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WHY NOT A NATATORIUM?

That persons who wish to bathe with safety in the South Umpqua river at Roseburg should be immunized from typhoid fever is advice from the county health officer that isn't at all agreeable to a city proud of the natural beauty of its setting, its roses, and the salubrity of its climate. The condition is one that calls for the construction of a natatorium, supplied with water absolutely free of pollution. What is true of the river water, this year will be true in all succeeding years and in greater degree with constant growth in population and numbers of livestock. With a movement under way to provide the city with a public park and playground, it would seem appropriate to seriously consider the establishment of a natatorium in conjunction with those projects. What can be done in that respect by a small city is illustrated in the case of Garden City, Kansas, 8,000 population and only a little larger than Roseburg. A recent news item announces that Garden City now boasts of one of the largest swimming pools in the country, and that it is a drawing card for scores of miles around. It is 355 feet long and 210 feet wide and will accommodate one thousand bathers at a time. In the winter the pool is used for a skating rink. This pool was built by the city and civic organizations. It is of greater dimensions than one which Roseburg needs or could perhaps afford to build at this time, but why can't we have one that will answer our present needs without straining our purse? City and civic organizations have cooperated not only in Garden City but in hundreds of other places to bring about swimming pools and natatoriums, and we know of no valid reason why Roseburg can't do as well.

DANGEROUS APATHY.

If the news that incendiaries are applying the match to western forests does not stimulate action, it will be a sign that people have not yet been forced out of their unconcern over a problem of tremendous significance, says the Portland Oregonian. No penalty is likely to be excessive when the peculiar enormity of the crime is considered, for the offense not only involves public waste but betrays utter disregard of human life. It is impossible to foresee the consequences of any fire, and this is especially true in the woods.

Apathy is only a little less surprising, however, when it tolerates the starting of fires from other preventable causes. It is nearly inconceivable that there should be anyone not familiar with the dangers of conflagrations such as are dotting the forest map of the northwest, or with the obligations of every traveler therein. The newspapers have spread the information, there are signs in all reserves, and the smoke palls hanging over many communities stand out as perpetual reminders. The public is on notice, and it is a reasonable assumption that carelessness in this respect is criminal. To the principle that every man is presumed to know the law of the land is added the fair inference that common prudence is to be expected, with or without law.

Incendiaries if caught should receive the limit. But others ought not to escape.



GOOD WORK.

My car was acting also-ran; it would not go, except by spells; I summoned Trix, our best mechanic, who's been described as wearing bells. A dozen other gifted veterans had wrought and labored round my hearse; they claimed to be expert with motors, but only made mine run the worse. "Why do you," asked the village pastor, "engage cheap men to fix your boat? Their service only spells disaster, it is not worth a phony groat. I always view cheap things with loathing. I want the best my purse can buy; cheap help's as bad as shoddy clothing—engage a man whose price is high. When my old car is in a panic, and has blind staggers and repeat, I send for Trix, the boss mechanic, and he soon makes it good as wheat. You'll shudder when you learn his prices, but he will surely earn his pay; he'll do as much work in three times as cheaper men do in a day. And what he does he does correctly, of trouble shooters he's the king; he plies his wrenches circumspectly, he makes your motor purr and sing." The parson's words impressed me greatly. I summoned Trix to fix my bus; he came, serene and strong and stately, and got to work with little fuss. He tinkered with the differential, he monkeyed with the bendix drive, and, breathing dirges penitential, he pattered with the pistons five. At last my car was running sweetly, no longer did the engine pound; he had removed those ills completely which made it buck and paw the ground. I asked him for his bill thereafter, and it was large, no doubt of that; I paid it, though, with mirth and laughter, and gave, as bonus, a new hat. To get results is our ambition, and we reward the expert swain; to get results is the fruition of all the plans we entertain.

NEW LAKE CO. PROSECUTOR. Ed. Conk had his unanimous endorsement of the Lake county bar association.
SALEM, Ore., Aug. 9.—Charles H. Conk of Lakeview, was today appointed by Governor Pierce as district attorney for Lake county, succeeding Arthur D. Hay, resigned.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS

The Rabg. delegation returned yesterday from the Coos Bay Legion convention and Judgin' from the Reports that preceded our arrival in the village there. Some sort of a Censorship established which protected us during the war.

DUMBBELL DORA THINKS

Cian nectar is a claim that necks.

Having promised our Buddies who sojourned in our cabin at market-old during the ergy last week, that we would refrain from mentioning their names in this column we will talk about the weather or some other bromide topic in order to take our mind off the events which stand out so prominently in our vision.

But folks it was a great gathering and we'll tell the bicycled world that Coos Bay knows how.

We are pleased to note at this time that during the stay in the bay section we were fortunate in finding Aimee McPherson's corset. The finger prints on same were identified but we cannot make a public announcement at this time. We've had a hard enough time trying to convince the wife it was Aimee's corset.

We all returned to find the whole darn county afire. But most of our stomachs are the same way.

Attended a sea food dinner Saturday and had our first glimpse of a mussel. We couldn't get up enough nerve to eat one of those bearded clams, however, and we don't wonder that Henry FSD doesn't want to purchase Mussel Shoals.

About 4:45 Saturday a. m. we had an opportunity to purchase the Pacific ocean from a fellow who claimed to have an option on it.

The Rabg. drum corps suitably tried their stuff in tip top shape. Although they finished fourth, they were only within a few points of the first prize winners and next year this gang should gallop off with first honors.

Several political candidates were noticed "hagin'" around the convention but their cries for help were lost in the din of a flock of Buddies who had other things to talk about.

And—
Faiden us while we get a drink of water!

As we were going to say, our next door neighbors, the Coos Bay folks, are entertainers de luxe and from Ben Oatfield, the tall fellow, right down to their five footers, they can't be outclassed any place on the globe.

Must go to bed now, g'night!



Late Perkins Says:
"So's yer ol' man!"

State Press Comment

Government and Liberty

According to the Oregon News-Review, a letter from the United States district attorney at Portland, Ore., dated August 7, 1926, to the Oregon News-Review, in which the attorney stated that the Oregon News-Review had been found guilty of publishing a libelous article concerning the United States district attorney at Portland, Ore., and that the attorney was seeking a judgment of \$10,000 against the Oregon News-Review.

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To the friends and neighbors of the late Mrs. John Perkins who so kindly attended to his funeral services.

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FINE LECTURE ON

EVOLUTION HEARD

SUNDAY EVENING

Theory Is Opposed to Bible

According to President

of Bible and Science

League.

The Presbyterian church was filled with a capacity audience last evening for the "Evolution Opposed to the Bible," given by J. J. Sims, president of the Bible and Science League.

The lecturer was introduced by the Rev. Mr. Carr as having an international reputation, and whose lectures have packed the largest theaters, churches and halls.

Mr. Sims stated that evolution was not science, and quoted Lord Kelvin, Virchow and other great scientists who said that evolution was an "unproven hypothesis," or "guesswork." The speaker then went on to take up the three schools of evolution, theistic, agnostic and atheistic, showing that the atheistic school, which denies the existence of God, takes in eighty-five per cent of all the scientific evolutionists of the world, this being a plain proof that evolution is diametrically opposed to the Bible.

The theory of evolution was shown by means of colored photographic slides from fire ants, through sea slugs, worms, shellfish, fish, frogs, reptiles, birds, kangaroos, monkeys to men, and all this, the lecturer said, without a scientific proof from the world of living nature or fossils.

An analysis of Genesis, the lecturer said, showed that the fact that the creation of the first verse was in the beginning, which may have been millions of years ago, the six days being a reconstruction of the earth, which had come into existence in ruins, pictured in the second verse. The lecturer closed with an appeal to accept the gospel.

Many humorous illustrations were used during the lecture to illustrate various points brought forth by the speaker.

President Sims will give the closing part of the evolution lecture at 8 o'clock tonight in the Presbyterian church, when he will also give an account of "Five Years in Ireland," with 100 magnificent colored slides of Irish life and scenery.

Mrs. Sims and Mr. Whitfield, choir singers with an international reputation, will give special music at tonight's lecture. Admission will be free but an offering will be taken.

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POLICE START ON

FRESH PROBE INTO

HALL-MILLS CASE

(Associated Press Local Wire.)

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Aug. 9.—Questioning in the proposed Hall-Mills murder investigation took a new turn today with the appearance of state police to begin anew the story of what took place on the night in September, 1922, when the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Miss Eleanor Mills, one of his chorists, were slain.

The first persons at the spot where the bodies were found, and other preliminary witnesses, were brought in for questioning today.

Two men, who were standing at the end of the car line when Mrs. Mills alighted.

Edward Stryker and his niece, Mrs. Grace Edwards, living near the Phillips farm where the bodies were found, under a crab apple tree, Mrs. Edwards completed the telephone call when Raymond Schneider was found the bodies, and now was attempting to notify police.

Mrs. A. C. Franks, living near the site and who in the first investigation told of hearing shots while sitting on her front porch.

Daniel J. Wray, formerly city editor of the New Brunswick Times News, and Frank M. Deane, a reporter, who were among the first to arrive at the Phillips farm after finding of the bodies, was reported, also were questioned.

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