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of distinctive merchandise---the kind of goods that you will be glad to give and receive. Come in and see our display.

On Saturday, December 15

Santa Claus will give a toy "FREE" to every boy and girl who are accompanied by their parents.

COME EARLY

Weinstein's Cut Rate Stores BURNS

STATE MARKET NEWS

C. E. Spence, Market Agent
The state market agent states that the farmer lacks the instinct for co-operation from the fact that he is an individualist, and that only by constantly driving home the conditions forced onto him because of his defenseless position, will come joint action for a common purpose that will give his industry its just returns. And Mr. Spence cites the dangerous statistics that about half the farms of the nation are now tenant farms, with the proportion that increasing; that western farms are over-mortgaged and over-taxed and that with the less-than-cost returns for many products for the past two or three years, too many farmers cannot stand the killing overhead, and are forced out. Joint action is the only hope for relief. Farmers must control production, markets and distribution—they must control their own business as other industries control theirs.

Farmers Take Notice

The Warehouse law of Oregon requires every warehouse taking in grain to be bonded and to operate under a license obtained from the Grain Inspection Department. The bond is required in order to safeguard farmers storing their grain. The license is merely a receipt that bond has been furnished and to show to the public that the warehouse is operating according to law.

A few warehouses in the state have not yet complied with the law, and from what can be learned from different sources are operating without a license. The penalty for operating without a license is \$50. a day. All licenses terminate July 1, and if not renewed promptly, places the warehouse liable to the fine when ever it operates without a license.

It would not only be the act of a good citizen, but really his duty,

for any one to report to the State Market Agent any irregularity in the warehouse business. If there is a warehouse in the state of Oregon receiving grain from farmers and operating without a license, those farmers storing grain in such warehouse have no protection for loss or theft.

These warehouses are licensed from the Grain Inspection Department and delinquencies should be reported to the State Market Agent, 723 Court House, Portland, as such report might be the means of saving himself or neighbor from heavy loss.

PARIS OF AMERICA IS SCENE OF PHOTODRAMA

Gloria Swanson's Picture, "My American Wife" Has Buenos Aires for Its Background

"The Paris of Latin America" on the screen. The life of one of the most striking cities of the world has at last come under the glare of the motion picture camera.

The beautiful city of Buenos Aires capital of the Argentine Republic, "the Paris of Latin America," is the locale of Sam Wood's new Paramount production, "My American Wife," starring Gloria Swanson, which will be the feature at the Liberty Theatre tomorrow night.

Although the city is the third largest in the western hemisphere, following Chicago in population, and is second largest Latin city in the world, being second only to Paris, its highly civilized and cultured people, its politics, its beautiful architecture and its fine art academies have been practically obscure, because it is one of the few great cities of the world, the life and institutions of which have not yet been presented on the motion picture screen.

"My American Wife," is practically the first screen production which is

entirely concerned with the people, architecture, customs and traditions of that great city, and for this reason will doubtless prove a unique revelation of an interesting, virgin locale.

The picture is a romance the principal characters being a young Argentine politician and sportsman, and an American girl with whom he falls in love. Scenes are shown in the Argentine chamber of deputies, in a low-class cafe-dive, in an aristocratic, yet Bohemian studio party, and in one of the historic old estancias or haciendas of the aristocratic La Tassa family. Other colorful scenes show the Hippodrome, the race track at Buenos Aires and one of the big racing events staged thereon.

Antonio Moreno, a popular actor, and a suitable Argentine type, plays the leading role opposite Miss Swanson—that of Manuel La Tassa, the young politician and sportsman. Others in the cast are Josef Swickard, Eric Mayne, Geno Corrado, Edythe Chapman, Eileen Pringle, Loyal Underwood, Walter Long, F. R. Butler, and Jacques D'Auray.

Yakima has long had the top market for potatoes in Portland because of grading and guaranteeing an honest pack. The new potato grading law should redeem this market for Oregon growers.

The revival meetings which have been going the past two weeks at the Baptist Church closed last Sunday night. The pastor will preach as usual next Sunday morning and evening, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion will meet at the home of Mrs. C. E. Dillman Dec. 7. Nomination of officers and other important business matters to take place—every one urged to be present.

We will do your job work.

RAILROADS SET EIGHT RECORDS IN YEAR 1923

MORE FREIGHT TRAFFIC HANDLED DURING YEAR THAN IN ANY SIMILAR PERIOD

SPEND \$1,303,000,000 FOR NEW FACILITIES

PLANS MADE TO CONTINUE FINE RECORD OF EFFICIENCY WITH AID OF SHIPPERS

At least eight new records in transportation service to the public have been set by the railroads this year.

This was disclosed in the report of Directors of the American Railway Association, just received by the Southern Pacific Company, reviewing results of the program to furnish adequate transportation to the public, adopted early in 1923, and telling of plans to continue this good work for the rest of the year and in 1924.

The new records established are as follows:

(1) The railroads, from January 1 to October 1 put in service 134,636 new freight cars and 2,963 new locomotives—a larger number than in any similar period during the last ten years.

(2) A larger number of locomotives and cars have been repaired and put in serviceable condition than ever before in any equal period.

(3) The railroads handled more freight business between January 1 and October 29 than in any corresponding previous period. The number of cars loaded with revenue freight was 40,545,920. This compares with 34,220,426 in 1922 an increase of 18 per cent; and with 36,827,588 in 1920, the previous record year, or an increase of 10 per cent.

The box car surplus in the grain producing states has been the greatest in history.

(4) The average miles moved by each freight car daily in the first 9 months of the year was 27.6 miles, and in September reached 29.2 miles. This compares with 22.5 miles in the first 9 months of 1922, 22 miles in 1921 and 24.5 in 1920. This figure is based upon the total number of freight cars owned, whether in transit or not.

Without Congestion
(5) Because of these increases in facilities resulting in the more rapid movement of cars a record breaking business was handled without congestion and with practically no car shortage or embargoes for the first time in years.

(6) The amount of freight service rendered with each car was 511 tons carried one mile daily during 9 months of 1923, which exceeds the record of any previous year, and surpasses that of 1922 by over 31 per cent.

(7) From January 1 to October 1 the number of tons of coal dumped at Lake Erie ports for movement by boat to the Northwest was greater than in any previous year. The program of providing coal for the Northwest was completed much earlier than in any previous year, thereby making available additional locomotives and cars for other commercial interests during the fall and winter months.

(8) A greater amount of railroad coal has been placed in stockpile storage than was ever heretofore stored by the railroads, thereby making available additional locomotives and cars for general commercial service during the fall and winter months.

The railroads have spent \$1,303,244,000 for new equipment and other facilities this year up to October 1, a record amount.

In addition to these expenditures the Class 1 roads in 1923 expended \$1,668,573,271 for materials and supplies used in operation and maintenance and this year will have spent \$1,890,000,000 by the end of December for this purpose.

Altogether the Class 1 roads in 1923 will have spent over three billion dollars for equipment and facilities, materials and supplies. This money has gone to the industries of the country and is one of the prime causes contributing to their expansion and the employment of labor, which, in turn, has been a major factor in the increase in domestic demand for both the products of industry and the farm.

Fair Income Needed

The Association points out that a continuance of these enormous capital expenditures, which are necessary if the public is to be adequately served, depends on such net income to the carriers as will permit a fair return on the property now devoted to the public service and will make it possible to secure the new capital which is imperatively needed. Attention is called to the fact that despite the unprecedented volume of traffic successfully handled this year, the railroads have not earned even the moderate net income permitted by the Transportation Act.

The Association also voiced the appreciation of the roads for the co-operation of the shipping public which has greatly assisted the handling of equipment. Their continued assistance is sought.

MAY FILM DEER ON WINTER RANGE

The Oregon Game Commission may send a moving picture expedition to the Murderers Creek section this winter to film the thousands of deer that winter there annually. The film will be used as an educational feature to show the necessity of giving adequate protection to the animal on its winter range. If winter killing was generally allowed there would be no deer in the mountains in a short time as when they are bunched for winter they are very easily killed and the game hog would soon exterminate them.

It is expected that they will ask Mr. Herrick to join the expedition with his cougar hounds as many cougar follow the deer bands into the winter ranges and if Mr. Herrick will accept the invitation it will serve the double purpose of saving many deer and at the same time furnish him with his favorite sport.

WHEN WILL IT COME?

"I wonder when the time will come—and let us pray that it may be soon—when the men on the farm and the men in the factory and work shop and mine will come together for the purpose of protecting each other and all from the common enemy—their common exploiters."—From the speech of Samuel Gompers in his Portland address.

FOR SALE—Registered Guernsey Bull, 4 years old—J. G. Dent, Burns, Oregon. 12-1-23.

FROM THE DELIVERY BOY

"There's only one 'I' in shopping—and only one 'u' in such. Shop early this Christmas."

JUST LIKE THAT

Wife: "Where have you been?"
Husband: "Shooting with Mike."
Wife: "Shoot anything?"
Husband: "Sure—Mike."

REASON ENOUGH

"Why does Jerry Smith dodge Widow Tillie?"
"S-h-h-h! She's an old dame—and making it hot for him."

NOW THEY DON'T SPEAK

"B-e-r-r! Guess I'm getting old. This cold weather chills me to the bone."
"Why don't you wear a fur cap?"

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