

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Ashland—The longest and heaviest tomato season on record is reported here for this year.

Moro—About 50,000 acres of Sherman county range land will be put under the government's range program.

North Bend—Instruments and equipment to outfit a new drum and bugle corps in the North Bend Boy Scout troop are on hand. The things were donated by the local Kiwanis club.

Medford—Maintaining the ratio of growth of almost 2 to 1 over last year, Medford's building permits for November totaled \$22,835 as compared with \$13,950 for last November.

The Dalles—An underwater cavern in the basalt bluff on the Columbia river west of this city presented an unexpected and unwelcome problem to contractors for the \$18,000 Port of The Dalles oil dock. Divers will explore the cavern before work is started.

Klamath Falls—Ross Aubrey, state-federal potato inspector, has announced that 977 carloads of potatoes were shipped out of the Klamath basin during November. This is a jump of 350 carloads over last November. Heaviest shipments went out of Tulelake, Malin, Adams Point and Stukel.

Medford—An unspecified but "substantial" sum was paid by Tom Mix, well-known Western movie star and circus celebrity, to settle a damage suit brought by Harvey Deck, Gold Hill prospector. Deck claimed he suffered injuries last spring when Mix accidentally lassoed him during a performance.

Milton-Freewater—A three-day survey of teaching methods was made in McLaughlin union high school, one of the 200 accredited schools in the nation to be chosen as a model school, last week. This survey will be followed by another in the spring to determine the progress of students in aptitude tests.

Athens—It's swell fodder for the cows, but for the cows' owners—poopy! That is the situation around Athens these days, and will be until all ensilage from the fall pea crop is eaten up. It seems that the ensilage has all the fragrance of a wet goat, and when the stuff is trucked through the burghers look for the nearest air-conditioned basement.

Hood River—Newell Brothers of Parkdale, to fulfill conditions of their contract with the forest service, must log selectively their newly acquired tract of timber in Upper Hood River valley. Approximately 3,000,000 feet of mature timber will be cut at the rate of about 1,000,000 feet annually. Only mature trees will be felled, saplings and immature trees to be left standing and undamaged as a nucleus for mature timber at some future time. Because in the past they have seen forest lands stripped of everything cuttable, Hood River residents are following this project with considerable interest.

Salem—Five smaller electric concerns were allowed to merge with the Portland General Electric company in an order issued last week by Frank C. McCulloch, state utility commissioner. Concerns affected are the Yamhill Electric company, Molalla Electric company, Electric Appliance & Construction company, Electric Supplies and Contracting company, and the Clackamas Power & Irrigation company. Reduction of overhead costs and concentration of activities of the concerns under one supervision were major considerations of the merger.

EXPERT URGES SOY PLANTING

Salem—Planting of soy beans in certain parts of Oregon as a stable and annual crop was urged by George E. Merwin, Empire Oil and Food Products company, Portland, when he appeared before the state board of control here this week. The more than 50 different uses of the bean, including its use in the manufacture of oils, soaps, paints and varnishes, and wallpapers, are some of the reasons advanced by Merwin in his presentation.

The proposal was referred to the state agricultural department and extension division of Oregon State college with authority to carry out the program through county agents.

Eugene—With 160 pin-ball machines in operation here, Eugene now has doubled its crop of the "skill" games. Owners of the contraptions predicted an appreciable shrinkage when license fees were hoisted, but the "play has gone on."

Tillamook—State highway surveyors are running lines in the eastern section adjoining Tillamook with a view to widening the roadway leaving town to connect with the Wilson River road and to making a wide, straight entrance into town.

what Irvin S. Cobb thinks about:

Our Good Will Ambassador BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF.—

What better salesman of good will and brotherly understanding could we send to our great sister republics in the lower half of this hemisphere than our own President, who carries for his samples his personality and his spoken words?

If, in the past, we looked mainly to the old world for our markets, it is certain that in the future we must increasingly cultivate the Latin stocks of the new world, on a continent whose incredible natural resources are for a great part still virgin and nations who must be cured of persisting beliefs that the Monroe doctrine is, for them, a threat and not a shield.



Irvin S. Cobb

If yesterday was Europe's and today is North America's then surely the promise of tomorrow belongs to South America.

Tugwell's New Job. NOW that brother Tugwell, almost the last surviving lobe of the original brain trust, has left the government flat, folks are wondering how he'll make out in his new line.

Don't worry, anybody. To some, the molasses business might be sticky, but it offers no obstacles to a young gentleman who wrote and, what's more, had published, a poem with this deathless refrain: "I will now roll up my sleeves and remake America."

Mark the words, in six months he'll be an outstanding popcornball baron, and inside of a year the acknowledged taffy-kisses king of North America. And pretty soon we'll be 'lasses-conscious to a point where the effect will be that the entire country is paved with fresh fly-paper.

I wouldn't be surprised to see us using caramels for currency. And as for peanut brittle—well, I've already started hoarding.

Il Duce's Son-in-law.

WHEN Mussolini let the word percolate that he was grooming that new son-in-law to fill his dictatorial boots he must have meant what he hinted at. Because latest photographs show the heir apparent with his jaw also thrust forward, his brows also knit in menacing frown, and his plumpish bosom inflated until his medals stand forth like carnival tags on a marquee.

The likeness to the original model is so perfect that Il Duce could use a picture of the young man for a hand mirror.

Ornithologically, it seems fitting that Italy, having kicked the dove of peace in the pants, should cherish the pouter pigeon pose to typify defiance.

The Language of Lawyers.

I REGRET I didn't think this up first—some dirty plagiarist is always thinking up something before I get around to doing so. But I feel it my duty to help spread it around, especially since it was a lawyer who wrote it. I'm quoting him:

"If a layman gives an orange to you he simply says: 'Have an orange.' But when a lawyer puts the transaction in legal form he writes: 'I hereby give and convey all and singular, my estate and interests, right, title, claim and advantages of and in said orange, together with all its rind, juice, pulp and pips, and all rights and advantages therein, with full power to bite, cut, suck and otherwise to eat the same or give the same away with or without the rind, skin, juice, pulp or pips, anything hereinbefore or hereinafter or in any other means of whatever nature or kind whatsoever to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.' And then another lawyer comes along and takes it away from you."

Underdone Movie Hams.

A MEDICAL journal reports that a preventative has been found for trichina. But I'm afraid it's too late to do anything for some of our Hollywood actor-folk, trichina being a thing common to underdone hams.

A lot of us who came out here as greenhorns and went to cutting up didoes for the screen have an alibi. When the movie critics accuse us of having contracted the disease of bad acting, our defense is that we'd been exposed to it.

Yet the films have produced a grand crop of good actors, out of very raw material, too, sometimes. And they keep right on doing so, notwithstanding that every now and then the popular fancy picks on some male beauty with a set of educated eyelashes and the winsome trick of a languishing glance.

IRVIN S. COBB.

Mansion Built in 1690 Built in 1690, the lovely old Colonial Wyck residence is the oldest in Germantown in Philadelphia. Lafayette was entertained in the state's old mansion.

"The Man Who O-O"
Tales and Traditions from American Political History
BY FRANK E. HAGEN AND ELMO SCOTT WATSON

THE LADY CANDIDATE

EVER hear of Mrs. Belva Lockwood of New York? She was the woman who was twice a candidate for the presidency of the United States on the Equal Suffrage ticket. That she was defeated on both occasions is beside the point. The record shows that she was perhaps the most stalwart of the early-day advocates of "emancipation" in all its forms for the lovelier sex. And she accomplished most for them.

In 1852, two years before her likenesses were seen on presidential banners, Mrs. Lockwood obtained the admission of women to the Supreme Court of the United States. It was the culmination of a five-year battle, launched at the Suffrage convention in Lincoln hall, Washington, in 1837.

Mrs. Lockwood was a practicing attorney herself. For three years she had been empowered to appear before the Supreme Court of the District but was barred from the United States body by lack of precedent. She established the precedent. But it required a follow-up campaign of briefs, speeches and bills to obtain the desired end.

The speech of Mrs. Lockwood at the 1877 convention was convincing to her hearers. Contrary to current recollections of the masculine type of woman who first demanded political equality, she is described in a convention report as entirely feminine. As an example: Mrs. Lockwood wore a velvet dress and train.

Mrs. Lockwood was a candidate in 1888 as well as in 1884. She was active in public life almost to the day of her death in 1917, when eighty-seven years old. After women were allowed before the United States Supreme Court she championed the right of Negro lawyers to appear there. Then she shouldered legal cudgels for the Indians, went as a peace commissioner to Europe, engaged in a score of other worthwhile activities.

BALLOTS OF HATE

THE presence this year of a nationally known newspaper publisher on the ticket of a major political party has excited interest in the part newspaper men have taken as candidates in the past.

One of them who was very active was Horace Greeley of New York Tribune fame, a candidate of the "Liberal Republicans" and endorsed by the Democrats to oppose the reelection of Grant in 1872.

Greeley was made a presidential candidate by a reform group of Republicans which had found its nucleus in Missouri with the election of one of its leaders as governor and later held a national convention at Cincinnati.

The Cincinnati convention expected its candidate and platform to be accepted by the Democratic organization, sady broken up by the disenfranchisement of southerners in the wake of the Civil war. So everyone was amazed when Greeley was named presidential candidate.

During the war, Greeley, a chronic sufferer from nervous disorders, had been erratic in his editorial positions, shifted them frequently—always with the belief that he was expressing what most people wanted.

While the South was still under arms, he had declared with great passion that the war should not end while slavery existed, yet petitioned Lincoln to appoint him commissioner to arrange a peace.

The result of all this was that he was threatened throughout the South and thoroughly hated there. Yet after the war he signed the bail bond of Jefferson Davis.

When the Democrats met at Baltimore a little more than two months after Greeley's nomination they adopted the Greeley ticket because they felt it their only means of opposing Grant.

A small group, it is true, broke away from the main body of Democrats, held a second convention in September at Louisville and placed a third ticket in the field.

Grant didn't fuss around with the election. He won overwhelmingly. It was the first time since the Civil war that all the states voted and Grant carried all but six of them, getting 272 electoral votes. The states Grant didn't win—Missouri, Maryland, Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Texas, were fairly representative of the territory which hated Greeley. But Greeley died before the results were known. These states would have given him 66 votes had he lived.

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Explains Lightning

Why certain trees are more apt to be struck by lightning is explained by Dr. W. J. Humphreys in the Kansas City Star. "In general, the trees most likely to be struck are those that have either an extensive root system like the locust, or deep tap-roots like the pine, and this for the very obvious reason that they are the best grounded and therefore, on the whole, offer the least electrical resistance."

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for December 20

THE SUPREME GIFT OF LOVE Christmas Lesson

LESSON TEXT—1 John 4:7-19. GOLDEN TEXT—Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to ward men. Luke 2:14.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Why Christmas Comes.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Immanuel—God With Us.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Why Jesus Came to Earth.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Greatest Gift of All.

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old familiar carols play And wild and sweet The words repeat Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Thus sang America's well-beloved Longfellow. But at once his honest heart began to question—"Is there peace on earth? Are not men and nations striving against each other in hatred and violence?" Were he alive today he might ask his questions with even greater fear and sadness.

How blessed then that as followers of the Christ we are again permitted to stand at the lowly manger in Bethlehem town and rejoice anew that "the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). Let us all who bear his precious name covenant together to "keep Christ in Christmas," and in the giving of gifts remember God's great gift. Let no home fail to have read on Christmas day the Bible story of the Incarnation (Luke 2:1-20).

The lesson for this Christmas Sunday has been well chosen from the First Epistle of John. The "Apostle of Love" is our teacher as we consider God's supreme gift of love. We note first of all

I. Its Origin (1 John 4:7, 8). "God is love." In other words, love is not merely one of his characteristics, but of the very essence of his being. He not only loves, but he is love. Therefore only those who know him can truly love, and those who have not love do not know him.

II. Its Manifestation (vv. 9, 10). "We may give without loving, but we cannot love without giving." God's love "sent his only begotten Son into the world that we might live through him." Let us be sure to emphasize that Christmas celebrates the coming of the Saviour into the world.

III. Its Results (vv. 11-19). 1. Love between men (v. 11). This verse presents an absolutely irrefutable argument. If God could love us, surely we should love one another.

2. Fellowship with God (vv. 12-16). No man has ever seen God, but God is manifested in the lives of men who, because they have taken his Son as their Saviour (v. 14), and have confessed him as such before the world (v. 15), have come into perfect fellowship with God. Only through such lives will the world know God's love.

3. Boldness in the Lord (vv. 17, 18). It is tragically true that even on Christmas day when we speak of peace and good will, it is a fact that men and women outside of Christ are his enemies and must look in fear toward a day of judgment. But how different for those who know Christ as Saviour. Perfect love, God's love, has cast out all fear and they may face with boldness even the day of judgment.

If any reader of these lines lacks this holy boldness, why not make this Christmas season a time of spiritual "nativity"—take the Christ of Bethlehem and Calvary as your Saviour just now!

4. Appreciation of his love (v. 19). Love begets love. God's love for us moves us deeply and we love him. He loved us "while we were yet sinners" (Rom. 5:8). Much more then, being saved, we should love him, and love the brethren. (See 1 John 4:20, 21.)

So "let us keep the feast, not with . . . the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth" (1 Cor. 5:8). Then we may indeed wish one another

A Joyous Christmas!

Real Poverty

Poverty is, except where there is an actual want of food and raiment, a thing much more imaginary than real. The shame of poverty—the shame of being thought poor—it is a great and fatal weakness, though arising in this country from the fashions of the times themselves.

Faith in Our Fellow Man

It is better to suffer wrong than to do it, and happier to be sometimes cheated than not to trust.—Johnson.

A Happy Man

Happy is that man whose calling is great and spirit humble.—Demosthenes.

An Object in Life

No man was ever so much deceived by another, as by himself.—Greville.

Decorating for Christmas—
Some Handsome Window and Room Ornaments That Are Inexpensive

WHILE windows may have been decorated for Christmas before now, the arrangements indoors seldom are made until the day before the holiday. The freshness of the beauty is wanted without any diminution. If the novelty has worn off, some of the zest of Christmas is lost. This is so true that many homemakers refuse to have windows trimmed more than a day or so prior to Christmas.

If you happen to be among this latter group, let me suggest that you take sprays of a tree that is misshapen and so very cheap and make a splashing bow of red crepe paper for each and hang one in every front window downstairs. Or have one in each downstairs window that is discernible from the street.

Ornamenting the Spray.

You can dot the spray with holly berries, or whatever you have in addition to the green. Or you can dip popped corn in red stain or dye, and touch the kernels with glue and secure them to the sprays. These notes of red, with their irregular shapes, are intriguing, sometimes being mistaken for berries and sometimes for flowers.

Bank the Mantelpiece.

Bank the mantelpiece over the fireplace where the stockings are hung, using sprays of the green intermingled with holly, mistletoe, pine cones, bayberries, or silvered or other metal painted motifs such as acorns, fine twigs with many fronds, etc. When everything is fixed to your fancy twine a string of wee colored Christmas tree electric lights through the greens. These will look ornamental by day and have a glamor when lighted during the evening.

Christmas Greens Fill Baskets.

Baskets filled with greens and dotted with the novelty units lend notes of appropriate Christmas decoration. Any small baskets will do for this purpose. There generally are some about a house, but

if not, metal paint or green stain some of the little market baskets such as strawberries, brussels sprouts or tomatoes come in. Make a rope or lengths of paper braid for the handles, painted or stained to match the basket. If a length of picture wire has been wound with the strands of paper rope and braid, these handles will keep their shape when ends have been thrust inside the baskets close to their opposite sides. The handles can be wired or glued to the baskets.

Bouquets.

Bouquets of Christmas greens in vases can be put in rooms other than the living room and dining room, and give their beauty of Christmas about the house. Be sure to use vases and bowls that have broad standards, lest the uneven weight of the greens tips them over.

Smiles

Hard Cash
"Pay your taxes with a smile," advised Mrs. Grotlocks. "I should love to," said Miss Comely, "but they insist on cash."—Pearson's Weekly.

Good Fortune

A man reprimanded his little son for eating nothing but cakes at tea-time. "When I was your age, I got nothing but bread and butter at tea-time," he said. "You must be awfully glad you came to live here, daddy," observed the boy, brightly.

Quite Agreeable

"Once ought to be enough for me to ask for that \$5 I lent you." "Yes, I quite agree, and yet you keep on at me!"—Stray Stories Magazine.

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WHEN WARM SPELL COMES LOOK OUT FOR SKIPPERS IN POORLY SMOKED MEAT



"Skippers," the larva of a fly, which hatch in meat not properly smoked. Greatly enlarged.

During cold weather, keeping meat on the farm is a simple matter. But when hot summer comes, or a warm spell in winter, look out! You suddenly find your meat, into which so many hours of hard labor and feed have been put, crawling with "skippers"! This little worm (shown in photo above) is the larva of a fly, which has laid its eggs in the meat. At the first warm spell, they hatch.

But there are other troubles besides skippers. Green mold often develops, or rancidness near the bone. The meat dries out, gets too hard to eat.

ONLY ONE PREVENTIVE

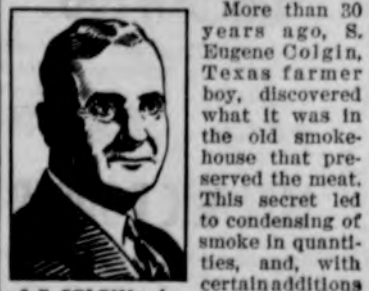
Thorough smoking is the only known way to prevent all these troubles. But how? Everyone knows how uncertain the old smokehouse method is. Other so-called smoking methods, or substitutes for smoking, are likewise risky. How can you tell whether or not the meat is thoroughly smoked? But if you want to be absolutely SURE your meat will come through the hot summer months sweet and wholesome and eatable, don't take chances. Brush every square inch with FIGARO Condensed Smoke. It is a liquid; and

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