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OWENSMOUTH CATTLE MORE PROTECTION FOR MAKE REMARKABLE CHILDREN IS RECORDS NEEDED

Guernsey Herd at Elliott-Brant Rancho Won High Honors During the Year 1916

A summary of the 1916 year's work at the Elliott-Brant Rancho dairy shows some remarkable figures, which indicate that the San Fernando Valley is an ideal dairy section and is especially adapted to the famous Guernsey breed, whose milk is so rich yellow and desirable as to demand a price nearly as high as taxes.

Fifteen cows, including seven heifers, have completed advanced Register tests with wonderful results. The average age was 3 years and 4 months. The average production was 10,172.28 pounds of milk and 507.97 pounds of fat; this exceeds the average production of the mature cow of the breed. The average production of the seven heifers was 8,670.24 pounds of milk and 436.01 pounds of fat, only 4 pounds under average of the breed. The average of the mature cows was 12,710.5 pounds of milk and 621.52 pounds of fat, exceeding the average of the same class of the breed by 120 pounds of fat.

A string of 30 cows of all ages and in all stages of lactation produced 238,361.0 pounds of milk, or 7,713.9 pounds each, which at but 10 cents per quart would be worth \$11,918.05, or \$397.27 per cow. In addition to this must be added the value of the calf, twelve of which were sold and the rest retained.

Health Board, tests show the milk to average 5.5 percent butterfat as against 3.5 percent in ordinary milk, and while 10,000 bacteria is the lowest requirement of any milk in the United States their tests show Elliott-Brant milk to contain less than 1,000, many samples containing only one or two hundred, which is generally considered impossible.

The milk besides being consistently high in all tests made by the city has been first-prize winner at the California State Fair and in the Los Angeles Health Board tests.

The herd has been tested for tuberculosis by the State Veterinarian and regulations are now on to have the United States Government approve this herd.

INCREASE YOUR CROPS

By using lime. The Riverside Portland Cement Co. furnishes ground Limestone at a price which makes it profitable for farmers to use. Sample at Owensmouth Post-office.

J. F. JENAL, Local Agent adv. Marian

For that bad cold use Hospital cold tablets, guaranteed by Bechtelmeier. Adv.

Special Shoe Sale now on at Corry's, big discounts on all lines.

National Child Labor Committee Points Out Many Evils Which Should Be Corrected

Following are a few extracts from a paper prepared by Florence I. Taylor and published by the National Child Labor Committee. The article is reproduced in part at the request of the Owensmouth Woman's Club:

A 14-year-old boy was recently found in an Illinois drug store who worked daily from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m., except two days each week, when he worked until 11 p. m. He also worked alternating Sundays so that every other week he worked 85 hours. In a southern cotton mill the weekly hours rarely exceed 60. In some states where the employment of children in department stores is not regulated, children of 9, 10, and 11, have been found at work.

Twenty-eight states do not regulate street trading and of the 20 which do regulate it, only one has a 14-year limit for boys. Yet this is what one often charged with the enforcement of the news law in New York has to say about newspaper selling: The newsboy is thrown in contact with all kinds of people, good and bad, frequents liquor saloons and the back rooms thereof, where women of the street and their companions congregate, also cheap restaurants, dance halls, pool rooms and places where his surroundings are the very most imaginable. Apart from the people to whom he sells papers, the newsboy comes in contact with older boys and young men in the same business and others who spend their time around subway and elevated stations, also in public places and street corners, waiting to play their trade as pick pockets and other trades of the underworld. Many of those with whom the newsboy is compelled to associate have been inmates of reformatory institutions.

(Continued next week)

SURPRISE FOR MR. AND MRS. BALSTER

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Balster were the most surprised people in town Wednesday evening, when a company of friends dropped in unexpectedly to assist them in celebrating their twenty-first wedding anniversary. The host and hostess were presented with a handsome library lamp as a token of esteem from their unbidden guests. The visitors brought light refreshments, which were served at the conclusion of the "500" games. The members of the party, besides Mr. and Mrs. Balster, were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Waring, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bechtelmeier, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Harold, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kimball, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Kelly, Mrs. and Mrs. J. S. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Cadden, Mrs. Anna Gallow, Mrs. Helen Mitchell.

FLAG RAISING AT THE MARIAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Lincoln's Birthday Celebrated in Most Patriotic Manner by Teachers and Pupils

The Marian Grammar School opened its doors to the community on the afternoon of Lincoln's birthday by giving a public flag raising. The following program was rendered:

- A Flag Day Exercise.....
- Four tiny tots
- Columbia's Banners.....
- Six boys and girls
- Advice from Washington.....
- Five first graders
- Recitation—The Flag Goes By.....
- Two boys
- History of Patriotic Songs.....
- Six girls
- Biography of Lincoln.....
- Kent Garner
- Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.....
- Wallace Brainard
- Quotations from Lincoln.....
- Three Girls
- History of Our Flag.....
- Six Young People
- The Flag.....
- Helen Showalter
- The Flag Raising.....
- The Salute to the Flag.....
- The program closed by all singing America.....

A Valentine party was held at the Marian school on Feb. 14. A Valentine box created much interest and after the exchange of missives the teachers served lemonade and candy.

R. B. Currier, editor of the *Anaheim Post-tropic*, and his wife spent Sunday with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Brainard.

Howard Curren of El Monte spent the afternoon of Feb. 12 with his sister, Miss Jessie Curren, at the Brainard home.

The Marian Union Sunday School will meet at the home of Mrs. E. A. Brainard Sunday, Feb. 25, at 2:30.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bott and daughter Bernice spent Sunday with Mrs. Bott's mother in Simi.

Miss Jessie Curren spent the weekend at Fullerton.

The Owensmouth Chamber of Commerce meets Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in the Syndicate Block. Important matters will be considered and a large attendance is desired.

Francis Labadie will appear at the Owensmouth Hi School Auditorium this evening in his famous entertainment, including poems, songs, stories and ballads, treating of the traveler's personal experiences in Alaska and Canada. The entertainment is said to be of unusual merit and there should be a large attendance.

Hartman, the Van Nuys Jeweler, does watch and jewelry repairing.

LIBERA BUILDING DISCOUNT

For a limited time only The H. J. Whitley Syndicate discounts for improvements on all unsoled lands, to be given for new houses, barns, poultry plants, etc. to build and get the benefit of these discounts.

OWENSMOUTH IS NOW THE SEASON'S RAIN— A PART OF LOS ANGELES

Complete returns from Tuesday's election have not yet been received, but the figures at hand indicate that Owensmouth has been annexed to Los Angeles by a narrow margin. Incomplete returns are as follows: For annexation, 17,207—against, 17,063.

The strong opposition to the project was a great surprise to Owensmouth people, as no objection was expected from the city voters.

The Flood Control Bonds were apparently defeated by a small majority.

The freak liquor ordinance was decisively defeated.

Twenty-one votes were cast at Owensmouth Hi School—4 for flood control bonds, 17 against. At Marian the vote was—4 for bonds, 29 against.

	Inches
Sept. 30, 1916.....	.61
Oct. 1.....	.08
Oct. 2.....	.57
Oct. 4.....	.91
Oct. 6.....	.38
Oct. 10.....	.48
Oct. 13.....	.05
Nov. 4.....	.29
Dec. 2.....	.60
Dec. 4.....	.49
Dec. 24.....	2.89
Dec. 27 (snow).....	.08
Dec. 28.....	1.10
Dec. 29.....	.54
Jan. 1, 4917.....	.40
Jan. 3.....	.43
Jan. 12.....	.21
Jan. 13.....	.69
Jan. 18.....	1.45
Jan. 19.....	.84
Jan. 20.....	.17
Feb. 12.....	.10
Feb. 13.....	.02
Feb. 15.....	.38
Feb. 19.....	.20
Feb. 20.....	.48
Feb. 21.....	.95
Total.....	14.03

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OWENSMOUTH, CAL., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1917

It is the duty of every Patriotic American at this time to avoid by every means the occasion for the commission of an overt act against this Nation by any of the European belligerents. The rulers of the great Nations now at war are insane with hatred and anger and many inhuman acts are being committed which attest the depths of degradation to which the alleged civilized people of Europe have descended. In view of these conditions it behooves Americans to respect the German blockade of England as carefully as they do the English blockade of Germany. Of course the action of Germany in sinking neutral ships without warning is illegal, inhuman, and places that Nation on a level with the uncivilized savages of heathendom. On the other hand England has for months refused neutral vessels the privilege of landing non-contraband cargoes in Germany, therefore strict neutrality should prompt Americans to avoid both danger zones as carefully as possible until the present crisis is past. The destruction of American commerce is a trivial matter as compared with the loss of human life in war. We can build up another commerce but we can never restore the millions of fathers, husbands and sons who would be sacrificed in a war with a great nation like Germany.

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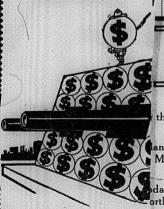
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Trade at Home

Personal and Local Notes

Bechtelheimer's Drug Store headquarters for poison barley this squirrels—adv.

Another shipment of shoes received at West's Store this week and more are on the way.

West has found it necessary to provide additional shelving to accommodate the constantly increasing stock.

At the Community Church Sunday the pastor will speak on "Washington, the Patriot," at 7 p. m. At 7 he will lead the First War League. There will be band music at both services.

The Sunday School class (T. Witt Sunbeams) will sell home cooking at the library room—Saturday, beginning at 10 a. m. Call and something for your Sunday dinner and thus help them buy chairs.

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ASTOUNDING REPORT FOR OWENSMOUTH

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Another gratifying condition is that our graduates who entered higher schools in the fall have all made good records and are continuing with their work which speaks well for their preparation and gives our school an honorable place among other high schools of the state.

A wild flower garden has been started but at this time it is impossible to discover just how well the seeds have come up as weeds and wild flowers look so much alike when they are little but there is a strong suspicion that at least there are a lot of poppies.

AN ICE FACTORY FOR OWENSMOUTH

Another new industry for Owensmouth!

An ice factory of sufficient capacity to supply the needs of the entire west end of the valley is expected to be in operation in about 90 days.

Fred Leiser is the promoter of the new industry, which will be located in his building on Market street.

Modern machinery will be installed, including a water purifier, insuring a strictly high class product.

Mr. Leiser has had ample experience in this line and is assured the hearty support of the people of Owensmouth and vicinity.

P. T. A. THIS EVENING

Mrs. J. D. Taylor, ex-president of the Los Angeles P. T. A. Federation and a candidate for the city school board at the coming election, will address the P. T. A. at the hi school this evening.

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PROPERTY OWNERS HOLD AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

Camery Proposition As Presented by Mr. Whitley Unanimously Endorsed As Most Important Matter for the Valley

One of the most important problems confronting the people of the San Fernando Valley today is the matter of providing facilities for handling the enormous crop of beans expected from the 12,000 acres to be planted to this commodity this season. With a normal yield the present equipment will not handle half the beans.

For some time H. J. Whitley has been in consultation with the officers and directors of the Vanomter Producers and the property owners of the valley with a view to providing means for the needed betterments. In order to get the matter before all the people and public action it was decided to call a public meeting to discuss the proposition.

The cooperation of the ladies of the Owensmouth Woman's Club was enlisted and notices were sent out for a community gathering at the Owensmouth Hi School on Tuesday evening, at which time some 200 people sat down to one of the delicious chicken dinners for which the ladies of Owensmouth are famous.

Besides the hot, creamed chicken there were mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, string beans, tomatoes, sliced peaches, hot rolls, pumpkin pie, peach pie, coffee, oranges and minis. The vegetables, peaches, etc., were furnished by the Vanomter Producers and all agreed that the canned goods were the best they ever tasted.

The hi school girls acted as waitresses and the admirable work which they did was highly appreciated by the ladies.

SEVENTH ANNUAL

LIBERAL BUILDING DISCOUNTS

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OWENSMOUTH BOYS TO TAKE PART IN BIG SCOUT DRILL

Five members of the Boy Scouts attended a meeting at Glendale last Friday evening in order to more fully understand about a flag drill to be given in June.

One thousand Boy Scouts are going thru some drills at Bowardfield with American Flags in the early part of June. Owensmouth has been remembered and we have been given a 60 foot circle to go thru the semaphore drill to the tune of Yankee Doodle, America, or any other tune that fits the drill.

Last Friday evening the scouts from the local troop and other troops of the San Fernando Valley were shown more fully the way the drills are to be done.

Mr. Murry, one of the officials of Los Angeles showed the boys how the troops of and around the University of Southern California are going to build a bridge across a 22 foot stream without touching the water and a 6-cylinder auto with Mr. Pollard, another official, will drive across it. The bridge is to be built and taken down in 20 minutes. At the first practice it was built in 30 minutes and taken down in 5 minutes.

Those attending the meeting were Assistant Scoutmaster Ralph Goodall, Patrol Leaders Earl and Lloyd Carder, Assistant Patrol Leaders Francis Waring and Harold Trexler.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Bechtelmeier's Drug Store is headquarters for poison barley for squirrels.—adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGeech had as guests on Friday D. W. Simpson of Aurora, Ill. Samuel Hedges and son William and Timothy Hedges of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Trexler entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hyden and family at dinner Sunday, in celebration of Mr. Trexler's birthday. Leonard Hudson, a nephew from Elsinore, spent the afternoon at the Trexler home.

Pacific Electric Time Card

In effect Thursday, Aug. 24, 1916, between Owensmouth and Los Angeles, as follows:

Leaves Owensmouth	Arrive L. A.	Leaves L. A.	Arrive Owensmouth
6:30 a. m.	7:00 a. m.	6:30 a. m.	7:00 a. m.
8:00 a. m.	8:30 a. m.	8:00 a. m.	8:30 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	10:30 a. m.	10:00 a. m.	10:30 a. m.
12:00 p. m.	12:30 p. m.	12:00 p. m.	12:30 p. m.
2:30 p. m.	3:00 p. m.	2:30 p. m.	3:00 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	4:30 p. m.	4:00 p. m.	4:30 p. m.
6:00 p. m.	6:30 p. m.	6:00 p. m.	6:30 p. m.
11:00 p. m.	11:30 p. m.	11:00 p. m.	11:30 p. m.

25 Coppers and passenger combination card. Sunday passenger car only. f Transfer at N Sherman Way to and from San Fernando. o Transfer at N Sherman Way to or from Owensmouth. h Santa Fe from Highland Ave. w a North Sherman Way only. v a To Van Nuys only.

TRANSPORTATION RATES OVER P. E. RAILWAY

The following schedule of rates of fare over the Pacific Electric Railway is announced:

Between Owensmouth and Los Angeles
 25-rds family book..... \$2.25
 65-rds individual book..... 7.25
 85-rds individual book..... 6.50
 Single fare..... .30
 Round trip fare..... 1.15
 Between Owensmouth and Van Nuys
 15-rds family book..... 1.15
 44-rds individual book..... 3.90
 55-rds individual book..... 5.50
 Single fare..... .30
 Round trip fare..... .80
 Van Nuys, 19.20 miles; Resaca, 11.54 miles; Bolzano, 22.54 miles; Mariah, 26.43 miles; El Nopal, 27.69 miles; Owensmouth, 31.49 miles.

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NATURE'S REMEDY

THE SEED of a tree is planted it germinates, sprouts, grows and ripens fruit at the temperature of 60 degrees but a cutting or a graft from the same tree would sprout and grow and ripen fruit at 90 to 86 degrees. Sixty degrees produces the natural oxygen state of water—the dividing line between air and earth substance.

Gas in cells which have skins but no internal elements, which causes the colors of fruits to be thinly distributed over the outside surface and never produces perfect seeds. Fruit which produces imperfect seeds also produces imperfect cells when eaten by beginning the digestion at too high a temperature.

Wheat and corn have roots of white, woody texture, without a potential root, which causes them to draw sulphuric acids from the top soil while their leaves are absorbing sulphurous moisture from the air, which produces diphtheria at about 100 degrees. Sulphurous acid burns up the brain and muscles and produces leucæ, while fats so that people try to make a living without working. They eat and dress and ride in chariots and judge themselves by their outward appearances. Instead of drawing their power from the food in the stomach it is drawn from the fecal matter in the lower bowel.

To make the brain draw its sustenance from the stomach it is necessary to eat acid or fruits that are red on their inside or else eat honey that has been made in acid. To make honey into acid, proceed as follows:

At about 7 o'clock in the morning put about 1 lb. of granulated honey in the bottom of a glass stone jar that will hold about a gallon. Then pour in top of the honey about two quarts of water and let the honey soak 24 hours, until 7 o'clock the next morning. Then stir up about half of the granulated honey with the water so that the water tastes a little sweet. Then pour out into two red colored bottles about two thirds of the sweet water.

Then put into each bottle about 1 teaspoon of sour blackberry, or other sour fruit juice and then cork the bottles. Set the bottles on the neck in a pan of water and set the pan down in the earth, on the shady side of the house where the ground is moist and cool and cover with a board or box to shut out heat and light. In 24 hours it may taste sharp like acid. If not leave it 24 hours longer.

When it tastes sharp like cider, drink or use it all out of the bottles but about an inch in the bottom, which is to be left in as a start for a new batch.

To prepare the next batch put in about 1 1/2 quarts of water and 6 ozs. of granulated honey into the stone jar. Stir up enough of the honey to make the water taste sweet. Then pour out about 1/2 of the sweet water into the bottles. Repeat this last operation daily. The first method of preparing the liquid is to start the ferment but this last is to keep the ferment going day after day. The longer the ferment runs the purer it gets.

Toward bedtime put 2 or 3 ozs. of granulated honey in a teaspoon and the quantity in a basin of water and heat the water slowly until the honey melts. Sip the hot honey slowly and between every three or four sips of honey drink a small glass of cold water. After drinking nearly all the water the stomach will hold drink a half a glassful of the ferment. Repeat. Then go to bed. In the morning, as the sun rises the dissolved matters will be thrust out and pains will stop. Always use this granulated part of the honey, the liquid is not effective.

C. W. DAYTON,
The Red Rip Honey Man.

TEN YEARS AFTER

By SADIÉ CLOTT

Algernon Witney was a romantic youth. His mother was the very opposite. She was a hard headed, matter of fact woman. When Algvy was growing up there lived near by the Winneys a family of Bentons. They were wealthy, while the Winneys were in moderate circumstances. Alma Benton, an only child, was about Algvy's age, and the two children were playmates. Alma was a delicate child and was very much petted. When Algvy reached an age to think of marriage his mother noticed that he and Alma were beginning to look upon each other in a different light from what they did as children. One day she said to her son:

"I wish you to understand that on no account will I consent to your marrying Alma Benton."

"Why not, mother?"

"That I don't care to tell you. If you see her ten or fifteen years from now you will know without my having told you."

Algvy was somewhat surprised at his mother's objection. The Bentons being wealthy and Alma being the sole heir to their property, he had concluded that his mother, who seemed to have a keen eye to pecuniary advantages, would have been glad to see him marry her match. Alma was just the kind of a wife that a young man of means would desire. Despite his mother's warning, Algvy lost his heart to her.

There was another girl in the neighborhood that Algvy met occasionally, but did not fancy at all, whom he recalled his mother had advised him to see him marry. Martha Bonfield was next door to home, but she was fairly attractive, and some girls when passing from childhood into womanhood are like a prink changing into a butterfly.

Martha inherited from her mother a good deal of hard sense. But this was not so with Algvy. The pink and white complexion, the coral lips of Alma were not enough to draw him to overlook all the common sense of a dozen girls, but when Martha's red hair, her freckles were considered the complete son was especially odious.

Algvy was not the young lover on both sides of the house. The Benton family were as much opposed to it as the Winneys. They disapproved their daughter for a rich husband, and she for a growing taste—the more she loved the more she hated.

The upshot of it all was that Alma was dominated by her mother. Her lover had the manliness to choose for himself. But since the girl he wanted would not marry him without her parents' consent, he was obliged to content himself without her.

Several years passed. Alma Benton, under her mother's leadership, made a matrimonial campaign abroad, but came back to America unmarried. Algvy, who after her departure had found nothing to remember about her, came more than a league pointed on chin, and though he struggled hard to make himself believe that he was heartbroken, he was finally convinced that, though he could never love again, he was not suffering.

Meanwhile Martha Bonfield's hair had turned from its original dull red to auburn, and her cheeks were ruddy. It was Witney felt bound he used to go to see her for an evening's chat. Since his romance had evaporated, and he was entering upon an age when he was never interested him. When he fell into romance Martha shut up like a clam; when he talked in a practical way she occasionally said something that struck him forcibly. One day he said to her:

"Mother, I have always believed that you would like to see me make a match with Martha Bonfield. I have detected that if Martha is willing I am ready to do so for my widow."

"Nonsense! We're not going to accede to my wishes at all. You have been married to your own kind of woman, and you must be satisfied with that. You are not to go to see her for an evening's chat. Since his romance had evaporated, and he was entering upon an age when he was never interested him. When he fell into romance Martha shut up like a clam; when he talked in a practical way she occasionally said something that struck him forcibly. One day he said to her:

when she said: "Algvy?" He looked at her, vainly trying to place her. "Can it be that you have forgotten me, Algvy?" Heaven! Could this be Alma Benton, the woman he had loved? The cheeks were hollow; the teeth, once white, though fragile, were interspersed with gold ones or braced with gold bands. But this was nothing to what she said when she began to talk of former times. It was all—well, he called it horrible. She had married a man for his money!

ACT AS WELL AS WISH.

Good wishes are well, but good actions are better. Anybody can wish to be well. Almost everybody does. Even a criminal at times desires goodness, but he does not carry the wish into act, and that is why he remains a criminal. It is not a few faint wishes, but a lifelong struggle that makes us valiant.

Hartman, the Van Nuys Jeweler, does watch and jewelry repairing.

Owensmouth Directory

U. S. Mails
Mails arrive and depart from Owensmouth as follows:
Arrive from Los Angeles and Eastern points at 7:15 a. m. and 10:30 p. m.
Arrive from Calabasas, Triunfo, Corral and Malibu at 8:30 a. m. and 10:30 p. m.
Mail closes for Los Angeles and Eastern points at 9:25 a. m. and 11:30 p. m.
Mail closes for Calabasas, Triunfo, Corral and Yerba Buena 10:30 a. m.

Owensmouth Public Library
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Owensmouth Chamber of Commerce
President—W. F. Beckenhauer.
Recording Secretary—P. Kelly.
Meets on last Saturday evening of each month at 8 o'clock, in the room second and third floors.

Owensmouth Woman's Club
President—Mrs. G. W. Moore.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. F. Beckenhauer.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. A. Brockwell.
Meets every second Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at homes of members.

Owensmouth High School
Principal—G. W. Moore.

Owensmouth Grammar School
Principal—Joseph Gerard.

Ladies Aid Society
President—Mrs. W. H. Hydon.
Secretary—Mrs. Wm. McCoskery.
Meets every two weeks on Thursday at 2:30 at the homes of members.

Epworth League
President—Warre Ball.
Meets every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Spaldate Block.

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Superintendent—Ella Goodall.
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President—Mrs. Helen C. Mitchell.
Meets on the first Friday evening of each month.
(This association includes the school districts of Owensmouth, Calabasas, Malibu, Liberty, Los Virgenes, Forest, Decker, Moorpark, Chatsworth, Malibu.)

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Meets the first Thursday in each month at 8 p. m. in First National Bank, Van Nuys.
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President—G. W. Moore.
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Coming Events

Friday, Feb. 23—8 p. m.—At H. School Auditorium, entertainment by Francis Labadie.

Friday, March 2—Annual Convention of San Fernando District Sunday School Association at Van Nuys.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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The election board in Los Angeles Precinct No. 2 was as follows: Mrs. John Haas, Mrs. C. P. Hale, Earl Bridges, R. B. Smith, E. S. Engessett, H. M. Lord.

Alphono Knapp is back from a visit with his sister, Mrs. Robert Straubinger, who is living near Paso Robles. Alphono made the trip with Mrs. B. Straubinger and her son Frank.

Tuesday's election for this precinct was held at the high school building, with the following officers: Mrs. E. G. Harboid, Mrs. W. B. Hyden, Mrs. T. A. Hull, Mrs. Wm. McGeoch, T. A. Hull, H. R. Antor.

Francis Labadie will appear at the Owensmouth Hi School Auditorium this evening in his famous entertainment, including poems, songs, stories and ballads, treating of the traveler's personal experiences in Alaska and Canada. The entertainment is said to be of unusual merit and there should be a large attendance.

Justice of the Peace Lockock of Calabasas and Frank Goodall were in attendance at the meeting of the County Supervisors on Monday when the matter of readjusting the boundaries of township lines in this vicinity came up for consideration. After going over the matter thoroughly with the county counsel it was decided to annex to Calabasas all that portion of Owensmouth township lying south of a line running thru the Hegeman Ranch just north of the Goodall Ranch. The balance of Owensmouth will be annexed to Chatsworth until such time as that territory can be annexed to the city.

Representing the Public Employment Department of the State E. H. Hancock is spending some time with the ranchers and business men of the valley arranging to furnish them any help needed in handling the tremendous acreage of beets and beans. According to Mr. Hancock the department is in position to furnish any class of help from certified accountants to field laborers. He pointed to the fact that more than 92,000 men and women were sent to good positions by the state bureau during the past year and they were placed without fees. All that is necessary for anyone needing help is to address the public employment department at Los Angeles, stating the nature of the work, the wage and how to get there. The bureau will do the rest at no expense to either employer or employee.

Dr. Foster M. Hull, physician and surgeon, located at corner of Sherman Way and Broadway, Owensmouth. To be found at this location day or night. Calls promptly attended. Temporary phone, Drug Store. (Adv. 3254)

Russell W. Lamoreaux and Miss Iris L. O'Toole, both of Van Nuys, were married last Wednesday in Long Beach, by Rev. James A. Geisinger, pastor of the First M. E. Church. After a wedding breakfast they left on the Steamer President for San Diego. The groom is a son of R. M. Lamoreaux, a former resident of Owensmouth and editor of the Gazette. The bride is a daughter of Joseph O'Toole, well known here. Both young people have many friends here who will wish them much joy. Mr. and Mrs. Lamoreaux will be at home in Van Nuys after March 30.

On Feb. 19, after the regular business session of the Boy Scouts in the Sunday School room, initiation was in order. The first scouts who passed the examinations were exempt from the initiation. Eleven true scouts stood the test with honor. In running the gauntlets record breaking time was made. But somehow the electric wires got crossed. The shock was too great for the twelfth and he was unable to swim the artificial river. The following eleven rode the goat, Carroll Driscoll, Ella Cravens, Edwin Dickey, Dean Gschwind, Harold Trexler, Frank and Alphono Knapp, Raymond Orton, Arthur Schilling, Kenneth Coryell and Samuel Ates.

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 Recently we published in these columns an offer of the Youth's Companion and McCall's Magazine, both for a full year, for only \$2.10, including a McCall Dress Pattern. The high price of paper and ink has obliged McCall's Magazine to raise their subscription price February 1 to 10 cents a copy and 25 cents a year—so that the offer at the above price must be withdrawn.

Until March 31 our readers have the privilege of ordering both publications for a full year, including the choice of any 15-cent McCall's Dress Pattern, for only \$2.10.

The amount of reading, information and entertainment contained in the fifty-two issues of the Youth's Companion and the value of twelve monthly fashion numbers of McCall's at \$2.10 offer a real bargain to every reader of this paper.

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Chatsworth, Cal.

For San Fernando Valley area, you should read the Owensmouth Gazette, \$1.50 per annum.

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Rev. Gen. Graf
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Bethlehem Steel Will Make Offer to Uncle Sam.

BIDS ON 16 INCH NAVY SHELLS

No Chance For Profit in Them Under Present Tests, Grays Says—Possible Explanation of the Prices Made by an English Firm Which Bids Under All American Manufacturers.

By HOWARD C. BEACH

Speaking recently before the Terrillon Club of Philadelphia, Eugene G. Grays, President of the Bethlehem Steel Company, said in part:

In a peculiar sense Bethlehem Steel serves the American people. For example, though we have been able to obtain in Europe almost any price, we have adhered, in our contracts to the United States Government, to the best prices established before the war began.

We agreed—if the Government would abandon its plan for a Federal plant to make armor for our Navy at any price, the Government itself might consider fair.

Our Ordnance plants are at a disadvantage in the new operating cost, plus a small margin, thus saving the Government investment and depreciation.

One of the special needs of the new navy is sixteen-inch guns sixty feet long and capable of hurling a bullet a mile with such accuracy as to hit a 50 foot square target three miles away.

We have undertaken voluntarily to construct, at a cost of \$4,500,000, a plant fitted to build sixteen-inch guns. The cost of the plant, however, cannot be given, as we may receive for the plant what we wish.

Considerable comment has been made upon the fact that a British manufacturer recently bid less than American manufacturers for sixteen and fourteen inch shells for the navy.

I am unable to state the basis upon which the English bid was made. It should be remembered, however, that this bid was for a specific shell, samples of which are being sent over for test—a test not yet made.

Two years ago we took an order for 2400 fourteen-inch armor-piercing shells at a contract price of \$78,000, to be delivered within a certain time and we had to pay a large penalty.

The only specifications for making these shells were that they should be of a certain size and must pierce a certain depth of armor plate. In fact, it is impossible to furnish the exact conditions of these shells.

The result is that the shells of shell in the past which had been accepted. But in placing this particular order the Government altered the angle at which the tested shells must pierce armor plate.

The result, however, has been absolute inability on our part to produce in any quantity, shells which will meet these novel tests. In fact, we know of no process of projectile-making through which it is possible to produce in quantities shells which will conform to the requirements.

As a result of this, we have put into actual operating expense \$478,000, and are now negotiating for the purchase of \$405,744, a total of \$883,744, with no receipts whatever.

We have the experience in the light of all this, I had one in our inventory to bid for sixteen-inch shells.

We bid on these shells at approximately the same price as the shells that of a fourteen-inch shell contract of one year ago upon which the Government has paid me \$1,000,000.

We have not the slightest idea what profit there is in the making of these shells. We do not know that the Government is assuming any risk, but that it would be possible for us to deliver a shell to meet the test.

For officials of the Navy to assume that any bid made under such conditions is "exorbitant" is utterly unfair.

We bid on the new battle-cruisers and the Navy ordered thirty feet under water, with neither fire nor armor, at the mercy of a man-of-war. His actions could be under water. My ship was not notified just before he bet me was put into the water and ordered to fire.

I do not know, except that there are things which, though plain to some, are difficult to others. I do not know the principle connecting the bill with the work above the sea pipes. It was getting on account of his madness—and it is the Government's duty to supply of air would suffice.

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We have determined to make this offer to the American Government.

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A DIVER'S STORY

By HOWARD C. BEACH

There are two situations often in itself which is calculated, when one is in it, to chill one's blood. One is up in the air, and the other is down in the water.

I have never been up in the air, but I have been under water many times. Not, of course, in the ordinary sense. I didn't adopt the calling because I considered it dangerous, for when properly done diving is not dangerous. The same may be said about a scientific man, a great student, a diver after receiving a shock under water.

I was hired to go down to examine a yacht that had been overturned and was a gale with a view to learning where the chains were to go under her to lift her. It was told that the owner was a scientific man, a great student, an investigator. He had invented a scientific method of diving, and made him a great reputation. The wrecking company told me that he was determined to go down with me rather than for the sensation of breathing under water than for being rescued.

When we stood by the boat I got out putting on the diver's uniform I cast about for my diving compass, but I found whose head they were about to put the beam. Why I did not then and there determine to go down, I do not know. I suppose it was a dislike to do something unpleasant. Singular that I should have been willing to risk a horrible death rather than do anything unpleasant. However, I presume it is the same with most of us, expects a man to expose himself in such a certain degree it became he is compelled to do so.

Mr. Cheney, my diving companion, went down by one ladder. I went down by another some twenty feet distant from him. The water was clear, and the boat was sinking upon it, so that I could see about me to a comparatively long distance. I saw certain things, Mr. Cheney, who struck the yacht at the bottom. I am afraid, but she had settled on the bottom and her mast, the top of the perpendicular. I was about to drop the side to hunt for a place to rest my support under the yacht. The water was attracted to Mr. Cheney, and he had mounted the ladder, stood with one hand on the railings.

Then he began to go up hand over hand, but he stopped a short distance from the surface and began to drop, sliding his hand along the upright pipes.

This was certainly not making in respirations. It seemed to me that he was going himself as a child might do, and down, being nearly balanced by the density of the water. Not liking his actions, I stood where he was, and when he had gone up and down a few times he let himself drop on the deck and came to rest.

Divers usually carry a knife, since there is a probability of needing one. At any rate, I had one in my pocket in my diving suit, and Mr. Cheney had one in his. I was obliged to use my knife to cut my way through the water, and meanwhile I was wondering what his intention was, even though to me. As soon as he reached me he gave me a push and at the same time pulled me up by my signal line, so that I thought I followed it left, and he gave me a push and I came to rest.

I would not have believed that so much strength and agility could be put in under water. My hands were not got his arms around my body and the rope knifed from his belt, cut my fingers, and my water was in my eyes. Then he began to dance and to jig, evidently in a state of mind that he could jump so high and come down so gently.

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Having danced to his satisfaction, Mr. Cheney started for me again. I saw by the way he held his head, that he was observing my air. I saw where he could cut it, for he held it in his hand, and I saw, evidently, quite pleased whenever a beam of light glittered on it through the water. I saw by the way he held it, that the tube above his head, severed it.

He must have pulled on his signal line, for I saw his rise rapidly. There was enough air in my helmet to prevent instant suffocation. I saw another man come up for rescue, the force of my work was destroyed. I was just in time to see a man come up with me, with one hand. He tried to kick me off, but I did not let him. I clutched the other man with my other hand. With a death grip I drew me to the surface.

That is all I know till I came to myself on the deck of the wrecking boat, my helmet removed and a number of anxious faces bending over me.

Mr. Cheney is now in an insane asylum, but I am not sure that I have ever since been under water.

NAMING THE COCOANUT.

What the Word Originally Meant and How It Came to Us.

The brown, hard shell nut covered with coarse fiber and containing a soft, white kernel, the food of many a sailor, is called a coconut, and some sweetish liquor, generally called "milk," is the coconut and nut water. It is the fruit of a great palm tree—a familiar thing on the fruit stands and in the fruit and food markets all over the world. It has been an acceptable article of food among Europeans for centuries, among Americans for a few years. It is the favorite food of the natives of the islands of the tropics for an underdeveloped people called the "Lanans."

It is one of the very useful things that grow, its use being so extensive and its name so common.

Its name is a curious one. Being about the size of a man's head, the Spaniards early explorers and over-sea traders called it "Coco," which means a slang or vulgar Spanish word for a man's head.

The word in that sense survives in American slang.

So, some early Spaniard, disregarding the native name of the nut, capriciously called it a coco-nut, and there being something about the nut that passed from mouth to mouth until the name established as the proper name of the nut.

A man who took the trouble to look up the reason why the coco-nut is perhaps more often than not called "Coco" by the natives of the island.

"Cocoanuts have been mistaken for a century or more. It is 100 years ago that the first Spaniard allowed the word to slip into the dictionary as co-co-nut. As many dictionaries printed since have shown the error, the word has been corrected, the misspelling of the word has been established. The word 'Coco' is the name of the leaf from which chocolate is made."—Washington Star.

Told Him the Difference.

When the archbishop of Castavia was a curate he conducted a Sunday school class.

The subject was King Solomon, and the lesson he catechized the children.

"Tell me, boys," he said, "what was the lesson between Solomon and other men?"

"There was no answer," he said, "because the difference for instance, between King Solomon and myself."

A small hand went up and a tiny voice replied: "These, air, Solomon was wise."

Vessels That Failed.

There is a story told in this week's issue which was based on special contracts by means of specially constructed vessels. The Calais-Dredge, a twin screw tug, built in the English channel service for many years. Great things were expected from this tug. It was a big ship, afloat, and her passengers were by no means immune from sickness.

The Calais-Dredge was the Castalia, in which the Calais was suspended like a hammock with a view to minimizing the pitching was quite bad. It had an outer hull, and her passengers were by no means immune from sickness.

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Chatsworth M. E. Church services every Sunday as follows: Sunday school at ten o'clock a. m. C. W. Johnson, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 9:00 p. m. N. Clarence Gray, president. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Christian Science Church of Los Angeles (Van Nuys) Regular services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. At chapel, 440 East Street. All are welcome.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC CO

AT OWENSMOUTH, CAL.

TIME TABLE

No. 11 Mixed for Oxnard... 9:15 A. M.
No. 40 from Oxnard, Mixed... 11:56 A. M.
No. 41 to and 41 return between Los Angeles and Oxnard via Chatsworth, Oxnard, Van Nuys and Lancaster, and carry passengers.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC CO

AT CHATSWORTH, CAL.

TIME TABLE

Eastward
No. 10—From San Francisco... 1:37 p. m.
No. 19 Santa Barbara... 4:57 p. m.
No. 21 from Santa Barbara... 5:27 p. m.
Westward
No. 21 Santa Barbara... 1:00 a. m.
No. 19 from Santa Barbara... 3:57 p. m.
No. 21 and 22, formerly the Coaster, do not run on days of Santa Barbara.

Fern, palms and ornamental plants of all kinds.

Classified Advertisements TO BUILD SHIPS AT LOWEST PRICE

FOR SALE—117 TONS FIRST CLASS BASTER MRS. A. LEFFRONVILLE, Calabasas, Cal.

FOR SALE—OLIVE WOOD—\$10 PER cord at my ranch two miles northeast of Chatsworth. W. H. MATTHEWS, Chatsworth, Cal.

FOR SALE—TWO RESIDENCE PROPERTIES. Inquire at West's Boring Yard, Fontaine.

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WANTED—A SET OF CHAIN HARDNESS. Leave word at Postoffice.

FOR SALE CHEAP—TEAM HEAVY COWS and good heavy young and heavy calves. Call at Donnelly's Tannery, 13 W. C. St., Van Nuys, or phone 21.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—REGISTERED Berkshire Boar. Will sell cheap. Inquire of E. JULIAN S. TOPGAY, 2264

FOR SALE—HISTORIC LANDMARK adjoining city limits, 30 miles from Los Angeles over Valley State Highway or over Highway by Soledad Canyon (to Farnas) 1/2 mile, 178 acres, level, high and level, specially adapted to beefs, hams and citrus fruits. Oranges, lemons and almonds now growing. Location tops elevation 900-950 feet. Three fenced and cross fenced into three fields, each 5 acres for feed, 20 for hedges. Three adobe houses and other buildings. Large springs. Abundance of other running water. An ideal location for a sanatorium or circus runway. Price \$25,000 \$5,000 down, balance your own time at 6 per cent. Included with above 6 horses and harness, 4 cows, farm implements. To respond early will leave this place for 3 years with option of purchase during that period, for \$500 first year, \$100 second year, \$120 third year, etc. This is about what the livestock alone usually runs for. CHAS. A. BELL, Owner, 2222 Buena Vista, Overnsmouth.

FOR RENT—HALF OF BECK COITAGE on Emmett ave. Mrs. Mitchell.

RHODE ISLAND RED EGGS FOR hatching. Choice winter layers, best for broilers. Overnsmouth Poultry Yards, 1717.

FOR SALE—BUCKHORN WOOD. MRS. A. T. GALLOW

LEGAL ADVERTISING

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. (Not Coal Land).
No Withdrawals.
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Los Angeles, Calif., January 17, 1917.
Notice is hereby given that Charles E. Carroll, of Calabasas, Cal., who, on February 1, 1914, was granted a prospecting entry, No. 01473, for 16 of NE 1/4, Sec. 26, T. 12 N., R. 12 E., Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make a final three month's test to establish claim to the land above described before the Register and Receiver of U. S. Land Office, at Los Angeles, Cal., on the 23rd day of February, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m.
Claimant names as witnesses: Alfred L. Hammond, of Topanga, Cal.; Andrew A. Valdez, of Calabasas, Cal.; Liddy Hammond, of Topanga, Cal.; John Valdez, of Topanga, Cal.
JOHN D. ROCHE, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

(Not Coal Land).
No Withdrawals.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Los Angeles, Cal., August 24, 1917.
Notice is hereby given that Thomas Schaefer, of Chatsworth, Cal., who, on August 15, 1913, made a homestead entry, No. 01981, for NE 1/4, SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4, NW 1/4, and Lot No. 3, Section 4, Township 11 S., Range 12 E., T. 11 S., R. 12 E., Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make a final three month's test to establish claim to the land above described before the Register and Receiver of U. S. Land Office, at Los Angeles, Cal., on the 13th day of March, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m.
Claimant names as witnesses: Alfred H. Tyrer, of 1106 W. 23rd St., Los Angeles, Cal.; W. H. Stewart, of 170 Lincoln Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.; Frank Schaefer, of Chatsworth, Cal.
JOHN D. ROCHE, Register.

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Hatchery capacity 60,000. Poultry equipment complete. Also raising and selling game fowls, ducks, broilers, etc. We can supply you with any kind of hatching and incubator cases. A card brings our prices. Write for them.

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Bethlehem Steel Will Make Offer to Uncle Sam.

BIDS ON 16 INCH NAVY SHELLS

No Chance For Profit in Them Under Present Test, Grace Says—Possible Explanation of the Prices Made by a Philadelphia Firm Under All American Manufacturers.

Speaking recently before the Terrapin Club of Philadelphia, Eugene C. Grace, President of the Bethlehem Steel Company, said in part:

In a peculiar sense Bethlehem Steel sells the American people.

For example, though we have been able to obtain in Europe almost any price, we have adhered, in our contracts to the United States Government, to the basis of prices established before the war began.

We agreed—if the Government would advance its plans for a Federal plant to make armor for the Navy at a price the Government itself might consider the American people.

Our advance plans are all at the disposal of the nation at a fair operating price, plus a small margin, thus saving the Government investment and depreciation.

One of the special needs of the new steel is a great thickness of plate, one foot long and capable of withstanding a 200 pound shell with such power and energy as to make a 150 foot square flat of fifteen miles away.

It is our undertaking voluntarily to construct, at a cost of \$4,500,000, a plant fitted to build sixteen-inch guns.

Under no conceivable circumstances can orders which we may receive for this plant pay even a fair return on investment.

Considerable comment has been made upon the fact that a British manufacturer recently has less than 100,000 units of armor plates for sixteen and fourteen inch shells for the navy.

I am unable to state the basis upon which the English bid was made. It is, however, reasonable to suppose that this bid was for a specific shell, samples of which are being sent over for test, but not yet made.

Two years ago we took an order for 2400 guns of armor-plate shell at a contract price of \$78,000, to be delivered within a certain time and we had to pay a large penalty.

The only specifications for making armor plates is impossible to forecast the exact conditions of the shell.

We had made large quantities of shells for the navy, but they were rejected. But in place of this particular order, we were ordered to make a shell of the tested shells must derive armor plate. The result, however, has been absolute inability on our part to produce in any quantity shells which will meet these novel tests.

In fact, we were unable to produce in quantities shells which will conform to the requirements.

The result is that up to now on that contract of \$78,000, we have not into actual operating expense \$478,821, and have been penalized for making \$405,425, a total of \$883,246, with receipts whatever.

Such was the experience in the life of which we were called upon recently to make armor plates for the navy. We bid on these shells at approximately the same rate per pound as we bid on the armor plates of one year ago upon which the Government awarded contracts.

We have not the slightest idea what price there will be in making these shells. We do not know that there will be any. There is no certainty that it would be possible for us to deliver a shell to meet the test.

It is not possible to estimate the cost of any bid made under such conditions is "extraneous" is utterly unfair.

We bid on the new battle-cruisers which Navy department experts, after examination of our works, would yield a profit of less than ten per cent. It is not possible to estimate for increased costs of materials and labor, but that made it possible that these bids would not be profitable.

The costs run by Congress on the amount approved by Congress on the amount the cost estimates made a year ago. It is not possible to estimate the cost after the inevitable cost facts and reduce bids to early estimates of the cost of the material, the prices are called "extraneous."

It would be a great advantage to be relieved of this naval construction. The profit from it cannot possibly amount to much, and the responsibility is a heavy one.

We have determined to make this offer to the American Government.

"If you will build two of the battle-cruisers the Government may say we will build the other two at the actual cost of building the ships in the Government yards, without additional expense or commissions of any kind. We will also contract to have our ships ready for the use of the Government ships."

A DIVER'S STORY

By HOWARD C. BEACH

There are two situations either of which is calculated, when one is in it, to call one's blood. One is up in the air, the other is under water.

I have never been up in the air, but I have been under water many times. I was adhered, in our contracts to the United States Government, to the basis of prices established before the war began.

I didn't adopt the coat because I considered it dangerous, for I was a scientific man, a great student, not dangerous. The same may be said of aviation. I became a diver in order to get a living out of it, not out of after receiving a shock under water.

I was hired to go down to examine a yacht that had been overturned and was able with a view to the fact that when the chains were to go under her to lift her. It was told that the owner was a scientific man, a great student, not dangerous. The same may be said of aviation. I became a diver in order to get a living out of it, not out of after receiving a shock under water.

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Having danced to his satisfaction, Mr. Cheney started for his cabin. I could see by the way he held his head, if possible, to save his life by lifting his knife still in his hand, evidently quite pleased whenever a beam of sunlight glittered on it during the water. I drew my own knife, determined, if possible, to save my life by lifting his knife still in his hand, evidently quite pleased whenever a beam of sunlight glittered on it during the water.

When he came within a few feet of me, he jumped and, catching the rule about, he said: "I have a contract to have our ships ready for the use of the Government ships."

He must have pulled on his signal palm tree in a familiar thing. There was enough air in my lungs to prevent instant suffocation. I saw about one hand of me escape, but I was not to be destroyed. I was just in time, by a spring, to catch an angle with the rule about, he said: "I have a contract to have our ships ready for the use of the Government ships."

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NAMING THE COCONUT.

What the Word Originally Meant and How the Brown, hard shell nut covered with coarse fiber and containing a sweetish, oily "meat" and a "milk," is the coconut and not the cocoon. This fruit of a great palm tree is a familiar thing on the fruit stands and in the fruit shops and fruit markets all over the world.

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