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FLUENCE ROCK FRILLS

Tuesday was Kenneth Erskine's twenty-first birthday and a day of pleasant surprises. The first thing in the morning was the discovery of a little, new, spotted calf in the barnyard.

Lucius Kineaid left Thursday for Prospect where he intends to trap this winter. He intends to pack his supplies on his horse, but his horse thought otherwise.

Mr. and Mrs. Higginbotham left Thursday for a week's visit with their son John near Butte Falls, and their daughter, Mrs. Chartraw of Derby.

R. B. Vincent went to Medford Wednesday for a few days' visit. He intends to bring home Mrs. Vincent who has been making a protracted stay with her mother, Mrs. Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Banta of near Prospect went to the Fluence Rock ranch on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Vaughn returned last week from Medford where they had been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Sid Nichols and other relatives.

Miss Enid Peeler led the mid-week prayer meeting at the Poyton hall last week. Miss Hattie Rose sang a solo which was appreciated by every one.

Mr. Clements put in all the telephones on the south side of the river last week, but they are not yet connected.

Mr. Walker of the power plant made a business trip to Derby last Thursday. He brought home three fine fat geese for the power plant people on Thanksgiving. Their cackling as they passed along the road filled the neighbors with friendly envy.

Mr. Lewis of Fluence Rock ranch accompanied by Charles Manning brought a couple of loads of supplies from Derby Wednesday.

Miss Grace Colby has finished her school at McLeod and is now teaching at J. Brophy's.

Mr. Lower of the power plant made a trip to town last week, going out on the mail back Saturday morning.

Last Saturday was Miss Lillian Nye's sixteenth birthday and her parents gave a large party, and an old-fashioned husking bee. The bee was held in the large new barn in the afternoon. The ladies busied themselves in preparing apples for cider. As red ears predominated white ones were considered the charmed ones which gave their finders the time honored privilege, and many wifeseamles and unequal battles resulted, all ending in the same way. A darkness came on many more guests arrived. The young folks played games around a huge bonfire and some of the more sedate ones and the babies stayed by the fire in the living room grate. A most beautiful supper was served to about sixty-seven diners, and cider and apples were served all evening. After supper there was singing and more games. Miss Lillian received several nice presents and many good wishes. The house was tastefully decorated with ears of corn and trailing vines and red berries. Everyone greatly enjoyed and appreciated the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Nye and family and hoped Mr. Nye would raise another big crop of corn next year.

James Peyton left Sunday for Suver, this state, where he will join his sister, Myrtle, and her husband. His many friends miss James very much and wish him success in his new position.

THE FLORENCE DEPORTATION

RECENTLY at the instance of lumbermen and mill owners, citizens of Florence, following the example set by citizens of Coos Bay, forcibly deported eight members of the Industrial Workers of the World—simply because of a bigoted intolerance and prejudice against those whose industrial ideas differed from their own.

Though the action was a violation of the constitutional rights of the victims, an exhibition of mob law differing in degree of punishment administered only from lynch law, we find the Coos Bay Times of Marshfield extending congratulations as follows:

Felicitations and fellowship for Florence from Coos Bay and Coos county. We hasten to extend our compliments to the people of that section for their commendable action in protecting their homes and their community from a gang of anarchistic agitators that would destroy and despoil both, if permitted to continue their pernicious proachment of anarchy and destruction. Florence, we salute you as a neighboring city of which we are proud. You did a good day's work, and one that will redound to the honor and happiness of your homes and the peace and prosperity of your community.

Coos Bay having set the lawless example to Florence, naturally applauds the imitator, just as one gang of lynchers praises the action of another gang. But that mob rule should find commendation in the metropolitan press of the state is surprising, yet the Portland Oregonian, censuring Governor West for declaring that the law violations should be punished and that he would endeavor to enforce the constitution if it was necessary to place the region under martial law, says:

Governor West threatens martial law for the town of Florence as a sequel to the recent deportation of six or seven I. W. W. agitators from that place. The governor who imposes military law upon a community for doing something not pleasing to him, or for any reason not obviously designed for the protection of that community and the safety of the state, commits an act far more lawless than the populace commits when it uses the implements of coercion to rid itself of citizens who are there for no good.

The Oregonian thus virtually approves of the acts of the lawless populace, has no word of censure for the cowardly acts of the mob, but is much exercised lest the governor use the power vested in him to enforce the right to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness guaranteed by the constitution he swore to uphold. Mob violence is no crime, but an effort to enforce the law is roundly censured.

To understand properly the situation, it should be stated that both Coos Bay and Florence are lumber communities, dominated, industrially and commercially, and apparently morally, by one man or a small group of men, who have it in their power to cause panic or prosperity. The laborer, the tradesman and other classes are directly or indirectly dependent upon the whim of the lumberman, who has merely to shut down to cause depression. The deportations are at their instigation, less dissatisfaction and discontent and demands for higher wages spread among the employes. These agitators may be I. W. W. or they may be union organizers—the treatment is the same in the lumber camps along the coast.

Suppose the case was reversed. Instead of the men being deported at the instance of the employers, the employes were on a strike and forcibly deported imported strikebreakers. How long would it take the lumbermen and the subservient press to shriek to high heaven about mob rule and appeal to the governor to enforce the statutes by proclaiming martial law—for their benefit? And the loudest siren in the outfit would be the plutocratic Oregonian.

Governor West's position is unassailable. He stands for law and order as against mob rule, whether for the benefit of the few or the many—whether to protect the arrogant millionaire or the vagrant I. W. W. agitator. The one has as much right to protection from the mob as the other and both have an equal right to enjoy life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. It is not necessary to sanction either the lawbreaking proclivities of the one or the law-destroying theories of the other, to believe in a square deal on the part of the state for both.

Need of Celebrations

To the Editor: I believe in celebrations. Occasional and periodical justifications are good for the body and for the soul. There are so many days of all work and days of worry, and many, many days of sorrow, that it is certain folly not to grasp sunshine while we may. Why defer to the future the pleasure we may be enjoying in the present? Today is a more important part of our lives than next year. Yesterday has left us, tomorrow may never come. And even if we knew we would live to a hundred, what would make our journey through life more agreeable than light-hearted mingling with our kind? I think a little happiness goes a long way, because the impetus it gives our spirits carries us over the rough places without our noticing the fact. If we have sunshine to spare, let us share it with others. Let us do and say the kind and pleasant things while the dear ones are still with us. We drink flowers to the dead out of respect to the feelings of the living, not that they yield any balm to the departed.

And for Xmas? Let us be sure there is something tangible for them to be thankful for. And let them help plan happiness for someone else Xmas. That part of the fun should not be denied them. And the old folks—those going down the shady slope—let us make them feel not all their happy days are behind them. Have you ever tried to be sociable with the old folks? Rattling good chums they are. They have so much sympathy, for there is so much they understand. Let us draw them into the spirit of the hour and help them to help us celebrate. And then those of us in the busy years of life and the thick of the fray, how do we sometimes need good cheer and good fellowship. Let us all be as merry as we may every time we may, and be whole-souled and big-hearted enough to include the universe and all therein. ADA PARR.

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Experiment Station and Pear Blight

The subject of Pear Blight is uppermost in the minds of our fruit growers at the present time. During the past week I have had many inquiries from fruit growers in regard to the work this experiment station is doing with pear blight. I have also found that some of the fruit growers present at the fruit growers meeting at Medford last Saturday did not fully understand my remarks regarding our pear blight work. Hence this explanation.

It is universally admitted by pear blight experts that the best treatment for this disease at the present time consists in cutting out all affected parts and disinfecting the wounds. It is also admitted by practically all of those who have made a careful study of this disease that the most promising experimental work that can be done relative to this disease consists in introducing or originating varieties that are naturally resistant to the disease. It is very probable that eventually varieties of pears will be grown which are not seriously affected with blight.

A good illustration of this can be seen among apples in this valley at the present time. One of the chief reasons why the Yellow Newtown is gradually supplanting the Spitzenburg is because it is less subject to blight.

This experiment station is now testing hundreds of valuable or promising varieties of pears from all sections of the world to determine their adaptability to the conditions in this valley and also their resistance to pear blight. Nearly four hundred varieties are in cultivation at the station at the present time, and several hundred more will be planted this winter. It is hoped that we will obtain from this large collection several varieties which will be well adapted to local conditions and also reasonably resistant to blight. It is well known even from the small number of varieties grown in this valley at the present time that varieties of pears vary considerably in their susceptibility to blight. For example the Comice, Anjou and Seckel are not nearly so subject to blight as are Bartlett and Howell.

The most fatal work of blight is done when it attacks the trunk, crown, or root system of the tree. If we could prevent the disease from attacking the trunk and root system of our pear trees we probably would have reduced its ravages at least fifty per cent. The writer feels certain that this can be done. There are certain pears which so far have proved absolutely resistant to blight. The writer knows of certain strains of Chinese pears which have never been known to blight although they have long been grown in sections of the southeastern states where blight is unusually severe; and in orchards where all other varieties of pears have succumbed to the disease. Under these severe conditions these trees have never shown a trace of blight in blossom, branch, trunk or root system. This experiment station is now growing these resistant trees and such other resistant strains as can be obtained for the purpose of top-working them (by budding and grafting with our standard local varieties. If our local varieties succeed when top-worked on these resistant strains then a tree can be grown in which pear blight can be entirely avoided in the trunk and root system. It should be emphatically stated that when such resistant pears are top-worked with Bartlett (or any other susceptible variety) the Bartlett top does not become any more resistant to blight than it would be on its own root system or on the French stock. Blight would have to be fought in the Bartlett top just as vigorously

as at present. But every pear grower realizes the importance of saving at least the root system and trunk of the tree. The Kieffer is already being used by many growers in this valley for this purpose.

Another very promising line of work carried on by this station is the origination by breeding of varieties which are resistant to blight and which will also be of good quality. That this can be done is beyond a shadow of doubt. The Chinese strain of pears which have been referred to as resistant to blight are usually of inferior quality. But by crossing these with our finest varieties it is possible to combine the fine eating qualities of our best varieties with the blight resisting qualities of the Chinese pears. This crossing is done by fertilizing the blossoms of our finest varieties with pollen of the resistant Chinese pears and growing trees from the seeds of these crosses pollinated blossoms.

The vast majority of the trees grown from such seeds will of course be inferior or worthless, hence the work must be done on a large scale in order to obtain a variety that combines all the desired qualities.

After such a variety has been originated it is of course propagated by budding or grafting.

Some good soul will say at once that this work should have been done twenty-five years ago. The writer agrees heartily with this.

But one thing is doubly certain—this work should not be delayed any longer.

F. C. REIMER, Southern Oregon Experiment Station, Talent, Oregon.

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