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THE OLD TIME CHRISTMAS

Old-timers caught in the holiday rush and gazing at the wonderfully alluring panorama of the shop windows often fall into a reminiscent mood and re-live the Christmases of the long ago. Who does not fondly recall the magic in his childhood? Most of the presents were home-made. Perhaps grandma furnished mittens, knitted by oil lamp after you had been tucked in bed—thick warm mittens with a long cord that extended up through coat sleeves and around neck to prevent loss. Aunt Saphronia gave you a basket of Christmas cookies, shaped like animals and stars and covered with delicious colored sugar. Uncle Tom gave you a watch, and his generosity appalled you even if it was the old turnip that he had discarded. You can imagine the reaction you would get if you tried giving a 1925 boy a second-hand timepiece. Most of the presents were useful, in the old days, including a reefer overcoat and a new pair of shoes. As for "boughten" presents, they were limited to "The Erie Train Boy," by Alger, Henty's "With Clive in India," a new Testament, a sled, a pair of skates and that most wonderful of all-time toys, a tin monkey that climbed a string. At that, Christmas of long ago represented proportionately as big an outlay as now, comparing earnings in the two periods. But the gift itself was secondary to the spirit of the giver. Somehow every grown-up can't help believing the Christmas dinners of those days were superior. The Christmas eve entertainment at the church was an enjoyable as the modern movie. And Christmas is always changing and (to adults) never for the better.

The national Grange has been shooting in some facts and figures to the Interstate Commerce Commission that undoubtedly would give the farmers a verdict by a jury court. A brief filed gives figures showing that present average rates for all hauls of farm products is \$4.50 a ton, while the average rate on all manufactured products is a little over \$2 a ton. The brief cites that although only about half the total of farm products are moved by trains, agriculture pays six per cent of its entire income for freight charges, while on the other side, 90 per cent of the products of industry are moved by rail, yet but a little more than two per cent of its income is paid for freight. The Grange contends that the farmers are paying altogether too much of the nation's freight bill and that rates should be adjusted on an equal basis. The various state Granges take the same stand on the matter of taxation—that farm lands pay far too much of taxes, and that they should only pay their just proportion, based on returns from the lands.

Persons who have not given the subject of advertising a serious thought may be inclined to believe that Standard products could be sold cheaper if the manufacturers did not spend so much money in advertising them. The contrary is the truth. Every concern which seeks a general market for its goods finds it necessary to set aside a certain sum each year for advertising, and this is charged as a part of the operating expenses, the same as rent, fuel or insurance. The aim of the advertising manager is to buy the largest possible circulation among persons who would be interested in his product. Every manufacturer has certain fixed charges which must be paid out of the receipts from the business, and the larger the volume of business that can be created the less per article is charged for the payment of overhead costs. This volume of business is obtained only by creating a demand for the goods.

At an agricultural conference recently held at Sioux Falls, S. D., six governors, representing middle west states, reported to Secretary Jardine that agriculture must have an even break with industry and labor in the way of tariff protection if the tariff system is to continue, and they asked that legislation to this end be recommended by the secretary. From many other agricultural sources have come the veiled threat that unless the farming industry be given its just proportion of protection that agriculture would use all its influence to have the protection bars on industrial products lowered to the farm level.

L. A. Morris, potato inspector for Columbia county, says the inspection law is protection to growers, retailers and consumers and that when they understand it better they will

all heartily observe it. Mr Morris boasts that Columbia county heads all others of the state in observance, and that not a retail merchant in the whole county will handle a sack of potatoes that is not branded with the growers name and address and the grade. The State Market agent says if the counties generally would do as Columbia county has done the law would be fully enforced. Retail merchants hold the key to enforcement, and it not only protects and benefits them, but guarantees an honest pack to their customers.

The Grain Standards Board of Toronto, Canada, says that over 30 per cent of the wheat inspected to date in that district has been excluded from Standards grades because of smut, and the season's loss to the farmers will be from five to 15 cents per bushel, or a total of \$700,000. Smut lays a heavy toll on Oregon wheat and the State Market Agent urges treatment of all seed to eradicate it.

The Christmas Turkey has coughed up the proverbial diamond. Mrs. So-and-So of New Orleans, while dressing a turkey for her Christmas dinner, etc., etc.

The Athena Press has a birthday anniversary to chronicle. We're forty-seven years old today.

A large number of Athena people attended the community club dance at Weston Christmas eve and report a splendid time.

James J. Crossley

of Portland, Oregon

hereby announces that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for U. S. Senator at the May, 1926, Primaries. Will work zealously for development of Oregon and support of measures for real benefit of farmers as suggested by their organizations. Favor World Court and Reform Senate Rules.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Athena, Oregon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it, will be held in its office in Athena, Oregon, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1926, at the hour of two o'clock P. M.

Dated December 11th, 1925.

F. S. LEGROW, Cashier.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County, In the Matter of the Estate of Jacob Franklin Reno Deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Jacob Franklin Reno, deceased, by the above entitled Court. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at Athena, Oregon, or to my attorneys, Watts & Prestbye, at their office in Athena, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All claims must be verified as by law required.

Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 11th day of December A. D. 1925.

S. F. Sharp, Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Jacob Franklin Reno, deceased.

Watts & Prestbye Athena, Oregon, Attorneys for Estate. D11J8.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of David Taylor, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of David Taylor, deceased, in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County, and that Saturday, February 6th, 1926, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. of said day, and the County Court Room in the County Court House at Pendleton, Umatilla County, State of Oregon, has been fixed by said Court as the time and place for the settlement of said account.

All persons interested are hereby notified to appear at such time and place in said Court and file any objections they may have to such account or to any part thereof.

SHELDON D. TAYLOR, Administrator of the estate of David Taylor, Deceased. J1J29.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT AND REPORT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County, In the Matter of the Estate of August Gudarian, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons to whom it may concern that Julius A. Gudarian, executor of the last will and testament of August Gudarian, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Court by order duly made and entered herein has appointed Saturday the 30th day of January, 1926, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court House at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place where all objections and exceptions to said final account and report will be heard and a settlement of the estate made.

Dated this Friday the 1st day of January, 1926.

JULIUS A. GUDARIAN, Executor

Will M. Peterson, Attorney for Executor. J1J29.

Hall's Catarrh Medicine

is a Combined Treatment, both local and internal, and has been successful in the treatment of Catarrh for over forty years. Sold by all druggists.

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Iowa Town Seized by Desperadoes

Dows, Ia.—Making captives of the town marshal, the telephone operator and the railroad operator and severing all wire communication with other towns, half a dozen bank robbers invaded this village, wrecked the safe of the State bank at Dows and escaped with cash and bonds amounting to \$8000 or \$10,000.

Wheeler's Case Wiped from Books

Washington, D. C.—Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana won his long fight to have all charges brought against him by the government wiped off the books. The District of Columbia supreme court upheld the contention of the senator, who had already been acquitted in Montana, that the charges contained in a conspiracy indictment returned against him here should be quashed.

Chicago News in New Hands

Chicago, Ill.—The Chicago Daily News, owned for 50 years by the late Victor F. Lawson, has passed into new hands. Walter A. Strong, for several years business manager of the News, representing a group of business and professional men as associates, acquired ownership for a consideration approximating \$15,000,000 said to be a record price for an American newspaper.

Drys Win on First Show Down

Washington, D. C.—In the first show down on prohibition this session, house dries swept aside, by a vote of 139 to 17, a proposal to restrict the use of funds for the purchase of liquor as evidence. The proposal was in the form of an appropriation bill amendment and would have prohibited resort to "fraud, deceit or falsehood" in the use of any of the \$250,000 set aside by the bill for buying evidence.

J.C. Penney Co. A NATION-WIDE INSTITUTION- DEPARTMENT STORES INC.

Athena, Oregon

"Bought and Paid For."

This is stock-taking time. Business houses are busy with their invoices. In this way they determine whether they are ahead or behind the "game."

Does your personal or family "balance sheet" show that everything that you bought in 1925 has been paid for with a cash balance on hand?

Or does it show a collection of unpaid bills or accounts in excess of your cash on hand?

Those who pay cash as they go have no worries to start the New Year with. They have peace of mind and can look new 1926 in the face with confidence and satisfaction.

Our cash selling is your cash saving.

J.C. Penney Co.

Difficult to Match

Our large buying power makes the matching of these savings difficult. Try it and see for yourself. Eight inch fine kid dress shoes, \$6.50. Dri-foot soles. Four Buckle overshoes, \$3.69.

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Shoe Repairing in Proportion

G. W. Finch, Prop. Main Street, Athena, Oregon

Makes his truck farm net \$250 per acre

Real farming methods and real overalls—Herman Moeller has found them both

TEN years of farming—and today Herman Moeller makes his farm net \$250 per acre in garden truck.

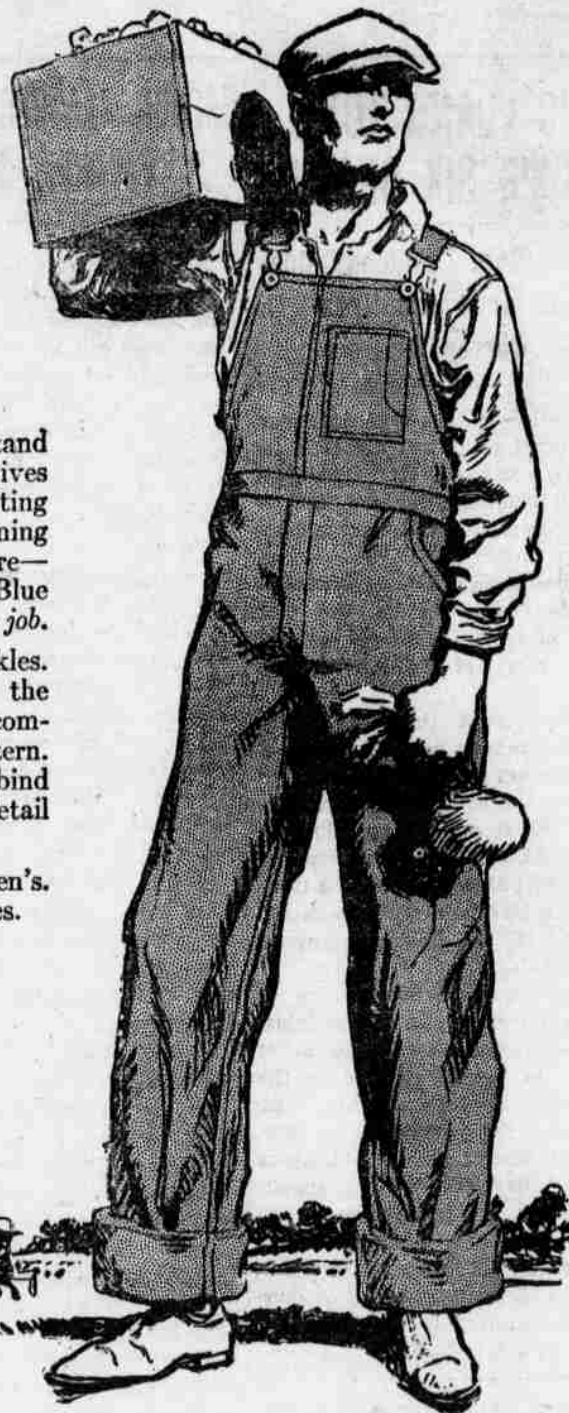
Herman Moeller says he's tried a lot of overalls in those ten years—and now he sticks to Blue Buckle Overalls every time.

He has found that Blue Buckles stand up under every test of farm work he gives them. And millions of other men, getting in crops, working in factories, running railroads—men on big jobs everywhere—have found the same thing about Blue Buckles. They stand the test on every job.

Find out for yourself about Blue Buckles. Test the long-wearing denim cloth, the wide double-stitched seams. Feel the comfort of the roomy Blue Buckle pattern. Blue Buckle Overalls and Coats never bind or rip. Solid workmanship in every detail is bound to give you real value.

All sizes—Men's, Youths', Children's. Ask your dealer today for Blue Buckles.

"Every pair of Blue Buckles is always big, strong and comfortable." (Signed) H. H. Moeller.



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