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WEST CHEHALEM

Chester Noble, who has spent the passed season working in Canada, is now home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Omar Fendall spent Sunday evening at the E. G. Fendall home.

George Morris recently purchased a new Ford. The "fivers" are getting thicker here every day.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Hesgard were Mrs. L. L. Amoth and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Finch and family.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Fendall were Rev. and Mrs. H. G. Crocker and son, George, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Seely.

Sunday school every Sunday, 10 o'clock a. m., DeVere Fendall, superintendent. Preaching service at 11 a. m. in charge of Rev. H. G. Crocker, at the West Chehalem union church. You are invited to be present.

Young people, you are cordially invited to attend and join the Christian Endeavor society which meets regularly every Sunday evening, 7:30, at the West Chehalem union church. The meeting Sunday will be led by Miss Ethel Bush and the topic will be "Perseverance."

On Friday, November 9, a joint school fair will be held at the Ewing Young school, district No. 10, at which prizes will be awarded for exhibits of garden products, canning and fancy work. Competent men will be in charge of the judging, and various features will make it an all day event. In the evening a program will be given. The schools to be represented are district No. 10; district No. 9, Chehalem Center; district No. 68, Ribbon Ridge; and district No. 61. All are invited to attend.

The Farmers' Union of West Chehalem will hold an open meeting on November 8 at the West Chehalem church. There will be a basket supper at 6:30. After supper Mr. Jewell, chief deputy of the Food and Dairy Commissioner, will talk on "Co-operation." J. Carl Nelson, president of the Chehalem Center Farmers' Union, will explain the work of the Farm Loan Association. During the same evening Miss Edna Mills, county agent of Washington, Yamhill and Polk counties, will address the women on "Home Economics" in the church basement. All interested are cordially invited to bring their baskets and spend the evening with us.

It used to be "West Chehalem against the world," but now it is "West Chehalem against the Kaiser," and the said impersonator of "His Satanic Majesty" might well "shake in his boots" if he could know how splendidly West Chehalem is doing her "bit." Not only was this community accorded the honor of firing the first gun in Oregon's second Liberty Loan drive, but also the farmers of the vicinity backed it up by buying bonds to such an extent that nearly everyone owns at least one Liberty bond, and others more than one. Besides, many of them have been, this summer, devoting their time to the production of "war crops." The women, not to be outdone, organized a Red Cross society and are making it go—knitting and sewing for "the boys" at the front. In the face of past performances it seems reasonable to expect that West Chehalem will be ready to "fall in line" with the Food Conservation program which was instituted this week.

Nothing New Under the Sun.
The strings of blue beads that the modern girl dons to ward off bronchitis are merely new versions of the strings of blue beads worn in Egypt 1,000 years before Christ to keep diseases of the chest at bay, says a writer in the Philadelphia North American. The tiny sealed bottle of mercury which she carried to ward off rheumatics had its prototype in bottles of a strange elixir used in India thirty centuries and more ago.

COURT TRIALS IN ITALY.

The Criminal Code There is Utterly Different From Ours.

Criminal court trials in Italy are conducted under a very simple system, though utterly different from the system which governs procedure in American or English courts, says an exchange.

The trial takes place before three judges and a jury, to which are added a certain number of extra jurors, who are sworn and are present in court to hear the testimony and are held ready to take the place in the jury box of any juror who may in the course of the trial be incapacitated from further service. The depositions of all the witnesses have been taken in writing and signed before the trial begins. Each of the judges has a copy of these before him. The prosecutor and the counsel for the accused furnish to the court a list of the witnesses they desire called, and these are all summoned by the court, which has power to punish nonattendance.

The first thing that happens when the trial begins is the questioning of the accused by the presiding justice. In Italy, as in most of continental Europe, a man accused of a crime is considered by the law to be the very best witness to his own guilt or innocence. In England and America the accused need not testify unless he chooses. In Italy he is the first and most important witness.

The accused is allowed the widest scope in defending himself. He has a right to tell his own story in his own way, to offer anything he can in the way of justification or palliation. Even hearsay evidence is admissible. The judge has absolute discretion as to what testimony may be received and what excluded, and any judge who exercised this discretion unfairly would be an object of execration. Bias on the part of one judge is possible, but there are always the other two judges on the bench with him, and they are a perfect check against unfairness.

When the accused has given his testimony he is confronted personally with his accuser. The accuser is necessarily the principal witness against him. Strictly speaking, the prisoner has no right to interrupt his accuser while the latter is telling his story, but in practice the judges permit it, and the confrontation sometimes becomes a three cornered debate between accuser, accused and judge, the latter giving the accused the widest leeway to demonstrate his innocence.—Case and Comment.

Source of Ivory.

Ivory is a hard substance, not unlike bone, of which the teeth of most animals chiefly consist, the dentine or tooth substance which in transverse sections show lines of different color running in circular arcs. It is used extensively for industrial purposes and is derived from the elephant, walrus, hippopotamus, narwhal and some other animals. The ivory of the tusks of the African elephant is held in the highest estimation by manufacturers. The tusks vary in size, ranging from a few ounces in weight to 170 pounds. Holtzapffel states that he saw fossil tusks on the banks of rivers of northern Siberia which weighed 186 pounds each. Ivory is simply tooth substance of exceptional hardness, toughness and elasticity.—Book of Wonders.

Ration of the Soldier.

The daily ration of the soldier in the United States army, says the American Medical Journal, consists of bread, 18 ounces; butter, one-half ounce, or jam, 1.28 ounces; potatoes, 20 ounces; bacon, 12 ounces; beans, 24 ounces; lard, 0.64 ounce; salt, 0.64; pepper, 0.04, and vinegar, 0.16 gill; coffee, 1.12 ounce; sugar, 3.2 ounces; evaporated milk, 5 ounces.

This ration contains 4,199 calories and is greatest of any of the armies of the world except Russia, in which the ration is said to contain 4,929 calories. The calories in the French ration are given as 3,340, the British 3,292 and the German 3,147.

Ancient Tunneling.

Although tunneling is among the most ancient of enterprises, more progress has been made in it the last century than in the twenty centuries which preceded it. It is now known that back in the semi-mythical days of the Theban kings the long tunnel into the mountain rock, expanding at a distance of 400 feet or so into some lofty chamber, was a common work. The rock temples of Nubia, too, and of India show that in certain matters at any rate moderns may still learn from the ancients.

Dark Ages.

The dark ages was the period of European history beginning with the irruption of barbarian hordes before the fall of the western Roman empire (A. D. 476), extending to the Italian Renaissance (thirteenth century) and characterized by the decay of civilization.

Two Verdicts.

There was a man who, in addition to being a fine blacksmith, was as congenial a soul as one could find.

Some of his well meaning friends persuaded him to take up flute playing. "You can do it," said one. "By all means," said another. So the blacksmith, being the congenial soul that he was, toddled away faithfully, in time attaining enough proficiency to imitate a peanut whistle. Recapitulation. In the opinion of blacksmiths he was a fine flute player. The verdict of the flute players was that he was a fine blacksmith. (Beautiful weather, isn't it?)—Philadelphia North American.

Compliments.

It was a little hard on the boy, for he meant well and had a sincere admiration for the girl. They were sitting at the tea table with a company of others, and as he passed her the sugar he murmured in an undertone:

"Here it is, sweet, just like you." The compliment was a little awkward, to be sure, but he meant it, and it seemed more than cruel when in a moment later she had occasion to pass the butter to him and drawled:

"Here it is, soft, just like you."

Wireless Waves.

When radio waves travel along the surface of the sea or of any other good conductor their fronts stand up nearly vertically. When they pass across stretches of poorly conducting earth, however, the tops tend to gain and the whole wave front tips forward in the direction of motion. Resisting currents in the surface of the earth cause resistance losses and the waves rapidly become weaker. This is why it is more difficult to send wireless signals over ground than over salt water.—Popular Science Monthly.

Many Languages.

It is said that there are more than 3,400 languages, including dialects, in the world. Most of them belong, of course, to savage or uncivilized people. There are said to be more than 900 languages used in Asia, almost 600 in Europe, 275 in Africa and more than 1,600 languages and dialects which are American.

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