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TALENT

TALENT, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.)—Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stowers and daughters, Mary and Eleanor, of Roseville, Calif., arrived July 2 to spend the holiday with Mrs. Ida French and family.

Mrs. Cora Denham and sisters, Mrs. Alice Turner and Mrs. Anna Robinson of Ashland, motored to Shasta City, Calif., Sunday and spent the day with Mrs. Robinson's husband, who is employed there.

Donald Tryer is driving a new roadster.

Mrs. Pauline Estes of Oakland arrived Saturday to visit her father, Roy Estes, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Crawford and son, Tom, drove to Tule Lake, Calif., Tuesday to look after the crop on their ranch.

Mrs. Hazel Ferns of Ashland called on Talent friends Tuesday.

Mrs. Cora Denham and son, Frank, drove to Butte Falls Wednesday to spend several days with her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Driscoll and Mr. Driscoll.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rowley of Medford called at the L. I. Crawford home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rapp entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stowers and daughters, Mary and Eleanor, Mrs. Ida French and Dorothy Crawford.

Mrs. Sue Clayton spent Thursday at the country home of her daughter, Mrs. Freeman Wedge.

Tom Edmundson of Seattle spent the Fourth at his home in Talent.

Frank White has decided to rent or sell his home on Railroad avenue and make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dennis, where he can have proper care in his declining years.

Mrs. Charles Campbell received word Wednesday that her brother had been overcome by the heat, while working in a wheat field at his home near Chicago and passed away immediately.

EDEN PRECINCT

EDEN PRECINCT, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.) Mrs. Carter of Yreka, visited Mrs. Lula Hamlin over the Fourth of July and they attended the celebration at Ashland.

Mrs. Charlotte Furry and her son Aubrey and his wife visited friends in Phoenix and North Talent Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Furry arrived in Medford last Friday to visit Mrs. Furry's sister, Mrs. Nell Franklin and brother Ted Furry, and his mother, Mrs. Lata Furry and his grandmother, Mrs. M. Rose. Besides a number of other relatives in Medford and Phoenix.

Mrs. E. O. Reese and husband and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Casey, made the trip to Crater Lake and around by Klamath Falls Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker of Phoenix were pleasant callers on your correspondent and husband Monday evening. Mr. Shoemaker is owner of a butcher shop in Phoenix.

Miss Irene Standley will return this week from Roseburg.

Mrs. Hamlin is beginning the picking of her apricot crop this week.

There will be no threshing done in this part of the valley this season as the dry weather cut the crop short and all it was cut for hay.

Mrs. Clint Hartley was a guest at a teachers reunion in Ashland at the home of Mrs. J. P. Dodge. About twenty-five guests were present, some from distant points, among whom were Mrs. Pernal Whitman of Burbank, Calif., and Mrs. Guy Stone of Hollywood, former Ashland teachers.

Another picnic which was held at one of the farm homes on Applegate in which about twenty-five former Montana residents participated, was held last Sunday with several from Phoenix and Medford present.

Mrs. Davis of Phoenix has been enjoying a visit from her sister the past two weeks.

SHADY COVE

SHADY COVE, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.) Hilary Todd of Klamath Falls is visiting his sister, Mrs. Dean Washburn.

Mrs. Jane Zimmerman is at home again after a long visit with friends in California. Her health is some better.

John Liden went to the Marine hospital June 29 to receive treatment and may be there some time yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Winkle were up to Lodge Pole over the Fourth.

C. E. Breth and family of Oakland, Calif., were visiting at Charlie Winkle's Tuesday. Mrs. Breth is a sister of Mr. Winkle.

Jefferson Conover who has been very sick at the home of his son A. V. J., passed away Sunday at 8:30 p. m. and was laid to rest in the Johnson cemetery Tuesday. He had been a great sufferer but very patient and the community extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mr. Frank Johnson who has been quite poorly of late, is getting better and able to be up and around.

Grant Matthews and wife and son Earl of San Diego, Calif., are visiting at Dick Johnson's. Mrs. Johnson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews.

Miss Ruth O'Conner of Trail is visiting Mrs. John Liden during Mrs. Liden's absence.

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EAGLE POINT

EAGLE POINT, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.)—A. Lanning arrived recently from Wapakoneta, Ohio, to spend the summer with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Kline.

Mr. and Mrs. William Perry spent the night at Union Creek, July 5.

Gene Walton, who has been residing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Throckmold, was married July 3 to Ruby Cox of Medford.

A group of friends of the bride and groom held a charivari party for them July 7.

Mrs. Rose Taylor of Dyer, Calif., is here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Jack and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pettigrew.

Mrs. A. J. Tingel, matron of the Juvenile Grange, announces that the meetings for the children have been changed from Saturdays to the first and third Wednesdays in the month, inviting members to be on hand promptly at 2 p. m.

Mrs. Augusta Timmons of Chicago, Ill. house guest of Mrs. Al Hildreth, was a visitor at Grange, July 7.

Mrs. Nettie Grover and Mrs. Mary Stowell of Medford spent July 6 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Perry.

Glen Winkle, former resident of Eagle Point, arrived recently from Oakland, Calif., and is visiting his sister, Mrs. Verne Mathews.

Mrs. Dollie Moomaw and daughter Vivian spent the Fourth at Crescent City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cook and daughter Emma of Ashland were visitors at the S. K. Barnes home, July 7.

R. T. Seaman, S. K. Barnes, Arthur Kent and William Perry attended a meeting of the marketing and community projects committee of the Grange, July 6, at the office of County Agent R. G. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCallan of Ashland visited E. B. Shaw, July 5.

A number of people were here in Eagle Point on business July 9, among them being Floyd Morgan of Trail, L. H. Wyant of Lake Creek, Mrs. Ray Stanley, Mrs. Manuel Shelby, Mrs. Anna Brophy.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Boles of Bend, Ore., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Perry, July 4.

BROWNSBORO

BROWNSBORO, Ore., July 10.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bemert and children of Tacoma visited at the H. W. Wright home Thursday and Friday of last week. Mr. Bemert is a boyhood friend of Mr. Wright's, both attending school in Wisconsin.

Guests at the Ralph Tucker home for the Fourth were Mrs. Ellen Harland of Herald, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lyons of Hornbrook, Calif.

The Will Henry family of Applegate were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Henry.

A number of Brownsboro people spent the Fourth picnicking at various places. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tucker and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tucker and children motored to Bend, Indian Soda Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Charley and children picnicked on their ranch at Climax and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blann and children spent the day at Trail.

Rev. Johnston of Faith Home, Coos, Calif., visited our Sunday school last Sunday. He preached an interesting sermon at the close, which was much appreciated. Miss William, one of the teachers at the home, with several of the girls also of the home, are enjoying the trip here with Mr. Johnston.

Viola Morris and Mary Johnston of Faith Home were visiting with friends here Monday and Tuesday of this week.

WILLOW SPRINGS

WILLOW SPRINGS, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.)—A. V. Carlson and his guests, Mrs. Audrain and son, motored to Crescent City Tuesday.

Mrs. Sam Anderson and daughter Clara accompanied them.

John Anderson of Portland was a guest at his brother Sam's home over the Fourth.

James Harris, who returned last week from Wooster, Ohio, where he attends college, has secured work at the service station at Crater Lake.

Ruth and Carl Ramstrom joined a party of Medford friends who returned over the week end at Diamond Lake.

Miss Edie Harrison and Roland Birkholz were members of a party that spent the Fourth at the Lake of the Woods.

The J. W. Birkholz family entertained on the Fourth with a punch supper. Those who enjoyed the event besides the family, were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elden, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Parker, Miss Rose Jones, Misses Frances and Wynne Parker and Harry Elden.

The East Hills spent the Fourth at the Roy Nichols home in central point, where there was a family gathering and a big dinner.

Ralph Elden, late graduate of Annapolis, is spending a few days in the valley, en route to his station at San Diego, Calif. He is a guest of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Elden.

The Robert (Brushing) machine is at work in this neighborhood. They have finished their own wheat and field broom's barley.

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BUTTERFAT PRICE ADVANCES PENNY, EGGS ARE STEADY

PORTLAND, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.) The egg market looked steady today. Dealers said they expected to remain unchanged until early next week at the soonest. There are indications of some pressure on the market from heavier offerings in the mid-west.

Local production is holding up well considering the high temperatures. There is a smaller percentage of production in the higher grades.

Top quality eggs are quoted higher at several important Pacific coast markets, but lower grades are plentiful.

An advance of one cent a pound in the price on Portland delivery butterfat was effective here today. The change followed the upward revision of lower grade butter on the market here late Wednesday.

Butter is holding steady at the recent advance. Supplies are somewhat reduced from earlier in the week, but it appears as if there were enough coming in to prevent an advance of importance before the first of the week.

Apparatus was a dime lower at \$1.15. Offerings are much heavier.

Canner cows were lower here at 4 cents a pound in the dressed meat trade. Other classes of beef are steady.

A decline of 25 cents was forced in both Imperial Valley and Delano cantaloupes. The change places largest Imperial Valley offerings at \$2.75 and Delanos \$3.00 to the trade.

Elberta peaches were in greater supply from California and a dime was added from the best quality. The new price to the trade is \$1.25.

Markets

PORTLAND, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.) CATTLE \$0. calves 15¢ around steady.

HOGS 45¢ including 369 direct or on contract; steady.

SHEEP and LAMBS 25¢, including 181 direct or on contract; talking steady.

WHEAT—Open. High. Low. Close. July (old) 51 1/4 51 1/4 51 1/4 51 1/4

July (new) 52 52 51 1/4 51 1/4

Sep. (new) 51 51 50 50 1/4

Dec. (new) 52 52 51 51 1/4

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Cash wheat: Big Red Bluestem 52

Soft white 50

Western white 50

Hard winter 47

Northern spring 47

Western red 47

Oats: No. 2 white \$20.50

Today's car receipts: Wheat 101; barley 9; flour 15; corn 9; oats 1; hay 1.

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., July 10.—(Sp.) BUTTER—Prints 92 score or better 25-27; standards 25-26.

COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price to retailers: Canner cows 46 lb. Others unchanged.

BUTTERFAT—Direct to shippers, track 18-22; No. 2 grade 11-17; stations No. 1, 19-23; No. 2, 14-17; Portland delivery prices: No. 1 butterfat 22-26; No. 16-20; lower 21-26.

LIVE POULTRY—Net buying price: Heavy hens colored 4 1/2 lbs. up 17-19; Others unchanged.

ONIONS—Selling price at retailers: Walla Walla globe \$1.75; Others unchanged.

Potatoes, wool, hay, eggs, milk, quotations unchanged.

San Francisco Butterfat

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—(Sp.) Butterfat, l.o.b. San Francisco, 36.

Wall Street Report

NEW YORK, July 10.—(Sp.)—The New York stock market pushed up strongly in the later trading today, after the foreign markets had closed with a rather heavy tone.

The decision of the head of the Reichsbank to return to Germany from Paris sooner than he had planned was in the main interpreted optimistically in Wall street where it has generally been felt that German credit requirements would be provided for, the market closed with gains of fractions for four points predominating.

Today's closing prices for 18 selected stocks follow:

Am. Can.	188
Am. Tel. and Tel.	178 1/2
Anacosta	25 1/4
Go. Gas	24 1/4
Curtiss Wright	33
General Electric	42 1/4
General Motors	37 1/2
Kennecott Copper	29 1/2
Mont. Ward	28 1/2
Radio Corporation	18
Reading	72
Sears Roebuck	55 1/2
S. P.	83 1/2
Trans. Am.	7 1/2
United Air Craft	28 1/2
U. S. Steel	98
Corp. Trust Shs.	2 1/2
5-yr. Fed. Trust	7 1/4

COVERED WAGON HEADS FOR WEST AND OREGON

BROCKTON, Mass.—(UP)—With Oregon as its destination, a modernized "covered wagon" left recently to cover the 100-year-old trail of John Massa Peck, pioneer Baptist missionary. The trip, to be made under the auspices of the Mass. State Missionary society, is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 1932.

Communications

Some Program! To the Editor:

You "don't believe a another word war is inevitable." Well, maybe not, but I'm rather inclined to believe the Bible prophecies rather than any human surmises. Turn to your Bible, Revelation, 16, 16 (the whole chapter, for that matter), also, Daniel 2, all relating to Armageddon.

I do not believe in assuming a pessimistic attitude on this question, but I DO believe firmly, in the exactitude of the great Bible prophecies, and that all this will come to pass in its own good time—not in our day, nor probably within the next few generations—but it will inevitably come.

Our part in the great drama is to do all in our power, as a nation, to fend off the evil day as long as possible, first by setting our own house in order, then, to the best of our ability, helping the other nations to do likewise.

Our government cannot do this for as long as we do not wholly reform our governmental ways, so that the PEOPLE REALLY RULE.

Perhaps you may remember an old guy who called upon you in your office a year or so ago, and we had a little talk-foam on this subject; I advocating a short ballot—very short—cutting the elective offices down to about seven: president, supreme court justice, and representatives from each state; abolishment of one national house (either the senate or house of representatives) and let the five delegates from each state do the work—thus cutting down representation for the whole nation and its dependencies to about 250 members. Let the president appoint all governors of states by and with the advice and consent of the respective state legislatures; let the governor so appointed name his cabinet and it in turn make all subordinate state appointments in their respective departments. Abolish all state legislatures and let the national delegations, in the "off-year period" go home and legislate for their respective constituencies.

Looks pretty radical, doesn't it? Well, believe me, we shall have to come to just that, if we are to survive as a nation. Representative government, as now practiced, is the BUNK. We voters are no more competent to wisely choose our governors, state and national representatives than is a kid, lost in a wilderness, able to choose the right road home.

But, by reducing membership in our highest governing body, and thereby raising the standard we shall be able to stride along in the right direction, rather than just along in the wrong one, that I think back a few years of the misfits we have had in Oregon in our governors, our state representatives, and especially our local office-holders. Doesn't it make you sick? When you cast your vote, even in a local election, how often do you "foolize"?

As smart a guy as you, a news paper man, "up to snuff" and that aren't you sometimes rather ashamed of the support you've given some damn rotten dud who fell down on his job and made a blasted mess of things.

Don't let's kid ourselves that "we the PEOPLE" are so darp smart; we're just a bunch of dubs—taking us by and large—with no more judgment about such things than the aforesaid kid, lost in the wilderness. I'm an old fellow—70 next birthday—and I've been watching all these rotten ones with a keen disgust, until I'm actually ashamed to go to the polls and vote for some rotten politician, foisted upon us by a bunch of political crooks that infest every county, state and national headquarters, and the primaries so nicely fixed that we can't vote for some really GOOD man if we want to. Take just one instance of the way "we the people" are "hooked" by the politicians: All small businesses with an annual business license tax of three dollars; we are paying from fifteen dollars for an old broken down Ford to almost a hundred for a really good car. Whenever this question of reducing the tax is brought up for a vote the politicians in the pay of truck and bus companies start a howl that we won't have any roads unless we keep the high license.

We are paying about twice as much for what we have as most other states with a low license tax—and what have we?

Citing one horrible example: Our "Roosevelt" highway—section from Harbor to the state line—cost the taxpayers almost ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR FIVE MILES OF ORDINARY GRAVELED ROAD THROUGH A TERRAIN NOT AT ALL DIFFICULT NOR COSTLY FOR GRADING AND PAVING.

And so it goes. We get all this money, and to whom shall we look for a proper accounting? Echo answers—

What has become of that very good and necessary proposal to have a cabinet form of government for the state, so that its business may be conducted along the lines of any well regulated corporation? Voted down by an INTELLIGENT (?) electorate at the behest of a little bunch of crooked politicians. And so it goes. Don't let's you get us all these "getting better and better every day"—we're NOT. The political crooks and shysters have simply changed their methods of "hooking" the dear "people"—the intelligent electorate (?)—and doing business as usual.

You and your brother editors just try changing your song a little (for Cole, I don't recall the right spelling of that fool's name) and try, for a change, giving us some straight talk on real political matters. Old Diogenes had to use a lantern in his search for an honest man, but you fellows have the advantage of one hundred thousand c.p. floodlights. Hop to it!

LOUIS D. LINDSLEY, Glenbrook Ranch, Harbor, Ore., July 9.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not a religious fanatic—not even a Christian; how many of us are? Just an old fellow who wishes the world just—until he's dizzy.

Another Invitation

To the Editor:

May I, too, extend an invitation to the general public, but especially the city officials and the public health physician in particular, to call on some of the places in town where filthy garbage is being dumped on other people's property.

Every dweller on the west side of Quince have their garbage hauled away, paying one dollar per month, but some people on Rose walk across the alley and dump theirs on our property, even beside the beautiful flowers we have planted around our lots.

I would promise to serve tea to this party if I were not afraid it would tax my finances too severely.

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Exit by Harold Bell Wright

Harriet told Tony how Roy Donovan, after abandoning her and Pierre, had gone from bad to worse until no producer would trust him in any capacity. Then, it seems, he disappeared from the theatrical world.

Why he sent the boy, Bruce, to Harriet, is a mystery. Perhaps he merely wished to rid himself of a burden. Perhaps some trace of decency, or love for the lad's mother, moved him to place the boy under better influence. The boy himself could give no clue, nor did he know what had become of his stepfather.

Bruce Carey, even at this age, was overbearing, insolent and without mercy when he set himself to gain his own ends. But he quickly learned that now, without his stepfather to support him, he must exercise judgment in his dominion over his foster brother. So he disciplined little Pierre in secret, and dared the smaller boy to tell.

On one occasion only there was rebellion, sudden, decisive and disastrous, to the older boy. Bruce taunted Pierre with a disparaging remark about his mother. It was as if he had touched a match to powder, and a stone flung with savage intent by the furious Pierre cut his head open so successfully that he was carried home unconscious with his assailant following in tears.

The year that Bruce was 14, Harriet was ill nearly all winter and the vigorous, self-willed boy taxed her at times almost beyond her strength. When Mr. Gordon, one of our village grocers, offered to give Bruce a home and help him to an education, the boy in return to work in the store out of school hours, Antonio insisted that the offer be accepted.

The rest which came with the elimination of Bruce enabled Harriet to gaily and, for a while, she seemed quite well and strong again. But gradually her illness returned and as her vitality slipped away, the spiritual side of her nature became more evident.

The companionship of mother and son became more intimate and understanding. Pierre could not, of course, realize as Tony did, the full import of his mother's falling strength, but the lad's sensitive nature responded and he became increasingly thoughtful for her. Vacation time came and they were together constantly.

To Antonio, during those slow months of her illness, Harriet said many things which she could not have mentioned under other circumstances—things which are too sacred for the old actor to whisper even to himself.

But of her approaching death, Harriet Noel talked to her old friend with amazing freedom—even with a smile. "You see," the old actor explains, "she made me understand and accept death not as if it were the end of the play, but as if it were merely the actor's exit from the stage. I feel," she would say, "exactly as I used to feel in a play when I knew that in another minute or two I would receive my cue to exit and would step from the stage into the wings. You and I, Tony, have played many scenes together on this stage. We have presented in our acting comedy and tragedy, and sometimes a little of the melodramatic.

"Our more perfect scenes have been those which we have played with my little Pierre. They will not ring the curtain down when I speak my exit line and leave the stage, Tony. And the play will go on, dear, on and on and on. You and my little Pierre will continue in the scenes together following my exit, and offstage you will see me standing in the wings watching you. Your exit cue will come next, Tony, and then you and I together will watch Pierre."

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which the boy's mother had given him; the child actor said bravely, "I know, Father Tony, mother explained it all to me before she made her exit. I am an actor, too, so I understand."

Harriet had made Antonio the legal guardian of her son and executor of her will. She left in trust a small sum, which by careful economy she had saved, to be given to Pierre when he reached the age of 20 in order that he might have funds for his training in the theater.

Little Pierre wanted to live with Tony, but certain of the villagers raised such a protest that Antonio feared they would have him declared by the court morally unfit to act as the boy's guardian. When he recalls this the old actor laughs and says, "I was lucky they did not burn me at the stake." So a home for Pierre was found with a childless couple whose religion Orchard Hill approved.

"And now that his actress mother is gone," said Orchard Hill triumphantly, "and that horrid actor, Antonio Latour, has found that he cannot do what he pleases with her son, Pierre Donovan will have a chance."

Old Tony chuckled, "There I was, unanimously voted the most distasteful character Orchard Hill has ever produced—their perennial prize exhibit to prove the terrible effect of evil living—and I might have reminded them that I had been raised exactly as they proposed to raise Pierre. But I did not. And the poor fools never knew how fervently I thanked God that Pierre could have such a good home. The couple was a kindly pair who had always wanted children. The man was a generous provider and his wife a most excellent cook. As for my unholy influence, I was confident that Pierre and I could manage somehow."

But the actress mother had impressed herself too strongly upon the sensitive nature of her son for the years to efface her image. To Pierre and his Father Tony her presence continued as if, indeed, she were—in her own words—standing in the wings. Increasingly dear to Pierre was his Father Tony; increasingly dear to the old actor was the son of the woman he had loved.

Many wonderful hours did Antonio spend with Harriet's boy in that little hillside retreat behind the willows in the pasture and many times in that sacred place did they speak of the things deep in their hearts: of Pierre's mother and her dreams for him, of his training for the stage, and of the future which was to place his name among the truly great actors of his generation.

Old Tony says, "He was a handsome youngster, tall and strong. With his abundant physique, health and energy, he loved life as he loved the theater. To him, life was a glorious play and every person an interesting character acting a part.

"He never wavered in his purpose to become a great actor and hoarded his small savings to add to the fund his mother had left in trust for his education for the stage."

It was natural that young Pierre should take a generous part in amateur dramatics, and in this he was so like his actress mother that those who had known Harriet in her girlhood whispered anew the sorry old scandals which had never had other foundation than the imagination of