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## NEW GUERNSEY HERD AT THE ELLIOTT-BRANT RANCHO PUTS DAIRY AMONG FOREMOST IN THE COUNTRY

## LARGE ADDITION TO THE WAREHOUSE AND THE BEAN CLEANER

## CONSTRUCTION OF OWENSMOUTH RESERVOIR MEANS MUCH FOR PEOPLE OF THE WEST END OF SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

During July there were 72 more pure-blooded Guernseys added to the herd at the Elliott-Brant Rancho. These cattle represent the finest blood of the breed and were personally selected by Mr. D. O. Brant, who spent two months in New England traveling from farm to farm, in an automobile, selecting an animal here, or a group there, to meet the special requirements necessary for their admission into the Elliott-Brant Rancho herd, which now numbers nearly 150 head.

It seemed strange to many that Mr. Brant should go all the way across the continent to buy Guernsey cattle when the greatest numbers are to be found in Wisconsin. The explanation of this is that the oldest and best herds are to be found in New England, where they originally landed from the Channel Islands.

While the original cattle at Elliott-Brant Rancho came from the middle west it was found that the better ones were bred in New England. So Mr. Brant determined to go direct to this breeding ground for his new herd. This last shipment actually contained sisters, daughters and other closely related animals of the original herd, who, as has been pointed out in previous articles regarding this herd, have made such remarkable records of production and show-yard winnings.

It would not mean much to the general public to read a list of the individual names in this last shipment, but it is of interest to learn that many of them come of the very highest producing blood of the breed. One cow for instance issued by Langwater May King, one of the first bred bulls of the breed and her dam is an advanced register cow with a large record and a daughter of Mosher's Sequel who has the greatest number of Advanced Registered daughters of any bull of the breed. This cow is worth \$15,000.

\*Langwater's blood is considered to be the very richest of the breed and many of the animals of this shipment carry Langwater's blood. An interesting item regarding this blood is that Mr. Brant was able to secure cow and eleven of her descendants who are rich in this desirable blood.

A great deal of time was taken to select a herd for this shipment. The final selection was of a two-year-old animal called "White Face", who is a son of the late "Langwater Stars and Stripes", considered by experts to be the best bred bull in America, his sire, Imported King of the May, is the sire of the highest producing cows of the breed. 24 daughters averaging over 600 pounds of fat per year and 16 of his daughters selling, at public auction at the average price of \$1969.00 each. His dam Dolly Dimple, is the greatest producing 31 year-old cow of the breed. While her records in the 2 yr. old and 5 yr.

old classes also put her among the leaders.

The cattle were shipped from over twenty places in New England and were centered in the Boston Stock Yards where they were loaded in two seventy-foot express cars. They made the trip from Boston on the fastest train in five days, and despite the intense heat of the way over, every animal arrived safely.

Mr. Brant traveled right in the cars with the cattle, sleeping on a deck built over their backs to see that they were properly cared for. With him came Mr. Ed Simmonsof Boston who also came with the original shipment and his excellent work as herdsman was in a large measure responsible for the winnings at the shows in 1914.

All of the cattle in this shipment were tested by state authorities for tuberculosis before they were purchased, to guard against introducing this insidious disease into what proved to be the only herd in So. Cal. in which tubercular cattle were not found.

Princess of Meadowbrook who last year made the largest record in the west for a Guernsey Cow has recently completed another official test and exceeded her past record by over 15 pounds.

Her new record is 14,080 lbs. milk testing 5.2 percent butterfat and containing 737.53 lbs. of fat, which would make about 925 lbs. of butter. At 17 cents per quart (the average wholesale price of this milk) her product was worth \$1,196.80, which is 5 per cent interest on \$24,000. Had her product been made into butter and sold at 50¢ per pound it would only have returned \$462.50 which, while a good profit, emphasizes the greater returns from selling high class bottled milk.

To the list of high class customers in Los Angeles who are now using Elliott-Brant Rancho milk, has been added the Angelus hospital, who now serve their patients with this highest quality of milk. This makes the third hospital being served while the California Club, the Van Nuys Club and the Pigg and Whisker Stores consume the remainder.

Road Foreman L. D. Pike has had a steam roller at work on Harvard avenue the past week, putting that thorough in better shape for winter. The roadway was plowed and graded, then rolled firmly.

Mrs. H. H. Davis and son Wayne left Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends at Mt. Ayr, Iowa, expecting to be gone several weeks.

Wm. McCeech picked from his home place some of the best Elberta peaches raised in the valley this season. One peach weighed 12 ounces and was perfect in shape, coloring and flavor.

Work has been begun on the foundation for a 225 foot extension to the Owensmouth warehouse. When completed this will give the local plant a building 100x325 feet in size, the same as the Van Nuys cannery.

The new building will be covered with galvanized iron and will have a solid concrete floor, built with a view to installing canning machinery as soon as there is fruit in this end of the valley to warrant.

A. S. Barnes is the architect of the new building and will oversee the construction work above the concrete foundation, which will be put in by Contractor McAbee. Additional bean cleaning machinery is now being installed, practically doubling the capacity of the present plant.

### FOR SMALL GARDENS

The Los Angeles County Council of Defense recommends that all inexperienced gardeners for whom they restrict their efforts to a plot of ground 20x20 feet or its equivalent, 400 square feet. Some of the reasons for the establishment of this unit follow:

- 1.—Proper care can be given to this amount of ground by devoting to it one-half hour a day. This makes it possible for all persons engaged in other occupations, and for all school children to do their bit.
- 2.—It gives a standard for results and enables comparison between competitors as to what they can get within a year out of this small plot of land.
- 3.—Experience proves that an amateur gardener will get very much more out of 400 square feet than out of several times that amount of ground.
- 4.—If all the elementary school children in Los Angeles county cultivated for one half hour a day efficiently, 400 square feet of ground they could raise: 25,000 tons of potatoes, 7,500 tons of peas, 7,500 tons of carrots, 20,000,000 heads of lettuce, 15,000,000 heads of cabbage and a proportional amount of other small vegetables.

Goodrich and Stamps have added another truck to their equipment, which enables them to serve their customers better than before.

**A Bear and a Log Jam.**  
A big log jam that on one occasion blocked an Illinois river was broken in a peculiar manner. A woman was noticed by one of the rivermen prowling around the skids and later was observed crawling over the piled up timber. Gradually brain worked his way down to the key log and attacked it frantically. Instantly the mass of logs broke. The bear was crushed to pieces. Later it was learned that the key log was filled with honey.

The best newswite people of the San Fernando Valley have had for sometime is the announcement that work has actually started on the Owensmouth Reservoir, the last link in the great carrying system which brings the waters of Owens River from the high Sierras to Los Angeles.

Some 65 men, several teams of mules and a steam shovel are now excavating for the foundation for the dam which is to close the gap between the hills at the southeast corner of the reservoir. This dam will be 65 feet high, 2250 feet long and 350 feet wide at the base. It will be constructed entirely of earth, filled hydrocraulically. It will rest on bedrock, which at the center is about 40 feet below the surface. The dam will be surfaced with a thin coating of concrete, in order to protect the walls against the action of the waves.

A short distance west will be another dam 75 feet in height, 600 feet long, with a 400 foot base. This will be constructed of rock and earth.

In addition to these two dams will be three dykes, the longest

### 600 ACRES OF CABBAGES FOR THE VALLEY

There was a good attendance at the meeting held at the Van Nuys office of the Vanamor Producers on Wednesday to discuss the proposition of planting 600 acres of winter cabbage in the valley this season.

Manager C. A. Worthington read a very favorable contract which the Association has been able to secure from the California Vegetable Union. After considering the proposition thoroughly it was decided to go ahead with the project. It seems probable that some 600 acres may be planted.

The Association will furnish the plants at cost and also advance \$10 per acre to the growers. The

of which will be 2,000 feet on top.

The reservoir will move more than two miles long and will embrace some 1200 acre, entirely covering Round Valley. It will contain some 26,000 acre feet of water.

It is estimated that 200 men, 3 steam shovels, two hydrocranes and a large number of horses and mules will be required for three years to complete the gigantic task.

Ex-Councilman Fred C. Wheeler in charge of the work and has established a camp where the men are cared for by the city, which charges 25 cents per meal. A commodious dining room is being constructed near the first dam.

Stanley Dunham, the engineer under whom the San Fernando reservoir was constructed, is in charge of the engineering department.

The ranch house owned by the Porter Estate and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Trexler has been moved, together with the other farm buildings, to a point just outside the reservoir site.

Vegetable Union will be paid \$6 per ton for crating and shipping the cabbages, commissions, etc. It is thought the crop will average at least \$15 per ton net and from four to ten tons may be expected from each acre planted, according to care, etc.

The consensus of opinion seemed to be that the plants should be set in the field from Oct. 15 to Nov. 15, the crop to be marketed from March 15 to July 1.

This will give the farmers plenty of time to irrigate the land and plant beans, giving them two profitable crops each season. If cabbages prove successful a larger acreage will be handled next year.

### INTERESTING SERVICES CHATSWORTH TO HAVE SUNDAY AT CHURCH RED CROSS SOCIETY

At the Community Church, Sunday at 11, the Pastor's subject will be "As a Tree". It will be interesting to see how like a tree is man and what marvels are in nature. Vacation is about over and after the good summer's rest it is time for us all to be getting ready for an active winter. Also Billy Sunday begins his marvelous meetings Sunday night at 7:30 in the tabernacle 12th and Grand Sts. Los Angeles. This will be a great experience to you, more interesting than a theatre, more profitable than a school. Heure and go once, after that you will go of yourself all you can. Also Sunday School at 10—Bible study for all. Epworth League at 7:30 an interesting young folks meeting for all. Come.

On Sunday, September 2, there will be a public meeting at the Chatsworth School house, for the purpose of organizing a Red Cross Society. Mrs. White will be present and exhibit samples of work done by the Red Cross. She also demonstrated some of the methods. The meeting will open at 2 p. m., and a large attendance is desired from Chatsworth, Owensmouth and the west end of the valley.

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OWENSMOUTH, CAL., FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 1917.

The prospects for an active season in the West End of the Valley were never better than at present. With nine new residences being erected at Owensmouth and Marian, an addition to the Owensmouth Warehouse being constructed and work going forward on the great reservoir which is to complete our water system, much progress is being made in the development of this locality.

The Peace Note issued recently by Pope Benedictus XV was formally answered on Tuesday by President Wilson, the European Allies withholding their replies until the United States Note had been transmitted to the Vatican. This action practically places the United States at the head of the World Powers. President Wilson's rejection of the Pope's peace proposals is one of the most scathing arraignments of the brutal and inhuman methods of the German Government ever uttered by the ruler of one Nation against another. These are some of the acts the Pope asks the world to condone: Starting, without just cause or provocation, the most cruel and bloody war the world has ever known; sinking without warning vessels carrying women and children, drowning hundreds; dropping bombs on homes, schools, hospitals, etc., in France and England, killing and maiming hundreds of innocent women, children and nurses; sinking hospital ships and drowning prisoners; destroying historic churches, museums, etc.; violating thousands of girls and women, including Red Cross Nurses, forcing them into involuntary motherhood, with revolting cruelties, such as were never before practiced by alleged civilized men. To condone such fiendish atrocities as have been perpetrated by the Central European Nations under the direction of the Kaiser would be to "condone" the most crimes ever conceived by degenerate mortals. Such a peace as proposed by the Pope would simply be a cunningly devised piece of "war strategy" for the Germans, allowing them a temporary respite, during which strenuous preparations would be made for a still mightier blow at World Liberty. Under these conditions President Wilson has done the right thing in rejecting the entire proposition. Clearly and forcefully, without evasion or confusion of meaning, the position of the United States is defined before the world. No American can afford to neglect reading the President's reply to the Peace Note.

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## AN EXILE'S RETURN

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

I am a woman artist. I was one day sketching in the Catskills when, hearing of a behind me (turning round) coming down the road directly behind me a young man with the flaxen hair and blue eyes of the son of a good man, he lifted his hat politely and was passing on when, in order to stop him, I asked him a question about the Catskills. I was so struck by his appearance that I wished to make a sketch of him. He was unable to render the information I asked for, but my nerve served its purpose. He stood, but in hand, deferentially chatting with me.

He told me that he was a German, that he had not been long in America, that he preferred to travel as a pedestrian and was making a tour through the Catskill mountains, on his next time I made bold to ask him to pose for me. I dared not offer him money for doing so, for he seemed too aristocratic to receive pay for such a service. He not only granted my request, but intimated that he would let the picture to slip to his father and mother in Germany.

While I worked on the sketch I drew him on to tell me what had brought him to America. At first I got only evasive replies to my work for time to time, but his confidence and at last got the story. The heir apparent of the principality from which he hailed disrespected himself by a theft. My model was present at the time. It would not do for their father ruler to bear a stain, so the party drew lots as to who one should bear the obnoxious. I fell to the man I was sketching, and when the theft was discovered he falsely avowed himself the guilty one.

His parents were nobles; they settled the matter upon him, and left home to become a wanderer. His allowance was not sufficient to enable him to travel by conveyance, so he walked. But he declared he preferred that manner of travel.

The meeting with this man occurred in April. I went into the country earlier than city folk, in order to catch that pale green which only appears on the foliage either in that month or May. I agreed to part with my sketch, which he agreed to hand to me. He wished me to put it in oils for him, and I agreed to do so. But to do this I preferred to take it to my studio in New York, where I could work on it to better advantage. I gave him my address in the city, and he was to give me a few sittings there while I was making the portrait from nature to oils.

It was the middle of July when I completed the sketches I needed for my winter's work and returned to the city. I had told my subject he might call any time after the 20th of the same month. But that "war" business time that the emperor of Austria declared war on Serbia. Whether the prospect of a general European war influenced my German friend or not I cannot tell. At any rate, he did not make his appearance. Then the spirit of war became a flame and the flame a conflagration. Germany called on heroes to return to the battlefield to do military duty.

One evening when the Belgians and Germans were struggling for the mastery of Liege there was a ring at my bell, and my young friend appeared.

"I come not for you to aff," he said, "but to bid you goodbye. I have found passage for Europe, and if not intercepted by a British or French cruiser I shall probably be able to end my exile and my loneliness on the field of battle."

As he spoke the last words his expressive face showed a sadness that went straight to my heart.

"But the picture, Baron," I exclaimed, "will you now wait for me to finish it?" It was not the picture about which I was concerned. I clung to a straw to keep him from his purpose, to urge him to make a home for himself in America and in time to be happy.

"When you hear that I am no longer sensible to disagree send the sketch you have made to my parents."

I begged him to alter his resolution, but failed.

"Would you have me add one disagree to another?" he asked. "I am enrolled as a soldier, and I must serve as a soldier."

He gave me the address of his parents, bade me adieu and was gone. The war dragged on. Many of our young women went over to work with the Red Cross, and I finally threw down my brush and palette and went to France to nurse the soldiers.

One day among the German wounded who were brought in, recognized my friend met in the Catskill mountains in America. He was badly wounded. He recognized me at once, and his eye lit up at seeing me. He held up a cross made of gun metal and said, "I am no longer disgraced."

"Does gallantry in war in Germany receive such a stain as that?" I asked.

"Gallantry in war in Germany," he replied, "removes any stain."  
"But has not the real thief been called upon to bear the burden that belongs to him?"  
"It is my proud to say that I still bear that burden. I am conscious of having served my country well, but I have served my peace."  
I wondered at the difference in the German and the American mind as indicated by this man whose highest aim was to bear the burden of any man because that man was his prince.  
I nursed him, but not to life. He died proud of his sacrifice.

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# A YAKKEE TRICK

By WARREN MILLER

Two men were talking about modern bomb dropping when a third came up and remarked that there was nothing new to him about dropping bombs over European cities, since he had done some of that sort of work himself. He admitted that there was a difference in the height from which the bombs were dropped, but beyond this there was no difference.

"When the big war broke out," he continued, "that struck into it is very pretty nearly all there was of the civilized world I was third mate of a ship sailing under the British flag. She was owned by Americans, but sailed under those colors for the same reason: the big ships didn't believe she could be cheaper.

"Now, what I'm going to tell you happened on the high seas, and there were things about it that it was agreed should be kept secret. So all of us who were concerned in the affair signed a pledge that we wouldn't say anything about it. You needn't expect names of men or ships. When the war broke out we were carrying ammunition to the British. We were on the Atlantic sea with a load of stuff, which if it exploded, would have blown us all high in the region of aerology.

"We got the news that everybody else had declared war everybody else was about to go from an Italian cruise cruise southward, we poling that we were wanted by the different nations in the Adriatic, and if we met any of them except the British we would be captured and, of course we didn't want to lose our ship and cargo, at least the captain didn't, for he was one of the owners. But there we were right in among them and I didn't know one way or another.

"It wasn't long before we spotted on the horizon a film of smoke, and the captain as soon as he saw it he gave a bit alarm. But he kept right on, for the turned back he was just as liable to meet something as he had. We soon saw that the craft making the smoke was coming for us, and by the time it was close it was some sort of a war vessel.

"I was standing by the captain, and he handed me his glass. I brought it to bear on the craft and saw a gunboat about an eighth the size of our ship, but bristling with cannon. It reminded me of one of those little bulldog-like Italian gun boats. She flew the Austrian flag.

"Captain," said I, "it's mortifying to have to surrender to a mariner like this least like that, isn't it?"

"I don't know that I will surrender," he answered, drawing down the corners of his mouth.

"What can we do?"

"He came close up to me and whispered in my ear. I went off and sent a man down into the hold for some things and ordered another to get the derrier we used for loading and unloading ready so that it could be swung in a jiffy. When the man I had sent below came up he had a lot of side arms. I told him to put it on the deck and go aloft on the mast to which the derrier was swung. He took a rope with him that he put through a pulley.

"Meanwhile the Austrian gunboat was coming nearer, striding up the water and making a lot of fuss. We were flying the British flag, and war had been declared between England and Austria. So the gunboat signaled us to heave to and we getting ready to send a boat aboard of us. She was in command of a little fellow in a fancy tux and he was darning around on his deck like a figure in a Punch and Judy show.

"Instead of stopping entirely our ship was moving so slowly that it wouldn't be noticed that we were moving all. The captain took the wheel himself and steered toward the Austrian. Before the little fellow knew it we were drifting alongside of him. I had the box that had been brought on deck to the end of the rope put through the pulley, and it took me about five seconds to run the box up to the mast and the derrier. As soon as he got it he slipped out on the derrier. I signaled a man who had the end of a rope attached to the derrier, and giving it a pull, he swung the man with the box out beyond the gunwale of our ship.

"The Austrian commander of the gunboat was jabbering orders to his crew, fearing a collision, but when we were about twenty feet from the peaky little thing we showed off. When we were at the nearest distance the man on the derrier heaved the box on to her deck.

"Well, I reckon they heard something drop. That box was full of an explosive intended to blow up a fort. The waters divided, and the gunboat went down between them to the bottom of the Adriatic.

"Didn't I get your own craft a bit?" the other.

we were on the edge in the waters. If

we'd have been ten feet nearer it we'd have been engulfed.

"I don't want you fellows to say anything about this, because our act might not be considered strictly according to the etiquette of war. There's been no man talk of brutal warfare that I would like to have it known that I had been instrumental in sending a gunboat and crew to the bottom, especially after we were supposed to have surrendered."

"What state did your captain hail from?" asked one of the listeners.

"Connecticut."

"I thought so."

All They Wanted.

A late pedestrian on Dartmouth street was approached by two very looking yeggs, with this greeting from one while the other menacingly wielded a slab of wood stolen from a lumber pile.

"Say, feller, me 'ud your partner gas a-plannin' on planked steak. We got 'a' plunk, 'ud all we ask of you is a steak."—Boston Advertiser.

The English tree sparrow is said to be the exact species referred to in Psalm xxxix, 3.

### THRIFT OF TIME.

Time is so precious to be wasted. Believe me, my dear friend, you that thrive of time will reap you in after life with a surplus of profit beyond your most sanguine dreams and that the waste of it will make you dwindle alike in intellectual and in moral stature beyond your dearest reckonings.—Gladstone.

## Owensmouth Direct

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- Owensmouth Chamber of Commerce
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- Members list Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in grammar school auditorium.
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- Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. A. Driess
- Meets every second Wednesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock in home of members.
- Owensmouth High School
- Principal—C. W. Moore
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- Ladies' Aid Society
- President—Mrs. W. B. Ryan
- Secretary—Mrs. W. McGowan
- Meets every two weeks on Thursday at 2:30 in the home of members.
- Epworth League
- President—Warren Hall
- Meets every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the Synagogue Block.
- M. E. Sunday School
- Superintendent—Elsie Goodall
- Meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the Synagogue Block.
- West End Parent Teachers' Association
- President—Mrs. W. A. Driscoll
- Secretary—Mrs. Harold Reid
- Meets on the first Friday evening of each month.
- (This association includes the school district of Owensmouth, Chatsworth, California, Liberty, Los Virgenes, Carrizo, Dallas, Mount Olive, Yuba, and Matlock.)
- Owensmouth Branch Home Investment Association
- President—G. W. Meador
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- Van Roy Poultry Association
- Meets the first Thursday of each month at 8 p. m. in Warren's Cigar House. Van Roy, President—D. M. Ralston
- Secretary—M. McCleary

### WHAT IS LIFE?

WHERE we go into stock raising we should first decide as to whether we intend to raise beef, or cow and butter, and select our breeding stock accordingly. If we want beef it would be best to choose the Durham or Holstein and if we want milk and butter then get something in the line of the Jerseys or Guernseys.

Now if it was bees instead of stock, if we expected the bees to gather their honey from clover or alfalfa we should choose Italians, but if the honey is from sage or basswood, then we should get a cross breed between Italians and Carniolans. No bees left for a number of years without attention can continue to be good at honey gathering. They rapidly run down into mongrels.

A colony of mongrel bees may be all right and all right at work hard all summer and yet not have six ounces of honey for winter. While another colony, not six or eight times as large, will produce a surplus of 400 or 500 pounds of honey more than they will need. This is why I keep a very close tab on my bees and why I am constantly destroying the queens of these poorer working and putting in queens reared from these better working colonies.

In thus changing the queen the disposition of the colony is changed in the course of a few weeks and the colony begins to die rapidly and bulging with honey. A few colonies of bees with these fine queens is a veritable gold mine in the most trying conditions of the other kind would only be a nuisance to have around. Beside this facility to store honey these bees are all right and all right to sting, and if they are a little spoonful of honey once in a while they become as gentle and domestic as the most petted kitten.

You can tame bees just as well as cats or dogs, if you have some sense and patience to learn their likes and dislikes. But you can't tame bees unless they are good workers. Labor and industry removes the uric acid from the system of animals, insects and man. It gives the nerves of the flesh a piercing sensation and the taste and smell a smudgy, sticking sensation. This different effect of the uric acid in the nerves of sense and the nerves of feeling indicates that the acid is a refuse part of the air. It is only those bees which have an excess of uric acid that sting.

Uric acid, or urea, is products of too much thinking. Cells of reason do not grow nor thrive during the light of day. Bees living in a cave or hollow tree are almost unable to sting. Uric acid unbalances the protein and hydrates of the food and acts as digestion by the using of atmospheric germs and animals and it turns synthetically into vice and discord because it is all filled with animal fats and refuse.

Bees that gather the most honey are not vicious when we open their hives to take the honey. They are like the cow that travels a long way home for the purpose of being milked and all receiving her milk is a very nervous of each kind. Milk is a waste product to the cow and honey is a waste product to the bee. Cows eat an excess of blossoms in order to obtain the peptic acid to expand water into muscle force.

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—The following Calabasas boys have been certified for military service by the Exemption Board in Division No. 7 County of Los Angeles: James F. Fry, Erwin E. Lewis, Charles F. Diac, Hannibal A. Palmaymes, Charles E. Carrel, Andrew R. Joughin of Chatsworth has also been certified for service.

—Mrs. George West is in receipt of a letter containing the announcement that her brother, Richard Holup, has enlisted in the U. S. Navy as a mechanic. He is stationed at Norfolk, Va. The department sent Mrs. West a handsome button in honor of her brother's membership in the navy.

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

Leave	Arrive
Owensmouth	L. A.
8:30 a. m. f	7:40 a. m.
8:45 a. m. f	8:00 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	11:00 a. m.
12:00 p. m.	1:00 p. m.
2:00 p. m.	2:00 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	5:00 p. m.
6:00 p. m.	7:00 p. m.
8:00 p. m.	7:30 p. m.
10:00 p. m.	11:15 p. m.
12:00 a. m.	12:00 a.
Leave	Arrive
L. A.	Owensmouth
8:15 a. m. h	7:05 a. m.
8:30 a. m. f	7:35 a. m.
8:45 a. m.	8:15 a. m.
10:20 a. m.	11:15 a. m.
12:20 p. m.	1:15 p. m.
2:20 p. m.	3:20 p. m.
4:20 p. m.	5:20 p. m.
6:20 p. m.	7:20 p. m.
8:20 p. m.	7:20 p. m.
10:20 p. m.	11:15 p. m.
11:20 p. m. f	10:20 p. m.
11:20 p. m. f	10:20 p. m.

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

Between Owensmouth and Los Angeles	32-cs family book..... 1.80
48-ride individual book..... 1.00	
68-ride individual book..... 1.00	
Single fare..... .70	
Round trip fare..... 1.10	
Between Owensmouth and Van Nuys	30-ride family book..... 1.50
48-ride individual book..... 1.00	
58-ride individual book..... 1.00	
Single fare..... .80	
Round trip fare..... 1.00	

Van Nuys, 12.20 miles; Hanna, 21.64 miles; Bolaso, 21.64 miles; Mantah, 21.44 miles; El Nogal, 21.43 miles; Owensmouth, 22.44 miles.

#### SOUTHERN PACIFIC CO

AT OWENSMOUTH, CAL.

#### TIME TABLE

No. 11 Mixed for Oxnard, 9:56 A.M.  
No. 49 From Oxnard, Mixed, 11:16 A.M.  
Nos. 45 and 41 run between Los Angeles and Oxnard via Chatsworth, Owensmouth, Van Nuys and Leabershim, and carry passengers.

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AT CHATSWORTH, CAL.

#### TIME TABLE

Eastward:  
No. 19—From San Francisco, 10:37 pm  
No. 79 Santa Barbara, 4:57 pm  
No. 21, from Santa Barbara, 9:25 pm (Westward).  
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No. 80 Sta. Barbara, Local, 3:57 pm  
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## Personal and Local Notes

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lose have taken apartments at the Geo. West cottage on Owensmouth way.

Mrs. Harbolds cousin Miss Larson Yearbough of Los Angeles spent the week end as her guest.

H. W. Allen has secured the contract for installing the plumbing in the new house to be built soon by George Hanna.

John Bradley, who was recently appointed dean for the Owensmouth Grammar School, plans to move here with his family next week.

J. T. Holt has placed a subscription to the Gazette for his brother, Charlie E. Holt, who lives in Missouri, realizing that this is the most effective means of keeping his eastern relatives posted on Owensmouth happenings.

Lucile West celebrated her fifth birthday on August 24, by inviting a company of girl friends for an afternoon party. The little folks enjoyed a merry time with games, after which refreshments appropriate to the occasion were served. The members of the party were Velva and Frances Trexler, Lois Calloway, Isabel Orton, Catherine Geschwind, Elizabeth Lindsey, Ethel Poulson, Peggy Stamps.

The Royal Oak Lodge, Sons of St. George the well known order of which there is a branch in Los Angeles will hold their annual banquet and picnic at Fremlin's ranch at Cornell, Sept. 9. A large attendance is expected and provision will be made to celebrate the occasion with the thoroughness for which the 'Sons' are noted. Most of the young members are at the front in training but the older members including many prominent citizens will attend in their motor cars.

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World's Biggest Circus and Spectacle "Cinderella" Announced for Early Date.

Announcement is made that on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 10-11-12, Ringling Bros. will give afternoon and night performances at Los Angeles.

The famous showmen are this season presenting an all new and wonderful program. The tremendous fairland spectacle, "Cinderella," will appeal to both young and old. More than 1000 persons take part in it. It is easily the biggest spectacle Ringling Bros. have ever staged and its glorious Hallel of the fairies, with 300 dancing girls, is in itself worth going many miles to see. Following "Cinderella" 400 scenic acts appear in the main tent program. The Ringlings have secured scores of circus performers never before seen in America. An entire trained animal show has been made a part of the main tent program this season. The menagerie now numbers 1009 wild animals. The elephants, including "Big Bingo," the earth's largest pachyderm, have been increased 41 and almost 800 horses are carried. There will be 60 clowns and a big three-mile parade show day morning.

## THRIPS DAMAGE BEANS

Last Tuesday, at the request of the Growers' Association, Mr. Quayle, plant entomologist at the University Experimentation, visited the Valley to investigate the damage being done to our bean crop by thrips. Mr. Quayle looked over a good many bean fields and advised a thorough spraying with a nicotine and soap solution as the cure. Most of our beans are too far advanced now to reap. This means of cure, but many of our growers state that they will be ready to thrip the thrips if they make an appearance next season. The Adamson Ranch sprayed a late planting of Henderson Bush Beans Thursday and this field will be watched with interest. Mr. Quayle stated that beans can be sprayed at a cost of \$3.00 per acre. No Red Spider was found in the Valley, some of the farmers feared this was what was affecting their crop.

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## Coming Events

Tuesday, Sept. 11.—Los Angeles city schools open for the fall term.

## The Gentleman From Cupidville

By ALAN HINDALE

One spring morning when the buds were opening, Howard Lane, a young New Yorker, left his room on Central Park West and, entering the park, strolled along the mall smoking a cigarette. Presently he looked up and, passing him and saw that he was the very counterpart of himself. Each stopped and stared at the other.

"Upon my word!"

"You're myself, only better looking," said Lane.

"I wish me to return the compliment."

"You must be a near blood relation of mine. What is your name?"

"Spencer—Raymond Spencer. And yours?"

"Howard Lane. Come! let us sit down on one of the benches and compare notes. I don't remember any Spencer connections."

"Nor I any Lane's."

"The two of us being an hour together, each now and again looking up at the other in wonder, almost fancying he had a mirror before him; but while they were identical in face and figure, they were not identical in mind. Lane was a logical, analytical, critical, cynical, pessimist in disposition. Lane was a man of intellectual vigor. Spencer was an optimist and very cheerful. He was not his way from San Francisco to Europe."

"I have an idea," said Lane.

"How does it feel?"

"You are a stranger to me, but you are a gentleman. I'm going to take you into my confidence."

"Poor fellow! Is it lotter more than having an idea?"

"I have been unsuccessful with the lady. She likes me, but says I'm too 'sentimental' for a life companion."

"Why not turn her over to me?"

"That's just what I'm thinking of."

"Lancaster was made, and within the two left the park they went to Lane's rooms, where Spencer was put in temporary possession of the apartment."

That evening Mr. Spencer appeared at the residence of Miss Margaret Thorne and sent up Mr. Lane. Miss Thorne came down with a startled purpose. That purpose was to give her lover his final quietus.

"I have been thinking over the matter between us," she said, "and have come to the conclusion that I am wrong in permitting you to hope. A man who has renounced himself into the belief that 'life is but an empty dream' I could not be happy with. I will never be yours."

The man grasped the back of a chair for support and brushed back his hair dramatically.

"Too late!" he exclaimed, as the tone of her remark hit the bottom had done up of his life.

"Have you a cold?" asked Miss Thorne, surprised, observing that at the tone of his voice, which was deeper than usual, she was still more surprised when her lover reached toward her and, seizing her hand, poured forth an impassioned appeal.

"Until our last meeting," he said, "I did not realize that you were rich and I was wrong. Life is not an empty dream, and you have made me see it. Life is real. Life is earnest. I had resolved to throw off the depressing philosophy by which I have been lewitched. I had set a goal—under your inspiration—determined to do it. We need one gentleman in political affairs."

I had resolved to enter upon a career which, beginning with the state legislature, might end in the White House. But alas, without you I am powerless! Nevertheless I shall go ahead and sink away into a degenerate globe trouter."

"What has come over you?" she asked.

"Your influence. It has had its effect at last."

"Mr. Lane—Howard, I cannot understand this sudden change. Do you mean all you say?"

"I swear it."

Looking up, he saw a puzzled, undecided look on her face. He clasped her in his arms, and, while she turned away her face, she did not struggle to be released. In three minutes she had entered—he had promised to be his wife.

The next morning the two counterparts sat in Lane's room. Spencer was smoking; Lane was reading a note from Miss Thorne. It was to say that that previous engagement prevented her seeing him till the next evening. "I cannot realize my happiness," she added, "in the love of a man of your ability inspired by that love for me. I predict a great career for you."

Spencer had enacted to his counterpart the scene between himself and Miss Thorne, and Lane asked him to enact it again and again. Then Spencer permitted the lady, and Lane en-

acted the lover's part himself. This reached, he felt quite able to carry on the work his double had so auspiciously commenced. Contented that to be a philosophical dreamer would cost him the girl he loved and to be an actor the program a Spencer had pictured in his head, he was about to return to his room. As to reaching the White House, that remains to be determined.

Spencer called for Europe a few days after he had won the lady for his double and is now the degenerate globe trouter he pictured himself.

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