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OREGON WEATHER
Weather for the Week
Pacific Coast States: Generally fair except probably showers Monday west of Cascades; normal temperatures.

CIVIC PRIDE AND VEGETATION

The spirit of progressiveness is in the air in the Grants Pass district. The old ramshackle buildings that have been a blot upon beauty and a constant source of irrigation to civic pride are giving way to modern structures.

CLEAN CITIES

Health Commissioner Copeland, of New York City, returns from a foreign tour, devoted to investigating health conditions, with the conviction that New York is "physically and morally cleaner than any European city."



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ness, be it noted generally go together. He condemns London especially for its failure to safeguard its food supply and to supervise distribution of milk, and finds it remarkable that any London child should survive, in view of its contaminated milk supply.

EYE HAS GREAT SENSITIVITY

Wonderful Human Organ Capable of Adapting Itself to Any Possible Circumstances.

On entering a dark room after a stay in the outside daylight the eye at once begins to increase in sensitivity. At first this increase appears to be slow, but after five minutes the increase is quite rapid.

No Time for Interruption.

"However deplorable the fact may be, playing two-handed pinochle at 25 cents a hand is one of the favorite diversions of commuters between this city, New York, Atlantic City, Cape May and other commercial outposts of Philadelphia.

Found "News" Exaggerated.

Believing that the United States was in the throes of a railroad strike and not a wheel was turning, Frederick R. Bartlett, wealthy sugar dealer and engineer, of Easton, Md., arrived at New York on the steamship Maracibo from Venezuela with a powerboat and enough gasoline to run it to his home town.

Historic House a Factory.

Apparatus for the manufacture of insecticide soon will be installed in the old Billip house at Tottenville, headquarters of General Howe during the British occupation of Staten Island in 1776 and since then a place of historic interest.

Marry in Haste.

At a tea a number of ladies were discussing the best age at which to marry. Some championed thirty years, some twenty-eight, some twenty-seven.

He Was Right.

"Can any boy tell me the three foods required to keep the body in health?" There was a silence in the class till one youth held up his hand and replied: "Your breakfast, your dinner and your supper!"

IS CAPTIVE 71 DAYS IN CHINA

Tells of His Experiences With the Outlaw Gang.

SUFFERED AWFUL HARDSHIPS

Dr. Shelton, Medical Missionary, Stationed for 17 Years in China, is Captured by Chinese Bandits and Held for Ransom—Finally Escapes and for 40 Days Underwent Most Terrible Travels—Tortured by Tumor.

Dr. A. L. Shelton, a medical missionary stationed for seventeen years at Batang, China, on the Tibetan border, arrived in New York recently after undergoing surgical treatment at the Mayo hospital, Rochester, Minn., made necessary by his sufferings while held captive for ransom by the bandit, Yang Tien Fu.

"We left Batang in November, and I was bringing my wife and daughters to the coast on their way home," said Dr. Shelton, telling his story. "I was going back to the interior. We had been coming toward the coast for 47 days, when all of a sudden bandits began firing at us from a cliff. Soon they swooped down and took everything we had, including myself."

"They asked me to go up the road and see their chief. Supposing he merely wanted to talk to me, I went. They tried to take my wife and children, but soldiers came from the town and saved them."

"The bandits kept me seventy-one days. We are greatly indebted to Father Bally, a French Catholic missionary, who has lived in Yunnan thirty years, and who took Mrs. Shelton and the girls to Yunnanfu while I was carried off through the country, constantly on the move, until I escaped."

Ransom Demanded.

"The bandits wanted to get the governor of the province into trouble. There were grudges and political reasons. They knew I was coming through and waited for me. They demanded \$50,000 worth of arms and ammunition in exchange for me, but I talked the chief, Yang Tien Fu out of this, saying I would not be ransomed, because it would get every missionary in the district into danger. Then he demanded a blanket pardon for himself and 800 followers."

"I was in favor of this, for in his hand were many good fellows who wanted to get back to civil life and honesty. Everything was ready to be signed up on this plan when the governor tried to surround them in the night to put them to death. This was the first month of our wanderings."

"They escaped with me and for forty days thereafter, I underwent the most terrible travels, with soldiers after us, sleeping out on the mountains, forced marches, and all the time undergoing torture from a tumor that began growing on my neck. At the end of the second month I was so weak that I rolled off my mule unaided and held on. Then they carried me another five days on two poles; at the end of which I was so nearly dead they left me in an old hay barn with four guards and instructions that if I died my body was to be secreted. If I got better, they were to be notified and would come back after me."

"For five days I lay in a hole in the ice straw and rested. Then came a report that soldiers were coming, and the whole village fled except an old man who brought me rice."

His Escape.

"The soldiers did not come, but a small official went through, and in the excitement I got out of the barn and made my way to the nearest Christian village, where I got a small pony, and the church elders held me on him for twenty hours until, the middle of the next afternoon, I reached a place where there was a magistrate and soldiers."

"Three days later, with an escort, I was met by Dr. E. P. Osgood of Chuchow, sent by our mission, and J. P. Thornton of the Standard Oil company, who had been appointed special representative of the United States to negotiate with the bandits for my release."

Dr. Shelton was operated on at the French hospital at Yunnanfu, united with his family and sent to America for surgical treatment here.

MEMORIAL FOR OFFICERS

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It is proposed not only to make the new building of national significance, on the order of Grant's tomb on the Hudson, but also to establish a great center for general patriotic activities, with meeting rooms for patriotic organizations and an auditorium for large public assemblages.

Prefers Electric Chair to Life Term.

Preference for death in the electric chair over life imprisonment has been expressed by John Egan, sentenced to life for the murder of Louis Klein. Egan has a wooden leg and he said, life in prison would be torture on account of the infirmity.

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