

Local and Personal

Dewey Miller was a Salem business visitor Monday.

Miss Lois Manock spent a few days at the John Kraus home last week.

Another one of those popular dances will be held at Butteville Saturday evening.

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A number of Aurora people attended the Townsend picnic at Woodburn last Sunday.

The Aurora Fire Department was called to put out a fire on the Henry Moore place Tuesday.

Dr. C. Ammeter will be away from his office for two weeks, returning Tuesday, September 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ehlen were in Aurora Sunday from Bonneville, where Carl is one of the guards at the dam.

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Hop picking started in some of the yards this week, but they will not start picking late clusters until some time next week.

Mrs. Everett Powell and daughter, Pearl, of Cottage Grove, are visiting Mrs. Powell's sister, Mrs. N. E. Manock, and family.

Diamonds, watches, jewelry and silverware O. S. Olson, Jeweler, Woodburn. 49c

Beginning Monday, September 2, the Will-Snyder store will keep open in the evenings, during hop picking, till 9:00. The store will be open as usual Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Yergen left today for the fairgrounds at Salem, to occupy their cottage during the time of the fair. This has been their custom for many years.

George Panzer and two sons, Robert and George, of Olympia, Wash., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. W. A. Jette at their home near Champoe. They all made the Columbia river highway trip to Bonneville last Sunday.

For the seventy-second time Albert Tozier will be at the Oregon state fair this year. He went to the fair grounds last Monday. As has been the custom for several years he will have charge of the tent and cottage city outside the fair grounds. His official title is Mayor Tozier.

Roland Wurster has returned to Sitka, Alaska, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wurster, in Aurora for a few weeks. He will again teach in the Sheldon-Jackson school this winter. Roland says he likes Sitka, and it is not so cold there as some imagine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Will, Miss Leona and Percy Will, Miss Sarah Naftzger of Salem, Miss Emma Snyder, William Michell and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Michell made the Mt. Hood loop trip Sunday. The round trip was 206 miles, going

through Gresham up the Columbia River highway and returning by way of Boring. The highest elevation on the trip was 4740 feet.

This has been an extremely hot week for this section, the mercury rising to 98 degrees Tuesday. This (Thursday) morning it is cooler, having had a slight rain during the night and showers this morning.

Ralph Zimmerman, A. J. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Webert and Junior Zimmerman called on Mrs. Elmer Zimmerman in Portland Sunday. Mrs. Zimmerman will probably undergo an operation in the near future, as it is deemed necessary by her physician.

Fred E. Taylor, traveling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific with headquarters in Portland, called at the Observer office Tuesday. He says the passenger travel on their trains is increasing. Tuesday was a hot day and Mr. Taylor said he would like to be traveling on one of their air-conditioned trains instead of driving an auto.

The Community club will give another Free Picture Show Saturday evening. The show will be followed with a dance at which 25c will be charged each person. This money will be used to pay for the extra show. When these free shows were started a contract was entered into whereby twelve Saturday night shows would be given. The 12th show was given Saturday, August 24th. To fill out the month it was decided to give one more show, and as the fund subscribed had been used on the twelve shows, it was decided to give a dance to defray the expense of the extra one next Saturday night.

Ancient Remedies
If you had lived in a village during the Eighteenth century and suffered from gout, your physician might have advised you to swallow two ounces of soap a day for three months—besides oyster shell or egg shell powder. For smallpox, says a writer in the Montreal Herald, you would have been given a black powder made from 30 to 40 toads burnt in a new pot. A daily half-pint of liquor made by boiling mistletoe berries and leaves in ale was specific for fits—at least, according to the village doctor.

Claims Prehistoric Lake
Nevada lays claim to a prehistoric lake, Lahontan, in the western part of the state. The story of geologic ages is written in the Nevada plateau. The palisades of the Humboldt river formed by violent lava flows at different periods are more remarkable than those of the Hudson. Bones of the mastodon and camel have been found in the terraces and lower reaches of this river. Here and there are hot springs whose curative powers were highly prized by the Indians.

Future Written on Stars
The Chaldean sages studied the heavens to wrest from them the secret of the influence of the heavenly bodies on human affairs. They fancied that the future was written on the stars, and that it was possible for the human mind to decipher the scroll of the heavens. From that study of the movements of the heavenly bodies developed the science of astronomy; the astrologer of one age was the astronomer of the next.

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Comfortable Chairs Not Used in Jacobean Days

During the Jacobean period all furniture in England was stout and reliable, perfectly in keeping with the abrupt, vigorous life of the day, observes a writer in the Los Angeles Times. Chairs had great dignity then, with high, almost vertical backs. Comfort was conspicuously absent, for the wainscot chair, probably originally deriving from the choir stall, was typical. Chairs increased greatly in number at the time of the commonwealth, because a new set of social rules made it possible for master and man to occupy the same kind of seat.

The restoration brought a nationwide aversion for dullness. Carving became popular in furniture and chairs with open backs, almost frivolous chairs, appeared. Spiral turned legs for chairs appeared, due to the Portuguese influence. Then oak was replaced by walnut, the delight of the master carver. Gay fabrics, often imported, were used at that time for upholstery.

The period of William and Mary, 1688 to 1702, was short but vital to furniture history. The queen, herself, passionately fond of needlework, was responsible for the widespread devotion among English ladies to "petit-point." Strong colors were used and the results of such work were striking upholstery fabrics. Some of the chairs showed fiddle-shaped backs.

Dignity was paramount in a Louis XIV chair. Mellowed, the later forms of the period lost their stiffness and achieved both grace and comfort. With Louis XV, however, the rococo influence increased, replacing a charming, restrained use of ornament.

Mother Hubbard Dresses Banned by Hawaii Maids

The first band of American missionaries arrived in the Hawaiian islands the year after the great Kamehameha died and converted his widow who now reigned as queen. Life became real and earnest for the happy "kanakas" and by a stern decree of the queen the old songs, the old hulas, the abbreviated grass skirts were abolished.

Every Hawaiian woman was handed a modest Mother Hubbard affair by the missionaries, says a writer in the Chicago Daily News, and many of them must have squirmed unhappily in their hot and shapeless new garments. But the Hawaiian's love of music and beauty cannot be quenched and as the Puritanic queen (who had been a very gay lady in her younger day) was succeeded by her more liberal son the stern decrees gradually relaxed. The old customs were revived and, fortunately, to this day we have the dances and songs and happy spirit which make the Hawaiian islands so memorable.

Even before the death of the harsh queen the Hawaiian women began to do something about their ugly Mother Hubbard uniforms. They cut off the sleeves and substituted ruffles, they lowered the necks and encircled these with ruffles and they added a fan-like train to the ankle-length skirts to give them grace. Then they fashioned them of rich brocades and satins, draped flower leis about their necks and were beautiful once more. These garments are still being worn, and are known as "holekusu."

Becoming a Senator

A man becomes a senator when he takes his seat. In a speech made by a senator in defining the right of Senator Holt to be admitted to the senate, he said in part: "There is a distinction and a difference between the senator-elect from the date of the beginning of his term down to the time when he actually assumes the duties of the office of senator and after that time. . . . The election of one to public office does not make him a public officer. Until the person elected has come to the senate, has entered the body, and has taken his place as a member he is not in a position, nor does he have the power nor the responsibility to cast a single vote, to register a single official act which could influence any policy of the government."

How Lanolin Is Made

Lanolin is a fatty substance obtained from the grease of sheep's wool and consisting chiefly of cholestrin. The wool grease is saponified by means of caustic soda and the resulting emulsion is diluted with water. The lanolin then separates into fine particles, which, by the aid of a centrifugal separator, may be obtained in a creamy mass. It is widely used as a base in salves and ointments, since it does not become rancid and is somewhat antiseptic.

Warned Washington's Men

Lydia Darrah lived in Philadelphia in 1777. While some British officers were lodged in her home she overheard their plans to surprise Washington's army. Under pretense of leaving her home to purchase flour, she walked three miles through the snow

and informed one of Washington's officers of the plan. Washington prepared for the attack and the British expedition proved a failure.

Bullet Not Always Fatal

Being shot is often less harmful than being clubbed on the head. When a bullet does not injure a vital spot, bone or nerve, the result usually is not serious. But the brain is a delicate organ and a mild blow on the head can be fatal or leave permanently disabling symptoms even when there is no laceration or bruise.—Collier's Weekly.

Water, Milk Power Used to Run Ancient Clocks

In bygone days running water was largely used to measure time, and water clocks can be found all over the ancient world, observes a writer in the Montreal Herald. Some were very simple, others were of astonishing delicacy and complexity. Water clocks had the disadvantage that, as the pressure of water decreased, the rate of flow decreased also. In Greece and Rome, where the hour was a variable unit, being one-twelfth part of the period of daylight or night, as the case might be, they had also to be frequently adjusted.

The attempt to allow for these two anomalies led the great clock-makers of Alexandria to devise miracles of ingenuity, among them a famous clock set up by Ctesibius in the Temple of Arsinoe. Every 24 hours a little winged boy with a pointer in his hand ascended a column, pointing to the hours marked on it. At the end of the day he fell to the bottom and began again. The motive power was supplied by the tears of another winged boy, who wept continuously into a bronze bowl.

This was only one of many fluid clocks; there was even a milk clock in an Egyptian temple. The measurement of time by the burning of candles, which for long was popular in monasteries, is an application of an essentially similar idea.

Gold in Sheepskin

In the remote region which lies between the Black sea and Caspian, credited as the authentic destination of Jason and his Argonauts in their expeditionary search for the golden

fleece, the natives catch the flakes of gold brought down by the mountain streams by placing sheepskin wool side up in the beds of the river. "The gold particles which cling to the greasy wool confirm the age-old legend which has been handed down from the ancients to each succeeding generation," says A. K. Dawson, manager of the Russian division of the American Express company.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executor of the estate of Emily Miller, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Marion County, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law required, to the undersigned at Aurora, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

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