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The Fever Bark Tree

"Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands" (University of Oklahoma) is the title of an interesting and informative new volume by Wolfgang von Hagen, explorer and archaeologist, who has written many books on South America and SIPS FOR SUPPER is an authority on its countries, their history, peoples, resources and industries.

Starting with its beautiful and picturesque capital, Quito, lying on the equator among the higher Andies hav-ing a delightful climate, neither hot nor cold, the author takes one to every city and town in the mountains and on the seaside, to strips of desert, tropical forests and wilder-ness headquarters of the Amazon. One can think of few more delightful places to spend a vacation than Ecuador, and next to that is reading about them and their history.

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One chapter is devoted to the history of chinchona from whose bark quinine is extracted. Back in 1633, Antonia de la Calanche wrote, "A tree grows in Loja, which they call the fever tree, whose bark, the color of cinnamon, made into a powder, cures the fevers." It had been for centuries known to the Indians as a cure for malaria and tertian for Oregon fevers. Lola was in the impenetrable tropical jungles at that it would that it would the color of the Amazon. the source of the Amazon.

In 1631, the young and beautiful wife of the viceroy of every hillside Peru, the Countess of Chinchona, lay dying of the fever and over every have physician said only a miracle could save her, prairie to any of Peru, the Countess of Chinchona, lay dying of the fever and —and her physician said only a miracle could save her. prair At this point a Jesuit brought a jar of russet colored where near meet it. The other liquid, saying he had brought the miracle. Within hours day Chris was seated on one of the fever abated and a great festival was given by the the steps at the City hall, at his side strawberry hallock at his side. grateful viceroy.

The vicerene, made aware of the "febrifugal virtues of the cascarilla de Loja," vowed to introduce the bark called quina to suffering people of Europe. But she died on her way home to Spain. So it was the count of Chinchon who first took quinine to Europe, and later Linnaeas called the trees "Chinchona" to give the countess her importality.

Quinine became a Jesuit monopoly and the Jesuits put it on a commercial basis and used the Mission Indians to harvest the bark and transshipped it to Europe. It was called 'Jesuit bark' and for a long time the Protestants would have none of it. For 200 years it was alternately praised and condemned. But it eventually came into universal use.

Alexander von Humbolt, who in the 1820s visited Loja, was amazed when he discovered that "in order to obtain 11,000 pounds of bark, 800 to 900 chinchona trees were cut down every year." He prophesied, "If the governments in America do not attend to the preservation of the quina tree, either by prohibiting the felling of the trees or guarding against destruction by cutters, the highly esteemed producer of the new world will be swept from the country." It soon was by world demand.

English attempts to grow the chinchons tree in India follows.

English attempts to grow the chinchona tree in India failed for they unknowingly chose the wrong species (chinchona sacciruba), but the Dutch were successful in the East Indies, and by 1875 were producing quinine as it should have been done in America, on plantations under supervision of botanists.

When the Japanese engulfed the Dutch East Indies the immense amount of quinine the world needed was cut off and our government faced a quinine crisis. Under the Board of Economic Warfare, a corps of exploring botonists were sent into the forests of Equador in search of new stands of alkaloid yielding quinine trees, but several centuries of native cutting had about exterminated the chinchona calisaga which the Dutch were growing in Java, Van Hargen eave:

The American mission had poor success and the quinine bark collected from remaining species was almost valueless. Belatedly the BEW decided to try the plantation method and selected Guatemala. Experienced tropical botonists tried to dissuade Henry A. Wallace, under whose direction the BEW acted, from planting in this area and specifically from using seedlings from chinchona trees planted many years before by a Guatemalan president, for they knew the alkaloids of this particular species were worthless. But Wallace persisted and after the expenditure of \$3 million, the whole project was abandoned." 'The American mission had poor success and the quinine

Von Hagen stresses the opportunities offered for American development of both quinine and rubber in South er have known America, for the revolution torn East Indies cannot be anything else. depended on and quinine may again be cut off from the but their horse-United States. But that if we used the experience of the and-buggy eld-Dutch chincona planter, who developed the calisaga, with ers don't so its high alkaloid content and reintroduced this strain of casily readjust quinine trees into the localities in which it had its origin, Americans could free themselves from utter dependence

A botonist, the world authority on chincons, is quoted saying: "Give me \$2 million and 10 years and under my formula the Americas can have their own quinine plan-tations in operation." Which leads Von Hagen to remark:

"When one thinks of the wasted billions spent during the late war, one wonders if such a program will ever have genesis. For what is it a French savant once said of man: 'He is an animal lunatic, that is to say, one who flows out on all sides, one who unravels everything in theory and tangles up everything in fact.'"

A more or less fitting characterization of the leader of our pink-tinged Progressives.

Promoter Wins Farmer's Daughter

Astoria, June 23 (49-Police said today they were looking for a fast-talking 20-year-old who not only passed worthless checks to buy a car and a farm, but also made off with the

Sheriff Paul Kearney said the youth gave a \$2550 check to an automobile firm and got a 1949 car and \$124.75 in change. Then he gave a \$7000 check to Farmer E. M. Butts for his

The checks bounced, but by that time Farmer Butt's daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Marshall, 27-year-old mother of two, had disappeared.

Kearney said she had accompanied the youth out of town. Kearney said the youth had been working here as a fisher-man under the name of Leroy Allcorn. His last check, also worthless, was for \$125 to Butts' son to buy a radio, Kearney added.

The sheriff said Allcorn was believed headed for Houston,

A Dog's Life



that it would be necessary to

strawberry hallock at his side,

stems strewn about promiscu-ously, strawberry juice dripping from his fingers and a look of

ecstasy on his face as one after

another of the luscious berries disappeared down the hatch

from which so many legal opin-

A Living Ad.

BY DON UPJOHN

We think the Chamber of Commerce should take note of the potentialities of Chris Kowitz, Sr., our city attorney, as a promotion man for the unparalleled quality strawberries in these parts. By careful management

and a proper showing Chris could be staged in a tour of the (Monmouth Herald) country which would result in the populace

We are approaching the sum-mer season of pageants and car-nivals. Portland has had its Rose Festival, Lebanon its Rose Festival, Lebanon its s'rawberry fair; the rodeos of St. Paul and Molalla are about to get under way; Sheridan is celebrating the day and fame of the great soldier who in his youthful days did apprentice soldiering in these parts; Stayton is staging the epic of the string bean; Salem has picked its princesses and queen for the Cherry Festival and Brownsyille Cherry Festival and Brownsville has had its pioneer picnic.

Our old friends Herman Schellberg observed his 84th birthday yesterday, hale, hearty and as buoyant as a kid. Herman was a Civil war baby, born in 1865 and perries his father, a soldier, didn't see hatch him until six months after he was born. He has had a constions have emerged. We have it tution which has always been strike, on good authority that wherever good to him and he has always Refe Chris goes in strawberry season been good to it—a rare combi- Tobin

and dips in as opportunity pre-sents. The benignity of counte-trical expert, in cogitating with Jim Fenstermacher, the elecnance he shows when going Kennie Long yesterday opined through one of these boxes of he figured our FT & BA initials berries in itself furnishes an admean False Teeth and Broken vertisement for the flavor and Arch association. While that himself and start absorbing it. new name it would open a vastindep
Only a gourmet of the rarest ly wider and new field of entype can display such relish, and deavor. For most anybody over
only an Oregon strawberry can

40 is apt to have one or the other
labor

Ever Seen Bryce Canyon?

Bryce National Park, Utah (#)—To the tourist Bryc Canyon is an amphitheater filled with pink formations resembling

people, spires and minarets, castles and bridges.

To the first man to settle near its mouth, it was also something quite different. It was made a national park in 1928 and named after Ebenezer Bryce, a Mormon pioneer.

Asked for his reaction to the scenic spot, Bryce was re-ported to have agreed it had fantastic beauty and to have mmented:
"I member it was a bad place to lose a cow."

MacKENZIE'S COLUMN

Strange Times! Kaiser's Kin Weds Mere Commoner

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

This amazing world of ours is changing so rapidly in its way of life that it's difficult for some of us old-timers to keep up with

It's no prob-lem for the youngsters,

themselves to the ideological, social and political upheaveal of the atomic age.

That's rather a pity, for we are in the midst of a global metamorphosis which exceeds anything since Adam. It's a transformation in which folk who fall out of line are likely to set stepped on

What inspired it was the mar-riage extraordinary of the Ger-man Princess Cecelia of Hohen-zollern to Clyde Harris, a good-looking former American army officer from Amarillo. Texas.

granddaughter of the late Kai-ser Wilhelm (the all-highest) and is a direct descendant of be followed by the rolling of England's immortal Queen Vic-crowns in many other countries.

have been unthinkable, at least have succeeded.

to the emperor and his court. Royalty was royalty and the Kalser ruled by divine right (and no fooling). It was the Kalser's exalted view of himself

it was he who gave the signal which precipitated World War I. Throughout that fateful con-flict the Germans glorified the

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fficer from Amarillo, Texas.

The princess is, of course, the
The princess is, of course, the who went into exile in Holland.

England's immortal Queen Victoria.

The wedding took place Tues day amidst the splendor of one the crown prince, retired to prior the Hohenzollern castles, with many notabilities, including royalty, present.

Imagine the Kaiser's grand-daughted marrying a commoner!

When I was a young fellow in the hey-day of the "All-Whighest" such a marriage would Highest' such a marriage would have been unthinkable, at least have succeeded.

The rest of the German roy-Institutions asking institutions asking themsel with a will be common the crown prince, retired to prior the institutions asking themsel them will be defined to make their turns, cially if you think to prove the prior their worder to prior the institutions asking themsel them will a wist take their turns. Institutions asking themsel them with their turns, and the prior the crown prince, retired to prior the institutions asking themsel them with their turns. In the past, cially if you think to prior the prior to prior the crown prince, retired to prior the prior to prior the crown prince, retired to prior the crown prince, retired to prior the prior the prior the crown prince, retired to prior the prior the prior the crown prince, retired to prior the prior

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

Bradley Fights Backstage Battle With MacArthur

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—An important, backstage battle has broken out between two of the nation's highest-ranking generals—Douglas MacArthur and Chief of Staff Omar Bradley.

General Bradley wants to withdraw American forces from all the Pacific except Japan and Hawaii—even out of the Philip-

THOUGHTFUL PRESIDENT

A group of 4-H club young-sters waited on the White House portico to see the president

while Representatives Robert Secrest and Earl T. Wagner were inside presenting him with a petition from the Ohio con-

gressional delegation to name

George Rogers, an SEC attorney, to the securities and exchange

"I'm going to be photograph-

owes its prosperity to the gaso-

shortsighted that it opposes new highways. Reason: To pay for

the roads, many states are boost-

general condition than at any time since the depression. Yet the oil lobby continues to op-

pose new roads

In case of war, Bradley argues turns higher than bricklayers, plasterers and skilled mechan-ics because of the fact that the latter suffer seasonal layoffs. that American forces caught in the Pacific out-

Japan or Hawaii would be immediately sacrificed in another Bataan. Therefore, he wants all troops withdrawn to positions we General Mac-

Arthur, on the other hand, wants American troops strung out around the Pacific to crethe spread of communism. Mac-the spread of communism. Mac-the rose garden outside," said Arithur is definitely opposed to Arithur is definitely opposed to Truman. "Don't let us detain you, Mr.

be after me."

DAN TOBIN'S WARNING

Dan Tobin, head of the pow-erful Teamsters union, has sent ANTI-HIGHWAY LOBBY erful Teamsters union, has sent a confidential letter to all team-sters' leess expulsioning them sters' locals, cautioning them against strikes and urging a conciliatory policy toward emurging a line burned on highways, is so ployers.

Tobin, intimate friend of the Tobin, intimate friend of the the roads, many states are boostlate President Roosevelt and a ing gasoline taxes.

The extra taxes aren't paid by the oil companies, but by mothing true.

They were deep in Scotch high they fear the public won't and their own stand for both higher prices and talk in g

Tobin commented at some higher taxes. length on the foolishness of the Ford strike at this time. He recognized that Walter Reuther, head of the United Auto Workers, was under compulsion from union membership, but said that Reuther would have been wises to have ruled the situation with an iron hand and forbidden the

Referring to his own union, Tobin was critical of the west coast teamsters' strike and also ty voters to block the program. When the vote finally came, city people did vote 5-1 against City.

In the latter city bakery drivers had struck for an unwarranted increase, on the assumption that people had to eat bread so Meanwhile, in the rest of the there must be bread deliveries. nation, highways are in worse vertisement for the flavor and Arch association. While that there must be bread deliveries, dripping goodness of the fruit isn't it, it gives an idea. If we'd But with the strike many weeks which makes the onlooker want file supplemental articles of in-old, consumers get along by to rush off and buy a crate for corporation and take on that buying from chain stores and independent bakeries, Tobin

aid. But here are the statistics: Communist agitation inside Since 1945, the number of autolabor unions also came in for mobiles on the highways has in-criticism from the forthright creased by 10,500,000. Of these, teamsters' boss. He said he had 2,500,000 are trucks. All told, received reports of active communist leadership in one teamsters' local—which he declined the 1945 traffic. Yet only a palton name. An investigation was being made, Tobin said, and been added to the road bill. Bethese agitators would be fired
from the union whether they
signed non-communist affidavits or not.

100,000,000,11948—almost double
traveled in 1948—almost d

sters that one trouble in union tear on automobiles, irritating organizations was the inability traffic snarls, and an increase Tobin also warned his teamand unwillingness of rank-andfile members to understand eco-

He pointed out that while members of his union are un-skilled, they receive annual re-

OPEN FORUM

To the Editor: As a frequent visitor to your beautiful state I want to express my pleasure and appreciation concerning the natural wonders that are so abundant everywhere.

But I also want to register a

Scenery Versus Billboards

protest. There is an especially and have never been disappoint-lovely view out east of Salem, ed in it, until now, just over the hill a mile or two On this latest trip I approach-Kaiser's exalted view of himself which inspired the poem "Me used to be used

I learned to look for this spot

HOSPITAL FUND CAMPAIGN

Is This the Time Salem Should Put on a Drive

(Editor's Note: In a few weeks the Salem hospital develop-ment program will be brought before the people of the Salem area. So that questions being raised may be known by all, along with the answers, the Capital Journal is co-operating by printing them daily. Questions may be directed to the hos-pital program headquarters, 335 N. High St., or may be phoned to 2-3851.)

QUESTION: Is this the time to put on a fund-raising program

the hospitals?
ANSWER: Yes, this is the time.

Other public service interests ty that he or his family will not have given the hospitals the need hospital care this year, green light for their program. One person in every eight is Institutions asking for funds now receiving hospital care every must take their turns. Not every ery 12 months if he can get into one can pick the best year in the hospital. The hospital has become the cially if you think that time is sick-room of every man's home. In the past.

It is a necessity and cannot in The need for additional hospital testing and cannot in the past.

pital facilities is critical. It is is on or for a war when ma-unquestionably the first public terials cannot be obtained to service to be achieved on a com-build a hospital. NOW IS THE TIME.

No one can say with a certain- GIVE NOW, BUILD NOW.

BY GUILD Wizard of Odds

RUST COSTS EACH YOU LOOK LIKE SOME MOVIE STAR, BY ODDS OF IN 10, EXPERTS MAINTAIN (ANSWER TO THELMA RAY, HOLLTWOOD, CALIF.) ALL YOUR ENERGY AND ABILITY DOESN'T GO INTO YOUR WORK, SAY ODDS OF 4 TO 1. THE AVERAGE MAN PUTS ONLY 25% EFFORT INTO HIS JOB,

Send your "Odds" questions on any subject to "The Wizard of Odds," care of the Capital Journal, Salem, Oregon.

withdrawing American troops from the Philippines and south Korea. The tone of his cables has become so strong that mild-mannered General Bradley has been forced to remind him that he, Bradley, not MacArthur, is the chief of staff. "Don't let us detain you, Mr. President," urged Secrest. Just then a sudden cloudburst attooed the windows of the president's office. "Stick around," he told his callers, "If I take those kids out in the rain to be photographed, their fathers and mothers will be after me." No Shouts of 'Seig Heil' —in 'Abandoned' Cemetery ▼

New York (49)-How to lose friends and alienate allies depart-It happened after midnight at the Savoy in London. It was one

national gatherings at which people would rather say rather say something brit-

and talking

So, believe it or not, the oil about things they didn't know-lobby is actually fighting just to get in the knife blade

against building new roads.

Take North Carolina, for example: Gov. Kerr Scott, a hard-hitting liberal, submitted a scoop, 000,000 road program to the voters. To finance it, he proceed a one-cent-per-gallon in-"No, you British are," said posed a one-cent-per-gallon increase in the state gasoline tax.

The oil lobby immediately and bitterly opposed, appealed to cimongers—was

"Who are the greatest war-mongers — we or the Ameri-cans?" asked the Englishwoman, turning to a friend.

"The Americans, of course," new rural roads. But the farmers murmured her friend. amassed 225,000 votes to the uran voters' 175,000. Meanwhile, in the rest of the

and the war to hundreds of thousands of American troops. It is
St. Lo, where Hitler's western
wall in Normandy was finally
simply: "Unknown German."
The cemetery was left under creased by 10,500,000. Of these, 2,500,000 are trucks. All told, 100,000,000,000 ton-miles were

in traffic deaths. What the pub-lic doesn't realize is that safety can be built into the roads. Yet the public, while paying more

ents—before a bronze bust erected to the memory of Maj. Thomas Howie, the "Major of St. Lo."

Howie had wanted to be the first man into the town. After he fell in action, troops of the 29th infantry division carried out his wish. They took his flag-draped body along with the en-tering task force, and laid it in honor by the church.

As we stood reminiscing, an eerie wail split the air—the

scream of an air raid siren. Instinctively we started to duck for a ditch. Then, sheepishly, we realized the siren was only signalling the noon hour.

But as long as it sounds— and the monument to Major Howie stands—the people of St. Lo will remember the war every day. day

The most successful denazification program in Europe can be found just outside the village of La Cambe in Normandy.

have anything left to warmonger with."

Wonder what the soldiers in the allied cemeteries would say to either of them?

There

There is one French town storm troopers, with their loyabove all others that symbolizes alty locked in their frozen

breached.

So badly was the town battered from ground and air that with a stern but honest hospital-there was talk of leaving it, it), have passed on this responsirulined and empty, as an eternal billity to nature. They didn't monument of the war—and the price of war.

price of war.

But the people of St. Lo wanted to come back, and they did.

Helped by American generosity, and daisies spring from the they have made astonishing recovery. Most of the rubble has the crosses. Here and there a
been cleared. Entire sections poppy blows in scarlet surprise.
have been rebuilt.

We stood in a churchyard place. And nobody shouts, "Sieg
there one Sunday recently—a Heil!"

