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A lot of our fairy tales and nursery  
jingles are really historic in that they  
are exaggerated from a basis of facts.  
Mother Goose was a real person, her  
name Mary Goose, buried in Boston.  
She wrote her rhymes for her grand-  
children. Her son, a crafty printer,  
published them for other children.  
Latest discovery is that little Jack  
Horner was also a real person. He  
lived in England about 250 or more  
years ago. His home—purchased by  
one of his ancestors, Sir John Horner  
—will be sold at auction. It's the  
Mells estate, in Somersetshire, 6700  
acres. Most interesting real estate  
deal of 1923. The auctioneer seems  
to get everything eventually.

The estimated total of murders in  
the United States in 1922 is 10,000.  
This is a heavy toll for a civilized  
nation to pay for savagery, lust, malice,  
greed and other prompters of murder.  
The economic loss sustained is not limited  
to the 10,000 victims. For every vic-  
tim a murderer puts himself in the  
way to the electric chair or to prison.  
or, if uncaught, loses his potential  
value as a citizen. Double the total  
of murders and you will approximate  
the total of those lost to the service  
of society. And the tragedy of these  
tragedies is that they are avoidable.

At Thebes, the ancient capital of  
upper Egypt, archaeologists from Penn-  
sylvania university have found do-  
mestic, or common language, papyrus  
that fill a gap in history from B. C.  
309 to 246. This period includes the  
reign of Ptolemy Philadelphus, who  
was so successful in levying heavy  
taxes with a minimum of injury and  
dissatisfaction. As the manuscripts  
deal mainly with financial affairs, our  
own Ptolemies may perhaps learn  
from them how to create in us a na-  
tion of cheerful givers.—Scientific  
American.

Lions in an airplane seem strangely  
out of place, yet when all other means  
of transportation fail, presumably the  
air is more satisfactory than nothing  
at all. Anyhow, it may be presumed  
that the pilot of the main plane which  
brought three young lions from Brus-  
sels to Paris the other day was more  
than glad when he reached his destina-  
tion. Lions may be all right, and  
airplanes may be all right, but some-  
how they do not seem to be the ordinary  
individual to mix very happily.

**Better Pictures of Higher  
Quality is Paramount Plan**

The long promised advance in  
motion picture art has at last begun.  
Observers of things cinematic say  
that never before in the history of  
motion pictures have there been so  
many big and really worth-while  
film productions waiting for release  
as there are at this time. Critics of  
motion pictures who have been  
demanding for years that the film  
studios develop their opportunities are  
likely to be satisfied this year, if  
promises and reports from production  
centers are fulfilled.  
More time, effort and actual coin  
of the realm have been spent on the  
production of pictures this summer  
than ever before, observers say, and  
producers are anxiously awaiting the  
new season in the hope that attend-  
ance at motion picture theatres will  
justify the tremendous effort which  
has been expended to improve the  
artistic standards of motion pictures.  
The eyes of motion picture pro-  
ducers up and down Broadway are  
centered on theatrical box offices  
throughout the country during the  
week of September 2d to 8th, when  
most of the motion picture theatres  
in the United States will celebrate  
the sixth annual Paramount Week.  
Paramount Week, the first week in  
each new season, has come to be  
established in the motion picture  
trade as marking the industry's best  
effort, and this year it is expected by  
producers that this Paramount Week  
will be more successful than any  
other held before. The purpose of  
each annual Paramount Week is to  
focus the attention of the public on  
the advances made during the year  
in motion picture art and to show  
that during the coming season the  
theatres playing the better type of  
pictures will warrant the patronage  
of their public.

As one of the steps toward  
raising the artistic standards of  
pictures, producers of Paramount  
Pictures, the Famous Players-Lasky  
corporation, have reduced the number  
of pictures they will release this  
year. Two years ago there were  
104 Paramount pictures released be-  
tween September 1st and August 31st.  
Last year there were 82, and this year  
there will be only 62 or one a week.  
Although the number of pictures has  
been radically reduced, all the pro-  
duction resources of the Famous  
Players Lasky corporation have been  
kept intact and will be concentrated  
on the production of these fewer pic-  
tures. Each of the pictures, accord-  
ing to an announcement by the heads  
of the corporation, will be bigger  
in every way than any pictures  
hitherto produced by the company,  
and as more time has been given to  
the selection of stories, the casting  
of the players, and the choice of  
directors and building of settings,  
observers all say that the pro-

ductions made under this policy will  
do more than anything else toward  
offsetting the criticism which has  
been leveled at film productions for  
the last two or three years.  
Paramount pictures to be released  
this season by the Famous Players-  
Lasky corporation include the fol-  
lowing: Midge Kennedy in "The  
Purple Highway"; a James Cruze  
special, "Hollywood," with 22 stars  
and 56 screen celebrities; a George  
Melford special with Jacqueline  
Logan, "Salome Jane" from the  
story by Bret Harte; an Allan Dwan  
special "Lawful Larceny"; Gloria  
Swanson in "Bluebeard's Eighth  
Wife"; a Sam Wood production;  
"The Silent Partner" with Leatrice  
Joy and Owen Moore; A Zane Gray  
special "To the Last Man" with  
Lois Wilson and Richard Dix;  
Pola Negri in "The Cheat," a  
George Fitzmaurice production;  
James Cruze's production of "Ruggles  
of Red Gap" from the famous novel  
by Harry Leon Wilson; "The Mar-  
riage Maker" a William de Mille  
production from Edward Knoblock's  
play "The Faun"; Gloria Swanson  
in "Zaza," an Allan Dwan pro-  
duction; Thomas Meighan in "Woman  
Proof," from the story by George  
Ade; "His Children's Children," with  
Bebe Daniels, Sam Wood's production  
of Arthur Train's novel; Ruyard  
Kipling's "The Light That Failed,"  
produced by George Melford; Pola  
Negri supported by Antonio Moreno  
in "The Spanish Dancer," a Herbert  
Brenon production; Douglas Fair-  
banks, Jr. in "Stephen Steps Out,"  
from the Richard Harding Davis  
story, "The Grand Cross of the Cres-  
cent"; Zane Grey's "The Call of  
the Canyon"; Glen Hunter in "West  
of the Water Tower," the sensational  
anonymous novel "The Cruise of the  
Speejacks"; William S. Hart in  
"Wild Bill Hickok"; "Big Brother"  
a Sam Wood production from the  
Rex Beach serial running in Hearst's  
International Magazine; "Flaming  
Barriers," produced by George Mel-  
ford; "The Humming Bird" an Allan  
Dwan production starring Gloria  
Swanson; "There's a Fortune in It,"  
a James Cruze production; "Every  
Day Love," a William de Mille pro-  
duction from Julian Street's novel,  
"Rita Coventry"; a Zane Grey pro-  
duction, "The Heritage of the  
Desert," directed by Irvin Willat;  
Thomas Meighan in "Pied Piper  
Malone"; Pola Negri in "My Man";  
Glen Hunter in "When Knights  
Were Bold"; "Triumph," a Cecil  
B. DeMille production from the  
Saturday Evening Post serial by May  
Edginton; "The Stranger" with  
Richard Dix and Leatrice Joy; and  
Gloria Swanson in an Allan Dwan  
production of "Argentine Love" by  
Vicente Blasco Ibanez.

**Tariff Congress to Plan Farm Relief**

The movement of western pro-  
ducers, aided by bankers, chamber of  
commerce and other civic bodies in  
an effort to take the tariff out of  
partisan politics and secure the  
adoption of a permanent tariff policy  
suited to the needs of the west, took  
definite form when Governor Sweet of  
Colorado and other western governors  
joined with the producers in a call  
for a western tariff congress. The  
congress will be held in Denver early  
in October, the exact time to be  
announced at an early date.  
The movement is declared to be  
strictly non-partisan with the primary  
purpose of taking the tariff out of  
partisan politics, creating a medium  
for the discussion of the tariff and  
other economic issues which affect  
the welfare of western producers and  
to assist in maintaining the present  
tariff duties upon western products.

"It is to be a congress in which  
free traders, tariff-for-revenue, com-  
petitive tariff and protective tariff  
advocates can participate without  
surrendering their views," former  
Governor Ammons stated in explain-  
ing the purpose of the congress.  
Regardless of our convictions on  
tariff policies of government, we can  
surely all agree that the tariff should  
be treated as an economic issue and  
that the farmers of the west are  
entitled to the same treatment as the  
manufacturers of the east; that the  
men who toil upon the farms should  
not be brought into destructive com-  
petition with the pauper labor of  
foreign countries and that the rates  
on our western products in the present  
tariff act should be given a fair trial  
before making any reductions.

The congress will be composed of  
delegates appointed by non-partisan  
organizations covering all productive  
industries of western states. Every  
line of productive activity is expected  
to be represented to present the prob-  
lems of their particular industry with  
reference to tariff levies, and  
especially the effect of the present  
tariff rates on their product.

Scouts have been in the county,  
both from Prineville and from Tygh  
Valley, for the purpose of trying to  
secure part of the Sherman county  
fair program for the Crook county  
fair and the Southern Wasco county  
fair. The polo auto teams are wanted  
at Prineville and the harness and  
racing horses at Tygh Valley.

Sherman county fair officials will  
this year offer season tickets for sale  
to the public. The price of the tick-  
ets will be low enough to make a  
substantial reduction over the aggre-  
gate of single admissions paid each  
day. These tickets will be put on  
sale September 1st and will also  
include grandstand privileges.

A special 200-foot reel has been  
secured by the fair association and  
will be shown this week at Moro  
each movie show night; at Wasco  
next week, and at Grass Valley the  
third week following its first pre-  
sentation. A large number of local  
people have probably never seen an  
auto polo game staged, and these  
pictures have been secured so that  
all may judge this feature of the  
county fair program.

**County Fair Plans Include  
Races, Smoker, Auto Polo**

Something doing every minute, is  
the slogan that will be lived up to  
by the management of the annual  
Sherman county fair next month dur-  
ing county fair days on September  
12th to 15th inclusive. Owners of  
racing and harness horses that will  
compete during the fair have had  
their stock at the county fair grounds  
for several weeks. These are rapid-  
ly rounding into condition to make  
some very fast racing events.

The two auto polo teams, repre-  
senting Grass Valley and Moro  
respectively, are ready for practice  
work. The two teams will stage  
practice each Sunday before county  
fair week, part of the time at the  
fair grounds race track and part at  
the Grass Valley race track. Sec-  
etary Richmond says that visitors will  
be welcome to attend and watch the  
practice games.

An auto caravan is now being ar-  
ranged to leave Moro the morning of  
Wednesday, September 5th. The  
caravan will visit Grass Valley, Kent,  
Shaniko, Dufur, and The Dalles.  
Stops will be made at all towns along  
the route. A band and the two auto  
polo teams will accompany the carav-  
an. At each place where stops are  
made, the auto polo teams will put  
on stunt features, the band will give  
a concert and it is no fault of the  
members of the party if all of interior  
eastern Oregon is not informed of the  
annual county fair to be held this fall  
by Sherman county.

A big smoker is another feature of  
the county fair week—that is being  
promoted as an extra attraction. At  
the present time those in charge  
report the card complete with the  
exception of the main event. Knock-  
out Parker of The Dalles has been  
signed as one of the contestants in  
the main event, but just who will be  
secured to take care of the opposite  
corner of the ring has not been de-  
cided. Tom Fraser says he will be  
a right good man all right.

There is more mining activity in  
Baker county this year than there  
has been for the last decade, it is in-  
dicated by the record books of quarries  
and placer claims in the county clerk's  
office. To date more than 100 quarries  
and placer claims have been filed.

Governor Pierce has instructed At-  
torney-General Van Winkle to appoint  
a special prosecutor to assist the dis-  
trict attorney of Harney county in  
prosecuting a reputed bootlegger, who  
recently shot and seriously wounded  
a state agent by the name of Hahn.

The work of laying the concrete  
paving to the city limits of Harris-  
burg has been completed. With the  
exception of a small gap between  
Shedd and Tangent, which soon will  
be paved, the Pacific highway is now  
paved all the way from Harrisburg to  
Portland.

A total of 7904 Chinese and Mon-  
golian pheasants were released in Ore-  
gon in 1922 up to August 15, it was re-  
ported by Gene M. Simpson, superin-  
tendent of the state game farms. Two  
farms are maintained by the state, one  
near Eugene and another near Cor-  
vallis. Of these 5783 were released  
at Eugene and 2141 at Corvallis. A  
total of 28,962 eggs were gathered dur-  
ing the months of April, May, June  
and July, and from these 12,822 birds  
were hatched.

Mrs. Lillian Hayes, wife of Edward  
Hayes, homesteader of the Gaylord  
vicinity in Coos county, committed sui-  
cide because of family quarrels.

F. W. Woolley, insurance agent, has  
been appointed city manager of War-  
renton in place of Mrs. R. E. Barrett,  
who has retired because of ill health.

The state highway commission has  
announced that the bridge over the  
Willamette river at Springfield will  
be closed for repairs for a period of  
30 days.

Harvest operations are in full swing  
at Heppner and wheat is turning out  
better than most farmers expected.  
The yield runs from 30 to 34 bushels  
per acre.

Presbyterian congregations from all  
the principal towns of Central Oregon  
united in outdoor services on Tumalo  
island in the Deschutes river below  
Reed Sunday.

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