

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, June 18, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that Fred Ritchie, of Lexington, Oregon, who, on October 14th, 1914, made Homestead Entry No. 013946, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, E 1/2 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 29, Township 1, South, Range 26, East Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. C. Patterson, United States Commissioner, at Heppner, Oregon, on the 10th day of August, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: John T. Kirk, of Heppner, Oregon, William B. Tucker, of Heppner, Oregon, James G. Doherty, of Heppner, Oregon, Frank L. Wilkins, of Lexington, Oregon.

H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

The Way Out of the Irish Problem.

Irishmen in this country—without necessary but somewhat disreputable exceptions—have never suffered any confusion with regard to the duty of Ireland in the war. They have not allowed an hereditary family row within the British empire to obscure the larger issues of the struggle against Germany. There are many instances of the determination of the American Irish to aid in the

winning of the war, the latest being the resolution of confidence in President Wilson's program, passed by the national directors of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

These men are sure, as are Irishmen of common sense and far vision all over the world, that when the war is at an end the Irish problem will cease to be a problem. The quickest way to the end of the war is the quickest way to the solution of Ireland's difficulties. And the only way to get the war over soon is to throw into it all our side's resources in men and materials. The most effective thing that Ireland can do toward ending her troubles is to give the utmost possible support to the allied efforts for a quick victory.

The Sinn Feiners remain recalcitrant because they have not the right perspective to see this. Their inherited hatred of England is so intense that their minds will accommodate that and nothing else. If their mental range had any considerable breadth it would show them what sort of self-determination they might expect from a victorious Germany.—Spokesman-Review.

Mrs. John McCarty, who has been on an extended automobile trip in Southern Oregon with her husband, is now visiting at the home of her brother Claude Sloan. Mr. McCarty has returned to his home in Enterprise.—Echo News.

DIRECT ANCESTOR OF HEN

From the Jungle Fowl Are Descended the Feathered Creatures of the Barnyard of Today.

Although there were no houses within half a mile of the camp, we were surprised on our first night to hear cocks crowing in the jungle (Yunan province, tropical China). Roy Chapman Andrews writes in Harper's Magazine. The note was like that of the ordinary barnyard fowl, except that it ended somewhat more abruptly. The morning we discovered Chandler and all his harem in a deserted rice field, and he flew toward the jungle in a flash of red and gold.

I dropped him and one of his hens with a right and left of "sixes" and found that they were jungle fowl (Gallus gallus) in full plumage. The cock was a splendid bird. The long neck feathers (hackles) spread over his back and wings like a shimmering golden mantle but were hardly more beautiful than the black of his under parts and green glossed tail. Picture to yourself a "black-breasted red game cock," and you will have him in all his glory except that his tail is drooping and he is more pleasant in his general bearing. The female was a trim little bird, with a lilac sheen to her brown feathers, and looked exactly like a well-kept "game bantam" hen.

The jungle fowl is the direct ancestor of our barnyard hens and roosters, which were probably first domesticated in Burma and adjacent countries long before the dawn of authentic history. According to tradition, the Chinese received their poultry from the West about 1400 B. C. and they are figured in Babylon cylinders between the sixth and seventh centuries B. C. Although they were probably introduced in Greece through Persia, there is no direct evidence as to how and when they reached Europe.

BUILT FOR SHALLOW WATER

Peculiar Marine Institution on New England Coast 'as Known in 1842 as the Camel.

In the year 1842 a queer marine institution made its appearance in Nantucket and bore the name of camel. These camels were really huge floating dry docks for carrying ships over the bar, where the depth of water had been gradually decreasing since 1830.

Being flat-bottomed the camels could float in water very much shallower than a loaded ship required. They were like two long, large boxes floating side by side and held together at the ends by large iron chains.

The outer sides were almost straight up and down, but the inner sides were curved, making when the two sections were drawn together, an interior basin just the shape of the bottom of a ship.

The plan was for the camels to be separated far enough to allow the ships to be hauled into the basin between the two sections, then to be drawn and held fastened together by the chains, holding the ship between them, so that the camels and the ship could then be towed over the shallow places in the channel to the wharf.

Cherish Your Friends.

Have you a good friend? Of course you have, every one has friends, but every one does not hold the friendships they make. Friendship is too rare and sacred a treasure lightly to be thrown away. And yet many people are not careful to retain their friends. Some lose them through inattention, failing to maintain those little amenities, courtesies and kindnesses which cost so little, and yet are hooks of steel to grapple and hold our friends. Some drop old friends for new ones. Some take offense easily at imagined slights or neglects and ruthlessly cut the most sacred ties. Some become impatient of little faults, and discard even truest friendships. Some are incapable of any deep or permanent affection, and fly from friendship to friendship, like birds from bough to bough, but make no nest for their hearts in any. There are a great many ways of losing friends. But when we have once taken them into our lives we should cherish them as rarest jewels. If slights are given, let them be overlooked. If misunderstandings arise, let them be quickly set right.

How Language Grows.

"Cad" and "fad" were at first only localisms, struggling for existence and getting slowly into use sporadically in England, until at last they achieved a peaceful penetration into the United States; then they ceased to be mere Britishisms; they won recognition into standard English. A like fate has befallen "boss" and "boom," the first a localism of New York (descended from the days when the Empire city was New Amsterdam), and the second spontaneous creation of the lumber camps of Michigan. In time these two words were in common use all over the United States; they were then merely Americanisms; and after a while they made their way into the British empire, until now they bid fair to be lifted into standard English.

Best Method of Memorizing.

In committing a text to memory by consecutive readings better results can be obtained by allowing a fair period of time between readings. If a text be read a number of times on a given day, and another the same number of times on consecutive days, much more of the latter will have been memorized.

TO OUR CUSTOMERS

Retail lumbermen are not profiteers.

The Federal Trade Commission and the special Price Fixing Board appointed to fix lumber prices have come to a conclusion;—they have fixed prices.

We anticipated that this specially appointed Board would come right down the line in their program and fix our prices to you. Instead, they simply fixed prices from the lumber mills to the Government and to ourselves, the retail dealers.

The fixing of lumber prices, especially retail prices, was looked upon by our company, and we believe, practically all other retail dealers throughout the country as a good thing.

Prices have advanced, still lumber is not high. You will appreciate this by examining the following comparison, and to bring it home to you we have taken as a basis of our comparison the price which you are receiving for your crops:

To illustrate:—In 1913, one thousand feet of lumber purchased 73.4 bushels of wheat, as against 12.4 bushels in 1917.

1000 feet of lumber bought in 1913	1917
Corn	571
Hogs	204
Bacon	201
Barrels Apples	10
Yards of cotton	328

Preceding the meeting of the special Price Fixing Committee, the Department of Agriculture issued a report styled as Bulletin No. 116, "The Distribution of Soft Wood in the Middle West," the preparation of which covered a period of more than a year. The conclusion set forth in this Bulletin evidently had a great deal to do with their failure to fix our selling price to you.

For, briefly, this is what the Special Commission had to say about our business. There seems to be no need of fixing the dealer's price to the consumer, and so long as their present fair attitude manifests itself, prices will not be fixed.

No evidence was offered by the Bulletin or the Special Commission to the effect that retail dealers were overcharging the consumer.

Furthermore, the report advises, "that there is no combination or monopoly in existence in the lumber business, nor is there a tendency to fix prices." Manufacturers and dealers have responded nobly; they have more than lived up to the Government's requirements by meeting the big war demands with willingness and dispatch.

This report on the part of the Special Price Fixing Committee, and as issued in the Bulletin referred to, convincingly proves that we have not overcharged you, and our pledge to you is this: we will continue to keep faith with you, endeavoring at all times to give you better lumber and better service. Quality and service are the two items that are likely to change, but always for the better.

Prices will not be advanced to you so long as the present Government mill price remains in effect.

Perhaps at times we have been a little bit slow in expressing our appreciation of the business and support you have given us. This letter cannot be misconstrued as an apology, but we do wish to take advantage of this opportunity in telling you at first hand what the Government has had to say about us, for we know that their opinion will carry more weight with you than any false rumor to the effect that we have overcharged; that we belong to a combine, set up by our mail order competitors and others who are uninformed.

We thank you most heartily for the support you have given us. We solicit your future business on the basis of confidence, service and a square deal.

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