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GOVERNMENT AND SCIENCE

The meeting in Washington of the National Academy of Science emphasizes the rapidly increasing volume of valuable scientific work done through government bureaus.

Not many years ago the government scientists simply standardized and tested discoveries and inventions. Within recent years these experts have been taking the initiative in many lines. The most recent example is that of Dr. Walter Rittman, whose remarkable experiments which may double the output of gasoline and permit home manufacture of dyestuffs have attracted world-wide attention.

At the Bureau of Standards, at many bureaus of the Department of Agriculture, at the Bureau of Mines, where only recently a new device for the use of rescue workers in mines was perfected, and at naval observatories pioneer research work has been carried on and actual invention accomplished. In many other government branches, like the Smithsonian Institution, the Patent Office and the Library of Congress, are registered the most recent investigations.

In this day of interest in the work of foreign governments Germany is pointed out as a nation where government interest in scientific work has developed to a high degree. In the United States the government interest in scientific research is scarcely less.

This scientific activity on the part of the government has drawn many scientists of world note to Washington. Such men as Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, Dr. Charles E. Munroe and Dr. Emil Berliner have done much of their valuable work there.

THIS COUNTRY NEEDS NO GREAT ARMY

This idea that the United States requires a large military establishment for protection from enemies abroad is evidently being advocated by those who hope to profit by such a policy. Any American with common sense enough to think knows that invasion of this country, with its millions of able-bodied men, who with thirty days drilling would make the best soldiers in the world, fighting on their own soil and in defense of their homes and property is out of the question. Volunteers who know what they are fighting for always did make better soldiers than trained warriors—the history of the world's wars proves that point beyond the question of a doubt. The ability to go through certain evolutions because of practice counts for little when opposed to men who can shoot straight, think quickly and have the courage of their convictions of what is right back of every volley they discharge.

Few persons, however, will oppose the policy of maintaining a strong naval establishment, for the protection of our commerce, or the proper fortification of our principal seaports. Plants for the manufacture of modern artillery are also necessary, but the fact that the European belligerents are depending largely upon this country for their arms and ammunition shows that we are already amply supplied in this respect. No other country except Germany is better prepared at the present time to equip an army in the field with arms and munitions.

This talk about maintaining a great military establishment in times of peace is evidently inspired by selfish and not patriotic motives.

Just catch the drift of this from the columns of the Herald published at Albany in Georgia: "Here and there is to be found a pessimistic individual who refuses to see that conditions are getting better, but for one such there are a hundred cheerful souls who are quite willing to read the promise of vastly improved conditions in the signs so plentiful on all sides. It is difficult to explain the working of the chronic pessimist's mind. Like the curl in the pig's tail, it is just there."

Those women who are talking peace at The Hague are liable to yank a few European rulers bald-headed if they don't quit fighting over nothing and behave themselves pretty soon.

The principal reason for cities having boards to censor moving picture films is that it provides more offices for patriots who are averse to hard work.

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A prominent writer rejoices and gives his reason thus: "I rejoice that at least one great nation has a population at peace, is not building up a debt of thousands of millions and is free from the direct disturbances of finance caused by the peremptory and formidable necessities of war." That's enough, isn't it? Then there is all the reason this side the ocean why every true American should be with his president in his determination to put America first in thought and act.

Rear Admiral Peary, alleged discoverer of the north pole, has recently discovered a new way to make this country more trouble than was stirred up over the polar controversy. He insists that the United States should annex all the remainder of North America so that we would control the entire area from the Panama Canal to the north pole.

Clean up and paint up! That will give work to those who need work which is far better than doling out charity. It will improve the appearance of your property, make a noise like real prosperity and do more than anything else to bring about a restoration of normal business conditions.

Build good roads and pay for them as you go along.

SILVERTON NEWS

(Capital Journal Special Service.)
Silverton, Ore., May 3.—The Knights of Pythias are planning on a big time on May 8. The work to be put on is said to be very elaborate, and a large class of candidates will be shown through the mysterious windings of the degree. A grand street parade is scheduled for 7:30 p. m., and later they will go to the theater to see the seven-reel movie film in which Damon and Pythias are cleverly portrayed. At the conclusion of this they return to the hall and proceed with the work.

Mrs. John B. Thornley passed away at her home five miles south of Silverton, April 24, after a long and painful illness. Deceased was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, December, 1852. She was the mother of eight children, all of whom were at home except a son and daughter, who live in Nebraska.

Mrs. Thornley was a member of the Baptist church and a faithful Christian mother, who will be sadly missed in the home. Besides the children she leaves a husband to mourn her loss. The funeral was held at the home, being in charge of Rev. Garages, of Orchard, Wash., and interment in Silverton cemetery.

Harry Sprague went to The Dalles to visit friends in that vicinity a couple of weeks.

Mrs. J. O. Phelps is enjoying a visit with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Moore, of Portland, this week.

Mrs. Lucretia Bennett, an aunt of W. L. Cunningham, was visiting him the first of the week. Mrs. Bennett has been living in San Diego, Cal., and is on route for Seattle, Wash., where she will make her future home.

Ray Nicol left on Wednesday for San Francisco, Cal., and expects to remain indefinitely in that city, where he has employment for the summer.

Miss Evelyn Nutting went to Corvallis Saturday for an over-Sunday visit with her sister, Miss Hazel, and friend, Miss Hammond, who are O. A. C. students at that place.

Alvin Legard, accompanied by Rev. A. O. White, went to Portland Tuesday, where he underwent an operation for a tumor that has caused him quite a lot of anxiety of late. The operation was successful and he is recovering nicely.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows celebrated the 39th anniversary of the organization last Sunday night. Henry Westbrook, grand warden of Oregon, was the speaker of the evening. His address was very interesting, giving a history of the lodge from the time it started way back in Maryland nearly a century ago up to the present time. The members of the Silverton lodge and a nice program, and served refreshments, and altogether this was an event long to be remembered by all present.

PREVENT ACID STOMACH AND FOOD FERMENTATION

Most people who complain of stomach trouble possess stomachs that are absolutely healthy and normal. The real trouble is excessive acid in the stomach aggravated by food fermentation. Hypersensitivity irritates the delicate lining of the stomach and food fermentation causes wind which distends the stomach abnormally, causing that full bloated feeling and retarding the process of digestion.

In all such cases—and they comprise 90 per cent of all stomach difficulties—the first and only step necessary is to neutralize the acid and stop the fermentation by taking in a little water immediately after eating from one to two teaspoonfuls of Bisulphate of Magnesia, which is doubtless the best and really effective antacid and food corrective known. The acid will be neutralized and the fermentation stopped almost instantly, and your stomach will at once proceed to digest the food in a healthy normal manner. Be sure to ask your druggist for Bisulphate of Magnesia as other forms are utterly lacking in its peculiarly valuable properties.

Miss Anna Gille and Mr. Frank Haynes were among those who attended church at Auburn Sunday evening.

Mr. William, the president of the Farmers' Telephone Co., was testing the telephone lines this week.

One get-out-and-hurry man is better than a dozen of the sit-and-wait-for-it-to-turn-up brand.

AURORA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Wolfer motored into the city Saturday from Wolfer Prairie in their new Ford.

R. W. Zimmerman, road supervisor of District No. 23, was in town on business this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gelbriet were in the city Saturday from their home on Muelburg road.

Mrs. Kubank, a niece of Gene Flynn, was here from Portland Saturday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Flynn.

Gene Garrett, Otis Nelson, Frank McCracken and Art Artis made a fishing trip to Oregon City Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hurst gave a birthday party Sunday for their little daughter at which many of her little friends were present. Another party of the same kind was given Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. Gible for their daughter.

W. S. Hurst, of Aurora, was in town Tuesday. He was trying to buy a carload of potatoes. He says that most of the farmers having potatoes fed them to the stock because they were so cheap. He is paying \$1.25 per 100 lbs.—Mollie Pioneer.

The firm of Kieker, Wolf & Netter has been succeeded by the Wolf Top company of San Francisco. Felix Immanuel, their agent here, has just received notice of the change.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, of Portland were here yesterday calling on old friends of Mrs. Wilkins, who was a teacher of the Aurora school more than 30 years ago, when she was Miss Mollie Barlow.

Road Master Culver has notified David Hanrahan that the gate closing the road leading to the Hurst garden tract is to be opened, if not already, and requests that he be notified in case it has not been opened.

W. E. Lottman of Butteville will hold a public auction at his home 1-4 mile south of Butteville, May 8, at 1 p. m. He will sell a number of milch cows, some tools, implements, vehicles, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Huston and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boggs of Salem; Earl Swanson and Miss Goldie Kruetinger; Miss Amy Tierst and Miss Lois Keenan of Portland; and Miss Lois Bebb were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Bents.

The Yoder sawmill 2-1/2 miles from Nedy was burned Monday night. The loss is estimated at more than \$3,000. Besides the mill, more than 100,000 shingles were burned and shingle bolts enough for 100,000 more shingles. The fire started, it is believed, from the fire-box. There was no insurance.

A number of friends surprised Mrs. Sarah Kell Monday afternoon at her home in North Aurora, upon the occasion of her sixtieth birthday anniversary. A delightful afternoon was spent there, the following being present: Mrs. George Klaus, Miss Katy Giesy, Mrs. Hilda Giesy, Mrs. M. Giesy, Mrs. G. Gouding, Miss Louisa Miller, Mrs. Geo. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Kell, Mrs. Joe Etzeland, Mrs. Henry Baek, Mrs. Chas. Baek, Miss Fox, and Paul Siebert.—Observer.

AUBURN NEWS

(Capital Journal Special Service.)
Auburn, Ore., May 3.—The Women's Missionary society met with Mrs. C. G. McElroy Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Gus Fagg left for the east Wednesday to consult a specialist concerning his cancer, which has been troubling him for some time.

Miss Josephine Toy was a caller at the Lewis home Monday evening.

Miss Carrie Evans visited at the A. J. Mathis home one evening this week.

Walter Olson attended church at Salem Sunday.

Mr. Geaney is busy sowing wheat nowadays.

Mrs. Hill and children, of Salem, spent Saturday and Sunday with her brother, Howard Jones, and family.

Mrs. A. J. Mathis was a Salem visitor Wednesday.

Frank and Charlie Haynes have been seeding outside this week.

Mrs. A. Lewis returned Monday from San Francisco, Cal., where she has been the guest of her daughter. She was also a visitor at the fair while there.

Miss Anna Gille and Mr. Frank Haynes were among those who attended church at Auburn Sunday evening.

STATE NEWS

Springfield News: Local fishermen are much interested in a large run of salmon now making its way up the Willamette river. For years the salmon have been going up the McKenzie, but it is only rarely that they come up this stream. Capture of a salmon with hook and line is royal sport.

Ashland Tidings: Lithia water has scored another triumph. A Rhode Island Red hen, the property of H. S. Palmerlee, has tied knots in all local records for a hen's egg. The record-breaking product measures 3-4 inches by 3-4 inches. Mr. Palmerlee says that it is the lithia water in the air which caused the phenomenal outburst of generosity on the part of his fowl.

After showing up the variabilities and extremes of eastern climate the Grants Pass Courier concludes: "It is summer weather in southern Oregon, but not the kind that overcomes with sudden heat. It is when you read of the climate the other fellow has to put up with that one appreciates more the climate that has made the Rogue valley famous."

A flower curio is thus described by The Dalles Chronicle: "W. J. Morris had a freak rose bloom in his garden this spring. The rose is in reality composed of two flowers. The first flower is in full bloom and through the center of this another stem has grown, about two inches long, on the tip of which is a bud nearly ready to open. The extra stem emerges from the center of the full-blown rose."

"Hogs," says the Baker Democrat, "are again hitting the top of the market. Wool prospects are the best and cattle maintain their place in the open market. Certainly the farm and range are the products of the creative wealth of the country."

Umatilla looks like the banner county killing county, over \$3000 having been paid out in sealp bounties in a few days less than a month, under the new three-dollar law.

The town marshal of Redmond has been instructed by the council to notify proprietors of barber shops to have the barber poles in front of their places of business removed at once.

Corvallis Gazette Times: The Pacific Coast Manufacturer says: "The cannery is to remain closed. Perhaps it is a question of not gray matter that is lacking."

GOOD TO REMEMBER.

The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while, that costs the least and does the most, is just a pleasant smile. The smile that bubbles from the heart that loves its fellow men, will drive away the cloud of gloom and sweep the sun again. It's full of worth and goodness, too, with many kindnesses bent; it's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent. There is no room for sadness when we see a cheery smile. It always has the same good look it's never out of style; it nerves us on to try again when failure makes us blue. Such dimples of encouragement are good for me and you. So smile away; folks understand what by a smile is meant. It's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent.—Selected.

GROWING MORE CORN.

Reports from all neighboring parts of the Valley indicate that corn acreage of this year will be larger than ever before. Many who have never been interested heretofore will plant corn this year, and many who have grown corn will this year largely increase their acreage. The number who believe that corn cannot be grown here is growing less each year, and the men who have demonstrated that corn is a profitable crop in the Willamette Valley are building better than they knew. They are among the real benefactors of their respective communities.—Aurora Observer.

SPRING JOYS.

The circus soon will camp upon the verdant village grass, and editors will get an ad. Likewise a family pass. They love to see the circus come. 'Tis one of life's events. For it puts money in their clothes and gives them joy in tents.

As a matter of fact, there's very little common sense in the world—most of it is uncommon.

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May 28 and 29, Dates of Commonwealth Sessions

May 28 and 29 are the dates chosen for the seventh annual commonwealth conference of the state of Oregon, which will be held in the University of Oregon buildings.

One branch of the conference will consider plans for returning to the state profits made by the national government from holdings within the state. Franklin P. Lane, secretary of the interior, will be asked to take part.

Another conference session will consider a plan for classification of land in Oregon according to quality. At present the investor is afraid of buying a gold brick; listed lands would materially strengthen his confidence, says F. G. Young, professor of economics in the University of Oregon.

A step is to be taken at the conference toward amalgamating all the good roads association movements in Oregon. A reorganization of the efficiency and economy movements in the state will be attempted.

Another conference topic will be city planning; how to interest the women and the civic bodies of the state. A session for women will be held on the topic.

A plan for more scientific credit will be discussed.

A Message to the Sufferers

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