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PRESERVE THE TREES.

A party of Bend people, recently returned from a motor trip through California, are showing their friends photographs of the various points of interest visited by them on the journey. One of these was a little hillock with a few scattered Torrey pine to which a paved road has been built and park or landscape effects created. Upwards of \$15,000 has been spent to beautify the spot and make it accessible and it is looked upon in the neighborhood, we are told, as a place of remarkable interest and natural beauty simply because of the presence there of these few, scrubby pine trees.

On hearing of this one is inclined at first to smile at the thought of paying so much attention to what an Oregonian would look on as a lot of inferior trees. Your Oregonian compares these with the pines he knows at home and thinks how much larger and more beautiful are the trees the traveler will find here. He is inclined to look on this little collection as a joke and the money spent in their setting as thrown away.

Second thought, however, tells him that there is nothing to scoff at in this California scene. The pines are the only native trees in the vicinity and the point is that they are preserved and made something of. Their value is recognized. They are an asset and are treated as such.

With us nature has been so generous that we pay no attention to our good fortune, but instead take it as a matter of course. We give no thought to the preservation of our own beauty spots until it is too late and then we awake to the realization of our irrevocable loss and appreciate such work as has been done at this California hillock.

Such criticism as is implied in the foregoing is intended more especially for other sections of the state which have only just now begun to appreciate the situation, as is evidenced by recent articles in the Portland newspapers. Here on the Deschutes The Shevlin-Hixon Company has generously promised much to ensure the preservation of timbered spots of scenic beauty but there are still many to be saved and that will be saved if we take to heart the lesson from California.

Fifteen Years Ago

(From the columns of The Bulletin of July 7, 1905.)

The city water service is being delayed somewhat, owing to the fact that the mains, when the pressure was turned on, began to leak in several places. The work of repairing these leaks is going forward as fast as possible and the town will be supplied with water in a short time. Steidl & Reed have installed a roller feed mill at their sawmill with a capacity of 60 sacks, or 120 bushels an hour. They are grinding a large consignment of barley from Powell Butte.

Miss Maude Vandeventer returned from Corvallis the first of the week, where she has been attending the agricultural college.

The Fourth of July has come and gone and Bend did herself proud with a celebration that would have done credit to many a larger town. Bend is assured a premium on her school bonds, which shows that there is plenty of faith in her credit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Poindexter spent the Fourth in Prineville.

John Keyer, Dan Heising, Will Brook and W. L. Wagner returned from their bear hunt last Saturday, bringing with them the pelts of five large bears. They were in the vicinity of Trout and Elk lakes and were gone only about a week.

Now comes Millard Triplett with a Plymouth Rock hen that breaks the



Art and Gas

On noble books, immortal tomes, I'd like to make my bids—the works of men whose bulging domes wore Number Fourteen lids; I had no schooling in my youth, and now I'd like to store my mind with chunks of pregnant truth, set down by seers of yore; such trenchant works would surely please my starving mind, I ween; but how can man buy books like these, and still buy gasoline? I'd like to buy some works of art to hang upon my wall, some masterpieces, to impart a lustre to the hall; where'er such works of art you find, in frames without a crack, you know there is a cultured mind somewhere around the shack. To own the works of artist kings, my panting soul aspires, but how can one buy Rembrandt things, and still buy rubber tires? For all the finer things I yearn, and yearn for them in vain; for all the money I can earn is spent on my old wain.

record for laying sizable eggs. One weighed a quarter of a pound, measured six and one half inches one way and eight the other.

Ed Brosterhouse returned last Friday from an extended hunting and fishing trip to the Klamath country. C. P. Becker and Jim McCoy returned Monday from the hot springs at the head of John Day river.

Charles Boyd returned this morning from Phillipsburg, Mont., his former home, where he has been for the past few weeks, attending to business matters.

Pitcher Plant's Curious Leaves.

In the swamp regions of India and China a herbaceous plant is found which has very curious leaves. Each leaf has the mid-rib prolonged to a great extent, far beyond the leaf proper, terminating in a very singular pitcher, from which the plant derives its common name of "pitcher plant." This again terminates in a lid which is regarded by botanists as the true blade of the leaf.

In this pitcher a fluid is found which comes from the plant itself and is probably necessary for its nourishment. This fluid, which contains some potash, varies much in quantity, sometimes only a drop or two, but when there is enough to drown any inquisitive insect which may venture inside, and such insects are frequently found in the pitcher.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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For the American Legion "Happyland" Week, July 19 to 24. Lots of fun for everybody. Adv.

THEY'RE HAPPY NOW



A new picture of Mrs. Warren G. Harding, wife of the Republican presidential nominee and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of the vice presidential nominee. Both pictures were taken since the nominations.

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"LOTUS" PLANT A MYSTERY

Scientists in Dispute as to What Kind of Food Had Such Remarkable Effects.

What was the plant the "lotus eaters" ate, which so destroyed their "pep," strangers who visited their land and partook of the remarkable vegetable losing all desire to return to home and friends?

There has been no end of dispute on the subject. One thing is certain, however, is that it could not have been the Egyptian lotus, which within recent years has begun to be widely grown in water gardens. This plant develops tubers, deep in the mud, which are about the size of hen's eggs and good to eat, but the eating of them has no such deleterious effect as that above described.

The Egyptian lotus is a kind of water lily, whose superb flowers look like huge pink tulips. Once upon a time it grew wild along the banks of the Nile, and the surmise is that originally it was fetched from India, where it is native. It was regarded anciently as the emblem of the Nile, and the symbol of the creation of the world from the waters. To the Egyptians it was a sacred plant. They cultivated it in ponds and tanks, wreathing their heads with the blossoms on festive occasions.

The lotus has had a wonderful influence upon architecture. Its leaves and buds appear in the capitals of classic columns and in every sort of antique decorative carving. It is the motif most frequently chosen. The art work of Japan (into which country it was imported) is inspired by it to a greater extent than by anything else in nature.

Shakespeare as Poacher.

In the description of the amenities of the Shakespeare hotel, Stratford-on-Avon, which was recently put up at auction, the story is related that Shakespeare came before Sir Thomas Lucy on a charge of stealing deer from Charlote park. The charge is open to the comment that in the time of Elizabeth there was no deer park at Charlote. To this it is retorted that deer were to be found in many parks not described as deer parks. As to all which it may be suggested that Shakespeare may have been brought before Lucy for stealing any deer within his jurisdiction.

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DEER PROFITABLE TO RAISE

Said to Require Little Care and Thrive on Diet of Weeds and Leaves.

Many years ago over most of the United States the deer roamed free and happy; but he has been hunted and driven back to give place to the towns and cities, until, like the Indian, he is a rare sight. In the last few years, however, deer are growing in favor as an easy and profitable kind of stock to raise.

Deer can thrive where a goat would starve to death. They do not eat green grass until there is nothing else to eat. They will reach up six feet to get leaves from bushes and trees. No shelter is required in winter, as for other stock, as the deer prefer to stay out in the open.

Deer have their young in June, usually twins, except the first year. They are by far the healthiest animals there are. A deer is a great hombody. He likes to drink at his own drinking place.

Deer are very contented to graze with the cows, keeping the weeds down in the pasture.—Thrifty Magazine.

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