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PRICE FIVE CENTS

CORVALLIS WANTS THE BIG FIGHT

PROMINENT CITIZENS ORGANIZE TO GO AFTER IT

WILL OFFER \$115,000 PURSE

Have Already Posted Forfeit and Will Send Two Men To Land the Scrap--Believed that the Fight Will be a Great Advertisement.

Citizens of Corvallis want the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight. This morning a company capitalized at \$125,000 was organized and it was decided to send Messrs Punderson Avery and Peter Rickard to San Francisco to confer with Coffroth, Tex Rickard and the other moguls in regard to getting the fight for this city. They are authorized to offer \$115,000 for the fight, the same to take place in the new college armory here, which will seat 20,000 people. A \$50,000 forfeit is now on deposit at the Benton County National Bank.

The incorporators of the company are Punderson Avery, Peter Rickard, Wm. Bogue, Neil Newhouse, David Osburn, A. L. Stevenson and J. R. N. Bell. Either man, with the possible exception of the latter who is now building a residence, is amply able to guarantee the full amount of the offer to be made for the fight. Two of the incorporators are members of the city council and it is expected that these can prevent any Puritanic uprising against the supposed immorality of a prize fight. However, even now there is a hint that City Attorney Bryson is to be consulted.

These men mean business. All are royal sports ready to take a chance and they have the moral support of a very large number in this city who for some time have been denied any greater excitement than drinking soda water and flipping tiddly-winks. The Rickard automobile was shipped this morning, and Messrs Rickard and Avery will leave Monday for San Francisco. Following the signing of a contract, they expect to tour California in the car which has preceded them.

"MAN'S DUTY TO MAN"

At the Baptist church last night Pastor Bassford preached the second sermon of the series on "The Religion of Jesus. He spoke of Man's duty to Man in a manner that greatly interested a full house. In the course of his remarks, he deplored the widespread racial prejudice here and abroad and the bitter class spirit which still prevails in our large cities, in spite of our social progress and christian civilization. But he affirmed that conditions today, deplorable as they appear to us, are infinitely better than those which existed in Palestine in the days of the Christ. Into a civilization that revered and

exalted the rich, the powerful and the successful to high heaven and condemned the poor and unfortunate to the lowest hell, Jesus introduced a spirit that was radical and revolutionized human values. He insisted by teaching and example upon the brotherhood of man and the worth of the individual soul, altogether apart from its social status, and the necessity of kindness, sympathy and justice between man and man in all their relations. Christ spoke of the worth of childhood, of kindness to the alien and of mercy for the poor and fallen. He saw at least potential good in every man, consequently he believed man was worth serving and even dying for, and showed this by his personal attitude toward his fellows and his life of self sacrificing devotion in their behalf.

PRESBYTERIAN BLOW-OUT NEXT

Chicken Dinner and Bazaar at Danneman House Tomorrow

Tomorrow from 11:30 to 2 and 5:30 to 7 o'clock is the great time for the Presbyterians and their friends. The much-talked-of chicken dinner for 35 cents will be served at noon, and a luncheon will be served in the evening. The ladies of the church need the money and as everybody must eat at noon and in the evening, why should they not eat at the Danneman house, corner of Third and Madison streets? The ladies guarantee a genuinely first-class meal.

The Bazaar, Also

And at the same place all day the Presbyterian Bazaar will be open. The ladies have been making Christmas gifts for a year past. They have a large number of useful gifts that are beautiful and inexpensive; you may find just what you are looking for. The ladies offer gowns for men and women, dressing sacs, footwarmers, all sorts of bags, handkerchiefs, drawn work, aprons of all kinds, coathangers, sofa pillows, comforts, in fact everything of this nature.

Go and take a look—and be sure and eat there at noon and in the evening.

TRANSFERS WEEK ENDING DEC. 11

Willamette Valley Co to Samuel Whiteside et al lots 1, 2, 3, 4, bl 1 Dixon's First Add Corvallis \$1000.

Garrett C Covalt to C P Peebler and wife 5 acres near Albany \$850.

H L Bush to E E Wilson lot 4 bl 16 west Corvallis \$10.

W I Price to Corvallis & Alsea Railway Co right of way near Alpine \$180.

Claude I Starr to Corvallis & Alsea River Railway Co right of way near Monroe \$174.20.

Z H Davis and Geo W Henkle Trustees to W P Lafferty lot 10 and north 1-2 lot 11 bl 5 Corvallis \$4000.

T E Cornelius to F W Waters 120 acres northwest of Corvallis and property in Marion and Multnomah counties \$10.

Mary A Hemphill to WA Wells south 1-2 of lot 11 bl 4 Corvallis \$10.

Mary A Hemphill to J W Foster north 1-2 lot 12 bl 4 Corvallis \$10.

John McCready to Corvallis Lumber Mfg Co 160 acres near Bellefontaine \$10.

Geo Gerlinger et al to same Mill property in Corvallis \$10.

NORTH SCHOOL IS FUMIGATED

PRECAUTIONARY STEP TO PREVENT SPREAD OF DISEASE

SHOULD REMOVE THE CAUSE

Dr. Pernot Says Unsanitary Conditions, Poor Drainage, and Filth, Keeps Alive Diphtheria Germs—Worse Condition Each Year.

Owing to a tendency toward diphtheria in the northwest part of the city, the North school was fumigated last night, as a precautionary measure. Dr. Pernot, health officer, when asked in regard to the matter, said that he does not anticipate an epidemic, though he intends to take action as if an epidemic were imminent. He goes on the assumption that prevention is better than cure,—and the diphtheria germ is a treacherous little beast.

Speaking of diphtheria in Corvallis, Dr. Pernot said that for several years there has been more or less diphtheria in the northwest part of town, and there is an increase each year. The diphtheria germ thrives in filth and becomes prolific in unsanitary conditions. Soil moisture, imperfect drainage, dirt and filth keep diphtheria germs alive and when there is a disposition to colds and throat troubles (after snows and continuous rains in winter) the germ takes hold of the individual. The Northwest part of the city being of a clay soil, all filth and moisture remains close to the surface. The lack of drainage and sewer facilities results to greater disadvantage there than elsewhere, hence the prevalence of diphtheria in the district north of Monroe and west of 9th street. Diphtheria is very hard to stamp out, and

death will continue to claim its yearly toll in districts offering conditions favorable to the retention of the germs.

Dr. Pernot says that everything within reason is being done to prevent spread of the difficulty. The half dozen recent cases have been carefully confined, and all members of the families. All houses have been properly fumigated. There was no suspicion of germs in the North school building, but it was deemed worth while to fumigate, anyway. It would seem to be the business of the northwestern people who care for the lives of the children to remedy the conditions that result in frequent illness and occasional death.

It is of some interest to observe that disease reaches homes far from the conditions that created it or fostered it. In the present instance, one case of diphtheria is said to be high on the hill back of the college. And as long there is diphtheria in the city it is liable to drift to any section. All people in every section must necessarily be interested in removing bad conditions from each section. One well developed case in school might easily result in a dozen or a half hundred deaths. One section can never afford to hold against another where the public health is concerned.

INQUIRIES COMING

A great many inquiries are coming to the Commercial Club these days and Mr. Bowen Lester is doing his best to furnish the information. Some of them ask for literature, but until the Southern Pacific gives us the three magnificent booklets now on the press, there is little literature to send, other than the "conductor's booklet," a really fine thing of its kind recently sent here in a 5,000 lot. The large booklets will be here in a very short time and from prospectuses sent it is certain that they will be finer than any community booklets ever turned out. Mr. Lester answered a Pennsylvania man's inquiry some time ago and is just now in receipt of a letter saying he will come to Corvallis. The easterner said he had written to various Commercial clubs and from here received the most prompt, the most courteous reply and the greatest amount of the kind of information he desired.

Red Cross Stamps at Graham & Wells.

ONE MORE RAP AT OREGONIAN

"E. M." NOT AFRAID OF THE DEVIL HIMSELF

A BLOW AT THE SOLAR PLEXUS

Local Man Measures Words With Oregonian Writer and Thus Far is at No Disadvantage—Battle Probably Due to End Shortly.

Editor GAZETTE-TIMES:—The present writer recently gave the Oregonian a dose of its own medicine for swearing at him, and it evidently does not like it, for it charges back that the writer used an indecent quotation from Shakespeare. It is not here proposed to defend Shakespeare for he needs no defense; and neither is it proposed to continue this back yard billings-gate any longer, whether the Oregonian does it or not.

What the writer started out with was the weakness of the Oregonian in advocating things that are against public morality and against the public welfare; as, for example, the violation of the solemn pledge of our legislative representatives to vote for the people's choice for U. S. senator. The Journal is also inimical to Statement No. One, the primary, the initiative and referendum, and is even now strenuously working for nomination of public officers by an "assembly" which is nothing but the old discredited consystem where a slate is prepared by political bosses and the agents of corporate interests who have private axes of their own to grind—and this although expressly against the letter of our statutes.

Does the Oregonian believe in the sovereignty of the people, or in the sovereignty of the corporate interests and the politicians?

As a matter of fact, does it not regard the former as mere hewers of wood, clerks, and clodhoppers and continually decay and carp at the really excellent laws which they have passed in spite of the latter, and which has placed our state in the forefront of political progress and purity, yet, for the enactment of which it calls our commonwealth "the fool of the family?" Does it not long for a return to the old system in which the people had not a word to say about choosing officials or enacting laws, and where political pull, money, bribery, trickery and dishonor ran riot to the great injury of the public welfare? And does it not seem astonishing that otherwise excellent citizens should patronize such a journal and read it with apparent relish and approval?

The writer is willing to admit that the Oregonian editorials are generally brilliantly expressed and are in many instances well-directed; as, for example, those against the present tariff system which builds up enormous fortunes at the positive pole of society and poverty and misery at the negative pole. But the Oregonian is like the republican party. It was at first strictly honest and patriotic, but has been in power so long that all the thieves, grafters, and public pap-sucking parasites have become attached to, and a part of, it until before long it will either be disrupted or dragged to the bottom. And so with the Oregonian; it has been associated with evil communications so long that its manners are utterly corrupted.

The writer is one of the common people and dearly loves and respects them. There is no party or class that can keep public policy so pure as the whole body politic. It may make an occasional mistake, but all of the people will not make mistakes all of the time. The writer has seen self-constituted lords and autocrats drive honest, industrious citizens out of the homes which their own hands had built, as if they were infectious vermin, to make room for grouse and deer, and he hates the system eternally and absolutely.

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ATTEND OUR GREAT TOY SALE TODAY ON SECOND FLOOR

Great Sale Men's Overcoats All This Week

We will have the greatest sale of Men's Overcoats ever held in this city. This is an opportunity to buy a Xmas Overcoat at a very low price.

- \$10.00 Overcoat, Sale Price.....\$ 7.85
- 12.50 Overcoat, Sale Price..... 9.75
- 15.00 Overcoat, Sale Price..... 11.50
- 20.00 Overcoat, Sale Price..... 15.10
- 25.00 Overcoat, Sale Price..... 19.75

You should see these to appreciate their real worth. Every Overcoat in the House Reduced.

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New Designs, with cord and tassel at the neck and girdle at waist
Special Values \$4.50 to \$6.00



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Men's House Coats of double-faced Vicuna cloth, well tailored.
Special Values at \$4.00 to \$6.50