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And Remember to Get a Stop-Over for Springfield.

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ABOUT SCALES AND MEASURES

A condensed report covering the work of the State Office of Weights and Measures for the first quarter, under the new laws enacted at the last legislative session governing weights and measures, shows that out of the total number of scales examined up to date, 624 had to be adjusted and corrected before sealing. 493 scales could not be adjusted because of imperfection or need of repairs and were condemned. In other words, out of a total number of 2,958 scales tested, 1,117 of them were weighing incorrectly and had to be either adjusted, corrected or condemned. In addition, many scales of the computing type, having charts of obsolete construction were required to be re-charted correctly, or have the computations covered, leaving in use only the pounds and ounces for weighing purposes. The type of scale commonly known as the "family scale," owing to its inferior construction and consequent inaccuracy, is not legal for use in trade, and the State Office has issued instructions, that it be condemned and its further use prohibited. With respect to liquid measures, out of 448 measures inspected and tested, 399 were found accurate, while 49 were found inaccurate and condemned. Out of 112 gasoline and oil pumps examined and tested, 95 were found to be accurate and 17 were condemned for repairs. Hay, grain, meats, wood, coal, ice and many other commodities have been inspected with a view of insuring the correctness of the amounts delivered.

Where discrepancies have been found it has been the policy of the office to regulate the same without resorting to the courts except only in such instances as were of absolute necessity, as an example in one case, sacked flour, due to the use of an inaccurate scale, was found to vary in weight from 1/4 to 1 1/2 pounds less than the marked weight. In this instance the firm was required to resack correctly the amount involved, some 60,000 pounds.

In general, while the territory to be covered by the district sealers is considerable, eight or nine counties to each man, much good has already been accomplished and all of the counties will have been visited before the close of the year.

NIGHT AND THE STARS

We are too much indoors. Even when night comes we turn up the lamp and sit within its excluded circle to read what other indoor men have written, or we go out, hastily and under cover of the street lights to get within other walls where folks are gathered to see or hear something of what others have done in films and plays and lectures. Or we sit on a shaded porch with trees about, so that the vast encircling night is only coolness and a breeze. The stars do not get much chance at us. Thus we keep the universe away from our souls. Such living makes for pettiness of the spirit. These scandalizing, gossiping little villages always live under roofs and behind blinds and curtains as if in ambush, that each inhabitant might lie in wait against the reputation of the other. Almost all of those who wrote the Bible lived in flat-roofed houses and went on the housetop when day was done so that the wheeling planets and the whole host of the stars were their familiars. It was in that light that they thought of man and his destiny. In this modern confusion of change we need the eternal influences—the moon etching pattern on lake and roadway, the night gleaming of the rivers, the solemn beauty of the Milky Way, the steadfastness of the North Star. Night ought to free us from the littleness of the day's doings and lift the heart to the things that are above and beyond our days.—Collier's.

Before starting work on that new and revolutionary submarine, Mr. Ford should remember that conditions don't favor getting out in the middle of a tour and cranking the blamed thing.

According to the Toledo Blade, "when it comes to ranking union stations, Cleveland's is the rankest." Sounds like jealousy.

President Wilson gets along better without Mr. Bryan than Mr. Bryan without President Wilson.

The grand duke stepped aside for the czar just in time to keep Von Hidenburg from driving tandem.

Why Not Patronize the Busses?

A few people are prejudice against the Busses. Why should they be? Some say the busses pay no tax. Did you ever stop to think how much the busses are saving the people of Springfield? Suppose the two busses take in \$12.50 each, that is \$25 a day. Now six days in a week at \$25 a day is \$150, and 52 weeks in a year is \$7,800. That is what the busses are saving for Springfield. The people of

the busses make.

Springfield are saving more than \$7,800. If the two busses take \$25 a day at 5 cent fares, the people of Springfield save \$25 a day clear. But the busses have all kinds of expenses such as oil, gasoline, wages, etc., to take out of the \$25 they take in. What company pays the city as large a tax as that? Figure it up for yourselves. The motor-bus has come to stay—if we lose out some one else will take up the same busi-



RITA CARLYLE

As "Coddles" in the sensational laughing success, "A Pair of Sixes," which comes to the Eugene Theatre on Wednesday, October 20, with Oscar Figman.

"A PAIR OF SIXES."

"A Pair of Sixes," Edward Peple's laughing success, which ran an entire year at the Long-acre Theatre, New York, will be the attraction at the Eugene Theatre on Wednesday Oct. 20, with Oscar Figman. It received a degree of praise from the usually severe metropolitan critics in terms that almost exhaust the superlatives. There has been no dissenting opinion as to the ingenuity of the fantastic idea on which the plot is based and the swift movement and comic intensity of the details make an endless entertainment of rarely enjoyable fun.

The story concerns George B. Nettleton and T. Boggs Johns, manufacturers of a digestive pill, who are continually quarrelling about their respective claims of being the brains of their prosperous business. With a burst of temper, each declares he wants to break the partnership. This is not easy to arrange, but when their lawyer comes, they dispute as much about the details of the business. They finally accept the lawyer's suggestion to decide the dissolution by drawing a hand at poker. They agree that the one who wins shall be the master of the business, and the other is to be his servant for a year. If either party breaks this contract, he is to forfeit \$5,000 and his interest in the business. There are also numerous cash fines and penalties. Also absolute secrecy is demanded. This makes Boggs' position exceedingly painful to him when he is installed as butler in the Nettleton home, and his sweetheart comes to visit him as a guest. He dares not tell her his reason for his menial position and his tribulations are made worse through the insistent interest of an eccentric English servant who determines to capture him as a husband. This amazing complication excites no end of amusing situations and the fun is fast and furious until his sweetheart takes a hand in the game and proves that a lone queen of hearts can beat a pair of sixes. Oscar Figman heads the New York cast to be seen here and the production will be under the management of H. H. Frazer.

ness. Would also like to state that the busses do not belong to any religious organization or any church or anything of the kind, as many people think, you can find the owners on the busses at all times.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Calkins, October 13, 1915, a daughter.

—Flour special for next week. Johnson's Best \$1.20 or \$4.70 per bbl. Cupid \$1.43 or \$5.70 bbl. All old wheat stock at new wheat prices. Potatoes 70 cents cwt. Springfield Feed Co.

Classified Ads

For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

LOST—Elk scarf pin. Finder please return to News office.

WANTED—A second hand bicycle with clincher tires. Must be in good condition. D. S. Jordan, Phone 130W3.

FOUND—Child's muff. Call at News office. 75

FOR TRADE—Eugene residence property for Springfield Residence. Address News.75

WANTED—A gentle saddle pony for a lady to ride this winter for its keeping. Address P. O. Box 55, or call at 167 Mill and B street. 11*

FOR SALE—At a bargain close in residence lot. Browning Realty Co.

GOOD RANGE for sale at bargain. Inquire at News office.

FOR SALE—A good motorcycle or will trade for a good horse also spring oats. Inquire at News Office.

LOST—Between Fifth and A streets and Booth-Kelly office a merchaum pipe, gold-mounted. Finder please return to News office or Booth-Kelly office. 73

FOR SALE—Wagon and harness cheap. Call at News office.

HORSES FOR SALE—If you want a bargain, don't fail to see them. Must sell this week Also household goods for sale. J. F. Martin, 645 A street. 68*

FOR SALE—First class Jersey cow, giving a good flow milk. See E. M. Crawford, Springfield Junction.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—New six room bungalow on improved lot 50x150, trees, outside city limits, city water, sewerage, wired for electric lights, one block from macadam street. Will trade for

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