

Pictorial History Of Area Published By GP Instructor

A new booklet, "The Pictorial History of Southern Oregon and Northern California," has been prepared by a Grants Pass history teacher, Jack Sutton, and published by the Grants Pass Bulletin.

The 100-page booklet is a condensation of the writer's original pictorial history, "The State of Jefferson." It begins with a brief pre-ice age description of the area, followed by descriptions of the ice-age and early geographic changes in the Pacific coast.

Sutton's pictures and drawings describe early Pacific area Indians, the arrival of the white man, the Indian wars and the history of state government.

Author's Explanations

All the book's illustrations are accompanied by the author's explanations. It ends with a map of the area "intended to serve as an additional aid in determining central points from which side trips may be taken to the more remote regions covered by the text."

Copies are available at the Jacksonville museum and will also be on sale later in Medford, Grants Pass and Cave Junction.

In the process of preparation for a number of years, the booklet was undertaken because of the lack of available material for classroom use, according to the Southern Oregon Historical Society. The few books devoted to this area have been out of print for many years.

Sutton decided to produce the material in a paper-backed volume, which would fall within the limited budget range of schools using it as a supplementary history text.

Rain Probability Forecasts Found To Be Successful

(Chicago-Science Service)—Weather forecasts that include a percentage figure stating the chances of rain have proved very successful, Jack C. Thompson of the U.S. Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C., reported to the American Meteorological Society meeting here.

He said the added information, tried experimentally in San Francisco and Los Angeles, was aimed at helping people make the best use of a weather forecast. Attached to the usual prediction is a phrase like the following:

"Rain probability 40 per cent today, 80 per cent tonight, 30 per cent tomorrow."

Results of the experiments indicate many persons are highly in favor of this kind of prediction. A public survey of the Los Angeles area indicated a response of 75 to one for continuing to include the percentage rainfall chances in daily weather forecasts. The replies also showed a good understanding of the wording of such forecasts.

Thompson said similar favorable reactions have been received from other parts of the country where quantitative probability predictions have been issued for those concerned with making agricultural and business decisions.

Studies show, Thompson reported, that important economic savings can be achieved through the use of the information provided by probability forecasts.

Landscaping Done At Shrine Hospital

Portland - Extensive landscaping improvements, including planting of over 15,000 bulbs, has been completed at the Portland Shrine hospital, according to R. Earl Riley, board chairman. The project was under the supervision of Tommy Luke, nationally known florist and past president of Al Kader Shrine temple.

The hospital is preparing for National Shrine Hospital day, May 17, when the public will be invited to a program and tour at the hospital.

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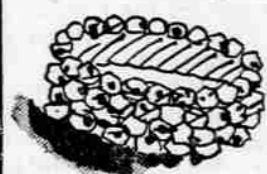
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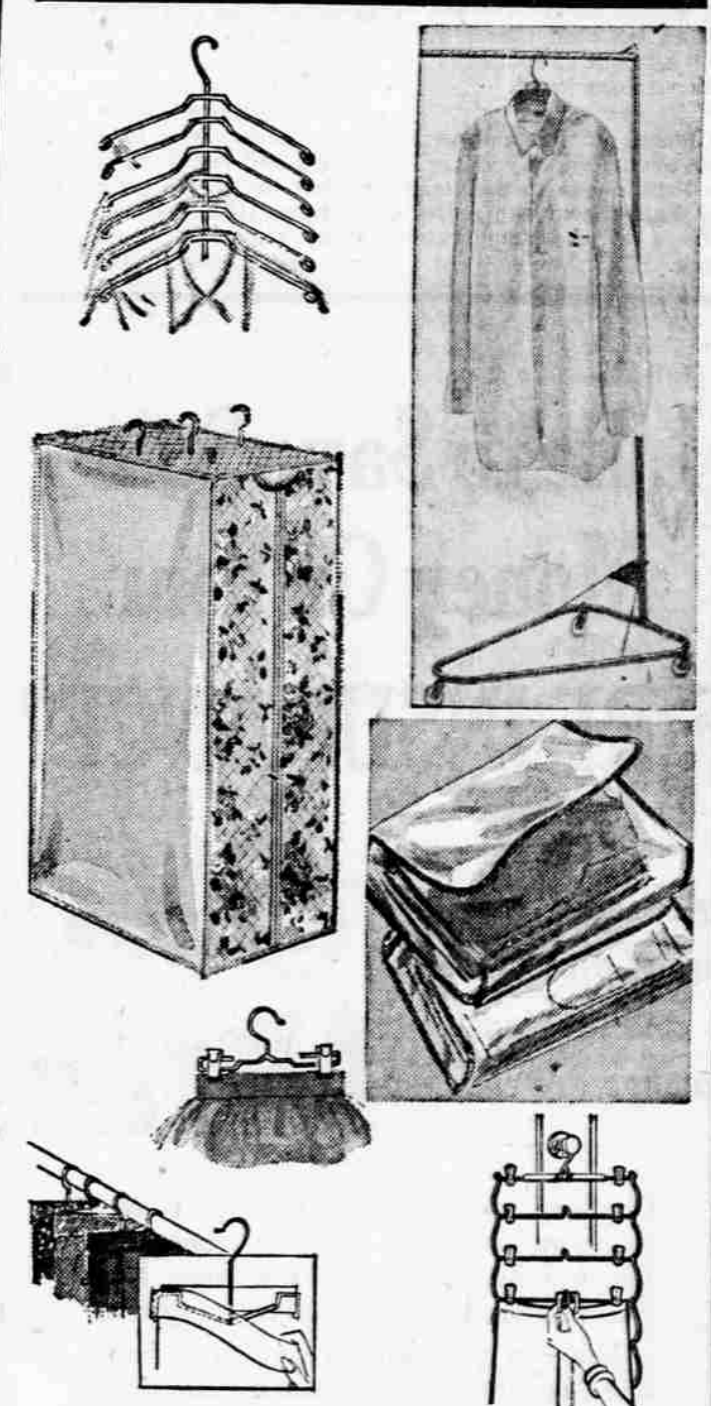
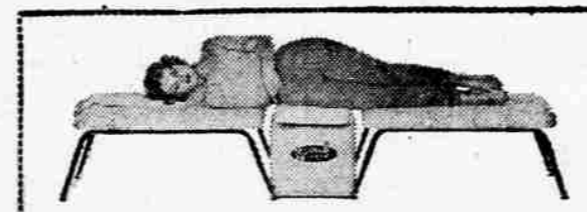
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