

DO YOU KNOW WHY --- Government Officials Are Working Overtime Now?

By Fisher



Dallas Chautauqua Opens Sessions This Week

(Capital Journal Special Service) Dallas, Or., July 19.—The opening number of this year's program of Dallas Chautauqua was given in the big tent on the Court house lawn last night by "The Old Soldiers Fiddlers", a company of Civil War veterans from both the North and South. They gave a pleasing entertainment and played to a large audience, the tent being crowded to its utmost capacity. U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R. of this city together with their wives were invited guests of the chautauqua and the old pieces played and sung by the entertainment company brought back to their memories many of the scenes on the camp grounds during the war. This afternoon Dr. C. J. Bushnell gives his famous lecture on "The Meaning of the Great War" and James A. Burns who lectures on "Renaking the Kentucky Mountaineer." Every one who attended the performance last evening was well pleased with the attraction, and the Chautauqua this year promises to be the best ever held in this city.

Mountain View Picnic Saturday. The annual picnic of the Mountain View Parent-Teachers association and the Industrial club will be held Saturday in the grove near the school house in that vicinity. A splendid program has been prepared by School Supervisor Floyd D. Moore for the entertainment of the assembly that day and a large crowd of outside visitors is expected. A big basket dinner will be held during the noon hour and the afternoon will be devoted to sports of various kinds.

Suicide's Body Shipped to Portland. Coroner R. L. Chapman was called to West Salem the first of the week to hold an inquest over the remains of Albert M. Roemer, a former inmate of the state insane hospital who disappeared from that institution last week and who at the time was supposed to have committed suicide by drowning. The body of the man had floated up from the bottom of the river and lodged on the Polk county side near the old wagon bridge. Coroner Chapman brought the body to this city where it was prepared for shipment to Portland where the deceased had a family living.

C. B. Sundberg, manager of the Dallas telephone company was a Salem business visitor the first of the week.

C. L. Crider was a Capital City visitor Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Beatrice Springsteen and Miss Nina Farley visited with Salem friends Tuesday.

Judge Harry H. Belt and family and Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Starbuck and little daughter, Mary, left Monday afternoon for a two weeks trip through the eastern Oregon to Crater Lake through the Willamette valley. The trip is being made in automobiles.

George T. Gerlinger, manager of the Willamette Valley Lumber company of this city was a Salem visitor this week.

Slight Precipitation Occured Last Night

Although there was a slight precipitation last evening in Salem, there was hardly enough moisture to make what officially is known as a rainfall. Since the present drought began there has been several traces of rain but not enough to officially break the record, according to the usages of the weather office here.

The last real rain in Salem was May 19, when there was a precipitation of only .05 of an inch after a rather dry spring. And while the record now stands for a drought of 60 days, the year 1914 experienced a genuine drought of 73 days when there was no rainfall in Salem between June 27 and September 7.

Not until this year has there been a month of June entirely rainless. June of 1909 was almost a rainless month as there was a precipitation of only .18 of an inch. June of 1911 was also a record month for light precipitation, as there was only .85 of an inch of rain that month.

It is no uncommon thing in this part of Oregon for the month of July or August to pass without rainfall. July of 1899 was entirely rainless and for July of 1905 there was only .05 of an inch of rain. August of 1905 was also a dry month with its .03 of an inch of rain.

There was no rainfall at all during the months of July and August of 1906. This happened again in July and August of 1910 and again in the same months of 1914. July of 1908 was one of the record dry months with a precipitation of only .02 of an inch. August of 1909 was a record breaker with its rainfall of only .02 of an inch.

The wettest month known in Salem since the official records have been kept was December of 1917. It rained every day in the month excepting

"Bird Man" at Chautauqua

Charles Crawford Gorst Knows Three Hundred Bird Songs

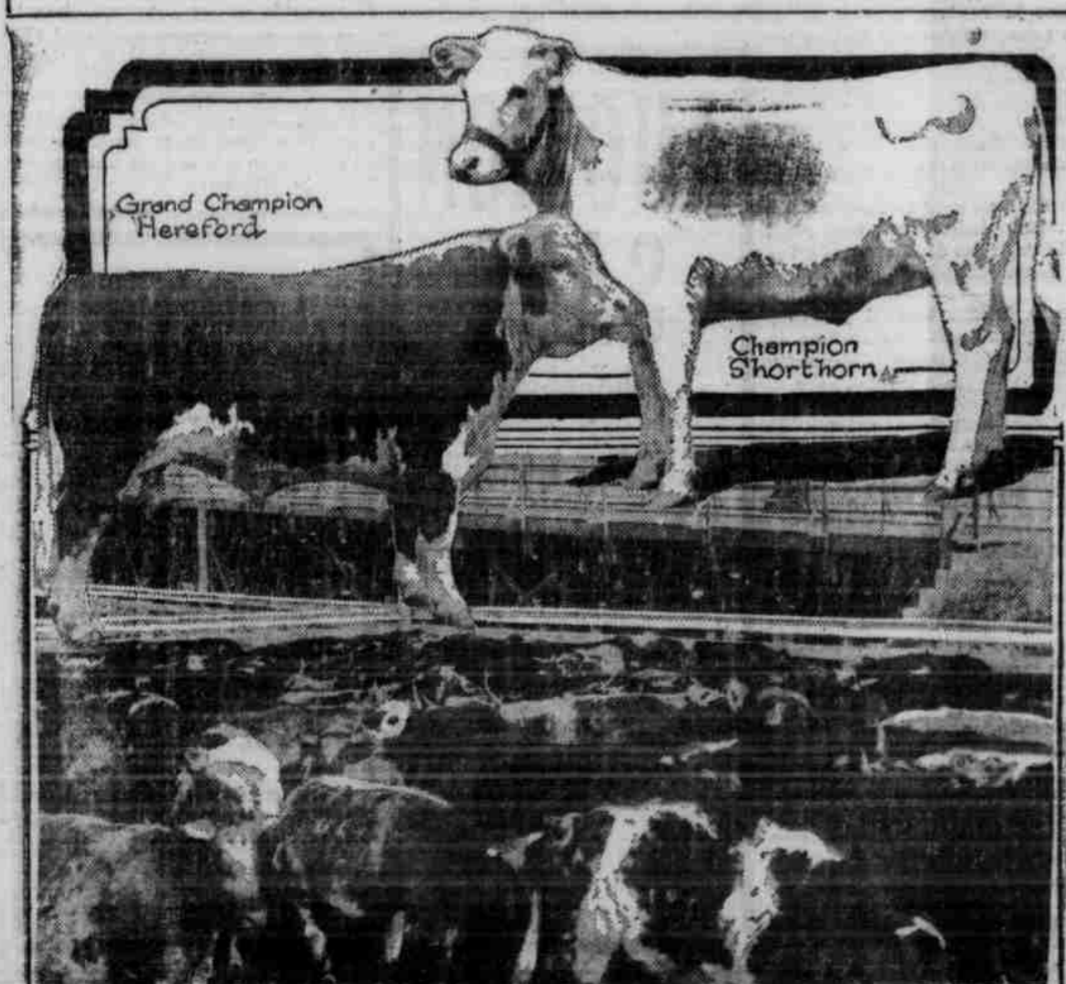


Charles Crawford Gorst, the Boston naturalist and "bird man" who is coming to Chautauqua, has made the study of birds and their songs his life work. He imitates the notes of birds perfectly, having mastered three hundred of their songs. He will tell you things of interest about these little feathered creatures of which you never dreamed. And so wonderfully does he give their trills and calls that he will transport you to the woodland. Records of his remarkable whistling are manufactured and featured by both the Edison and Victor Companies.

four and the total rainfall for the month was .14.03 inches. The rainiest day Salem has seen for many a year was on December 19 of last year when the rainfall was 4.05 inches within 24 hours. The gauge of the river on December 20, 1917, following the heavy rains was 24 feet above the low water mark.

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WESTERN CANADA'S LIVE STOCK TRADE INCREASING



The effects of the increased production campaign in Western Canada are already noticeable. All over the country farmers are enlarging and improving their herds, while many others, desiring to emulate their success, are entering mixed farming in earnest. Besides feeling it a patriotic duty to produce as much food as possible, more and more farmers are finding that mixed farming pays. Of course, this is not a new realization. The most successful farmers of the West are those who have divided their attentions between grain growing and live stock raising, but the possibilities of quick returns from the former have blinded many to the advantages of the latter. The movement of pure bred stock to Western Canada is going on continually—from day to day, from week to week. Today it is Aberdeen-Angus and Shorthorns, yesterday it was Jerseys and Herefords; last week all these and other breeds as well. One day dairy cattle predominate, another day beef cattle, and another dual purpose animals. They are brought from Eastern Canada, from all parts of the States,

Scotts Mills News

(Capital Journal Special Service) Scotts Mills, July 19.—The weather here is very warm as we suppose it is elsewhere. Everybody is very busy and the haying is mostly finished with hay selling, readily, in the field for \$20 per ton. The price in connection with the cost of getting it hauled makes some of the prairie men think seriously of buying tractors and auto trucks for their work.

L. J. White and family have returned from Salem to their prairie ranch here. Their son Leland entrained last week for a southern camp where he will take a course in training preparatory to going to the front.

Colvin Phillips is able to be up and out again.

J. B. Fisher who has leased his farm will take charge of the George W. Myrora garage.

Mr. Kellogg of Long Beach, Calif., has purchased the Orley Thomas farm and will move his family here in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg are the parents of Mrs. C. G. Thomas of this place.

Mr. Job, Wright, wife and daughter, living near Sheridan now, but formerly of this place, attended church here Sunday, and were the guests during the afternoon of the W. H. Connors family.

Mrs. J. R. Mendenhall of Newberg, returned to her home last Tuesday.

E. W. Coulson and family moved up to their farm Monday. The Coulsons are building an addition to their prairie dryer.

Mrs. Dr. Newman of Seaside, Washington, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. I. D. Worden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor motored to Newberg last Tuesday and visited relatives and friends at that place returning Wednesday evening.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scott fell from the platform of their flying rail Tuesday and seemed that first he badly hurt, but at present writing is able to be up and play some.

New York Celebrates

New York, July 18.—New York's bells rang and its whistles shrieked this afternoon for the first great American victory of the war. The bell in the city hall was first to begin sounding. Church bells all over the city took up; factory whistles blew and vessels in the harbor. Crowds clamored to buy newspapers.

THE MARKET

Table listing market prices for various commodities including grain, butterfat, eggs, and vegetables.

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