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Just Folks
by Edgar A. Guest

BIRTHDAYS

I hope we'll never grow so cold that we shall pass their birthdays by. So few the festivals of home, so swiftly from us do they fly. That when there comes a glad event when we may celebrate a bit And fill the home with merriment, we want to make the most of it.

Sometimes I think the birthdays are the most important days we know. They are the milestones of our lives erected in the long-arc. On such a date was Granma born, on such a date came smiling Jane, And oh, we pray they'll both be there - when those glad days come back again.

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The birthdays mean a lot to us, not one of them we'd ever slight. We want the decorated cake with every candle gleaming bright; To us it is no small event that one we love has older grown. With gifts and kisses all around we want to make our gladness known.

I hope we'll never grow so cold that we shall pass their birthdays by. There are so many common days that come and go and leave a slash. That when there comes a happy day when we may celebrate a bit, We want to fill the home with love and truly make the most of it.

A CLIMATE THAT MEANS PEP AND PROGRESS
SEVERAL days ago the East Oregonian carried a news story to the effect that deaths from heat are unknown in Pendleton. The official records of local undertaking establishments for many years past fail to show a single case of death through heat prostration.

The people of the east do not know it and some of our own people do not know it but we have here the finest climate in the world. It is a temperate climate yet we have a length of sunshine never known in the humid east, middle west or even on the western coast. Now sunshine is as essential to human life as to plant life. There are usually some days in midsummer when the weather here is too hot for comfort. But where is there any region without some climatic shortcomings. It is not to be found. A section that never suffers from at least a few days of heat is certain to have other disadvantages that are probably worse. Our nights are always cool, the mornings wonderful and the evenings delightful, even during the warmest period.

This may sound like boosting but from the standpoint of healthfulness and joy of living one may search far and find no finer place than Pendleton. The city water supply is pure and the water is always cool. There is virtually no such thing as typhoid in Pendleton any longer. The death rate is low and infant mortality in particular is light. There is no town with younger old men than Pendleton. There are men here who are still active and vigorous in their eighties. Men in their nineties are frequently found despite the fact the city is reputed to be a young man's town. Men and women don't feel old in this region. They retain their youth because they drink daily from the elixir of life—the air from the plains of Eastern Oregon, warmed and purified by a gentle, smiling sun that shines nowhere more brightly or more kindly.

The Pendleton country has never been especially presented to the world as a region to be desired by those who would live long and live heartily. But it could be. This region has truly wonderful climatic advantages and some day they will be capitalized. If outsiders ask for proof tell them to look at our Indians. Our Indians are more than holding their own in population while the general rule is for Indian tribes to decrease. The average Indian of the Umatilla reservation looks fat and healthy, a fact frequently commented upon.

It's the climate that does it and the climate of Pendleton has had much to do with gaining for this town a reputation for pep and progress.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

STEADY movement of crops to market and to points of export continues a dominating feature in the business situation. A tendency toward better prices for many products, notwithstanding temporary ups and downs, is the natural result of strong export demands; while early marketings, induced by the necessity of meeting past bank loans, is apparently tending to reduce the need for credit in the farming regions and to produce an unexpectedly good supply of funds for current purchasing. Indications continue to improve in the textile trades, practically normal conditions being predicted for the autumn and winter in these directions. Some pessimists in the steel trades forecast a continuance of depression extending into the autumn and winter in their own line of business, but improvement in building conditions as well as in railway demand seems likely to bring recovery sooner than is thus predicted. Varying conditions in corporation earnings are reflected in the reports of General Motors and some others which show improvements over last year, as contrasted with discouraging earnings returns in other cases. A very hopeful element in the existing outlook is the remarkable maintenance of the purchasing power of the consumer in retail lines. This is illustrated by the growth of dry goods business in the Chicago district in an amount estimated at 35 per cent above last year. Building operations in many parts of the country have shown a substantial improvement which has brought July transactions as reported by the Bridge Builders and Structural Society to about one-third of shop capacity.

Federal Reserve officials have given every assurance that the general banking position was never better. Meantime, the continued inward flow of gold is raising the general reserve position of the banking system practically to pre-war levels. This influx, which during the past week has again added several millions to our net gold, is now involving a movement from South America. Combined with fresh German reparation payments and speculation in exchange, the situation as regards the purchasing power of foreign currency has been growing so serious as to give rise to the administration's tentative proposal for an exchange conference to be held simultaneously with the disarmament conference. The rapid depreciation of the mark and of the various currencies of Southern and Eastern Europe adds force to the suggestion. Such a conference might result in improving some contemporary conditions, although ultimate correction of the exchanges must depend upon tax reduction and restoration of governmental solvency throughout Europe. Meantime the continued absence of any definite system of financing foreign trade and the growth of our one-sided "favorable" balance almost unavoidably tends to make exchange quotations less stable than they otherwise would be. The needs of Europe for our food stuffs will rather tend during coming months to accentuate this state of things.—From the Clews Financial Review.

'Cabinet Golf'—With Tenn's Bail!



And now we have "cabinet golf" introduced by Secretary of War Weeks and the president himself. It's a strange, strange game. The rules are that each member acts as his own caddy and only puts are permitted. But strangest of all—they use tennis balls for year-seed! Ever see a golf ball that size? The picture was taken at Woods' mountain estate near Lancaster, N. H., where the president is spending a vacation.

AUSTRALIANS ACCUSED OF BAD FAITH IN COLONY IN NEW GUINEA

Australia is Engaged in Looting Former German Territory Says Writer and Editor.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Australia, having received a League of Nations mandate for New Guinea, is now engaged in "looting" this former German territory, declares Henry Stead, an Australian writer and editor of Stead's Review. He makes wholesale charges of inefficiency in administration of the mandate and accuses the Australian Government of ghastly mistakes.

"When Rabaul was occupied by Australian troops in 1914 the German Governor did not surrender unconditionally," writes Stead. "General Holmes, the Australian commander, undertook to send him and his officials back to Germany and to respect the property of private persons. The peace treaty, it is true, gives Australia the right to confiscate German property, but by so doing she is breaking the definite agreement she made with the Germans at the time the place was captured."

Germans Are Run Out
"Not only has private property belonging to Germans been expropriated, but many Germans who have spent from fifteen to twenty years in developing the copra industry are being cleared out. Despite the fact that the Expropriation Board employs a great crowd of officials, in only one or two cases have any of the expropriated Germans been able to secure a statement concerning their estates. Yet it is a fact that three Australians are employed for every German employed before the board took over the German properties."

The Germans are in a grievous condition. They cannot get any money from the German Government. It is therefore impossible for them to start life anew anywhere else. This seems to be an entirely unnecessary refinement of cruelty, of which it is safe to say the people of Australia are generally quite ignorant.

Plantations Deteriorating
"The German plantations have been placed in temporary charge of ze-

turned soldiers, young men who have no knowledge of coconut growing and who have no experience whatever in handling natives. Is it any surprise to learn that these plantations, which everyone admits were models of efficiency and productivity under German control, are rapidly deteriorating?"

There is general agreement that there is going to be a debacle in German New Guinea within three years. Many say the crash will come sooner than that. It is becoming more and more clear that, in its desire to get the whole of the loot, the Australian Government has made a ghastly mistake.

WRIST WATCH JOINS AUK AND DODO GLASS

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—(I. N. S.)—Wrist watches, popularized by the World War, have joined the Dodo bird in a few years they will be entirely extinct, Chicago jewelers called before the Cook County Tax Board of Review predicted. Even now they have no sale.

Other facts brought out at the Board of Review hearings were: Diamonds are about to advance in price, after a drop of 20 per cent in value. There is a 10 per cent decline in the price for watches and silverware. Engagement rings show an alarming falling off of at least 75 per cent. Lavallieres are being discarded for bar pins.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, August 25, 1893.)
Dance loving young people of Pendleton enjoyed a social hop, Thursday evening, in the old postoffice building on Court street. At 10:20 ice cream and cake were served, and the dances continued until midnight, all present had the best of good times. Music was provided by the band club. In connection with the event it is related that several young gallants who have been attending parties of a similar nature refused to grace the occasion by their presence, on account of the fact that some older beaux paraded. They have gone on a sort of

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS TOM IS SOME LONESOME GUY. BY ALLMAN



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Sheets, full size, 81x90, seamless standard quality, no dressing but an extra good quality; each \$1.49

Pillow Cases, soft fine muslin, an unbeatable value, each 25c

Children's Buster Brown fine ribbed cotton hose, size 6 to 10; the pair 23c

Indian Head Muslin, 36 inches wide, the yard 20c

Silk Fringe, the fashionable trimming this season. Colors of navy, brown, black and white.
4 inch width, the yard 65c
6 inch width, the yard 98c

Colored Outing Flannels, pretty stripes and checks; the yard 15c

Knit Bloomers, flesh color; pair 50c and 98c

Children's School Middies, good qualities, made right; each \$1.15

Costume Velvet, 36 inches wide, navy, brown and black, a best quality; the yard \$2.75

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