

The Clancy Kids



Such Is Life

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HOPS AT A STANDSTILL PRICE INCREASE ANTICIPATED

Portland—Hop men for some time have been looking forward to a revival of demand, but up to the present there are no signs of it. Only an occasional order comes along and the market holds at the old price. The best hops are worth about 20 to 22 cents and lower grades around 15 cents, but growers are making no effort to sell at these low prices.

The opinion is shared by both growers and dealers that the shortage in the world's supply of hops is bound sooner or later to make itself felt. There are only some 30,000 bales of hops unsold in the United States, but foreign demand as yet, is lacking, and domestic consumers appear to have their requirements filled. When the demand from abroad develops it should not take long to change the present small surplus into a shortage.

According to official returns the quantity of hops consumed by brewers in Great Britain in the year ended September 30, 1920, was 56,371,720 pounds, equal to 503,319 hundredweights. Assuming the present consumption of hops to be at the same rate, Great Britain, with an English hop crop in 1921 of only 224,000 hundredweights would be short of requirements to the extent of 279,319 hundredweights equal to 31,283,728 pounds, or an equivalent of 169,101 bales.

No one doubts that this deficiency will sooner or later become an important market factor. The one obstacle to a speedy adjustment of hop values to supply and demand conditions is the control policy that has prevailed in England since war days. The English controller has set the price of English grown hops at a high figure, which would naturally turn English brewers to the cheaper American hops, but they are not permitted by the controller to import these in the quantity they want. Only hops contracted for early can be taken into England and only a certain proportion of these. When, in the opinion of the English official, the time is right to lift the restrictions, the American market should respond promptly. It is the hope of the hop trade that this time is not far off.

PHRASE IN USE BY ROMANS

Writers of Ancient Empire First Referred to the Game of "Ducks and Drakes."

"Ducks and drakes," an expression used commonly in connection with a person who is heedless in money or business matters, has gained wide circulation since it was first used among the Romans.

Minucius Felix and other ancient writers allude to a game of sealing oyster shells or stones on the water. If the stone emerged once it was said to be a "duck."

England adopted the game and gave the phrase its present-day meaning. Just when it was first applied is not known. But it is well used in Henry Peacham's book, "The Worth of a Penny," published in London in 1647: "I remember in Queen Elizabeth's time a wealthy citizen of London left his son a mighty estate in money, who, imagining he should never be able to spend it, would usually make ducks and drakes in the Thames river, with shilling pieces as boys are wont to do with titles and oyster shells. And in the end he grew to such extreme want that he was fain to beg or borrow a sixpence, having many times no more shoes than feet and sometimes having more feet than shoes."

Flowers and Seasons.

The relation of the colors of flowers to the seasons has attracted the attention of a Canadian professor, who finds that of 539 flowering plants in the provinces of Quebec and Ontario, about one-third have white flowers, about one-quarter come next, and comprise about one-quarter of the total. Purples and blues form about one-ninth or tenth. White flowers are commonest in April and June, whereas yellow are frequent in July, August and September. One can not help noticing that the spring flowers have delicate colors as a rule, whites or pale pinks, yellows and blues, whereas the autumn flowers have much stronger shades of yellow, blue and purple.

WEIGANT ASKS \$7500 FOR DEATH SON BY SCALDING

As a result of the sad death of Charles Herman Weigant, who was scalded to death on the 29th day of October in a cess pool near his home, Joseph F. Weigant, as the administrator of the estate of his deceased son, has commenced suit in circuit court, against the Oregon Growers' Packing corporation wherein he asks for a judgment of \$7,500 because of the death of his son.

The Oregon Growers' Packing corporation operate a dryer and packing plant in the south part of Dallas and the plaintiff alleges that the hot water used in processing the prunes in the packing plant is run through the wall of the plant into a barrel and thence through an open trench to an alleyway which is used for public travel. That the continual flooding and force of such water has caused a cesspool which is said to be about eight feet square and more than three feet deep into which, on October 29, Charles Herman Weigant, a child of six years, fell and was scalded and drowned. Although the company knew of such cesspool, they failed to cover it so that it would not be dangerous to the public, it is charged in the complaint, and it is upon this negligence that the plaintiff bases his complaint for damages in the sum of \$7,500.—Dallas Observer.

COULD LAUGH AT LANDLORDS

Visitors to Los Angeles, and Some Citizens, Established Miniature City With Their Autos.

One way to avoid high rents has been discovered by about three hundred tourists from the East and a score or so of Los Angeles, says the Los Angeles Express. This method is: Living in their motorcars.

There is a regular colony of men, women and children who have turned cars into apartments in a parking concession just east of Lincoln park on the Alhambra boulevard.

Here the motorists have their machines arranged in rows like streets, have clothes lines strung, cook stoves set up and are living as comfortably, it is safe to say, as many persons who pay \$100 a month or so for accommodations in apartment houses.

Many have equipped their cars so that they need only to pull down the front seat, drop the side curtains and roll themselves up in their blankets to be as snug as any person in a hotel, bedroom. Others have pitched tents and are sleeping on army cots.

The new order was started by tourists arriving in Los Angeles from the East. The grove of eucalyptus trees looked good to persons who had so recently crossed the desert, so they stopped there on the edge of town and made the camp their home. Seeing how conveniently the visitors avoided high rents, many residents of Los Angeles took up the camp as a permanent address. In due time the United States government took cognizance of them and gave them rural free delivery.

HAD MEMORANDA OF IT ALL

Young Married Man Altogether Too Matter-of-Fact for the Ordinary Loving Bride.

Young Mr. Marsh was a devoted husband, but both absent-minded and matter-of-fact. Therefore, Mrs. Marsh had trials that seemed to her real ones.

"Richard, you are going away," she said, her eyes filled with tears, on the morning when Mr. Marsh started for New York, to be gone 48 hours.

"Yes, I seem to be, my dear," admitted Mr. Marsh.

"You will think of me while you are gone?" she begged.

"Certainly I will. I will bear it in mind."

And nothing could have been more obliging than his tone in saying this. "And you will be very, very careful of yourself, getting on and off the trains, and about your meals, Richard?"

"I will certainly see that all those matters are attended to at the proper time," and Mr. Marsh, hastily scribbling a note in regard to an important business matter he had almost forgotten, placed a loving arm round his wife.

"I have memoranda for all these things you've mentioned, my dear," he said in a calm, reassuring tone. "You may be perfectly easy about them all." —Philadelphia Ledger.

Buena Vista

G. A. Wells is sitting on the federal grand jury this week in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wells were in Portland this week, where their little son is convalescing from a severe operation performed at the Good Samaritan hospital. Mr. Wells returned, however, and reports the little fellow doing nicely.

Harold Reynolds spent the weekend in Corvallis with his former college mates and took in some college festivities.

Buena Vista basketball team played Monmouth team on the local floor here with defeat to the visiting team. After the game a social "hop" was held at the high school gym.

G. E. Harmon, wife and daughter, N. C. Anderson and wife, Sundayed at the E. B. Gobat home in Albany.

J. A. Reynolds and wife, and Carol and Ruth Reynolds passed Sunday at the M. N. Prather home.

Robert Hornbuckle and wife of Salem are visiting with the former's sister, Mrs. M. V. Prather and family.

J. R. Loy and wife, Leslie Loy and Mrs. E. J. Anderson were Sunday visitors at the Edgar Lichty home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Grounds attended the poultry lecture in Independence Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Devine and little son, Jack, left for Rockaway beach last week, where they expect to remain indefinitely.

Mrs. W. J. Wheeler had the misfortune to fall one day last week and break her arm, which at this writing is doing nicely.

Nelson Anderson, G. E. Harman and G. A. Wells attended a farmers' meeting in Monmouth Saturday.

Mrs. Bliss, superintendent of the home missionary society of Oregon M. E. church, will be here both morning and evening, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. Seigler is here at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Nash, who is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

Miss Vivian Kaw was an over Sunday visitor with her sister in Amity.

Airlie Items

Mr. Carney and Mr. Ulrich visited in Dallas, Independence and Suver Saturday.

Ivan De Armond and his brother, Tom, spent Saturday and Sunday in Corvallis with their cousin. While there they attended the high school play given Saturday evening.

Miss Lillie Smith was in Dallas last Saturday.

The Misses Laura Wiemert and Dorothy Gross visited the Mennonite church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Conn motored to Portland Monday.

The boys' and girls' basket ball teams have a game scheduled with the Falls City teams, Friday night, January 13th at Airlie.

Davis and Weber's mill will start work Tuesday, January 10th.

MONMOUTH HEIGHTS

Edwin Nissen of Independence was here on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Fishback, Mr. and Mrs. John Holman attended the funeral of Oscar Lehman at Independence Friday.

W. M. Fishback of Salem was a guest of relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Alice Walker attended the funeral of Mrs. Sherwood, who died on the Luckiamute and was buried Monday.

George Cody was a visitor to Lane county last week.

Milt Bosley of Monmouth was in our midst Tuesday.

"Prize Peach" Hard Wheat Flour \$2.10 per sack, guaranteed. "Pride of Oregon," \$1.50 per sack. Oregon Milling & Warehouse Co. 14-1f

TESTED COWS SHOW GAIN IN MILK AND BUTTERFAT

"Watch us grow" might well be the slogan of the 2537 cows in cow testing association work in Oregon during November, since the increased average production was 104 pounds of milk and 2.46 pounds of fat over the average for November a year earlier.

The average yield of milk was 571.23 pounds and of fat 27½ pounds—almost one pound a day in the late fall month.

The Rogue River association herds made the highest association average—34.66 pounds of fat as compared with the total average of 27½ pounds.

Tillamook had the largest number of cows, 1040, the most honor cows giving more than 40 pounds of fat, 104, and the highest individual cow, Princess, a registered Holstein giving 2737 pounds of milk with 84.85 pounds of fat—well on to 3 pounds a day.

The highest grade cow was Butler & McEntire's Rose, a grade Jersey,

making a record of 75.5 pounds of fat.

The big gain in production, which represents almost clear profit to the owners, was brought about by weeding out low producers, using better sires to build up the herd, and giving the animals scientific feeding, housing and care.

A series of dairy meetings in the vicinity of each of the associations is planned for the present year, reports E. B. Fitts, federal and O. A. C. field dairymen in charge. These meetings will be held on the farms, and the big producing cows will be used in demonstration.

For the quarter ending December 31st, six divorce cases were filed in the Polk county circuit court, a decrease of four for the corresponding period of 1920.

Company L of Dallas has a 1000 percent record so far this season, winning its five first games. Woodburn is the latest victim. The American Legion team of Albany will play in Dallas this Saturday night.

DALLAS SCHOOL CHILDREN NEED ATTENTION, SAYS NURSE

Miss Betha Stroud, public health demonstrator, declared before the Dallas Women's club Tuesday that an unusually large percent of the Dallas school children need medical attention, and also asserted that hot lunches are needed by many of the children.

As a basis for her contention that a county nurse is badly needed Miss Stroud presented figures based upon her examination of 89 local school children. Of this number 54 were not examined as to their eyes. Of the 35 whose eyes were tested it was found that 20 had defective eyesight, 6 disease of the eyes. Of the entire 89 examined 55 had defective breathing, 45 defective throats, 6 defective ears, 1 had goitre, 1 low mentality, 8 defective nerves, 2 bladder trouble, 12 complained of headaches, and 18 were malnourished (underfed).

The revelations aroused much interest among the club women, and caused quite a discussion as to school matters.—Observer

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