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DECEMBER 18

POWER OF THE WORD:—For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.—Hebrews 4:12.

CUTTING CHRISTMAS TREES

The fir was undoubtedly selected as the Christmas tree because of its unusual beauty and all-year verdance. No tree graces the hill and mountainsides of Oregon more beautiful than the fir. Always green, symmetrical, graceful and bearing heavy foliage it adds to the attractiveness of the landscape, affords shelter in storm and shade in the heat of summer. But it remains for the Christmas season to bring the highest popularity to the fir and is sought by every home. Custom has made the fir a habilitment of Christmas and its festivities. Every child, or circle of children, is entitled to a Christmas tree. They grow in Oregon by the millions and few are the sections in the state where they are not within an hour's ride.

But the fact that a beautiful fir is granted every home for the Christmas season does not carry with it the prerogative to denude landscapes and vacant blocks. Continued complaint is being voiced by many residents of Ashland of the apparent disregard of numerous people for the feelings of others or the beauty of the landscape. Fir trees are being cut from vacant blocks and along the highways. One report reaches the Tidings that last year the top was cut from a lone, beautiful fir that stood on a block bordering Terrace street. Other reports are coming in that the beauty of highways is being lessened and destroyed by the cutting of the few firs that stand in close proximity to roadways. This is not in accordance with the true Christmas spirit, which echoes with the familiar "Peace on earth, good will to men."

When you go out with an axe to secure a tree for the expectant little fellows at home, remember that only a short distance from town and within easy access of the roads are many fir trees whose removal will not rob your city and your highway of beauty. As you go forth to slay one of God's greatest gifts to man—the tree—select one that will not rob the landscape of beauty. Years of time were required to grow the fir on the vacant block or along the highway. You have no moral right to destroy it.

THE TIDINGS INTERROGATED

Reading the recent editorial appearing in the Tidings on the condition of the livestock industry in Oregon, a well known citizen hurled the following question at the editor: "Haven't the butchers of Oregon heard of the drop in the price of livestock?"

The butchers of Oregon are an intelligent class of men and let no day pass without giving close scrutiny to the columns and reports carrying livestock market reports, and it would be folly to assume that the retail meat dealers of the state are so dense that they have not yet discovered that the price of cattle tumbled nearly fifty per cent four or five years ago.

But the point at which our interrogator was driving is that the retail price of meat does not reflect a drop in the price of beef on foot. There has been little or no reduction in the price of meat sold from the block, yet the cost of the meat to the retailer is, speaking in the most conservative manner, a fourth less than five years ago.

The heads of every household in Oregon are perplexed with the same question that bothers our good friend in Ashland: The farmer gets three and a half cents for a dry cow and a week later drops into the butcher shop to buy a piece of beef neck for mince meat and when the meat cutter says "seventeen cents per pound, please," it is no wonder that he throws up his hands, or emits an oath that will not sound well in print. The housewife who used to buy neck for ten and twelve cents when cattle were worth more than at present, are asking the same question. Many are wondering if it is possible that prior to the war and the extreme high price of beef butchers were undercharging. It does not seem possible that all of the butchers in Oregon would have conducted their business at a loss for so many years. Our answer to our interrogator is: "Why is it?"

HARD-BOILED BANKERS BEST

Some there are who still think the banker wears horns. Who is the hard-boiled citizen, the man behind the thumb-screw? The banker, they will tell you. In the light of this illusion, consider a brief excerpt from the resolutions adopted at the recent Atlantic City convention of the American Bankers Association:

"... the conclusion is inevitably forced on the impartial observer that the primary need of the world, is moral and spiritual regeneration as the essential basis for economic recovery. Until the nations of the world are

willing to liquidate their hates they can make little progress toward liquidating their debts."

Hard-boiled? Not that! It harks back to Socrates. "The true politics," he said, "is first of all a politics of the soul."

Come to think of it, when we want someone to take care of our funds, to whom do we turn? To the banker. When we are in a tight place and need funds, to whom do we turn? To the banker. When there's a civic enterprise afoot, whose time and money do we command first? The banker's.

Old Ed Howe says in the last issue of his inimitable monthly that the best banker is not the "live wire," but the sour old codger who throws cold water on wildcat schemes. There may be a deal of truth in that, but it still doesn't explain the common prejudice against that branch of business.

It is an odd psychological quirk. We wish someone would explain it to us.—The Nation's Business.

Cromwell said, "Paint me as I am." Women say, "Paint me as I ain't."

It is strange, but when a man sows his wild oats he raises Cain.

Every man wishes his wife could cook as well as he tells his friends she can.

The ways of women, many shout, will always be hard finding out.

Legal tender has a tough time.

People who marry for love don't do it again soon.

Fine motto: Listen to reason—reason when you listen.



FASCINATING MODELS FOR AUTUMN

Ever so fascinating is the first of the frocks pictured here. It is carried out in dark-blue flat crepe, the skirt having two plaited tiers at the front. The back of the dress hangs in straight lines from shoulders to hem. Turn-back cuffs finish short kimono sleeves. The neck is trimmed with a small collar, but this may be omitted if preferred. Medium size requires 3 1/2 yards 40-inch crepe, and 1/2 yard 36-inch lining. Sandal wood crepe makes up the second model in the latest style. The skirt has gathered side panels, and the blouse fastens slightly to one side. The revers, collar and cuffs are edged with fancy silk braid. If preferred, the panels and revers may be omitted, in which event the model requires 2 1/2 yards less of material. Medium size, as pictured, requires 6 yards 36-inch crepe. First Model: Pictorial Review Dress No. 1682. Sizes, 34 to 44 inches bust, and 16 to 20 years. Price, 35 cents. Transfer Pattern 12820, blue or yellow, 25 cents. Second Model: Dress No. 1683. Sizes, 34 to 50 inches bust. Price, 35

MURDERERS ESCAPE FROM NEVADA PRISON

RENO, Nev., Dec. 18.—Abusing the confidence of Warden T. J. Salter of the Nevada state prison, Leonard Frisio and Ewell L. (Tex) Hall escaped from Reno in the prison automobile Saturday afternoon. The men escaped while Salter was attending to business in this city, and are thought by the police to have made their way to some town in California.

Both men were serving life terms for murder. Frisio was convicted of killing two deputy sheriffs at Cherry Creek, White Pine County in 1920, and Holt was sentenced for the murder of his wife at Lovelock in 1920.

DIPHTHERIA DANGER IS PASSING IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Only 12 new cases of diphtheria were reported to the health bureau Saturday, indicating that the spread of this disease is finally on the wane. There are now 123 cases of diphtheria in quarantine, but the health bureau reports that many of these are very light.

Classified ads bring results.

TOTAL OF 83 TAKE RANGER EXAM.

Value of Timber and Land Indicates Net Increase, However.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—A total of 83 men in Oregon and Washington took the forest ranger examination on October 23, according to District Forester George H. Ceell. Of this total 47 tried the examination and 36 in Washington. This is an annual examination for which the U. S. civil service issues a list of those who succeed in passing. Those who pass are offered vacancies which may occur in the national forests of the North Pacific district comprising Oregon and Washington. All positions in the forest service are under civil service except temporary ones which last only a few months. The questions forest officers say, are very practical and based largely on actual conditions as they are found on the national forests. It is said that there is little chance of an

applicant passing this examination unless he has had experience as a temporary employe, as fire lookout, patrolman or guard in the service. The large majority of the men who tried the examination this fall had had such experience. Since the work of grading requires several months it is probable the applicants will not know for some time whether they were successful or not.

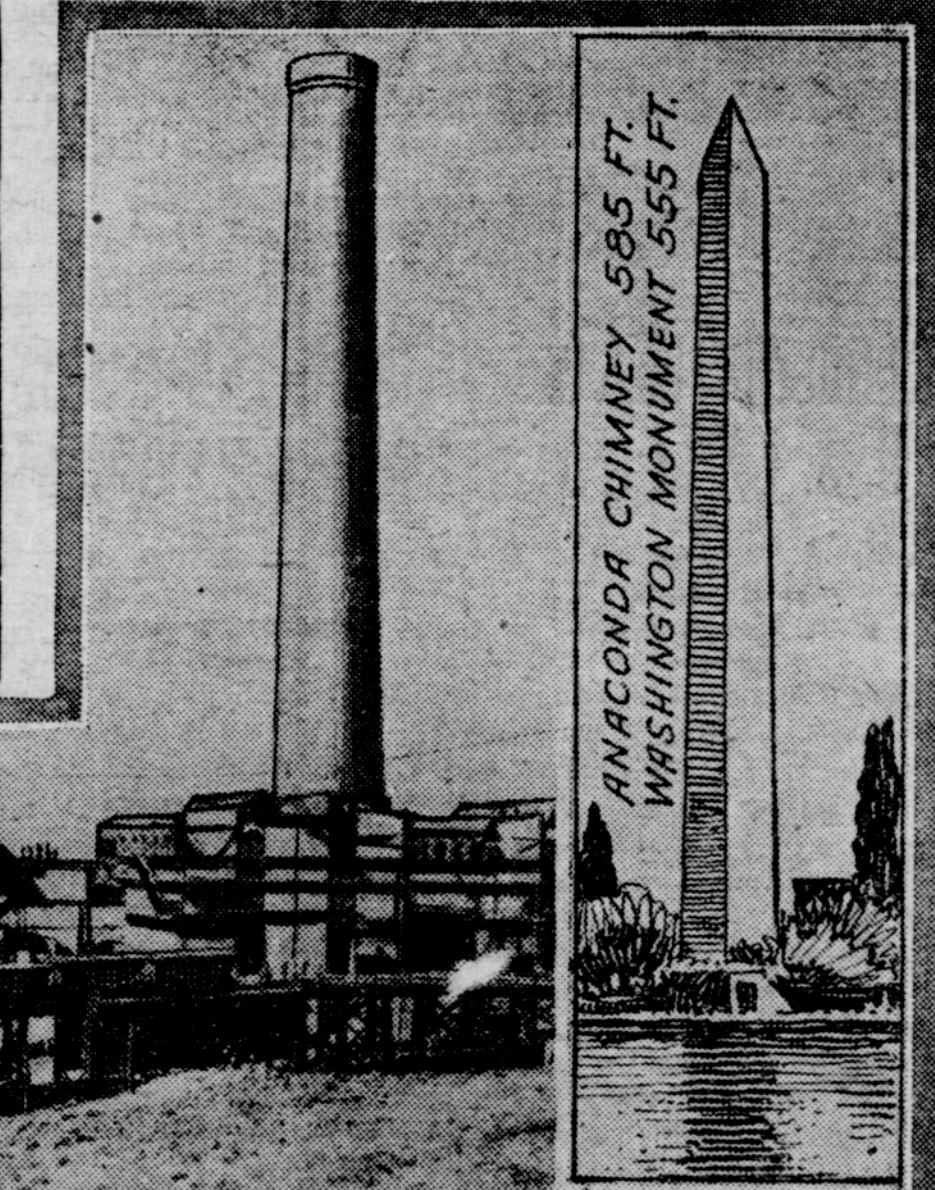
The total cost including cost of administration and fire protection during the past 11 years since the inception of the work amounts to \$14,393,000. The total receipts to date have amounted to \$586,282. The estimated value of land and timber is \$20,622,000 thus indicating a net gain in value of \$6,228,000.

In determining appreciation in value no increase had been allowed for any increase in the value of land, the increase being entirely caused by the increase in the value of timber and such increase as has taken place in the growth of timber. It is likewise brought out that the receipts from the sale of timber are practically limited to sales of low grade timber, the removal of which is beneficial to the forests.

World's Tallest Chimney, In Montana, Could Swallow Washington Monument

Copper Ore Smelter at Anaconda Has Stack 585 Feet High.

HERE is the world's biggest smokestack? Not in New England, beehive of industry; not in New York, the nation's metropolis; not in Pittsburgh or Chicago or Minneapolis—but on a barren butte in western Montana. The industry that gave it birth is neither shoes, cotton goods, coal, iron, beef nor flour, important as they are. It is the smelting of copper ores requiring special treatment that is responsible for this mammoth stack. The copper ores of Butte, the largest mining camp on earth, contain sulphur. Before the copper is extracted in the smelting furnaces the ores have to be roasted to get rid of the sulphur. In the roasting process large amounts



of smoke and other fumes are released. To handle the tremendous volume of smoke and gases the engineers of the Anaconda Copper Mining Company, operating the world's largest copper smelter at Anaconda, Montana, devised a special kind of chimney, made from special kind of brick, that would be big enough to provide sufficient draft for the many immense furnaces and cool enough to prevent the smoke and gases spoiling the atmosphere in the surrounding locality. The result was the "big stack" of the Washoe smelter, which measures 585 feet from the ground to can, has an inside measurement of 75 feet at the bottom, where the walls are six feet thick, and 60 feet at the top, with walls two feet thick. Its immense size is indicated by the fact that the Washington Monument, if dropped inside, would disappear from sight. The flues which carry the smoke to this big chimney form dust chambers, in which sulphur, arsenic, and the fine dust carried off from the furnaces and which still contains a little copper, are collected. At the base of the "big stack" there is a cottrell smoke treatment plant, which extracts, by means of electricity, all of the fine dust which has not settled in the dust chambers, thus taking out all injurious substances which might damage nearby vegetation, and allowing only harmless smoke to escape from the top of the stack. The sulphurous fumes transformed by a process into sulphuric acid are used to leach out the copper content from heaps of waste discarded in previous years, in which the copper would otherwise be lost, and are also used in treating phosphoric rock, which the company mines in Idaho and at Anaconda turning it into a powerful fertilizer known as treble superphosphate. The arsenic, as arsenious oxide, kills the boll weevil and helps to make glass

AUTO MISHAPS CLAIM SEVEN IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—The toll of week-end traffic accidents in this city is seven dead, four dying and a score injured. Four men have been jailed as the result of various charges.



GAMES for Everybody

- Bloxo50c
Puzzlepeg50c
Oregon Puzzle Map 35c
Horse Shoe Game \$1.50
Tinkertoy75c
Flinch, Rook, Rummy,75c
Parcheesi \$1.50
Building Blocks 30c to \$1.25
Dominoes15c to \$1.10
Teddy Bears \$2 and \$3
Tinker Beads 25c-50c-\$1
Rambora Play Balls 25c
Checkers15c, up

McNair Bros. The Retail Store

Oregon-made gifts will be welcomed

REMEMBRANCES from Oregon are absolutely distinctive, different—and they will be most welcome by your friends.

When shopping look for, call for Oregon-made products. Mighty fine presents they make, too.

Oregon Quality is known the world over. Let a generous part of your purchases be Oregon goods—thus advertise your state and at the same time boost payrolls which furnish employment for Oregon men and women and keep Oregon money at home.

Every Oregon label is a certificate of employment for Oregon wage earners. Buying Oregon gifts is an agreeable way of helping the workers' kiddies to realize a happy Christmas through steady pay checks.

Gift suggestions a-plenty are to be found in shops and stores. We will be glad to help you—write or phone us.

The Associated Industries of Oregon 702 Oregon Building PORTLAND, OREGON

Advertisement for 'A Day In The Siskiyou' book. Includes illustrations of people in outdoor settings and text: 'Send Your Friends a Copy of "A Day In The Siskiyou"'. Price \$1.25. Ninger & Warner Sporting Goods House, Ashland.

Advertisement for 'FIVE MORE DAYS TO SHOP BEFORE CHRISTMAS'. Includes text: 'Save time and come to the Big Store where you can do all your shopping no matter what you want. Time is precious at this late date. We can help you.' Features 'Oregon City Made of Pure Virgin Wool' and 'A Bath Robe' for \$4.50 to \$18.50. The Enders Company.