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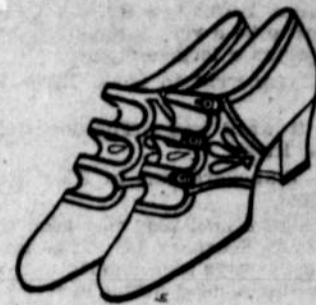
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CROSS COUNTRY TRIP**

When one returns from a transcon-  
tinent journey, he falls to comparing  
the service of the various systems, on  
the trains of which he has ridden. The  
Union Pacific system stands up well  
under such comparison. The comfort  
of passengers is well looked after on  
U. P. trains. On going on east of Chi-  
cago one notes the difference in the at-  
mosphere of trains after crossing the  
big town aboard a Parmalee bus and  
starting the last lap of the journey.  
On the Portland train and the passen-  
gers have had more of a rest. It  
has been something like a three-day  
ship voyage. From Chicago east the  
traveler is just out of the journey.  
Trains cross some less comfortable  
porters haven't the same courtesy.  
Maybe it's because you're heading away  
from the west.

And on your return, when you see a  
train back into the big sheds at the  
Chicago & Northwestern station, and  
suddenly when the electric lights are  
switched on and there gleams "Port-  
land Limited," it seems that you are  
nearing home again.

The train coming out to the Pacific  
northwest was well filled. Passengers  
were about equally divided between  
folk getting back from Christmas-time  
vacations in the east and easterners  
on their way out on business. The  
most of the latter class, it seemed,  
were on their first journey west. It  
was interesting to hear their comments.  
Naturally they were a little filled up  
with level prairie land and expanse of  
timber. The time the train reached  
Pocatello, Ida., and on the last night  
observation car conversations revealed  
that they were not pleased with scenery  
to be seen.

On the last morning of the last day  
before Portland, however, the train, as  
the passengers were making their  
toilet and getting ready to sleep out  
of their eyes for breakfast, had reached  
La Grande. One of the system's big  
type of new locomotives, so huge and  
long that they cannot be taken across  
the Willamette in Portland, was draw-  
ing the 11 baggage cars and heavy  
Pullmans. It was brilliantly sunny  
the day we came out, and about six  
inches of snow lay over the Big moun-  
tains plus forest. From La Grande up  
to the summit the distance is an ap-  
proximate 20 miles, and in that 20  
miles the rail line climbs from 2400 to  
more than 4,000 feet. It was an in-  
spiring ride, the train merely crawling  
around the graceful curves in places.  
Soon the observation car was crowded.  
The easterners were having their eyes  
opened at Oregon scenery.

The returning Oregonians were be-  
ginning to get their voices back, and  
were beginning to paint word pictures  
of the Columbia river canyon. The  
conductor came back to join the rear  
platform crowd. He told how a flag-  
man a few weeks before, hastening  
ahead of the train in some contingency,  
had seen a great eagle perched on the  
banks of a cut. A small boy, from  
Illinois, wanted to know what a cou-  
gar was, and his eyes grew all the  
rounder when the conductor explained  
that it was a mountain lion about nine  
feet from tip to tip.

And by the time The Dalles was  
reached all the train was gazing eagerly.  
Portland and train crew were en-  
thusiastically describing out views worth  
gazing upon and recounting bits of  
history and legend. The easterners  
were beginning to murmur among  
themselves: "This is a country worth  
lingering in."

U. P. dining car service cannot be  
bettered. The ladies carry the best  
food available. Charges are reason-  
able, and each day a table d'hote lunch-  
son and dinner are served. Dining car  
service on the eastern and southern  
roads is much higher. The food and  
service, seemingly, are indifferent.  
They may be all right for the natives,  
but it irks a visitor when he falls to  
order bread and butter and water and  
if he wishes to add this service to the  
order—all for a charge of two bits.

While I was in Tennessee a norther-  
one blowing down from somewhere  
out of Alaska. It must have come  
all the way from the North Pole. Dur-  
ing Christmas week the thermometers  
took an unusual drop for Dixie and  
nosed under the zero mark. I shiver-  
ed just like everybody else, and then  
some joker would say: "You  
oughtn't to mind this kind of weather.  
It ought to make you think of home."  
And then I would have to dig up the  
reports from various weather bureaus  
scattered about over the nation and  
show them how mild it was in Oregon.  
At the time it was the coldest in Ten-  
nessee, Portland, Or., was enjoying  
springlike sphyra, with the tempera-  
ture at 50. Indeed, it was warmer  
that week in the Willamette valley  
than in Jacksonville, Fla.

There is a need, by some manner,  
means or other for the Pacific North-  
west to advise the rest of the United  
States that winter weather west of the  
Cascade mountains is rarely as severe  
as the northernmost states of the south.  
It is true that they have more sun-  
shine during the winter than Oregon  
and Washington, but the winters have  
hot summers. I started to say hotter  
summers, but the Pacific Northwest  
cannot be called hot, and the com-  
parative should not be used in talking  
about them.

All southern cities are showing  
past decade been making vast indus-  
trial strides. Longitudinal rail lines  
have been expanding. The Gulf coast  
country is coming into its own. The  
freight movement down from Chicago,  
Cincinnati, St. Louis and Louisville to  
Gulf of Mexico points is amazing. It is  
surprising the wheat tonnage that is  
carried down from the north Missis-  
sippi valley on these north and south  
lines. As a result of the apparent de-  
sire of a fair sized chunk of the popu-  
lation to reach Florida the early part  
of the winter the passenger trains  
were crowded to capacity.

All southern cities are showing  
growth. At Paducah, Ky., the Illinois  
Central R. Co. is now engaged in  
constructing new shops that will cost  
\$8,000,000. Cotton mills are increasing.  
These textile factories have prospered  
during the past decade. Steel mills  
and manufacturing are rising on every  
hand through the southern states.  
Towns and cities are bidding for pay-  
rolls.

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and tenant farmers left the country to  
engage in industrial work. The negro  
population has been drawn to public  
works. Farm labor has become scarce  
and high. The southern farmer has  
been forced to learn more intensive  
methods of cultivating his land.

If you do not believe that Hood  
River has the best retail stores in a  
town of its size in the United States,  
try to find some as good in a city of  
3,500 anywhere else in the country.  
Someone may say, "Yes, but we have  
to pay for it; the costs of food products  
and other necessities that the retailers  
sell are a little higher than elsewhere."  
Right, they are mistaken again.  
Hood River retailers not only give  
service and sell goods of quality, but their  
prices are moderate. I found green  
groceries, canned goods, staple and  
fancy groceries and the products of the  
meat shop selling for less here than in  
Middle Tennessee towns of 5,000 popu-  
lation.

Hood River, with its Rialto theatre,  
is a class by itself. We get better  
runs of theatre shows and entertain-  
ment than citizens of cities of 50,000 and  
100,000 back east. Hood River's the-  
atre is not as large, of course, but the  
quality of its shows, the way it pre-  
sents pictures, the ventilation of the  
building, are every bit as good as the  
huge motion picture palaces of Chi-  
cago.

And visit any of the larger shows  
anywhere and you will enjoy no organ  
concerts any more than those rendered  
here by Mrs. Kolstad.  
(To be Continued)

**THREE FLAX MILLS  
START INDUSTRY**

Nearly a million dollars are being  
invested in two linen mills at Salem;  
one is completed and a second one  
will be built the coming spring. These  
are in addition to the state plant and  
by the way, it is the largest flax man-  
ufacturing plant in the United States.  
These are the foundations for a big  
industry that will no doubt develop in  
the Willamette valley, the state mar-  
ket agent believes.

The permanency of the flax business  
is what recommends it to any locality  
which can grow and manufacture flax.  
There is hardly a pound of waste from  
the field to the finished products; every  
part of the growth is utilized in some  
manner. It is a wonderfully valuable  
product. Flax growing is about like  
hemp—With normal weather conditions  
it will yield about two tons to the acre,  
for which the state is paying \$70. Un-  
der irrigation the yield is larger.

More than one hundred million dol-  
lars' worth of manufactured articles  
and by-products of flax are imported  
into this country annually. The Wil-  
lamette valley is adapted to both  
growth and manufacture—soil, mois-  
ture, dearth of electricity and mild  
climate—and as there are nation-wide  
markets for all flax products it would  
seem that eventually both growing and  
manufacture would become major in-  
dustries and of great benefit to the  
state. Flax experts who have investi-  
gated conditions of the Willamette val-  
ley state that it is the only known lo-  
cality where flax can be both grown  
and manufactured in the same locality.

**Newspaper Conference is Near**

A feature of the Oregon Newspaper  
conference to be held at the University  
of Oregon February 19 and 20 will be  
the appearance of newspaper men new  
to the state. A committee composed of  
Eric W. Allen, dean of the school of  
journalism; Earle Richardson, Dallas;  
George P. Chesney, Enterprise; Arma  
Rae, Tillamook; Earl C. Brownlee,  
Forest Grove, and Lee D. Drake, As-  
toria, met last week end in Portland  
to discuss the program.

Among the new men who will prob-  
ably appear are Walter May, formerly  
of New York, who is executive news  
editor of The Oregonian; Franklin S.  
Allen, formerly of New York, who is  
assistant to the publisher of the Por-  
tland Telegram, and Frank B. Appleby,  
who recently purchased the La Grande  
Observer. John Henry Nash, of San  
Francisco, well-known printer of the  
books, will return by special invitation  
of last year's conference.

**Year 1925 Was Good**

The following, written by Truman  
Butler, appeared in a current business  
digest issued by the United States  
National Bank at Portland:

"1925 has, on the whole, been a very  
satisfactory year for Hood River val-  
ley. Our fruit crop was only a little  
more than half of last year's output  
but prices have been good and the in-  
dications are that the year's returns  
will leave the grower in good shape  
for the coming season. The town of  
Hood River is beginning to reap the  
benefit of the Mount Hood Loop road,  
and the bridge across the Columbia.  
Tourist travel was good and lasted well  
into the fall. July of this year was  
the best July the merchants ever had."

Bible Class to Hold Banquet  
Plans for an elaborate banquet are  
being laid by the Men's Bible class of  
the First Christian church. February  
12, the evening of Lincoln's birthday,  
is the date set for the event. An ad-  
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