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Oregon Observations

Portland.—The Portland city council has decided a tentative election plan, whereby the voters will be asked on May 21, the date of the regular primary election to vote on three measures designed to relieve the local street car situation.

Portland.—The annual run of smelt in the Sandy river near here, depends according to deputies of the state game warden's office, who have been patrolling the waters of the Columbia near its confluence with the Sandy.

Portland.—Milk distributors have notified their customers that beginning May 1 a rise in the price of two cents a quart for raw milk would be placed in effect, bringing the cost to sixteen cents a quart.

Portland.—Continued improvement in the switchmen's strike situation was reported by all railroads here today. Crews in the yards averaged about 60 per cent normal, it was said, and freight was kept moving.

Eugene.—Two men were killed and a third was perhaps fatally injured when the boiler of a locomotive pulling a logging train between the Bovee-Kelly Lumber company's mill at Wendling and an upper camp exploded at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon.

Beautiful Salem Lecture Attends

hardly aster, and the albertum. The keynote in landscape gardening is to observe nature's laws as nearly as possible. She seldom treats things in conformity to a given line, but arranges her shrubs, flowers and trees with a charming irregularity.

Abe Martin



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaplin have split up. Carley is like a whole lot of other fellows—he ain't makes ever buddy buddy but his wife. Attention you get by being painted won't do you any good.

A CALL FOR HELP

California was colonized by gold-seekers and adventurers, Washington by fortune hunters and speculators, Oregon by missionaries and educators. As a consequence Oregon has preserved her conservative character throughout her history and is today the most stable and conservative of any of the western commonwealths.

The history of Oregon really began with the founding of the Willamette University as an institution for christianizing the Indians and for educating youth of the settlers. That the American flag flies over the northwest is due largely to the university, and the debt the state owes to the pioneer churchmen is a heavy one.

Before there was a Salem, there was a Willamette University. It was the school that platted the town and brought population and to the vision and foresight of the college founders, Salem is indebted for the wide avenues and admirable plan for the city that the scraggly village of Chemeketa grew into.

Throughout the years, Willamette University has exercised a beneficial influence for education and morality upon all of the northwest, particularly upon Salem, neutralizing to a great extent the pernicious influence and corruption of politics—an influence that has made Salem the most attractive and desirable residence city of the northwest.

But the value of Willamette University to the community is not confined to ethical influence. It has been one of the largest single factors in community development. Much of the population was attracted here by the educational institution. Annually it brings in additional residents. Through it more outside money is yearly brought into Salem than by any of our manufacturing enterprises. Hence Willamette University is one of Salem's greatest assets, intellectually, socially, morally and commercially.

These are hard times for educational institutions. Expenditures have doubled and endowment incomes remain stationary, while attendance has multiplied. Increased facilities are needed, higher salaries for educators must be provided or the instructors seek other fields, and the students must be taken care of.

The schools of the nation face a crisis, and many will be forced to close. Every educational institution is functioning under difficulties. From wealthy eastern institutions like Harvard down through the list of heavily endowed state universities, to the small struggling sectarian colleges, and on to the public and district schools, all are appealing for help. Thousands of schools have been closed for lack of teachers, thousands more will be forced to close, and unless the people rally wholeheartedly to the support of the schools, the future welfare of the nation is menaced.

In common with other educational institutions, the flag of distress is flying over Willamette University. A new girls' dormitory must be erected to care for attendance. The main building destroyed by fire last winter, must be rebuilt. New equipment must be supplied and increased salaries insured to enable instructors to meet the higher cost of living.

One hundred thousand dollars must be raised and made available for immediate use or Willamette University will sustain serious loss and a set-back that it will take years to recover from. Of this amount, \$20,000 is asked from citizens of Salem—a sum that ought to be voluntarily provided without effort—a trifling amount when compared to the wealth of the city.

Willamette University has meant so much to Salem in the past, has possibilities of meaning so much more in the future, that it ought to be a pleasure for those who have profited directly and indirectly from it—and every one in Salem has so profited—to assist to preserve in its wide field of usefulness, Salem's best asset. Only those without appreciation of the past or without vision for the future, will fail to respond to the call for assistance.

Of course Johnson carried Montana where the I. W. W. are always on strike. Every element of national discord, every friend of Germany, every opponent of the League of Nations is for Johnson.

The Turkish fortifications along the Bosphorus and Dardanelles are to be destroyed. If the Turk is to stay in Europe, he will be made armless if not harmless.

Those Oregon journalists who are worrying over "Opal's Diary" haven't imagination enough to appreciate the imagination of a child.

Missouri democrats have rejected Reed as a delegate to the national convention—the most hopeful sign yet of democratic sanity.

Frank Gould's wife alleges that he went months without a bath. That wouldn't be cause for divorce in Judge D'Arcy's court.

Public officials who have joined the overalls club should insist upon double-seated denims.

Every time the beef kings are arrested for profiteering the public is entertained by a treatise on the purity of packers.

Rippling Rhymes

HOUSES ARE SCARCE. The town is short of dwellings of small or larger size, and so we hear the yellings of heartstuck homeless guys; they hustle, helter-skelter, to try to rent a shelter of some hard-hearted pelter, unmoved by all their cries. It's hard to raise the ante, for any common gent; for he could build a shanty with what he pays in rent; but there's no builder willing to take his hard-earned shilling and help him make a killing, and hence his loud lament. I see the homeless hiking around me everywhere; their bosoms they are striking, and tearing of their hair; men flaunt their rolls of kroners, and cry, "Rent us a shack, or we are simply goners, alas, and eke alack! Our kinds and wives are weeping, for they must do their sleeping in barns where rain is seeping through every beastly crack! Our uncles and our grannies in corncribs sit and sigh, while through the open crannies the winds go whizzing by; then rent to us, my master, a house with lath and plaster, or there will be disaster, and fireworks popping high!" In vain—there are no houses that they can rent or hire, which growsome fact arouses my stern patrician ire; that men who have the plunder can't rest, a rooftop under, fills me with wrath and wonder, the while I kick my lyre.

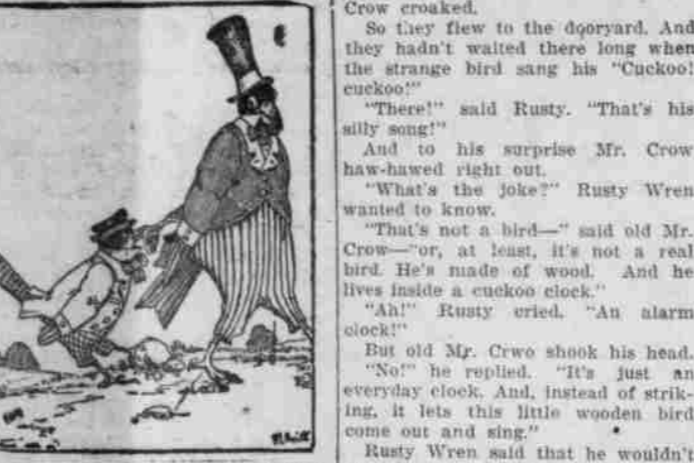
LOVE and MARRIED LIFE

By the Noted Author IDAH McGLONE GIBSON
Heart's Desire. "But Katherine," said Charles, "do you know where this is leading you?" I am afraid if you persist in this idea of handling this matter yourself you and John will come to the parting of the ways.



MR. CROW TO THE RESCUE

CHAPTER VI. As time went on, and the Green family overslept each morning, Rusty began to grow very weary of the monotonous "Cuckoo! cuckoo!" which came every half hour, all day of the farmhouse.



"Where's Farmer Green?" he inquired, decided to make inquiries about him. Seeing Jimmy Rabbit passing through the orchard on his way home from the cabbage patch, Rusty called to him.

"If you happen to see old Mr. Crow, I wish you would ask him if he won't please come right over to the orchard," Rusty Wren said. "There's something I want to find out. And Mr. Crow knows so much that perhaps he can help me."

Jimmy Rabbit declared that he would be delighted to deliver the message. And he must have gone out of his way to find Mr. Crow, for the gentleman arrived at the orchard in less than sixteen minutes.

Rusty was waiting for him. And, having explained about the strange bird as well as he could, he asked touch, his career, yet in taste, in thought and in spirit we were as far apart as the poles.

"He set me down in a desperately gay set and gave me absolutely nothing to do. I found him conventionally friendly to me, but all the time there was a flirtatious undercurrent with an old sweetheart. Ever since our marriage I have been watching and waiting for the something genuine—for the overwhelming something that I expected to get out of it—for a love which would make me feel that I was a real, genuine human being—a woman whose brain would speak to his brain, whose soul would content his soul.

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Illustration of a man wearing glasses, part of the Dr. McCulloch advertisement.