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LOCAL BREVITIES. Saturday's Daily. Baldwin, Nolan and Houghton were the winners in the bowling tournament last night, with the split 113 score of 513.

By reading the report of the county school superintendent in another column you may gain a fairly good idea of school affairs in the county. A young couple named Newton Lord and Jennie Helper were married in an Eastern town recently and the editor of the local paper was almost clubbed to death by the indignant groom because he made use of the heading—'Lord-Helper'.

Many complimentary remarks are being passed today concerning the splendid lecture given by Rev. Rushing last night at the Christian church. His subject was "The World's First Woman," and everyone present was delighted with the manner in which he handled it.

In spite of the law against selling liquor to Indians, it is not an uncommon thing to encounter a drunken Indian in and out of the city. Last night T. J. Driver arrested a brave who had so much of the "fire water" that he had to be put in the cooler, where he spent the night, and today as well.

Sheriff Kelly returned last night from Salem, where he went to take Richardson to the asylum. While there Mr. Kelly inquired as to the Dalles inmates in the asylum, and found they were all in about the same condition, with little signs of improvement, except the case of Miss Laura Donaldson, who is now in the convalescent ward.

Arthur Clarke, the popular and courteous young jeweler of The Dalles, arrived here last Monday, and will locate in Heppner permanently. His stock of goods will arrive in a day or so, but as yet he has not secured a suitable building. Mr. Clarke is a polished young man and will be a valuable acquisition to our society circles.—Heppner Times.

At the regular business meeting of the Epworth League held last night the following officers were elected: President, L. Rach; 1st vice president, Miss Nettie Fredden; 2d vice president, Hilda Beck; 3d vice president, Mrs. Warner; 4th vice president, Mabel Collins; secretary, Miss Maybell Cross; treasurer, Mr. Flemming; chorister, E. J. Collins; organist, Miss L. Rach.

Sleeping-car rates are being reduced on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific roads. At first a reduction to \$10 was announced; but a compromise has been made whereby a rate of \$12 will be made from the East to this coast, instead of \$13.50 as now charged. Ultimately it is thought a reduction will be made on all lines west of the Missouri river.

Just as we go to press word was received in the city that a murder had been committed near Viento this afternoon. It seems that the workmen on the road got into a lively discussion, becoming very angry. Finally one of the men ordered the other to do something in connection with the work in hand, and being refused, he picked up a rock and hit the other in the head, killing him instantly.

The latest from Spokane says that the smallpox reports have been greatly exaggerated. Instead of twenty-seven cases there have been so far only five cases, and until last Sunday there were only three. Sunday morning the two additional cases were reported from a lodging-house, which was occupied by twenty persons. The house was at once quarantined, and it is thought the exposed persons will escape the disease.

For some time past an item has been going the rounds of the press to the effect that there are at present about 1,500,000 pounds of wool stored in the warehouses at The Dalles. We are informed today by one warehouse company that they have almost 2,000,000 pounds in their warehouse alone, therefore we conclude the total amount has been greatly underrated. In a short time the new crop will be arriving, and buyers will find The Dalles just the place for their purchases.

K. of P. hall would scarcely contain the crowd that gathered to listen to the entertainment and enjoy the pleasures afforded by the ladies of the Episcopal Guild last night. After viewing the articles on sale at the booths, and making purchases of the same, a short program was given and at its close all were attracted to the refreshment room, where ice cream and cake were served. The latter part of the evening was spent in dancing. The ladies were very successful with their sale, and realized a goodly sum for their labors; probably over \$100.

attending to business in connection with, and changes which will be made in the work of the company. T. A. Hudson having resigned from the agency, the management passes into the hands of G. W. McNear, of Portland and San Francisco. While we regret to hear of the resignation of one who has proven himself so proficient an agent as Mr. Hudson, at the same time we are glad to learn that his successor is a man thoroughly interested in the welfare of this section and one of the largest wheat exporters on the coast. Mr. McNear will at once open an office at The Dalles, and Mr. C. E. Curry will probably be appointed his local agent. It is Mr. McNear's intention to actively enter into the further development of the property, particularly the agricultural lands in Sherman county. The extension of the Columbia Southern beyond Moro will be of great value to the company's property, as it brings much of it within convenient reach of market and gives them cheap transportation.

The story of "A Doll's House" the wonderful drama in which Miss Thropp will be seen here on Monday night, is one of engrossing interest. Nora, the petted and spoiled wife of Torvald Helmer, is the central figure of the play. Her youth had been passed as a doll-child, she is Helmer's doll-wife and their home is "A Doll's House." After eight years of married life, the shadow of a dread secret crosses her path and opens her eyes for the first time to worldliness, selfishness and crime. When the love and confidence of her husband is weighed and found wanting, the whole fabric of her life crumbles to dust and Nora stands, revealed a woman. Of the remarkable characters in this much discussed play it is not too much to say that they are the creation of a genius whose knowledge of human nature is as profound as it is wonderful.

Monday's Daily. The ladies of the Episcopal Guild were so fortunate as to realize as the result of their entertainment and sale \$155 clear of expenses.

About noon today Mrs. C. F. Stephens received the sad news of the death of her brother, Ephraim Jackson, at Lebanon, Or. She left on the afternoon train for that place.

The Oregonian contains an announcement that will be of interest to many of our readers: The engagement is announced of Miss Rose Bloch, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. Bloch, to Cecil H. Bauer.

Mr. W. C. Smith, of Portland, just returned from Trout creek reports considerable activity in mining in that district. Mining experts in the city expect soon to make a trip into that section.

We were shown some first-class work in map-drawing this morning by W. F. Johnston, a draftsman who has for some time been employed by C. J. Crandall. He is a splendid workman, and his map of Palestine would be invaluable to students of sacred history.

Dr. Oglesbee, who has been on a prospecting tour in the upper country, arrived from Prineville this afternoon and will leave for his home at Junction City tomorrow. The doctor says there is a great deal of sickness at Prineville this spring. He is very sanguine regarding the mines he has located along Crooked river.

J. H. Carlock, W. Manning and M. Page, members of the U. S. Geological Survey, were in the city yesterday. They are now at work about thirty miles above The Dalles. Among the altitudes which have been ascertained by them are: Summit, ten miles from here, 187 feet; Cello, 177, and Squally Hook 192.7.

J. B. O'Brien, superintendent of the O. R. & N., who has been making a tour of the road and spent some time in the Blue mountains, between Pendleton and La Grande, reports that there are from six to eight feet of solid snow in that section. At Meacham station there were four feet. The first rise in the Columbia comes from these mountains, and it is to be hoped we will have our warm weather in sections this year to prevent the rise being delayed till June.

During the terrible wind storm yesterday afternoon a small boat, containing two ladies and two or three gentlemen from Goldendale, attempted to cross the river from Columbus to Grants. They had almost reached the landing place on this side when the boat upset and went rapidly down the stream. In time, however, the party was rescued, but not until the ladies were almost too weak to stand. This is a very dangerous place even when the river is quiet.

The officers who telephoned from Viento Saturday afternoon regarding the killing which was purported to have taken place on the road near there, were a little previous and, as Chambers, the expressman who used to live here, said, "the corpse ain't dead yet." He was very seriously injured and thought to be dying, but recovered somewhat and was afterward taken to the hospital in Portland. Peter McCoy, who threw the rock, escaped, and last reports from Constable Tucker said three men were on his trail.

A Dalles small boy who fully realized that "tis not by works alone," and who at the same time was much disgusted because his maternal ancestor insisted on receiving some assistance from him

when preparing for a church social, was heard to remark: "Mauma, what do you git out o' this, anyway?" "Oh, my son, we do not look for our reward here; we'll find it when we get to heaven." Dropping his work and looking somewhat disgusted he said: "Workin' to git into heaven is somethin' like a boy workin' to git into a show. May be he gits there and maybe he don't."

The Prineville Review has a kick coming concerning the stage line accommodations between The Dalles and that place. The reporter of that paper should have been with us this morning to have viewed the new four-horse, thorough-breed stage coach which has just been finished for that line by Lane Bros. of this city. It is a beauty, and looks as if it would be as comfortable as a rocking chair. Geo. Miller, who owns stage lines in Southern Oregon, says The Dalles has the name of turning out some of the best stages in the country, and he is now having one built by this same firm to use on his lines.

The news of the drowning of Fish Commissioner McGuire and Senator Reed of Douglas county, Saturday morning in the Umpqua river, is still another occurrence to be added to the long list of dreadful casualties which have been compelled to chronicle during the past year or more. In the death of these men our state loses citizens we can ill afford to part with, and whose places it will be difficult to fill. Not only those who were personally acquainted with H. D. McGuire, but residents along the entire length of the Columbia will feel they have lost a friend. So accustomed have we grown to reading in the papers concerning his untiring efforts in behalf of the fishing interests of our state, and to noting his success in the work assigned him, that we feel we must say with the Oregonian, "His place cannot be filled."

Tuesday's Daily. During the past six months 661 bonny scalps have been brought in and bounties paid thereon.

The sheriff will this afternoon turn over to the county treasurer \$712.52 taxes collected on the 1897 roll.

Mays & Crowe have just finished placing in their new store the Lamson system of cash carriers, which is very complete and reliable.

The family of Fred Fisher, who lately returned to this city from Portland, has rented the house recently occupied by L. Clarke, on the hill.

Deputy Sheriff Sexton made a trip to 15-Mile this afternoon for the purpose of bringing to the city Lincoln Farrington, who will be examined as to his sanity.

Henry Hudson is in from Dufur today. He reports his wife as now able to sit up a short time each day. Mr. Hudson's family has been greatly afflicted with sickness this spring.

The expense of running the court-circuit and justice—during the past six months has amounted to \$5334.30, being unusually large on account of the criminal case recently tried.

The lady editor of the Drain Watchman, says: "Some one has sneeringly remarked: 'Two-thirds of the church members of this country are women.' Very true; it is also true that out of 45,000 convicts in our state prisons, more than 43,000 are men."

The residence which E. C. Pease is erecting on Fourth street is fast assuming proportions which prove it to be one of the most beautiful and complete in the city. No expense has been spared to make it such, and it is said to be faultless as far as comfort is concerned.

This morning at 10 o'clock at the Catholic church in this city, Father Bronsgeest united in marriage Mr. John Stegman and Miss Malania Mespille. Mr. Stegman has a fruit farm near the forks of Mill creek, where the newly married couple will make their home.

Like everything else in The Dalles, marriage licenses are issued by whole sale, and where there is an application for one, another is bound to follow. This morning licenses were issued to John H. A. Stegman and Miss Malania Mespille and John B. McAttee, of Tygh, and Miss Anna Heisler, of Dufur.

The occupants of the small boat which upset in the Columbia at Grants Sunday were Misses Nettie McEwan and Ethel Masters and Lou Darland and Geo. Washburne, of Goldendale, besides the ferryman. 'Twas a narrow escape, and 'tis said that when the young men reached shore with the young ladies the latter were unconscious.

The "ill" wind, when at its height this afternoon played havoc with the awnings at Pease & Mays' store, and caused the rod which held the one on the east show window to strike against the large plate glass and break a portion of it into splinters. It is no slight loss to have one of these immense windows break, each one being worth at least \$60.

It will be gratifying to those who have been unduly concerned regarding high water this year, to learn that the river has already begun to rise, standing this morning at 9.8 above low water mark, having risen 1.1 in the previous twenty-four hours. Let it come now, for by rising in sections we will be spared the immense rise which would otherwise follow.

A gentleman who has just returned from a trip to Montana says the livestock interests there did not suffer any unusual losses during the past winter, and came through to the spring with

enough feed for all classes of stock. Although some storms came, there was at no time a shortage of feed, which kept losses down to a minimum. Conditions in that region have scarcely ever been better than they are just now, and the stockmen, therefore, feel in good spirits.

The following dispatch denying current reports that Bishop Christie, of Vancouver's island, has been notified of his appointment as archbishop of Oregon, to succeed the late Archbishop Gross, has been received from Victoria: "Bishop Christie has several times denied knowledge of his appointment as archbishop of Oregon. He says the announcement must be made from Rome, and at any rate he does not think he will be moved from Victoria until he completes the work which he has commenced here."

It is to be hoped that the young girls of our city who have assumed the "hipped" walk, apparently so much in vogue of late, and so far from being graceful, lost none of the extra curves which were so noticeable in the carriage of Miss Thropp last night. While otherwise attractive, her movements as she crossed the stage were certainly not taking with those who are not sufficiently up in the latest gait. However, while it may be all right for a doll to carry herself in that manner, it surely is not becoming to a young lady.

Graduates this year will have one advantage over those of previous years, who have been at a decided loss to determine where could be found suitable program stationery. This annoyance has been overcome this year, and some of the daintiest, swellest programs may be obtained by calling at THE CHRONICLE office and looking over the samples recently received by us. We have them of every description, from the plainest to the most fancy. We invite any who may desire programs of any kind to call and inspect something new.

The accident which occurred on the Columbia Southern Sunday night is only another proof that there should be a law in the state compelling railroad companies to build a walk on every trestle along their line. There are very few persons who would have the presence of mind to step aside on a walk, as the train passed. Beside there is much danger in so doing. There are several trestles between this place and Hood River unguarded by a walk, and even in our city the greater portion of the large railroad bridge is devoid of a walk, and sooner or later an accident will happen. While the bridge is the company's property and people walk over it at their own risk, yet it would be much cheaper in the end had a walk been built in connection with the road.

We're All Right.

While we are complaining about the unbearable wind storms, which generally make their appearance on Sundays or just when we want a practical demonstration regarding the beauty of our climate, let us turn our eyes eastward and contemplate for a moment the conditions there existing. Mr. Brooks is in receipt of the weather report for March in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas, which says:

Upon the whole the season is backward at the close of March, the month having been very unfavorable for farming operations. In the Dakotas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin the ground is frozen to an unusual depth, the frost extending to a depth of from five to ten feet in North Dakota and Minnesota. While the average temperature of March was somewhat above the normal in the southern states, the season in that section is reported from two to three weeks late, except in Texas, where it is more nearly normal.

The report adds: The general condition of wheat is less favorable than at the close of February, and as at the close of that month the late sown is less promising than that seeded early. On the Pacific coast the outlook is most promising in Oregon, and the crop has been greatly benefited by recent rains in California, but in Washington it has been injured by severe weather and lack of snow protection.

Elegant new Pullman palace sleepers between Portland and Chicago have just been placed in service via the O. R. & N., Oregon Short Line, Union Pacific and Chicago & Northwestern railways daily every day in the year. Cars are of the very latest pattern, in fact being the most improved up-to-date sleeping cars turned out by the Pullman Company. These new palaces will leave Portland on the evening fast train of the O. R. & N. arriving at Chicago the morning of the fourth day and running through without change via Granger and Omaha. 1911

No; the money-back guarantee of Schilling's Best tea coffee soda baking powder flavoring extracts and spices is not an advertising "dodge." — Get your money-back here if you don't like them. For sale by Vandugn, Adams & Co. Tygh Valley, Ore.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. Annual Report by County School Superintendent Gilbert. The schools of our county were never in a more prosperous condition than at present, the various country schools, as well as those in the towns, improving steadily each term, and are in charge of the best of teachers. Following will be found a portion of the report of County School Superintendent Gilbert for the year ending March 6, 1899: Number of persons between 4 and 20 years of age residing in the county, 4,306. Number of resident pupils enrolled in public schools during the year between 4 and 20 years of age, 2,941. Number of resident pupils enrolled in public schools during the year under 6 years of age, 102. Number of resident pupils attending school outside of their districts during the year, 93. Average daily attendance, 2,101. Number of teachers employed in the public schools during the year ending first Monday in March, 1899, 115. Number of children not attending any school during the year between 4 and 20 years of age, 1,365. Estimated value of school houses, including school house grounds, \$104,715. Estimated value of school furniture belonging to the school houses, \$11,964. Estimated value of apparatus, including maps, globes, charts, school tablets, etc., \$5,164. Amount of insurance on school houses and other school property, \$40,770. Average amount of salary paid male teachers per month in the public schools during the year, \$42.32. Average amount of salary paid female teachers per month in the public schools during the year, \$34.25. Whole number of organized districts in this county, 65. Average number of months public schools have been taught during the year in this county, 63-10. Number of school houses built during the year, 3. Number of school houses in the county, 67. Number of graded schools in the county, 8; teachers employed, 35; pupils attending, 1,747. Number of legal voters in the county for school purposes, 2,229. Number of local institutes held in this county during the year, 6; number of teachers present estimated 100; other persons 1,000. Amount of school funds in hands of district clerk at the beginning of this school year, first Monday in March, 1898, \$1,510.55. Amount raised by districts on district tax account during the year, \$13,187.68. Amount of money apportioned to school districts from the county school fund during the year, \$15,965.36. Amount of the county apportionment to school districts for the state school fund during the year, \$4,906.80. Amount of money raised by rate bills during the year, \$623.90. Amount of school funds received from from all other sources during the year, \$21,318.85. Amount paid out for teachers' wages during the year ending the first Monday in March, 1899, \$23,505.39. Amount paid for rent of school rooms during the year, \$1,519.03. Amount paid out during the year for repairs on school houses and premises, \$1,394.45. Amount paid out during the year for the purchase of school furniture, \$985.42. Amount paid for fuel and other necessary incidentals during the year, \$1,402.68. Amount paid out for clerk's services during the year, \$526.93. Amount paid during the year for ap-

ASSAILANT OF COOK CAPTURED

The Five-Hundred Dollar Reward Well Earned. The assailant of Frank Cook, head brakeman on the O. R. & N. who was nearly murdered last week near Hay station by a tramp he was putting off the train, has been captured at Tekoa by Joe Canutt, sheriff of Whitman county, who has landed him in Spokane county jail. The sheriff says: "The man gives a badly confused account of his movements during the last week. He even gave me two names, the first name being Joseph Johnson and the second Richard Barrett. So disconnected is the fellow's explanation of himself that I would not attempt to repeat it to you. However, he has acknowledged being in Starbuck and Riparia within the last few days, but is utterly unable to give the dates. "The capture of Johnson or Barrett was a clever piece of work. He appeared suddenly in Tekoa and his striking resemblance to the man described by Cook as the latter's assailant impressed Deputy Quinn very forcibly. Quinn watched his man closely. Last night the stranger ginned up pretty well, and Quinn cultivated his acquaintance still more closely, and the man gave himself away during the evening by saying to Quinn: "Yes, I did strike Cook over the head, and the I would do it again." "The stranger's arrest promptly followed his declaration. "Barrett was brought to town on the next train, and at 8 o'clock this morning was taken over to the hospital, where he confronted Cook. As soon as the latter saw him he said: "That is the man who struck me over the head." "Handcuffed, Barrett was next returned by us to the city jail and locked up." A Narrow Escape. Thankful words were written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; coughed it and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1. Guaranteed or price refunded.

WHOLESALE. RETAIL. The following lines are to be found at Mays & Crowe. FULL ASSORTMENT. LOW PRICES. Garden Tools, Deep Well Pumps, Rubber and Cotton Hose, Winchester and Marlin Rifles, latest models, Fishing Tackle, Bicycles and Sandries, Smith & Wesson and Colt's Revolvers, Blacksmith's Tools, Bar Iron and Steel, Blacksmith's Coal, Wagon Maker's Supplies, Wrought Iron Pipe and Fittings, Barb Wire and Nails. Warranted—Lisk Anti-Rust Tinware—Warranted. We will replace every piece if found rusted. Granite Iron and Stewart Enameled Ware. A Complete Line of AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS. Planet Jr. Garden Tools, John Deere Plows and Harrows, Bean Spray Pumps, Cultivators and Disk Harrows, Rushford Wagons, Racine Buggies and Carriages, Buckeye and Plano Mowers and Reapers, Tiger Drills, lightest draft. Our stock of Builder's Hardware and Carpenter's Tools is complete in every detail. Majestic Steel Ranges and Cook Stoves. Before buying elsewhere examine our Stock.