

JOURNAL'S OPEN FORUM

Or the Voice of the People

To the Editor: And it came to pass that John, Peter and Jacob raised a fine crop of oats, and they were very proud thereof. But they were not made conceited thereby, and they speculated among themselves that somebody may have raised a more luxuriant crop than they. And Peter and John said unto Jacob, "Go ye and visit every farmer for 10 miles around that raised oats, and if ye find one that raised more bushels to the acre than we, ask him all manner of questions till ye find out the secret of his success, then come back and tell us all about it, that we may all profit thereby. An if ye should meet one who raised less bushels to the acre than we, be generous unto him and give him of thy knowledge that he may profit thereby. And be ye not partial, but fully as considerate of those enemies as of thy friends. Ye may soften the feelings of these enemies thereby; furthermore these enemies may be friends of thine good news unto them. And it came to pass that Jacob went forth and in his travels through the country he came upon an exceedingly fine field of oats that would yield near two fold as much as he and his neighbor had been able to grow. And he was much astonished thereby and hurried to find the owner, and when he had found him he began asking him questions that he might learn the secret whereby he grew such oats. But the man answered him spitefully and turned away from him. But Jacob felt within him the great value the knowledge of this secret would go unto himself and his neighbors, and he humbled himself before the man and begged him to answer his questions. But the man became even more insolent. Then Jacob waxed very angry, and called the curse of God upon him saying, "As a punishment for thy heartlessness and miserly selfishness it shall be made known unto all thy neighbors what sort of man thou art. They shall gaze upon thee with contempt and loathing, and we shall know the great unhappiness of living without the respect and well wishing of thy fellowman."

"Thy secret shall be wrested from thee in spite of all thy precautions, and thy neighbors shall profit thereby."

"At last a great sickness shall come upon thee and thou shalt die after being harrowed with the consciousness that thou hadst wasted thy great opportunity to know the all-absorbing happiness of having given of thy knowledge with a fulness of heart to thy fellowman that they might be blessed thereby. And thou shalt be tortured in thy last hours on earth with the consciousness of the worthlessness and emptiness of all earthly gains that are kept at the sacrifice of thy neighbors respect and well wishing."

Then Jacob proceeded on his way and it happened he came upon a very poor field of oats, and he felt sorry for the owner thereof, and he sought him out, and with great brotherly sympathy in his heart began telling him whereby he might better his yield. But to Jacob's great surprise the man became very angry and refused to listen unto him, and he sneered at Jacob saying, "Whereby didst thou become so much wiser than thy fellowman?" And he told him he had better go home and mind his own business."

Then Jacob became angry and he said unto the man, "Thou fool! Thy mind is so conformed with false ideas of pride thou canst see naught but a desire for self-glory in the efforts of thy fellowman to aid thee, while thou art less humble and more conceited than he who would aid thee. Thou must be a victim of thy own folly. The knowledge in the world must grow beyond thy understanding. Thou must become a lagard in the race for a livelihood. Thy hand shall become even more barren. Thy taxes shall become a great burden on thee. Thy rent shall be greater than thy earnings and in time thou shalt become a burden on thy country."

And it came to pass that Jacob returned unto his own home. And great was the depression of his spirits, and his soul rose in revolt against the inconsistencies of the human race.

The experiences of Jacob are but a fair example of what the county agriculturist has to pass through nearly every week of his life. The only difference is he dare not give vent to his feelings. The selfishness of some, the imputed desire to get all they can from the world without giving anything back not only them as parasites on the rest of the human race, but is one of the

most unpleasant evils the agriculturist has to deal with. But it is absolutely necessary for him to come in contact with such selfish natures in order to acquire all the valuable discoveries of different farmers. It is this source that he is compelled to depend upon for most of the improved methods of farming. The good methods originated among the farmers constitute the bulk of the information he spreads among them.

The false pride imputed in a large percent of our farmers is if anything even more unpleasant to come in contact with than selfishness.

This unreasonable pride is an outcome of self-love, and prevents thousands of men from obtaining the financial success they are longing for. You seldom meet a self-made successful man that does not prove one of the best of listeners. He listens with his brain as his ears. He is never particular about the source of his knowledge. He would consider it a gross weakness of his part, a matter to be ashamed of, to have any scruples over the source from which his information came as long as it was worth while for him to know it. Anybody possessed of such scruples becomes a laughing stock when put up in comparison with such a man.

This selfishness and false pride are the strongest forces today working against a county agriculturist and preventing him doing the country the material good he otherwise might accomplish.

E. M. BETTENDORF, Salem, Ore., Rural Route 7.

BIRTH CONTROL

Portland, Or., Feb. 7.—"The worst demon in the lowest depths of hell is no more despicable than the club women who are promoting this latest curse, birth control. There was a time when the printing press was the curse of the world. Now comes the latest engine of evil in the form of eugenics in our schools."—Father Black.

A man who thinks that the printing press was ever a "curse to the world" is not the sort of man whose opinions are valuable. There was a period several centuries long in which learning was dead. Not a scientist or independent thinker was permitted to live. Libraries were burned, and all over Europe the execrable doctrine that "ignorance is the mother of devotion" ruled both church and state. This was the "Golden Age" of faith and piety; but some "demon from the lowest depths of hell" got busy and invented the printing press. Then our troubles began. Democracy came forth from its hiding place and made war on "Divine Right." It said, "One man is as free as another to find and declare the truth; that governments have their just powers from the consent of the governed." This was rank heresy, to be sure, and had to win its way through fire and blood; but it got there with something very different from what the world had known before. That in bringing this to pass the printing press was a "curse to the world" only a medieval bias would assert, but it is just the sort of bias that would put our well-meaning progressive club women on a level with the "worst demon in the lowest depths of hell."

By the way, why should a bachelor be disturbed by a phase of knowledge intended only for married folks?

L. D. RATLIFF.

WHY IT SUCCEEDS

Because It's For One Thing Only and Salem People Appreciate This. Nothing can be good for everything. Doing one thing well brings success. Doan's Kidney Pills are for one thing only.

For weak or disordered kidneys. Here is Salem evidence to prove their worth.

John I. Conger, prop. printing shop, 845 N. 17th St., Salem, says: "My back got weak and sore and my kidneys did not act as they should. At times I could hardly straighten. Knowing about Doan's Kidney Pills, I used them and they gave me relief from the first. It took Doan's Kidney Pills only a short time to rid me of kidney trouble."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't get simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Conger had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

The street department at Eugene has been busy cutting off the low hanging limbs of trees on the streets so they will not interfere with the tops of vehicles.

Civic Club Will Give Ninth Annual Banquet

The ninth annual banquet of the civic club, of Salem, Oregon, will be served this evening by the pupils of the domestic science department of the Salem high school. The high school pupils will also furnish the music for the evening. This opportunity was given the domestic science girls of the school to demonstrate to the members of the civic club the result of their practical training under their teacher, Miss Bernice M. Edwards.

The annual banquet will include an evening's program. Addresses will be made by president Dr. J. N. Smith, T. H. Gentle and others who may be called on. The toastmaster is J. H. Ackerman, of Mountb. The program for the evening is in charge of Paul Wallace and Rollin K. Page. Following the program officers for the coming year will be elected.

The civic club is a society of men who are interested in the discussions of the leading topics of the day and its sessions are held monthly.

The menu of the banquet to be prepared by the domestic science girls of the high school is as follows:

- Menu: Fruit Cocktail, Mixed Pickles, Sautéed Nuts, Stuffed Smelt, Hollandaise Sauce, Cinnamon Sticks, Fried Chicken, Oyster Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Rice, Potatoes, Corn Tymboles, Creamed Brussels Sprouts, Date Salad, Wafers, Caramel Custard, Cake, Coffee, Mints. The active members of the club are: Jos. H. Albert, Geo. H. Alden, W. G. Allen, Max O. Buren, Dr. W. H. Byrd, E. F. Carleton, J. A. Chureuil, Dr. H. I. Clements, O. M. Elliott, R. A. Harris, W. E. Kirk, S. A. Kozar, J. H. Lewis, F. K. Lovell, E. P. Moore, Ralph D. Moore, Dr. W. R. Moore, Rollin K. Page, Dr. J. N. Smith, H. R. Thiesen, Richard P. Tischer, Paul B. Wallace.

IS SELLING LOGANBERRIES

According to a letter received by Arthur G. Fullerton, of this city, from his father, James Fullerton, who is now in Denver, working for a Salem company that manufactures loganberry juice, Mr. Fullerton has secured to date orders for 1000 crates of loganberries at \$1 a crate which is far above the price paid for them here. He says he has made arrangements with an English concern to take \$5000 worth of the juice the first year, \$10,000 the second year, and \$15,000 the third year, with a contract for 15 years with a minimum of \$15,000 per year.

Mr. Fullerton writes that he has introduced 10 railway lines to use the juice, besides introducing it in parks, pavilions and hotels.

Mr. Fullerton left Eugene several months ago for Denver, and has been there since. The Salem company manufactures the juice on a large scale, and is creating a market for it all over the country.—Eugene Register.

"JULIUS STEGER"

"The Master of the House" is done in motion pictures by the newly formed Equitable Motion Pictures corporation and in the vehicle for the screen debut of the famous actor Julius Steger.

"The Master of the House" is a dramatic production which ran for an entire season at the Maxine Elliott theatre in New York, and was the means of elevating Julius Steger to legitimate stardom. The story of "The Master of the House" is one of those heart-interest affairs that come before the public about once in a decade. Sustained interest, powerful situations and the exceptional plot combines to make it more vivid, more real and more truthful than truth itself.

"The Master of the House," with Julius Steger, will be at the Bliga theatre on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

SHUTS WOMEN OUT

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 16.—The state supreme court ruled today that women cannot vote for national convention delegates or alternates, nor for state central committees and precinct committees.

CATARRH CAUSED BY A GERM

Must Be Destroyed Before Catarrh Itself Can Be Cured. Wonderful Results From Breathing Medicated Air.

Medicine that acts on the blood alone will never cure catarrh. And neither will the sprays, douches, lotions, creams and other temporary reliefs that so many catarrh victims make a habit of using. To cure catarrh so it won't come back you must first drive from your body the millions of germs that are flourishing in the inner recesses of your nose and throat and are causing the disease.

There is a preparation used to do this called Hyomei (pronounced High-o-mei). Hyomei is a germ killing vaporized air formed from the purest oil of Eucalyptus combined with other healing and antiseptic ingredients. You breathe Hyomei through the mouth and nose by means of a little hard rubber inhaler which druggists furnish with it. This medicated germicidal air penetrates into every fold and crevice of the mucous membrane of your nose and throat, kills the catarrh germs that lodge there, soothes, reduces and heals the swollen inflamed membranes, stops the discharge and opens the clogged nose and air passages in a truly wonderful way. It gives blessed relief in five minutes from catarrhal distress of every kind and if you make a practice of breathing Hyomei for a few minutes each day for just a few weeks not only will all the symptoms of catarrh vanish but the disease itself will be a thing of the past. No one need try or buy Hyomei on pure faith. Danaiel J. Fry and many other leading druggists in Salem and vicinity sell it with the positive guarantee that it must cure catarrh of the head that the money paid for it will be refunded if Hyomei is very expensive and with this protecting guarantee behind your purchase there is absolutely no reason why any sufferer from catarrh should not give it a fair trial.

Closing Out Shoe Sale

This is the Greatest Sale in the our history. More Shoes are being sold than in any Sale before in our history at this time of the year. The reason is explained when you read the following prices.

If You Need Shoes Get Them Now

Table with shoe sale items and prices. Columns include Men's Dress Shoes, Ladies' Dress Shoes, Rubbers, Rubber Boots, and Boys' and Children's shoes. Prices range from \$1.95 to \$6.00.

It is impossible for us to quote prices on all of our Shoes, but everything is reduced down to where they will sell very quick—our customers will have the benefit of expert shoe knowledge.

Cut Rates on all Shoe Repairing. Men's Half Soles 75c; Ladies' Half Soles 50c; Children's and Boys' Soles from 25c to 60c. All Leather Heels 25c. Rubber Heels for 25c and 50c the pair.

Advertisement for THE PRICE SHOE CO. featuring Everwear Hose, Dux Bax Oil, and shoe repair services. Includes address 326 State St and phone 616.

Italian Army Surgeons Almost Perform Miracles

By Henry Wood. (United Press staff correspondent.) Rome, Jan. 25.—(By mail.)—Making the dumb to speak through mental suggestion and the power of will is one of the miracles almost daily being performed by Italian army surgeons. The well substantiated stories of what these men are doing rival the miraculous events chronicled in the Book of Books.

The first successful experiments with dumb soldiers were made in the military hospital at Ancona, but have since been repeated at Cava dei Tirreni and elsewhere. Dr. Gustav Modena is the originator of the method. In his first successful application Dr. Modena had for his subject the soldiers Giuseppe Valeri and Nazareno Aquilini. Neither man had spoken a word for six months. The first day Dr. Modena subjected the men to an electrical current and to the mental suggestion that they must speak.

Twenty-four hours were allowed to elapse that this suggestion might work in their minds. The second day the doctor again applied the current and ordering the patient to look him squarely in the eye, asserted all of his hypnotic will power in imposing on his patient the command to speak.

Almost instantly Valeri, the first subject, began to mumble inarticulate sounds. A little later he formed the first two words every child speaks—Mama and babba (papa)—and finally began speaking almost with the same degree of facility he had enjoyed previous to his injury at the front. Equal success was met with in the case of A. Quilini, the second patient. The method now is generally employed in Italy.

Experiments looking toward the restoration of sight and hearing in the same way have not met with a full degree of success, but encouraging progress has been made.

Nothing Old Man Winter can do daunt Harney county folks. Speaking for them the News says: "The general storm of the northwest seems to have had no favored spot only Harney county. Here all are greatly rejoicing because of the heavy fall of snow and are expecting abundant crops next season. There is plenty of hay for feeding stock."

Advertisement for Golden West Paint Shop. In Connection With Vick Brothers Garage. Automobile and Carriage Painting in all the latest colors and styles, using the late Bake Oven Process. My many years of high class painting enables me to give you the best in Auto and Carriage Painting. I guarantee all work that leaves my shop. I make a specialty of High Grade Work, monograms, etc. C. D. Stevens, 260 N. High Street, Salem, Oregon.

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Strictly correct weight, square deal and highest prices for all kinds of junk, metal, rubber, hides and furs. I pay 2 1/2c per pound for old rags. Big stock of all sizes second hand incubators. All kinds corrugated iron for both roofs and buildings. Roofing paper and second hand linoleum. H. Steinback Junk Co. The House of Half a Million Bargains. 302 North Commercial St. Phone 808.

STATE NEWS

Medford Mail-Tribune: H. B. Patterson, the nurseryman of this city, has an old-time friend in Aldeo, Illinois, who finds both pleasure and profit in the business of raising skunks—sure-enough polecats. He finds a ready sale for them at fancy prices. From Mr. Patterson's enthusiasm over the matter his friends fear that he is willing to be enticed into the business here. H. B.

Why Suffer With Backache, Kidneys or Rheumatism Now?

Dear Reader: Before using "Anurie Tablets" I had such a terrible backache that I could hardly do my household work, but after taking one box I could do my work with comfort. I take pleasure in recommending both "Anurie" and "Favorite Prescription," as they have done wonders for me. I would advise others to try them because I know they will find great relief. You all have undoubtedly heard of the famous Dr. Pierce and his well-known medicines. His late discovery, "Anurie," is one that has been successfully used by the physicians and Specialists at Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, in Buffalo, N. Y., for backache and kidney complaint. It is good for diseases arising from disorders of kidneys and bladder, such as backache, weak back, rheumatism, inflammation of bladder, scalding urine and urinary troubles. Mrs. S. M. Simons. Note:—No matter where you live, Dr. Pierce can help you if you suffer from any of the chronic complaints, pains and aches which so often afflict mankind and womankind. You and Dr. Pierce can get together, by mail, without anybody knowing it, and he will give you his careful, simple, expert advice as a physician, without fee. To prove that "Anurie" is a certain uric acid solvent and conquers headache, backache, kidney and bladder disease, and rheumatism, send 10-cent to Dr. Pierce for a large trial package of ANURIC, and send for FREE medical treatise on any chronic disease which you may name. Scientists affirm that this remedy is thirty-seven times more potent than lithia. If you are a sufferer, go to your druggist and ask for a 50c box of "Anurie."