

A GENTLE BREEZE AND PUSSY TREES LEAD MEN ASTRAY

In quest of the downy pussy willow and the gentle, elusive zephyrs of early spring, W. A. (Bill) Gates and Robert (Bob) Crooks, prominent fruit and vegetable men from Shasta City, roamed through the Applegate district Sunday morning.

In fact, they roamed so long that their relatives in Medford became at first perturbed—then pensive—then worried, it is said. After several hours both men returned. They were asked for an alibi. Bill Gates held forth a seragly pussy willow in his hand.

Whereupon, it is said, his wife led him to the back door of their home and pointed to a certain tree. There, lo and behold, were the most perfect pussy willows Bill had ever seen—all in bloom. Which again illustrates the soundness of the old adage about not wandering afar into strange places, before you first look in your own back yard.

PRESIDENT HONORS NAVY HERO



President Coolidge presenting Chief Gunners Mate Frank W. Coffey the congressional medal of honor in recognition of his heroism in rescue work when the submarine F-4 sank off Honolulu in 1915.

BRITISH EXPECT 1929 WILL BE BANNER YEAR IN AIR ACHIEVEMENT

LONDON—(AP) British aviation enthusiasts expect 1929 to be a year of great events and achievements in John Bull's striving for conquest in the air.

Primary interest and importance centers around the proposed launching and trial flights of two monster airships, both larger than have ever been built before. Commander Charles D. Burney's dirigible, the *Zeppelin*, is expected to soar into the air some time in the spring. Its promoters plan after test flights to take the huge craft across the Atlantic to America and back to England.

The government-built "blimp," the *R101*, sister to the Burney ship, will be launched later this year. It will make flights to Egypt, India, South Africa and Australia, and thus to establish new aeronautic history. The two dirigibles will have accommodations for 100 passengers each.

England is expected to be the greatest of international speed contests this year. This thrilling spectacle will be held over the Solent in August or September.

An international aery exhibition, the first for nine years, will be seen at Olympia, the London stadium and show ground, in the latter part of the year.

In civil aviation Britain expects to make the greatest advance of her history with the opening by Imperial Airways of a six-thousand-mile air route from London to India in April.

BULLS TAKE REINS AFTER STOCK SAG

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—(AP) Bulls regained control of the stock market in the final dealings today, after a midday sag resulting in marking up of the call loan to 2 per cent again. Pools bid up a number of specialties in wild fashion, and copper, oils and amusement shares attracted strong support. Most of the earlier losses were regained, as *Bull* was shot up 23 1/2 points to 389 1/2. Allis Chalmers and A. M. Byers soared 12 points. Anaconda and American and American Express were bid up 4 to 8 points to record prices.

THE MARKETS

Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26.—(AP) Wholesale prices: Butter, eggs, milk, poultry, onions, potatoes, wool, nuts, hay, castor bark, hops—all steady and unchanged.

Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26.—(AP) CATTLE AND CALVES—Steady. She stock, 25 to 50 cents lower. No receipts. Heifers (550 lbs. down), \$9.15 to 10.25; do common, \$8.50 to \$9.75; cows, good, \$8.50 to \$9.50; do common to medium, \$6.75 to \$8.50; do low cutter, \$5.50 to 6.75.

HOGS—Steady. Receipts, 90. Heavy weight (250 to 350 lbs.), medium to choice, \$9.25 to 10.25; packing weight, rough and smooth, \$8.50 to \$9.50; slaughter pigs (90 to 130 lbs.), medium to choice, \$9.50 to \$10.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Quotably steady. No receipts. Ewes (120 lbs. down), medium to choice, \$6.75 to \$8.10; do (125 to 150 lbs.), medium to choice, \$5.50 to 7.50; do (all weights) cull to common, \$3 to 5.50.

Screen Life in Hollywood

By Rabbin Coons. HOLLYWOOD.—The first all-talking and sound picture of the prize ring affords an instance of the little ironies which frequently crop up in the careers of movie favorites.



Richard Arlen, who plays the hero, is said to have won film success by "turning the other cheek." Some five or six years ago, Arlen came to Hollywood bent on screen fame, with exactly \$22 in his pocket. After three weeks, during which he says he lived on 14 cents a day, he got a studio job—but as a film laboratory worker. He had to break a leg at work before he could get attention enough from a casting director to be given a place as an extra.

He got along then, even landed a good part in one picture. But fortune ebbed and flowed uncertainly after that, and he was about to leave the picture game to itself when Paramount offered him a contract. Eventually he crashed through to success in "Wings." But before he crashed that, it had given Dick "many on the chin."

Star Still Takes 'Em. Now, even though an established star, Arlen has found himself required to keep on turning that cheek in order to fit himself for the fistic hero's role. Literally, this time.

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PROVOLT IN FAVOR OF CUT-OFF ROAD

E. V. Provolt, recently elected president of the Applegate Valley Telephone company, spent yesterday in Medford in connection with the activity in favor of the proposed cut-off road from Medford to Crescent City.

Mr. Provolt claims that besides bringing Medford as near to Crescent City by highway as Grants, this new highway would open up a number of unsurpassed scenic attractions and beautiful fishing streams, which would do a great deal toward luring tourist trade to this city.

THIEVES RANSACK SERVICE STATION

The Cloverleaf service station and store on South Riverdale was entered and robbed last night for the third time since it was opened a few months ago. Thieves took enough supplies to nearly start a store of their own, as dozens of cans of vegetables and other eatables were found missing when the theft was discovered this morning.

Several weeks ago, thieves broke a lock on the station, stealing milk and took over 20 gallons of gasoline. The police upon investigation today found no clues.

ELIGIBLES VIE IN RACE FOR FAVOR GREY-EYED LADY

Just which of the two eligible gentlemen—Bill Lydiard or Jack Carlo, will win out with the grey-eyed woman from the north, who recently wrote Mayor Pipes, requesting that he put her in touch with a suitable husband—is a matter for considerable speculation around town.

Both have received letters from the widow, "on the sunny side of 40," and both are said to keep these missives near their hearts. They are further alleged to pull them out at frequent intervals during the day's work, read them over hurriedly, but thoughtfully, and then slip them back as inconspicuously as possible.

Approached upon the subject, both prospective "suitors" are given to blushing, it is said—which according to the mayor, is a hopeful sign.

MAIL CARRIERS REJOICE AS CATALOGUES EBB

City and rural carriers are thankful that the mail order house delivery of spring catalogues is

nearing an end. They are just cleaning up on the second car load to arrive here within a week, but there is still the catalogue product of another big mail order house to come, which may arrive any day now.

The large mail order houses have their catalogues printed in Chicago and forward them by car load lots to the various sections in which they are to be delivered. The Medford postoffice is the distributing point for southern Oregon and adjacent northern California territory, meaning that after arrival here the catalogues are handed thru the local post office for distribution.

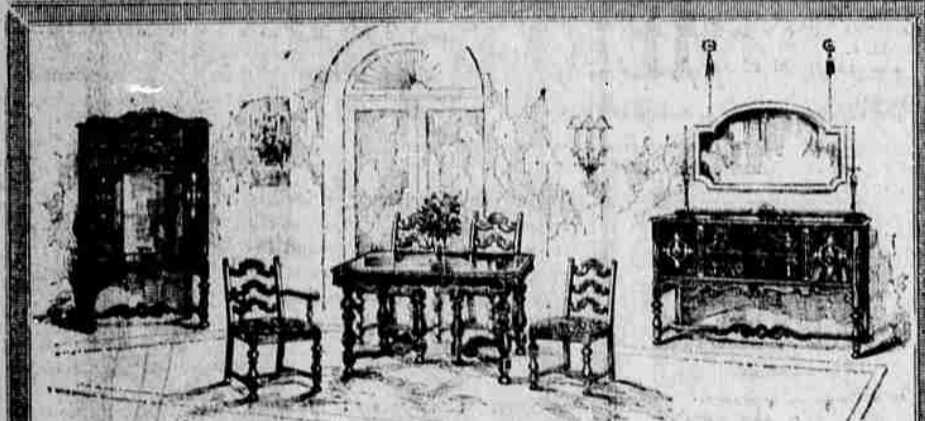
Over a week ago the first spring catalogues to arrive here was a car load of the Montgomery Ward & company literature, and then last Sunday came another car load, this time from the National Bellas Hess company, the distribution of which has not yet been completed. The Sears-Roebuck company does not make Medford its distributing point for this and adjacent territory, and only forwards to Medford from its distributing point at Eugene enough catalogues to cover Jackson county.

However, they "send plenty" in the opinion of the local rural rural carriers, and it is understood that this company's catalogues are yet to come.

New Flowers.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—(AP)—A popular craze for flowers of frank lines has led English horticulturists into an orgy of experiment. One grower has succeeded in developing green, pink, orange, fish-colored and electric-blue tulips.

With twisted strands between which garments may be inserted, a new clothes line eliminates the use of clothes pins.



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