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C. D. McKean



C. D. McKean has just been appointed chief of the Department of Justice's new division of Identification. It will start with a collection of approximately 1,000,000 finger prints gathered from the Department of Justice records at Fort Leavenworth, and from the Bureau which has been maintained in Washington for two years by the International Association of Police Chiefs. The organization of this division was provided for by the last session of congress with an appropriation of \$55,000.

THE PRODIGAL

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
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THERE is much comfort to many of us in the parable of the Prodigal Son. The ending of the story seems so happy and so satisfying. But this is all because we do not read the tale carefully; we do not grasp all that is implied. We see the boy in the elegant garments which the father has brought out, we smell the savory odors of the feast in preparation, and we catch the sound of music and of dancing, and are deceived into supposing that the son's unwholesome past has been wiped out and that life for him in the future is to be as if the past had never been.

One can turn his face in a new direction—that's what conversion means—one can get a new start, but there is always one's past to be reckoned with.

Underneath the embroidered silken garments which the returned prodigal was wearing was his shattered body, torn by want and disease and dissipation. In his mind was still the tarnished memory of an unspeakable past. He was a pauper, too, for his inheritance had been wasted in riotous living. When the ill-tempered elder brother complained at the wasteful expenditure which was being made in celebration of the prodigal's return, the father answered:

"Son, all that I have is thine." The prodigal had started out with an inheritance, but he had wasted it. He was starting again, but with nothing but a second chance.

In one of her stories Margaret Prescott Montague has the drunkard say to Just Jimmie, "Little pal, don't you get drunk. You wouldn't find anything so nice again, not ever again."

It is good to come back home; it's mainly to start over again, and the reward is quite worth while, but a wasted inheritance, moral or intellectual, is not atoned for in a day. The handicap of a wasted or an unimproved past can be overcome in time, if one goes at it with courage and persistence, but not at once. And there are many prodigals even today—very, very many who come back—who will never "find anything so nice again, not ever again."

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OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

The annual Bend flower show will be held Wednesday, August 20.

Value of exports from Astoria to foreign ports during July was \$240,804.

The cost per capita for educating high-school students in Albany for the year 1923-1924 was \$84.15.

The first irrigation project in Lane county has been completed by L. C. Ables of Eugene for his 285-acre farm north of Springfield.

Construction of a ferry for use in crossing the Umpqua river at Scottsburg will be started at once by the Douglas county court.

July was one of the driest months ever experienced in Bend. There was not a single cloudy day, and only .2 of an inch of rain fell.

Building activities in Salem during the month of July were approximately 29 per cent greater than during the corresponding month a year ago.

While using a shotgun to shoot rats on his ranch home in the Columbia district near Hermiston, Charles Belcho, 75, accidentally killed himself.

The state supreme court has recessed until September 1. Most of the justices will spend their vacations at beach resorts and mountain retreats.

While July was a quiet month in the lumber trade of the Columbia river district, more than 61,000,000 feet of lumber was shipped from the river by water.

A parlor car attached to the north-bound limited passenger train on the Oregon Electric line caught fire between Salem and Donald and was destroyed.

Work on the North Umpqua section of the Umpqua highway is to be started at once, according to J. M. Meyers, United States engineer with the bureau of public roads.

The rainfall at Baker for the first seven months this year amounted to 2.2 inches, which is 5.27 inches below the average of 34 years in which records have been kept.

The state highway commission and Tillamook county court have filed petitions with the public service commission asking for the elimination of a grade crossing in Bay City.

Building construction was 30 per cent larger in Portland in July than in the same period of 1923, bank clearings showed a substantial increase over the same month last year, and postal receipts were 4.9 per cent greater.

Miss Emma Mina Hockenberry, 19, of Fresno, Cal., was killed and her father, M. B. Hockenberry, suffered minor injuries, when an automobile in which they were riding plunged off the Pacific highway three miles south of Salem and turned over.

There was a total of 1232 arrests resulting from the activities of operatives of the state traffic department during the six months ending July 1, 1924, according to a report by T. A. Raffety, chief inspector for the state motor vehicle division.

J. R. Nunamaker, known as the cherry king of Hood River, although he has less than four acres of the fruit, received a check from the Hood River Apple Growers' association for \$12,701.83, the returns from his harvest of 6972 boxes of assorted varieties.

Because of the growth of business connected with the state fair, the fair board has found it advisable to create the office of manager and has ap-

Port of Flyers in Greenland



Harbor and old store of Gouthab, Greenland, where the American army flyers planned to stop on their flight across the Atlantic.

pointed J. E. McClintock of Roseburg to fill the position. Mr. McClintock has served for nine years as auditor at the state fair.

A new world's record for harvesting flax has been established at the ranch of A. E. Bradley, south of Salem, who with the assistance of a patented puller purchased a year ago has pulled more than 120 acres of the product since July 7. This is an average of more than six acres a day.

Klamath county farmers will receive 100 per cent more for their hay crop this year than last, according to reports of early sales in the district. In 1923 the new crop moved at from \$6 to \$8 a ton. The first sales this year were made at \$12.50 and \$15 is considered the present market price.

It is doubtful if there is sufficient water in Big Butte creek to supply both the city of Medford and the Eagle Point irrigation district, according to Rhea Luper, state engineer. The city of Medford is seeking to divert approximately 20 second feet of this water for municipal purposes at a cost of \$900,000. The present supply of water is from Little Butte creek, but this flow is not of a quality demanded by the municipality.

The Pendleton Round-up, for many years heralded on the motion picture screen, will be the background of a special picture this year which will be built around the show by the Universal Picture corporation. The contract permitting the motion picture concern to be on the grounds during the show was signed last week by officials of the Round-up and the corporation.

Well, the rain that raises umbrellas does as much for the radish.

Europe begins to discover that perhaps it is not so red as it has feared.

HOOT GIBSON TO FILM ROUND-UP PICTURE

Hoot Gibson, the Pendleton Round-Up's first all-round cowboy champion by virtue of his skill in the events at the first show of 1912, has returned to Pendleton and thru arrangement with the Round-Up will film a motion picture play, using the show as a local, during the three day exhibition, September 18, 19 and 20.

Gibson, who is a Universal star, brings to Pendleton 40 members of his company, and Gibson and supporting cast are to appear in Round-Up events. While the picture will star Gibson, it will be distinctly a Round-Up picture and will be released as such. The picture company will remain in Pendleton until after the Round-Up.

Gibson and his company will appear in the various Round-Up events and Hoot will demonstrate his progress on the track and in the arena. Because he is a former Pendleton cowboy, Hoot is no stranger in the Round-Up city and his welcome was an enthusiastic one, local people deeming it particularly appropriate that the first Round-Up motion picture play should have for its star the winner of the first cowboy championship at the Pendleton show.

Three measures, one increasing the gasoline tax one cent per gallon, the second setting aside the water in the Clear Lake district for use of Willamette valley towns and the third providing for joint incorporation of 18 valley cities as a water district, will be recommended by Governor Pierce in his message to the 1925 legislature. This decision was the outcome of a trip of nearly 100 Willamette valley men to Clear Lake, in the interest of obtaining a better water supply for the central Willamette valley cities. The governor, members of the highway commission, the engineering department and various branches of the state government accompanied the party.

EXPERIMENT STATION NOTES

By H. K. Dean

Grain For Calves

How about fixing up that calf you are so proud of for the Dairy Show this fall as well as growing her to make an outstanding cow? It will pay to give the best calves grain under any circumstances. Anyone of the following three mixtures are good supplements for skim milk: (1) Corn 3 parts; oat, 3 parts; wheat bran, 1 part; linseed meal, 1 part. (2) Equal parts corn or ground barley, oats, and bran. (3) Oats, 5 parts; corn, 1 part; bran, 3 parts; linseed meal 1 part. A mixture of concentrates is more palatable than one alone. At 6 weeks a calf will usually eat one half pound of concentrates a day; at 2 months, 2 pounds; and at three months, 2 pounds. Unless it is desired to push the animal rapidly not over 2 or 3 pounds need be fed the skim milk calf up to 6 months.

Safe Water for Tourists and Campers

No problem is of greater importance to the tourist and camper than the safety of his drinking water. At home he is familiar with his surroundings, he knows the source of his water supply and is safe-guarded by rules and regulations of his State and local boards of health. This is not always the case in camps and on excursions. Persons who are ordinarily cautious about their drinking water at home, may become careless and indifferent when on their vacations. Furthermore, many campers and tourists are entirely ignorant of the dangers of contaminated water. No surface water should be considered safe until it has been tested at a competent laboratory, and a sanitary survey made of its source. In the army, it is customary for a medical officer, well in the van, to make a sanitary survey of the available water supplies. This is supplemented by a few laboratory tests to determine its purity or safety. It is gratifying to note that this method is being adopted more and more, by such organizations as the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, and the Campfire Girls. The educational work being done among these young folks is far reaching in its effects and should be encouraged. In case of doubt, do not hesitate. Sterilize your water. Several methods of sterilization have been recommended for campers and excursionists. Boiling will sterilize almost any kind of water. The flat taste produced by boiling may be removed by stirring the water briskly with an egg beater, or pouring it from one vessel to another. A Lister bag, such as used by the army, may be used also in camps. This consists of a water-tight canvas bag holding about forty gallons. The water is sterilized by the addition of one gram of hypochlorite of lime (bleaching powder). Either hypochlorite of soda or hypochlorite of lime may be used for the sterilization of water. The powders may be obtained on the market in small containers for 5c and upward. A stock solution is made by dissolving a teaspoonful of powder in a pint of water. A teaspoonful of this stock solution will sterilize ten gallons of water. There are also a number of tablets containing chlorine sold on the market for this purpose. They may be obtained through your druggist. One of these tablets is generally used to sterilize a quart of drinking water. Filters cannot be depended upon under camp conditions. Safety first!

An experiment in growing water-melons, with the object in view of ascertaining the productivity, quality and marketability of more than 20 different varieties, has been completed by The Dalles-Wasco county chamber of commerce, with results which are expected to have an important bearing on the production of melons in this district, within the next several years. All Wasco county melons are being marketed this year through The Dalles Co-operative Growers' association, with each melon stamped with the association label of "Dalco."

Ribbon Filet for Youthful Coiffure.



It is a pretty sight to note the cunning ribbon coiffure arrangements which youth is wearing this season. Perhaps the vogue for bobbed hair is responsible for these very charming ribbon bandeaux and filets noted at party and dance. Anyway, with all due respect to the "bob" it is no exception to the "thorn with every rose" adage, which in the case of short tresses is that they have a way of blowing recklessly about at the touch of every breeze. However, necessity being the mother of invention, the cleverest sort of ribbon fantasies are designed to combine curly locks or straight.

So what cure we as long as fashion declares in favor of the fanciful ribbon filet! The one in the picture is made of narrow gold ribbon with lots of color in its weave.

If perchance anyone is so courageous as to abandon the bob, why not, while tresses are growing out, artfully conceal the fact with a pretty ribbon conceit such as is shown in the picture.

Grigsby Is Promising Player



Denver C. Grigsby, the young left-fielder of the Chicago Cubs, who is doing some very nifty work in that garden and is rated as one of the best fielders in the major league.

Father Sage Says

When the rich girl gets heartsick, she takes a boat to Europe. Then she gets seasick, and wishes she'd stayed home.

The state is never much better than its homes.

The pupil's best-learned lesson is the teacher.

Some people stick to pedestrianism just to be unique.

Going Up!



SUCH IS LIFE

By Van Zelm

SO U C DOGS
R BIZ-E ALL
DAY LONG

THE GUY WHO SAYS A DOG DOES NOTHING BUT EAT, SLEEP, & PLAY IS A NUT

WHY I'VE GOT SO DAMN MUCH WORK TO DO TODAY - WATCHIN' THIS KID

- BARKIN' AT ALL THE AUTOS THAT PASS

- LAYIN' FOR THE BUTCHER BOY, AN'

- ARGUING WITH THE CAT THAT I DON'T HAVE A MINUTE TO MYSELF