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HONG KONG KOLUM

The trouble with most men of the world is that they think the school of experience is only a night school.

COUNTRY STRATEGY

The young lady from town was spending a week-end in the country, and she discoursed glowingly to the buxom landlady of the rustic inn on the delight that real country butter and real new laid eggs gave to a jaded Londoner.

We Hardly Blame Her

It is said he had threatened to kill her the first time he met her. He made good his threat when they met on the street, and she refused to see him again.

He Ought to Be Neutral

Two factions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in New York have brought their differences into court. The judge who heard the case is named Greenbaum. Need more be said?

Animated Holes

It is the unanimous opinion of old timers that the entire damage done in the lower valley can be laid to gopher holes in the levee which have been allowed to burrow through without molestation for the last six months.

Quite a Crowd

A most enjoyable afternoon was passed, all pointing in playing games, even Mr. Cunningham, big as he is making himself one of the crowd.

Dissolving Houses

Probably half the buildings of Yuma are of adobe construction, and with standing several days in water it is inevitable that they should soften in the water.

Today's Beltinger

"You're a wise guy," said the Smart Aleck, and he put down the price, a cent, took the goods, a fig, and departed.

What's the answer?

"The Smart Aleck shows me the paper with the 'A S' on it," replied the clerk. "A fig. Your rate? Wanted a fig, and how much would it be? I shove the paper back to him with 'Musk' written on it. Musk, a cent. That's how much would it be?"

Troublesome

Some time ago, after the battle of Loos, a Highland soldier was home on seven days' leave from the trenches, and after his time was nearly up he was passing through London to Victoria to get back again, when he thought that he would call at the war office and get his back pay which was due him.

The official said nothing

but handed him over to another, who, after hearing the soldier's story, sent him to a third one. This went on till Sandy had gone right through the war office and seen all the officials, until he got his "bawbees."

This rather irritated the war office gentlemen

and he turned round on the persistent soldier with the remark, "You Scotchmen give us more trouble than all the English, Irish and Welsh soldiers combined."

"Mon," replied Sandy, "that's just what the Germans said at Loos."

COST OF WATER

IRRIGATION bonds of the Brewster irrigation district, Brewster, Wash., are offered for sale in a recent issue of the New York Bond Buyer. The advertisement states that the district has voted \$1,250,000 bonds to build about fifty miles of canal, including twenty-five to thirty miles of flumes, to deliver water from Methow river by gravity to 15,000 acres of bench land near Brewster.

The cost of water per acre irrigated is \$83.33, which is not regarded as extortionate—yet people in the Rogue River valley look upon \$50 an acre as excessive, although without the water there is no assurance of crop and no market for the land. But no matter what the cost of the water, many of our objecting land-owners would not use it, even if furnished free, because of the extra work entailed.

The reclamation service reports as follows regarding the desirability of irrigation in the Rogue River valley: The fact that practically all of the soils are desirable, with irrigation, indicates that they will stand the construction charges of any irrigation system heretofore proposed.

In years of maximum rainfall irrigation is not needed. In years of average rainfall irrigation would materially and profitably increase production. In years of minimum rainfall the moisture is wholly insufficient and irrigation is necessary to mature crops.

The construction cost of water for the valley is thus figured out by the reclamation service: Medford area, from storage on Little Butte, Fish lake and Four-Mile lake, for 35,000 acres, \$40 an acre. For Ashland division, \$75 per acre; from Bear creek storage, Buck lake and Hyatt Prairie reservoirs. These costs do not include depreciation, taxes or interest charges, which should be added.

Few irrigation systems place water upon land at a less cost than \$50 an acre. Little land anywhere under irrigation systems is better able to carry the irrigation charges than that in the Rogue River valley, and none will respond more quickly to the use of water in increased yields and profits.

CAR SHORTAGE SIGN OF PROSPERITY

THAT business is reviving in Oregon and that the advance ripples of the wave of prosperity that has swept the east for the past year are already breaking over the Cascades is shown by the increased shipments over the Southern Pacific and the ensuing car shortage.

There were 1233 more cars loaded in Oregon by the Southern Pacific in February of this year than during the same month a year ago—representing an average of fifty-one more cars a day. In February, 1916, there were 4487 cars loaded, as against 3652 cars in 1915, and 3662 in 1914. These figures cover only the commercial freight and do not include the company business.

An analysis of the figures shows the increase in the principal commodities as follows: Hay, 137 cars; lumber, 800; general merchandise, 161; potatoes, 69; wood, 140. This increase furnishes an adequate excuse for the car shortage, which the railroad is exercising effort to remedy.

Two-thirds of the increase is due to the revival of the lumber industry, due mainly to renewal of building operations throughout the nation. As timber is the greatest natural resource of Oregon, activity in lumbering always presages prosperity for the state.

This lumber revival in the interior is made possible largely by the rates recently established by the Southern Pacific, giving mills in the Willamette valley and southern Oregon preferential rates over the Portland mills in shipments to interior California points—rates that the lumber barons of Portland are trying their utmost to set aside. If the effort is successful it will again close the mills of the interior—a typical instance of the way Portland assists in the development of Oregon.

Portland is dependent for its prosperity upon the prosperity of its tributary territory, yet to obtain a selfish advantage for its local industries, the metropolis has no compunctions about throttling the state's development, too short-sighted to see that in reality stifling its own development.

Angling Extraordinary

(By Emerson Hough in Saturday Evening Post—Continued from yesterday.) In the Rogue River valley it is sometimes hot in the summer time—100, 102, 105 in the shade, and no one knows what in the sun. The heat does not seem oppressive, but it has a tendency when continued through a term of days or week to drive the fish into the deeper water. Very early morning or late in the evening will be the best times then to angle for steelheads. Throughout the day one might not get more than two or three strikes in toward for patient waiting.

The rod for steelhead fishing must be very powerful, of course. The fish can be killed on the ordinary five or six ounce trout rod; but one of eight or ten ounces, built short, stocky and powerful, is better. It must be able to handle a long line, which means a heavy line, one practically of light salmon size. As the angler fishes close to the surface of the water there will be much line submerged in his casting, and his rod must be powerful in order to lift it—as must his wrist be also. Once the fish is hooked and free in that boisterous torrent, the rod has asked of it all that any rod can give. If must, in effect, be the most efficient, be of just as much weight as one can handle, single-handed, with the heavy line.

The steelhead will follow the fancy of fresh-water trout in its own selection of flies. In habits somewhat like the fresh-run salmon, it still rather favors the fresh-water trout; and it is not customary to angle for it with the gaudy flies that alone serve in salmon angling. In summer evenings the local anglers favor gray huckles, brown huckles or some modest fly of that description. No. 1 hook is a favored size for that river.

It is to be understood that the strain on the tackle is extreme, and the hook must be large enough not to tear out of the fish's mouth. At times in the evening the coachman is found effective. Most anglers during the day will change flies as they do on any trout stream. The usual uncertainty as to what the steelhead actually is going to want is before you all the time. At the time of the writing.

Itching Torture Stops

It is unnecessary for you to suffer with eczema, ringworm, rashes and similar skin troubles. A little Zeno, gotten at any drug store for 25c, or \$1.00 for extra large bottle, and promptly applied will usually give instant relief from itching torture. It cleanses and soothes the skin and heals quickly and effectively most skin diseases.

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er's visit, in July, the gray huckle was perhaps the best fly in use.

In water like this it is naturally some time before a fish can be subdued after it is hooked. The angler will have a fight on his hands every minute of the time—he may rest assured of that. He will have rushing tactics—horing and sulking sometimes, if the water permits; but his fish, being smaller than a genuine salmon, will rush more, leap more and be more active. Again, it will make extremely long runs—I have never seen any trout take off so much line at one run as the steelhead does.

It was my fortune to see this steelhead angling at its best in the company of some friends of Ashland and Medford on one midsummer day. Our party, more or less unsuccessful during the heated hours, was augmented in the evening by an auto load of experts from Medford, led by the prosecuting attorney of that town, a powerful man, weighing more than 200 pounds. His chosen fishing companion was the editor of one of the daily papers, a man of medium height and weight. These two quite often fished together. They would look hands and wade out along the edge of some ridge of rapids, in the effort to get out line enough to reach over the lying grounds of the steelheads, which experience had taught them was in the deep white water far out in the middle of the stream, where the broken rocks afforded the fish a chance to hold their own against the current.

Time and again, as these two hardy souls slipped and slid on their way out to the middle of the river, we expected to see them go down; but they proved their ability to fish in those conditions. Such angling would be a physical impossibility for any salmon angler accustomed only to boatwork, or for any trout angler used only to gentler streams. It was the most exciting angling I have ever seen during a life more or less passed in wandering.

Of course, in this sort of fishing the shoes are hobnailed heavily. Beyond that, the angler does not wear very much of a costume. Waders would be out of the question—to be carried down in breast-high waders would mean death for any swimmer in that stream. Stripped to overalls and undershirt and wading shoes, these men go into battle.

These experienced anglers were much disappointed because we found no fish during the day of more than six pounds' weight. They purposed a journey twenty or thirty miles higher up the river the following day, where they knew water that held abundance of ten and twelve-pound fish. "That's the game!" explained one of them. "When you get one of those fellows you will know you have had a fight."

In play on the rod when actually hooked the steelhead is a combination of all the artfulness, courage and strength that exist in fish make-up. He will rush like a muskellunge, tug like a black bass, sulk or rush like a salmon, and leap like a trout. A favorite maneuver on his part seems to be a sudden shaking of the head—you feel a continuous series of short, savage jerks at the line as he tries to get line enough for a burst out into the heavy water, where he knows the current against his side will give him added leverage against the rod.

He will always fight remote from the angler—fifty, sixty, seventy-five feet; so that in the dim light of evening, when the sport is best, it is often difficult to see clearly what the fish is doing, even when he jumps—only out at the end of that tense strand of silk one feels something savage, fearless, courageous. Take this feeling with that inspired by the roaring river and the angler is not always sure whether he is the pursued or the pursuer.

Thousands of men have killed their salmon skillfully, comfortably and enjoyably; but you must number in less than hundreds the fly fishermen who have ever killed their steelheads, fair and square, heel and toe, pull devil, pull baker, mid-stream casting, waist-deep.

Freckle - Face

Now is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

Do you know how easy it is to remove those ugly spots so that no one will call you freckle-face? Simply get an ounce of othine, double strength from your druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of freckles and get a beautiful complexion. The sun and winds of March have a strong tendency to bring out freckles, and as a result more othine to sold in this month. Be sure to ask for double strength othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove the freckles.

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EXCESSIVE LOANS MADE BY LORIMER BANK TO FRIENDS

CHICAGO, March 24.—Owen T. Reeves, Jr., president of the Drovers National bank and formerly a government bank examiner, testifying today in the trial of William Lorimer, charged with conspiracy in connection with the failure of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings bank, said that in examining the La Salle Street institution he found what he regarded as excessive loans.

Mr. Reeves said he found loans to W. J. Cooke and A. J. Harris, prominent in local politics, and to Charles E. Erbstain. Erbstain was counsel for Lee O'Neil Browne, Illinois state legislator, who was tried and acquitted on a charge of bribery in connection with the election of Lorimer to the United States senate.

"The Erbstain loan had been in the bank for some time," said Mr. Reeves, "and I did not think that it was a good one."

T. H. Painter, former United States senator from Kentucky, owed \$40,000, which was an unwarranted loan because he was not worth that much money. Then there were some loans to firms which were approaching or did go into bankruptcy. "The bank reserve was dangerously low," continued the witness. "Instead of being 25 per cent, as the law required, it was only 10 1/2 per cent on the day of the examination." Former Senator Painter was a member of the first senatorial investigating committee which inquired into the election of Lorimer to the United States senate.

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