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MUSIC

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

GRAHAM came to the town in which he is now living a good many years ago without friends and without money. He was honest, hard working, and dependable, and in time he got on in business. He made friends and he married a sensible girl. He started a little greenhouse out on the edge of town, going into debt for the land and for the equipment, but he had a good business and the future looked promising.

He had one recreation—music. He could sing and he could play the violin marvelously well. It was his one talent, and he used it skillfully for his own enjoyment and for the satisfaction of his friends.

Then one unlucky spring day a cyclone struck the town and laid waste a considerable part of the residence district and left Graham's greenhouse a heap of tangled iron and broken glass. His dwelling house, which was adjacent to the greenhouse was torn into fragments by the swirling wind and there was not a piece of glass left in the greenhouse as big as a man's hand.

Graham's wife and his three children were seriously, if not fatally injured, and the whole family was in the hospital, he with a crippled back and a broken arm and a spirit pretty well crushed. He was almost wrecked physically, but a few days after the storm he was driven out from the hospital to see the remnants of what was once home. It was a bizarre sight of broken glass, twisted window frames and withered vegetables that met his gaze. Nothing was left; he had nothing with which to start anew and he was three thousand dollars in debt.

He would have shot himself, he said and ended his troubles at once, if he had had a gun. Then suddenly as he was sitting despondent in the midst of the ruin of his possessions, a robin came and perched upon the broken branch of a fallen maple tree and began to sing riotously and courageously. And then nearby he saw a torn nest, the little birds within it dead. It was another home wrecked. Tears came into his eyes, and courage crept back into his heart, and he pulled himself together.

"If that bird can sing," he said to himself, "by God, I can sing too," and he did.

Friends came to his assistance, he made a new start, and today business is flourishing. And still he sings and plays the violin.

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The usefulness of a man's life is oftentimes measured by the way he employs his leisure hours.

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Do you realize that every week we mail copies of the paper to a large list of outside people who form their opinion of this country by the paper? Do you know that one of the first things any new comer who wants to study the community does, is to get a copy of the paper? While our limitations are many, our omissions large and our errors too frequent, yet we invite you to compare YOUR LOCAL PAPER with those of other communities this size. We cannot hope to get far out of our class but we do claim championship in our class. Your support, your help is essential for any local newspaper reflects the community it represents in proportion to the support it receives. We are always appreciative of your support and try to merit it.

The dreamer of today is crucified, of yesterday forgotten in the wake of hurried fulfillment, and of day before yesterday worshipped and honored by graven images erected to his memory by the descendants of those who cried, "Crucify Him".

The tourists are coming again. Get ready to welcome them.

It's time to plan that new building.

Who's at Bat in forming that championship baseball team

To Swim English Channel



Miss Helen Wainwright, America's all-round champion mermaid of 1924, will undertake to swim the English channel, coveted goal of the world's greatest long-distance swimmers, next summer. The decision was reached at a meeting of the governors of the Women's Swimming association, when Miss Charlotte Epstein, chairman of the sports committee, was authorized to make all arrangements for the trial.

CECIL NEWS

Quite a bit of excitement was caused in Cecil on last Wednesday morning by the disappearance of Krebs Bros. Essex car. However the intruder and car were found in Heppner on Friday and the man was turned over to the sheriff while the car was brought back to its owners none the worse for its travels.

Bot Thompson and Glen Boyer of Heppner were looking things over at the Shepards rest on Friday.

Walter Pope of Sunnyside was an lone visitor on Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Sexton of the Logan cottage returned home on Sunday from Prairie City where she has been visiting for the last few weeks.

Misses A. C. and M. H. Lowe of the highway house and H. W. Krebs of the Last Camp, were Sunday visitors at Daybreak ranch the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Misner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hardesty and family of Morgan also Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Tyler and family of Rhea were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Streeter of Cecil on Sunday.

Ed Nielson of Pilot Rock arrived in Cecil on Tuesday and is busy looking up his old friends and neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk and daughter Miss Geraldine, were Arlington callers on Saturday evening.

Oral Henriksen of the Moore ranch at Heppner, was calling in Cecil on Monday.

Mrs. Pat Medlock of Morgan and Mrs. Alf Medlock of Rockcliffe ranch, visited with Mrs. Henry Streeter of Cecil on Monday.

Mrs. T. H. Lowe of the highway house left on Wednesday for Portland and other valley points where she will visit for sometime.

Emil Bolla of Butterfly Flats, took in the dance at Ione Saturday and reports having a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Farnsworth of Rhea were business visitors in Heppner on Monday.

Jack Hynd of Butterfly Flats was in Arlington on business on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs were visiting in Heppner on Tuesday.

Charlie Chandler who has been visiting with his sister in Vernonia for a few weeks returned home on Wednesday.

R. A. Thompson of Heppner arrived in sunny Cecil Tuesday with a large haul of ewes which will be fed at the Shepards rest until after the lambing season.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Butterfly Flats ranch were callers at the W. V. Pedro home at Ewing on Saturday evening.

Oscar Lundell of Rhea W H Chandler of Ewing and Grover Curtis were all business visitors in Arlington on Thursday.

Henry Krebs of the Last Camp was a county seat visitor on Saturday.

Mrs. Helen Walker, County school superintendent of Morrow county was a caller at the Cecil school Wednesday.

Mrs. C. Bellingbrook of Heppner arrived in Cecil on Sunday and will take charge of the cooking at the Shepards rest.

Mac Smith who has been enjoying a vacation in Heppner for a few weeks returned to the Last Camp ranch on Thursday where he will resume his duties as right hand man.

Miss Violet Hynd who is teaching out of Ione, spent the week end at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Oscar Lundell of Rhea called on Mrs. L. L. Funk on Saturday.

Notice for Publication

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 24, 1924.

Notice is hereby given that Charles W. Benefiel, of Irrigon, Oregon, who, on November 29, 1919, made Homestead Entry, No. 021016, for Unit "A" in the SE 1/4, Section 26, Township 5 North, Range 26 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blyden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 3rd day of February, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses: M. F. Caldwell, J. T. Bullard, T. C. Fredrickson, H. Smith all of Irrigon, Ore.
J. W. Donnelly, Register.

Notice For Publication

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, January 23, 1925.

Notice is hereby given that Lee Mend, of Boardman, Oregon, who, on August 25, 1920, made Homestead Entry, No. 021932, for W 1/2 E 1/4 SW 1/4, or Farm Unit "B", Section 14, Township 4 North, Range 25 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blyden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 3rd day of March, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ernest Brown, Thos. Miller, Ray L. Brown, S. B. Richardson all of Boardman, Oregon.
J. W. Donnelly Register

LITTLE ACCOMPLISHED BY OREGON SOLONS

Only Fight Is Over Banks Bill, Which Is Opposed By Portland City Officials.

Salem.—The first two weeks of the present session have passed with very little of importance accomplished. While a number of important bills have been introduced no measure of general interest has received attention in both houses. With the exception of the fight in the senate over the Banks bill, which gives the right of appeal to the circuit court where a license is revoked by a city council, the first two weeks of the session were rather tame and devoid of public interest. The Banks bill passed the senate, but it will meet with strong opposition in the house, as it is bitterly opposed by Mayor Baker of Portland and the Portland council.

The gist of bills introduced seems to be about as numerous as during previous sessions. A total of 61 bills were introduced in the senate and 125 in the house during the first two weeks.

Governor Pierce and the lawmakers have not seriously clashed, but trouble is liable to break out at any time, particularly if efforts being put forth to perfect an organization to override the governor's vetoes succeed.

Prohibition Investigation Lags.

Little was done by the committee investigating the prohibition department last week, but interesting developments are expected this week when officials of various counties and others are expected to appear before the committee. The committee put in much time last week going through the mass of records brought from his Portland office by Prohibition Commissioner Cleaver.

The public hearing on the proposed ratification of the child labor amendment to the federal constitution brought large delegations from Portland. While it is doubtful if the amendment will be ratified, sentiment in its favor seems to be increasing. The younger members of the legislature seem inclined to favor ratification, but the older ones are dead set against it.

Irrigation, which is likely to be one of the most important subjects to receive attention during the session, is in more or less of a tangle.

The bills proposed by the Anglo-London-Paris bank of San Francisco are not liked by irrigationists, who insist the measures are for the interest of the bondholders of the Warm Springs project and not for the benefit of the settlers. The bank agents flatly deny the imputation. At least four irrigation bills will appear during the coming week.

Creation of an office of state director of land reclamation to supervise both arid and wet land operations in Oregon is recommended in a report of the committee on irrigation, appointed under authority of a legislative act passed two years ago.

Primary Amendment Proposed.

Two proposed amendments to the direct primary law, calling for conventions have appeared. The Mills bill provides for a post-primary nominating convention, and a bill sponsored by the Jackson county delegation provides for a pre-primary recommending convention. The Mills bill was reported back by the house judiciary committee without recommendation. These bills will undoubtedly provoke a flood of oratory.

The drive for more normal schools for Oregon opened in the house, when delegations in both houses from Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties, supported by some scattering members, introduced house bill No. 87, intended to rehabilitate the Ashland normal.

Simultaneously in the senate a bill was introduced to abolish, formally, the state normal school at Weston. Regents were authorized to dispose of the property to the city of Weston.

Would Aid Farmers.

Sponsored by the entire eastern Oregon delegation, a bill was introduced in the senate providing for the appropriation of \$300,000 to be used by the state board of control in affording relief to wheat farmers of the state whose crops have been destroyed by the recent freeze. The bill authorizes the board of control to loan from this fund to farmers for the purchase of not to exceed 500 bushels of seed wheat, taking a mortgage on the crop as security for the loan.

Tax Ban Asked.

Senator Dennis introduced a joint resolution calling for a constitutional amendment which would prohibit income and inheritance taxes in Oregon, and in the house Representative Shelton offered a resolution that would prohibit the enactment of an income tax prior to the year 1950.

The Dennis resolution is patterned closely after a constitutional amendment recently adopted in Florida pro-

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Department of The Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Dec. 16, 1924.

Notice is hereby given that Ray S. Lamoreaux, of Irrigon, Oregon, who, on Nov. 25, 1919, made Homestead Entry, No. 021146, for E 1/2 NE 1/4, being Unit "A" Umatilla Project, Section 26, Township 5 North, Range 26 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blyden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 28th day of January, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses: Frank Fredericksen, Chas. Benefiel, Hugh Grim and Arthur Gergins all of Irrigon, Oregon.

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