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EDITORIALS

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

Dear Editor—I am 8 years old. Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says: "If you see it in the Sun, it's so."

Please tell me the truth: "Is there a Santa Claus?"

Virginia O'Hanlon.
Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or little children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies; you might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world the those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus? Thank God; he

lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.—Charles A. Dana. N. Y. Sun.

FOR A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON

The Holiday Season is designed to bring joy and happiness—but it likewise brings with it a vast amount of preventable misery, because of the accident toll. The gravity of the problem is magnified by the fact that a large percentage of Holiday accidents involve children. Hundreds of them are killed and thousands are needlessly injured every December.

Here are a few rules, issued by the National Safety Council, to help pass a safe and happy Christmas Season:

Don't permit children to play in the streets—the old practice of hitching sleds to automobiles is especially hazardous.

Be extremely cautious in the matter of ice-skating—ice must be at least four inches thick before it can be trusted to sustain a large group.

Don't use candles on your Christmas tree—don't put it near a stove—don't use inflammable trimmings—don't permit it to dry out in the house after Christmas—don't fall to anchor it firmly—don't use light bulbs of greater strength than one firefly candlepower.

These little hints are simple enough—there's nothing but common sense behind them, and they will cost nothing, in either time or money, to follow. And they may be the means of saving the lives of loved ones.

HAM NEWS

Activities of the Central Point Hams are as follows:

Sandy Richardson is now busy building another transmitter having sold his other transmitter a few days ago. Lots of little gadgets now flying around Sandy's place. Expects that he will be booming his voice over the ether in the near future.

(Fat) Obenchain, CCC star truck driver is the one responsible for the transmitter going from Sandy's place as Fat wants to get on the air and work some code stations.

L. C. Scott reports fine progress with the code. Learning it as fast as he can so he can know what's going on in the air. Fine business L. C. and keep it up.

Mr. Mears reports a very nice QSO with the XYL while she was over in Marshfield, Oregon. Mrs. Mears reports all's well and will soon be back to her old health once more.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Peffy of Siskiyou summit (W7BKC) expects to come to Central Point in the near future and pay a visit to the boys here. Mr. Peffy is the government weather observer at the Siskiyou weather observation station.

No news to report regarding Buckles as he is too busy working at present to have any spare time for radio work.

The long expected gross transmitter of one of the Central Point boys is expected to arrive in the near future and is being anxiously awaited.

Mr. (Aircell) Caster (W7DKI) of Cave City Camp was visiting at home for a few days and reports doubtful if it is going to be possible to get his transmitter going at the camp due to electrical troubles. Sorry to hear that. "Aircell" was expecting great things from up there.

Mr. Mitchell from up Eagle Point way was down to see some of the Central Point amateurs recently and reports great interest being taken up at that place in the activities of Hamdom. Incidentally he is also planning on getting on the air as soon as possible, on the 160 meter band. He reports another young man up there also very interested and also planning on getting on the air.

No further news to report regard-

ing Mr. Mears working on 20 meters as the much needed equipment has failed to materialize. This equipment is expected daily from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The general opinion expressed by all concerned who are interested in the 75 meter band is that working conditions due to weather conditions for the past week has been very unfavorable, due to signals skipping out. Here's hoping that conditions will improve soon.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON:

In the Matter of the Estate of William A. Cowley, deceased: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Executor of the above estate has filed with the above entitled Court his Final Report as such Executor, and the Court has set January 4th, A. D. 1935, at 10 o'clock A. M., as the time, and the courtroom of said Court in the Courthouse in Medford, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections, if any there be, why said Report should not be approved, said Executor and his Bondsmen discharged, and said Estate closed. All persons are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why such relief should not be granted.

Dated and first published this 22nd day of November, A. D. 1934. J. O. ISAACSON, Executor of the Estate of William A. Cowley, Deceased.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

BY VIRTUE of an execution in foreclosure duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, to me directed and dated on the 21st day of November, 1934, in a certain action therein, wherein J. O. Isaacson as Plaintiff, recovered judgment against Arcliss Taylor and C. H. Taylor, wife and husband, Columbia River Paper Mills, a Washington corporation, W. H. Norcross and Don R. Newbury, the defendants, for the sum of Four Thousand and no-100 (\$4000.00) Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 7% per annum from July 3, 1932, with costs and disbursements taxed at Twenty-one and 30-100 (\$21.30) Dollars, and the further sum of Three Hundred and no-100 (\$300.00) Dollars, as attorney's fees, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court in said County on the 19th day of November, 1934.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the terms of the said execution, I will on the 29th day of December, 1934, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Medford, in Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, to satisfy said judgment, together with the costs of this sale, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest that the said defendants, Arcliss Taylor, and C. H. Taylor, wife and husband, Columbia River Paper Mills, a Washington corporation, W. H. Norcross and Don R. Newbury, had on the 3rd day of January, 1932, or now have in and to the following described property, situated in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit: Beginning at the Northwest corner of Donation Land Claim No. 45 in Township 37 South of Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian, and running thence South on the West boundary line of said Claim 26.97 chains to the North line of the County Road; thence East along the north line of said road 80 rods and 12.25 feet; thence North 26.97 chains to the North line of said Donation Land

Claim; thence West on the said North line 80 rods and 12.25 feet to the place of beginning. Dated this 22nd day of November, 1934.

WALTER J. OLMSCHIED Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon By Howard Gault, Deputy. Nov. 22-29, Dec. 6-13-29

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By Virtue of an execution in foreclosure duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, to me directed and dated on the 8th day of November, 1934, in a certain action therein, wherein Jackson County Building and Loan Association, an Oregon Building and Loan Corporation, as Plaintiff, recovered judgment against Heine Hertager and Ruth Hertager, husband and wife, N. M. Horsman and Helen A. Horsman, husband and wife, H. L. Fowler and John D. Winslow; also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in or to the real estate described herein, the Defendants, for the sum of \$1,000.00, plus interest from the 28th day of February, 1933 to the 16th day of February, 1934, at the rate of 10% per annum being the sum of \$95.84, plus interest on \$508.96 from the 16th day of February, 1934 to the 2nd day of November, 1934 at the rate of 10% per annum being the sum of \$35.56, less the sum of \$414.00 paid on stock, less the sum of \$77.04 accrued dividends on said stock, plus \$36.25 for insurance premium paid by Plaintiff, plus \$5.00 for continuation of abstract of

title, plus interest on said judgment at the rate of 10% per annum from the date of the decree herein, with costs and disbursements taxed at \$49.95 and the further sum of \$115.00 as Attorney's fees, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court in said County on the 2nd day of November, 1934.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the terms of the said execution, I will on the 15th day of December, 1934, at 10:00 A. M., at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Medford, in Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, to satisfy said judgment, together with the costs of this sale, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title, and interest that the said Defendants, Heine Hertager and Ruth Hertager, husband and wife, N. M. Horsman and Helen A. Horsman husband and wife, H. L. Fowler and John D. Winslow, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in or to the real estate described herein, had on the 4th day of May, 1927, or now have in and to the following described property,

situated in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit: Beginning at a point in the Center of the County Road said point being 8.85 chains east and 4.76 chains south of the Northwest corner of D. L. C. No. 49 in Township 38 South of Range 2 West of the W. M., and running thence east 6.98 chains; thence South 2.70 chains; thence West 7.85 chains; thence North 18 deg. east 2.825 chains along the center of the County road to the place of beginning, except one acre on the east side of said tract heretofore conveyed to R. R. Gaches by Deed recorded page 393, Volume 100 Deed Records of Jackson County, Oregon and reserving a right of way over the north 20 feet of the premises hereby conveyed until such time as a County road shall be established near by.

Together with all water rights appurtenant thereto or to become appurtenant thereto. Dated at Medford, Oregon this 8th day of November, 1934.

WALTER J. OLMSCHIED Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon By: Howard Gault, Deputy Nov., 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6

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