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VERY GOOD:—And God saw every thing that he had made, and behold it was very good.—Genesis 1:31.

IDLE FARM LAND IN PENNSYLVANIA

Much ado is being made in dispatches from the South about the movement of a comparatively few negroes from the South to the North and West reducing the acreage in Southern crops. If one were to accept seriously all of the statements made the impression would be gained that the south was being seriously menaced in its agriculture by reason of its crops; but Pennsylvania, one of the richest agricultural states in the Union, reports that 300,000 acres of farm land will remain idle in that State this summer largely as a result of the shortage of farm hands. The dispatch from Harrisburg which gives this information says that this is about 10 per cent of the total agricultural acreage of the state. What is going on in the South in the way of a slightly lessened acreage here and there is not purely a Southern problem. Pennsylvania, if the figures are correct, is largely ahead of farm land in idleness this year because of a shortage of labor. Labor is going from the farms into the towns and into industrial employment and it will continue so to go until the swing of the pendulum gives to farmers a more profitable price than they had for some years on their products. Farmers cannot go on continuing to produce as heavily as they have done with the small profits to themselves as for some years.—Manufacturers' Record.

FOOTBALL IS KICKED IN

As the leaves fade and show a promise of bright colors soon to appear, as school bells ring and father begins to worry about the price of coal, the pigskin, which, by the way, is rubber covered with horsehide, is booted upon the field of sports. The season is short and vigorous and there is need of haste even in extending a welcome to the masters of the forward pass and the mass formation. The practice gridiron is a scene of bustling activity these rather too warm pre-season afternoons. The grass or cinder-covered ground is cut and torn by cleated shoes, bucking machines are pushed slowly but surely down the field, and helpless dummies swing from their gallows to meet the impact of rushing humanity. Veteran players carefully nurse themselves for future games while youngsters spend their last ounce of energy in efforts to attract the attention of the coach. Drop kicking and drill, relentless monotonous drill, is rewarded by a short scrimmage; then players are ordered to run three or four times around the field before returning to their dressing rooms. Fresh from shower baths, glowing and happy, and smelling gloriously of liniment, gridlers walk with light, unwearied step after the first stiffness is worn away. So strenuous and thorough is the training they receive, that they can almost feel themselves gaining day by day in strength and robust health.

In the class rooms, on the campus and even in shops and offices, there are guesses on the probable winners of games. Cheer leaders are busy practicing new songs and jingles and new contortions, to be used when enthusiasm is needed to encourage a losing team or to cheer a victory. There are dates to be made, too; dates for games six weeks away, for popular girls are asked early or else often asked in vain. The admittance of football to the newspaper sporting pages is a welcome event in the lives of thousands of people. Wait till the captains have shaken hands, tossed a coin and nodded their heads.—then let the games begin.

THE ROGUE STEELHEAD

Every fall when the steelheads start to strike, dozens of anglers from all parts of the country begin to arrive to spend their vacations on the Rogue, for they know what it means when the Rogue River steelheads begin to seek the lure. There are many of these fishermen who come back year after year, just as soon as they are notified that the fish are striking readily. Some do not wait that long but come here to be on the ground the minute the fish start taking the fly to the best advantage. Steelhead fishing becomes a habit and a few of the steelhead fishermen have been known to miss a season on the Rogue.

The Josephine Sportsmen's association is seeking to preserve the steelhead fishing in the Rogue. The sportsmen know that they must be on the alert to prevent the fish from being depleted. They have planted the young steelheads in

an effort to help solve the problem. This alone will not keep the supply from being exhausted as thousands are taken out yearly by anglers while countless numbers fall prey to their other enemies. Only the proper conservation by the fishermen themselves will keep the steelheads coming in increasing numbers.

The steelheads now are taking the lure almost as fast as it can be put in the water. Fishermen are having great sport and are taking out large numbers of the fish. They should remember that there will be a time when they will be glad to catch a few and should not take more than they need. If they catch what they need and turn the others loose, as one visiting sportsman does, they will be helping the future supply. There is no excuse for the taking of a dozen fish where three or four would suffice.

The steelhead fishing will bring hundreds of people to the Rogue valley for short stays as well as proving an attraction to actual settlers. Proper care is needed, however, in its maintenance.—Grants Pass Courier.

SOCIETY

MRS. GRACE E. ANDREWS, Editor

Phone items to her at 345-R, between 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. and evenings.

Party for Miss Smith

A delightful affair was given for Miss Smith at her home on Oak Street, Thursday night by the girls of the Telephone Exchange.

The party was a "Silver Shower" and many beautiful pieces were received by the young bride-to-be for her silver chest.

Music and the hum of happy voices sped the passing hours and the evening closed with the serving of delicious refreshments before good-nights were said.

The guest list included the Misses Hattie Burnett, Margaret Campbell, Georgina Clift, Bessie McMillan, Flora Green, Laura Prescott, Myrta Osterdale, Mrs. Hubbard, and Mrs. Emma Murphy.

Illinois Picnic

Illinois Picnic will be held in Luthia Park on Thursday September 20th.

The dinner will be served at 12:30 and all who came from the good old state are urged to be there, with well filled baskets.

All Illinois folk are invited whether living in Ashland or out of town. Further details will be given in a later issue.

Bridge Club Meets

Mrs. L. C. Dunn of Allison Street, was gracious hostess to the Thursday Evening Bridge club, which held its first meeting of the Fall, Thursday evening of this week.

There were three tables of bridge played.

Mrs. J. H. Shortridge received first honors and Mrs. Selma Gray contented herself with the consolation.

Dainty refreshments were served at the close of a delightful evening's enjoyment.

The guest list included the Mesdames Walter Everton, Franco, Selma Gray, J. M. Hughes, J. V. Miller, W. H. Maxey, Harry Sackett, Louis Schwein, J. H. Shortridge, Wallen and Chas. Winne.

The Club will meet next Thursday at Mrs. Tony Franco's.

Shower at Parish House

A lovely party was given at the Parish House in compliment to Miss Alice Poor, a charming young bride elect, Wednesday evening.

The rooms were made very beautiful in Fall Blossoms and Asparagus. Fern disposed most artistically the homelike rooms being particularly adapted to artistic decorations arrangement.

Games were planned for the entertainment of the many guests and Mrs. Fred Nell and Miss Bernice Myer delighted those there with a number of songs.

The presentation of the gifts with which the bride-to-be was showered, was prettily arranged.

A charming little ceremony was observed at the beautifully arranged and artistically decorated table when the recent bride and bride-elect seated one at the head and one at the foot of the table cut the cake.

The happy guests the table gleaming in the light of glowing candles, the hum of voices all made a delightfully animated scene. There were between thirty and forty in the guest list of this so delightful affair.

Bellview P. T. A. Meets

Thursday evening of this week the Bellview P. T. A. was organized with Mrs. W. G. Tucker as president, Mrs. J. H. Frohboes, vice-president; and Mrs. Norma Reeder, as secretary-treasurer.

The Executive Council is composed of the Principal of the School, Mrs. Kenneth McWilliams and the officers named.

Owing to the fair, the attendance was not so large at this meeting, but the organization will be completed next Friday night, September 21, when a social meeting will be held.

Plans are being worked out to make this a very effective factor in Bellview Community life and there is keen interest manifest by everyone.

Bellview has had in time past, a very strong P. T. A. and the reorganization is a very welcome feature of the plans for a most successful school year.

As is the habit with the School Board, they have hired autos con-

veying all the pupils to the fair on Friday.

Bellview's progressiveness is an established fact, as the very-much-alive club, representative of Bellview and Neil Creek testify.

County Convention

The W. C. T. U. will hold its County Convention on Tuesday, September 18th, in Luthia Park.

They will have their business meeting in the forenoon and at noon will serve a luncheon.

There will be an interesting program in the afternoon.

All interested are urged to be present and tell others.

A Neighborhood Picnic

The members of twenty families, numbering between fifty and sixty people from Liberty Street, neighborhood, had a picnic dinner in Luthia Park Wednesday evening at six o'clock.

Some of these neighbors had lived there for years and others were more recent arrivals, but all gathered for the happy, friendly visit together, and to enjoy the wonderful supper, prepared by thoughtful hands.

The menu included everything good to tempt and satisfy the appetite and the guests did full justice to the feast.

The visit continued till long after the lights came on. Some of the guests, at this, as at other gatherings lately, suggested that the lights be turned on earlier now, as dusk falls so in advance of what it did, a few weeks ago.

Those whose families were represented, were the Rudd's, the George and Fred Brookmiller families, the Merritt Randles', Mrs. Van Wegen, the Greenwood's, the Watkins, Miles, Hair, Agee, Peel, Baker, Walker, Olsen, Dr. Stockton and the Murphy families and Mrs. Burns, Miss Hicks, Mrs. Lulu Wilson and her father Mr. E. G. Hall.

Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Detrick, 375 E. Main entertained at a delightful dinner party, Wednesday evening of this week.

The guests in whose honor covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Clark and Mrs. Julia Elmgren of Vancouver.

Cards and music rounded out a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Elmgren whose visit has been chronicled left the latter part of the week for their home in Vancouver.

Mrs. Way and Miss Dayton Entertain

Mrs. G. H. Way and Miss Dayton were the gracious hostesses at a series of dinners lately.

Upon the return of Miss Ethel Reid of Junior high, and her mother, Mrs. Reid from Berkeley, they were dinner guests at Mrs. Way's home on North Main.

Rev. and Mrs. Chaney and children were entertained at dinner just prior to Mr. Chaney's leaving for conference at Portland.

A dinner party was given Wednesday of this week at which covers were laid for seven guests.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Leavitt of Chestnut street, and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Leavitt of Denver, and Miss Aullee Leavitt of Rochester, N. Y. were the ones in whose honor given.

Thursday, Mrs. Marcia Mitchell and her son Mr. Charles Mitchell were entertained at a charming little luncheon.

Saw the Eclipse

Mrs. J. E. Peck, formerly Miss Mamie McWilliams, writes of their view of the eclipse from near their

Picnic in Park

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational church had a most delightful picnic supper in the Park Thursday evening, at which the families were special guests.

In the afternoon, the regular business session was held but it had been planned that the families were to gather afterwards for the supper, which was a most popular feature of the gathering.

There were many present and the meeting was a most successful one, marked as it was by cordial friendliness and the thorough enjoyment of every one there.

S. S. Institute

As was scheduled a S. S. Institute was held at Butte Falls, Sunday last.

Mrs. S. D. Taylor, Mr. W. W. Robison, Miss Katherine Parsons and the Rev. Amos, Presbyterian Missionary were on the program from here.

Dr. Webster, and Rev. Mr. Angell from Pohnix and E. C. Faber, from Central Point, also attended.

As is usually planned, an all day meeting was held with the picnic dinner at the noon hour.

The morning was occupied with the S. S. and an address at eleven o'clock delivered by the Rev. Mr. Amos.

The afternoon session opened with a community song Service and Devotionals, after which, addresses were given by Mr. Robison and Dr. Webster.

The "Round Table Talks" were in charge of Rev. Amos and the "Story Hour" by Miss Katherine Parsons.

The afternoon's work closed with an address by Mr. Taylor, Rev. Mr. Angell of Phoenix occupied the pulpit in the evening.

Dr. Webster was chairman of this meeting.

There is going to be held at Applegate school house the 23rd, of September, an all day meeting and at this institute there will be present two State Speakers, Dr. Milliken representing the Baptist state religious Educational Dept. and state Secy Cissna of the S. S. Council.

Tuesday evening of this week, a meeting was held at Medford and a program planned for a county convention to be held at the Methodist church in Medford September 24th, and 25th.

These state speakers will be present as well as a number of others interesting speakers to address the meeting.

A Charming Luncheon

A charming luncheon was given by the Auxiliary of the Trinity Guild at the Parish house, with Miss Alice Poor and Mrs. Elwood Hedburg as guests of honor. The one a lovely bride-elect, and the other a very recent bride.

Artistry of a rare sort marked the decorations and the arrangements.

The tables were very beautiful in the pastel shades of pink and blue in flowers invisibly suspended, butterflies hovered over the place cards and a note of the unusual was shown in every dainty detail.

Preceding the opening of the nut-brown fortunes, which occasioned much merriment, each happy guest related the most amusing experience of her whole life.

Duets, sung by Mrs. Briggs and Mrs. Shortridge, gave a delightful impetus to the enjoyment.

During the luncheon, lovely gifts of silver were presented the guests in compliment to whom this delightful function was given.

The guest list numbered sixteen, members of the Auxiliary of Trinity Guild, and Miss Hedburg, a guest of Miss Agnes Hedburg.

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Southern California home.

The Peck's were summering in the mountains, perhaps halfway between Calexico and San Diego and decided to go to San Diego to witness the eclipse.

Because of the fog in the city, they went up on the Mesa near San Diego above the fog where they had a wonderful view.

Mrs. Peck writes that the sight was weird and awe inspiring. Just before totality occurred, the bright color coming from the north seemed as if some one had slowly moved a bright-hued silk curtain across the sky, then a weird, green, ghastly light and the wave of color again.

The eclipse began at 11:32 and totality occurred at 12:51.

The shadow was off at 2 p. m.

Thru the kindness of Mrs. F. G. McWilliams we learn of this description of Mrs. Peck's experience.

Mrs. McWilliams friends will be glad to learn that she is permitted to be up some of the time now.

She has been confined to her room for many weeks.

A total of 16000 cars of tree fruit have been shipped to date this year as compared with 8600 cars at the same time last year.

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COUGH DISTURBS SCHOOL WORK

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