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### Narrow Escapes

Nearly ninety-one years of age Associate Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, of the United States Supreme Court, resigned because of the infirmities of age.

For many years Justice Holmes has been one of the leading figures of his high tribunal. His liberal viewpoint, expressed in many famous dissenting opinions, won him wide recognition throughout the country.

Looking back on his many useful years of active life one marvels at the narrow escapes he had from death while serving in the Union army during the War Between the States. Fate seems to have reserved him for usefulness.

Justice Holmes graduated from college in July, 1861, and entered a Massachusetts regiment shortly afterwards. In October he was shot through the breast at Balls Bluff. In September of 1862 he was shot through the neck at Antietam. His last wound, a shot in the heel, was at Fredericksburg, in May, 1863.

Through these narrow escapes upon the battlefield his life was preserved. The usefulness of his subsequent career makes tragic the speculation as to how many other lives were lost in that conflict which would have likewise blessed their country if saved?

### To Help the Home Owners

The proposal that the National Government set up a financial agency to facilitate credit on homes has met with considerable endorsement. H. S. Kissel, president of a national association of real estate boards, says:

"I am not speaking for builders, or for banks," said Mr. Kissel. "I am speaking in support of this bill from the standpoint of the relief it will afford to thousands upon thousands of small home owners who have been trying to pay for their homes by monthly payments.

"Many of them can be and should be saved. But, they can not be saved from foreclosure unless there are funds available so that mortgage holders will feel free to release funds.

"They are not renewing loans in many instances, and when a mortgage becomes due and the individual can not find a place to have it renewed, he suffers. There is no reason why the Federal Government should not lend its help in such an instance. Commerce and industry have a great reservoir of credit in the Federal Reserve System to which their bankers can go; the private home owner can not do that for the agencies with which he deals have no source of new funds, and credit is dried up at this time."

An "idealist" is often a nuisance to practical politicians; and, very often, the last thing that people want to know is the truth.

Big business men, who couldn't spare time for a vacation several summers ago find themselves unable to afford one this year.

Well, boys and girls, and grown folks, the year 1932 is one-twelfth past, and the big idea is what have you done with the year, thus far?

Somebody asked us the other day whether we thought the human race was ready for the proper use of greater leisure time, now, we ask you.

### Independence Hall Cradle of Liberty

Washington Celebration Reminds Us of Famous Buildings

In every section of the United States this year, there will be held exercises in commemoration of George Washington, who led the colonial forces to victory in the conflict for freedom against Great Britain, and who later became the nation's first chief executive.

Historians have chronicled the achievements of our first president and incidents important in history during his life. Poets have sung of his valor. Possibly every resident of this place knows in a general way the general facts about our first president, and the happenings which made following the Revolutionary War for the building up of the world's greatest nation.

Everybody knows in a general way the part which Independence Hall played in those days. But how many here can give specific facts about this building, and dates connected with its history, and what it is like at the present time.

Just now when our attention is directed to the life of the nation's first president, perhaps it is not amiss to gather a little information about Independence Hall at the same time.

Independence Hall is located on Chestnut Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets, on the north side of Independence Square Philadelphia, Pa.

Erection began 1732 but was not completed until 1747. It was built by the Province of Pennsylvania as a Colonial State House and first occupied in 1736 while still unfinished. The tower was still in 1750.

After completion it was used by the Assembly, the Supreme Court and the Governor's Council of Pennsylvania.

Here Continental Congress held its sessions. Here Washington was appointed Commander-in-chief of the Continental Army on a motion made by John Adams. Here the Declaration of Independence was adopted and read from its steps to the assembled crowds in front. The Convention of 1787 which framed the Constitution, was also held here.

In the tower, at that time, hung the famous Liberty Bell which was vigorously and ceaselessly rung on the 8th day of July, 1776, the occasion of the proclamation of the Declaration of Independence, adopted in its final form on the 4th of July. The crack in the bell, which has become famous and at times threatened to grow more serious, made its appearance July 8th, 1835, when tolled as the body of Chief Justice Marshall was being taken from Philadelphia to Virginia, his native state. The bell was removed from the tower and now is displayed in a conspicuous place in the entrance to Independence Hall.

Independence Hall is at present an historic museum in which hangs a replica of the Declaration of Independence and about its walls may be seen pictures of its signers.

Many original pieces of furniture, made famous by association, and interior architecture, have been carefully preserved.

### Spud Treatment Much Simplified

New Method to Reduce Time and Cost of Disease Control; Circular Issued

Protection of Oregon's potato crop against scab and rhizoctonia will be easier and cheaper this season as the result of successful tests of a simplified method of seed treatment made by the Oregon Experiment station and just described in a new circular of information.

Heretofore the standard method of seed treatment has been either soaking for two hours in a corrosive sublimate solution or treating with hot formaldehyde solution. The former was slow and tedious and the latter was difficult to regulate.

The new method, originated first at the Minnesota experiment station, uses the corrosive sublimate (mercuric chloride) solution, but with the addition of a small amount of hydrochloric acid, which speeds up the action so much that only five minutes soaking is required rather than two hours.

To treat the potatoes a solution is made up of 4 ounces of mercuric chloride, one quart of commercial hydrochloric acid and 25 gallons of water. This is enough to treat 40 or 50 bushels before strengthening is required, after which as many more may be treated before discarding the solution.

Either a wooden barrel, a tub, or concrete tank is used as metal is attacked by the solution. A wooden crate or wire basket coated with asphaltum paint, is used for dipping. Five minutes soaking is enough for clean, smooth tubers, though scurfy potatoes require a little longer. Soaking for as much as 40 minutes will not hurt them, though it is not necessary.

The directions for treating caution the grower against storing the potatoes after treating, saying that damage will result unless they are either planted immediately or spread out to dry. Free copies of the circular describing the method in detail may be had from any county agent or direct from the college.

### Club Members Observe Washington Bicentennial

Much may be added to the future beauty of Oregon roadways, streets, parks, schools and other public buildings as the result of activity of 4-H club forestry members of the state who will plant trees furnished by the state forestry nursery at Corvallis in observation of

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the Washington Bicentennial February 22.

Other ways in which 4-H club members of the state can pay suitable tribute to the memory of George Washington have also been suggested by R. J. Maaske of the state education department, and Charles Weber, city club agent of Portland who constitutes a committee appointed to draw up suggestions and recommendations for the clubbers. These include pageants and playlets depicting the value of Washington's life to boys and girls of today, and the study of life and customs of the people of that day. Home economics clubs will make a special study of the costumes and furniture of Colonial times.

"Win as Washington Would" is the motto which will be featured by the club members in the programs to be put on before clubs, granges, parent-teacher bodies and schools in practically every community of Oregon in observation of the bicentennial.

San Francisco, Calif., Feb 5—Doom for "wildcat" stage operators in California was sounded today by Judge Franklin D. Swart, of Redwood City, when he found William M. Beynon guilty of charges of carrying persons for hire without first receiving authorization from the California Railroad Commission.

### WILDCAT DRIVERS DOOMED

The decision was the first since the enactment of legislation at the last legislature making it a criminal offense to operate passenger vehicles for hire without a state certificate. The decision established the validity of this law.

Judge Swart's action adds impetus to the efforts of the California State Highway Patrol to eliminate bus "wildcat" drivers from the highways of California. Importance



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