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Our forefathers read the Bible they were fond of pursuing the stories and incidents contained therein even farther than the Scriptural explanations. Where the Book of Genesis, for example, merely relates the episode of Eve and the apple in the briefest and most concise language, legends go much farther—connecting various kinds of animals and birds with the Fall of Man and introducing scores of trimmings which do not appear in the original version. One of these legends is responsible for the name "Adam's apple," as applied to the thyroid cartilage of the larynx, a projection which usually is much more apparent in men than in women. This legend states that Adam, when he attempted to swallow his bite of the apple from the Tree of Life, choked and the fruit stuck in his throat. All males since Adam have had this protuberance as silent evidence of the indiscretion of their ancestor.

That the average child who is unspoiled and properly taught can draw and paint beautiful and original pictures, as well as model with clay and carve wood, has been demonstrated by a Viennese artist, Prof. Franz Cizek, the work of whose classes is now being shown throughout this country.

Professor Cizek never touches a child's drawing himself, nor does he draw anything for the children to copy, relying rather on the remarkable accuracy of memory of the child mind," to quote from an article in McClure's Magazine.


"Here they draw things out of their heads," says Professor Cizek, "everything they feel, everything they imagine, everything they long for." He considers that the important thing in this training is the effect on the development of children in helping them to find expression during the remarkably creative period of their growth.

From city and farm we hear the call: Spare the birds; they are saving our fruits, flowers, gardens and grain from the insects that would take them. God first taught the Fatherhood of God, then the brotherhood of man, then the protective care of the beautiful and useful creatures about us. We talk about the "dumb" animals. True they cannot speak to us in our language, but they are not so dumb, says Thrift Magazine. All animals and birds we come in contact with sense in us at once a friend or foe, and each in his own way quickly shows his appreciation of our kindness, and in a language we can not misunderstand tell us they love us and want to be friends. Happy is the boy or girl that grows up loving and loved by these would-be pals of fur and feather.

The finding in an automobile of eggs, bacon, hams, canned goods, toilet articles, electric fans, suits of clothing, shirts, socks, cigars, cigarettes and eight radio sets sounds like the report of somebody who just possibly was looking for the pilers.

**BILL BARBER SAYS**

MORE THAN ONE DARK HORSE IS FED ON STRAW BEFORE ELECTION TIME



**Sherman County School Clubs Takes State Fair High Honors**

Aside from the school club project exhibits displayed at the Sherman county fair, the schools of Sherman county also had a club project display at the state fair at Salem last week.

At the state fair Sherman county exhibited in competition against 18 counties, including Multnomah with three paid club leaders, and Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Marion—the home county of the state fair—some with club leaders while Sherman county has only the county school superintendent to assist in the work as time permits.

Another thing to be considered is that these counties have many more school children interested in club work than has Sherman county. The extent of the county and size of the population governs in this matter and once a handicap onto Sherman county. Multnomah county, as one instance, has ten times the school population as has Sherman county while Marion and Jackson counties also have large school attendance.

Each county in competition had the same articles in competition. This is the third year A. M. Zevely has had charge of the work for Sherman county schools at the state fair. Three years ago Sherman county got 3rd place, last year 2nd place and this year 1st place. This was done this year at an expenditure of less than \$50 and resulted in a cash award this year of \$135 in prizes.

Emma Jean Stephens won 4th in the state in division la sewing and she and Lois Bryant won 4th place in the canning contest. Glenna Deillinger of Kent won 2nd in 2nd division sewing and Doris Payne of Rufus won 1st in the same division. Harold Payne won 1st in rural home beautification for the second successive year.

Sherman county won 1st on its booth and \$100 prize money for variety of display. It is planned to start a student loan fund for Sherman county with the \$100 prize money.

The exhibits at both the county fair and at the state fair has been the best quality and the largest that Sherman county has ever assembled for that purpose. The result achieved has been of such an encouraging nature that it is now planned by Mr. Zevely to have a Baking team from this county at the Pacific International Livestock show at Portland in November.

**ALONG LIFE'S TRAIL**  
By THOMAS A. CLARK  
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.  
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**THE ROLLING STONE**

WHEN Erwin was twenty-four he married and his father settled him on a little farm, reasonably well stocked, and started him out in what seemed to be a prosperous career.

The boy had a good mind and a strong, healthy body; he was somewhat better educated than the fellows of his acquaintance, he was not afraid of work and he was absolutely honest and dependable. The girl whom he married was capable, intelligent and loyal to him in the extreme.

But Erwin was not satisfied. He wanted a bigger place, so he sold his farm shortly for less than it was worth and moved to Texas. The soil was gummy, his crops burned up, his two children were malarial, and he came back within a year or so, richer in experience but poorer in pocket.

He decided to give up farming and bought a little store in the village near which he had lived. He soon saw, however, that he was no storekeeper. He had been brought up on the farm and farming was the only game he knew, so he disposed of the store and rented a large farm which he was to manage on shares. Disaster pursued him, his stock died, the place was more than he could manage, and just as he was getting things in hand to make a little money he decided to move back to town and run a grain elevator and sell farming implements.

This was not a bad venture. He had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, he was a practical machinist and he soon began to prosper. But his boys were growing up, there was little for them to do, the responsibilities of the new business weighed on him tremendously. He sold out and bought a farm in Minnesota, only to find that his boys did not care for farming.

That was twenty years ago, when he was past fifty. He has tried a dozen ventures since then—always working hard, always hopeful, always changing at a loss with the expectation that the next move would put him on his feet and make his fortune. Now, at seventy-four, his strength gone, his ambitions cooled, he is poorer than he was fifty years ago. The farm that he sold at that time is worth today ten times more than he received for it.

It takes courage to stick to a task that is difficult and uncommercial, no matter what it is; adjacent pastures often seem greener than our own.

**County Committees Meet to Name Candidates For County Offices**

At the meeting of the republican county committee, held at Moro on Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Margaret Peetz was named to fill the vacancy on the republican ticket for assessor, caused by the death of Otto Peetz. C. V. Belknap was named to fill the vacancy on the ticket for county treasurer, caused by the resignation of G. B. Bourhill because of his appointment to be postmaster for Moro. Committees on finance and speakers were also named by the committee. It is planned to inaugurate an aggressive campaign for the balance of time between this date and the election on November 4th.

At the meeting of the democratic county central committee held at Moro on Thursday evening, no action was taken to fill the vacancy on the democratic county ticket for the office of county assessor. A second meeting of the committee will be held on Monday at which time it is understood that definite action will be taken by the committee. At the primary election last May, Otto Peetz became the candidate of the democratic party in this county for county assessor by having his name written in by democratic voters.

Rumor says that the committee is undecided whether to endorse Mrs. Margaret Peetz for the office or name a candidate in opposition.

R. J. Ginn, chairman of the county committee, states that for the first time in the political history of Sherman county and, most likely, within the political history of every other county in the state, every member of the republican county committee was present at the meeting held in this city on Wednesday afternoon. This speaks well for the interest taken in republican affairs in this county.

**School Days Pay Valuable Dividends**

About 20 millions of American children have just begun their school year of 1924-25. Each one of them should attend as nearly 200 school days as possible. That is the length of school term in our best schools. On the average, children are in school not much more than 165 days. For rural schools the term is much shorter. The cost of keeping the schools open will be not less than 12 billions of dollars. It has been estimated and probably correctly that every day in school is worth from \$16 to \$17 to a child because he will be able to earn that much more in later years. It is fair then to say that 20 millions of children attending 160 days each this coming year represent actual production by the schools of some 50 billions of dollars of potential wealth, nearly thirty times the expenditure of the schools.

Not many investments are as good as that or pay such enormous dividends. We could estimate the school day as worth much less than \$16 a pupil and still have many times a good justification for all the money we spend on education. But great as the return is we can not afford to reduce it by keeping children out of school or by letting them go irregularly. A child ought not throw away a \$16 day for any trivial reason. In a few years he will be compelled to compete with others who have made the most of that day and of as many more school days as they could. It's good business then to keep the school open for a long term and keep all the children in it every day.

**Resolution of Condolence**

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 Moro, Oregon: Your committee on condolence beg leave to submit the following:

Resolved: That the heart-felt sympathy and fraternal love of this chapter be extended to our sister, Margaret Peetz, and to those nearest and dearest to her, in their sad bereavement, and bid them put their trust in Him, who is merciful and knoweth all sorrow.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this chapter and a copy be sent to the family and those nearest and dearest to her.

Signed: Anna Urquhart  
Jessie Henrichs  
N. W. Thompson

To the European women who insist that than the American husband none is more perfect, we humbly suggest as an additional argument the case of the husband who committed suicide so that his wife might use the insurance as her wedding dowry when marrying the next man.

An American jazz artist in Paris, insulted by a stranger, felled the latter with a saxophone. This demonstrates (1) that a saxophone player can be insulted and (2) that the instrument has some practical use.

An American returning from the Amazon brought back with him a dog "that has a bark like the chirp of a bird." There is the surprise party of its life in store for some cat.

When this telephone-picture thing comes into general use, there will be less brave talk over the wire by undersized runts.

The world's greatest instance of natural magnetism is the attraction an unhardened sidewalk holds for a nose.

**Oregon News in Brief**

Russell Lantis, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lantis of Yamhill, shot and killed a bear that was roaming about in the woods near the Lantis place.

Pioneer Arch, erected on Sarvice creek on John Day highway near Fossil, was dedicated in honor of the pioneers of Gilliam, Wheeler and Grant counties.

Damage amounting to more than \$5000 resulted from a fire at Oakville, about 12 miles south of Albany, when a prune dryer and 12 tons of dried prunes were destroyed.

Struck by a south-bound Bull Run interurban electric train, Uriah Tawney, 33 years old, was killed on the right of way of the Portland Electric Power company near Portland.

The town of Sisters, half destroyed by fire last week, will be rebuilt before the beginning of the 1925 tourist season. Modern buildings will replace the cheap structures destroyed.

The Lane county fair, held last week, came out ahead financially, according to W. A. Ayres, secretary, who estimated there would be a profit of \$1000 or more above all expenses.

All lookouts on the Siuslaw national forest have been taken off by Ralph S. Shelley, supervisor of the forest. The recent heavy rains extinguished all fires in the forest, it was said.

F. R. Peterson, of Portland, was elected president of the National Association of Retail Druggists at the closing session of the organization's 26th annual convention in Washington, D. C.

The time for filing arguments by candidates for the voters' pamphlet expired at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. Printing of these pamphlets started immediately under the direction of the state department.

The district around Lookout mountain in the Umatilla national forest which has been closed to deer hunters and to all others for several weeks on account of fire hazard, has been opened by the forest service.

With a big run of silversides reported to be hovering off the mouth of the Columbia river and some fish entering, Astoria fishermen and canning plants are looking for a period of activity during the next 10 days.

**Summary of Assessment Roll for Sherman County, Oregon, for the Year 1924**

As finally equalized by the County Board of Equalization

Classification of Property	Number	Value	Unit Value
Acres of all lands	442,422	\$8,556,930	\$19.34
Acres of tillable lands	272,687	8,049,015	29.51
Acres of non-tillable land	169,735	507,935	2.99
Improvements on deeded land		449,540	
Town and city lots		118,080	
Improvements on town and city lots		331,990	
Improvements on land not deeded		2,450	
Grain		235,290	
Manufacturing machinery, etc		19,520	
Merchandise and stock in trade		209,790	
Farming implements, wagons, carriages, etc.		349,220	
Notes, money and accounts		184,240	
Hotel, office, store fixtures, etc.		30,120	
Horses and mules	5,840	349,345	59.82
Cattle	3,044	95,040	31.22
Sheep and goats	13,904	66,640	4.79
Hogs	1,375	13,462	9.79
Chickens	100	50	.50
Dogs	280	3,000	10.71
Stands of bees	19	95	5.00
Gross valuation		\$11,010,960	
Soldiers' exemption		4,990	
Net taxable property		\$11,005,960	

NOTE: This does not include railroads and other public service corporations which are assessed by the state tax commission, assessed at \$3,299,713 for 1923.

MARGARET PEETZ, County Assessor  
Moro, Oregon

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