

52 Year Old Apple



Aldin Hazen, of Chardon, Ohio, owns the oldest apple in the world. It was given to his wife by Sheridan Bull upon his return from the Civil War. Hazen has preserved the apple for 52 years by sticking cloves into it.

CLOVE APPLE OWNED BY BRUMETTE 45 YEARS OLD

Springfield is not to be left in the cold while Cottage Grove and Junction City unearth ancient apples which it is claimed grew on trees over half a century ago. For today Harry Brumette brought to the News office an apple which has been preserved for 45 years.

The local apple, a Belfour, was fixed with cloves in Portland in 1881, and has been kept in good condition since that time. While the local fruit can claim no such age as 62 years, which is claimed by Editor Bede of the Cottage Grove Sentinel for an apple owned by a Cottage Grove woman, nevertheless it must be admitted that 45 years is a long time and doubtless the apple will last for many years to come.

MEMORIAL DAY PLANS TO BE MADE APRIL 6

April 6 is the date for the general meeting of representatives of various civic organizations to consider the plans for observance of Memorial day here, according to announcement by M. B. Huntly, chairman of the American Legion committee.

The persons appointed by each organization will compose a committee to have general charge of all phases of the observance. Letters inviting participation in the arrangements have been sent out to clubs by the legion committee. The most impressive observance of Memorial day in Springfield's history is expected to be held this year.

IDEAL MARCH WEATHER MAY PRECEDE SHOWERS

Ideal weather in March does not necessarily mean cloudless days in later spring, and precedent says that a rainless March and April may be followed by some exceedingly wet days in May and June.

Such an event was recalled yesterday by J. S. Bentley, old-timer of this district, whose home is at Springfield Junction. Mr. Bentley said that back in 1885 residents of this section saw all of March pass without a drop of rain. April showers were light, but in May and June rain was heavy, and before these two months had passed the rainfall schedule was up to or above normal. He pointed out that this precedent may be followed in the case of the present season.

EDUCATION IS TO SOLVE

CRIME PROBLEM, BELIEF Education by scientific methods, not law courts or legislation, will finally solve the crime situation in the United States, said Prof. R. H. Parsons of the University of Oregon, in a talk before the Springfield Methodist Brotherhood Monday evening. "Some Aspects of the Crime Situation," was Prof. Parsons' topic.

The speaker prophesied that crime will continue to increase yet for a while until the tendency has spent itself. The reform must then come through education, controlled by scientific men. By this means, the number of criminals will probably be greatly reduced, and then the speaker then urged that those found to be habitual criminals be imprisoned for life without chance for parole.

Other phases of the situation were given by Prof. Parsons, who spoke before a large number of Brotherhood members and their wives in the church basement following a dinner.

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Wales' Tumbling and John's Pummeling Wins World's Praise and Admiration



The Prince of Wales, credited with being England's best advertising bet in his tumbling act from galloping steeple-chase horses, has a real national rival—now that John Coolidge, son of the President, has taken up boxing at Amherst college. Right now John is nursing a rather "ouchy" nose and the Prince is carrying his best loss in a sling—the former having lost a three round battle in his tourney and the latter from a bad spill—his thirteenth.

Persons will ride hobbies, always, but it's only once in a while that riding thusly gets anyone anything. Fresh in the public mind are two cases where young men have won admiration and respect of the mob and, above all, really favorable publicity for their countries, just because they believe in "going through" with something they've undertaken.

They didn't earn it through valor on the field of war, chambers of diplomacy, halls of finance, or in pulpit, press or platform. They earned it through their persistence, determination, gameness in pursuing something entirely aside from the serious phases of life.

The Prince of Wales, heir to the throne of England, rides. It is his hobby. Now and then he is thrown from his horse. At first it was a calamity, then a joke, and now—good advertising for the prince and his country. The world likes a person who gets up.

Then there's young Johnny Coolidge, son of the president of the United States. He boxes at his college and gets a black eye. But he finishes the bout, praises his superior boxing opponent and asks, "what's a black eye, anyway?"

And the nation hails him—because he is game! Yes, the will to try, even in the matter of mastering a hobby, is worth while.

MORE GAMES SCHEDULED FOR HIGH SCHOOL NINE

Six games have been scheduled for the Springfield high school baseball nine by Coach V. D. Bain. These with four or six others, will make up the baseball schedule for the year. The unfinished schedule follows: Mohawk Union—here, April 2; Cottage Grove—here, May 21; there, April 21; University High—here, May 11; there, April 23.

The James A. Ebbert Memorial Methodist, Springfield.

"The First Palm Sunday" will be the pastors theme for the morning at 11 o'clock hour. "The Palms" will be rendered by the choir.

At the evening hour, the theme will be "By This Sign Conquer." The illuminated cross will be used, and the 44 hymns of the cross will be sung. Special music. The home-like church, F. L. Moore, minister.

Here from Flat—James Hart of Cedar Flat was a visitor here yesterday.

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INQUIRIES PROPHECY HOMESEEKERS ARRIVAL

That Western Oregon is to be the destination of hundreds of Easterners and Mid-Westerners seeking new homes this summer is indicated in the dozens of inquiries concerning Springfield received by President Herbert J. Cox of the local Chamber of Commerce.

During the past fortnight, such letters have been arriving daily from Oklahoma, Kansas, Iowa, South Dakota, and points farther east and as far west as Idaho and Montana, the chamber president said today. The opportunities offered here for educational facilities the city's proximity to the University of Oregon agricultural conditions, labor situation, and similar matters are topics about which the inquirers seek information.

In answer, President Cox and the publicity committee have prepared a circular letter which is to be sent along with literature of various kinds, giving the fundamental points of information concerning this district. From many standpoints, especially that having to do with educational advantages, Springfield offers unusual attractions to homeseekers and it is for this reason that so many inquiries are being received.

In the replies, President Cox points out that the university may be reached by half-hour street car or bus service, that Springfield has fine elementary and high school facilities, and gives a full survey of agricultural, social, industrial and similar conditions in this vicinity.

Local realtors also notice an increase in the number of inquiries concerning property in this section, and an increase in realty transactions is expected to result. Tourists are already beginning to arrive from the east by automobile, and ideal spring climate is giving them a favorable impression.

Christian Church.
9:45 Sunday school.
11:00, church. Rev. Childers speaks on "Does God Answer Prayer," based on the last story of George Muller.
11:00, Junior church.
6:45, Senior Endeavor.
7:30, Evening service. Mrs. Barger will sing, "The Penitent," by Van de Water. Special evangelistic meeting.

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