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Burpee's Seeds Grow

The most complete assortment we have ever shown from this world famous grower, is now on display and at growers' prices, with permit to exchange or return your over purchase. Our stock of Spencer Sweet Peas include the latest novelties.

Prices on Garden Tools & Ranch Tools

And steel goods generally are high. But our contracts were in excess of the year's needs, so we are able to offer prices that show a large saving. A wonderful line or orchard tools.

Crockery, China, Glassware

Broken lines in thousands of choice pieces at prices below factory cost. Your china closet can be restocked at small outlay by taking advantage of this less than one-half price.

Furniture

Is always odd if desirable and this department is overloaded with goods at prices we can never hope to repeat. The best bargains we've been able to offer in years.

No Trading Stamps But—

All bills subject to 5% cash discount or 2% if accounts are paid at end of the month.

Stewart Hardware & Furniture Co.

2-3! "Bean" 2 cylinder throws as much liquid as average 3-cylinder sprayer

Underneath suction saves power. Pump does not have to lift water up over top of tank.

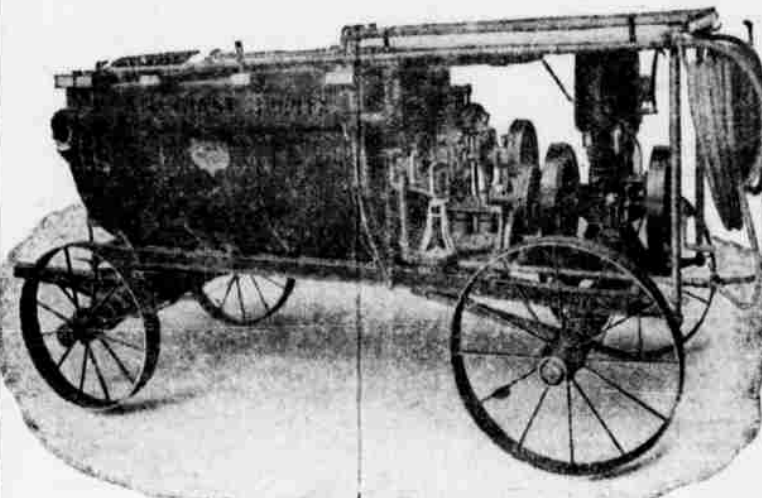
Level of liquid is higher than pump valves—liquid flows into pump by gravity. Another power saving.

Still another—engine is directly connected to pump. No slipping of belts or lost power in levers.

Cylinders are porcelain-lined, as smooth as glass, and eccentrics are used instead of cranks. No tightly packed stuffing boxes to add friction all day long.

All these important power-saving features enable the "Bean" to throw more liquid—make the 2-cylinder "Bean" equal to an ordinary 3-cylinder sprayer.

"BEAN" POWER SPRAYERS THE 10-POINT SPRAYER



D. McDONALD, Agt.
3rd & Cascade Sts., Hood River, Oregon

The Opening Snap of 1917

Fourteen acres in bearing trees, ranging from eight to twenty years old.

Most beautiful building site in Hood River Valley—magnificent grove of oaks with commanding view of both mountain and entire valley. This has the making of ideal home. Two story house, good barn, chicken house, etc. Has a splendid well.

This is the Mercer place, located at the base of the west side foothills, half mile west of the Rockford store, 5 miles from town, on a fine gravelled road. I have been authorized to place this on the market for quick sale at

\$3,500

\$1000 down, balance at six per cent.

C. N. RAVLIN

Successor to J. H. Heilbronner & Company
Insurance Real Estate

LUMBER FOR SALE!

I have only a limited amount of timber which I will cut in March and April. Anyone who contemplates the purchase of lumber and to whom delivery at Belmont would be beneficial had better communicate with me at once regarding their requirements.

A. A. LAUSMANN, Telephone 5419

REXALL WHITE PINE AND TAR. MENTHOLATED COUGH SYRUP

REXALL CHERRY BARK COUGH SYRUP

For Colds and Grippe
Guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money will be cheerfully refunded.

Kresse Drug Co.

THE REXALL STORE
Come in and Hear the Latest January Records
Eastman Kodaks and Supplies—Victor Victrolas and Records—\$15 to \$400

REXALL COLD TABLETS

REXALL GRIPPE PILLS



STRONG BOXES PROVIDED at LOW RATES FOR THE SECURITY OF VALUABLE PAPERS AND OTHER PROPERTY OF CUSTOMERS

First National Bank

Hood River, Oregon
Member of Federal Reserve System

JUST ARRIVED! A new line of samples, including all the latest designs in Tweeds, Worsteds and Cheviots.

Come in and look them over.

MEYER, The Tailor
108 Third Street

Groceries of Quality

Prompt service and satisfaction for our patrons. These are some of the things that we incorporate in the principles of our business.

We invite your better acquaintance during the year, 1917.

ARNOLD GROCERY CO.

The E. A. Franz Co.

Furniture and Rug Department

ANNOUNCES ITS ANNUAL CLEARING SALE

Lowered prices on almost every article in the store to reduce stock to lowest possible point before inventory February 1st.

A good opportunity for investing Christmas money.

You've never been disappointed in this event. You'll not be this time unless you delay too long.

LINCOLN'S NOMINATION RECALLED

E. L. SMITH AT GREAT CONVENTION

Oregon Said to Have Indirectly Named the Great Emancipator—Greeley Held Oregon Proxy

An hitherto unheralded honor is accorded the state of Oregon by E. L. Smith, Hood River's Grand Old Man and probably the only surviving resident of the Pacific coast who attended the national Republican Convention held in Chicago during May, 1860, when Abraham Lincoln was chosen the party's presidential standard bearer, subsequently the Union's honored and revered helmsman through the great crisis of the Civil War.

"Oregon," says Mr. Smith, "does not make so important a role as she should the part she played indirectly in the nomination of the great Lincoln. Perhaps it was through some whim of fate—at least Leander Holmes, chosen at the Oregon State Republican Convention, held at Oregon City, as one of the state's three delegates to the National Republican Convention, not possessing the funds necessary for the long journey by the Isthmus of Panama and thence by way of New York City to Chicago, and not able to spare the time, sent his proxy to Horace Greeley.

"Abraham Lincoln, more than to any other man, owed his choice as Republican presidential nominee to Horace Greeley. Mr. Greeley's influential newspaper, the New York Tribune, was at that time the political Bible for the mass of the Republican party in the Middle West. Some five years before the Chicago convention, for some reason that no one seems ever to have ascertained, Greeley and William H. Seward became bitter enemies. Just prior to the Chicago convention, Seward was backed by strong support, and his nomination seemed probable. But armed with Leander Holmes' proxy, Greeley came to the convention, and he was determined, whatever the cost, to defeat his old enemy. Prior to the time of the nomination I saw the great editor marching up and down among the different delegations, and it was apparent that he was appealing to the members to vote against Seward. I overheard Greeley addressing one delegation. He said: 'If you nominate William H. Seward he cannot carry the state of New York. Without New York your cause is lost.'

"Possessed as he was of the Oregon delegate's proxy, Greeley was able to participate actively in his own proxy against Seward and by his earnest personal appeals to turn the strong tide away from the choice of the Empire state delegation. The popularity of Lincoln manifested itself at the psychological moment, and thus through the dislike of Horace Greeley for William H. Seward we were given the noblest man the nation has ever had for president.

Mr. Smith celebrated his 79th birthday on September 17 just passed. He was perhaps an impressionable young man at the time of the great Chicago convention, but those influences of over a half century ago have lasted him through a life-time. Today Abraham Lincoln is just as truly the ideal of E. L. Smith as on that momentous May day when he heard the shouts of thousands cheering the newly found leader, who sprang from the masses to preserve the Union. So great an admirer was Mr. Smith of Lincoln that at his request his wedding to Miss Georgiana Slocum was postponed from the morning of March 4, 1861, to the afternoon that day.

"I was out of sympathy with the Buchanan administration," says Mr. Smith, "and then, too, I wanted to be able to say that we were married after Abraham Lincoln had begun to serve as the chief executive of the United States."

Immediately following the wedding ceremony Mr. Smith and his bride set boldly out on a honeymoon trip that was to terminate in El Dorado county, California, where the bridegroom had been persuaded to try his fortune by an uncle, Charles Barker. Since those days of his young manhood, Mr. Smith has held many positions of trust and honor and has become known throughout the free states of the Pacific Coast. He served as a member of the General Assembly of California during the years '84-5. In '87 he was appointed territorial secretary of Washington Territory. For the greater part of this time he was acting territorial governor. At the expiration of his official duties, Mr. Smith, associated with Geo. A. Barnes, a member of the first city council of Portland, and William H. Avery, established Olympia's first banking institution.

Mr. Smith came to Hood River with his family in '87. The family resided in a home erected in the Frankton district, about two miles west of the present site of Hood River. Except for a time when he was registered of the United States Land Office at The Dalles, Mr. Smith has made his home here. In 1889 he was speaker of the House of Representatives of the Oregon legislature. He developed one of the first commercial orchards here, and because of his interest in the predominant fruit industry, he has become known in other fruit communities as "Hood River" Smith. For many years he was president of the Oregon Horticultural Society.

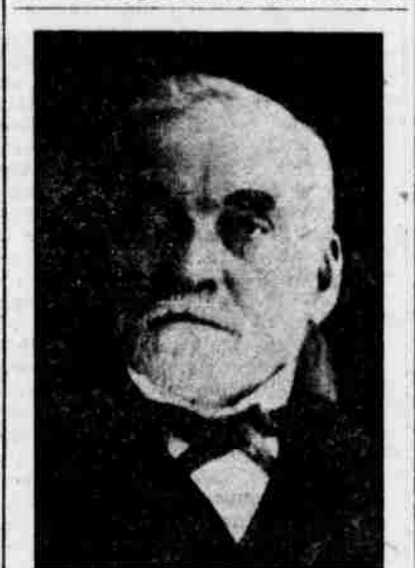
Of all the incidents of former days, Mr. Smith prefers to talk of his personal contact with Abraham Lincoln. No topic of conversation is more appealing to him than that dealing with the Chicago Republican Convention, from which today but a single delegate survives—Col. Sawyer of Hyde's Park, Vt.

"I can close my eyes now," says Mr. Smith, "and see the surging masses at the Wigwam, built especially by the enterprising Chicagoans for the great event and with a seating capacity for 15,000, just as plainly as on the day of the nomination, and never shall I forget that strange, prolonged shout of human voices.

"At the time of the convention I was a student of Lombard University at Galesburg, Ill. Some four or five of us students, all admirers of Lincoln, secured a leave of absence that we might attend the convention. Although the city was overcrowded we were fortunate in getting accommodations at the Randolph hotel but a short distance away from the auditorium. On the

day of our arrival we hurried to the doors of the building long before the hour for the convention to open, in order that we might be sure of seats. A great multitude was already there waiting. Promptly at the proper hour the doors were thrown open. Never in my life have I so nearly had the life crushed out of me as in the jam at the building's entrance. Being among those nearest the doors, when they were opened, I was fortunate in getting a seat near the front of the great hall, where I could hear and see everything that was taking place. In a very few moments, except for a wide aisle left down the center of the auditorium for the passage of the delegations, every seat had been taken. In the rear of the building a huge stage, for the accommodation of all the delegates and secretaries, had been erected.

"Soon the delegations began to arrive, each amidst cheers of its respective supporters. When the California delegation marched down the central aisle, they bore a great banner on which had been painted a portrait of Senator David C. Broderick, a Democrat who was, however, opposed to the northern extension of slavery. Senator Broderick had been severe in his criticisms of the administration of President Buchanan. Judge Terry, a strong pro-slavery man, provoked a quarrel with Senator Broderick and then challenged his political opponent to a duel. In those days it was considered an act of cowardice to refuse to accept a challenge, and although Senator Broderick did not know the least thing about handling a pistol, he accepted and was killed. Judge Terry on the other hand was a skilled marksman. When the duel was fought Senator Broderick shot



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wild. Judge Terry took careful aim and inflicted a mortal wound. As he fell to the earth, Senator Broderick cried to his second, 'They have killed me because I was opposed to the extension of slavery and a corrupt administration.' These words formed the legend that appeared beneath the portrait of the California man, and when the last utterances of the martyred Broderick were read every person in the big hall leaped to his feet and uttered a shout of anger such as I had never heard.

"Not so, however, when the Wisconsin delegation appeared, bearing a banner in which was inscribed the photograph of Senator Potter and underneath it a huge bowie knife. Potter had also been challenged to fight a duel by a fire-eating pro-slavery man. He accepted but since the challenged contestant had the choice of weapons, he instructed his second to inform his challenger that the two should be placed on the opposite sides of a room, each armed with a bowie knife. At a given signal all lights should be extinguished, each to accompany liberty to begin hacking at each other. The duel was never fought, for the pro-slavery man declared that the methods proposed were altogether too barbarous; that they were not mentioned by dueling code, and that he would not consider such a fight. The Wisconsin delegation with its banner incited much laughter.

The convention was called to order by Col. Evans, chairman of the New York delegation. But Humason of Massachusetts, was elected permanent chairman. After committees on credentials, order and business, etc., had been appointed, the convention adjourned. On the following day the reports of the credential committee and that on the platform were read. As I remember, no protest was made against a single delegate. The platform was read and adopted, section by section, each vote accompanied by much cheering. Twenty-four secretaries were appointed to keep the minutes of the convention.

"On the third and last day, the question of the nomination arose. The first ballot showed scattering votes, and different delegations expressing their support of favorite sons. On the second ballot, the vote drew closer, and it was apparent that Seward and Lincoln were leading. After the secretaries had canvassed the ballot it was announced that it would be legal for any delegations to transfer their votes, if they so desired. You can imagine my pleasure when my native state of Vermont switched its entire 10 votes from the Seward to the Lincoln column. Delegations from other states followed. Hundreds of men were keeping tally, and the entire concourse knew almost as well as the secretaries just how matters stood. It was soon apparent that the contest between Lincoln and Seward was going to be very close. As I remember, Lincoln needed three and a half votes to be assured of a majority of the delegates. It was at this juncture that the chairman of the Ohio delegation arose and said, 'Ohio transfers six votes from Seward to the Lincoln column. A great shout, such as to shake the very walls of the Wigwam, went up. Around on the streets outside the building were assembled between 30,000 and 40,000 people. Men with megaphones were stationed on the roof to announce the result, and the masses without took of the prolonged hurrahing. When the tumult within and without the Wigwam was subsiding to a certain extent, cannon, placed there for the purpose, were fired from the roof of the Tremont hotel.

"During the pandemonium, men threw their silk hats from the stage into the excitement crazed mass of the main auditorium. They never recovered them. Except for the New York delegation, the result was received with expressions of gratification by all the delegates. The New York contingent remained seated and their keen

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RED LETTER DAY SUCCESS

UNIQUE IDEA WORKED OUT BY CLUB

All Members of Hood River Woman's Club Celebrate Birthdays at Most Brilliant Party of the Season

Celebrating Red Letter Day, Scholarship Loan Fund Day, the Hood River Woman's club, on Wednesday afternoon held the most novel, brilliant and successful meeting in the history of the organization.

Twelve tables were set in the assembly room of the Hood River County Library, a structure built following a campaign inaugurated by the members of the club. Each table bore decorations significant of one of the twelve months of the year. These members of the club, born in January, were seated at the January table, while those of December birthdays, gathered around a beautiful little Christmas tree. The unique event took the form of a birthday party. Hostesses were appointed for each table, and the program of the afternoon consisted in birthday toasts responded to by these hostesses and others.

The table for January, resplendent in a decoration of bright winter evergreens and a snowbank center, was presided over by Mrs. N. E. Fertig. Mrs. Fertig and her companions wore toboggan caps and were dressed like skating girls. "The Month of January," was the toast to which Mrs. Fertig responded.

With its decorations of hearts and cupid, Mrs. R. B. Perigo was hostess for the month of February table. "Love and Hearts" was the response of the hostess, who declared that girls always liked to be loved; that even in the days when they were little tots they persevered with the fortune-telling daisies until that with a desired number of petals was "The Month of February," was the toast to which Mrs. Fertig responded.

Emblems of old St. Patrick, little potato place cards and a real Irish demijohn and tea kettle, both of which did duty at a home on the "Old Sod," prevailed at the March table, over which Mrs. Harry Bailey presided. The March toast was responded to by Mrs. W. W. Rodwell, whose birthday comes on March 4. Mrs. Rodwell told of the wonderful events of world history that had happened on March 4. Among them she mentioned the completion of the Great Wall of China and presidential inaugurations of the United States.

A dancing, painted harlequin formed the centerpiece of the April table at which Mrs. W. F. Laraway, president of the Woman's Club, presided. "He's the only fool at our table," declared Mrs. Laraway in a responsive toast. Beautiful little emblems of Easteride formed place cards and favors. Mrs. Laraway added to the merriment of the occasion by reading the horoscopes of her guests.

A real Maypole had been reared on the table of May, at which Mrs. Chas. Castner president of the Oregon State Federation, was hostess, and a Maypole dance was gracefully executed by the women at this table. "The Month of May," was the toast responded to by Mrs. Sam G. Campbell.

Beautifully decked with flowers, the June table was in charge of Mrs. A. L. Page, who responded to "The Month of Roses and Brides," recited that exquisite poem of Riley's, "The Month of June."

One of the most elaborate tables was that of July, patriotic month, over which Mrs. V. C. Brock presided. "The Goddess of Liberty was represented by Mrs. Frank Howard. A big silk American flag formed the center piece and little flags were used for place cards. The women at the table arose en masse and gave in unison the oath of allegiance, then each sang a verse of the Star Spangled Banner.

Uniquely set to represent a beach scene, the August table, with Mrs. J. E. Ferguson, was decorated with seashells and bits of sea treasures. "The Restful Month" was the subject of Mrs. Ferguson's toast. "We are the members who furnish the sand for the Club," said Mrs. Ferguson, "but we can furnish anything else from a button to a coffin." Seated at her table were Mrs. F. H. Button and Mrs. C. E. Coffin.

Mrs. Ferguson also said, "We can furnish anything from a butter to a Bishop from the month of August," and she pointed out Mrs. Truman Butler and Mrs. Jessie Bishop.

The recipe by Mrs. Lewis follows:
Mrs. E. L. Smith's Fruit Cake
There dwelt in this valley a short time ago
A woman whom all were delighted to know.

In club work she took a most notable part
For she had a great mind and a very kind heart.

She has gone to a land where no griefs ever come
And left only blessings in this, her old home.

Her virtues and graces would fill a great book
And not least among these was her fondness to cook.

And now with great joy, my pencil I take
To give you the rule for Mrs. Smith's best fruit cake.

And for fear you will question my right to do this
I assure you 'twas given me by her daughter, Avis.

Four eggs you must have as fresh as can be
To be beaten as light as the foam on the sea.

Two cups of white sugar, without the least sand,
And a cup of sour cream, the best in the land.

To Orleans we go for molasses, one cup,
And two teaspoons of soda, just well rounded up.

Four cups of white flour comes next on the list,
And one teaspoon of cinnamon would surely be missed.

Of allspice, cloves, nutmeg—take a teaspoon one-half.

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