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A GREAT MONTH

For three things are we grateful to the month of September. They are Fall, football and oysters. A more popular trio is difficult to imagine and as the good things in life usually comes singly we are thrice thankful for the providence of September.

There is an axiom that oysters are in season in the eight months of the year having the letter "R" in their names. We are not informed whether there is an affinity between these months and oysters because the letter "R" is also in the word oyster or it is just a coincidence. Neither do we know the discoverer of the circumstance and the author of the axiom. However, it is neither axiom nor secret that we are glad September has an "R" somewhere among her nine letters and we are not particular in what style the first oysters are served.

To September also are we indebted for fair autumn. Where the summer is hot and the winter cold there is no season quite so delightful as autumn. It is without the extremes of temperature, is comfortably warm at day and somniferously cool at night, is an acid to efficiency work and an irresistible urge to recreation. In all it is a season in which to live to the utmost.

Thirdly, September hears the first thud of the pigskin and the first thrill blast of referee's whistle. The nation in September turns its eyes away from vacations and baseball to feast them upon the gridiron. Recent development of football in the colleges, universities, public schools and athletic clubs has made it a national sport where once it was strictly a college game. When football season opens the whole nation is kin, class barriers erected by education are dropped and player and spectator play the game for all there is in it.

Every month of the year's twelve has something which makes life worth while but September seems most bountifully endowed with the "better attractions."

SCHOOL DAYS

School days, school days, saddest and gladdest of the year. Saddest for children who, with the first day of school, must bid farewell to the freedom of vacation days and gladdest to mothers who then begin their vacation.

It is hard for outdoor and play-loving boys to return to school, but after a day or two they find that school isn't a bad place to be after all. The three R's are not such a bitter pill when taken with liberal doses of sport, recess games and school-days' championship. There have been two revolutionary developments in education—free schools and popular schools. Once parents could not keep their children in school. Now they could not keep them out of school. The schools, not the children, deserve the credit.

Mother breathes a sigh of relief when school opens for then she can pack the little Indians off to school and enjoy a few hours of peace and quiet, but when the summer recess arrives she will welcome relief from those two "packings" a day. Teachers who have had practical experience in getting a child ready for school can appreciate what they ask when they urge their pupils to report each session with clean faces and hands, clean clothes, hair combed and teeth clean.

Soon the great trek back to the school-room will begin and the shouts and laughter will not be distinguishable from those that accompanied the equally great exodus last spring.

BEAUTIFUL WOMEN

The Chicago professor who has gained a little brief notoriety by his declaration that 90 per cent of the women are homely, probably is one of those odious "efficiency experts." They reckon everything in percentages. Whatever he is, he is woefully off his base in making such an assertion.

Ninety per cent, indeed! Not even in Chicago, we venture to say, will so largely a proportion of homely women be found.

And in Vernonia not 90 per cent, nor nine per cent—no, it cannot be conceded that even one per cent of our women are homely.

There are different standards of judging feminine pulchritude. Turks and Eskimos are said most to admire women who are, let us say, plump, well-rounded, moon-faced. Others prefer the svelt type. Ideas concerning beauty vary.

The Standard dictionary, defining "beautiful" says: "The definition of 'beauty,' 'perfection of form,' is a good key to the meaning of 'beautiful,' if we understand 'form' in its widest sense." It is submitted that under the terms of this definition (if we understand "form" in its widest sense) all women are beautiful. The dictionary goes on to say, however, that "there must be harmony and unity, and in human beings spiritual loveliness, to constitute an object or a person really beautiful."

No attempt will be made to answer for the women of Chicago as to whether they possess the additional requirement of spiritual loveliness. But it can be said in behalf of the fair ones of Vernonia, without fear of successful contradiction, that they have this, as well as unity and harmony.

THE COUNTY FAIR

Starting Wednesday of next week, and continuing until Saturday, Columbia county's annual fair will be an attraction at Deer Island of many residents of this division of the state of Oregon as well as thousands from other sections.

The permanent fair grounds at Deer Island have done much toward stabilizing the interest in this annual show. By adding to the facilities each year, which seems necessary because of the demand by exhibitors for more space, more and better accommodations for displays and visitors are provided.

It is regrettable that the Nehalem valley is not better represented each year among the agricultural, livestock, and other displays that show those interested in a short space of time the ability of the county to produce. These fertile fields are capable of producing innumerable quantities of foodstuffs and other products that in years to come will mark it as the greatest agricultural center of the county.

In the interest of furthering the cause of agriculture in this section, it is the duty of every farmer, dairymen, lumberman, merchant or professional man of woman to view the showings at the Columbia county fair that a better realization of the county's producing ability may be gained.

To think agriculture, know agriculture, and talk agriculture by every resident of the Nehalem will be the greatest impetus toward the establishment of this district in serving its best purpose after the timber is gone.

A HIGHER EDUCATION

In a few weeks the schools giving what is known as a higher education will open their doors for the first term of the 1927-28 school year. The state institutions of Oregon are to be highly recommended to Oregon youth for further study in their chosen professions and from an economic standpoint they are most desirable, as students living in this state who attend institutions in other states are required invariably to pay a high non-resident fee.

It is not necessary that a stated amount, such as \$2000, be on hand for the immediate use of the student contemplating college. In fact any amount is worth considerable less than the ingrained desire to learn. The college town does not exist where there is not employment to help a student in need of funds.

It is far better to stay out of college between the second and third years than to wait a year before starting, as by that time the student is more certain of what he wants to do and can work at the profession or calling that he intends to follow. A year's practical experience outside of school should be required of every student before a diploma is granted, as that is a most vital part of one's education.

The nicest thing about neighbor's children is they never turn out as badly as you expect.

It's a great life if you don't believe in everything you see, hear, think or know.

There are people who never lose an opportunity to enjoy being miserable.

You are not old, not as long as you enjoy living.

The Majestic

John Gilbert Fights Ernest Torrance

This was the big fight event at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios, resulting in several knockouts for Torrance, who had to emerge victor for several close-ups and a few long shots from different angles.

The big fight scene is one of the opening thrills in "Twelve Miles Out" Gilbert's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer vehicle which comes to the Majestic theatre Saturday. Gilbert, playing a motorcycle rider in a pleasure pier concession, and Torrance, playing the ruler of a band of run-runners, battle with bare fists in this scene until Gilbert is vanquished, and this starts a riot by which Gilbert shifts from fists to wits and gives the other a bad drubbing in a battle of wits as the other did him in a conflict of knuckles.

Star in Unusual Story

Adolph Menjou plays sophisticated Parisian roles better than any other actor on the screen, it is generally admitted. In "Evening Clothes," coming Sunday to the Majestic theatre, he is again cast as a Parisian, but he is not the gay boulevardier all the way through the picture. He is first seen in an absolutely different characterization, as a French country gentleman, who although of aristocratic background and tremendous wealth, has enough of the homely manners of the soil to compel the dainty Paris bride with whose parents he arranges a match. Virginia Valli is leading woman.

"Rubber Heels" a "Wynner"

Ed Wynn Scream on Screen
With apologies to such gentlemen as O'Sullivan and Goodyear, might we suggest another remedy for that down-in-the-mouth or down-the-heel feeling? For a general rejuvenating process, toning up and injection of pep, there's nothing

that can compare to Ed Wynn's initial starring picture "Rubber Heels" which the Majestic theatre shows Monday.

William Powell—Sword man

Crossing swords with Bebe Daniels threatens to become a habit with William Powell. The first picture in which he appears with Miss Daniels, "Dangerous Money," Powell played the role of a fencing instructor. In Bebe Daniels' latest Paramount production "Senorita" which comes to the Majestic theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, Powell appears as a swaggering bully of the pampas and again engages in sword play with the star. This time Miss Daniels gets her revenge and scores touches on her former instructor.

Betty Bronson Starred

When flapper daughter becomes presumptuous, high hat or "ritzy," don't spank the darling child, just kid her along. That's what Ritzy Brown's father does in Betty Bronson's new Paramount picture "Ritzy" which arrives at the Majestic theatre Thursday and Friday. Ritzy refuses to marry a clean-cut American and insists on a titled husband to Papa and a certain young gentleman put their heads together and—well Elinor Glyn has provided a number of novels, amusing twists. Richard Rosson directed a cast headed by James Hall, Miss Bronson's leading man. "Ritzy" is an original screen story by Madame Glyn.

A Dependable Farm Crop

The sugar beet is one of the most dependable farm crops in western states. Due to the policy of the big sugar refining companies, there is always a sure market with a minimum price fixed, and the farmer who puts in a few acres of sugar beets is sure of his tax money and spare change for the winter.

There is no better sugar than that made from beets and the industry should be fully protected

by our government from outside interference. Without proper protection, sugar factories would become idle and an industry which supplies bread and butter for thousands of farmers and workmen, would be nipped in the bud, and our nation left entirely dependent on foreign sugar supplies.

It is estimated reductions in railway rates since their peak in 1921 will save the traveling and shipping public a billion dollars this year.

W. O. W. Vernonia camp No. 655 meets every Monday night at seven thirty at the Grange Hall. Visiting members welcome.

A. F. KOSTER C. C.
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K. A. McNeill, Secretary.

I.O.O.F.—Vernonia Lodge No. 246 meets every Thursday night at 8 o'clock, in Grange hall. Visitors always welcome.
Work in the 3rd degree Aug. 30.
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John Galsmer, Sec.

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Meets first and third Mondays of each month at the Legion Hall.
Mrs. H. E. McGraw, President.

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Bessie Tapp, W. M.
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