your shrubs and trees had sufficient moisture for the winter. Evergreens, because they hold their foliage during the winter, continue to lose large quantities of moisture during the cold season. If the soil contains ample supplies of water, the loss from the foliage is compensated by water taken in by the roots. This will not be necessary now, I hope, but it may as well be mentioned for future use.

About Feeding House Plants

I have had some questions reaching me as to whether or not house plants should be fed. This depends somewhat on the plant. Do not overfeed geraniums or you will have more foliage than flower. This holds true of some other plants as well. However, there are many plants, particularly ferns and other foliage plants, that do better if given some plant food. In such cases, if the plants have not been repotted for sometime, take a teaspoonful of a balanced food, mix it with water and apply to each six-inch pot. This may be done three times during the winter season, each time about five weeks apart.

Avoid getting plant food on stalks or foliage of house plants, and do not feed plants which are supposed to be passing through their rest period.

Watering Indoor Plants
"How often shall I water my indoor plants?" is a question reaching me often at this season of the year.

Set rule for watering can be given. Length of time between waterings vary with the character of the plant, size of the pot, type of pot, conditions maintained around the plant with regard to ventilation, heat and humidity; weather conditions and drainage in the pot. A proper watering is a frequent cause of failure with house plants. Lack of water causes plants to become woody and hard, which results in wilting, inability to take food from the soil and consequent starvation.

Overwatering causes water logging of the soil, which reduces proper aeration of the soil and causes injury by cutting off the supply of oxygen. Decay of the roots follows. There is much more danger of overwatering than of underwatering. The latter is often, by giving them a little overwatering, than there is of letting them get too dry. The general tendency is to water too often, giving too small an amount of water with each application to moisten the soil for the entire depth of the pot.

Treatments Not All Same
When you water, apply enough water so that the soil in the pot is saturated, and water will drip from the drainage opening in the bottom of the pot. The water should be about the same temperature as the room and it is best to water in the morning.

Plants which have a crown, such as primroses and Saint Paulia, should never be watered by applying the water to the top of the pot. Water such plants by placing the pot in a pan of water with an inch of the brim of the pot. When sufficient water has been absorbed, the top of the soil will become moist. This is also a good method for watering large ferns and other plants in large containers.

Never allow pots to rest directly in water. If pots are kept in saucers, raise them above the saucers with an old Economy fruit jar lid, or the new absorbent mats, so excess water can drain out freely and air can circulate entirely around the pot and through the bottom.

"Unfreezing" Cacti
Mrs. A. D. of Rickrell writes to ask what she can do for her two cacti which froze. It will depend somewhat upon how badly frozen they are. If the frost has reached down to the roots of the plants, but just killed the outer leaves, I would take these off, particularly in the case of the Christmas cactus, and water somewhat. Do not over-water your Christmas cactus. This year some authorities advise against watering it at all after the flower buds are set. I think that this may be carrying the matter a little too far to the other side.

One or two good waterings at three-week intervals seems to improve my cactus even when in bud or flower. In the case of the cactus which froze to the roots, Mrs. D., I would remove the dried leaves and cut back the other side somewhat. I believe it may come through and while it will look unbalanced for a time, you may be able to get it back into shape.

Getting Lilies on Ferns
Mrs. F. M. of Salem wants to know what to do about small white lilies on leaves of ferns. She asks if they are harmful.

These scale insects can quickly

kill a fern if they are not kept in control. A toothpick is a good implement with which to remove them. Sometimes they can be washed off with a soda and water solution to which a little nicotine has been added. Close watch should be kept over all ferns. Frequent spraying with water, cool locations, no direct sunlight, all help to prevent this insect from getting a hold of the plant. If the blossoms are to be perfect a glass covering should be provided.

Sands Combat Slugs
Small alpine plants will enjoy a collar of sand or stone chips to keep excessive moisture and slugs away from the crowns. Slugs are very active during the occasional warm days of a wet winter. Primroses also respond to a collar—a rather large one—of sand. They dislike our damp winters. If drainage is not perfect, they often fail to live through the winter.

If you find places in your lawn where water stands during the rainy months make deep holes with a small crowbar. This will also help settle your spring moss problem.

If your violets are growing in a very heavy soil, dig sand and leaf mould about them now. If the soil is very light give them well-rotted manure and peat moss. You will have much better violet blooms come spring.

"How long will it take a potted hyacinth to grow?" asks V. M. of Salem. About 12 weeks if you are planting the bulb.

Iowans Locate Here

JEFFERSON, Dec. 12.—F. R. Wickam and family arrived this week from Meridian, Iowa, with a carload of household goods and horses. They have leased the McTimmons farm three miles northwest of town.

Statesman Book Nook

Reviews of New Books and Literary News Notes
By CAROLINE C. JERGEN

Caleb Cullum's America. By Vincent McHugh. Stackpole Sons. \$2.50.

Women will not like this book as well as men. Men, those who read something other than Zane Grey, mystery novels or stories of the great north, will likely enjoy Caleb Cullum to quite an extent. They will appreciate the humor and the satire on American history.

While it is not long—but 340 pages—as compared to "Anthony Adverse," or even "Gone With the Wind," still it is quite long enough for its kind. Really to enjoy reading it, one must be the type of person who enjoys having a book around to dip into now and then as a box of candy about the house. It is not as much concerned about the story's possible outcome as he is about what new hill of imagination Mr. McHugh, the author, may climb.

Caleb Cullum is a new American "folk." He might be related to Steven's Paul Bunyan, or Groucho and Harpo Marx or a disciple of Mark Twain. But he lacks the subtlety of these heroes. Perhaps this is because he is "modern." Modernity and subtlety frequently fail to travel the same roads.

Caleb was born—but perhaps this had better be quoted from the book:

"After my Mom and Pop had seven kids that turned out to be seals and geese, Mom up and gave him a piece of her mind."

"I'm sick an' tired o' your antics," she says. "Next time I have a child o' yours pig'll be flyin'."

"The whole thing happened just like she said and a mite quicker'n she anticipated. Sky got black a coal-scuttle, pigs by millions flapping by overhead, whistling and growling like the day of wrath, and right in the midst of all this hurry-bur Mom give a shriek and I was born."

He was very small at first but active: "Right off I did a mazurka in the palm of my Pop's hand and raced all over the walls and rafters like a cockroach."

Caleb lives all through American history—the great adventures, the great frontiersmen. Sometimes his home is a frontier town in the west, and it is an old New England village.

Because of the great span of Caleb's life, his history affords the readers the opportunity to meet all the people they have wanted to encounter. Davy Jones, Ben Franklin, Tom Jefferson, Huck Finn, Sam Clemens, Dan Boone, Buffalo Bill, Jim Fisk, Uncle Remus, John Henry all hob-nob together in Caleb's America. Eric the Red strikes up a pleasant friendship with Ponce de Leon. "Molls" go riding in flat-boats on the Mississippi at the time of the Louisiana purchase. We are given a new version of the American flag:

"Then the colonel brought out a flag we'd packed all the way 'cross the plains and mountains and started in to take a lease on all that country in the name of the United States."

"Me, I got examining the flag and I see something I never noticed before. Red and white stripes looked fine, but them few stars she had in'er at that time looked mighty piddling on all that blue cloth. I didn't say nothing to the Colonel but I got one of Charing

Cross's Injuns to one side, borrowed an old bleached-out buckskin shirt and set to work. Matter of a few minutes I cut out four-five dozen new stars and kept sewing 'em onto the blue field until they wasn't no more room. Come to 48 in all."

"Took pretty near a century to get 'em any way state to match up with them stars but Congress finally come 'round to my view of the matter. I figured my name'd be enshrined 'longside of Betsy Ross's but the bill ain't never been reported out of committee."

That is the history of the book. But nice to be able to put away for further "dippings into."

Smart gamblers are going to enjoy giving as Christmas gifts "Wake Up Alone and Like It," a burlesque on the life of the "Woke Up Alone and Like It" and "Live Alone and Like It." It includes a new twist for neurotics which hits its targets very amusingly in many passages, and vulgarly unfunny in many others.

Something new which is almost in line with The Woolcott Reader of a year ago, is Carl Van Doren's "The Borzoi Reader," compiled from the best of its publisher's long and fine writing since the inception of the house. There is every thing in it; novels, essays, plays, short stories, poems and a biography, all of them by famous names.

Those who are looking for something very light and inoffensive will find "The Borzoi Reader," published by Doubleday, Doran and with illustrations by Leonel Edwards. It's all about polo in India.

The Adventures of Mr. Ramshaw and the Eagle, by Captain C. W. R. Knight (Dodd, Mead, \$1.50) is another real document for boys, photographically illustrated, and full of adventure and humor.

Indistinctly for younger children is Eunice M. Oberholser's "The Diary of Ducky Daddles," (Fortsy's, \$2.) "The Children of Other Lands" series has added two titles, "When I Was a Boy in Ireland," by Alan Michael Buck, and "When I Was a Girl in Wales," by Maude Morgan Thomas. These are priced at a dollar apiece.

Very much in keeping with the present times in E. F. Benson's "The Kaiser and English Relations" which gives the author's version of how Victoria handled her unruly grandson, how Edward avoided his cousin, and tells much about the complications of the royal family life.

A new Jules Verne adventure in H. R. Ekins' "Around the World in 80 Days," which is a record for a swift circumnavigation of the globe. The book may also be used as a practical guide for those who may not wish to go quite as far nor quite as rapidly.

Christmas Trade Reaches New High

Inland Cities All Report Increase, Coast Hurt by Marine Strike

By the Associated Press
Christmas trade in the Pacific northwest reached a new tempo today and with but two weeks remaining before Yuletide holiday most merchants were optimistic that total volume would surpass considerably the post-depression record made in 1935.

In many instances, holiday trade was reported late in starting, due primarily to the prolonged drought; in others, some hesitation was manifested due to the uncertain Maritime situation. But in the main, the picture remained cheerful.

Dunn & Bradstreet in Portland reports sales from 18 to 20 per cent above a year ago with better merchandise in demand and collections good.

Mail Is Heavier
The Portland postoffice for the first eight days in December recorded an increase in letter cancellations of 23 per cent and a gain in the number of mail bags dispatched of 10 per cent.

Reports in which encouragement outweighed pessimism came from Portland, LaGrande, Baker, Eugene, Salem, Bend, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, Klamath Falls, Marshfield, Astoria, and Corvallis.

News from coast cities and Klamath Falls, however, was tempered somewhat by mention of Maritime influences, and a few of the points reported business starting so much later than usual that a completely accurate picture of the trend was not yet available.

In nearly all cases, higher price merchandise was reported in demand and cash sales were showing fully a great gain as the credit volume.