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BOY SCOUTS

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SCOUT CAPTURES BANDITS

That boy scouts are practical workers for community law and order is shown in the recent vigorous good turn of Scout John Watkins of Philadelphia who, after an exciting chase on foot, trolley car and automobile, trailed three burglars and caused the arrest of two of them.

Scout Watkins first learned of the bandit activities when Morris Cohen, proprietor of a drug store which the boy was passing, rushed from his shop, shouting he had been robbed, states a Philadelphia Journal.

"The men had entered the store and had taken \$50 from the proprietor's pocket and a gold watch and chain. They then forced the druggist to the cellar, took \$80 from the cash register, and left the store, on the run. The scout noticed them first as they passed him, and a few moments later when Cohen emerged and described what had occurred, the boy started in pursuit.

"Once he nearly caught up to the bandits, but helpless to do anything single-handed, kept them in sight until he would see a policeman. At another point in the chase Watkins jumped on the rear of a passing automobile. Sighting the men boarding a trolley, the boy jumped from the auto and hung on back of the car until he saw two policemen, to whom he called. They boarded the car and Watkins identified two of the burglars. The third could not be found. On the floor of the car, near where the men had been seated, the police found the money and two pistols. The burglars were taken to the police station."

Scout Watkins recently saved the lives of three small children when a team of horses attached to the wagon in which the children were riding, became frightened and ran away. Watkins leaped on back of the wagon and, grabbing the reins, brought the animals to a stop.

A SCOUT'S POINT OF VIEW



The scout movement carries a boy back to nature and teaches him not only how to take care of himself in meeting all conditions of the open, but also to observe and appreciate the great out-of-doors.

"HOME OF BOY SCOUT HEROES"

Cosmopolis, Wash., has good claim to the name—"Home of Boy Scout Heroes." Within a period of four days two boys recently made heroic rescues in the Chehalis river and saved lives. Scout Burton Keegan, thirteen years of age, is one of the life savers. According to the story of three witnesses, Keegan swam half-way across the river and rescued a ten-year-old crippled lad who had become weakened in an attempt to swim the river. Keegan was standing on the dock when the younger boy, who had just reached midstream, suddenly felt his strength leaving him and called for help. The scout immediately jumped into the river and reached the lad as he was sinking. Keegan started to swim toward shore with the boy. He became exhausted before he reached the end of his long journey and several other boys helped him. The crippled lad was in a semi-conscious condition when he was placed on the bank of the river, but first aid administered by his scout rescuer revived him and he was taken to his home. The second hero, Scout Mike Luke, also rescued a drowning person. Fred Ruffelson, from the Chehalis when the latter fell off the Cosmopolis city dock.

BOY SCOUTS AID COMMUNITY

A valuable community good turn was recently performed by six troops of Ogden, Utah, in fighting a large forest fire advancing in a canyon some miles from the city. Within one hour after a distress call had reached scout headquarters, the boys were on their way, armed with shovels and axes. At 8:30 p. m. the scouts reached the fire area, and by 10 p. m. after heroic work, they had the flames under control. The boys then stood guard to put out any stray sparks.

THE AMERICAN LEGION MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Officers of the American Legion have under way a campaign for membership. Oregon has a large number of men who are eligible and the officers have an ambition to bring the membership well over the ten thousand mark.

Those who are eligible for membership have so much in common that association holds out a promise of untold pleasures during all the years. That delightful association is impossible in the ranks of the Legion, an organization founded for God and Country, purely and vigorously American. This campaign, should be a success. The organization has a duty it owes to the disabled men and that duty will continue through the years, probably will become heavier and more important. It cannot be discharged save by the organized strength of all the men who were in the uniform during the world war. The Legion is the exponent of militant Americanism and there is need for that to be taught and kept before the public continuously. Each member continues to serve well his country by lending his aid and adding his voice to the chorus. It was the experience of the Grand Army of the Republic that growth was slow, not because men were not interested but because they delayed action. It was many years before the G. A. R. pushed its membership to the high mark. The Legion will be the legitimate successor to G. A. R. and will receive a heritage from that organization that makes membership doubly desirable if the men eligible will give it consideration. Mr. Executive Man, if you do not belong, remember, the American Legion Needs You.

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WALNUT GROWERS TO MEET

The Western Nut Growers' Association will meet in Newberg, December 11 and 12, says G. E. Schuster, assistant horticulturist for the O. A. C. experiment station. The culture and marketing of walnuts will be stressed this year. Culture will be considered from the beginners' standpoint with many instructive talks by men who have made a success of the walnut industry. Dealers will also tell what the market demands and what takes the high prices.

INSECT CONTROL ESSENTIAL

The importance of insect control is growing every year, as the injurious kinds are many and increase with great rapidity. A single insect may lay from 3000 to 4000 eggs a day, which in a short time hatch other insects that soon lay eggs. The Japanese beetle is cited as an instance of rapid increase. It took five New Jersey entomologists five days to find six of these beetles in 1916, while the state was paying 80 cents a quart of 3000 for their capture six years later.

HANNCHEN BARLEY IS STANDARD

Opportunity for growing more Hannchen barley is unusually good, provided growers can get seed before the supply is gone, as fall plantings of grain in western Oregon this year were not so extensive as in former years. Hannchen barley was introduced by the Oregon experiment station nine or ten years ago. Seed supply has rarely been enough to supply the demand, as many farmers grow only enough for feed and seed. Some Hannchen was exported this year by a Portland grain concern that speaks highly of it as export barley. It is the standard variety for western Oregon and Clackamas counties.

NOT GOOD IF DETACHED

"Pat, my boy," said the politician who had listened to the young Irishman's speech. "I wish I had your tongue."

"Shure, sor," grinned Pat. "It would be no use to you without me brains."

REALLY

He—Remember when we first met in the revolving door at the store entrance?

She—But that wasn't the first time we met.

He—Well, that's when we started going around together wasn't it?

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Interesting Little Notes from the Surrounding Country as Told by Our Active Special Correspondents Weekly

SCOFIELD NEWS

E. B. Whittlesey spent the week in Portland.

Mrs. H. Kimmel was in Buxton Sunday morning.

Lyle Bledsoe of Burville was in Scofield Sunday afternoon.

Joe Bellish was in Buxton Sunday morning between trains.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bellish visited Sunday at Buxton with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Myers was in Buxton on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. McNally was in Buxton Wednesday morning on business.

Mrs. L. L. Crawford and son were shopping at Buxton Saturday morning.

Kenneth Benefiel and wife and son motored to Hillsboro Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grafton was visiting at Portland over the week end with friends.

Mrs. John Kalish and daughter Marie of Timber visited Tuesday here with the G. Pintch family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Riggles of Buxton visited Saturday evening and Sunday here at the K. Benefiel home.

Jack Benefiel and wife motored to Hillsboro Saturday evening to see Jack's father, who is ill at Dr. Smith's hospital.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Wash. C. Abs. Co. to P. A. & P. R. R. Co., 5.32 ac., Sec. 33, T. 3 N., R. 4 W., \$1.

Ambers-Thornburgh to P. A. & P. R. R. Co., Tracts in Secs. 15 and 24, T. 2 N., R. 4 W., \$10.

Fred Cool et al to E. Dean Travis, 1.15 ac., A. W. Hart D. L. C. No. 60, T. 1 S., R. 1 W., \$10.

James A. Baker et ux to Benjamin Davis et ux, 1/4 ac., Sec. 35, T. 1 S., R. 4 W., \$500.

Ladessa G. Hocken et vir to Preston Holt et ux, Lots 1 and 2, Blk. 4, Hocken's 3rd Add., Beaverton, \$10.

William H. Danser et ux to E. A. Landauer et ux, Lot 10, Cornelius Environs, -10.

Clyde May to Valley Land Co., 141-1000 ac., Sec. 35, T. 1 N., R. 1 W., \$10.

Ella G. Duriam Bell et al to Charles Krebs, et al, Tracts 15 and 16, Fanno Creek Acres, \$10.

Chas. Krebs et al to Lucile Martin Tueth et vir, Lots 15 and 16, Fanno Creek Acres, \$1.

Abraham Stoller et ux to Fred Stoller, 5 ac., Sec. 21, T. 1 N., R. 1 W., \$10.

Emil Heeb to Andrew Heeb, Sr., Lots 11 and 10, Blk. 1, North Hillsboro Ac., \$10.

W. T. Davis et ux to J. H. Lester, Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 6, Orenco townsite, \$10.

J. C. Foster to Carrie M. Foster, Lot 2, Blk. 9, Forest Grove, \$1.

John Ferguson et ux to C. H. Gustafson, Lot 44, Amended plat North Tigardville Add., \$10.

R. V. Nichols et ux to Chas. M. Bea et ux, Lots 7 and 8 and 10, Good Ac., \$10.

F. H. Hocken et ux to Wm. Ryan et ux, Lot 7, Blk. 4, Hocken's 3rd Add., Beaverton, \$10.

William Ryan et ux to Peter M. Olson et ux, Lots 7 and 8, Blk. 4, Hocken's 3rd Add., Beaverton, \$10.

Andrew Heeb Jr. to Emil Heeb, Lots 11 and 10, Blk. 1, North Hillsboro Ac., \$10.

OREGON STATE NEWS

The Portland exports for the first ten months of 1924 were \$38,587,737. The lumber shipment was 298,000,000 feet, valued at \$7,788,635.

The west side block south of the Courthouse in Salem will be adorned with a skyscraper.

Grading will be begun soon on the Maple Creek-Fiddle Creek Road, near Eugene, to cost \$15,000.

The walnut plant at McMinnville handles four tons of English walnuts daily. Nuts are sorted and packed for market, under four size grades.

The Fairmount Heights water reservoir at Eugene has been completed at a cost of \$17,000.

During the past ten months 1219 vessels entered the Port of Portland, with a tonnage of 3,361,742 tons. This gave almost four ships for every working day, with an average tonnage of 2750 tons.

The postoffice at Madras has been reequipped with lock boxes to replace those lost in the recent fire.

Oregon has a population of 955,662 people, by the state chamber of commerce count. This shows a gain of 171,273 or 19 per cent since the 1920 census.

The Leona Mills at Roseburg which have been closed for several years, have been purchased by Portland creditors.

HE'LL BE RICH THEN

First Lawyer—How did your client take his sentence?

Second Lawyer—Not badly; it just fits in with the time when his 20-year endowment policy matures!

IS IT CHEAPER TO RENT THAN TO BUY A FARM?

Whether it is cheaper to rent than to buy a farm in this state is a problem confronting the farmer today.

Interesting data bearing on this much discussed question has just been made available by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation. A government survey covering 337 farms in Washington County on which cash rents were paid showed that in 1920 the average cash rent was \$4.79 per acre and that the average valuation per acre was \$143. This means a gross return to the owner of 3.3 per cent. In the case of other farms in this county which were rented to kinsfolk, the cash rent was \$4.68 per acre, which amounted to a gross return to the owner of 3.1 per cent on the rated value of the land, which was \$150 per acre.

While these figures may not apply with equal force to individual farms in the county, elaborate tests in most counties have shown them to be correct. Furthermore, while it is true that these figures are based on 1920 reports and land values in most states have fallen materially since that time, it is believed that cash rents have varied in approximately like proportion. The ratio between the rents and land values given above may therefore be taken as applying to the present year. State and local taxes in most states are somewhat higher than in 1920, consequently the net return is usually lower.

What effect existing conditions will have on farm tenancy in the coming decade, there is no forecasting, the Foundation states, but in the long run the rate of net returns must determine the selling price of land.

EZRA MEEKER

Ezra Meeker, years ago, Drove his oxen, drove them slow. He had a task, he must not fail;

'Twas up to him to blaze a trail. He left his mark as he went along. Since then a million people strong

Have come and traveled with-out fear Within the tracks of the pioneer.

The ox and horse have had their day, The automobile has come to stay. And listen here, the other day Old Ezra blazed again away.

This time he went up in the air, Not angry, no, a voyage rare. He's gone to sail upon a plane And maybe a few thrills to gain.

He felt so safe he'd take a peep, And then he'd rest and take a sleep. His nose got cold, but not his feet, And that makes a pioneer complete.

But who'd have thought in days gone by That he by aeroplane would fly. To write it down, 'twould be some tale, To aeroplane from oxen trail.

Anna S. Herzog

HIGH SCHOOL

Armistice Day was a holiday for B. H. S. Attendance and recitations 100% perfect.

"To be or not to be: That is the question." Oh, yes, the Senior class is studying Hamlet this term. Oh, you poor Dane! Both civics classes visited the polls election day and learned the fine art of voting. They said they heard Mr. Cochrane swear—in his vote.

The books for the Student Body play have arrived and the cast of characters made. Juniors and Sophs predominate in the cast as these classes will not give a play this year. The play is entitled "Nothing But The Truth" and will be coached by Mrs. Dewhurst, as last year.

Gleams on the windows in Mr. Cochrane's room have produced driblet conditions by shutting out the storm blasts which formerly circulated freely there. So no more adjourned classes because of cold. For every good there is always some drawback, don't you think, A. G. G.?

Weather forecaster Wells of the government weather bureau in Portland gave an address before the Science classes on the work of his department. It was very interesting and particularly so at the present time for we know why the weather "cuts up" so at the present time although Mr. Wells himself appears to be a very sedate gentleman. Now we won't hold Mr. Wells responsible for the way the weather acts, no matter what it does.

PARCEL POST

We see that in Washington down in South Bend Where someone a rifle to a resident sent,

It came along by parcel post And fell in the package from on high, and the most

Damage it did, when it discharged a shell That was left in the barrel, as on the floor it fell.

Say, that must have given the postal employees some scare. Next time such should be sent with a notice "Handle with care."

Don't it beat all from coast to coast, What things are sent by parcel post?

The earwig, too, so it was told me Come over from France across the sea.

They couldn't collect any fare, you see, Because it arrived in shrubbery. But look at the pest it has become. It puts gardens and trees on the bum.

It really started in Walnut Park But who the guilty party is we're still in the dark.

But this we do know, with the earwig Oregon has no date, And it should not have been allowed to immigrate.

For it is a hyphen that will surely do harm, Whether it is in the city or out on the farm.

It will crawl within the heart of a rose, And there is danger of getting it in your nose.

If you should stoop the rose to smell, And it will scare you so, but well—

There's one consolation, they are fighting it strong And we hope it will be gone before long.

But we read a report the other day, How a cow ate some poison that was laid away.

For earwigs among some bran What foolishness from some man.

But the cow couldn't tell, she didn't know. Now she's gone the way all sick bossies go.

Anna S. Herzog

WHY TRAVEL

"What will you do next?"

"A photoplay in the great north woods."

"When are you going?"

"Where to?"

"The great north woods."

"You don't understand the possibilities of the movie. Our next location is just half a mile from where we did the South sea island stuff."

DIFFERENT WAYS OF USING CRANBERRIES

They Help Greatly to Replace Fruits and Berries

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Cranberries have many uses in addition to the traditional sauce or jelly that accompanies the Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys. Coming on the market, as they do, when cold weather begins, they help to replace the fresh fruits and berries that have disappeared from the market, and furnish fruit acids and other valuable constituents needed in the diet.

Cranberry sauce is, of course, the easiest use for these berries, because it takes but a few minutes to cook the cranberries and sugar sufficiently. When made with a small amount of water the sauce will be firm enough to turn out of molds when cold. Any good cookbook gives directions for making cranberry sauce to accompany turkey or other poultry. When cranberry jelly is preferred the sauce must be strained. Cranberry ice or sherbet, made with the juice of fresh berries, is often served with the meat course instead of the more common cranberry sauce.

Either the sauce or jelly may be stored, like any other preserves, in sterilized glasses covered with paraffin. It is then useful as a spread for bread, as a sandwich filling, in tart shells for desserts, on ice cream or plain blanc mange, on shortcake, as a sauce for hot cake-like desserts such as cottage pudding or puffs, with pancakes, in jelly rolls, layer cake or charlotte russe.

In addition to being spread on shortcake, cranberry sauce can be combined with biscuit dough in several ways. Served in a baking dish, covered with a biscuit top, it becomes "cranberry cobbler"; spread on a square of biscuit dough, such as one makes for Dutch apple cake, and then baked, it makes a cranberry cake, which many people would prefer to a tart or other pastry.

Cranberry pie may be made of cranberry sauce or cranberries, either with or without raisins. When equal parts of raisins and cranberries are used it is often called "mock cherry" pie. Cranberry pies are usually made without a top crust, although a lattice of pastry strips may be used, or a meringue may be spread over the top and delicately browned. In a variation of "mock cherry" pie, chopped, pitted, cooked prunes are substituted for raisins.

Cranberries may be introduced in many dishes where cherries would be used in the spring. A hot steamed pudding, made by a biscuit dough recipe, is excellent if one cupful of cranberries is stirred in for each pint of flour. Cranberries may be used in richer steamed puddings, such as bread puddings, in which ingredients may be put into baked or boiled bread puddings, "cottage" or stale-cake puddings, or plain batter pudding. Most of these desserts require a sauce of some sort. A soft "hard" sauce is excellent with any of them, or a liquid sauce, such as foamy or lemon sauce, thickened with egg and cornstarch, or cranberry sauce itself. Cranberry soufflé can be made if it is not necessary to economize on eggs. Steamed brown bread may have cranberries in it.

Candied cranberries are easy to make and have many uses. The United States Department of Agriculture has a recipe for preparing them which will be furnished to those interested. They can be put into many of the desserts mentioned instead of fresh cranberries, and used in all the ways in which glazed cherries are used. Dropped in batter and fried, candied cranberries make unusual fritters as an accompaniment to meat or for a luncheon dessert. They are good on or in ice cream, in cake icing, on cookies, in mixed fruit gelatins, in coffee rings, buns or other raised doughs; dipped in sweet chocolate, or eaten just as they are.

A very good cranberry relish or conserve can be made of cranberries, sugar, raisins, orange peel and juice, vinegar, sugar and spices. The proportions are about the same as in other fruit conserves containing oranges and raisins.

Postal Service Growth

The United States postal service really began in 1639 when an office was set up in Boston tavern to receive letters from Europe. The growth has been steady ever since. High lights in its course were the appointment of Benjamin Franklin as first postmaster general in 1775, adoption of gummed stamps in 1847, free city delivery in 1863, railway post office service in 1864, rural service in 1896, postal savings banks in 1911, parcel post in 1913, airplane mail service in 1918, and daily transcontinental air-mail service in 1924.

Grapes Valuable Food

Eat grapes and fight anemia. Grapes are particularly valuable in the health diet because of the iron they contain which helps to build up the red corpuscles of the blood. There is need of a medical motive to persuade us to eat this delicious fruit, but to know that while we are eating grapes we are building up our circulation is surely not displeasing.

In addition to the iron the grape contains other highly valuable minerals, which it carries into grape juice, and other preparations to which this abundant fruit so readily lends itself.

The Melancholy Days



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