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SHE IS A TOUGH VOYAGE, MATE

It never rains but it pours. Here it is the middle of winter, wheat is worth two-bits per bushel, taxes are unpaid and unpayable, dressed hogs are selling for five cents per pound, it is possible if not probable that the winter wheat is frozen out, the legislators are in Salem trying to compromise with the deficit, the county, the city and the school district are all on a warrant basis, many people are ill with the influenza, farm mortgages can neither be paid nor renewed, there is no money available for gasoline to farm with—and no horses—butterfat is going down every week, in fact it looks as if the old world was making its last stand against the forces of disintegration and despair.

But, surely, no rain storm lasts forever. No matter how hard it rains, how black the darkness, how sharp the lightning, how deep the thunder it always ends. The sun comes from behind the clouds brighter for the recent darkness, and the crops grow faster for the wetting.

Someway we cannot agree with those who say that it is going to rain forever. They are the same ones who proclaimed the prosperity of 1928 to be a new era for civilized man. Folks will go blundering on through good years and bad, through good times and bad like they always have and some will be pessimistic and miserable and some will be optimistic and at least outwardly happy. He who sings in the rain also sings in the sunshine and the one who weeps during the shower is likely to weep when the sun is shining. This is the new year with its inheritance of trouble. We can either muddle through it the best we can, cheerfully, or drag through it in despair.

UNITED TO STAND

There is much criticism of all farm movements. This is caused, we believe, because farm prices are down to an all time low in spite of whatever efforts have been made to prevent their drop. Farm leaders are in search of something new to stay the faltering price scale and they cast about like drowning men after straws.

Farmers might be encouraged to strengthen their cooperatives if they were fully informed about the benefits they have derived from the organization of them. It is easy to question eloquently from the curb, "What have they done for the farmer?" and it is comparatively easy to show what specific advantages have accrued to farmers because of the existence of the farmer organizations.

For instance in Sherman county, without reference to any gains that have come to the wheat growers through national unification, there has been decided increases in the price of wheat because of the cooperatives. The storage on wheat was reduced .0075 per bushel by the farmer owned warehouse groups. The discounts were just lowered by a half on low test weight wheat due to insistent demand by the cooperatives making an increase of .02 to .03 cents per bushel on wheat in this county. The freight rate has been overcome to make a raise in price of wheat in this county from .027 per bushel at Wasco to .048 in Grass Valley.

The total of these benefits at Wasco is .0545 or nearly five and a half cents for every bushel of wheat sold whether to the coops or not. At Grass Valley where the freight rate change is greater and where wheat averages a little less in test weight the increase is .0855 or a little over eight and a half cents per bushel.

Not bad as definite results from a cooperative organization that has lived its entire period of existence during a time of falling and disorganized markets. When it is easy to picture what might be accomplished if all of the farmers gave their undivided support to their own cooperative.

"Buy American" is the new slogan. Well, we can buy American and never collect the foreign debts or we can collect by using imported goods. Someone can prove a benefactor by figuring out a way to collect from Europe without taking anything they produce.

Now they are deciding that the only difference between a professional and a collegiate football player is that one takes his check from the front and the other turns his back.

The legislature is facing the problem of making and passing a tax bill to raise new revenue without knowing how much money they will have to raise, whether it would pass the people or not and whether it is needed at all.

Technocrats advise the removal of all debts as a first step toward a utopia. Giant st ideas, eh!

Grass Valley

Shorty Olds has been pondering for weeks about making a trip to the Okanagon country in northern Washington where Edison Sutherland is spending the winter. There is ten or more feet of snow, plenty of game, wood, cold weather and a trap line as inducements and drawbacks.

Harold Blagg left Tuesday for The Dalles after spending the holiday season with his parents, here.

Shorty Olds and C. W. Fields were sworn in as councilmen at the council meeting Tuesday night.

Miss Hazel Thomas returned Monday evening from her vacation trip to Helena, Montana ready to begin teaching again.

Vern McGowan and wife are home again after a trip to the wetter clime around Independence.

The police dog belonging to Roy Schilling was killed Monday night by a truck while visiting in town.

Mrs. Mathias Simon spent New Year's day in Portland visiting her mother, Mrs. E. F. Strange.

There has been a serious siege of sickness at the John Bueher home for the past week with nearly everyone there ill with the flu.

Henry Peters drove all the way to Portland to greet the new year and reports that the newcomer has a cheerful appearance.

George Wilcox attended the court meeting in Moro Wednesday on business.

All members of the Sherars Grange will meet and have noon lunch at Grass Valley January 7th, 1933. The grange will convene promptly at 2 p. m. A program will be given and important questions will be discussed in accordance with the effort of the order.

The mid-winter, old-time, charity ball will be given here January 20th, Friday night. A real old time orchestra will be on hand and if past dances of this kind are a criterion nearly everyone else will be there as well.

Kent News

Miss Viola Schilling, 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schilling of Kent and Lyle Smith, 29, of Monmouth were married Thursday afternoon at The Dalles. The young couple returned to Kent Thursday evening. They left for Monmouth Friday where they will make their home in the future.

Mrs. Essie Wilson and son Charlie Bill and Miss Della Helyer were visitors in The Dalles Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Ayres and son Lauren were dinner guests at the A. A. Dunlap home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes and daughter Velma and Mrs. L. W. Amick were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Barnett of The Dalles Friday. Velma left for Enterprise where she is teaching.

J. E. Norton and Dick Stakely were business visitors in Spary Friday.

The flu epidemic hit Kent the latter part of last week and a large number of people have been confined to their homes, but so far no pneumonia cases have been reported.

Lester Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson left Sunday evening for Pullman, Wash., where he is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Smith, Mrs. Ida Davis and daughter Pauline and Clarice Wilson spent Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ayres and family spent a few days last week visiting at Wamic with Mr. Ayres' parents.

Kent Grange No. 688 held a meeting last Wednesday evening with about 30 members present. After grange a dance was given for the young folks. At midnight supper was served. The next meeting on January 14 will be an all day meeting with a pot luck dinner at noon and installation of officers in the afternoon.

Mrs. Essie Wilson and son Charlie Bill spent last week visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harbin of Grass Valley.

C. B. Gregg, Walter Wilson, Mrs. Alfred Lyons and daughters Hester and Edna, were shopping in The Dalles last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ida Davis, J. C. Wilson and son Charles, the Misses Pauline Davis and Clarice Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Reckmann, Jr., Walter Wilson

and Darrow Kelly were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schade-witz New Years day.

The dance given by the Legion last Saturday evening was well attended by people from different parts of the county as well as Kent people.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gregg and daughters Frances and Delores spent the week end visiting at the home of their brother and sister Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gegg in Bend.

Mrs. L. V. Walton, of Kent, received word last Monday of the death of her brother, Bert Crowe of Pennville, Indiana. At one time he lived in the west and has many friends in this country.

A number of Kent people went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schilling last Thursday evening to charivari Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Smith. The evening was spent in dancing.

A social hour was enjoyed last Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. J. M. Wilson. It was given for her son Lester, who was leaving later in the evening for his school. Those attending were Margaret Dunlap, Alta Norton, Clarice Wilson, Charles Dunlap, Charles Wilson and Karl Pluemke.

Jim Stuart of Moro spent Saturday in Kent.

GRASS VALLEY SCHOOL NOTES
 Genevieve Beardsley, Editor.

The Grass Valley High School basket ball teams will play with the Moro teams Friday, January 6. This will be the first game of the season. Miss Pearl Bell, graduate of last year, visited school Wednesday afternoon.

Deston Russell has started to school. He is a member of the Freshman class.

Bayberry Candles for Mrs. Hoover



For use during the holiday season the National Girl Scouts organization presented to Mrs. Herbert Hoover a box of bayberry candles. She is seen above receiving the gift from Miss Suzanne Boone, daughter of the White House physician.

The Story is Out

"How did the Jones' wedding go off?"

"Fine until the parson asked the bride if she'd obey her husband."

"What happened then?"

"She replied, 'Du you think I'm silly?' and the groom who was in a sort of a daze, replied: 'I do.'"

The Exception

Higgs: "I always say that nothing is ever lost through politeness."

Biggs: "What about a man's seat in a crowded bus?"

Prepared

"You want to see the gas pipes?"

Please take care, as I have just polished the drawing room floor."

"Don't mind us ma'am. We have good nails in our boots."

Dignity and Elegance of Velvet

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



VELVET continues to hold sway in high places. It is very apparent to those who are checking up on fashion trends that the luxury of velvet is being played up this winter at theater, opera and all formal occasions to even a greater extent than heretofore.

In describing velvet fashions as are this season one is inclined to refer to them as dignified velvets so regal are they in their imposing elegance, their stately sweeping lines and their sophisticated simplicity.

The dominance of velvet for formal wraps is especially noteworthy. In creating most of the new coats designers seem to be working along the theory that velvet unadorned is adorned the most, for the really outstanding models have not an item of trimming save that formed of self-fabric.

This fashion for untrimmed velvet which is so all-prevailing among styles of highest tone is at its most distinguished in the new floor-length coats which are almost Puritan in their simplicity. Some of these fasten down the front with a row of velvet-covered buttons, as is shown in the picture to the left. As to being quaint-looking, quite as if they had stepped out of a fashion book of the early 90s or perhaps the Victorian period, many of them are just that even to the point

of being amusing. Nevertheless, in spite of their quaintness they have about them that grande dame air which is nothing less than impressive. In the instance of the model pictured, the wearer has consented to depart from the untrimmed idea to the extent of wearing an ermine bow to better accent, by way of contrast, the prim pleated high velvet collar. The big shirred sleeves are typical of fashion's doings this season.

The lady seated also indulges in a full-length coat made of velvet, the regal quality of which is recognized at a glance. In this instance a gorgeous sable collar completes the picture of affluence.

Shown to the right is a coat which holds to the idea that which velvet trims velvet to the exclusion of any other form of adornment then is the story of fashion told in terms of utmost elegance. This model features the big-bow idea which is so highly credited in smart apparel circles just now. The sleeves are in perfect form accentuating as they do the new wide armhole silhouette.

Below to the left in the group we see an evening ensemble which declares in favor of velvet for both the dress and its detachable draped cape. The gown has beautiful simple lines, a soft bow of the velvet-adding to its grace. Black fox borders the cape.

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Two Things Necessary

Judge D—asked a negro in court if he wanted a lawyer.
 "No, suh, I don't want no lawyer, but I suddenly could use a couple of good witnesses."

Kent Auxiliary Notes

The Auxiliary of George Bell Post No. 49 at Kent will hold their next afternoon meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank Haynes January 11, '33. All members are requested to be present as an important matter is to be discussed in addition to sewing for the child welfare.

The new gingham dresses and outing flannel pajamas which were on display at the last meeting have been sent to the Child Welfare Dept. Used clothing such as children's coats, stockings etc. is being collected and may be left with Mildred Norton, President or brought to the next sewing meeting to be mended.

This follows out the Auxiliary's program for 1933, which includes activities for the relief and rehabilitation of disabled veterans, their families and the dependents of the dead; cooperation in general relief activities, work for better international understanding through the Fidac, the interallied veterans federation; promoting the security of America by work for the maintenance of adequate national defense, and activities to promote understanding of loyalty to American ideals and institutions.

The George Bell Unit invites all eligible women to come into the organization for 1933. The following classes of women are eligible for membership:

1. Mothers, wives, sisters and daughters of members of the American Legion.
2. Widows, mothers, sisters and daughters of men who lost their lives in the war or who have died since.
3. Women who themselves were regularly enlisted in the army or navy during the war, such as army nurses etc.

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