

### RELIC OF BUFFALO HERDS IN KANSAS SHOWN BY CROFT

J. A. Croft of Central Point has one of the most interesting curiosities that has probably ever been brought to Jackson county. It looks like a carefully made plush ball, tan in color, about the size of a horse chestnut, but is a hair ball taken from the stomach of a buffalo along the Little Smoky river in Kansas back in 1876.

The buffalo hair ball is made from an accumulation of minute hairs, latched by one buffalo from the hair of another, forming in the stomach after a long period of time. It is very rare, only a few ever having been found, the present one, an unusually perfect specimen, having been exhibited at the Lewis and Clark fair and many fairs and expositions in the country.

There were herds of buffalo in Kansas at that time as large as 20,000 in number, but they were killed off so rapidly that by the early '80s they were going fast and except in parks are now practically extinct. Mr. Croft came to Medford yesterday with the hair ball in his pocket and showed it to many interested people.

### "Road to Ruin" at the Rialto Theatre

Liquor, dope, white slavery—all these bogaboos of a past generation have given way to a new menace that threatens the very life of the nation—the menace of juvenile delinquency.

Liquor affects comparatively few families, dope still fewer, while white slavery as symbolized by red lights and segregated districts, has practically ceased to exist. But juvenile delinquency as expressed in the amazing and unexplainable moral decay of modern youth is a problem that reaches into every community and threatens every home. It is difficult for many parents to understand the freedom of modern thought and conduct, and it is hard for them to believe that their child could be in danger.

All such should see "The Road to Ruin," now playing at the Rialto theatre, and which is described as "A flaming warning to the Parents of America." "The Road to Ruin," which is based on an actual case, is an amazingly frank story of the temptations confronting the children of today and contains a tremendous lesson, while at the same time, because of the extremely able handling of a delicate subject, it is a first rate entertainment.

Chamber of Commerce Now PENDING. Ore.—The Chamber of Commerce association has been changed to the Pendleton chamber of commerce following a vote of the membership at the monthly dinner.

### RELIEF FROM CURSE OF CONSTIPATION

A Battle Creek physician says, "Constipation is responsible for more misery than any other cause." But immediate relief has been found. A tablet called Rexall Orderlies attracts water from the system into the large, dry, evacuating bowel called the colon. The water loosens the dry food waste and causes a gentle, thorough movement without forming a habit or ever increasing the dose. Stop suffering from constipation. Chew a Rexall Orderlie at night. Next day bright. Get 24 for 25c today at the nearest Rexall Drug Store. West Side Pharmacy.

### WHAT BETTER GIFT

To Start Him on the Road to Success?

**BANK BOOK**  
YOUR BANK

Some day not far off your boy will have to understand the value of money. He will be a better business man if he starts to learn soon. Why not open a savings account for him as a Christmas gift? He will always look back to the day with grateful remembrance.

The Medford National Bank

### PARENTS TO HEAR RESULT PHYSICAL EXAM AT SCHOOL

The physical examinations, which are a part of the annual health education program of the Medford public schools, have been completed at the Senior high school by local physicians and dentists who donated their time.

Notification cards are sent to the parents by the Medford school nurse, telling them of the defects found so that corrections may be made. In this connection, Mrs. Josephine Jones, city school nurse, states: "It should be borne in mind that the school physical examination covers only the points listed below, and further, that no detailed diagnosis is attempted in the school examinations. That is left to the child's family physician or dentist. Our function is an educational one—that is, to call attention to outstanding defects so that the pupil and parent may be advised of their existence."

Remedial defects fall into two classes as respects their correction. First, those that are correctible by right forms of physical exercise in the school and through instructions in diet, personal hygiene and the like. Pupils who have posture defects are put into classes and given exercises and games that are corrective for the particular defect the pupil may have.

Remedial orthopedic defects, which are mainly those of flat feet or other conditions of the muscles of the arches of the feet, are also put into groups according to the treatment needed and remedial exercises given. A podograph (footprint) is made of each pupil as a part of his physical examination. These footprints are looked over by a foot specialist who classifies them into three groups. Group 1 representing the normal, group 2 those requiring a certain type of exercise, and group 3 those who have more pronounced defects and require other exercises. Exercises for flat feet or other foot defects have to be taken daily over a period of several months before improvement is noticeable. Podographs will be made again next spring and a comparison made, so that improvement may be noted.

Second, those defects which may be corrected by a doctor or dentist, viz: decayed teeth, defective vision, enlarged tonsils, defective hearing, gonorr, defects of heart and lungs come under this classification.

A summary of high school physical examinations follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Number examined	202	238	440
Number O. K.	30	19	49
Defects as follows:			
Hearing	2	5	7
Vision	26	7	33
Throat and nose	26	18	44
Thyroid (goiter)	72	29	101
Heart	16	22	38
Lungs	0	0	0
Skin	1	2	3
Posture (enuresures)	1	3	4
Teeth	132	179	311
Orthopedic:			
Group I (normal)	97	74	171
Group II	81	102	183
Group III	20	32	52

### FORMER RESIDENT OF WILLIAMS IS VISITOR

WILLIAMS CREEK, Ore., Dec. 12.—(Special) Mrs. Marie Kellog of Selma is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Taylor Hartley and other relatives and friends on Williams creek. Mrs. Kellog left here more than thirty years ago, going to Klamath county to live, but now lives near Selma. She notes many new faces and changes on Williams creek since she was last here.

### The Secret of Mohawk Pond

By Natalie Sumner Lincoln

**SYNOPSIS:** In an old family Bible found in a godlocked basement bedroom Peggy notices under-scored and arrow-marked passages which seem to carry on a followable significance. On a dark pass a lot call to Yea Lodge and arouses Peggy's ire when she discovers the contents of the missing letter to him from Tom Jamieson. Finally, she finally expresses doubt in her innocence and sends her to stay away from Sundown.

### Chapter 22 MOCKING LAUGHTER

SITTING with his back against a tree, Aquila Chase slipped over his head the leather strap suspended across his shoulders, from which swung his canvas bag for carrying specimen plates.

His find that day had proven meager and he was out of temper with his luck and the weather conditions combined. A late spring retarded the growth of several rare plants he was anxious to secure in bloom in their native surroundings.

Also it was far past his lunch hour and the pangs of hunger were at last not to be denied.

From the bottom of his bag he extracted his lunch kit; the coffee in the thermos bottle is still do-



"I have that which Miss Prescott needs," the Indian told the botanist.

lightly hot and, as he munched away, his sense of fatigue gradually grew less.

He had about completed his repast when a twig snapped back of him and looking around he saw Sundown regarding him.

"Well, well," exclaimed Chase, his surprise apparent. "Where are you keeping yourself these days, Sundown? I've been a number of times to your camp and so has Mr. Evans."

Without answering, the half-breed walked forward and selected a fallen log opposite the little botanist. Sitting down he drew out an old pipe and proceeded to light it.

"I have been searching—like you," he responded softly. "Foxes are scarce and hard to snare. I had plenty in the hunting season. Now—he puffed at his pipe and inhaled the smoke—"I work no more."

"Lucky dog," granted Chase, screwing on the cap of his thermos bottle; then, with a sharp look upward: "When did you acquire independent means?"

For once boastfulness overcame the half-breed's native caution.

"Mr. Prescott, before he died, gave me money, much money for my simple needs."

"How come?" and Chase, producing a flask from one of the numerous pockets of his Norfolk jacket, poured some whiskey into a collapsible cup.

Sundown watched the cup with interest. Was the drink intended for him or for his owner? Perhaps he could talk Chase into giving it to him.

"Mr. Prescott was never without money," he began, refreshingly. "I did errands for him many times and always it was 'Keep the change.'"

"Ah, and so that's the source of your wealth?" Chase asked. "Mr. Prescott was careless in money matters."

"He was not like the Yankees hereabouts," responded Sundown quickly. "Even when he died, he think of others."

Chase lowered the cup with his contents and regarded the half-breed seriously.

"You were with Mr. Prescott when he died?" he asked, after a second's pause.

Sundown nodded vigorously. "Just him and me and Mr. Evans—"

"Where were the servants?" broke in Chase. "Antonio, the Filipino?"

"None had come to the Lodge," explained his companion. "Antonio brought Mr. Prescott there the day before his death and left that afternoon—never to return."

Chase regarded Sundown in puzzled silence. "Who looked after him if his valet wasn't there?"

"It must have been the blind leading the blind," cried Mr. Prescott had great difficulty in seeing—at all times," with pointed emphasis.

"But I see very well in the daytime," protested the other. "Mr. Prescott ate very little supper. The next day I went to the Lodge and hurried toward the kitchen but at the foot of the veranda steps lay Mr. Prescott; I called to him, he waved his hand—so"—demonstrating his meaning; "I ran up and reached him as Mr. Evans came out of the house, a bottle in his hand."

"What then?" as Sundown paused.

"I saw that Mr. Prescott was sick and helped," simply. "Because of the snake bite Mr. Evans gave him much whiskey, oh, much, and then rushed to get his car."

Sundown paused and spoke with more impressiveness.

"Mr. Prescott felt better then,

### GOOD MUSIC AND CLEVER COMEDY IN DAVIES FILM

"Marianne" is a music synchronized romantic comedy of an American doughboy unit in France and a pretty French girl of vivacity, who mothers four orphaned French children and upon whose farm the unit is quartered in the period between the armistice and when it departs for home, which is Marion Davies' first featured talking moving picture, opened its run of four days at the Fox Criterion theatre yesterday, and with the accompanying sound short subjects proved pleasing entertainment. It is not Miss Davies' best picture by any means, nor is it her worst—just a happy medium, with perhaps the better features overshadowing the weaknesses.

Tito Ruffo, the famous baritone, appears to excellent advantage in two songs, and the Fox Movietone news, as usual, is of much interest with its cosmopolitan features.

"Marianne" is without the usual battle sequences of war pictures, but shows the effects of the war service abroad on the always hungry American soldiers, in a limited compass of speaking and actions, and untidy appearance, in keeping with their being billeted in a stable on the farm. But that service, however, did not kill their cheerful spirits and humorous tomfoolery, according to the film story.

The part of Marianne, as the handsome French spitfire who raves at times at the soldiers and their pranks, and especially fierce when they stole her pie, which really opens their acquaintance, fits the personality of Miss Davies. This big theft leads to the love story between her and Jack, the doughboy, played by Lawrence Gray. She has a talking voice of no exceptional quality, but nevertheless, perhaps pleasing, and sings several songs and does some imitations, acceptably.

Lawrence Gray, however, has a good speaking and singing voice, and Cliff Edwards (Ukulele Ike), with his inevitable "uke," and Benny Rubin, a Jewish doughboy, who furnish the main humor of the picture, also render pleasing songs.

The love ballad, "Just You—Just Me," and the theme song, "Marianne," are pleasingly tuneful. In the last act Miss Davies, who throughout the picture at times

### MAURICE CLARK HAS THIRD PRIZE ESSAY ON BENEFIT OF SOAP

Maurice Clark of the Junior high school won third prize in the essay contest, conducted by the Los Angeles Soap Co., with the following article on soap and its uses:

"Soap is made by the action of alkali on fats or oils. Soap is a cleaning substance for skin or soiled cloth. Soap makes a lather in soft water. A chemist will tell you that regular use of a little salt of certain fatty acids, some of those salts are: cleaning salts, soluble in water; others, such as the hard soap used in pharmacy as plaster base, are insoluble, and of no use as cleaning soap. Hard soap is sodium compound. The degree of hardness depends upon the character of the fat. Most commercial soaps are sodium soaps.

Every household was its own soap factory in the days of our great-grandmothers, who saved all the waste grease in their kitchens for 'soap fat.' At least once a year the gathered soap fat was boiled up with lye in a big kettle over an open fire in a back yard. The result was a yellowish soft soap, soft because the alkali was potash.

Either vegetable or animal fats may be used. The animal fats from sheep and cattle is the best. Soap not only cleans cloth and skin but prevents diseases. When soap touches dirt, the dirt sticks to the soap and comes off of the skin, cloth, or wood.

overlays her part, but not offensively so, shows to best advantage, her pathos and repression especially being noticeable when her French lover arrives home from the front, blinded, and she sticks to him, thus discarding, apparently forever, the growing romance between her and Jack, the American soldier, and the troops sail away for home. Then her French sweetheart, Andre, sensing the situation, breaks off their engagement and enters a monastery, and she and the four orphans sail for America and gladden Jack's heart.

A comedy dance number by Benny Rubin and Ukulele Ike, and specialties by Cliff Edwards are featured. —R. A. K.

### The witchery of its marvelous flavor rests on facts

1—"Canada Dry" is made from high quality Jamaica ginger. And through our exclusive extraction process retains all the flavor and aroma of the ginger root.

2—"Canada Dry" is made from absolutely pure ingredients, blended and balanced in exact proportions. A secret process of carbonation enables it to retain its sparkle long after the bottle is opened.

3—"Canada Dry" is tested daily under laboratory methods to assure its purity. Leading hospitals serve it. Leading physicians prescribe it. Here is a better, purer ginger ale.



### CANADA DRY The Champagne of Ginger Ales



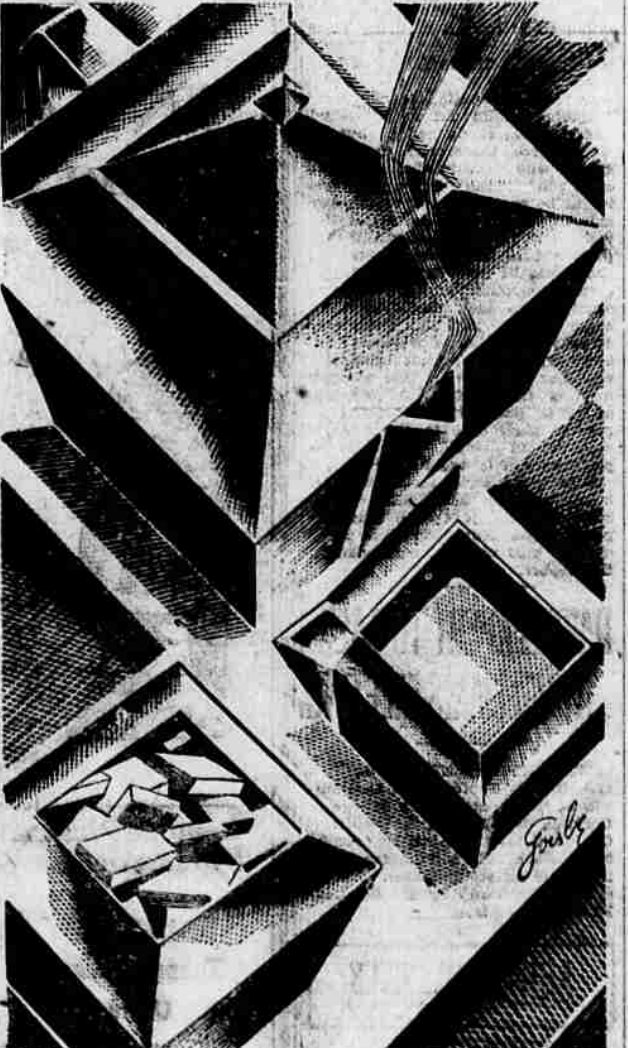
### Christmas Shopping at the Bank

The First National Bank of Medford is a good place to do some of your Christmas shopping. Savings accounts for the youngsters will encourage them to develop thrifty habits.

A Certificate of Deposit makes an ideal gift for grown son or daughter.

Arrange for a Christmas Savings Club for your wife. You will never miss the payments.

### The First National Bank of Medford



### TREE TEA

Easy hospitality — real tea enjoyment in every cup... with this flavory, delicious blend.

**INSURANCE**  
First Insurance Agency  
A. L. HILL, Manager  
Phone 105 30 N. Central  
Medford, Oregon

**Women's Hose \$1.00 Pair**  
Silk from top to toe with French Heel  
Tufogery

**CHRISTMAS TREES**  
Get your Christmas trees from Owen-Oregon Employees' Relief Committee. Carload will arrive Saturday, December 14. See trees at Owen-Oregon office on highway or phone 771.  
EMPLOYEES' RELIEF COMMITTEE.

**DR. JUD RICKERT**  
OPTOMETRIST  
22 EAST MAIN ST.

**DANGER OF NEGLECT**  
Hemorrhoids, Colitis, Constipation and Colon disorders can be cured. Don't neglect the slightest indication of Rectal or Colon disorder. It may lead to serious complications, impairing your nervous system, vitality and general health. In the past 16 years our non-surgical treatment has relieved thousands of sufferers. Write: call or phone for our FREE booklet of information. It explains our remarkable GUARANTY.  
**DR. CHAS. IDEAN**  
RECTAL AND COLON CLINIC  
DEAN BLDG. OPPOSITE COURT HOUSE  
FIFTH & MAIN STS., MEDFORD, OREGON  
TELEPHONE AT WATER 2661  
AFFILIATED OFFICES:  
SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES

**Phone 9 for FURNITURE REPAIRING**  
UPHOLSTERING, REFINISHING  
FRANK HOWARD  
219 West Main Street

**PHONE 474**  
DRY CLEANING & DYEING CO.