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Such A Provoking Rain.

LAST time we watched a Shrine parade in Los Angeles many of the nobles marched or rode along chanting, "How dry I am." They weren't doing that last Wednesday night. The Shriners were in Los Angeles again for their annual imperial session and the grand climatic parade of the whole doings was scheduled. But it wasn't held. It wasn't held because many of the Shriners had gone to Los Angeles un-equipped with slickers, gum boots or gondolas.

And not only was it raining but it was raining like the long dash that the Shriners used in their improvised song to describe it. That is the way it does rain in Los Angeles when it rains at all. It always seems, when it rains in Los Angeles, as though there is total absence of decent restraint. That probably is because rain is something that is done there so seldom—lack of experience, as it were. Anybody who ever has seen the representation of a rain storm in the movies may get from that a good idea of how it rains in Los Angeles—like upsetting a giant tub of water all at one throw.

But Los Angeles doesn't tell the world about it. We should say not. To the world Los Angeles is ever heralded as right next door to heaven meteorologically speaking as well as in all other ways. That's what made it so very provoking to have a rain storm like that of Wednesday jerk loose in June and with the town full of visitors from the four corners of the earth. It was, like a boil on the nose, something that couldn't be concealed. It was positively unfortunate. It was indeed. Positively, Mr. Gallagher.

G. Lansing Hurd has sold his interest in the Corvallis Gazette-Times and retires from the position of business manager of that paper, which he has filled with ability, in favor of Charles A. Sprague, of Ritzville, Wash., who also acquires the Hurd interest in the paper. The Gazette-Times has just put out a special section devoted to exploitation of the new Hotel Benton on the occasion of its opening. The section is interesting as to text and illustration, and is exceedingly well decorated with display advertising, including a full page advertisement for the hotel itself.

Two hundred and thirty-eight deaths from heat in the east and middle west is the toll of the past few days, according to a dispatch from Chicago, where summary has been made of the gruesome statistics. In the middle west also during the same few days, more than 20 deaths were caused by storm. While this was happening, Great Falls, Mont., was getting a four-inch snowfall. Here in the Willamette valley of Oregon we were having occasional gentle showers, with weather neither too hot nor too cold but just comfortable. This paragraph will make a good clipping to send to your friends back east.

The Hood River Glacier has just celebrated its 36th birthday anniversary. It is one of the best weekly newspapers we know anything about, and that its excellence is appreciated in its field is shown by the fact that twelve-page editions well filled with advertising are nothing unusual with the Glacier. Joe D. Thomson, its editor, puts more human interest and personality into one edition than some editors get into a year's files.

Speaking of the opening of the fine new Hotel Benton at Corvallis, the Gazette-Times says that city now may bid against a majority of the cities of Oregon for conventions. That is fine and we congratulate Corvallis. Here in Eugene we know the value of good hotels. We have in the Osburn one of the best and best managed hotels in the northwest and we are about to open another fine one—the Eugene.

The Portland Journal warns that unless tangible property is relieved of its tax burden we shall all perish miserably. Through a succession of former years the same paper tried persistently but vainly to foist a single tax law upon Oregon, which would have made tangible property carry the entire tax burden.

Eugene long ago placed the nickel-in-the-slot machine under the ban. Then why let carnivals come in and operate gambling devices of degree even less creditable?

They are organizing the state traffic officers' corps like an army. Watch your mirror when you drive.

Are your vacation plans progressing? Neither are ours.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Science Not Intolerant (Portland Telegram) The present controversy in Tennessee does not involve a discussion of the scientific accuracy of the theory of evolution. It is not primarily a contest between church and state, seeking truth anywhere and every-

fundamentalist and modernist, between blind faith and intelligent belief. It is rather a conflict between intolerance and tolerance. The scientific mind is open, unprejudiced, and seeks truth anywhere and every-

The Question Now Arises



SCIENTISTS CLAIM VINDICATION

Cold Wave Held to Confirm Theory That We Are to Have Summerless Years For While

By CHARLES P. STEWART (NEA Service Writer) WASHINGTON, June 6.—A peasant of triumph went up from the long distance weather forecasters a few days ago when the latest cold wave swept the country. It wasn't a peasant of joy.

The forecasters see nothing to rejoice about in the prospect of two or three years of cold summers, crop failures, consequent food scarcity and tough times for everybody. They simply say their predictions are being fulfilled, so people had better listen to them and take what precautions they can against suffering, even death maybe, before the world's climate returns to "normalcy."

What gave a touch of the sensational to the thermometer's recent performance was the mercury's climb, just before its startling nose dive, to almost unheard of so early in the season. This was general in most parts of the northern hemisphere where readings are available. Then, all in a minute, the bottom fell out. For example, in Washington at 2 p. m. May 24, it was 90; at 10 p. m., 50.

From points throughout the country came similar reports, even snow in some sections—mighty unusual near the end of May. It turned cold in Europe, too. "Winter," said a dispatch from Leningrad, "has returned in northern Russia—below zero—deep snow—unprecedented so late in the spring."

If the May cold wave is followed by three or four more during the summer, the long distance forecasters will have made out a pretty good case, so far as this year is concerned. "A cold summer," Herbert Janvri Brown, one of the long distance fraternity's leaders, told me months ago, "doesn't necessary mean cold all

In New York

By JAMES W. DEAN NEW YORK, June 6.—One great tragedy which lies under the surface of things and well hidden from casual observation is the great number of persons here addicted to the use of opiates. A noted authority on the drug habit recently estimated that there are 300,000 persons in New York City who are using drugs as a habit. That seems to be an exaggeration for it would mean that one person in every 12 here used drugs.

However, there is heavy traffic in drugs in several sections of the city and it seems to be heaviest along the Rialto. I am informed that one Broadway cigar store sells opium wrapped in cigars and that another sells the drug in a trick cigar which has a container concealed in the filler. A new organization has for its purpose the eradication of the drug habit among people of the stage and screen, not that the habit is more prevalent in that profession than in some others but it is more noticeable to the public. It is estimated that among the stage and screen players there are 800 drug users.

A famous composer and vaudeville star who will soon resume public appearances totally cured, it is believed. Children of one of America's most noted dramatic stars and a husband and wife who recently co-starred on Broadway are others under observation. If the plan proves practicable here it will be extended to include the screen colony in Hollywood.

Chinatown is pretty much a town by itself, an isolated community even though surrounded by a heavily populated section of the city. It has its own mayor. He is Louis Fook. He succeeded Jim Cum who held the office for many years.

A THOUGHT You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32. Truth is beginning of every good thing, both in Heaven and on Earth.—Plato.

of the facts, he has had a wonderful success as a plant culturist. The only philosophy of or theory which would harmonize with his experiments in plant development was evolution. So he is an evolutionist. He is such because he was first a scientific thinker. Likewise in religion he quite naturally found most of the theology of the orthodox Christian churches to be but an expression of deductive based on unprovable assumptions and I imagine would class the two creation stories in Genesis as but the curious survival of myth in the intellectual life of modern times. So it is naturally for him to find a church answering his needs in the creedless freedom of Unitarianism, always sympathetic and responsive to scientific thinking.

IT HAPPENS that Mr. Burbank is a philosophic type of mind and escapes the specialism which characterizes so many scientific men. Most scientists are simply amazed at the present revival of the old controversy which followed the publication of Darwin's "Origin of Species." In general scientists are not greatly interested in the descent of man, except where it comes within their particular field. It is in the evolutionary scheme but a minor episode. Their scepticism toward the biblical account of creation is neither theistic or atheistic. They have plenty to do in surveying and cataloguing data in the field of phenomena within the reach of their senses. If they become philosophic they speculate perhaps beyond the realm of the provable but can't hold the facts of the life-process always in mind and throw out of consideration almost at the start all anthropomorphic conceptions of deity. Some stop thinking about it when they come face to face with an eternal energy behind all phenomena. Some venture farther on the wings of speculation and make the, at least not improvable assumption, of a mind operating behind and within all phenomena.

DAVID EUGENE OLSEN, in a recent communication in The Guard, becomes a critic of Mr. Burbank's published interview, which he characterizes as a "blundering article," which something of a joke, the joke being on Mr. Olsen. The difference between Mr. Burbank and Mr. Olsen is Mr. Burbank has abandoned the old theological interpretation origins, customs and morals with its attendant scheme of salvation and put in its place the philosophy of evolution while Mr. Olsen retains that theology as the philosophy of his life. If religion is a life lived sincerely according to the truth a man accepts as his own, either man may be nobly religious. It is my guess that the spiritual life of Mr. Burbank, evolutionist, will compare quite favorably with that of Mr. Olsen, Christian, or even with William Jennings Bryan, who wears a halo of which he is unbecomingly conscious.

AS TO THE DEBATE which Mr. Olsen and his "scholarly friends" offer to finance between Mr. Burbank and some unnamed defender of the biblical theory of creation, it may be said that Luther Burbank is too happily and valuably busy a man to be wasted in any such public controversy. Besides he is not a debater, not a talker, but a doer of marvelous things. It would be something like a crime to take him for a day away from his wonderful gardens. There will be plenty of debating before we are through with this question. But the real scientists are too busy and too much absorbed in their work to take much part in it, unless another Huxley appears on the scene.

Consolidation Plan Is Broached

Eugene and Springfield as One Is Suggested

The question of consolidation of the towns of Eugene and Springfield has been advanced from time to time, but aside from casual talk little consideration has been given the matter. To my mind it is a subject that is entitled to an immediate and thorough investigation. The city of Eugene is rapidly expanding and questions are coming up now, especially in railroad matters, that would warrant Eugene and Springfield's getting together and trying at once to formulate a plan to make one big and better city; a city that would incorporate a vast field for manufacturing and educational interests and a great jobbing and distributing center. To keep the river within its bounds and establish a row of cluster lights along the highway would do the business and put us on the map as the second city in the state of Oregon.

I am inclined to think the good level-headed citizens of both Springfield and Eugene will agree with me on this proposition. HENRY W. STEWART

25 Years Ago (From The Guard June 6, 1900) H. E. ANKENY is one of the number of Oregon republican delegates to go to the national convention which meets in Philadelphia on June 10.

As the World Wags By FRANK FAY EDDY LUTHER BURBANK'S views on evolution are exactly those one might have anticipated from him. They are the views which reflect the mental attitude common to all persons who follow the scientific method in working out their problems. In a long life as a practical experimenter in plant culture Mr. Burbank has found that the evolutionary explanation of the interrelation life according to the Mendelian law, one of the discovered by-laws in the great divine constitution of the universe, works inevitably and with predictable accuracy, all through the government of the forms and species of life. He knows this is truth. Probably millions of experiments by scientists like Mr. Burbank in all parts of the world tried this law without one recorded failure. It is about as well proved as anything can be proved in this world.

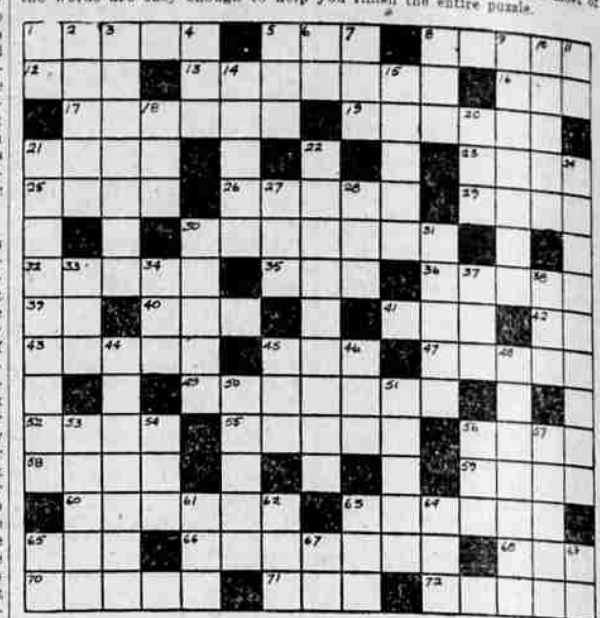
NATURALLY, Mr. Burbank's mental attitude is reflected in his whole philosophy of life. It is all explained from the fact that he is a scientific thinker. Because he has thought inductively before he drew deductive conclusions, that he first made himself sure of his facts before he indulged in theories, and then held his theories strictly to an accountability

Prof. E. D. Ressler and Prof. C. A. Burden expect to leave on the early train Saturday morning on a visit to the Paris exposition. Cyclone Hose company No. 2 elected officers last evening, choosing as president, George Willoughby. The Rebekah lodge last evening elected officers for the new year, Mrs. Jennie Williams being elected N. G. The Pleasant Hill community is to give a picnic on June 14. Dean E. C. Sanderson of the Eugene Divinity school left today on his trip to Europe and the holy lands.

J. Knox and J. Coleman are two Cottage Grove residents in Eugene today. Miss Nettie Whitney of this city is to teach in the Albany schools next year. SCHOOL ELECTION SET SPRINGFIELD, June 6.—(Special)—The annual school election will be held in Springfield June 15 from 2 to 7 p. m. at the city hall polls. It is announced by Reuben W. Smith,

Today's Cross-Word Puzzle

Look at some of the definitions like 13, 17, or 32 horizontal, and you'll decide to take a little extra time solving this puzzle. Yet most of the words are easy enough to help you finish the entire puzzle.



- HORIZONTAL 1. To primp. 2. To be sick. 3. Opposite of even. 4. Meritment. 5. Neuter pronoun. 6. Rock. 7. Part of verb "to be." 8. Appellation. 9. Goes to bed. 10. Bad. 11. Rhythm. 12. Naked. 13. Ancient romantic tale. 14. Employed. 15. Matures. 16. Oranges. 17. To hasten. 18. Accepted. 19. Mendow. 20. Valuable property. 21. To sue. 22. Kilns to dry hops. 14. Violin-like instrument. 15. To banish (from classroom). 18. Born. 20. High priest who trained Samuel. 21. Homes of envoys. 22. Enlivens. 24. Applied secondary colors (tax title). 27. Collection of facts. 28. Billiard rod. 30. Fermented apple juice. 31. Destructive plant diseases. 32. Drunkard. 34. Electrified particles. 37. Cuckoo. 38. To lubricate. 44. Source. 45. Devoiced. 46. Before. 48. A weed (pl.). 50. To correct a composition. 51. To obliterate. 53. Clubfoot. 54. To drink dog fashion. 55. Insect. 57. To change a diamond setting. 61. To dine. 62. To plant seeds. 63. Siouan Indian tribe. 64. Stir. 65. Sun god. 67. Italian river. 69. Like.

Answer to yesterday's cross-word puzzle: ASSURES RANBLES TEA OLEFIN AYE TEPEE ARA TIDES ARIA BLEND ODDS CEPE SET ANI I KIN LO D SWEGE SOTTISH BENISON T E OATEN CP GARDENS ENTERED USE RE S A THOE A FAG SPA PAD G REIN STUFF PITA DANDY AOC PENAL EVE EPISODE ALE DESPAIR TOTIALED

school clerk, William G. Hughes is a candidate for school director of district 19 for a three-year term to succeed George Ditto, retiring chairman. Mr. Smith will be on the ballot to succeed himself. Today is the last day for candidates to get their names on the printed ballot. Phone S. E. Stevens for piano tuning. INSURE WITH HENRY TROMP

Ever See Crater Lake's Mystery Lady?

They say that sculptured in the rocks on the rim of Crater Lake is the base relief of a beautiful woman. Who she is, who the sculpture, what tragedy she symbolizes, are mysteries—according to tradition. This is but an incident in the myriad of wonders that abound at Crater Lake, no more than three hundred miles away from Eugene. Yet, have you seen them? A few spare dollars that you would throw away for nicknacks, if systematically deposited in one of our interest bearing savings accounts, would make this trip to Crater Lake easy for you. Join the army of those who have "seen things." It is easy if you systematically save.

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