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TELL THE TRUTH.

Upon the editorial desk of The Missoulian there lies a letter, signed by O. B. Whipple, horticulturist of the state experiment station, in which these paragraphs occur:

Personally, I know of one successful sweet cherry orchard in the Bitter Root valley, but to grow cherries I believe you will have to protect yourself with some means of frost protection.

We have on our substitution grounds at Corvallis some sweet cherry trees and we find that each year the crop is more or less in danger of being killed by frost.

It may pay you to plant five acres of cherries if you are willing to invest the money to equip the orchard with orchard heaters. Otherwise I would be very doubtful about the proposition.

These paragraphs are a part of a letter written by Mr. Whipple in reply to an inquiry from a man in Kansas who thought land in the Bitter Root was planning to plant an orchard.

Mr. Whipple should inform himself as to the true conditions in the valley. If he were to make inquiry, he would find that there are a good many successful sweet-cherry orchards in the valley.

There are many disinterested people in the valley who can and will testify to the excellence of the sweet cherry as a business venture.

Mr. Whipple says he knows of one successful sweet cherry orchard. He does not say there are no others, but he implies that there are none.

The Bitter Root has nothing to fear if the truth is told about its resources and its conditions. The truth is what should be told.

The most thrilling detective fiction pales in comparison with the story of the McNamara case.

Try a class ad and see how many people read The Missoulian. It will open your eyes.

Your Christmas will be merry if you make that of somebody else merry.

Christmas in the tropics has no edge on western Montana's holiday weather.

Governor Norris is not keeping up his batting average as a publicist.

The weather man offers every inducement for early shopping.

Los Angeles is extremely fortunate in many respects.

Shop early and as often as you can.

Shop while the sun shines.

side of his own ballistics before, but he is asked to good purpose and very distinctly now, in his dignified disposal of the Steffens self-adulation.

Mr. Steffens undoubtedly thought he was at the business end of the Archimedean lever, and was tilting the whole world, when actually he was merely playing the role of a "fido" dog, cowering and barking around a couple of bull dogs, gripped in a deadly struggle.

To be sure Attorney Darrow of the defense answers Steffens' claim to notoriety in the matter, but this is not a time when a perfectly candid statement can be expected from the defense.

Of all the show places in Washington none equals in the wide range of interest the national museum.

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The National Museum

I.—Its Work and Aims. (By Frederic J. Haskin.)

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either in Washington or at their own institutions. The museum freely places its collections at their disposal.

The historical exhibits represent all of the noted figures of American history.

In the realm of invention one may see the first telegraph instrument, the first typewriter, one of the first of the world's railroad engines, a model of the first steamship, and then he may follow all of these first things down to their present degree of perfection.

But the national museum is more than a house filled with curiosities.

In hundreds of rooms not open to the sight-seeing public scientists are engaged in studies which tend to promote the progress of the human race.

But above this use is that to which they are put by the scientists of the world in their efforts to extend the boundaries of human knowledge.

Under the authority of congress, not only are its collections of service in Washington, but duplicates of many of its specimens are sent to schools throughout the United States for study and research there.

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On the Spur of the Moment

By Roy K. Moulton.

What's the Use? I thought that I might buy a car and zip around the countryside.

I went to see an agent and he took me for a nice long ride. Somehow the new get noised around and fifteen agents called on me.

And took me out in brand new cars their points of excellence to see. This thing went on all summer long, and really folks it was immense.

I toured all over half the state without a nickel of expense. Why should I own a touring car? I am not missing any fun.

I can go riding all the time with agents who would sell me one. From the Hickoryville Clarion.

The new uniforms have arrived for the Hickoryville Silver Cornet band and having the uniforms, the band is now ready to play almost any kind of music that is written.

The exhibits in the national museum are remarkable for their wide range of subjects, for the delightful way in which they are shown, and for their educational value.

He may study all forms of life from the lowest marine invertebrate up to the human machine of today; from the microscopic insect up to the giant reptile 70 feet long which inhabited the earth in antediluvian times.

Hand Purdy was a reader in the paper about a pink tea that was given down to New York in honor of a bride elect and Mrs. Purdy says she would like to get some of that because it would catch her pink trimmed cups and saucers so well.

William Hilliker who runs our general store, says that every feller that comes in takes out his jackknife and whittles a chunk off'n the codfish that stands in the bar by the door until now it is a mere shadow of what it was five years ago.

It beats all how much journalistic talent is going to waste in this country. Every feller you meet knows how to run a newspaper a blamed sight better than the feller that is running it.

The Constable reports that there has been quite a carnival of crime in our midst of late. The gum machine at the

Hickoryville has been burglarized three times and some culprits stole Deacon Stubbs' front gate Halloween night.

The other day the constable got a circular from the Bitterburg police department containing a picture of a bank robber and after skin' up the local talent he arrested Hank Purdy and Hod Renfrew on superfluous.

He says accordin' to the photograft the feller has got Hank's ears and Hod's nose and he ain't going to take no chances.

Be Thankful. That you don't own a \$7 automobile that costs \$30 every two or three weeks for repairs.

That last year's overcoat doesn't look so very bad after all. That you don't live in Kalamazoo.

That you don't have to read this column unless you want to. That there are only three youngsters next door who take music lessons.

That Bryan is raising onions in Texas instead of something else in Nebraska. That you don't work on an ice wagon in the winter.

That your clothes don't button up the back as do your wife's. That you haven't had an opportunity to try and smuggle anything by Collector Loeb.

That you are not trying to get rich writing poetry. In a local cafe a stranger ordered a Swiss cheese sandwich, made of the best cheese obtainable.

The waiter brought him two pieces of bread, but the cheese appeared to be missing. "Look here, sir," said the customer.

"There is no cheese in this sandwich." "O, yes there is," was the reply. "You see the best Swiss cheese is the one with the largest holes in it." You said you wanted the very best and you have it! In fact, this particular cheese was entirely hole.

But some customers are never satisfied. Nobody Barred. Sign in front of local cafe:

LOBSTERS SERVED HERE

PRESS AGENTS TALK OF THEIR SHOWS

Laurant. On all great occasions for rejoicing in Mexico and many other Spanish countries, it is customary to celebrate with a bull fight as the great amusement.

On one of these occasions Laurant was en route through Mexico, giving the Mexicans an opportunity to "see it and now you don't."

It was at Monterey and a great celebration was in progress. In addition to a bull fight, a temporary stage had been erected in the center of the great arena, and many novel acts such as gymnastics, etc., were to take place.

Laurant was scheduled to give the celebrated "bullet catching" trick which was made famous by the late Herrmann.

All went well and after receiving the plaudits of the large audience, Laurant withdrew to the dressing room under the seats of the great arena.

Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER. Made from Pure, Grape Cream of Tartar. Surpasses every other baking powder in making delicious, healthful food. Protects the food from alum.

or laid his hands upon it than he was started to hear a great blast of trumpets. The doors of the stockade opened and into the arena came snorting and pawing the earth, a mad bull.

No magician ever made a better or a quicker run for that dressing room entrance than did Laurant. He had the greater part of his 90-day vacation although he visited New York city and across the continent to Los Angeles, Cal., and Portland, Ore., and other western points.

He returned here as station agent for the Northern Pacific Railway company. H. A. McLean of Hamilton spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rickman at Lake Rickman.

I. M. Robertson of Missoula was in town Monday. Mrs. G. W. Tuxbury is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bryan Bratten, at Plains, Mont.

C. L. Roebuck was transferred Monday by the Northern Pacific Railway company to Arlee. Mr. Roebuck relieved Mr. Friedell during the latter's vacation.

Mrs. J. W. Rickman spent several days in Hamilton the first of the week. H. A. Briggs attended the National Apple show at Spokane.

Mrs. Averill returned to her home in Darby Wednesday, after spending the past week at the B. F. Tudor home. Senator H. C. Goff transacted business in Hamilton Tuesday.

W. E. Wiles spent several days last week at Three Mile transacting business for the Missoula Mercantile company of Missoula.

Mrs. Frances Chilton spent Wednesday and Thursday in Missoula buying a stock of goods for the Victor Commercial company.

Mrs. C. E. Scott left Tuesday for Anaconda, where she will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Walker.

J. S. Kentner was a Hamilton visitor Tuesday. Mrs. B. F. Tudor is convalescing from a few days' illness.

ACCUSED BOOTLEGGERS. Helena, Dec. 8.—(Special)—C. L. Smith, station agent of the Great Northern at Poplar, and L. L. Brick, licensed trader at that place, have been arrested, charged with introducing liquor on the Fort Peck Indian reservation.

They waived a preliminary hearing and are at liberty on \$1,000 bonds. Their cases will be presented to the next grand jury.

OPIMUM RESOLUTIONS. The Hague, Dec. 8.—The international opium conference adopted today resolutions proposed by the British delegates that every country frame effective laws for the control, production and distribution of raw opium.

Where the Locality Does Not Count. Wherever there are people suffering from kidney and bladder ailments, from backache, rheumatism and urinary irregularities, Foley Kidney Pills will help them. Beviders, Ill. E. A. Kelly, an ex-engineer, says: "Three years ago my kidneys became so bad that I was compelled to give up my engine and quit. There was a severe aching pain over the hips, followed by an inflammation of the bladder, and always a thick sediment. Foley Kidney Pills made me a sound and well man. I can't say too much in their praise." Smith's Drug store.



An Innovation in Oil Heaters. The Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater, with its drums enameled in turquoise, is an ornament to any room, whether in the country or city home. No home is quite complete without a Perfection Oil Heater. It is a necessity in the fall and spring, when it is too warm to start the regular heating apparatus, and too cool to be without heat.