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WORLD'S THRIFT RECORD

Probably the world's most powerful object lesson in thrift is the extraordinary ranking of America as the leading nation of life insurance owners. This country contains only seven per cent of the world's population. But Americans own 70 per cent of all the world's life insurance.

Equally astonishing is the growth in popularity of life insurance in this country in only a few years. For instance, in 1900, only one American in every eight had made provision for his dependents and himself through life insurance. Today, every other American is numbered in the ranks of life insurance owners—64,000,000 of them. And this army of provident people have pooled their resources to the extent of creating \$104,500,000,000 of life insurance in force.

These millions of Americans are expressing their American love for freedom—by banding together to achieve individual security—security against leaving dependent families (if they die too soon) and against their own dependence upon others (if they live too long).

These figures give added emphasis to Life Insurance Week, being observed throughout the United States May 17 to 22. They also lend powerful emphasis to the slogan of the week—"The sooner you plan for your future, the better your future will be."

YOUR SCHOOL TAXES

To many residents of Hood River county the problem of school finance may seem unnecessarily pressing and bothersome.

There's a reason for this situation. Oregon and Kansas are the only states in the union where the total burden of school expense falls upon the county—which means directly on the individual landowner, since the county has virtually no revenue besides its property tax.

In our neighboring state Washington, 50 per cent of the burden is borne by the state. In some eastern states the total cost of the schools is state-financed.

Also, Hood River county has the second smallest area and twelfth smallest population of Oregon's 36 counties, meaning that the question of finance is bound to be more or less overrepresented with the voters, particularly since the tax valuation is not high enough to relieve the pressure on small tax-payers.

Perhaps it's a good thing that this condition exists. Certainly local residents are more apt to take a direct interest in school affairs than they would if the state were paying a large part or all of the bill.

The welfare of the children should still be the controlling factor, however the schools are financed. Be sure to acquaint yourselves with the facts and vote intelligently when you go to the polls June 1.

TRIBUTE TO TRUMPETERS

There is something in band music that lays hold of the pulse as no other music can.

Some music touches the fountain of tears, some lulls to rest, some tempts the feet to dance; but what besides the thunderous strains of the brasses and drums can set the arteries afire, and tickle the spine so?

Another trouble is too many people are willing to give a piece of their tongue but unwilling to lend an ear.

As a rule it isn't long after a man begins courting trouble that he finds himself married to it.

It may not be possible always to preserve American life but a good portion of it will always be pickled.

4-H CLUB NEWS

PARKDALE FLOWER CLUB

By Dorothy DeHart

The Parkdale Sunset Flower club was organized May 5, 1937. The following members joined the club: Chizuna Noji, Nellie Hamada, Chimiko Hamada, Dorothy De Hart, Mary and Hope Rumbaugh. The officers chosen were Hope Rumbaugh, president; Chizuna Noji, vice president; Nellie Hamada, secretary; Dorothy DeHart, club reporter; and Mary Rumbaugh, assistant leader.

They discussed the flowers they were going to plant. They are supposed to have their gardens all planted in two weeks, so Mrs. Rumbaugh, their leader, can go around and look at them.

Harold and Kenneth Busig and Clayton Hatfield, Ray Heycock and Arlene Magnusson are new members. The president handed out seed catalogues.

PARKDALE HOMEMAKING CLUB

By Vera Parrott

Last week the Homemaking meeting was postponed until Friday. At the beginning of the meeting each girl was asked to state the chore she had chosen and it was found that most of the girls have completed their project except making the luncheon cloth and napkin set.

Our club is having a pop corn ball and candy sale at the Parkdale high school play, "Dulcy" on Friday, May 21, to earn money toward sending a girl to the 4-H summer school session at Corvallis in June. Vera Parrott was chosen chairman and the committee working with her includes Margaret Ballweber, Bobbie Run-corn, Kikue Sizuki, and Audrey Cox.

Our Homemaking club has held the required ten meetings so will discontinue our regular weekly gatherings and have a few irregular meetings during the summer months.

OAK GROVE COOKING CLUB

(By Susan Parkhurst)

The Oak Grove cooking club held their third meeting recently.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mary Kawachi. The minutes were read by the club secretary, Susan Parkhurst. The roll was called and the members answered with the cereals they had made. Some cooked rice, and oatmeal, and some cornmeal, etc. A song was then sung by all the members led by Miss LeGore. All the members then stood and said the club pledge.

For new business we filled out some report cards. The foods which we filled out were toasts, and cereals. We also copied down some recipes for making cocoa and baked custard for group three in division one.

A motion to adjourn until next week was made and carried.

PARKDALE HIGH SCHOOL SEWING CLUB

By Harriet Enney

The Pierettes held a meeting Thursday afternoon during eighth period to plan the candy sale for Achievement Day May 20, at the Parkdale grade school. Naomi Hess, Margery Sato, Yukie Katayama, and Kikue Sizuki are to be in charge of the sale.

In order to have a variety the girls have promised to make different kinds of candy. Anyone wishing to put in an order for their favorite candy may get in touch with one of the girls in the following groups:

Chocolate fudge—Letha Peyton, Eleanor Clapp, Esther Sato, Kikue Sizuki. Uncooked fudge—Eleanor Brunquist, Pinoche—Maxine, and Harriet Enney. Peanut brittle—Yukie Katayama, Laura Pitts. Taffy—Naomi Hess. Light fudge—Margery Sato, Evelyn Gibbs, Katherine Smith, June Lowe. Divinity—Hope Rumbaugh, and Harriet Monroe. The money received from this sale is to be used for scholarships to send club girls to the summer school at Corvallis.

PARKDALE GARDEN CLUB

By Paul Benedetti

The garden club of Parkdale had its last meeting that will be held during the school year. Harold Busig has joined the club, and we hope he can catch up with the rest of us. At the last meeting the members of the club filled out the first reports and with the help of our leader we had them filled out in a short time. We will meet again the second day of June.

CASCADE LOCKS HANDICRAFT CLUB

(By Robert Morgan)

On May 13 at the regular meeting there were 18 out of 23 members present. A number of the boys were excused early to do some work for the Boy Scouts. Several of the boys passed their requirements.

Meetings

Cascade Locks Chamber of Commerce—Merrill's dining room, Tuesdays, noon.

Bonneville Parent-Teachers Association—First Wednesday every month, study club at 1:30, regular meeting at 2:30 in Bonneville grade school auditorium.

Bridal Veil Lodge, No. 117, A.F. and A.M.—School house, Latourelle falls, second Saturday in each month. Visiting Masons welcome.

Cascade Yacht Club—Model room of new administration building, Fridays, 8 P.M.

Cascade Locks City Council—Second and fourth Mondays, city hall.

Cascade Locks Boy Scouts—High school, Tuesdays, 8 P.M.

Bonneville Boy Scouts—Grade school auditorium, Tuesdays, 7 P.M.

Cascade Locks Townsend Club—Odd Fellows hall, first and third Fridays, 8 P.M.

Rebekahs—Cascadia lodge, Cascade Locks, first and third Wednesdays of each month, Odd Fellows hall, 8 P.M.

Damsite post, Veterans of Foreign Wars—First and Third Mondays, meeting room of administration building, 8 P.M.

Cascade Locks P.T.A.—Second Friday of each month, 8 P.M., high school.

Izaak Walton league—Meets second Monday of every month in Bonneville auditorium. Directors meet fourth Monday.

OREGON'S TRAFFIC DEATHS

A Series of Weekly Articles on the Problem of Highway Safety
By EARL SNELL, Secretary of State

Three hundred and fifty-five men, women and children were killed and 7,725 injured in 34,880 motor vehicle accidents reported to my office during the year 1936.

Face to face with this ghastly record, can anyone doubt that this problem is the problem of all of us—can anyone longer refuse to admit that it must be met by an aroused public opinion, that conditions upon our streets and highways require immediate and drastic action?

The welfare of happiness—the actual safety of your family, your friends and your neighbors—is too inextricably involved in this problem of street and highway safety to allow of an attitude of indifference. The record is before us; it can be improved only through a strict adherence to traffic laws and regulations—the laws and regulations that were written and must be enforced for your protection.

The accident reports that reach my office daily are a written history of death and injury due to disregard of the law and an excusable carelessness on the part of motor vehicle operators. On our heavily travelled streets and highways, a moment's inattention on the part of anyone at the controls of a fast-moving car may well mean the difference between life and death, happiness or misery to many persons.

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Odd Shots

By H. A. S.

U. S. ambassador to Germany says he knows a man who "owns a billion dollars" who is willing to back a dictator in this country. Heck, we always thought it took five billion.

The common fly is said to lay eight octillion eggs in the course of a single season. That still leaves some of our office files unaccounted for.

High school seniors now laugh at the pictures they had taken as freshmen; a few years from now they'll laugh at the pictures they had taken as seniors; and a few years after that their kids will laugh at the pictures they had taken as grown men. Such is life.

Truth is stranger than fiction. Possibly because we run across it so much more infrequently.

The perfect politician will be the guy who can raise everybody's income without raising income taxes too.

Shelley wrote about the beauty of the imperfect, whereas modern chorus-girl romances deal with the imperfection of beauty.

Anybody can holler about "isms" and get away with it. If his audience leans one way, they infer that he means communism, socialism, anarchism; if they lean the other way, they infer that he means capitalism, conservatism, individualism. That's why politicians would hate to see the "ism" done away with.

A Havana race-track tout might also might be referred to as a Cuban heel.

Some people like to get eight hours of sleep every night, and some people listened to the coronation.

Ex-King Edward need not feel so badly about not being mentioned in his brother's first coronation speech. Among other things, the new king did not mention the effect of sun spots on the weather, the advantages of correspondence school training, or the cultural backgrounds of modern art, to name but a few.

We read that transportation employees in London threatened to

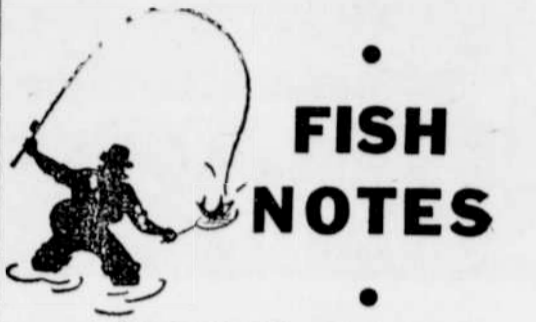
strike during the coronation ceremonies. Almost as unpatriotic as a strike of pop salesmen during a World Series game.

Some day a major league ball player is going to set a new record by going through an entire season without setting a new record.

It isn't half so hard for a player to break a record as it is for statisticians to discover whether or not a record has been broken.

We see Stevenson, Wash., wants to become Stevenson, Ore. All we can say to the boys across the river is "If at first you don't secede, try, try again."

School's about over for another year. And listen, kids—don't think the teachers aren't glad too.



FISH NOTES

(By Rudy Schroeder)

Good fishing is still around the corner so far as Hood River county and the Deschutes country is concerned.

The wind was blowing so hard on the Deschutes it was impossible to use a fly. Some steelhead were taken with spinners, and a few trout with worms. Fair catches were made far up the river Saturday.

The lakes in the Green point region are still frozen over for the most part, and fishing is poor. North lake is open but there is little to be caught.



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