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GRANGER SINGS OF THANKSGIVING

Whether this nation should give thanks this week or next is of little import to a poet, so Granger Fred Knox in a bit of verse composed for the delectation of his Spencer creek neighbors sums up America's reasons for gratitude as follows:

THANKSGIVING
Joyful Thanksgiving once more you are nigh,
With turkey and dressing and rich pumpkin pie,
You're so truly American methinks you vie,
As a close runner up with the Fourth of July.
The Pilgrims were first to sing your glad praises,
For the bare fact their toes weren't turned up to the daisies.
And that they'd not croked from starvation or blizzards,
Or wild Indian arrows plugged into their gizzards.
Who are living be grateful how much more should we,
If they could in peace and security.
We've wheat, silver and gold in great quantities,
But blessing of blessings, we're thankful we're free.
Just how we're to vote there's no armed guard to urge,
We're free from the spy or the dictator's purge.
We vote for some one and if he's the bunk,
The next time we vote, out he goes in the junk!
We have schools and great parks free to rich or to poor,
Wide highways that lead us to mountains or shore,
There are churches where each one can find him a pew,
And worship his God, Turk, Christian, or Jew.
Should we look to the sky there's the life giving sun,
The friendly proud shine when the day's work is done.
In peace our stars and stripes, and country homes lie,
Nor dread we the death bomb that's dropped from the sky.
There are some who think there's none like the Nazis,
Others who loudly sing Red Stalin's praises.
Let them go to the land for which they've a yearning,
Let's grant them a ticket that reads no returning.
The president proudly proclaims your great day,
Some holler, "Phokey," others, "Hokey."
Some say, "He's wise, it's the best day at that,"
Others, "He's crazy, the turkeys ain't fat."
Americans truly are blessed as a nation,
Attend we fat Thanksgiving's glad celebration.
And when from the table we rise with a sigh,
Thank God for OUR COUNTRY, OUR FLAG, AND OUR PIE.

McGurk calls special attention to that climactic ending—"for our country, our flag, and our pie." Old Barrett Wendell used to say that the Eli slogan "for God, for country and for Yale" was the most spectacular use of "anti-climax" in American literature. McGurk claims Mr. Knox has achieved something even more dramatic.
There are other countries and other flags, says McGurk but there is only one nation which can claim PIE. Mince or pumpkin? A slab of both, please! Comestible indigestible but indispensable our pie is another of those ineffable symbols of our democracy.
"FOR country, flag and PIE!"
The poet has given us a mouthful.

QUIET ZONE FOR HOSPITAL

Worthy of the serious attention of the city fathers is the request for a Quiet Zone adjacent to the Eugene hospital where the goings and comings of the city's own machines from the parking yard beside the city hall create a rather difficult problem. Till Eugene is able to consider a new city hall or a police-fire headquarters—which may not be till after the city is debt free in 1948—it will not be easy to keep a perfect control on noises. But perhaps a good deal can be done by having all cars in as good mechanical condition as possible and observing reasonable caution.
So far as we know, automotive genius has not yet achieved a starter which is noiseless. And in chilly weather it is difficult even with the best of equipment to prevent backfire and sputtering. The copper dashing out on a hurry call cannot be expected to be too careful always, but we know the police will do all in their power to keep the noises to a minimum and so will the other employees of the city who use the parking lot. Nobody would willingly disturb the patients.
You may remember when the city had a jail in the area between the city hall and hospital which was a frequent source of annoyance. That has been eliminated. Perhaps it would not be too costly to build some kind of housing over the city's parking yard; it might even pay to keep cars out of the weather. At the least the council can order that starters and mufflers be kept in repair and post constant "Quiet Zone" reminders.
We hope the time is at hand when city police, state police, county deputies, jail, fire department and all safety services can be housed in one central building with one central telephone and signal system. A location somewhere on the new highway with swift access to all parts of town would be much better than the present city hall quarters. Though funds are not available now, it might be a good idea to be planning for this development.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By JOHN KELLY
Register-Guard Washington Reporter
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 21.—Public enemy of the orchards of the Pacific Northwest and villain of the Argentine trade treaty, is Henry P. Grady, who has advised Senators Schwellenbach, Washington, and Senators McNary and Holman, Oregon, (also Senator Byrd, big apple grower of Virginia and brother of the explorer), that they should take a broad view of trade relations; that if Argentina cannot ship its apples and pears into United States the Argentines will have nothing to use for money with which to buy goods from the industrial east. Or words to that effect.
Do you know, the senators inquired of Grady, of the state department, that in 1930-31 the United States exported 66,800 bushels of pears to Argentina and in 1939-40 only 81,860 bushels? But in 1939 Argentina exported 1,387,760 boxes?
Do you know that in 1930-31 United States exported 727,671 bushels of apples to Argentina while in 1939-40 export is down to 43,200 bushels? Yet in 1939 Argentina exported to the United States 549,284 boxes?
Since 1930 pear exports from Argentina have increased 33.7 times.
And that isn't all. For some reason the transportation on a 44 pound box of apples or pears from Argentina to New York is 60 cents, but from transportation from New York to Argentina is 83 cents for apples and 75 cents for pears.
Northwest fruit growers protest against Argentina sanitary restrictions against United States fruit. Mr. Grady answers that the senators have refused to modify the sanitary restrictions of beef from Argentina (Tabu was placed on Argentina beef on account of the hoof and mouth disease). Mr. Grady implies the senators should remove the restrictions on beef if they want the apples and pears given a clean bill of health.
Here is how one government agency works against and nullifies the efforts of another, as the senators informed Grady: Each year Argentina has been dumping more apples and pears on the American market as the surplus of domestic fruit accumulates, and while Argentina has been encouraged to invade the United States market, Uncle Sam has been spending \$1,246,497 to reduce the domestic surplus of pears and apples and give the fruit to the needy.
Senators will insist (the result is in doubt) that henceforth trade treaties be approved by the senate and not by the state department.
Note.—Concessions on apples and pears have been made in 16 of the 18 trade agreements negotiated by the department of state. Each concession had a more or less direct effect on the fruit industry of Oregon and Washington.

It isn't supposed to be known, but according to whisper, overtures have been made to the Duponts to establish a rayon or cellophane plant somewhere within range of Bonneville power. Principle ingredient of these products is wood and there is an unlimited amount of the raw material available in the Pacific Northwest.
Also in the "conversion" stage, discussion of locating a plant to make beryllium, the master-alloy, with the mineral known as beryl (name comes from Nero's monochrome of beryl crystal) occurring in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Nevada, and plenty of copper supplies from the same states. Only three of the 92 known elements in the world are lighter than beryllium and two of these are gases, hydrogen and helium. Beryllium is found in 34 metals, many of which are deposits in the Northwest region.
Wage-hour administration has decided that placer mining in Oregon, Washington and Alaska is a seasonal occupation and the 40 hour week does not apply. The ruling includes the gold dredge operations and all open-cut mining but not where miners work underground.
Another seasonal exemption from the law benefits President Roosevelt. The cutting and shipping of Christmas trees is included in the ruling. The president is carrying on that business as a side line to his administration of national affairs. He has a few acres of trees at Hyde Park.

Admiral Land, chairman of the United States Maritime Commission, says he is willing to have Portland Chamber of Commerce submit a proposal for the establishment of a Columbia river-oriental steamer service. The chamber has estimated that local interests are willing to operate such a service with a subsidy from the commission—same arrangement as is being pursued with a Seattle-Portland service. The commission decried with a Portland exporter but imposed such provisions that the Portlander declined, with thanks.
Admiral Land is now ready to study other propositions.
Government probes have been advised that the big steel companies in the east are "soaking" Oregon, Washington and California by not charging on the cost of production in the west, but on the eastern, price of steel plus transportation charges. The companies manufacture some steel on the Pacific Coast, but charge as much for it as though it was manufactured in the east and then add freight. The monopoly committee is gathering data on the subject.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN
Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygeia, the Health Magazine
The word anemia really means "without blood." It is frequently used to describe not only cases in which the formation of blood has been reduced, but also cases in which the number of red blood cells is less than it ought to be. It is also used in cases in which the amount of red coloring matter in the blood is greatly reduced.
A person with anemia may be suffering from any or a combination of all these conditions.
The physician can frequently judge from his first sight of the patient whether or not anemia is present. A reduced amount of red coloring matter in the blood will make the patient look pale.
However, a look at the hard palate or the eye indicates more to a doctor than just a glimpse of the skin. The skin of the face may seem to be red because it is sunburned, because the person has thin skin, and because the blood vessels show through the skin, and sometimes because the person is extremely well nourished, although anemic.
When a person has an insufficient amount of blood, the absence may be due to a shortage of red blood cells or to the fact that various poisons, such as X-rays, radium, benzene, benzene products, or metallic poisons, have acted on the body. It may be due to damage to the bone marrow in which the red blood cells are formed, or to the fact that certain organs of the body are seriously damaged by disease so that they cannot play their part in regeneration of the blood.
Certain substances are necessary to produce blood cells with the sufficient amount of red coloring matter. An absence of iron may result in anemia, and the iron may either be absent from the diet or lost from the body due to hemorrhage. It is also known that the liver and the stomach may supply substances which are essential to the building of blood.
In other cases anemia may be due to a destruction of blood by the action of infection or by the action of substances which destroy blood, like snake venoms and certain chemicals. Sometimes there is destruction of blood because of jaundice.
The blood is the most essential substance in the human body. Unless it is kept normal in amount, in red blood cells and in red coloring matter, health is bound to suffer.

Rebekahs Choose New Officers At Grove

COTTAGE GROVE, Nov. 21.—(Special)—The following officers were elected at Rebekah lodge for ensuing term: Beatrice McCoy, noble grand; Iva Morris, vice grand; Alice Conner, recording secretary; Martha Eastham, financial secretary; Zula Hansen, treasurer.

A committee was appointed to meet with Honor Rebekah lodge of Creswell, to arrange for a joint installation to be held Friday evening, Dec. 1, at Cottage Grove. Mrs. Pearl Hooker of Goldendale, Wash., was admitted by transfer. Miss McCloth from the jurisdiction of North Dakota was introduced with a welcome. Mrs. Morris from Merrill, Ore., was also a visitor. The staff club will meet Monday evening, Nov. 27.

BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

REEDSPORT, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gibbons were dinner hosts to the Original Contract club last week, the meeting being the final party of a series. High scores were held by Mrs. Gibbons and Frank Foster, second high by Mrs. Ralph Taylor and Wallace Benson and low by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Chase. Additional members are Ralph Foster, Frank Taylor, Mrs. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bernardi.
Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Dunn also entertained their bridge club last week with a dinner. Members are Mr. and Mrs. John Dye, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cairns, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Kissing and Mr. and Mrs. Berg Borrevik.

CHURCH HOLDS DINNER

SHEDD, Nov. 21.—(Special)—A Thanksgiving dinner was held at the United Presbyterian church recently, under the direction of the missionary society. After the dinner, Rev. J. O. McDonald, pastor of the United Presbyterian church at Albany conducted the devotional service. Rev. A. J. Finkbeiner, pastor of the Methodist church, led the congregational singing. Mrs. McDonald of Albany gave an address entitled "A Trip to Egypt." Mrs. E. J. Clark of Oakville sang a solo, and Rev. Walter Duff of Dallas, who is conducting evangelistic services at the Methodist church gave a talk. A short meeting of the missionary society was held. The date of the thank offering service has not been fully decided.

GRANGE HAS DINNER

THURSTON, Nov. 21.—(Special)—The Thurston grange sponsored a turkey supper and smoker recently at the hall. Following the supper Benny Hall with his Elks boxers put on a nine-bout smoker. During the evening a gold loving cup was presented the H. E. club.

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SHEDD NEWS

SHEDD, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenneth McCune of Longview, Wash., were recent guests here at the McCune home. A mistake was made in reporting the ball game played recently between Shedd and Taft. Shedd won the game 18 to 0 instead of 18 to 1.
A home talent program put on by the Oakville community club recently, received much favorable comment. Numbers on the program included community singing led by Mrs. Cole, a few numbers by the band directed by the teacher, Mrs. Mary McNeil. "Memories of the First Armistice Day," by Ralph Miller and Mrs. Olga Willett, accordion and steel guitar duet, by Mr. Shriner and Mr. Lewis; a solo in German by Mr. Shriner; short talks by Rev. E. J. Clark, Clarence Eagy and Michael Coon; whistling and playing the steel guitar by Mr. Lewis.

TO BEGIN DANCE CLASS

REEDSPORT, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Barbara Ross Plock, for the past nine years, dance teacher of North Bend, will be in ReedSPORT Wednesday to organize classes. Mrs. Plock will offer combined classes in ballet, including Spanish, Russian and other folk dancing, tap, and acrobatic work for children; women's conditioning classes with exercise work designed for physical development or weight reduction, depending on the individual's needs; and ballroom classes which will be divided into a course of study for the beginner and the advanced pupil in tangos, rumbas and current dance routines. Mrs. Plock plans to be at the American Legion hall in ReedSPORT each Wednesday.

HOLD ALL-DAY MEETING

PLEASANT HILL, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Mrs. Mae Jones was hostess to the Ladies' Aid at her home last week for an all-day meeting. A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by about 15 ladies. Work on articles for the bazaar furnished work for the day. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Anna Moore on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 30.

FROM THURSTON

THURSTON, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Dean Beals with his son-in-law, Ustle Smith as assistant is building a new house for Ernest Skinner. Mr. Beals finished with the building of the new service station at Peterson's on the McKenzie highway last week.

MOVE TO REEDSPORT

REEDSPORT, Nov. 21.—(Special)—New comers to ReedSPORT are Dr. and Mrs. James H. Phillips, recently of the Fort Lewis CCC district. Dr. Phillips took post graduate work at Harvard university, later studying in Vienna. Prior to his Fort Lewis tour

of duty he was with the Fort Missoula district and is now serving in the Vancouver Barracks district. He will serve Camp Washink Lake, Camp ReedSPORT, the Bandon and Loon Lake side camps.
Mrs. Phillips is the former Nell B. Magelsen, nationally recognized artist whose paintings have been exhibited widely throughout the United States. One canvas now adorns the walls of President Roosevelt's Hyde Park home.

REEDSPORT NEWS

REEDSPORT, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Members of the Jolly Fellows club enjoyed a potluck dinner and dance last week in the I.O.O.F. hall. Camp fire groups meeting recently were Otokawa, with Hope Samson, and Aowakia, with Delores Saarela, and later, with Carol Smiley.
The Union Ladies' Auxiliary met with Mrs. Fred Bates as hostess.
Hats rebuffed and remodeled. Dorothy Duree, Hadley's.

CLASS ENTERTAINMENT

YONCALLA, Nov. 21.—(Special)—Mrs. Wallace Lyman entertained her Sunday school class at her home last week. Evening was spent playing cards, Willard Williams, Mrs. Fritz Bradford, Zana Farnham, Vian, Norma, Mona and Rapier, Jimmie Brown, Ruth, Virginia Weaver, Mrs. A. H. Patrick, Lyman and Mr. and Mrs. Lyman.

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