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BASSMOUTH BAKER

INTERVIEWS HIMSELF

Bassmouth Baker of Bullfrog Buttes, who has been quite fortunate in electing presidents during the past 20 or 30 years, gave out an unsolicited interview this week to a number of our citizens who were hanging around the sunny side of the postoffice.

Bassmouth said that the future of the country depends upon the election of the right man for president. He said that many times in the past the constitution seemed on the verge of being toppled into an abyss of corruption, and that at the same time the cornerstone of the foundation of our government faced immediate and violent destruction, but that the election of a president always pulled order out of chaos at the critical and logical, not to say psychological, moment, and that the government has always survived, even though at times it has seemed a bit wobbly on its pins. He advocates a

100 per cent Americanism in casting the ballot, and indicated forcibly with the index finger of his right hand that 100 per cent Americanism would be manifested by the hoi polloi and the vox populi, arm in arm with the common yodel, or geezer, going to the polls and voting for the candidate that is picked to win by Mr. Baker himself.

THE POLITICAL CRISIS

So far no attempt has been made by either the democrats or republicans of Cactus Flat to secure a national convention for the nomination of a presidential candidate. This state of apathy must no longer grip our citizenship with its clammy tentacles, or else a few of our leaders will feel the barbed sting of the Catamount editor's editorial quill.

ANOTHER HAT IN THE RING

Horatium P. Whiffletree of Cactus Flat has announced his intention to run for president. Mr. Whiffletree is a dirt farmer, distantly removed; he has never formed or expressed an opinion, and also has other qualifications which are admired by the voting public.

"Speaking of the new Ford," said Old Quib Skills today, "one of our citizens went into a restaurant in the county seat the other day and asked for flivver and bacon."

LOCAL NEWS

The membership of the Chamber of Converse has grown to such an extent that another chair was added this week.

Mrs. Bearcat Boone, who recently learned to drive a car from the front seat, is still qualified to direct her husband's maneuvers from the back seat.

Sycamore Slim writes from the little frontier village of Los Angel-

es that a movie actress was arrested there last week for shooting her husband without a license.

Prof. Flyleaf Adkins states that night classes in marksmanship will be started in the high school next week. The Siskiyou Kid, who has six matches in his gus, has been employed as instructor.

O. Byron Heck, who has been in the habit of eating an apple a day to keep Doc Horsecollar away, told Ezra Hoskins that he recently started to eating three apples a day since the chiropractor and the veterinarian started in business in our city.

Bootlegger Rattlesnake Ike made a flying trip to the tall timber last week on advice of counsel.

Mescal Bill picked up an old piece of canvas this week, with which he will reinforce his trousers.

WOOD FOR SALE

I have about 10 cords of mountain oak wood which I am desirous of selling to people who burn wood in their stove at \$2.00 per cord or \$6.00 per cord. This wood is some that I dragged up out of the creek and cut into stovewood length at a great expense of time and sweat. I don't want any of it left on my hands, so I took a lot of hard work to get it cut up into stovewood length and the rusty old bucksaw that I borrowed from Bearcat Boone was so dull that I blistered both my two hands and nearly broke my back getting it cut up into stovewood length and I want to sell it to those who first come first served. The wood is cut up into stovewood length and is just the right length to fit your stove. You will do well to buy your wood from me as it is seasoned wood and is cut up into stovewood length.

Yours for wood
HOUSEHIDE HOPKINS.

COLD BREEZE HITS

A cold and clammy breeze of unknown origin struck our midst this week, reminding a number of our respectable and respectful citizens that it was time to get out the flannels. The breeze sprang up overnight and before our citizenship knew what was going on it was too late to do anything about it. Not only did we have a chilling wind that cut like a jackknife, but it also acted in the capacity of the harbinger of frost, which bit, without any perceptible warning, into the very souls of our late vegetables, and even some of the hardest of weeds that escaped the grueling glare of last summer's sun were warped almost beyond recognition by the hoary monster. Winter is upon us. There is a chill in the air that reminds us forcibly and poignantly that the elements are not to be trifled with.

ALAS. ALACK. A RIGHT GOOD SMACK.

(By Wampus Pete, the Silver Penned Poet of the Sierras)
One balmy fine night I was riding,
With a pretty young miss from afar;
The night it was dark;
I decided to park,
And switched out the lights on my car.
I put my arm gently around her—
She knocked me right out on my ear.
On the ground I lay prone,
While she speeded on home—
And I learned about women from her.

HIGHTOWER PULLS FOX PAW

Gil Hightower received a charge of buckshot in his right shoulder Tuesday morning when he asked Cleve Clifton the name of the Arizona sheriff who escorted Cleve to the state line.

TO KEEP UP WITH PROGRESS, BILL LEMON CHANGES SHIRTS

Bill Lemon appeared on the streets of our thriving metropolis last Sunday with a new flannel shirt which he bought outright

from our local dry goods emporium. His shirt, which he had worn continuously for two seasons, was showing signs of threadbareness, besides which it was becoming quite dirty.

Farm Reminders

Orchardists who occasionally have their trees seriously damaged by red spider mites can escape this damage by thoroughly examining the buds in the fall or winter for the clusters of tiny red eggs, says the department of entomology of the Oregon experiment station. If the clusters are numerous, they may be killed by an application of 8 per cent oil emulsion after freezing weather is over.

This is the time of year to guard against ewe paralysis according to the experiment station. This trouble is due primarily to lack of exercise together with too much dry feed. It is avoided by feeding hay at night so the ewe will go into the pasture during the day and get her required exercise. In this way hay supplements the pasture.

During the pruning season apple growers are apt to find areas of the bark that are punctured with many fine holes, says the experiment station. This injury is done by the bronze apple tree weevil. These areas are cut out and destroyed and the wound painted with a mixture of creosote, 1 pint, and coal tar, 2 pints.

It is not desirable to fatten steers on grain in the northwest, the Oregon experiment station finds as they do not bring large enough profits over steers fattened on hay to justify the expense. Baby beef, however, cannot be produced on hay alone. In order for cattle to put on desirable gains at this age they must have a liberal amount of grain in their feed ration.

Irrigated land in Oregon that is not frozen or planted to a crop may be leveled or leveled to eliminate all high spots or low places, where water control was difficult during the past season.

Home Pointers

Attractive and appetizing salads may be made for winter use. "Porcupine" salad is made by sticking "needles" cut from unblanched almonds into halves of canned pears.

Fruit salad in a wafer box is made three Saltines together with ribbon and filling with a lettuce leaf and fruit salad. A garnish of marshmallow or candied cherry adds to the appearance.

Butterfly salad is made from canned pineapple. A slice is cut crosswise and the cut edges placed opposite each other to form

to serve when eggs are scarce, as they can be made with no eggs at all, or, at most, one! Old-fashioned creamy rice pudding, without eggs; gelatins made from fruit juices; mince, apple, cranberry, and other fruit pies; cornstarch blanc mange, either vanilla or chocolate; fruit cup; fruit cobblers, made with a biscuit top; dried fruit shortcakes, with biscuit foundation; fresh, stewed, and baked fruits in season; stewed dried fruits; steamed fruit puddings; junket; "flummery," made from canned fruit juices such as blackberry or raspberry, thickened with corn starch; baked Indian pudding; fruit sherbets.

Pork and other meats to be canned are cooked first in the usual way for any given cut, and then processed under steam pressure. Directions for doing this are found in Farmers' Bulletin 1186-F, Pork on the Farm.

Here are a few good desserts

RIZAL DAY

VERNONIA, OREGON

DECEMBER 30, 1927



JOSE RIZAL, M. D. (Madrid) Ph. D. (Leipsic, Ger.)

The Filipinos in Vernonia cordially invite you and company to attend the Thirty-first Anniversary of the execution of Dr. Jose Rizal, Patriot and National Hero of the Philippines.

on Friday, December 30, 1927.

at High School Auditorium 7:30 p. m.

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By F. O. Alexander



With an Oirish Brogue

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