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HARVEST MOON, 1942

The autumnal equinox is upon us. Over the good earth rises the harvest moon. It hovers over corn fields, where the farmer, glancing aloft, expects two or three more frost-free weeks in which to gather his big crop. There is a lushness in the air.

It shines down upon the little white houses in Vermont, their lean-to chocks full with cord wood that soon will be roasting the good firm "Macs." It beams on farm animals growing their winte pelage; it merrily brightens the hayrick starting off for the barndance and husking bee. Much is right with the world.

But the glow is lost on the bright incandescence of the factor; where war production knows no day or night. It rests silently on the blacked-out seaport and the line of men waiting beside the steaming transport.

Europe has its harvest moon now, too. In Northern latitudes it lasts longer, seems to beam brighter. Perhaps it needs to this year, for bumper crops are hard to seek out in the Old World.

May there be less of want and more of plenty by the time another harvest moon rises over the cereal lands of the Balkans and the Ukraine.

The changeless laws of harvest have universal application. If in this fall of 1942 we garner much we do not want it only proves the need of wiser sowing—Christian Science Monitor.

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CHANGE

It is human nature to get into a rut; it is Nature that continual changes, driving us either out of the rut or to death.

The seasons' change not only one following the other but each showing changes year after year; Nature never stands still and we who refuse to constantly adapt ourselves to her changes are thrown into the discard as unfit.

The stage coach is gone; the hoop skirt has disappeared; most of the morals of yesterday are today in the flux of change. We who have grown to maturity under the influences of yesterday are prone to look askance at the developing influences of today.

We fret about the flapper, instead of letting her flap; We forget that her prototype is the grandmother of today, and a darn good grandmother, too. We wonder when we realize that our children of tender years have knowledge that we did not acquire until a much later period; We fear that it will make them too-heavy and unstable.

Change—it is out of the question for us to prevent it, but, with careful study and thought we are permitted to direct it. If instead of accepting it as one of the laws of life we let our spiritual arteries harden we will put ourselves in the position of one "dead though alive," and be unable to contribute to the progress of our race.

Life without change would be death; let us welcome change and help it be a constructive rather than destructive force.

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TIME AND VIEWS

It is strange, yet it is not so remarkable how the passing of time brings so many changes in the way people think and do. Through stages of development, people change their customs and modes of living but the surprising thing is the change of views and concepts as time seems to quickly elapse.

At the end of World War I people were so definitely sure that there would never be another world war and when war seemed inevitable again, people were even more certain or determined that American soldiers would still not fight again on foreign soil. Then we had the pacifist and his teachings and the isolationist and his views, but all this has been swept into the past. We believed for a long time that we had materials and resources to supply the whole fighting world and somehow now that theory too is being discarded. Suddenly we find that we are without valuable ores and that our food supplies too are rapidly being depleted. Many of our homes are not going to be so thoroughly heated this winter and many so called luxuries, we are finding we can really do without.

A few years ago these things would have seemed impossible and our views toward such lines of thought would have been one of complete disregard. Now, we think differently. Perhaps many today still believe that we will not be called upon to fore-go many more actual necessities but very likely that will be the case. We no longer know what to expect or predict—time passes and our views become involuntarily changed. Only this we know—we cannot expect too much. We can only think and feel as we think we should or feel the way we are feeling.

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IS THE DRAFT SYSTEM FAIR?

We are hearing a great deal concerning the inequality of draft board decisions throughout the nation, but we are concerned more deeply with the lowered American morale as a result of such decisions. We know it does not seem fair for one to go while in a neighboring county another under similar circumstances is exempt. We know there is a lack of uniformity among the different draft boards but there are varied situations to fit every section is practically impossible. Local draft boards were supposed to iron out such difficulties.

We are having to draft the huge army that this war calls for and fair or unfair it is bound to take large numbers from communities and this forcible separation of families is bound to create criticism, along with the many unjustifiable acts. It is bound to create community as well as national disturbances. But it must be done and the question of saying who may go or who may stay is sometimes almost too difficult to determine.

The Selective Service system is based upon a "combination of federal rules and local discretion" but the trouble come locally when "different counties have construed the law differently." The American public demands fairness and on the whole does not object to rendering needed service; it does not expect privileges that have not been granted elsewhere. Why then cannot Washington equalize the system to a more fair degree? Apparently the basic system is all right but it needs national balance and equalization to work effectively. This should be done within a short period of time or public morale will suffer. Washington has this job of equalization affecting all American citizens and their national spirit.

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EDWARD C. KELLY

Campaign statement and address of Edward C. Kelly, Democratic nominee, Fourth Congressional District to Democratic Congressional District to Democratic Congressional Committee, Roseburg Oregon, October 3 1942:

"We meet at one of the critical moments of history to prepare for the election of a new Congress. Our responsibility is great because our votes will give us either a Congress of victory—the preservation of our lives and our American system—or will give us defeat and slavery.

This is the toughest war the world has ever seen. It rages at hundreds of places over the oceans and seas, over all the continents and in the skies above every battlefield. In three terrible years it has claimed the lives of countless millions both soldiers and civilians. It has inflicted terrible wounds of starvation, disease and slavery upon other countless millions. Yet the decisive battles upon which depend the fate of all mankind still remain to be fought and won. That is the world and the war that our next Congress must face and win."

F. D. R. should have a Kiser in the house if he wants to get things done.



Sweet cider always is the first harbinger of autumn to us who have any sort of country background because we know that cider making follows the picking of fall apples. Not that there aren't ciders other than apple. I know a cherry cider that's delicious, pear isn't bad and peach is worth going miles to taste. But somehow sweet cider means apple cider to me and I remember the piles of fruit in the orchard ready to load into the wagon for a trip to the cider press.

Maybe you associate cider with Hallow'en frolics and autumn parties and have never tried using it in your everyday menus. Try it this fall and enjoy this homely old American concoction to its utmost. Use it as a beverage with an autumn dinner. Well chilled it adds zest to other autumn foods.

Ham baked in cider, cider frappe, jellied cider salad and mulled cider are a few suggestions for adding variety to your menus.

"Lady-bug, lady-bug fly away home!" Only we hope the lady-bug will make her home in our gardens and houses because these tiny beetles with polka-dot wing feed upon plant lice and scale insects.

The lady-bug places about twenty eggs in a cluster on the underside of a leaf, usually on a plant that is badly infested with aphids. When the eggs hatch into grubs, these grubs immediately begin to devour the insect pests with a more voracious appetite than the beetles themselves have. In fact, these beetles are so effective that the state of California maintains a barracks where they are kept in readiness to send out in case of an outbreak of scale in the vineyards and orange and lemon groves.

So when the chill of frosts sends these lady-bugs into the house greet them warmly.

However, crickets are something else again. If you have more than the proverbial one "on the hearth," get rid of them because they are very destructive. They will eat almost anything—leather, all kinds of fabrics, book-binding and upholstery. Pyrethrum powder is an old and effective eradicator. Blow it with a powder puffer behind draperies and furniture and under any article that gives them shelter. The dusting should be repeated every day or two until you are sure you have banished the crickets.

Pyrethrum is a good remedy for silver fish, too. Dust behind books and shelves, in cracks in woodwork and floors and any where these little pests are seen. Since they particularly like starch they can do real damage to wall paper and book bindings in general or stiffly starched fabrics in particular.

The Mother of Success is Ambition. The Oldest Daughter is Character. Some of the sisters are: Cheerfulness, Loyalty, Courtesy, Care, Economy, Sincerity. The Baby is Opportunity. Get acquainted with the "old man" and you will be able to get along pretty well with the rest of the family.—

Officers Selected by S.O.C.E. Classes

The freshman and senior classes at the Southern Oregon College of Education have elected officers for the coming year.

For the freshman class the following officers were elected: President—Robert Hollenbeck of Medford, Oregon; Vice-president—Patricia Anderson of Ashland Oregon; Secretary-treasurer—Barbara McLean of Klamath Falls, Oregon; Sgt. at Arms—Fred Buehling of Ashland, Oregon; Class Advisor—Dr. W. W. Wells.

For the Senior class the following were elected: President—Richard Leigh of Ashland, Oregon; Vice-president—Grace Lee of Marshfield, Oregon; and Secretary-treasurer—Maxine Rand of Roseburg, Oregon.

Do You Know That—

Uncle Jake says his horse Chethem got kinda skeered going thru the plaza the other day. Zigen and Zagen around them new traffic islands.

The Miner is read by some people, one reader came in the office to tell us he counted 26 typographical errors in last week's issue. One of ads had a letter (N) left out. This ad has been a standing ad and running for over 6 months.

Our country is in a total war and therefore EVERYTHING is critical, the only distinction being that some things are more critical than others. Scarcity is not limited to raw materials. It also includes machines and machine parts man hours, electrical energy transportation, communication—in short everything except dollars. So when we think of conservation we should go far beyond the consideration of rubber, steel and copper.

BUY MORE WAR BONDS!

There is a great deal of talk at this time concerning proposals for enforced purchasing of War Bonds. Some such plan as this may become inevitable under any circumstances. And it is certain to be adopted in the relatively near future unless the people substantially increase their voluntary purchasing of Bonds and Stamps.

The Treasury some time ago established a goal of \$1,000,000,000 worth of Bond and Stamp sales monthly. That goal has not been reached. It must be reached and passed if the war is to be properly financed, and if excess purchasing power, the creator of inflation, is to be reduced.

American business has responded superbly to the War Savings challenge. The banks, for example, long ago started stressing War Bonds in their advertising and in displays. They have done everything in their power to encourage the public to buy, and they have paid out of their own pockets the heavy promotion costs.

A similar work on a nationwide scale is being done by retailers. The chains were the pioneers, and thousands of independent stores have joined in. Retailers are making special efforts to increase the sales of Stamps as well as Bonds, and they have been notably successful. A very high percentage of all War Savings are made through stores today. In their case, as with the banks, the participating stores are paying all the expenses and they are promoting Stamps and Bonds in every possible way.

The public has responded fairly well to these drives—but not well enough. In these days, when wages are at record levels and almost any man or woman can quickly obtain a good job, all of us can afford to take all or part of our change in Stamps when we shop in stores. All of us can afford to buy one or more Bonds every pay day. Certainly, giving up some luxuries is a mighty small price to pay to help the war effort along. The duty of every American is plain—to cut his personal expenditures severely, and to put the money into War Savings. Remember that next time you go to a bank or to a retail store featuring Bonds and Stamps.

A FARMER'S WIFE—

"A farmer's wife has no excuse for not being cultured and up-to-date. All she has to do is to cook the meals and wash the dishes and sweep the floors and scrub the steps and wash the clothes and iron the linen and mend the socks and patch the pants and milk the cows and churn the butter and feed the chickens and bathe the children and tend the garden and water the flowers and can the fruit and cut the children's hair and get the dog on the tramps and chase the cat out of the milkhouse and polish the silverware and blacken the stove and clean out the attic and dicker with the rag man and re-paper the pantry shelves and shoo the chickens off the back porch and wipe up the mud father and the boys track in and bake the bread and make the cakes and shake the rugs and beat the carpets and dust the furniture and drive the pigs out of the flower garden and answer the telephone and sift the ants out of the sugar, and then it is ten minutes to nine in the morning."—Elias Heine.

TURKEY PROBLEMS.

Labor problems, marketing and pout sexing are among the subjects which have been listed for discussion at the annual meeting of the Oregon Turkey Improvement association which will be held at Oregon State college Tuesday, October 8, announces Clayton E. Holmes, associate professor of poultry husbandry and supervisor of the Oregon Poultry Improvement association.

The annual business meeting of the turkey association will open the sessions when W. J. Chase of Aurora will report on the turkey federation meeting. A round table discussion on labor problems, the outlook for turkey hatching eggs, possibility of pout sexing, custom hatching, out-of-state marketing and other topics are scheduled for the afternoon. Members of the poultry department will also speak.

Demonstrations and instructions for those who wish to qualify as blood drawing and flock selecting agents for their own flocks under the Oregon Turkey Improvement plan will also be given. The meetings are open to any interested turkey producer.

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