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WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—This was written on Jackson day, commemorating the memory of Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States and one of the sturdiest figures in American history. His name is coupled with Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson as one of the great presidents of the past.

The time for the observation of his honor day well fits the characteristics which marked the man. While the memory of others of the nation's great is recognized on the birth dates, Jackson's honor date comes on the anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans, the climatic contest of the War of 1812.

## Busy Week at Capitol

This year, the opening of the congress on Tuesday, President Roosevelt's message on Wednesday and the plans for the inauguration have taken some of the edge off of the observation of Jackson day in the Capitol City. At the same time everyone can not help but remember that Jackson, on his inauguration in 1829, brought to Washington a New Deal for his day and that his eight years in the presidency were of prime importance in the development of the governmental history of the United States.

## Crowds Attending

In spite of the fact that similar routine marks each opening of a congress, the convening of the 75th congress drew crowds which overflowed senate galleries, with secretaries and other attaches of the senate, banking the rear of the senate floor, all eager to witness the induction of 16 new senators and giving of oaths of office to those who were reelected. Vice President Garner dropped his ivory-headed gavel promptly at 12 o'clock.

## Routine Preliminaries

Necessary preliminaries, which followed the offering of prayer by the chaplain, the Rev. Ze' Barney T. Phillips, D. D., included the reading of the certificates of election of two interim senators, William L. Hill of Florida, serving in the place of the late Senator Fletcher of Florida, and Guy V. Howard of Minnesota, who finished the term of the late Senator Schall. Following this the credentials of those whose terms commence this year were read.

Colleagues of other newly-elected members, without regard to party lines, escorted those who have been returned to the senate and those who are serving their first year, in groups of four to the vice president, who administered the oaths.

Wednesday, the congress, meeting in joint session in the house of representatives, before galleries filled with members of the cabinet, diplomats and others, heard President Roosevelt give his challenging message to the nation.

## Land Reclamation

Evidence that some of the people of the east are beginning to realize the necessity of reclaiming lands to care for the farm population of the drought area appeared as congress opened when the Washington News editorially called attention to the situation which is driving people into the far west.

## Real Roosevelt Weather

"Roosevelt weather" prevailed during the period covering the president's visit to the capitol to deliver his mes-

sage. The sun shone brightly during the entire period he was away from the White House.

The offer of Andrew Mellon, former secretary of the treasury, made to the nation through President Roosevelt, of his \$40,000,000 worth of paintings and art treasures, with his further promise to erect a \$9,000,000 building for the housing of this and future gifts, has vied with congressional news in the Washington newspapers. The acceptance of this proposal, it is believed, will make this city one of the world's art centers.

## IDAHO LIVE STOCK ARE WINTERING WELL

MOSCOW, Idaho.—Despite severe cold weather, with the mercury below zero several times during the past two weeks, live stock growers report stock is wintering in excellent shape on pastures along the Snake, Clearwater, Salmon and Grand Ronde rivers and their tributaries.

Nearly 100,000 sheep in widely scattered pastures from northeastern Oregon to Potlatch are reported to be thriving on abundance of feed at winter grounds. Although some hay and other food has been purchased to supplement natural forage, feed cost to sheepmen has been less this year than in previous winters, sheep owners say.

Most of the live stock has been quartered at levels below where snow covers the ground, but some fear is being felt by growers that snow and a continued cold spell will soon bring unfavorable conditions.

Stock and sheep growers in the district have closed one of the most successful seasons since the days of 1929. Prices of hogs and sheep were the highest in several years and for the first time in a number of seasons substantial profits were realized by live stock men.

## TWO NEW STATE OFFICIALS

Among the nine elective state officers whose terms began January 1, there were only two new faces—Treasurer Phil H. Gallagher and Superintendent of Public Instruction Stanley F. Atwood. Governor Clarence D. Martin, Lieutenant-Governor Victor A. Meyers, Secretary of State E. N. Hutchinson, Auditor Cliff Yella, Attorney General G. W. Hamilton, Commissioner of Public Lands Albert C. Martin and Insurance Commissioner William A. Sullivan were reelected.

John S. Robinson is the new justice of the supreme court. Justices John F. Main and William J. Millard, whose terms expired, were reelected.

Except in two departments, no important changes in personnel were made.

Atwood succeeds Dr. N. D. Showalter, a republican, and has a new staff of 20 supervisors and clerical workers.

Phil H. Gallagher succeeded Otto A. Case, a democrat, and made changes only in key positions. Gallagher was a deputy in the Case administration.

Necessities are things we buy and pay for. Luxuries are usually the things we buy on credit.

## National Leaders Plan Gigantic Ball to Honor President and Raise Infantile Paralysis Fund



The nation's biggest social event, the celebration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's fifty-fifth birthday anniversary, is set for January 30, with more than 5,000 communities throughout the country planning parties to raise funds for the philanthropy closest to the Chief Executive's heart, and for infantile paralysis sufferers.

A group of proteges of the Warm Springs, Ga., Foundation, where infantile paralysis sufferers are treated. Below, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose birthday January 30 is inspiration for the nation-wide parties to raise funds for the fight against infantile paralysis, and Colonel Henry L. Doherty, national chairman of the ball for the fourth year.

## SALOON OR PROHIBITION, SAYS IDAHO'S GOVERNOR; WASHINGTON UNSETTLED

Governor Barzilla W. Clark of Idaho seeks legislature to repeal the 1935 state liquor store act, advocating return of the old-time saloon, stating the present set-up is unsatisfactory.

On the subject, says Seattle's Business Chronicle:

"In Washington, a number of cities voted on local option in November.

"We are going to have the prohibition question up again as a live issue if the liquor interests do not mend their ways. Go into a beer joint almost anywhere and observe what goes on there. Many of them are worse than the worst of the old-time saloons."

## TIETON RANCHER REPORTS TREES DAMAGED BY COLD

TIETON, Wash.—O. P. Wickersham, local orchardist, reports orchards in this district have been damaged as a result of the recent sub-zero weather.

He says he has observed cracks in a number of trees, where the wood has broken open and the bark has come loose. This, he believes, is due to the dry condition of the trees at the time of the cold snap.

There was little sap in the trees and the bark will die around the cracks unless something is done to prevent it. The best treatment is to tack the bark down with carpet tacks, he says, and this may keep it from drying and when the sap returns it will grow over the wound.

Rot is perhaps their greatest enemy. The plants are filled with a spongy material that holds water and they will live many weeks out of the soil as long as there is no injury that allows rot to get started.

The best location during the winter is the sunniest window available. The spineless green sorts do not require as much sun as the white and stronger spined ones, but sunlight is necessary for all. If pests appear, they are probably red spiders or mealy bugs. They can be controlled with a good insecticide.

## Make Old Hardwood Floors Look New

Reduced incomes during the past several years caused many people to neglect the refinishing of floors in their homes. Today these floors are in sad need of repair. In some homes hardwood floors are almost devoid of varnish or wax. With the business pickup of the past year, many letters are being received, asking how these abused floors can be made to take on their one-time fine appearance. The following comments based on general experience and observation are offered.

If hardwood floors are in bad condition, the first step in order to get a good refinish job is to have them completely resanded, preferably by a man who makes a specialty of such work. Sanding floors is such a laborious job that it should not be attempted by hand. A good sanding machine is required and some experience in its use is needed for high-class work.

After sanding, the floors can be finished with floor varnish, floor oils, floor sealer and wax, or floor sealer without wax. Of course, floor paint can be used also where it is desired, but is not recommended for floor of good wood in satisfactory condition for receiving a transparent finish. If a color darker than the natural wood is desired, the floors may be stained before applying one of the transparent finishes or the stain may be mixed with the varnish or floor sealer, provided one first makes sure from his dealer that the stain is of a kind that will not prevent the proper drying of the varnish or sealer.

The present vogue in floor finishing seems to be decidedly toward the use of floor sealers and wax. The most desirable finishes with floor sealers are those in which the sealer is worked into the floor with steel wool before it dries. With most sealers some time should elapse between the application of the sealer and the use of steel wool, the length of this period varies according to the nature of the sealer, but can be learned easily by trial.

Cracks in wood floors can rarely be filled permanently with crack fillers of any kind. The best procedure probably where the cracks are wide is to glue in "dutchmen," that is, thin strips of wood of the same kind as that of the flooring. This is usually a job for a good carpenter. Where the cracks are too narrow to fill in this way, they might as well be left alone.

## AIRLINES SEEK HUSKIER GIRLS FOR HOSTESSES

Those pretty girls who make their living being pleasant and helpful 10,000 feet in the air will continue to be pretty, but some of them will be bigger.

One of the country's largest air lines—American Airlines—has sent out a call for larger girls to handle the heavier duties aboard its fleet of sleeper ships.

Previously the height limit was five feet four inches and the weight limit 110 pounds. Now 120 pounds and an extra inch in height is acceptable.

Charm, brains and a graduate degree in nursing remain prerequisites for getting a job as airplane hostess.

## PRICKLY CACTUS PLANTS APPEAL TO MANY

For many, a liking for cacti must be acquired like a taste for olives. Although at first they may have little appeal they soon awaken interest. When you get to know them, and study their characteristics they become fascinating, and many a lukewarm on-looker finds himself an ardent fan with an ever-enlarging collection of varieties which threaten to fill up available space in the home.

The small spiny and odd-shaped sorts are in demand for indoor culture. They require little space or attention, and will thrive in a warm, dry atmosphere. The plants are decorative in crude unglazed Mexican pottery or in bowls of

finer finish: Mexican ware is very informal and quite gay with its colorful decorations.

For a larger collection of the tiny plants it is most convenient to use clay pots set into a large flat bowl or a long pan with sand packed between the pots to hold them in position. A dozen plants in a pan are much neater looking and easier to handle than a dozen individual plants set on a shelf or window sill.

A light sandy soil is best for most members of the family. Although they require plenty of water during the growing season and are benefited by an occasional syringing with tepid water to remove accumulated dust, too much water must always be avoided.

## Art of Arranging Flowers

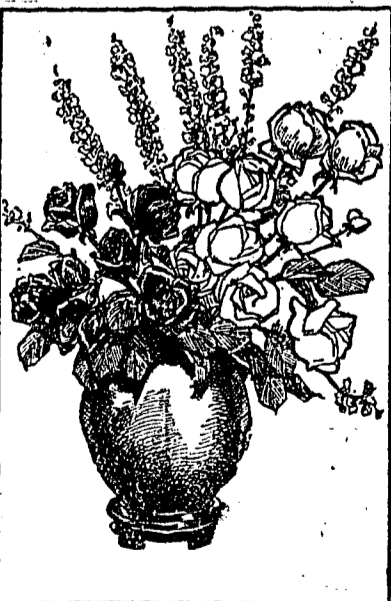
Flower arrangement is a delightful pastime which lends a decorative note to the home few inanimate things can imitate. And it is not a difficult art to master if one will follow the few general principles which really matter.

One of these is balance. Balance means that the weight on each side of an axis is equal, as in the case of a playground seesaw, when two children of equal weight balance each other on the board.

In the case of a flower arrangement, the same principle is observed, using the container as the axis, instead of the sawhorse on the seesaw.

There are different ways of creating balance. First we can put an equal number of blossoms of about the same size on each side of the vase. Second we can attempt to compensate a larger number on one side, by placing longer blossoms on the other. The illustration of the seesaw is again in point, as we remember that a heavier person on one end must give way a little more board to the lighter one on the other end.

It is also possible to make what appears to be a balance of weight, by a careful choice of colors. In the illustration, light and dark roses and delphiniums are used. You will note,

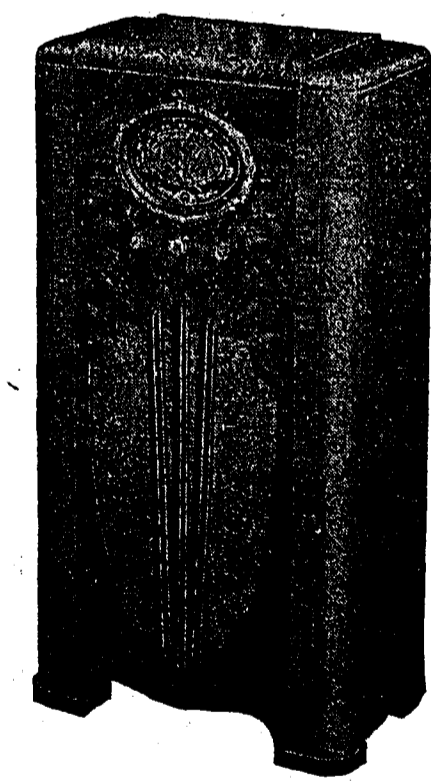


An Arrangement Balanced by Color

however, that both number and length of the blooms on the right side far surpass those on the left, and should in principle outweigh them. Yet, the whole is pleasing. Why? Because the roses on the left are extremely dark in color, and color in design always gives the impression of weight. Keep these three principles of balance in mind when making arrangements; they will help you get more enjoyment from your flowers.

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