

# The FLAG GOES BY

BY H.L. BENNETT

Hats off!  
Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,  
A flash of color beneath the sky:  
Hats off! The flag is passing by!

Blue and crimson and white it shines,  
Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.  
Hats off!  
The colors before us fly;  
But more than the flag is passing by.

Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great,  
Fought to make and to save the State:  
Weary marches and sinking ships;  
Cheers of victory on dying lips;

Days of plenty and years of peace;  
March of a strong land's swift increase;  
Equal justice, right and law,  
Stately honor and reverend awe;

Sign of a nation, great and strong  
To ward her people from foreign wrong;  
Pride and glory and honor, all  
Live in the colors to stand or fall.

Hats off!  
Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums;  
And loyal hearts are beating high:  
Hats off! The flag is passing by!

—Youth's Companion.



## MACKSBURG

Leonard Nebo, who is at a hospital in Salem is so much better that he is soon expected home.

Mrs. Nettie Vogel of Portland with her small children is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. Gibson.

Mrs. Thirese Klar, aged mother of Mrs. J. Gibson, whose illness lately has been the cause of grave apprehension to her friends is in comfortable health once more.

Notwithstanding the great heat of Sunday, a large and appreciative congregation filled both the Lutheran church and the Bethel chapel of the Mennonites. A delegation from the latter went to the Zion Tabernacle for a special service in the morning returning in time for the regular Sunday school and sermon at Bethel in the afternoon.

Intense as has been the heat for the past four days it has found the ranchworkers well fortified by the breezy evenings and by the cool and restful nights. The early mornings too have been so cool that brisk moments have been necessary to comfortable warmth until the sun had sped over many degrees on his Zenith-ward course. Indeed the heat could not in any one of these days be called intense till near the hour of noon. The brevity of the heat may not be appreciated by natives of Western Oregon, always having been accustomed to its benignant way. It is surely charming to those used to the sultry evenings and sleepless nights of the middle West, where the dog star is in his fullest rage and when one rises in the morning weary and unrefreshed to begin another tired day.

The crops are standing the heat and the scant moisture to a wonderful degree and bids fair to fulfill the cheering promise they gave of a good harvest early in the season. Haying is the chief work at present, the weather being especially favorable and the grass in fine condition for cutting. The grain is ripening so fast that the threshers will soon be busy. All the fruit is giving the brightest prospect of abundant yield. Cherries are exceptionally plenty and fine. Berries are in the greatest profusion. The loganberry which for the delicious beverage it supplies is in greater demand than ever before—is unprecedently abundant and has become a valuable asset on the farm, requiring but little care and propagating itself indefinitely, this hitherto slighted product has come into the front rank as a revenue-raiser on the ranch. Potatoes though growing at a pace retarded by the drouth, are progressing steadily and seem entirely free from the pests which so often attack them in the frequent rains. A far larger area than hitherto has been devoted to this crop

as well as to the army and navy bean which is thriving in a way that betokens sustenance to an army whether at peace or at war. The winter vegetables were so well started before the cessation of the rains, they seem invulnerable to the heat and likely to reach their full maturity before the autumn frosts, however, early they may come.

## FAST BUTTEVILLE

Henry Beck has ordered a new Buick automobile.

Miss Esther Nelsen of Portland was a week end guest of Mrs. Geo. Penrod and Mrs. Henry Tautfest.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Yergen and Dell Yergen intend to leave the latter part of the week for Ocean Lake for the benefit of Mr. Yergen's health.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cone, and J. Brown, of Portland who attended the funeral of W. E. Idler, were the guests of G. Dentele Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Unens and baby of Boise City, Idaho have been visiting with the following relatives the past week: Mrs. A. D. Yergen, Mrs. Henry Yergen and Mrs. A. B. Dentele.

The Butteville school board held a special school meeting July 14, for the purpose of levying a special tax for the repairing of principal's room, and maintenance of the school for another year. The tax was voted without any opposition.

**Do Not Meddle With Your Ears.**  
Whatever plausible reasons laymen may have for treating some diseases, they should not meddle with the ear. It is a very sensitive and delicate organ, peculiarly liable to serious injury through the manipulations of men and women ignorant of its anatomy, functions and pathology. Judicious treatment is most important, but it is better to let ear troubles alone than to seek the aid of Aunt Samantha or take the advice of some officious neighbor.—Volta Review.

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## Town Topics

WANTED—A good young fresh cow.  
—Chas. Beck.

F. O. Seaton was in the city from Portland Wednesday.

FOR SALE—Lambert and Kentish cherries.—Chas. Beck.

Geo. Oglesby leaves town tomorrow for a sojourn on the coast.

Fred Scheurer was among the Butteville people here on business this week.

Misses Ethel Harding and Mary McCormick were the guests of Miss Orleta Kraus this week.

Highest cash price paid for chitem bark. Moore's Drug Store, Woodburn, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Miller and Mrs. Nora Blosser and son Ivan motored out to Geo. Cassidy ranch Sunday after cherries.

John Kraus celebrated his birthday Sunday at the home place west of town. A large party of relatives and friends were present.

The Daily Portland News and the Aurora Observer both one year for \$3.50. Send your order to the Observer, Aurora, Ore.

The J. E. Branigar farm a mile west of Woodburn for \$9000. He will take possession October 1.

The dance Saturday night was well attended. The absence of light during a part of the time did not detract from the interest of the dance.

If you use gummed labels for any purpose, ask for our new catalogue and price list. We can save you money. Aurora Observer.

The warm weather in no way lessen the "movies". Good crowds attend the shows every Sunday night at the Aurora Theatre where there is always a good show on.

A. H. Giesy, J. M. Will, A. W. Kraus, and J. W. Sadler motored to Silverton yesterday to attend a meeting of the Willamette Valley Merchant's Association.

George Miller was here Sunday from Portland to visit his parents. He has enlisted in the hospital corps for service in France, and his brother Andrew Miller has applied for enlistment in the same service.

George Wurster was again the holder of the lucky number that drew the sofa pillow raffled off this week at the Aurora Drug Store. It was made by Clyde Lorenz. Dame Fortune is evidently most discriminating in choosing those upon whom he favors shall be showered. No. 37 drew the pillow.

J. A. Fosmark, superintendent of the city water works, reports that the water supply in the city wells is now lower than at any time last year. The water in the river is not yet quite so low as last year, at its lowest stage but the continued dry weather will doubtless soon lower it to that point.

## YODER.

Mrs. H. E. Madden of Portland is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. Sconce

L. B. Yoder has purchased a new Winona wagon and is busy learning to run it.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mays and son of Molalla were Sunday visitors at the W. S. Sconce home.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Bonney of Centuria Wash., motored down to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sprague over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wood, Mrs. C. E. Dugan and son Clarence Enos Jr. were Sunday visitors at the C. C. Oldfield home in Meridian.

Among those from this vicinity who attended Gladstone chautauqua Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. John Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hittenour, Mr. and Mrs. Wroldstad and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Yoder.

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## Pay Up Now.

If you have \$5 or more or less for which you have no pressing need go and pay a debt with it. That is the best use you can make of money, unless you are naked or starving. Now is the time to obey the Bible injunction, "Owe no man anything." That is in the Bible, but from the way some debtors spend money they don't seem to know it or care for it. If they have a dollar extra it goes for a pleasure or a convenience. The duty to pay some one they owe never occurs to them. Nor does it occur to them that every unsettled debt is a drag on a community. Everybody has to pay interest on it.

People have to pay more for their sugar and coffee because other people owe the grocer and won't pay. It is one of the items in the high cost of living. And then there is a whole-some public policy in scattering the money around. It will help find work for some poor man and help some other debtor pay his debt. So pay up now. —Ohio State Journal.

## What Kept Her Young.

I know a little lady, slim, bent, but unlined by the years, who sits absordedly through all of the fashion openings of the great shops and watches breathlessly as the models in their marvelous gowns file past her chair. She particularly loves the tulle and be-spangled evening frocks that the young girls wear, and she tells us glowingly of the "wonderful color, my dear, and the way it was made!" She couldn't possibly wear the gowns that she admires so. She couldn't afford them if they were suitable, but she loves them just the same.

"It's time," I once heard a neighbor woman say rather sniffingly, "that she got over such vanity. She's old enough to stop thinking about clothes."

The neighbor didn't stop to reason out that it was the love of clothes that kept a spark of youth in the heart of the little old lady—a divine spark of youth that kept her from being colorless and tired and wan. —Christian Herald.

## What Thrift Means.

Thrift is positively essential to success, and every American wants to be successful. A man should put his own name on his list of creditors. He should cut down his expenditures 10 per cent and pay that amount to himself. Any business should pay 10 per cent, and a man should consider himself a business proposition which should pay dividends. When he begins to see this he will become thrifty. It has been estimated that if a man who begins to work at the age of twenty on a salary of \$50 a month and receives an increase of \$5 each year for forty years will save 10 per cent of his salary and invest it wisely or put it in a savings bank at compound interest, at the end of that time he will be financially independent and can retire with a comfortable income.

## Canvas Water Bags For Foresters.

A canvas water bag that can be carried conveniently on a pack horse is used by members of the United States forest service when it is necessary to transport water to places remote from a regular supply for drinking and cooking purposes. It can also be used to quench incipient fires by means of a small hand pump carried along with it. The container is made of heavy cotton fabric without seams or patches, rendered water tight by treatment with a mixture of paraffin and turpentine. Each bag has a capacity of ten and three-quarters gallons of water and weighs when filled about ninety-eight pounds. Thus a pack load of two bags weighs nearly 200 pounds, exclusive of packsaddle and blanket.—Popular Mechanics.

## Fifty-Fifty.

"My son," said the father impressively, "you are leading an absolutely useless life. For the last ten years you have done nothing but squander time and money."

"That's all right, dad," replied the unrepentant son. "It isn't as if I was asking you to bear the whole burden. You just furnish the money and I'll try to find the time."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

## Feminine Discussion.

"He is rich!"  
"In that case I think I shall marry him."  
"He is rich in philosophy."  
"Um! In that case he won't mind it so much that I am going to turn him down."—Kansas City Journal.

## Slips of the Tongue.

In a case tried before a magistrate in Glasgow the defending agent made reference to an oral agreement between the parties. "Let's see yer oral agreement," the magistrate said. "Hand it up here."

At a parish council meeting, when a petition for some increase in wages was under consideration, the chairman said peevishly: "A canna mak' held nor tail o' this dockymint. It's jist like Alphy and Omegy—it's got neither beginning nor end."—Glasgow Herald.

## Paradise Fish.

There flourishes in Chinese rivers and lakes a small fish remarkable for its brilliant coloring of crimson and blue. It is called the paradise fish. In the sunlight it shows in rainbow hues. The dorsal fin extends from near the back of the head to the tail. The paradise fish was first brought to France from China by M. Simon in 1869, having been found in a brook near Canton. The most interesting thing about this little fish is the nest made by the male of glutinous bubbles below the surface of the water and measuring up to six inches across. Here it places the eggs, some 200 in number, and mounts guard over them during incubation.

## Africa's Big Lake.

Victoria Nyanza or Ukerewe, the largest lake in Africa, is, next to Lake Superior, the largest sheet of fresh water in the world. It lies between British and German East Africa, about 400 miles from the Indian ocean, and 175 miles northeast of Lake Tanganyika, extending from latitude 25 minutes north to 3 degrees south. Its length from north to south is over 200 miles; its average breadth, 150 miles, and its estimated area about 25,000 square miles. The lake occupies a broad depression, probably due to a series of faults in the ancient crystalline rocks of the East African plateau. Its surface lies at an elevation of 3,775 feet.

## ENJOY WHAT YOU CAN.

To be soured by poverty is a mistake. Instead of enjoying our life we are cramping ourselves. It is as if we were at a feast and sulkily refused to enjoy a few dishes because we could not reach everything on the table and make ourselves sick, like foolish children.—Bliss Carman.

## Too Suggestive.

First Tramp—I wish I could get off dese fast freights for a ride in a first class coach. Second Tramp—Every cloud has its silver lining. In de passenger coach dere is an ax and saw to remind you of a wood pile.—New York Times.

## Used the Log.

"We were three days from port when the engineer reported that there was no more coal in the bunkers." "What did they do then?" "The captain ordered them to split up the ship's log to keep the fires going."—Exchange.

## Can't Avoid Them.

"Don't you find it these times to meet expenses?" "Hard! Man alive, I meet expenses at every turn!"—Boston Transcript.

## His Delightful Bull.

An Irish editor in speaking of Ireland and her woes said: "Her cup of misery has been for ages overflowing and is not yet full."

Idleness is the sepulcher of a living man.—Holland.

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