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OUR CORRESPONDENT'S LETTER

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The western slope of the Sierra Nevada in California, at an altitude of from five to eight thousand feet above the sea, with a north and south range of about 200 miles. There are the trees seen in the Yosemite Valley. The redwood of the coast 'Sequoia Sempervirens'—the immortal 'Sequoia'—is rarely found farther from the coast line than 30 miles because of its fondness for fog and moisture. It depends for much of its moisture, far from being a battered remnant like its cousins of the straggler, it is beautiful, cheerful, and indomitable tree, and the finest specimens are found in these 'Muir Woods,' the great of America's national parks of big trees. Its marvelous capacity for new growth from trunk, or from root saplings, is perhaps the most characteristic of the 'Semper-Virens' in contrast with those of the 'Gigantea,' which has such means of regeneration and must depend on its cones for reproduction. These trees stand about the fallen bodies of their parents and continually readjust their root systems to the decaying trunks beneath them. The diameter of the largest redwoods in this grove is 14 feet, the height from 150 to 300 feet, and their age from 500 to 2000 years. The redwoods are immune from all tree diseases and attacks from insects. For the foresight of the generous donor to the government of this magnificent monument, these trees would have been sacrificed to commercial greed because of the practically indestructible wood which they produce, which will stand almost indefinitely without rotting. The bark, of which so many beautiful soapstone panels are made, is the result of Nature's effort to heal the wound made probably by lightning bolts. These trees were sturdy saplings when King Solomon was building his temple. One of the most conspicuous features of the redwood forests is the profusion of ferns, of which there are said to be more than 100 species. Nature has been so bountiful to California that the Californians are true to the rest of the world. Muir Woods will enrich your experience as a traveler with something that cannot be had elsewhere. It cannot afford to miss the eight-mile constant trip on steel rails, which is the longest and most novel trip in the world.

A few of the interesting things not covered by the foregoing description were: 1.—Log cabin built in 1886 by the old Tanager Hunting Club on the camp site of the Tanager. It has been used by the late John Muir, Joseph Miller, Mark Twain, Robert Louis Stevenson and other distinguished visitors, including yours truly. 2.—A stump from one of the oldest trees in the forest. This tree is estimated to have been 3,000 years old, and it has been dead for 1,000 years. It shows how the young tree spring from the parent root. 3.—Cathedral Grove, giant redwoods grouped about a natural cathedral. Many weddings have been held here. 4.—Largest living tree in the forest. It is 15 feet in diameter, 14 feet in circumference and over 200 feet high. 5.—The Bohemian Grove, named after the Bohemian Club of San Francisco, who held its first high jinks here in 1890. 6.—Largest double tree estimated to be 400 years old. 15 feet in diameter and 200 feet high. 7.—Bay tree with three roots. It has nothing like two trunks. The leaves of these trees are used as a flavor in the preparation of food. 8.—The Emerson tree, dedicated to the poet of the first century of his birth. 9.—The Gifford Pinchot tree, one of the most perfect trees, 14 feet in diameter and 220 feet high. 10.—Large tree growing apparently out of a rock.

For the present, I send fond greetings to all my friends. W. F. ADAMS. AT THE GARRICK

"The Triumph of X," a new play by Carl Wuppermann, will be the offering on the Garrick company at the Garrick for the eighth week beginning Monday, July 4th. The story is rather amusing and with a trace of undercurrent, which swirls along during the tender moments of the play until the plot of the comedy concerned are purged. Briefly, Phyllis Knowles has been reared carelessly by Prof. Robert Knowles, believing she is his daughter. Prof. Knowles is loved by the students of the college where he presides on account of his deep understanding of human nature; he believes in environment, while Prof. Taylor, an intimate associate, claims that heredity is impossible to shake off. Phyllis is the daughter of a bankrupt, a friend of Prof. Knowles and has been kept in ignorance of her parentage. The day comes when she is about to be engaged and the tempo begins to gather, breaking on the night of the engagement party. Incidents tend to prove that Prof. Taylor's theory is right, but in the end we find that there are exceptions to all rules and theories and that neither Prof. Knowles or Prof. Taylor are correct in their deductions. "The Triumph of X" begins with a delightful comedy scene between Phyllis and her young lover and leads up to the moment when she shall realize for the first time that Prof. Knowles is not her father and that their love is more than that of daughter and father. It is a vivid picture of storm tossed people told in brilliant dialogue and carefully worked out situations by the author.

Silver for the June Bride. MIX THE JEWELER.—adv. Get a Take-or-Put Top at MIX THE JEWELER'S.—adv. DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv. AGAIN WE SAY "Velvet Ice Cream delivered for Sunday dinner. Shain's"—adv. RIGHT ON THE FLOOR Have your carpets washed. Call 223.—adv. WHEN YOU WANT Ice cream for Sunday dinner, let Shain's deliver it.—adv. Philadelphia's Early Day. Up to 1720 hunting partridges, doves and pigeons was common in the streets of Philadelphia. Then a law was passed against the practice.

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AN UNIMPASSIONED STATEMENT BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION

Commission Working for Public Good

The members of the Village Commission are willing "like a three-horse team." We have studied the water and sewer situations from every possible angle. Each year, for several years back, has been intimately related to the sewer and water problems that not only waste money, but also water, water main, fire-fighting machine and apparatus, well, or change in running machinery. It has been acquired unless, one, two or all of us have been on the Council of Advisors and Engineers.

We have invited and received the aid and advice of interested citizens and civil engineers. We have employed for water surveys one of our two very noted engineers as well as one who has experience in such work. We have had a committee of 15 prominent citizens investigate the water question thoroughly by request of the Commission. No suggestion from any source has been held in consideration until an impracticable point has been found in it.

The Commission Must Decide In the last analysis the Commission chosen by the people is to be the judge of what is prudent and best for the Village. For this purpose a standpipe tank, 100 feet above the highest point in town, would be the place to erect a storage tank for our water supply. To this plan the Commission points out these difficulties: 1.—The pumps now in use could not put water in a tank which would be from 123 to 210 feet high above the pumps, as our tanks are only 100 feet high. 2.—Besides "jinking" the present machinery and replacing it with a new one, it would be necessary to build such a tank. The people would not foot on a debt of from sixty to a hundred thousand dollars to build the water works station and to erect this tank, while a quantity of water in the Village is still uncertain. 3.—It would take several months or more to erect the waterworks station electrically. 4.—How would you feel about using electric current to run our pumping station, when the electricity at present, comes into Birmingham over one foot wire of lighting, about 100 feet of electric current by a discharging crash tank is the case sometimes and a fire starts in your home, church or store? These and other reasons caused us to reject the high-up or elevated tank for our water and fire protection NOW. What the final solution for our water problem ten or twenty years from now is or will do not seem sure at present, but we do not see that we can do better than water protection now.

Low Down Tank Every other proposed solution from the gutter, what has now been weighed and found not as suitable as an inexpensive steel tank of 200,000 gallons capacity, erected near the pumps and so connected as to be filled by water when the pressure is low. The water in the appointed set pressure, which can be applied any moment, or closed tight in case a good fire pressure of the mains is needed. Nothing can be simpler than this method of filling the tanks.

Tank Fills While We Sleep During several hours in the night the lead and proper use of the water is very light and we can use the period to fill into the tank what we use during the heavy consumption each day previous. The water in the gravel beds pooled by our own wells moves upward and, consequently, out of reach of our pumps in a short time. Of course, all this water that we might have pumped if we could have used it, but we cannot because we had no storage tank in which to place it, will move on and we shall never be able to get it. If all the water that comes within reach of our pumps in a dry time, like the present, or in the next four months of heavy use, could be taken up and served to the people or placed in the storage tank to be used through the water mains when the people need it most, we would have for actual use in any emergency all the water the pumps can handle—and then some left.

Water From Tank to Pump By the closing of valves on the intake pipes from the wells we will be permitted to use the water stored in the tank as long as we wish. In case of fire, would be from 10 to 15 hours; if we thought best we could turn to the wells for water, at any time where, after three hours of rest, about six feet of water would have been collected in the bottom, waiting for the pumps to get. So, we believe, easily 24 hours of straight fire pressure pumping would be on hand at all times.

Fire Protection Today, with the pumps pulling on the wells several hours each day, at a time when the people are using the most water, we have little fire protection and, even in the night, with out a storage tank supply, we would be in bad shape after heavy pumping of an hour's time, but with a storage tank at any time we shall have several hours of fire-fighting ability.

Insurance It has been said that the fire insurance premium will not be raised by the Fire Insurance Bureau more than about \$15,000 per year. Increased fire insurance premiums don't help to reduce the price of goods, but to add to the price of goods. It is not fair to add to the price of goods by merchants who must pay part of the \$15,000 per year advanced premium. The business district is in fire and we have no reserve water supply to help fight with will it not mean to the owners that we have no protection at all?

Whose Fault? Shall we go without protection because, each cannot have a tank to suit his taste? We may let the grass and shrubs die, and fireproofers' bill, even that will not give us fire protection. We Can Be At Water Works A tank at the top of the highest part of town, or any other place, will not serve the purpose as will the 300,000 gallon tank proposed and located at the water works. One chief objection is that the storage water, when turned on, is at the source of supply and, when our system of water pipes is completed, so we may direct the full force of the pumps and storage water into the street or zone where any fire may be located, shall be certain of having a full

REPORT OF BALDWINIAN FOR 1921

The Baldwinian staff has concluded the third year of its successful publication and submits the following report: \$120.85 was cleared and this sum will be spent on improvements at Farmington athletic field. The price of the annual was originally set at \$2.00 but had work and good management by the staff permitted the price to be reduced to \$1.75 at which price every copy was sold with net profit of \$120.85.

PERSONAL

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Parmenter, a son, Walter Keith. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dobbson and son, Hart, of Detroit, were in Birmingham last Sunday as the guests of Mrs. David Lowe of Martin Street. Leon Wheat, who resides just outside of the village is planning to spend the summer months at a place not far from Lake Superior. He will leave the village some time next week. Miss Marguerite Dutton of West Maple street, has gone to Ypsilanti, Michigan, she is to attend summer school. Rev. Thompson of this village, conducted the Wednesday evening prayer meeting of this month in the absence of Rev. Dutton. Mrs. W. C. McKnight and sons, George and James, have gone to Chicago, Ill., where they expect to spend the summer months at the home of Miss Emily McKnight of West Maple avenue, is taking a course in summer school work at the M. A. C.

LOCAL BOY PREPARING COPY FOR COUNTY BOOK

Barrell V. Hughes, associate editor of the Enterprise-Times of Lancaster, N. Y., has been in Birmingham for the past week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hughes. Mr. Hughes is collecting interesting material for his latest book entitled "The Lake of the Lakes of Oakland County." He is collecting material from the oldest residents in the community and has received assistance in the relating of actual events of the county. His book will contain historical facts and pictures of many famous places in the county. Mr. Hughes stated this week that not only the city people, but residents of the country, should be interested in the life of their people. He is so many remarkable lakes we reach the end of the world. Mr. Hughes said, "tell me where and what they are and of the opportunities they offer the tired, busy residents."

P. F. Potter of Oakland avenue, left Monday morning for one of the four St. Lawrence and Saguenay Islands, Montreal, Quebec, and Ile La Ha Bay after going up the Saguenay river. For a number of years Mr. Potter has been doing this work in the summer and has conducted hundreds of people from all over the States to points in all parts of the country. Before the close of the summer he will make a tour to the St. Lawrence and Saguenay rivers. Mr. Potter at his home on Oakland avenue.

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