

BLACK EYED SUSAN

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As Rodney looked down at his sister's friend, she reminded him somehow, of certain yellow fringed flowers he had picked in his boyhood.

"Introduce her to the boys, Rod," he begged, "and back her up if she is overwhelmed. I want her to have one grand time."

"Tonight the rest of the fellows were coming for one of Gwen's week-end parties, and he hoped that Susan might not prove as difficult in their companionship, as she had in his."

"I wish," she said wistfully, "that Gwen would not try to make me have a good time. I wish—that while the others are dancing and all that, Gwen would just leave me to myself."

"Same crowd of girls out with us as usual," Bill Town said. There was vague disappointment in his tone.

"That ought to start things," Rod ruminated, as he made his way back to the veranda with a word of comfort for the girl whose wistful voice still echoed in his ears.

"What is it about that girl that's so talking," he asked Rod wonderingly. "She isn't a beauty though her yellow eyes and black eyes are different."

"That's queer how those fellows elbowed each other to get first place with Susan because of the cue he had given."

"Rod broke off impatiently his meditation, and walked over to take his place at the girl's side."

"You seem," he said coldly, "to be having a good time."

"Susan stared perplexed."

"You wanted me to, didn't you?" she anxiously asked.

"Of course, I wanted you to have a good time," Rod answered gravely.

"You must be pleased then with the success of your plan."

"You see, I've been finding out tonight that I don't want anyone to take care of me—but myself."

"Susan laughed softly."

"That," she said frankly, "was exactly the arrangement I hoped for when I tried to win your sympathy."

"We're interested in Overalls. A full-dress uniform for an English minister is said to cost from \$1,200 to \$1,500."

SINGER IS DEPORTED

Boy Stowaway Has Wonderful Singing Voice.

Sweet Tenor of Erin Enchants Ellis Islanders, but U. S. Sends Him Back.

New York.—Francis O'Brien, a young stripling famous on Ellis Island as a stowaway and as a tenor of promise, who is on the high seas on his return voyage to Ireland, is a living proof that a birth certificate may sometimes prove an essential document in the pursuit of a career as a singer.

Were it not for his lack of such a document as proof of his contention that he was born in Philadelphia and that his parents took him to Ireland when he was four years old, young O'Brien might now be winning the hearts of American music lovers as did John McCormack, the emulation of whose career led the lad to secrete himself on an American-bound vessel some three weeks ago.

Instead, immigration officials, who have only cold, legal instructions to guide them in making decisions, saw fit to place him on an outgoing ship and let him try to establish the essential facts concerning his birth after his return. O'Brien, however, despaired of being able to prove much about his origin, because his father and mother are both dead, and he has no relatives in Ireland.

The young tenor's fame as a singer probably would never have started to spread had it not been for a slight illness contracted on Ellis Island, causing him to be placed in the hospital for treatment. The nurses there became enchanted with his singing, and before he was deported he was giving concerts for the other inmates of the hospital as well as for the inhabitants of the island generally. As a result, O'Brien's name today is on the lips of all Ellis Island. The hospital attendants were calling his name with tender eulogy and expressing extreme sorrow that he had to go back.

O'Brien is only one of hundreds of such cases that are sent back to their original place of embarkation every month.

New York.—A captive park bear has the right to chew any one who comes within its range, under a ruling of the appellate division of the New York supreme court. The court denied Bianco Guzzi, thirteen years old, damages sought in a suit against the New York Zoological society, which controls the Bronx zoo. It held she took her chances in pursuing a rolling ball too close to the bear's cage and that the resultant clawing could not be held against the zoo management.

Pig With Eight Legs. Woodland, Cal.—The strangest pig ever born in this county, say stock men, has been on exhibition in a local store window, being donated for exhibition purposes by C. E. Binning, a big rancher near Woodland. The animal has eight fully developed legs, two tails, four ears and two sets of teeth, though having only one head and body.

News About Oregon Industries

Portland, Ore., July 20.—The keel of the largest vessel ever built in Oregon will be laid in a few days by the Northwest Bridge & Iron Company. When completed, some time early in 1921, this vessel will be a 12,000-ton oil tanker. Seven of these craft are to be built by the local company. The start of construction has been delayed by the non-arrival of steel from the Atlantic Coast.

Portland, Ore., July 20.—Timberland in eight Oregon counties, valued at \$1,000,000, is included in the estate of Nelson P. Wheeler of Pennsylvania, who died recently in California.

Tillamook, Ore., July 20.—Dairy cows of Tillamook county received the highest rating in the Northwest in tests made by Washington State College. An average of 90 1/2 pounds of milk per cow per month was made by 762 cows of this county.

Hood River, Ore., July 20.—The upper valley, which has been noted for several years for its seed potatoes, is now producing large quantities of clover seed. One farmer has just harvested 49 bushels from 11 acres, and another 110 bushels from 40 acres. The seed sells at \$20 a bushel.

Mosier, Ore., July 20.—The cherry crop this year is above average in quantity and the fruit is of fine quality.

Corvallis, Ore., July 20.—A tomato of two pounds to the square foot has been produced under glass in the agricultural college. Two greenhouses 20x50 feet in size have already yielded 1200 pounds of tomatoes and are expected to give 2500 pounds by the end of the season.

Newberg, Ore., July 20.—Late rains have set back the berry crop this year, but berries and cherries are coming on together now with big yields from both.

Roseburg, Ore., July 20.—The J. E. McClintock farm in Flurnoy valley has been sold for \$25,000. It is one of the finest farms in the county and is in the middle of the newly discovered oil district.

Roseburg, Ore., July 20.—About half of the Douglas county prune crop has already been contracted at 16 c a pound.

Salem, Ore., July 20.—Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian, says that thousands of cattle from eastern Oregon are being shipped into Mon-

tana and Idaho to replenish the herds in those states.

Marshfield, Ore., July 20.—The shingle plant of the South mill has resumed operations.

Haines, Ore., July 20.—The new 50,000-bushel grain elevator being built here by the Tri-State Terminal Company is completed except for the installation of machinery.

Cottage Grove, Ore., July 20.—Because they can get no cars in which to ship their product, two lumber mills here, which shut down for over the Fourth, are still closed.

Riddle, Ore., July 20.—Construction has started on a new prune processing and packing plant here.

Portland, Ore., July 20.—Eight complete houses a day can be turned out from the new mill of the Aladdin company, just completed in the Peninsula industrial district. The company has been operating its smaller mill and cut-up plant for the past two months. When running full blast the plant now employs 250 men. The company has sufficient acreage to build two more plants the size of the new mill, 108 by 360 feet, and expects to so increase its capacity as business develops.

A. A. Patterson, general manager of the Pacific Coast plant here, stated today that the Aladdin company is receiving thousands of inquiries from the Orient and expects soon to be sending its ready-cut houses to China, Japan, the Philippines, and Hawaii. Exportation of bungalows to South America has already started.

The way Portland's new trans-Pacific freight service helps Oregon industries is exemplified by a recent experience of the American Brush Co of this city. When the price of hog bristles rose in China, the company started bringing its shipments direct to Portland instead of through Puget Sound and found that the freight cost saved just balanced the rise in the price of bristles. So the price of brushes was not affected.

The way to sell your product to the other fellow is to buy what he has to sell. That is why the Albers Brothers Milling Company of this city a few days ago received a large shipment of wheat and corn from Manchuria. They could have bought the grain here, but wanted to sell some flour in Manchuria. This was the first shipment of wheat ever brought

to Portland from the other side of the Pacific.

To make its product popular with the kiddies, the Tru-Blu Biscuit Co. of Portland is enclosing a toy airplane in each package of soda crackers.

Half the brooms made in the east and brought into Oregon to be sold are made on handles turned in Oregon factories and shipped east.

The Pacific Products Company of Portland, which converts otherwise useless animal matter into useful fertilizers, has just finished a new building in the Peninsula district.

Salem, Ore., July 20.—The Salem Tile & Mercantile Company, which recently purchased additional equipment, now has a capacity of 60 tons a day and is operating to capacity.

Astoria, Ore., July 20.—A log raft containing over 6,000,000 feet of timber has been sent out of the Columbia river by the Benson Timber Company, and is now on the high seas being towed to San Diego, where it will be sawed into lumber.

Portland, Ore., July 20.—Anything from a chicken-house to a church can be built by the Fenner Manufacturing Company, the pioneer ready-cut house makers of the Pacific Coast, located in this city. This company which was established here 9 years ago, has just doubled its capacity by putting another story on its factory. Sixty-three different styles of ready-

made houses are listed in the Fenner company's catalogue and the company announces its readiness to bid on anything in the way of building. Many houses are being sold throughout Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Wyoming. An office was recently opened in Boise and another is to be opened soon in California.

Once there was a woman who believed that her husband's folks were quite as good as hers. Her name was Eve.

Danger! Beware!

A woman who was too economical to subscribe for her home paper sent her little son to borrow the copy taken by her neighbor. In his haste the boy ran over a four dollar stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a warty Summer squash. His cries reached his father, who ran to his assistance, and falling to notice a barbed wire fence, ran into it breaking it down, cutting a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruining a five dollar pair of pants. The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence and got into the cornfield and killed herself eating corn. Hearing the racket, the mother ran, upset a four gallon churn of rich cream into a basket of kittens, drowning the whole litter. In her hurry she dropped and broke, past all hope of mending, a twenty-five dollar set of false teeth. The baby, left alone, crawled through the spilled cream and into the parlor, ruining a twenty dollar carpet. During the excitement the eldest daughter ran away with the hired man, the dog broke up eleven setting hens and the calves got out and chewed the tails off of four fine shirts.

And all to save fifty cents! Moral: Subscribe for the Herald at once and protect yourself from such calamities.



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