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EM-TEES

We Hope Carrie Bond Will Forgive Us for This:

When you come to the end of a perfect day, When the round of fall is done? And the hour comes to hit the hay, Till the rising of the sun? How swell this dull old world would be, If the nights were three days long; My afternoon has charms for me, And my noon is my best song.

—L. Brown.

It doesn't strike us that way at all, Brown. The three hours we spend in sleep seems such a reckless extravagance of time to us. We look to Edison or some other one of those chaps to invent tabloid sleep; capsules, maybe, you might swallow like an aspirin-jolt.

Oratory a Real Gift

Clyde Rodkey, who is becoming famous as an after-dinner speaker, made himself a real favorite with at least three families the other day when he plowed their gardens and refused to be paid for his work—The Blue Rapids (Kan.) Times.

Our Own Travelogs

San Francisco—This w. k. city is noted for several things, but the chiefest is, according to the natives, the fact that you'd rather see the old town before the fire. They was the happy days. Most of the advertised features of 'Frisco (make 'em wild to have strangers call it thus) are gone now. Chinatown is as peaceful a settlement as Zion City, Ill., and the Barbary coast is full of sandy-water fountains. Any night you can see a sailor reel out of a candy store all lit up on a chocolate sundae. It was in S. F. that this famous wheeze was invented in the year 1871.

Yes, We Know How It Is

Mrs. Chris Schlegel met with a painful accident Monday while mending shoes bent over on the wrong side and put her arm out of place. We all know that didn't feel very good.—The Waukegan (O.) News.

UPPER CASE

Grab! Why are you backward about getting to it while the getting is good. Standing by, and doing an imitation of a shrinking violet will never get you anything, folks. You must grab—quietly, unobtrusively and so your neighbors will not get help to you. Grab all you can, all the time. If you don't grab soon, you'll lose. Keep that in your mind always—GRAB!

Women Sufferers Need Swamp-Root

Thoughts upon thousands of women have kidneys and bladder trouble and never suspect it. Women's complaints often prove to be nothing else but kidney trouble or the result of kidney or bladder disease. If the kidneys are not in a healthy condition, they may cause the other organs to become diseased. You may suffer a great deal of pain in the back, head-ache, loss of ambition, nervousness and may be dependent and irritable. Don't delay starting treatment. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a physician's prescription, obtained at any drug store, restores health to the kidneys and in most the remedy needed to overcome such conditions. Get a 50c bottle or one dollar bottle immediately from any drug store. However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Chemists, 100 N. Y. for a sample bottle. Write stating how you wish to obtain the Medford (Ore.) Mail Tribune.

THE SWEENEY CASE AND THE RECALL

SINCE the agitation for a recall of the members of the county court we have made an investigation with reference to the effect of such action on the Sweeney case and find the conditions as follows:

Sweeney is suing Jackson county for something over \$80,000, and if he completely succeeded he would obtain a judgment for approximately \$100,000. He bases his claim upon work done under the state highway department. At the trial it was shown that he had been allowed by the state highway engineer a sum considerably in excess of the amount which he was able to show was due him under the contract, but he claimed that the members of the county court had agreed with him that they would set aside the allowance made by the state department and allow him for the full cost of the work and a reasonable profit besides. He claimed that he had lost money on the contract, which probably was true, as he was very wasteful, and from the first was evidently keeping records and preparing to bring the suit. He is now trying to win his case partly upon the claim of this alleged understanding with the members of the county court that they would disregard the contract and allow him for the cost of the road and a fair profit.

This alleged agreement was denied by each of the members of the county court and there was no record of any such agreement or meeting on the county records. However, he and some of his men testified to such a meeting.

Within the coming month the trial judge and the parties will go over the road and inspect the work done and make an examination as to the different classes of material moved, etc. After this the case will come up for oral argument and then during the summer the record will be gone over by the judge.

It would be most unfortunate in the middle of this important litigation to discredit publicly these county officials with an attempted recall. It is impossible to tell what effect such action might have at this time upon this important case; much in the case depends upon the weight given to the evidence of the members of the county court.

Such a recall would be so decided an aid to Sweeney in this case that it raises the suspicion that it may have had its origin there. It will be recalled that before Sweeney filed his case he published a very long article in the local papers reciting his grievances. And it is hardly conceivable that local disinterested people would in any way promote the recall agitation at so critical a time. This is, rather, a time when the people of the county ought to be united, as an adverse termination of this litigation would be most disastrous to the county and would be a serious blow, not only to the taxpayers in a financial way, but to the cause of good roads and road building.

We have some very serious problems to fight out here for our own immediate protection and we can ill afford at this time to split the community upon a matter of so much importance. Knocking, petty spite and scandal-monging have already cost the valley dearly. Discord can work only ruin.

FROST DAMAGE TO CALIFORNIA FRUIT HEAVY

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 10.—Damage from Sunday morning's frost throughout northern California exceeds first estimates. Apples, pears, cherries and other fruit in the northern counties were severely damaged, while the grape loss in the central counties will exceed \$5,000,000.

The following estimates of damage to the grapes were received at the headquarters of the California Wine association:

Grape Loss Heavy.

Sacramento and Napa, 80 per cent of crop frozen; Sonoma valley, totally frozen from Layton to Santa Rosa, on the floor of the valley, the hillside vineyards not being touched; Sacramento valley along the American river from Sacramento to Folsom, 80 per cent frozen; Marysville, 30 to 60 per cent frozen; district around Florin, 30 per cent; Lodi section, 30 per cent; Yolo county, not touched by frost.

No damage was reported from the grape growers south of Stockton.

Edgar M. Sheehan, secretary of the state viticultural commission, announced today that reports he has received from the grape-growing sections that were visited by the frost yesterday morning convince him that the damage done to the grapes alone will reach about \$5,000,000. He said the damage in the Sacramento, Lodi, Napa valley, Sonoma county and El Dorado districts ranged from 30 to 90 per cent of the crop.

Northern Fruit Killed.

REDDING, Cal., May 10.—The heavy frost of Sunday morning killed all the strawberries and fruit in the Sacramento River canyon from Delta north. Damage around Castella and Sisson will amount to several thousand dollars. Strawberries, cherries and apples were killed. The new growth of trees was shriveled up and gardens were obliterated. It was really freezing weather, the coldest for May in years.

MARYSVILLE, May 10.—An unexpected frost Sunday morning damaged potato and tomato crops greatly, according to reports from points in Yuba, Sutter and Butte counties. Peaches and cherries, the reports stated, were unharmed.

Vineyards Total Loss.

ST. HELENA, Cal., May 10.—The vineyards of Napa valley today are practically a total loss as the result of frosts. W. F. Bornhorst, one of the best-known vineyardists in this vicinity, says his loss will be 80 per cent, and F. S. Ewer at Rutherford reports his loss at \$10,000. The vines on the Merritt estate and Heringer Bros. did not get a hard freeze, but from St. Helena to Knight's Valley, in the north, are all black. It is estimated the fruit crop of Napa valley will be less than half of previous years.

Apple Crop Killed.

SISSON (Siskiyou county), May 10.—A very heavy frost Sunday morning killed what was thought to be one of the largest apple crops of many years. It is also reported that it killed all fruit crops of southern Siskiyou county.

LODI (San Joaquin county), May 10.—The damage from the frost Sunday and Monday mornings is much greater than was first believed and is now estimated to be fully 30 per cent of the total grape crop. In some spots, especially the lowlands, the grapes are practically all killed; in some vineyards there will not be a 10 per cent crop, while others are practically unharmed.

In the district about Lodi and

Clements the loss was heavier than in the section immediately surrounding Lodi. Farther south a few miles there is a heavy loss, ranging from 10 to 50 per cent in spots.

CASTELLA (Shasta county), May 10.—The cold snap of Sunday morning was disastrous for the berry growers and orchardists of the Sacramento River canyon. Strawberries, cherries and apples were killed. Garden vegetables were ruined also. The loss is great in the immediate vicinity of Castella, for strawberries make an important crop later in the season.

The new growth of fruit trees was killed. It was the coldest spell for this time of May ever known here. Some growers declare all the strawberries were not killed, but that there will be half a crop. It will take a few days to determine the exact amount of the damage, which is heavy at the best.

STEEL ORDERS AGAIN BREAK ALL RECORDS

NEW YORK, May 10.—For the third time this year the monthly statement of unfilled orders for the United States Steel corporation issued today, broke all records. The orders stood on April 30 at \$529,551 tons, an increase of 48,550 tons over those on March 31, which broke the previous high record of \$568,466 tons on February 29.



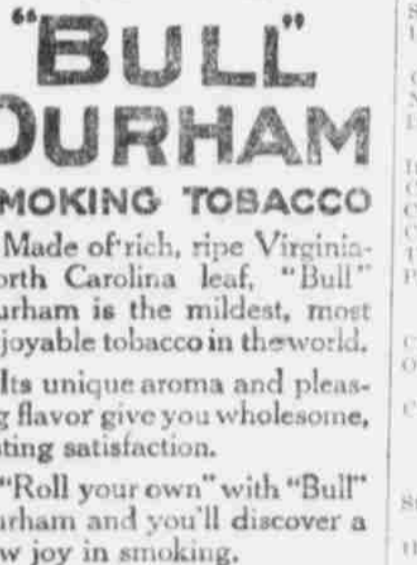
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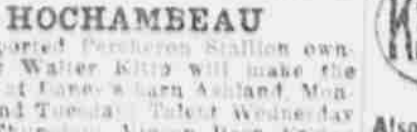
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Valuable Health Hints For Our Readers

CATARH. Just because you hawk and spit and your eyes are red, sore and a nuisance, don't merely plug it up. You can't cure catarrh by greasing your nose. Take S. S. S. regularly out of your blood. The membranes will soon recover and no longer continue to accumulate the mucus that gathers and thickens into catarrh. S. S. S. stimulates the cells of the tissues to select from the blood their own essential equipment. Rapid recovery from catarrhal inflammation in the stomach, kidney, bladder and all who-besnes is the result.

MALARIA. Throughout the country, wherever malaria abounds, are happy, joyful people to whom S. S. S. has given wonderful help in the treatment of malaria after the most sickening torture imaginable. The gaunt complexion of malarial victims, the chills and fever, the malarial dysentery that seems to defy all other treatment, the marauding, the enlarged liver, the persistent anemia where the blood turns to water and the system wastes away. These are the conditions that S. S. S. actually assists in overcoming, by helping to restore the blood to its natural vigor.

STUBBORN SORES. Sometimes a sore becomes indolent. The tissues surrounding it lose tone and are unable to provide sufficient nutriment to stop the drain. It is then chronic. Just saturate your blood with S. S. S. This is quickly accomplished, as S. S. S. is naturally assimilated the same as milk or any other healthful food. Nature acts with marvelous rapidity when given the proper assistance, and S. S. S. so stimulates cellular activity that the parts surrounding an ulcer select from the blood the materials that make new tissue. Thus the sore spot rapidly heals in a natural way. Local applications for any skin disease will afford protection from with-

out, but have no medical value. Ec-zema, tetter, acne and all such eruptive diseases should be treated with S. S. S.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank

At Medford, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business on May 1, 1919;

Table with columns for Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Loans and discounts (\$396,634.53), U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (\$100,000.00), U. S. bonds pledged to secure U. S. deposits (\$1,000.00), Premium on U. S. bonds (\$5,037.50), Total U. S. bonds (\$106,037.50), Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits (\$8,000.00), Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged (\$41,655.05), Total bonds, securities, etc. (\$49,655.05), Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank (\$7,800.00), Less amount unpaid (\$3,900.00), Value of banking house (if unencumbered) (\$5,000.00), Furniture and fixtures (\$8,777.75), Real estate owned other than banking house (\$14,614.32), Net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank in New York, Chicago and St. Louis (\$15,511.18), Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities (\$2,797.20), Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included above) (\$15,347.78), Exchanges for clearing house (\$5,692.93), Cashier's checks and other cash items (\$3,519.31), Fractional currency, nickels and cents (\$75.02), Notes of other national banks (\$3,792.33), United States deposits (\$4,576.00), Coin and certificates (\$24,277.00), Legal tender notes (\$5,000.00), Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer (\$5,000.00), Total (\$827,267.58). Liabilities include Capital stock paid in (\$100,000.00), Surplus fund (\$30,000.00), Undivided profits (\$19,142.97), Less current expenses, legal fees and taxes paid (\$11,951.68), Circulating notes outstanding (\$7,191.23), Demand deposits (\$9,997.50), Net amount due to banks and bankers (\$9,557.32), Dividends unpaid (\$40.00), Individual deposits subject to check (\$291,635.10), Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (\$34,005.60), Certified checks (\$3,632.57), Cashier's checks outstanding (\$1,640.47), United States deposits (\$1,000.00), Postal savings deposits (\$4,975.59), Total demand deposits (\$326,888.32), Time deposits: Certificate of deposit (\$72,489.74), Other time deposits (\$170,258.40), Total time deposits (\$242,748.14), Cash letters of credit or traveler's checks outstanding (\$5.00), Total (\$827,267.58).

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, ss: I, Oris Crawford, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ORIS CRAWFORD, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of May, 1919.

T. W. MILES, Notary Public.

My commission expires May 29, 1919.

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