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JULY 25. EYE HATH NOT SEEN, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hat hprepared for them that love him.—1 Corinthians 2:9.

WHY A DECREASING VOTE

A compilation of statistics by Collier's Weekly, shows that: In 1896, 80 per cent of voters cast ballots. In 1900, 73 per cent. In 1908, 66 per cent. In 1912, 62 per cent. In 1920, less than 50 per cent.

What will be the showing in 1924? Reasons for the steadily decreasing interest of the electorate in their right and duty to vote are as varied as their sources. The increase of the vote through woman suffrage, the dissatisfaction of voters with the alleged decadence of parties and the supposed fact that one party is much like another, too great an increase in foreign born population, are all suggested.

A fourth, which has some appeal to logic to recommend it is the failure of the electorate to understand "what it is all about." In other words, the complexity of the problems involved makes a choice of candidate or party so difficult that the mental laziness which is apparently an inherent part of the majority of minds takes charge and prevents any vote, rather than endure the discomfort of thinking out which candidate to vote for.

If this last suggested reason is correct, November should show a surprising increase over previous years in percentage of votes cast. It is true that there is no such issue before the public this year, as, for instance, in 1896; there is no such sharp differentiation between the platforms of the two major parties as might cause such an increase in votes. But there is the radio; millions listened with absorbing interest to the proceedings at Cleveland and New York to whom, hitherto, a convention was merely an incident in the day's news. Those millions have been educated at first hand. They know "what it is all about." They heard the statesmen, the politicians and the "wheel horses" of the great parties talk. And then, following a universal human curiosity, they turned to the newspapers the next day to read again what they had listened to the night before!

If, as is believed, a record vote is polled this November, the reason may be found in that which is fundamental to all citizenship, education!

EXIT RODEO

British authorities dismissed the charge against the American cowboys at Wembley on the condition that the steer roping contest hereafter be excluded from the shows. The incident generally is considered closed.

One of the interesting phases of the disapproval of the British spectators was the letter written the Manchester Guardian by a Britisher who purported to know all about life on the American plains. He alleged that he had spent many years there. But he condemns rodeos in general as not "a show for sportsmanlike people," and he particularly arraigns the "bullocks or oxen roping contests."

When American cowboys on this side of the water read of the "bullock" roping exhibition they will get as sound a laugh as the American baseball fans who read the Englishman's account of a baseball contest as a game played with "hand protectors resembling very much elephants' ears."

THE NONCOMFORMABLE PRESENT

Because parents now employ their slippers merely to shuffle about in, and for the additional reason that our publishers are printing naughty books for the masses, the United States is tossed upon a perennial crime wave. It was a chief constable of British Columbia who delivered this diagnosis before the northwest association of sheriffs and police, assembled at Seattle. He might have added that smuggled Canadian whiskey is strongly suspected of having something to do with our troubles, but otherwise the indictment is one that we ourselves have drawn. It is no more than a neighborly reminder of the mote that is in our eye.

The books we read preach license, even when they pretend to point a moral. Sometimes they dispense with even the pretense. Home life is not what it used to be, nor is parental authority as highly guarded and as uniformly enforced. But whether the times created these tendencies, or the tendencies created the times, who shall say? Erase the tendencies and it may safely be predicted that the general moral tone would improve. But not all the fault lies in suggestive books and faulty home discipline. Society has entered one of those reconstructive periods that play havoc with established concepts of con-

duct. Always it has come safely through, and doubtless it will again.

At any rate, mere denunciations of this or that will not mend matters. We must accept the understanding that we are definitely done with certain customs and usages of the past, and from the greater liberty and broader thought of the present we must separate that which is clearly obnoxious, and retain that which is plainly progressive. This is a process that may safely be left to public opinion.—Morning Oregonian.

A record is broken every day in the size of the still captured.

Imagine staid, old Boston having to resort to the use of the Marines to capture eight rum-runners and 2000 gallons of alcohol.

A newspaper head says: "Battling Siki has married a white girl in New York City." Another good proof that all fools are not dead.

The Coast Guard service announces that 1,000,000 cases of liquor are being smuggled into the United States every month. This means 12,000,000 cases a year, and considering the fact that many millions are not using hooch the quantity must be sufficient for the fellows who still like the liquid with a kick in it. It also shows that the coast guard service spends some of its time with figures, rather than in apprehending the smugglers.

Interesting Reminiscences By A Southern Oregon Pioneer

Being a series of interesting articles dealing with early day events and pioneer men and women who made history and bulidled for succeeding generations. (By C. B. WATSON)

Chapter Eleven A Retrospective Review of the Country Over Which We Traveled

I have devoted the preceding articles in our movements over five hundred miles of wild, Indian infested country, giving only our rate of progress with a few of the incidents occurring by the way. There were many things happening each day which, though of temporary interest, I have not attempted to detail. At many of our camps we indulged in pranks and playful games, such as a company of young men are likely to turn their hands to. Sometimes it was the catching and riding one of the wild horses on a banter. We were not dressed for company and were unimpaired of the grease and dust accumulated in handling bacon and other freight in our packing operations. I have intimated that the Pinto mule was a character whose pranks were to be watched.

This mule seemed to greatly enjoy doing such things as he seemed to know would annoy us. For instance, at one time when on account of loosening of the pack on one of the other mules, and when Myer was stooped over tightening the cinch, pinto thought it a good opportunity to perpetrate a joke. On such occasions he wore a very seriously innocent look as though he were very tired. He'd sidle around and yawn as though he wanted to take a nap. I watched him on this occasion, knowing that his mental processes were essentially mulish. He walked slowly until just opposite the stooping Myers, evidently measuring distance and the most suitable ground to launch a lightning lash of his dainty hoofs at the promising part of Walte's anatomy most suited to such an exploit, when he whirled and landed his punch. Myer was knocked head-long under the mule he was busied with, while Pinto at once awoke and galloped off a few rods when he turned around and enjoyed his joke immensely. There is no question but his radical contortions were brought about as yours or mine when we laugh. We all agreed that Pinto laughed. When we were seated about our camp spread enjoying our "sinkers" and bacon, Pinto would slip up quietly behind some one and then launch his dainty head over his victims shoulder and with open mouth, close down on meat, bread, or any other article of diet in his reach and with a squeal and a whirlwind of feet, dash away and enjoy his morsel. He was especially fond of bacon. He was a great bluffer, and we had proceeded several days in the notion that the rascal was dangerous. He landed those hind feet with the skill of a boxer. If one approached him he'd shake his head and squeal in the most threatening manner. In some way, but how, I never knew, I discovered that he was afraid of me. From that time on catching, saddling and packing him fell to me and I grew to enjoy it. When ready to tackle him, I gathered up his halter and roughly went at him. He'd squeal, shake his head and threaten men, but I paid no attention; I'd slam on the saddle blankets, then the saddle and grab the cinch under him, put it through the loop and commence to draw up on it. He'd swell himself up like a toad to prevent my tightening it. I

would then turn my back to him, stoop down with the lattigo strap over my shoulder and draw as tightly as I could and then hold it there until he was forced to let his breath go, when I took up the slack and held on for him to let go again. Each time he would threaten to bite me but never did so. By and by I'd have him "cinched up" and then we'd put on his pack. Pinto and I grew to be good friends. None of the others came to a good understanding with him and he seemed to know that he had them "hoodooed" and sometimes appeared to laugh about it. I sometimes imagined when he had frightened some of the boys that he turned and winked at me. I must not take more time now in describing Pinto. There will be an incident which he played on us on our way home which at the proper time I will give. This was a joke on the whole crowd with serious consequences.

Much of the country we traveled over and considered to be desert unfit for human habitation has since then shown great value to the world. There was no timber to speak of after we passed Goose Lake; nothing but extended sage-plains and alkali flats, with at long distances a meadow surrounding a lake or marshy tract, a sink where some stream or collection of springs sank. The country way by no means level in all of these plains; there were barren, dreary looking mountains here and there. These mountains were of the nature, generally, of "table-mountains," that is an elevation rising hundreds of feet with flat top and sage plain covering many square miles. These table-mountains were surrounded by "rim-rocks," sometimes a thousand feet high with a talus slope at the bottom. Generally, these table mountains were without water. The country between the Cascade mountains and Rocky mountains is admitted by the worlds geologists to be the greatest extended lava field in the world. It is unique in its character of "volcanic region"; it is estimated that it is covered with an average depth of lava 2000 feet thick. Geologically it is new and the early pioneers reckoned

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gather up the dust and you are subjected to a storm of mud-slinging that lays the ordinary political campaign in the shade; it of no value for agricultural purposes, because the soil was white and seemed ashy, while the Mississippi valley where most of them came from had a deep heavy black soil. They associated these things as a required condition suited to agriculture. The earlier settlers in all this great sage plain, went there because of the vast supply of bunch grass and its suitability for stock raising. Nearly every day we would see great herds of antelope on the plains and many mountain sheep in the rocky fastnesses. These herds of antelope were made to present many freakish pictures by the mirage which is always present in hot, dry weather. Frequently we would see a band, apparently a mile away loping along in their characteristic fashion, that seemed not to touch the ground but to be moving from ten to twenty feet above it. In the most barren portions the country is subject to dust storms. Looking to the west you will see what appears to be a heavy black cloud rising and moving forward in a very threatening fashion. By and by it will commence to thunder and occasional flashes of lightning will streak this cloud, which as it grows nearer presents a most portentous and threatening aspect. Now it is upon us and we are almost stifled with the dust. The cloud is only dust but to be involved in it is by no means a pleasant experience. The weather will be stifling hot and the dust almost suffocating. The thunder and lightning will increase and while you are wondering what the result will be you are pelted with mud. It is raining and the heavy drops of water it is raining mud. The hills to the north of the Jordan river were different from most of the country we had crossed. They were more like the rolling prairies seen in some portions of the Mississippi valley. They were covered with wild grass of excellent quality. At the time of this writing, those hills are very extended grain-fields. The Jordan valley is not so high in altitude as the plains we have been traversing and are highly suited to agriculture which has been made apparent in the past fifty years since the events I have narrating and thousands of happy people live there. The younger generation listen to the pioneers tell of the stirring events of fifty years ago. In my next I will invite you to go with me over a new route and am sure there will be something of interest. Fifty one years has

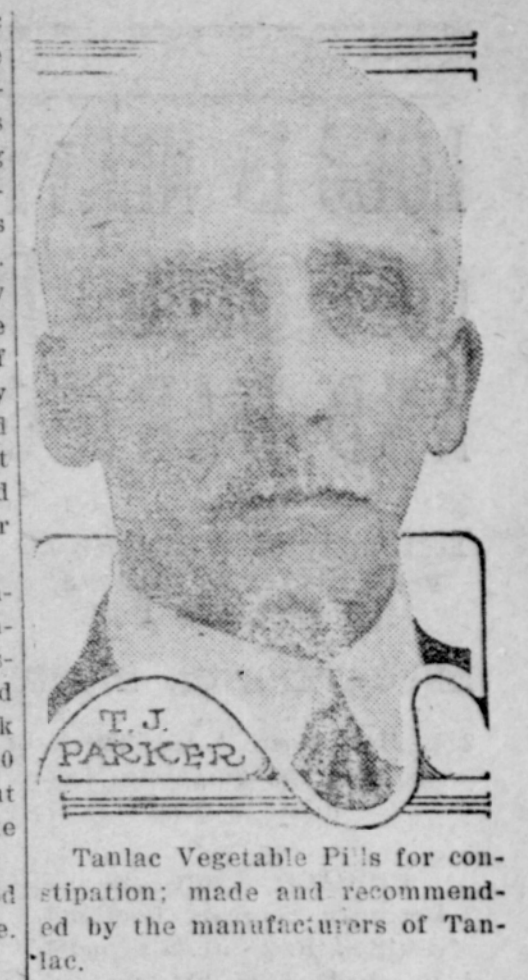
not dimmed my recollection of it. Ashland Ore., July 25, 1924. C. B. WATSON.

SANITATION NEEDED IN AUTO PARKS AND CITY CAMP GROUNDS

SALEM, July 25. (Special)—On account of the rapid increase in the number of automobiles and the constant improvement in methods of transportation, the problems of camp ground sanitation are becoming increasingly more important. This is especially true in regard to the Pacific Coast states, owing to the many attractions offered by this section to tourists and summer campers. No vacation is considered complete these days that does not include a visit to the Pacific Coast. In order to meet this situation, without endangering the public health, it is necessary to pay more attention to the sanitation of our camping grounds. Situation Needs Attention In choosing a camp ground site, a great deal of attention is generally paid to the wonderful scenery, the picturesque surrounding, the proximity of fishing, hunting and bathing resorts, but little attention is generally paid to the safety of the water supply and the proper disposal of garbage and waste. The rules and regulations of the Oregon State Board of Health make the management responsible

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