

CORCORAN OWES PROSPERITY TO H. J. WHITLEY PRESIDENT OF MAYER INVESTMENT COMPANY WRITES OPTIMISTIC LETTER

Corcoran Rapidly Developing Into One of the Most Prosperous Towns in the Great San Joaquin Valley

As most of the Gazette readers know, the editor of this paper was the founder of the Corcoran Journal, which he, conducted for five years. Having witnessed the remarkable development of that section under many adverse conditions, such as the San Francisco fire, the financial disturbance of 1897, etc., we can heartily endorse the sentiments expressed in the following letter.

Corcoran certainly owes Mr. Whitley a debt of gratitude for the loyal manner in which he successfully combated difficulties which would have dismayed most men.

Corcoran, Cal., July 25, 1917.
Mr. H. J. Whitley,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Mr. Whitley—I was most pleased to learn that you have consented to go to Washington in the interest of the food situation. It seems to me that by reason of development of this and other sections, you are peculiarly fitted to assist in bringing this matter properly before our representatives.

Principally thru your efforts and energy the Corcoran district has been converted, in the short space of ten years, from a vast barren waste, to an empire of productiveness, producing annually enormous quantities of butter, cream, milk, beef, pork, mutton, wheat, barley, corn, hay, rice and sugar.

Your persistent efforts in establishing and building up the dairying interests, in the face of bitter opposition and discouragements, has now placed Corcoran among the first dairying sections of the state, and your establishing the sugar factory here, by your donation to it of over 1,000 acres of land and by assisting to finance it by your subscription to \$100,000 of its bonds, is bringing it in as an important sugar producing center.

The vast grain crops being harvested annually and the large amount of cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry being continually marketed speak for the development in these lines, and yet it seems to me that the work is only just begun. By proper and concerted effort the output can be doubled and trebled until this district alone could feed an army of considerable magnitude.

I realize that your work here has been only a small part of your great work and sinks into

comparative obscurity beside the great work you have done in the San Fernando Valley and Southern California, but to me it stands out with a distinct clearness and as of vast importance in the recent development works of the state.

My association with you in your seven years as president of the First National Bank of Corcoran, which you founded, and fathered thru its early years, admonishes me of your especial fitness for a mission, which you might be tempted to evade, did you not see it as a duty to be squarely met.

With my very best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am,
Sincerely yours,
J. B. MAYER.

FARMERS URGED TO PLANT POTATOES

Regardless of the surplus of potatoes occasioned by the heavy crop being planted, small farmers are urged by the Committee on Agriculture of the Chamber of Commerce not to be discouraged but to plant fall crops.

According to expert opinion, there will be a heavier demand in the fall and winter than has yet prevailed and prices will be high if not prohibitive.

There is still a shortage of tubers in some parts of the country and the reason for the surplus in Southern California is because the spring potatoes do not keep and cannot be shipped profitably. The case with the fall potatoes is different, because the small grower can store them on his own place and they can be shipped without fear of loss.

One difficulty confronting the grower is the present scarcity of seed, but it is believed that at the present fall potatoes will bring the farmers an afford to pay well for seed.

Fall potatoes should be planted within the next three or four weeks, owing to the possibility of an early frost.

Worked Both Ends.
Queens at their best are but women. Said Mary of Magdalen once in her hour of exile, "It takes all the jewels that all the goldsmiths could procure to decorate my crown."
An Queen Caroline, to the wife of George IV, used to allude to Lord Hervey's rather personal remark that her crowning dress "was as fine as the accumulated riches of the city and suburbs could make it, for besides her own jewels, she had on her head and shoulders all the pearls she could borrow of the ladies of quality at one end of the town, and on her petticoat all the diamonds she could hire of the jewelers at the other."

Manners in 1628.
In a manual of good manners published in Paris in 1628 the reader is told, "In yawning in public do not yawn." A familiar admonition is, "When listening to some one speaking do not wiggle about, but keep yourself in the line while it." It must have been hard to obey this latter injunction, judging from what a said a little further along in the book, "Do not fess or like in the presence of others, but excuse yourself and remove whatever torments thee."

Flora, gladioli and ornamental plants of all kinds at Decker.

Personal and Legal Notes

Elmer Hyden is spending the week at the Los Angeles Times Camp on Catalina Island.

The Grand Midsummer Reunion and Picnic of the New York State Society will be held at Long Beach August 4 and 5.

Mrs. E. C. Harbold and daughter Peyton are back from a visit with relatives and friends in San Francisco and Oakland.

The Nebraska State Society is to hold its annual picnic and reunion at the Santa Monica Pleasure Pier Saturday, Aug. 4.

Saturday, Aug. 11, the annual summer picnic of the Iowa Association of Southern California will be held in Bixby Park, Long Beach.

H. W. Allen has the contract for the plumbing in the new house to be built by H. J. Whitley of Saticoy street, east of the railroad.

See the Hyden Hardware Co. for the old reliable Ventura Beet Plow. It is the puller that does the work, and then consider the price.—adv.

Notice: The regular meeting of Owensmouth Troop, Boy Scouts of America, will be held Tuesday, July 31, instead of Monday, in order that the boys who have gone to Catalina may be present. S. E. Goodall, S. M.

The Gazette now has a phone and we invite all our readers to send us news items each week. Each family should furnish at least one item every week. Our number is 1181R. A number of new phones are being installed.

The greatest camping in the history of the Huntington Beach Methodist Association is now in session and will continue until a week end. The Pacific Electric makes a special rate of 50 cents for the round trip from Los Angeles.

S. W. Failor reports splendid success with the distillate heater he has made. He states that he has made accurate tests and finds that the new attachment gives about double the mileage for the money spent for fuel. He made better than 22 miles per gallon of distillate on a recent trip.

There was a fair attendance at the public meeting held in Van Nuys Saturday to discuss the labor situation. L. Richardson, A. Mentry, N. W. Robertson and Alex Jeffrey were appointed as a committee to draft resolutions establishing a scale of wages which all employers are asked to adopt. The pay for topping ten-ton-per-acre bets was fixed at 80 cents per ton, an increase of 5 cents over last year. The hour rate for temporary labor was fixed at 25c. Drivers of 6 and 8 horse teams will be paid \$1.75 per day and board.

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Don't fail to see the Hyd Hardware Co. if you are in it market for a wagon—a best plow or anything in the vehicle or tool line.—adv.

M. D. Williams has succeeded Walter D. Smith as the valley representative of the Los Angeles City Street Department. Mr. W. Don't fail to see the Hyden Hardware Co. if you are in the market for a wagon—a best plow or anything in the vehicle or tool line.—adv.

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A Bride on the Minute.

It was a most ludicrous mistake. She imagined her wedding day was Wednesday, when in truth it wasn't to take place till the day after.

"Just like a woman," said everything went awry, and the bride-groom gnashed his teeth. I suppose was dressed in time, and the ceremonies were pulled off according to schedule."—St. Louis Dispatch.

Wooling Sheep.

To go to sleep get the body and feet comfortable. The body is easier to make comfortable than the mind. A rubdown, a bath and a little hit to help help help that is necessary to read it. The heaviest sleep generally comes about an hour after sleep begins.—Boston Journal.

The Women of Carthage.

There is a grand old story told of the women of Carthage. When their city was besieged by the Romans were needed, but, as there was no fax to make them in the city, the women, headed by their heroic queen, came to the rescue. They one and all cut off their girdles, dresses and made ropes out of their hair.

Goliath.
Goliath, the giant of Gath, who "morning and evening for forty days" defied the armies of Israel (2 Samuel xvii) and was slain by David, was "six cubits and a span in height." Taking the cubit at twenty-one inches would make him ten and a half feet high.

PRODUCTIVITY OF LAND MAY BE LARGELY INCREASED

FARMERS' PROFITS MAY BE DOUBLED BY USE OF FERTILIZERS

One Grower Used Two Hundred Dollars Worth of Fertilizer Per Acre and Harvested Potatoes Worth Thousand Dollars

Owensmouth soil is largely deficient in lime, according to a number of tests made by experts in this line. In view of this condition the following extract from the Weekly Bulletin of the Missouri College of Agriculture will be useful as suggesting a remedy for this condition:

"Every reader of a farm paper must have encountered frequently by the expression 'available plant food.'" As defined by R. R. Hudson of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, it means the plant food which will readily dissolve in the soil water so that the plant can take it up. In the animal stomach there are certain digestive fluids which dissolve the food so that it can be absorbed into the blood stream. The soil must serve as a stomach for plants, and as the plant food dissolves in the soil water it is absorbed into the plant juices and moves up thru the plant where it can be used. The extra water evaporates from the leaves giving constant circulation. From this it is seen that only dissolved plant food can be used. Almost all soil materials can be dissolved to a slight extent, but often the rate of dissolving is too slow."

As all familiar with soil analysis know, the effect of an application of lime is to make the plant food more "available" or soluble. It seems like "good business," under present conditions, to get all the fertility of the soil working to the best possible expense. To accomplish this, use an active type of agricultural lime.

As an example of what can be accomplished by proper fertilization, reference is made to the experience of W. E. Parsons of Great Valley, who produced 41,000 pounds of potatoes on an acre of land. The spuds sold at 2-1/2 cents a pound—a total revenue of \$1,025.

It cost Mr. Parsons \$307.50 to produce a crop, leaving him a net profit of \$722.50 from an acre of potatoes. Sixty tons of stable manure was applied to the land, costing \$180, also \$21.50 worth of commercial fertilizer.

It paid Mr. Parsons to fertilize his land and it will pay Owensmouth farmers just as well. Every pound of stable manure and bean straw should be used right here. Not a pound should be shipped from the valley.

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The opponents of the Monica to Los Angeles Owens River water improvement, on behalf of San Fernando Valley water than two years, wishes to absolutely false! The writer, Owens daughter, died suddenly on Monday others who have used Owens considers it as good as any water ever supplied by a municipal water system.

Councilman Olson has discovered that the maintenance charges on one municipally owned auto exceeded \$2700 last year. If Mr. Olson will continue his investigations he will doubtless make other discoveries equally interesting. We trust Councilman Olson will not find it to his advantage to sidetrack the good work of checking the extravagances which are making the tax burdens so heavy for the property owners. There is no reason why public affairs should not be administered just as economically and honestly as private business.

Some time ago the Gazette published an interview with Engineer W. D. Smith of the Los Angeles Street Department in which the statement was made that it had been found necessary to transfer the entire Owensmouth street crew to Universal City for a number of days, to the detriment of the service in this locality. Mr. Smith promised that sufficient extra help would be given the local crew to compensate this district for the diversion of labor to another portion of the valley. The people would appreciate a statement from some source as to whether this district is receiving its full quota of street funds.

The greatest lottery in the world was pulled off in Washington on July 20th, when the numbers were drawn to decide the order in which ten million men are to be called to military service. The manner in which the drawing was conducted was absolutely fair to all. The men will be summoned before the Exemption Boards in the order in which their numbers were drawn. This work will begin as soon as the official lists are received from Washington. Failure to comply with the requirements of the Draft Law will subject the delinquents to severe penalties. Each man is required to ascertain his Draft number and be prepared to appear promptly before the Exemption Board in his own Division when summoned. The portion of the valley included in the City Limits is known as Los Angeles City Division No. 1. The balance of the territory is designated as Los Angeles County Division No. 7. Calabasas is included in the latter division.

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A Sin That Brought A Blessing

By OSCAR COX

As a youth I was different, over-sensitive, imaginative, romantic. My mother was very much troubled for fear I would marry some girl with nothing to recommend her but a pretty face. I used to think that I could not marry Margaret Deane, who knew how to sew and cook and do a lot of practical things in which I took no interest. I rather admired Gwendolin Germain. Gwendolin was a tender flower, just a child as a man likes to take under his protection. Her cheek was not red and rosy, but there was a little pale red in its center like a rosebud painted on a china cup, with lips of the same hue.

The time came when I made up my mind that unless I could win Gwendolin my life would be a failure. I was but twenty, and that was very young for a man to feel that his happiness is in the hands of one person. However, I proved my constancy by years of devotion to the image I had set up in my head. Fearing that I could not express myself with sufficient delicacy to impress one so young, so modest, so tender, I wrote my proposal in a letter. It was several days composing it, and when finished I left it for another day on my desk in order to read it once more before posting it. I was suddenly called away, and when I returned the letter had become soiled. I asked my mother what had become of it, and she said that it had been soiled with a batch of letters that I had been sent to the mail while I was away from home. With this I was content and confident that Gwendolin had received it and waited anxiously for a reply.

When I met my love again I was much embarrassed. My imagination made her seem to me cold, even offended, and as she made no reference to my letter it occurred to me that for some reason I imagined a dozen—she was displeased with my proposal. I did not call again, and within a year her family left the place where I lived, and she went with them. My heart went with her. I hired on a bachelor. My mother frequently invited Margaret Deane to our house, and I could see that she was intentionally placating her in my way. Margaret accepted whatever attention I gave her, which was not much, but when I was unkindful of her she did not seem to notice it. As the year passed I made a friend of her, but it did not occur to me to make love to her.

When I was thirty my mother died. Before her death she made me a confession. "My dearest boy," she said, "before I die I wish your forgiveness. Ten years ago I saw that you were about to choose a companion for life who would not make you happy. I gave you the letter you wrote to Gwendolin Germain, hoping to gain time to direct your attention to Margaret Deane. Ten years have passed, and every year I have intended to send you my letter to Gwendolin. I have never done so till today. By tomorrow morning she will know for the first time of my proposal; but by that time I shall have left you free to choose for yourself."

And so my mother, to whom I was so devoted, had caused me ten years of misery. I forgive her and did not utter a word of complaint. Indeed, the pain I suffered at her loss neutralized any feeling of regret for my long suffering. The day after I laid her in the grave I took up a number of letters that had accumulated—mostly of condolence—and among them was one from Gwendolin. It brought the first of different sensations from what I had experienced since the beginning of my mother's illness. But with it came the remembrance of what my mother must have endured from her distress for my sake. Margaret had been with her constantly in her last days and had comforted her as if she had been her own daughter.

I felt an inclination to complete the sacrifice my mother had brought about by acceding to her wishes and giving Margaret the option of being my wife. But I was bound in honor to Gwendolin as well as by love. In her letter she asked me to come and see her if I felt so inclined.

A few days later I went to see her. She still lived with her family, who were wealthy—more so than when I had parted from her—in a stately mansion. It was evening when I called, and I was ushered into a private parlor. In a few minutes a bonny, alluring, dressed woman came into the room, crowned in the height of fashion, bedecked with jewels, her hands covered with rings. I barely recognized Gwendolin and would not have done so had she not preserved the roundness in her cheek by a touch of paint.

"So poor poor mother has gone," she said. "What a silly thing to keep your letter from me! Just as if I were counting on you. You were lovely as a boy. I admit, but you know, papa has always brought me up to understand

that I must marry money, and of course that would not include you. But now I'm without a cavalier—that is, one that I fancy—and you must come often, and you shall be my attendant. People will talk, you know; but you mustn't mind that."
There was a good deal more that I did not hear. In due time I escaped, and had no sooner got home than I set myself to work to win the heart of Margaret Deane. I found that it had been mine for years.
God bless my mother and her sin.

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Squirrel poison at Bechtelheim er's Drug Store.—adv.

Miss Lillian Thomson is spending the week with her aunt in Long Beach.

Officer Stone expects to be located at Owensmouth after August 1. He wishes to move his family here, but is unable to find a house to live in.

Don't fail to see the Hyden Hardware Co. if you are in the market for a wagon—a beet plow or anything in the vehicle or tool line.—adv.

M. D. Williams has succeeded Walter D. Smith as the valley representative of the Los Angeles City Street Department. Mr. Williams is located at Van Nuys and is busy getting acquainted with the details of his duties. He wishes to meet Owensmouth property owners and take up the needed work in the order of its importance.

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Several minor deceptions have been committed about the Owensmouth postoffice recently and parents should see that their children do not tamper with the mail boxes. In case mail is missing, suspicion will fall upon any person caught opening mail boxes other than their own.

Gazette Liners bring returns.

Pacific Electric Time Card

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

Leave	Arrive
Owensmouth	L. A.
6:30 a m f	7:40 a m
8:00 a m *	9:00 a m
10:00 a m	10:50 a m
12:00 p m	1:00 p m
2:00 p m	3:00 p m
4:00 p m	5:00 p m
6:00 p m	7:00 p m
8:45 p m	7:55 p m
8:00 p m s	11:00 p m
10:00 p m s	1:00 a m
12:45 a m v	1:00 a m
Leave	Arrive
L. A.	Owensmouth
5:15 a m s	6:25 a m
5:35 a m f	6:45 a m
8:20 a m	9:30 a m
10:20 a m	11:30 a m
12:20 p m	1:30 p m
2:20 p m	3:30 p m
4:20 p m	5:30 p m
6:20 p m	7:30 p m
8:00 p m	9:10 p m
9:45 p m f	10:50 p m
11:30 p m f	12:30 p m

* Express and passenger combination car; Sunday passenger car only. f Transfer at N Sherman Way to and from San Fernando. s Transfer at N Sherman Way to or from Owensmouth. h Starts from Highland Ave. a North Sherman Way only. v s To Van Nuys only.

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Between Owensmouth and Los Angeles	10-ride family book..... \$2.80
10-ride individual book.....	1.80
10-ride individual book.....	1.80
Single fare.....	.75
Round trip fare.....	1.10
Between Owensmouth and Van Nuys	10-ride family book..... \$4.80
10-ride individual book.....	3.80
10-ride individual book.....	4.80
Single fare.....	.75
Round trip fare.....	.85

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TIME TABLE

No. 41 Mixed for Oxnard..... 9:58 A.M.
No. 40 From Oxnard, Mixed..... 11:10 A.M.
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TIME TABLE

Eastward:
No. 10—From San Francisco..... 10:37 pm
No. 79 Santa Barbara..... 4:57 pm
No. 22, from Santa Barbara..... 9:25 pm Westward.
No. 21 Santa Barbara..... 1:00 a m
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"If the food killer comes this way he'll sure enough give me an invite to put my hand on the leg where I kill the chickens. I've not only made a blunder, but a double blunder, in trying to help two people at once. There was Charlie Burros moppin' around, plain because he had no one to help him run his farm, no companion or nothin', and there was Susan Nutter with a step-mother and unhappy at home. I thought they'd do well to marry, so I butted in and arranged the matter between 'em. I had no interest in it; it only concerned to be a go-between out of the kindness of my heart. I'm an old maid myself and wouldn't marry the best man on earth. I hadn't no call to marry. I got my own house and ground all paid for and got a mouth from bond and mortgage besides. So I'm out of the matrimonial question. But I'm not the only one in the world to be considered. Maybe what's kill me might cure others."

"Thinks' that a-way, I told Charlie about Susan and Susan about Charlie. I treated Charlie to Susan and she together with the hard time she was havin' at home, made her powerful nice. And when I got Susan to the 'cure' she'd got the idea that if he seen her he wouldn't have her, so she told me I could tell him if he'd take her entirely on my recommendation 'ud he go. Charlie he thought if he'd take what an ungrainy fellow he was she wouldn't have him neither, so he consented. I didn't see no harm in that for Susan was pretty as a peach, and Charlie he was the fine a-lookin' feller as ever followed a plow."

"The mornin' of the weddin' I helped to get to get in a white maulin dress, and when the other kin' was all on she looked lovely. The clock struck the hour for the weddin' the house was chock full of the neighbors—I furnished the cake and things—and I dressed Charlie in his two best clothes, with a suit of new store clothes out, lookin' fine and manly. I met him at the door and tuk him to the settin' room, where Susan was a standin' waitin'. Susan finished a little, and I saw a mighty pleased look come over Charlie's face. But there wasn't no time to get acquainted, for the churchmen stepped in, and then they knowed it was his married. Then after the church set in the dinin' room, Charlie tuk his wife out to the wagon and driv' followed by the usual shower of rice and old slippers."

"Reckon you'd say there wa'n't noharm in that, and I don't know as there would'n' been if it could've been done without a go-between. Y'es there's a natural course sich things have to run, just like mules. A wrong treatment of mules is apt to drive 'em in. In Charlie's and Susan's case the courtin' and the gittin' wedd' was thrown on to 'em all to order. If the courtin' had been done in his proper time and fashion wouldn't 've been so hard to get used to."

"It wasn't three days after the weddin' when Susan she come to me all afix, and she says, says she, 'Miss Shaw, what'd you do to me up to such a man as that feller?' 'What's the trouble?' says I. 'He never speaks to me at breakfast no more; if I'd come in for my bread, he'd don't come in for my bread.' 'I don't know nothin' 'bout me,' says I. 'But I hearn tell that they have all sorts of ways about us that don't mean nothin'. If he don't want to talk at breakfast, what'll he do. Maybe he'll have somethin' to say by that time that's worth hearin'.' 'I'll wait and wait away until he's paid, and pretty soon in comes Charlie, and he wants to know what I had said him to marry him to a woman who filled all the time at breakfast—just the time of day he felt chipped and fixed takin' himself—and wouldn't give him a chance to get in a word. I told him I was a woman myself and knowed that there was times a woman had to talk and times she had to cry and if he had to cry at one different time he'd have to give made to order."

"For months they was a-winnin' to me complainin' because I got 'em into a fix, and I got mighty tired of it. One evenin' I got out my mape and drive over to Charlie's farm. Charlie was a-sittin' on the porch smokin' his old pipe, and Susan was inside doin' the supper dishes. I sit still in the buggy, with the whip in my hand, for I knowed what I was a-goin' to do, and I thought it 'ud be prudent to be ready to move on sudden."

"Charlie," I says, says I, "I come over to ax your pardin' for tyin' 'u'p with a gal that got one of the worst tempests I ever hearn of."

"I hadn't hardly got the words out of my mouth before Susan comes to the door with a plate with a dishcloth and the tin in her eye. 'What's that?' she says, mighty hot. 'I says,' says I, 'I've come over a-purpose to tell you, Susan, that I'm mighty sorry

for whif I done, pervin' if you'd marry the worst man in the world to get on with. He's the comarader'— John reached down for the iron scraper beside the step, but he was too late. Susan whifed the plate also was whifed at me, and it went within an inch of my nose. I give the mare a cut with the whip and got out, followed by most of the movables in the house. Charlie and Susan both a-drin' at me."

"Laws a mercy, what's that?" "I say, girl. We've named her Arabella Marie after the dear woman who brought us together."

English Undefined.

We observe that in his *Journal* last issue Rudyard Kipling uses the phrase "under the circumstances" "it is no doubt supported by usage, but all the same we are rather surprised to see it employed by such a master of English style. The proper expression must surely be "in the circumstances" it is difficult to see how you can be supposed to be "under" the things that stand around you. There is an odd controversy on the subject, and we thought the matter had been settled long ago. However, "in the circumstances" we venture on this gentle protest in the interest of English pure and undefiled.—London Globe.

The Very Good Man.

"He's forever prating about what his conscience tells him. What does his conscience tell him, anyway?" "It usually tells him approximately what a fearful sinners his neighbors are."—Philadelphia Press.

Owensmouth Directory

U. S. Mails
Mails arrive and depart from Owensmouth as follows:
Arrive from Los Angeles and Eastern points at 7:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
Arrive from Calabasas, Triunfo, Corral and Yerba Buena at 9:30 a.m.
Mail close for Los Angeles and Eastern points at 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
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Owensmouth Public Library
Syndicate Room, Mrs. Anna T. Collier, L. D. building. Open from 2:30 to 6 and from 7 to 9.

Owensmouth Chamber of Commerce
President—F. B. Bencheron.
Secretary—G. F. Kelly.
Regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd of each month at 8 o'clock, in grammar school auditorium.

Owensmouth Women's Club
President—Mrs. M. E. Moore.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. E. Buchin.
Secretary—Mrs. W. E. Buchin.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. A. Driscoll.
Meets every second Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at homes of members.

Owensmouth High School
Principal—G. W. Monroe.

Owensmouth Grammar School
Principal—Joseph Gerard.

Ladies' Aid Society
President—Mrs. W. B. Hyde.
Secretary—Mrs. Wm. McCulloch.
Meets every two weeks on Thursday at 2:30 in the grammar school building.

Ewerth League
President—Warren Hall.
Meets every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Presbyterian church.

M. E. Sunday School
Superintendent—Eric Goodall.
Meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Methodist Church.

West End Parent Teachers Association
President—Mrs. Wm. A. Driscoll.
Secretary—Miss Bertha Bell.
Meets on the first Friday evening of each month.

Y.M.C.A. association includes the school districts of Owensmouth, Calabasas, Calabasas, Yerba Buena, Corral, Buckee, Nonesa, Divisadero, Tepic, Mariposa.

Owensmouth Branch Home Investment Association
President—G. W. Monroe.
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Owensmouth Branch Boy Scouts Association
Scout Master—E. E. Goodall.
Boy Scout—Warren Davis.
Meets every Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Presbyterian church.

Van Nuys Faculty Association
Meets the first Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. in Woman's Club House, Van Nuys.
President—E. B. Hollister.
Secretary—M. M. McCaskey.

NO BREAKFAST

SEVERAL times I have mentioned the "no breakfast" plan. Breakfast at noon, 12 o'clock. Because the digestive germs are not active until that time. If breakfast is eaten in the morning it fills the blood with germs and the germs produce diseases. The brain shruts off nerve stimuli from the brain to the muscles. Nerve stimuli drives disease germs.

You want to live long, you don't want to work your passage. The dollars are a poor makeshift in purchasing health. The microbes work on the substance which you obtain from the leaves of plants and the brain works on the substance you get from the rooftop plants. These two substances are combined and you must be separated. You can't change nature on the plan of digesting; you'll only be butting your soft head upon the mountain of granite when you try to change nature's time and laws.

The oxide that is produced by muscle activity is intended by nature to condense and get rid of as it comes into our bodies. In order to condense gas considerable air pressure is required. The air pressure lasts until noon and after noon the air pressure is broken by the sun's rays. During the forenoon the sun's rays coming in air like we squeeze a sponge in the hand, but after noon the pressure is taken off like we open our hand and let the sponge expand. See?

We have to see these invisible facts with our mind's eye. We are unable to choose food with the visual eyes now days. It is more important to get the right kind and amount of moisture than to eat more meat than to eat less. This select the food we are to eat. This fact cannot be observed but it can be plainly felt after it is practiced for some time.

We plant seeds in such a manner as to exclude the light from them and this causes the seeds to dry out and wait moisture. The moisture of the soil soaks into the seed but the seed cannot use the earth moisture until it begins to combine with the air so as to split into the right sized droplets. Air pressure causes the seeds to dry out and wait moisture when the pressure is taken off the seed gets the moisture.

This same process must be followed to produce stomach digestion as in the germination of seed. Working the muscles causes the dryness, or pressure, and then if we eat the digestive germs use the food and drink which we swallow. While the plant germs get green from the air our digestive germs get their green from the food we eat; so when you are eating do not forget the green.

If you forget your digestive germs your digestive germs will forget you by refusing to secrete bile. Without enough bile your arteries will become so soft as pain in arteries will be felt. If after every little exertion you undertake to stop the lameness by stopping working then you get fat and cumbersome and a ripe bid for disease.

The time when the pressure is removed from the digestive germs is 12 o'clock, noon. Food eaten before that time is not really washed out but it produces disease. At 12 the germs germinate which uses the food and water. In the stomach the germs are white but on the surface of the stomach they are red. Cold, chilly air is white and by the skin being red the white is repelled, which keeps us warm but the white passing outward through the skin. If our blood is weak in oxide the nitrogen is passing inward through the skin. Warmth is produced by expansion of water, but nitrogen checks the expansion of water. Nitrogen is atmospheric gas but oxide is water from the earth.

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Personal and Local Notes

Squirrel poison at Bechtelheim's Drug Store.—adv.

Every "Standard" town has a creditable church building. If none—Bever!

Fred Leiser is back at his place of business at the ice plant after a brief illness.

George Thomason and A.L. Treloar spent a couple of days at Santa Barbara this week.

Miss Lillian Rankin returned to her Long Beach home on Monday after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Thomason and family.

Henry Peck is down from Bak ersfield to spend the week with his family here. He is growing sugar beets for the Gorcoran factory.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hull made a trip to Big Bear Lake last week with their son, Dr. F. M. Hull. It is one of the most scenic routes in the state and the ride along "The Rim of the World" is full of delightful surprises.

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At the Community Church Sunday at 11, Rev. T. A. Hull will preach. When the pastor is away he is particularly anxious the members shall attend in force. If during the week you can be at cool Huntington Beach Camp Meeting a day or two at least. Epworth League at 7, Sunday School at 10. Classes for all ages for Bible study. "A homelike church" of the people.

Coming Events

Tuesday, August 7—Ice cream social by Ladies' Aid Society.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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C.M. Pierce was in Owensmouth the first of the week making preparations for the erection of a new house on Topanga Canyon Drive, near the George Cravens home.

Road Foreman L. D. Pike reports that the bridges on Santa Ana avenue and Roscoe street are nearly completed and both will be ready for use the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ely and daughter Miss Ruth spent several days last week at Big Bear Lake. They report a most delightful outing and are very enthusiastic in praise of the magnificent scenery in the San Bernardino Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Davis moved over from Pasadena Sunday, bringing to her Owensmouth home Mrs. D. M. Murphy and children, who have been visiting in the Crown City. Mr. Markham, Mrs. Murphy's brother, accompanied the party.

There was quite an exodus of Owensmouth people to Catalina this week. The Boy Scouts going were George and John Burch, Armour and Harold Trexler, Alfonso Knapp, Arthur Schilling, Ellis Cravens, Earl and Lloyd Gardner, Berny Eden. Others making the trip were Mrs. Trexler, Mrs. arder, Lura Hyden, Meda Stone.

At the Owensmouth Beach Warehouse, Mr. Orton is busily engaged installing the new cleaning machinery, all of which will be ready far in advance of the needs of the season. The 15 ton wagon scale is completed and the association will do public weighing for all comers. Prospects for a bumper bean crop continue good and the warehouse force are expecting a busy season.

Among recent subscribers to the Gazette is Bruce Warner, who a short time ago purchased nearly 4000 acres of land near Trunfino and who plans to develop a magnificent country estate; Robert Straubinger, one of the best known young farmers of Calabasas, has also become a regular reader, as has Miss Candace Pratt of Chicago, who visited last year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hartough.

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A Matrimonial Coincidence

By RICHARD MARKY

When my mother died and left me alone in the world I resolved to rent a house, spend a few months abroad and on my return move into bachelor quarters. During the preliminary wedding out of casual accumulation I took from a box of old papers a bundle that astonished me. It contained documents relating to an estate of which I had never heard. They consisted of deeds to houses and lands, also stocks, bonds and other property.

I could not have been more surprised if an angel had come down from heaven and lit on my shoulder. How did these papers come into my possession? I had no recollection of having placed anything in the box for several years. On examining some of them I found the estate to be held in trust for a minor, John Carter Greatrix. I had never heard of such a person. On further examination I came to the conclusion that the estate in question must have remained untraceable by any one from the time these papers had been placed in my box. What should I do in the matter? If I advertised them and could give no satisfactory reason for possessing them I might be accused of having stolen them. I had equated my passage on an ocean liner and resolved to proceed on my journey, which would give me plenty of time to think over the best course to pursue. I sailed the next day.

During my trip I met in Berlin an American musician, Thomas Thurlow, who was there with her mother studying music with a view to teaching it on her return. She finished her course about the time I met her, and as her mother had spent the summer in Switzerland and I was unable to see to the care of them, for I stayed where they stayed, on our return I suggested passage on the same steamer. Before embarking we were engaged.

During the voyage I thought at intervals about the estate of young John Carter Greatrix, wondering if he had come into possession of it and trying to decide what I should do about making known that I had the papers. Now that another was the partner of my joys and sorrows I felt my responsibility more keenly. I debated whether I should confide in Eleanor Thurlow; but, having known her only a very short time, she might grow suspicious of me. No, I would wait till she knew me better. I told her that I had a little property and was engaged in a business in which I was doing well. On the whole, we could live comfortably. She maintained a reserve with reference to her own affairs; but, as she was expecting to tour much, I concluded she was possessed of little or nothing. We parted as soon as we reached America to go to our respective homes, which were a day's journey apart.

Meanwhile I had resolved to refer the matter of the papers to my lawyer and he advised by his advice, in relation to the circumstances to him I had no so-called mentioned the name of the minor for whom the estate was held, and he jumped to his feet excitedly and, running to his cartons, exclaimed:

"The papers in the Greatrix estate are found!"

Years before the firm had settled a case for me out of court and handed me the papers concerning it, which I now discovered to be in a box at home. Later I was given another bundle containing the papers in this same case, and, supposing them to be additional documents, tossed them into the same box. One of those bundles, which the Greatrix papers, given me by mistake.

Immediately on my return to my rooms I wrote my fiancee, unburdening myself to her of the annoyance I had suffered. She replied, congratulating me warmly upon so quick and satisfactory a solution.

A few days later I was told by my attorney that during the period the papers were missing the estate had suffered greatly. John Carter Greatrix died before coming of age, and the property had passed to three persons who were next of kin. "One of these persons," he said, "desires to thank you for your return of the papers that has enabled us to divide the property and will meet you here tomorrow for that purpose. I promised to be there."

The next morning on my arrival at the office I was shown into a private room, where I found the attorney at his desk. "I understand," he said, "that you are about to be married to a client of mine."

"Of yours?" I exclaimed, surprised.

"Yes, Miss Thurlow,"

"Miss Thurlow?"

"And now," he added, "I will introduce you to the person who wishes to thank you for ending the tieup of the Greatrix estate. Come in here. He hangs over a door leading to my study."

A lady stood by her back to us, and when she turned there was Eleanor Thurlow.

I stood stupefied. "Miss Thurlow," said the lawyer, "inherits one-third of the Greatrix estate and will now, through your finding the papers, come into a property worth \$150,000. It is desired to thank you. He retired, closing the door behind him.

Can I ever forget the happy smile with which she came forward, draped and her outstretched arms about my neck? The explanations had all been made. We had nothing to do but enjoy in each other's embrace the first sensations of our altered condition.

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