

CECIL NEWS ITEMS

Harvesting has begun on the hill ranches but no reports have been handed as to yield of wheat as yet. Second crops of alfalfa Willow Creek are being cut this week.

Wid Palmateer arrived from Jasper Oregon on Sat. and is now busy preparing to begin harvesting on his "windywork" ranch near Cecil.

Franklin Ely of Morgan was a Cecil visitor on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stender & daughter Miss Gloria of Seldom seen accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crabtree and children of "Cuckoo Flats" spent Sat. picnicking at Umatilla Dam.

Johan Thomsen who has been visiting in Portland for a week or two returned to his home in Lena on Sat.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Patterby Flats, were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kuller at the Last Camp, on Sun.

Terror to Sailing Vessels

The Horse latitudes is a region about 30 to 35 degrees west in the Atlantic, where sailing vessels carrying horses to the West Indies were frequently becalmed and had to throw the animals overboard for lack of water.

Real Vicar of Bray

The Vicar of Bray, of ballad fame, was the Rev. Symon Symonds, who four times changed his religious faith between 1533 and 1558, being Catholic under Henry VIII and Mary, and Protestant under Edward and Elizabeth.

Great French Hospital

The celebrated hospital of Bicetre, near Paris, was founded by Louis XIII in 1632, and was intended to receive only invalid officers and soldiers. It is now a general hospital for aged, incurable and insane poor.

Milking Hand Mislaced

It is estimated by a conservative mathematician that the energy expended in shaking the hands of 1,420 White House visitors in 30 minutes would have milked 12 Vermont cows in the same period.—Fairmount Times.

Early Names of Princeton

Princeton university was known as Nassau hall and the College of New Jersey, before it was finally located at Princeton. It opened in Elizabeth town in 1747, removed to Newark in 1747 and to Princeton in 1757.

To Clean Steel

Steel that is rusty can be cleaned with a cut onion and left for the day. Afterward it can be polished, either with emery powder and paraffin, or with a paste made with brickdust and turpentine.

Ideal Climate

Human health and strength are greatest when the temperature drops to about 56 to 60 degrees at night and rises to somewhere between 68 and 72 degrees during the middle of the day.

Tortoise-Shell Objects

Tortoise shell, which for centuries has been used in the manufacture of ornamental objects, is found on only one of the many kinds of sea turtles.—Science Service.

Goes Far Back

A fossil tree, 75 feet long, and estimated by scientists to be a million years old, has been unearthed in the Assanoli mining area of Bengal.

Necessary Cares

A man's first care should be to avoid the reproaches of his own heart; his next, to escape the censure of the world.—Addison.

Must Wait

The meek may inherit the earth, but not until all the problems that take the bold to handle are settled.—Boston Transcript.

Mountain on Ocean Bed

A mountain 8,000 feet high stands on the sea bottom between San Francisco and Honolulu.—Science Service.

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K returned home Saturday.

The people who attended the Fourth of July celebration at Arlington from Morgan are as follows...

Thelma Morgan was visiting Edith Ely Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Wid Palmateer came up from Eugene Saturday on business.

Miss Milbred Morgan started working for Mrs. A. F. Palmateer Monday during the harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Pettyjohn and family enjoyed the Fourth at Noah Pettyjohns on Willow Creek.

Geo. Chandler who has been spending several months at Vernonville arrived in Cecil on Wed. and will remain with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chandler at Willow Creek ranch for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk and daughter Geraldine of the Curtiss cottage were visiting in Arlington Saturday.

Jim Hardesty and family spent the fourth at Cecil.

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The annual picnic of officers took place at a picnic on Sunday School grounds. Mrs. Alda Troedson, Superintendent, B. J. Troedson, assistant Supt. J. J. Troedson, Secretary, Mrs. Minnie Ely treasurer and Elise Morgan and Margaret Ely Librarians.

Turner and Crabtree are harvesting the Witzel wheatcrop. They started the combines July 3rd on hard federation and on July 6th Jim Warfield hauled 90 sacks to the Harbison warehouse. The yield is a little better than 10 bushels to the acre and the grade is no. 1.

There has been much comment in recent years, concerning the overproduction but a trip along the Columbia River Highway leads one to believe that the crisis is nearly passed. It would seem that fully one of the population are going straight ahead at 30 miles an hour or faster and while in this attitude they are spending instead of producing. The outlook for a shortage in food stuffs is very encouraging.



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RESOURCES	
1. Loans and discounts, including rediscounts shown in items 29 and 30, if any	\$88,621.21
2. U. S. Government securities owned including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any	450.00
3. Other bonds, warrants and securities, including foreign government, state, municipal corporation, etc., including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any	242.75
4. Stocks, securities, claims, judgments, etc.	2,383.84
5. Banking house, None; furniture and fixtures,	1,000.00
6. Real estate owned other than banking house,	1,300.00
7. (a) Cash on hand in vault and due from banks, bankers and trust companies designate and approved reserve agents of this bank	4,472.46
8. (b) Net amounts due from other banks, bankers and trust companies—	3,516.60
9. Checks on banks outside city or town of reporting bank None; total cash and due from banks, items 8, 9, 10 and 11,	
10. Interest, taxes and expenses paid less undivided profits	1,028.15
11. Other assets, if any	42.54
Total	\$103,057.51
LIABILITIES	
12. Capital stock paid in	\$15,000.00
13. Surplus fund	777.97
14. (a) Undivided profits	2,247.57
15. (b) Current expenses, interest and taxes paid	3,575.72
	-1,028.15
16. Net amount due other bank and trust companies	-38.52
17. DEMAND DEPOSITS, other than banks, subject to reserve:	
18. Individual deposits subject to check, including deposits due the State of Oregon, county, cities or other public funds	45,285.59
19. Demand certificates of deposit outstanding	
20. Cashier's checks of this bank outstanding payment on demand	207.80
21. Certified checks outstanding, None; total of demand deposits, subject to reserve, items 18, 19, 20, 21	45,493.39
22. TIME AND SAVINGS DEPOSITS, subject to reserve and payable on demand or subject to notice:	
23. Time certificates of deposit outstanding	14,151.53
24. Savings deposits, payable subject to notice, None; total of time and savings deposits payable on demand or subject to notice, items 23 and 24, \$14,151.53	
25. Notes and bills rediscounted including bonds or other securities sold under repurchase agreements with contingent liabilities	12,507.00
26. Bills payable with federal reserve bank or with other banks or trust companies	15,000.00
27. Liabilities other than above, if any	
Total	103,057.51

State of Oregon, County of Morrow, ss. I, W. O. Hill, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. O. Hill, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of April, 1925. F. H. Rottson Notary Public. My commission expires Feb 20, 1928. CORRECT—Attest: Frank Gilliam, Geo. L. McMillan, Director

FAMOUS FORTS IN U. S. HISTORY
By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

A "Monument of Folly"

Much has been written about the abandoned farms of New England, but her abandoned forts are not so well known. Of all of these obsolete strongholds none is more interesting than Fort Knox on the Narrows of the Penobscot river at Prospect, Maine.

This fort, which derived its name from the fact that it was built on land once owned by Henry Knox, the Boston bookseller who became Washington's chief of artillery in the Revolution and the first secretary of war for the United States, was begun in the early forties to protect the ship-building and commerce of the Penobscot, which was then at its height. Work had progressed far enough at the outbreak of the Civil war to enable the War department to use Fort Knox as a training school for many of the artillery officers who served in the Union army. This was the nearest that Fort Knox ever came to a war record, however, for in 1869, after construction had been in progress for 26 years, work on it was abandoned.

Costing about a million dollars, it stands a monument of human folly," writes one historian. "The recent advance in the science of war is such that Fort Knox would be scarcely more effective in time of danger than an ancient feudal castle of the Middle Ages." "Monument of folly" though Fort Knox may be, it is also a monument to the days when masonry was a fine art. Huge white slabs of granite, quarried from Mount Waldo, a few miles north and floated down the river in scows, are set in its walls edge on edge with beautiful precision, and a great circular staircase of solid pieces of granite is the crowning piece of workmanship. Near the shore batteries can still be seen the brick ovens where the 42-pound cannon balls were heated, but nearly all of the artillery placed in the fort during the Civil war has been removed to adorn parks, armories and other public places in New England.

Designed to be the finest fortress on the Atlantic coast, Fort Knox is now abandoned, and it is one of the several forts whose sale has been authorized by congress within recent years. Although it lacks the historic background of many other forts, there are few which are as picturesque as this grim old "monument of folly" which stands guard over an unfulfilled hope on the banks of the "Rhine of America," the Penobscot river.

SUPPLYING THE MEANS



His Wife—I saw a lovely gown that I can get for a mere song. Mr. Tunelifter—Here's a near-hit that I wrote the other day. Take it and get the dress.

Uncommon
A little stock of common sense will boost you on your way; But common sense, you'll find, is not as common as they say.

Careless Friend
Investigation into the theory that a friend might have lopped off the youth's limbs and head is being made.—From a News Item in the Washington Times.

The Married Man

A married man falling into misfortune is more apt to retrieve his situation in the world than a single one, chiefly because his spirits are soothed and retrieved by domestic endearments, and his self-respect kept alive by finding that although all abroad in darkness and humiliation, yet there is a little world of love at home over which he is a monarch.—Jeremy Taylor.

Named by Cortez

The name "California" was applied by Cortez to the bay and the country, which he supposed to be an island. The name is that of an island in an old Spanish romance, where a great abundance of precious stones was found. Vincent Blasco Ibañez in his novel "Queen Calafia" gives an interesting account of early California.

Most Ancient City

Damascus claims the distinction of being the oldest city in the world. It comes into religious history with the advent of Abram. As capital of Syria, the country joining Palestine on the north, it was always of importance to the Jews. Apparently it has been an important trade center from the most remote ages.

"Vegetable Ice Cream"

In Ecuador, a native plant known as the cherimoya, is commonly called "vegetable ice cream," because its white flesh has the consistency of firm custard and the combined flavor of pineapple, strawberry and banana. It is popular among the natives.

NOT SEEN



"America is characterized by bigness." "Yes—very noticeable in the swelled heads."

Cultural Preponderance

The intellectual training mankind Outnumber other lists. For every moron you will find A dozen alienists.

Logical

"But," protested Reginald, "don't you cook much more for dinner than we can use, dearie?" "Of course," returned the young wife, "Of course, I do, Silly! If I didn't, how could I economize by making left-over dishes?"

Fifty-Fifty

Dorcas—I notice you don't always use the broad "a" in pronouncing the word half. Philippa—I know it. Half the time I saw half and half the time I say haf.

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