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### CLARK'S REPARTEE RECALLS OLD DEBATE

The repartee of Champ Clark recently in the debate on the canal bills, when the Democratic house leader in answer to slurring attacks of opponents said, "Shoo, fly, shoo, don't bother me!" has caused reminiscences for H. M. Irwin, who has an Oak Grove ranch where he resided until last fall, when he left for Salem with his daughter. Mr. Irwin, who for a number of years was representative of the American Press Association, covering the proceedings in the lower house of congress, recalls the same expression was used just about 40 years ago.

Mr. Irwin tells of the interesting experience in a recent letter to the Oregonian.

Like history and the seasons, wit repeats itself in changing guises as the ages pass. There's probably validity in the claim that there are only eight originally genuine jokes in the world, not counting certain "statesmen" in congress and out of it, and that these have come down to us from remote antiquity, each of the eight throwing out an endless profusion of branch jokes, varied in form, but all setons of the immemorial eight.

I'm reminded of this claim on reading the Oregonian's telegraphic account of proceedings in the lower house of congress, especially by a diversion during Speaker Clark's powerful and dramatic protest against the repeal of the tolls act. Pausing in the sweep of his eloquent philippic, the speaker "held his tongue for a moment" long enough to refer in a sort of playful aside to some points urged by Representative Harwick, one of the Democratic repealers.

"So far as the gentleman from Georgia is concerned, he said, 'Shoo, fly, shoo, don't bother me.'" This clever flip, a welcome break in the strain of intense interest, sent a wave of uproarious laughter over the crowded floor and packed galleries, continuing long, in spite of the pounding of the temporary presiding officer for order.

The homely and telling little witticism, so effectively used by Speaker Clark, sent a ripple of laughter throughout the lower house of congress at his first appearance. I happen to know that the identical joke played the same role in the very same place, over 40 years ago, at a time when young Champ Clark was probably trying out for his first job in Missouri, the teachership of a country school. At that time I was a reporter in the press gallery of the lower house for the American Press Association.

It was in the early '70s, when the stormy legislation of the reconstruction period was still holding a large place in congress. In those days questions were thrashed out in open debate on the floor of the house. Among the most strong body I recall such men as Benjamin F. Butler, James A. Garfield, George F. Hoar, George F. Edmunds, Sunset Cox, Samuel J. Randall, John A. Logan, Daniel Voorhees, John A. Ringham, Allen B. Thurman, Fernando Wood, Thomas B. Reed, men ready in debate, joining in the catch-as-catch-can wrestle of mind, skilled in thrust and parry, and often making the sharks fly from their slashing brands.

Ben Butler was perhaps the most widely known member, and also one of the most active, a man of strong frame, somewhat corpulent, with a rasping quality of voice that was aptly likened to that of a sawmill with a hose. The noticeable defect in his eyes, so much affected that while looking at you his face fronted several degrees in another direction. But his physical and mental vision were alike keen. Those who nettled him were sure to find him as full of spintosity as a porcupine. He was swift at repartee. I recall one instance, the one which suggests my present writing. One day a broad member of the judiciary committee, Butler was crowding one of his measures through, a bill granting "supplementary civil rights," penalizing any hotel, restaurant, bar, etc., for refusing to accommodate on account of the patron's race or color, he granted the opposition but scant time for debate before he would call the previous question. The house was indignant, but James A. Garfield, exclaiming defiantly, "Look at the man who is cracking a whip over the horse!" Butler gestured over his shoulder toward him and quickly replied out: "And look at the man whose lack of brains!" In that day's debate Sunset Cox, one of the recognized and dreaded wits of the house, had been allowed a brief time, and put in a strong argument against Butler's bill, saying its title should be changed to "A Bill to Eternize Hate." On taking the floor to close the debate, Butler chose to ignore Mr. Cox in his final argument. The latter, a man of small stature, advanced toward Butler through the ring which had formed about him, and demanded: "General, why don't you answer my speech?"

Now, it happened that at that time the catchy little negro ditty, "Shoo, fly, shoo," was having a vogue. The street Arabs and newsboys whistled it out on every corner, and at every minstrel show you would hear every after verse and refrain like this:

"I know I mus' be happy,  
Because my mudder said  
De Lord an' poun' it jasses  
Upon dis darkey's head.  
"I feel, I feel like a mornin' star,  
Shoo, fly, don't bodder me,  
For I belong to Company G."

You can imagine, then, the explosive roar of laughter when Butler, making a dismissive gesture with his hand, retorted: "As my anxious friend goes to his dinner he will hear my answer from every haugor on the avenue 'Shoo, fly! Don't bodder me.'" That little retort was followed by the heartiest and longest roar of laughter I ever heard in congress. It healed, incidentally, a good many smarters that Cox readily wit had made.

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#### Thunderstorm Last Thursday

Probably heralding the primary elections, a thunder shower, an unusual phenomenon in the Hood River valley, prevailed here last Thursday shortly after the noon hour. Lightning flashed and thunder reverberated in the gorges just as in the eastern storms at this season of the year. A slight downpour of rain accompanied the electrical disturbance.

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### GIRL MAKES STUDY OF LOCAL BIRDS

Karl Ostbank, principal of the Fremont high school, began a class last fall in rural biology, his students making a study of the birds of the district. The following paper was recently written by Miss Calla Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Berry, who spent the past year observing the habits of the birds of the valley:

There is not a place more favorable to the bird student than Hood River valley. There is not a day in the year that these feathered friends cannot be found in abundance. They should be carefully protected, as they are not only of great financial benefit, but think what nature would be without these little songsters. Since taking up the study of birds last fall I have found it very interesting. I enjoy nothing better than taking my field glass and starting off in search of my little friends; for friends they are, surely. In classifying some of the most important birds of the valley by families I will endeavor to show the benefits derived from them.

The Thrush family  
In the thrush family the robin, perhaps, is the most beneficial. It lives mostly on insects, but will change from insects to fruits, grains or nuts when insects fail. It is estimated that 50 per cent of a robin's food consists of insects such as caterpillars, bugs, grasshoppers and cut worms. A pair of robins has been known to eat over 100 cut worms in a single day. Farmers say they cut their cherries and apples. Statistics show that of fruit destroyed by robins 45 per cent consists of uncultivated fruits, while five per cent consists of cultivated fruit. Do not harmful insects destroyed amount to more than the little time and work spent to plant a tree of some wild fruit, as the mulberry, which robins prefer to anything else, in the orchard to attract the birds and would be the farmer immensely. The western bluebird is also of great importance. Its food is largely of caterpillars. They eat also crickets, weevils, ants, moths and locusts. The other birds of this family are the blue jays, the numerous thrushes, whose food is similar to that of the robin and bluebird.

The Woodpecker  
The woodpeckers all feed on much the same food, consisting of insects of various kinds and wild fruits. Some believe the flicker is a harmful bird, but it is not. They feed mostly on ants, which protect aphids. They also destroy cooling moth larvae. Professor Cook, of the department of agriculture, reports having found 500 ants in the stomach of one flicker, this representing one day's eating. The woodpecker aids the farmer very much, as he can pick bugs from under the bark, which the farmer cannot reach by spraying.

The Sparrow  
This valley is full of sparrows and they are of great economic value to the farmer. Sparrows are great weed eating birds. Many a harmful weed is destroyed each year by these little unobtrusive birds. Although they are mostly seen eating birds their food also consists of injurious insects. A "chippy's" nest consists largely of caterpillars and other insects. The government estimates the saving to the farmer in the United States by the sparrow at \$89,350,000.

The blackbird family  
The meadow lark of this family is of great importance. Its food consists mainly of grasshoppers and their eggs, beetles, the destructive large black cricket and other insects. On examining the stomach of a meadow lark over half the contents consisted of insects. Being of great importance economically they are of equal importance aesthetically. How glad we are to hear their greeting in the spring, and how sorry to hear their note in the fall.

Besides the meadow lark we have the redwing and brewers blackbirds. A blackbird's food varies with the season, and the locality. On ranches they do a great deal of good by following the plow and destroying grubs. They destroy many injurious insects and weed seeds. It is true that the black bird does some harm to the grain, but in the long run they do more good than harm.

Of this family the chickadee is perhaps the of greatest importance. They live almost wholly upon insects. Professor Forbes reports finding 5500 eggs of plant lice in the chickadee's stomach. They also eat many harmful insects. An owl's eyes and ears are very acute and as they can see better in the night time, they go searching for food at that time. At nightfall they begin their search, visiting every old barn and granary in search of mice and insects. The amount of mice an owl can eat is wonderful. A case is on record where a half grown owl was given all the mice it could eat. Eight hours after the other, and the ninth, all but the tail, which hung out of the owl's mouth for some time. In three hours, however, the owl was ready for more, and this time he ate four. If this can be done by one owl, think of the good a nestful can do. As an owl flies over a grain field he catches sight of mice and gophers which otherwise would not be seen. The owl needs very close protection, but man is often its worst enemy, simply because it is thought to get away with a chicken or two.

Hawks also help to keep in check harmful rodents. Their food consists of squirrels, chipmunks, mice, snakes, lizards and frogs. They also eat some insects. Usually the people living in the country are the enemies of these birds and at every opportunity shoot them. They think the hawks are foes of the poultry, whereas, it is a very small part of their food. It has been shown by careful examination of the stomachs of hawks that poultry and game birds do not make up more than ten per cent of their food. If it were not for the birds of prey the farmers would fare rather badly.

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### HOOD RIVER MAY GET TOPEDO BOAT

J. A. Beckwith, of Portland, lieutenant of the Oregon Naval Militia, who was in this city last week on legal business, discussed with Mayor Albert P. Reed the opportunity offered the city for securing from the United States navy a torpedo boat here. Lieutenant Beckwith stated that if the young men of the city and valley would organize a company of 50 or more, the government would send one of the boats here. It would have a crew of six men. The government furnishes all equipment to the militiamen, who will be called once a week for a drill service, but who will be allowed a trip each year.

W. Baker has taken up the matter and if enough interest is displayed a meeting will be called and Lieutenant Beckwith will come here from Portland to inaugurate a campaign for the organization of the company.

### STRAWBERRY PICKERS COME TO THE VALLEY

The strawberry harvest has begun in earnest this week, and the usual crowd of Nomad laborers who visit the valley each year is now flocking to the district, numerous ones of them forming small families who enjoy the berry season as an outing, which furnishes at the same time a remunerative occupation. Many berry pickers come from Portland and towns in the Willamette valley. The boats bring them up the river with their tents and cooking utensils.

The Indians of the neighboring reservations, who come to pick berries, have become fewer and fewer for the past several years. In 1913 as many as 100 bucks, squaws and children were in the valley. On that year the braves staged a war dance on the Burns Jones place now owned by Dr. J. E. Ferguson. But very few Indians are here this season.

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#### Forest Notes

China imports wood pulp from Great Britain, Sweden, Norway and Germany.

The highest mountain in Montana, Granite Peak, with an altitude of nearly 13,000 feet, is in the Beartooth national forest.

Norway has 144 tree planting societies. The first was founded in 1890, and since then 25 million trees have been planted, more than two million having been set out last year.

In many parts of the west snow is leaving the mountains earlier than usual. Foresters say that this may mean a bad fire season, and they are making plans for a hard campaign.

New Jersey is said to have the greatest proportion of railroad mileage of any state in the country, or one mile of railroad to every three square miles of territory. This makes an unusual risk of forest fires set by railroads.

The heavy storms in southern California during the past rainy season wiped out many miles of trails in the national forests of that part of the state. They are now being rebuilt for the coming summer, for use in fire protection. They are also of great use to tourists, campers and prospectors.

Nearly 4,000 acres were reforested in Montana and northern Idaho during 1913, at an average cost of \$7.50 an acre.

The best forested area of China is in Manchuria. The principal tree varieties are pine, cedar, larch, fir, yew, oak, ash, elm, walnut, and birch.

Two forest officers, in Washington and Oregon, are writing popular descriptions of the trees on the Grater mountains. They are also writing for the use of visitors to the parks.

Gannett Peak, Wyoming, nearly 14,000 feet in elevation, and the highest mountain in the state, is on the divide between the Bonneville and Bridger national forests.

In northern Arizona, Utah, Nevada, southern Idaho, and western Wyoming, the fires on national forests set by campers have decreased in four years from nearly a third to approximately one-fifth. Lightning fires have increased from less than one-fifth to nearly one-half. The relatively larger proportion from lightning, however, is due partly to decrease in other causes.

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