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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

The Mist is sending bills to all who appear to be delinquent more than one year. The previous management of this paper has been so loose that we have no doubt some of our subscribers are entitled to credits which they have not received, and these will be cheerfully given. We trust that in every instance where an error has been made and a bill sent for more than the amount due, it will be promptly returned, with a statement of fact that will enable us to set matters right. The editor desires to correct his list and to collect what is justly due, and to drop from the list those who are greatly in arrears. In some instances men are delinquent for ten years, and very many owe for five years. Most of these we believe to be honest and responsible people, and the fault is largely due to the manner in which the paper has been conducted in the past. If you do not wait the paper, pay up and stop it. The Mist will not be sent to any one who does not desire it. We have to pay for the paper we send out and we want to make the paper worthy of the patronage of every citizen of this county, therefore we intend to send it only to those who pay their subscription.

LET US MOVE ON.

The gentlemen connected with a soap factory now in operation at Seaside... The gentlemen are very favorably impressed with the facilities offered there and the bonus asked is very modest. The site for the factory must contain not less than one acre of ground, and the Hon. Dean Blanchard was approached as the owner of the location most desirable, being not far from the old sash and door factory destroyed by fire. In addition to this the citizens are asked to subscribe for stock in the enterprise at 25 cents per share. The soap is of a superior quality and the gentlemen who are at the head of it certainly have a bonanza. The soap is equally as well adapted to the toilet as the laundry, for it contains chemicals, is of a gritty, sandy nature, and removes ink, paint, and any other substances. The Board of Trade or business men of Rainier took up the proposition at its meeting held Saturday, when the question of raising the amount asked to compensate for the site and number of shares taken was to be considered. The factory is said to be entirely odorless, and therefore no nuisance to a neighborhood. The gentlemen bring skilled workmen with them and as soap is a staple article, any one subscribing for stock can easily see that he runs no risk—or that the enterprise is no gold brick proposition.

As Houlton has a stove factory, employing fifty hands, which is as important to a town as the Columbia River Sash & Door factory at Rainier, it needs no pessimist to see that the day is almost here when capitalists or enterprises seeking investment and locations are hunting us up. Our river and railroad facilities are superb and our forests furnish abundant raw material. A good, healthy pay-roll is the backbone of a community. No one scatters money more quickly and evenly than a mechanic.

St. Helens alone, of the communities of Columbia county, has shown no decided improvement in the recent past. Since the editor was last a resident of Columbia county the county seat has acquired a water works system, a handsome school house, three new churches, and crushed rock streets. These are substantial improvements, but we expect a much greater advance in the near future. For many years there was no place dearer than St. Johns; but the time came when the water frontage was needed for manufacturing sites, and the old town took on new life and is now filled with the hum of industry. The same thing will happen here, and we expect next year to see the beginning of St. Helens' substantial and rapid improvement. The corner stone for the new court house will be laid, and there will be a new wharf and a modern saw mill.

THE COLORADO TROUBLES.

In all the denunciation of the miners of Colorado for the violations of law charged to their account, it should be remembered that the rich mine owners of the state were the first to violate the law, and that this action on their part is the cause of all the present trouble. The Legislature of Colorado passed an eight-hour law and the mine owners refused to comply with its provisions. Then came the strike. Law-breaking by the capitalists led to law-breaking by the miners. The troops were called out and martial lawlessness took the place of civil law. Men were arbitrarily imprisoned without charges having been preferred against them, and officers elected by the people were compelled by the capitalists to resign under threat of death if they refused to do so. Hundreds were deported, and the military authorities have not hesitated to announce that it is their intention to crush out the Western Federation of Miners. History does not record an instance where the welfare of a nation was imperiled by its working men; but it does record instances where military rule has resulted in the destruction of those who invoked it.

SIGNS OF AWAKENING.

On August 2d and 3d a convention will meet in Portland, under the auspices of the Portland Commercial Club, for the purpose of organizing an Oregon Development League. The organization of such a body is long past due, and it is proper that the movement should originate with Portland's commercial organization. The main factor in the development of Oregon is to be the home-seeker who comes for the purpose of engaging in agriculture; but there is also abundant opportunity for the manufacturer. The future great market for Oregon products is to be the Orient. The Philippines, Japan, China and Oriental Russia, will consume millions of dollars worth of foodstuffs and of woollen goods. The manufacturers of the Eastern states labor under an immense disadvantage in supplying these markets, on account of distance. Factories located in Oregon would, therefore, have a great advantage in competing for Oriental business. It will be the province of the Development League to make these facts known, in an amplified form, to possible investors and to home-seekers. There should be at every county seat, and in every important locality, some person who will make it his business to answer letters of inquiry, and these answers should bear the stamp of approval of some organization of reputable citizens.

There was at one time published a pamphlet entitled "The Resources of the State of Oregon." It was compiled by authority of the State Board of Agriculture and printed at the State printing office, and, although it was not as complete or as well gotten up as it should have been, nor as thoroughly distributed, we have no doubt it is instrumental in bringing many desirable settlers to Oregon. As all sections of the state benefit by the distribution of reliable information, and as a document from official sources is always more reliable and influential than one from private or speculative sources, it would be a good investment of the people's money, if the next session of the Legislature provided for the publication of a complete exposition of Oregon's resources and advantages and placed the same at the disposal of the Development League for distribution.

A FEW QUESTIONS.

At the recent meeting the Oregon State Grange adopted a resolution asking the State Legislature to make an annual appropriation of \$1000 for farmers' institute work, and this, according to the Oregon Agriculturist, is considered to be a reasonable request, and should be acceded to. We have no doubt the appropriation would be of considerable value to the agricultural interests of the state; but this, and all similar measures naturally evoke the inquiry, "What is the duty of the state toward its citizens?" We are rapidly becoming paternal government, and the appeal for state and governmental aid is becoming more insistent every year. If the people of Eastern Oregon can not raise wheat profitably, on account of freight charges, then the state must build them a canal at an enormous cost. If the salmon industry is in danger of extinction, then the state must establish hatcheries and provide officers to see that the laws for the protection of our food fish are enforced. We must have a State Board of Agriculture, Dairy and Food Commissioner, a Bureau of Labor Statistics, a Fish Commissioner, and other boards and officials whose chief duty is to protect certain lines of industry, and there appears to be no good reason why exception should be made of the industries that are not now under the tutelage and protection of the state or of the General Government. Throw open wide the doors of the treasury and let them all take a grab. There is no reason, except its superior importance, why agriculture should be more highly protected than any other industry, or why salmon packers and fishers should receive state aid in preference to chicken raisers. The medical profession is one of the greatest importance to all mankind, and why should there not be a free state medical school, with a chair for every separate line of medicine? Why should the General Government be so partial to a one-eighth portion of Indian blood as to clothe and educate its fortunate possessor? Why should partial socialism be commended and perfect socialism denounced? Where is the line between socialism and the present system, and how often has the line been moved?

WE WOULD LIKE TO.

The editor of the Mist is in receipt of the following invitation: My Dear Sir: I take pleasure in offering you the freedom of the Philippine Government Exposition when you visit the World's Fair at St. Louis. It is the largest single exhibit at the Fair, with a complete organization of its own, including a department of publicity. We have now under way a special press building, equipped with desks, telephones, etc., which are at your service. We invite you to make this building your headquarters at the Fair, to have your mail sent in our care, and to call upon us for any assistance we can render you. The Philippine Exposition combines a scientific interest for students of politics, civilization, economics and ethnology with popular features, which surpasses in vital human interest any of the Oriental grounds shown in other parts of the grounds. It shows the grades in civilization from the diminutive Negro, who is only a step removed from the "missing link," through the dog-eating and head-bunting Bontoc, and the Moro, who is now causing most of the trouble in the Islands, to the Scout, who is a regular in the United States army, and the Vinyan, who weaves fabrics of great beauty. One has only to visit these natives and watch their tribal dances,

to study the men and women at work, or witness a dog feast, to realize their primitive character, and then to pass on to the constabulary, the beginning of the army of the Philippines, representatives of many tribes hostile to each other, but brought together and harmonized by the uniform they wear and the flag they salute.

The Philippine Exposition was organized to show what has been done, and what is being done in the Islands. It is an educational exhibit from beginning to end, and we want you to see it.

If you will call upon me at the exposition, I shall be glad to supply you with passes. If at any time you want general information about the exhibit, or special illustrated articles, I can furnish them free of charge.

Yours very truly,

HERBERT S. STONE, Chief, Department of Publicity Philippine Gov. Exposition.

One would hardly think that there is enough in the honor of being a carnival queen to warrant the expenditure of \$600 by one person for votes for his favorite candidate, yet this is about the amount Mr. Mason spent for his daughter, and when she declined to serve as the queen, Mr. Mason was given his money back.—Lantern.

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He need not be especially brilliant at school, but he must be studious, persevering, thorough in his studies, never "cheat" his teacher or himself on examination, or pass a lesson or problem until he has mastered it.

He must be truthful, prompt, obedient, industrious. Must make his employer's interests his own and never be afraid that he is earning more than his wages, or is called some time when it's "John's turn."

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The people want him for judge in the courts, for members of congress, senators and president, and the nicest girl in all the world wants him to be her husband.—Ex.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick of Colusa, Calif., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and its greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by St. Helens Pharmacy.

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Receiver's Receipt Does Not Give Title To Land.

The register and receiver of the Oregon City land office rendered five decisions recently in regard to homestead claims affecting title to lands in Linn county, about 10 or 12 miles from Larwood, Ore. The entrymen, in all of these cases, had made continuation proof, and after their proof was made and final receipts issued, contests were initiated, and the cases were tried out upon the charge that the entrymen had not resided upon, cultivated and improved their claims as by law required. The decision of the local office was to the effect that these parties had not complied with the homestead law, and recommended the cancellation of their entries. It appears that the entrymen sold their claims soon after making final proof for \$2000 apiece. While there is nothing in the homestead law to prevent an entryman selling his claims soon after making final proof, yet his claim is subject to contest until patent has issued, and the party who buys the claim must rest his title upon that of the entrymen.

Many people imagine that final receipt is equivalent to patent, which is not true. These cases are being watched with considerable interest, as there are many others in a similar condition.

Night Was Her Terror.

"I would cough nearly all night long," writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate, of Alexandria, Ind., "and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but, when all other medicines failed, three \$1.00 bottles of Dr. Kings New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 58 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, La Grippe, Bronchitis and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at the St. Helens Pharmacy.

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THE SOBISKA TRAGEDY

Augusta, Eva and John Sobiska Drowned in Tedford Creek.

A SORROW STRICKEN FAMILY.

Misfortunes Have Been Multiplied For Them During The Past Week.

Those who read the account in last week's Mist of the attempted suicide of John Sobiska must have had their sympathies aroused for the old man who, after suffering for years from the result of being injured by a falling tree, sought relief in death; yet, had he had the courage to resist the natural impulse to escape pain, a much greater tragedy would have been averted.

As a result of his injuries, Miss Augusta Sobiska, who has been for a long time employed as a waitress at the St. Charles Restaurant, Portland, was summoned home, and on Saturday afternoon she and her sisters Nettie and Eva, and her brother Johnnie, went bathing in the mill dam on Tedford Creek, a small tributary of Milton Creek, with the result that Augusta, Eva and Johnnie were drowned.

According to the account given by

the Catholic church, of which the Sobiskas are members. In all our land it is hardly possible that there was so sad a group as that assembled on the Nation's holiday at the gravesides of these three young people whose untimely death obscures the theory of a Divine Providence, and can be made compatible with that theory only to those who see with the vision that is given beyond the grave, or by perfect faith in the doctrine of an all-wise Creator who doeth all things well.

The expenses of the sad events of the past week have left the family in straitened circumstances, and subscription papers have been started for their benefit. In this connection we quote the following from the editorial columns of Tuesday's Oregonian:

"The afflictions of the Sobiska family, of Columbia county, are indeed grievous. With the father injured from a blow on the head while working in the woods,



AUGUSTA SOBISKA.

Nettie Sobiska on Sunday last, she became mired in the soft ground and called for help. The others naturally rushed to her assistance. Then by a freak of chance, Nettie pulled herself from the treacherous, clinging mud, while her rescuers found themselves fast sinking beneath the water and unable to get a sure footing on the muddy bottom. Nettie's strength was exhausted when she reached a place of safety, and her efforts to save her sisters and brother were futile.

The three young people drowned in a still pool, not over seven feet deep. The dam is a little gully, almost entirely ridge-locked, and is secured by a sluiceway. Had this gate been opened at Nettie's first call for assistance, there would probably have been no fatalities, but the sisters and brother obeyed their natural impulse to run into the water to aid their sister.

Upon receipt of the news at St. Helens Mr. E. E. Quick immediately telegraphed to Portland for the coffins, which arrived by express Sunday at Houlton, and were immediately taken to the Sobiska home, where kind hands prepared the bodies for burial and placed them in the caskets. It was at first intended that the funeral should take place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, but in deference to the wishes of the mother, who could not bear to part with her children, it was postponed until Monday, July 4th, at 10 a. m., Rev. Father Curley, of Portland, conducting the funeral services according to the rites of



EVA SOBISKA.

and slowly recovering from a ghastly wound of the throat self-inflicted later with suicidal intent, and the drowning of three children in a pool of water near their home last Saturday, it would seem that the climax of misfortune had been reached in their case. Poverty, verging upon want, also assails the survivors, due to the expenses incident to the misfortunes that have overtaken them, and not from lack of industry. A subscription has been started for the relief of their more pressing necessities, and persons willing to levy a kindly tax upon themselves for the benefit of these unfortunate people are invited to send money to the St. Helens Mist for this purpose.

FUNDS RECEIVED.

Probably in response to the above the Mist yesterday received the following letters with inclosures:

PORTLAND, Ore., July 5, 1904. E. H. FLAGG, Esq., My Dear Sir: I have just been informed that you are getting subscriptions for the relief of the Sobiska family, and I hasten to hand you my check as usual for my contribution. Very respectfully, CHAS. J. SCHMIDT.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 5, 1904. To St. Helens Mist: Yes, I feel sorry for the Sobiska family—\$1 worth, and you will find the \$1 inclosed. One of the boys worked for me while I was a resident of your pretty little city in '96 and '97, and I know something of their faithfulness, and as I write this letter these words come to me as I lay aside my notions and demerons:

Dear God come near the earth And weave a bridge for three (Who duty did from birth) Across the bar—Eternity. C. H. FROST.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The following is the report of District No 14 for the month ending July 1: Total enrollment, 21; number of days in attendance, 363; number of days absence, 17; average daily attendance, 18; number of visitors, 2. Roll of honor: Jesse Armstrong, Martin Christensen, Robert Christensen, Omar Sheely, Ruby Denlow, and Rosella Armstrong. J. W. ALLEN, Teacher.

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CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors who have kindly assisted us since the terrible accident by which three members of our family lost their lives. We will always hold them in grateful remembrance. THE SOBISKA FAMILY.

DEER ISLAND NOTES.

Mrs. C. H. English attended the wedding of her niece, Miss Bessie Wickum, of Portland, on June 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Pringle and son spent the 4th in Portland.

Miss Anna Overholzer is visiting with her sister at Mrs. Shearer's this week.

Mrs. Bert Sefters and children spent the 4th at Clatskanie.

MARRIED—At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Gaswell, in Portland, Tuesday, June 28, at 3 p. m., Miss Edna Gertrude Gentry and Warren J. Kinder. Mr. and Mrs. Kinder will reside at Deer Island for the present.

BORN—To the wife of Wm. Thacker, a son, Dr. Cliff, attending.

A reception was given to Mr. and Mrs. Kinder Monday evening at Deer Island hall. Dancing was indulged in until 12 o'clock. Ice cream and cake were served and all departed for home, wishing the bride and groom many good wishes.

No Pitty Showed.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been, by the Hon. J. B. Doan, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia, appointed administrator of the estate of Oscar F. Farr, deceased. Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same at the law office of W. H. Powell, at St. Helens, Oregon, duly verified according to law, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 16th day of June, 1904. R. B. FARR, W. H. Powell, attorney for admr.