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DESERTS AND MOUNTAINS

It is interesting to note the strange ideas people express who have never before visited the inter-mountainous regions. Some imagine that this region is land something like the western plains, and evince considerable surprise on arrival to find this section a region of valleys and mountains, some adorned with sage brush, some with the dark-hued conifers, while away above the timber line, bare and there, glistens peaks wrapped in eternal snow.

In connection with the foregoing Dr. Charles K. Keyes the geologist avers what people do not know about deserts includes the surprise that they really are mountainous and possess many novel and instructive peculiarities. Yet so dominant is the plains feature locally that the mountain ranges bold and lofty as they often are rise sharply from the level as do volcanic isles out in the sea.

So characteristic is the aspect that in the south African deserts it is appropriately denominated the "in-selbirlandschaft" or island mountain formations. Dr. Keyes thinks deserts worthy of more attention than they receive.

The chief features of desert regions like Western United States and Mexico is the interrupted plain rising about 5000 to 7000 feet above the sea. Out of it the desert mountains ascend to six mile heights. Four-fifths are plain one-fifth highland. The vastness and evenness of the inter-mountain plains puzzle the scientists and the laymen alike. They are supposed usually to be the arid relic of long ago lakes.

Another remarkable feature of the deserts is the complete isolation of the mountains. In most parts of the world there is more or less relationship between neighboring mountains which are united by foothills. Not so in the deserts. The mountain ranges are all independent individuals without relationship of any kind to each other. They are neighbors distinctly separated by stretches of level plain.

Through the dry regions of America mountain ranges are completely and evenly surrounded by level plains as if by the sea "an army of caterpillars crawling northward out of Mexico dividing as it enters the United States the main body turning westward and then northward again until it passes the British Possessions."

There are no foothills in the deserts. The main peaks rise directly from the plains. The mountains appear to be half buried by the drifting sands. It is on this account largely that the plains seemed to be leveled by the waters of former seas of which the mountains formed the cliffs along the coast. During the next decade the features of the arid parts of our earth, Professor Keyes believes, will give us many novel ideas concerning the workings of some of our geological processes and will become one of the most interesting fields of research.

In spite of the yawning this side of the Pacific, you can depend upon it that the constitutional amendment for state constructed operated and owned railroads will be carried almost to a man by the vote of Eastern Oregon.

Science is going too far for comfort. The latest discovery is that fish spread cancer. Pork gives man trichinosis; if he eats oysters he is in danger of typhoid; the seeds of the grape get into the appendix (though

no one has found them there); chicken meat develops tuberculosis, and so may milk; too in ice cream brings on rheumatism, indulgence in beer and whisky calls the patrol wagon, and Fourth of July is near with its tetanic horror. Now, it is left for him but the simple life—whatever that may be. Or else get off the earth, and get to that bourne where doctors and scientists trouble not, let us hope!

What truly great newspaper was it that said Senator Bourne was non-persona grata, or something of the sort, at the White House? He won the Portland postmastership, and now a son-in-law of that P. M. is made register of the Lakeview land office. Now comes a Washington associated press report, of the 27th ult which reads:

For the second time President Taft and general Clarence Edwards won today in a four score at golf from Vice-President Sherman and Senator Bourne, of Oregon. The game today was won by one up and was played on the Chevy Chase Club Links.

In view of all these facts the t. e. n. must be mistaken, or in other words, as per Captains Courageous: "Dad was mistook!"

Fully one fourth of the \$13,000,000,000 worth of gold produced in the world since the discovery of America has come from the mines of the United States. During the last ten years the production of the United States has aggregated between \$800,000,000, and \$900,000,000, or about one fourth of the total world product of about \$3,500,000,000 during that period. Three United States occupies second place in the world's gold producers, South Africa standing first, with a little over \$150,000,000; the United States slightly less with \$100,000,000; Australia about \$80,000,000; Russia about \$25,000,000, and Mexico a little less than \$20,000,000.

Three boys got a deserved old-fashioned, but now obsolete, spanking the other day in Venice, Ill., and the associated press deemed it of so much importance that a big dispatch relating the particulars was wired all over the land. Time was when every well-regulated household had its bundle of convenient switches, and their replacement as a matter of household utility these days would work in the advancement of the future generation in morals, and deportment.

The Eugene Register gives a whole volume of argument against robbery by means of a prohibitive tariff in the following compressed item:

"In 1907 sugar paid \$60,000,000, in duties to the government. In the same time it costs the consumers \$105,000,000 extra. Puzzle: Who got the \$45,000,000?"

"And the sugar trust, not content with the millions handed them without question by a venal congress, by means of false weights added millions more to their 'profits' in a matter of 'business'."

Now what are YOU going to do about such things Mr. Voter?

Belgium's complete system of narrow gauge steam railways connecting all the towns and villages with the main centers is to be electrified.

The Examiner has been kindly favored by the author Mr. C. B. Watson, of Asbland, with a bound and

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Entire output of this map owned by HUNTER LAND CO., 831 Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Oregon.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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THE DEPTH OF THE WHEAT PIT.

This is the story of ex-Governor Taylor of Minnesota and the wheat pit.

Made an orphan at six years of age and thrown among strangers, Taylor had a hard struggle. He succeeded and in middle life was a prosperous farmer.

Having joined the "granger" movement, then at its climax, Taylor became prominent and was elected governor of the state. Honest, forceful, popular, he fought the corporations so strenuously they defeated him for reelection.

Whereupon the governor retired to his farm.

Then some one whispered to him: "Buy wheat!"

Taylor began to speculate on the Chicago board of trade. Winning and losing alternately, he stayed in town, neglecting his farm, watching the markets.

His bank account began to dwindle, and his live stock disappeared. Finally his farm was sold to provide margins. Soon everything was gone.

Old, broken and a pauper, his friends raised some money to place him in an old people's home, where he died, penniless and heartbroken.

Some one has well said that the Chicago wheat pit is only a few feet across, but it is as DEEP AS HELL!

Once in the toils of the market broker nothing less than bankruptcy will stop the victim of that sort of gambling.

He will sacrifice property, friends, family, everything. He watches the turn of fortune's wheel with the sure hope of him who never despairs.

The phobia becomes a fever.

The grain gambler is restless until the market opens and is on the rack until it closes. Between whiles his head is full of his deals. He has no time for society or family.

The victim is obsessed. And, though he should lose steadily, he is hopeful until his last dollar has gone into the hopper and he can beg or borrow no more.

Poor old Governor Taylor had a good farm and big barns and fine bred cattle and money in bank. But that Satan's suggestion: "Buy wheat!"

Why, that put a maggot in his brain, and he was not satisfied until the farm and barns and cattle and money were swallowed up by the capacious maw of the wheat pit.

Will this story deter other victims? It is not likely.

The wheat gambler has eyes for nothing save the figures on the black board of the bucket shop.

Autograph copy of "Prehistoric Siskiyou and Marble Halls of Oregon." To read this little book, which voices the lure of the woods and mountains, and takes us away from the sordid glare of tele age of commercialism, is indeed refreshing. We thank the author for this literary treasure.

Government experts have discovered that there is 50,000,000 horsepower going to waste in these United States. It is also a damnable thing that the capitalistic horde at the same time proceeded to gobble all of the same to tax future generations. They would have done it, too, had it not been for a solar plexus jolt they got from President Roosevelt May his tribe increase.

NEW WESTERN RATES IN EFFECT

Summer Reductions to Points on This Coast Now in Force

Chicago, May 31.—Summer reductions in rates to Western points are going into effect. Return tickets from Chicago to California coast cities will be placed on sale tomorrow and Wednesday, from June 24th to July 10th, for \$62.50. The round trip for \$62 from Chicago to Portland, Seattle and other cities in the Northwest will be available until September 30th. Round trip rates of \$42.50 from Chicago to Helen and Butte, Mont.; \$39 from Chicago to Salt Lake City, and \$37, to Salt Lake City returning August 5th, are placed on sale to day and will be sold again July 15th.

HOT SPRINGS ACCIDENT

Amadee, Cal., May 28.—With the flesh scalded and peeling from his legs and hands, G. E. Egstrom a wealthy mining man of Modoc County, lies in a precarious condition at a hospital today. Late yesterday Egstrom visited a boiling spring near this place. While walking on an overhanging ledge he slipped, landing in a sitting posture in the pool, which registers 212 degrees. Both legs will probably have to be amputated to save his life.

If you desire to get the daily San Francisco Bulletin and the Lakeview Examiner, at unheard of rates, you will have to hurry, as the deal is liable to be called off any day.

THE NATION'S DEBT OVER \$1,300,000,000

National Debt Piling in These Piping Days Of Peace

Washington, June 1.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business May 31, 1909, the net, less cash in the treasury amounted to \$1,300,129,613, which is the increase for the month of \$4,245,950.

The debt is reconstituted as follows: Interest-bearing debt, \$913,317,490; debt on which interest ceased since maturity, \$2,987,115; debt bearing no interest, \$83,726,312; total, \$1,300,307,118. This amount however does not include \$1,333,519,869 in certificates and treasury notes outstanding which are off set by an equal amount of cash held in the treasury for their redemption. The cash in the treasury is classified as follows: Gold reserve, \$150,000,000; trust funds, \$1,233,519,869; general fund, \$154,468,062; in national bank depositors, \$72,946,079; in Philippine treasury, \$4,282,807.

Total \$1,716,216,819, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to \$1,445,445,315,510, which leaves a cash balance on hand of \$269,910,308.

The total receipts for the month were \$63,352,316 and the total disbursements \$58,786,265.

Smiles and Squal

Out of 2,500 boys recently examined in the schools of Kansas, only six cigarette smokers were found to be what would generally be called "bright". Ten of the remainder were average students, while all the rest of the 2,500 using cigarettes were found to be poor at their studies, or so thins.

A woman in Mt. Vernon Washington, attempted to kindle a fire with kerosene. She succeeded—in bringing herself to death. And the fools, continue to attempt to do the same thing with the same result.

Some exasperated man exclaimed: "For sake of peace give woman the ballot." Peace! He probably doesn't know much of the strong-minded kind. Peace, forsooth! Why with the ballot in the hands of some women his troubles would be augmented a thousand fold!

What with the thing-a-may-bob that runs the aeroplane getting out of fix and with the wireless bomb, and the other things being invented for his discomfort, the air-ship man during war-time probably will lead a life of stroustosity that only a Teddy could enjoy.

Settlers from the North

The Canyon City, Grant County Eagle, says: Homestead seekers are now moving, and every day there passes this point emigrant wagons headed for inland Oregon. They come from Idaho and they come from Washington; many of them passing through Harney county and going to Lake and Klamath counties. It is the opinion of those now on the road that this season will witness a great many prospective settlers in this direction.

Farmers need Lake County Land.

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Louis Shaw

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Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon, May 24, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that MICHAEL RAU, of Lakeview, Oregon, who, on May 18, 1903, made Homestead Application No. 2597, Serial No. 01151, for SE quarter NW quarter, W half NE quarter, NW quarter SE quarter, Section 33, Township 37 South, Range 19 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, at Lakeview, Oregon, on the 14th day of July 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: X Arzner, Gabriel Arzner, Jack McCulley, and Joe Arzner, all of Lakeview, Oregon. M. E. J. N. Watson, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon, May 24, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that BARNEY GRUMAN, of Lakeview, Oregon, who, on April 16, 1906, made Homestead entry, No. 3594, Serial No. 01332, for Lots 1 and 2 SE quarter, NW quarter, Section 7 Township 38 South, Range 21 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, at Lakeview, Oregon, on the 12th day of July, 1909.

Claimant names as witnesses: W. D. Bishop, William J. Rehart, Sol Chandler, Mark Magraves, all of Lakeview, Oregon. J. N. Watson, Register.

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Northwest Notes

Capitalists of San Diego, represented by John J. Fitzpatrick, of that city, have secured an option on 500 acres of land from Moore Bros. The land adjoins the city of Klamath Falls on the west and extends from Lake Ewasua to Upper Klamath Lake. It is considered an ideal residence section and a number of homes have already been built on the tract which was cut into town lots by Moore Bros. a few years ago. The price was \$40,000.

Harman has purchased Odessa, the popular summer resort. He already owned Pelican Bay Lodge. If the millionaires continue to buy up our popular resorts, the people will have small opportunity for recreation.

Crook County has a fine new court house, built of gray stone quarried near that town. It is more pretentious than the Lake County court house, but it cost about \$25,000 more—the total cost being \$73,910.25.

That the Japanese are getting a foot hold in Oregon is demonstrated by one item alone. Up at Dufur Japs own 5000 acres of land and are planting 25,000 fruit trees. They have several hundred acres in peas, potatoes, and other vegetables, employing eighty of their own people to perform the labor.

Marshfield is the latest Oregon town to talk of using the recall on its mayor or council. The recall seems to have become a formidable club in many Oregon towns for whipping a

city administration into line of duty or else abdicating in favor of others. When a maiden lady of 78 makes up her mind to get married, it is to be assumed that she knows her business. Eleanor Julia Alexander-Bowman, of Charlestown, Wash., took her time in taking a husband; but undoubtedly she never before found a man worthy of her.—Oregonian.

The widow of a man drowned while drunk recovered \$5000 damages from the saloon keeper who sold him the liquor. If this principle is carried out in all cases of death of drunken men, saloon-keeping will become a risky business.

Summer bats at Lakeview Mercantile Co.

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