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TO OUR COUNCIL

A blockmaker was arrested Saturday night for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He was put in the city jail and kept there until released by due process of law. He deserved what he got and the Marshal is to be commended for arresting him.

But is there one law for the workingman who oversteps the limit and another for the saloon keeper?

The man arrested was too plainly drunk for there to be any dispute as to his condition, and it is certain that he had been sold liquor while in an intoxicated condition. The law says that when a saloon keeper sells liquor to an intoxicated man the saloon keeper's license shall be revoked. It is not necessary that the proof in such cases shall be absolute; but only that the council shall be convinced.

Saturday afternoon a man came reeling out of one of the saloons with a string of obscenity pouring from his lips; but he went on his way to another saloon, where he procured more liquor.

Do the saloons own the town and can they do just as they please, while the working man who goes beyond the limit is thrown into jail?

NOT FOR COLUMBIA

Parts of Clackamas and Washington County may be annexed to Multnomah as residents there are agitating for that purpose, believing that thereby they will secure better roads at the expense of the metropolis. Columbia County is asking no aid of its wealthy neighbor, but proposes to have good roads and pay for them out of its own treasury. Our taxable wealth foots up \$15,000,000, and is increasing yearly, and we have an abundance of the best material in the world for the construction of permanent highways. Our people are awake to the fact that poor roads are the greatest extravagance a community can be guilty of, and that the only way to bring the farm nearer the city and to settle up the stump lands of the county is to vote special and general taxes for road purposes and then see that the money is wisely and economically expended. We have wasted hundreds of thousands of dollars in the past in temporary work and on impracticable grades; but the present County Court is doing its best to see that the taxpayers get full value for their money. Steel bridges are taking the place of short lived wooden structures, wherever possible fills are being made instead of having bridges, greater care is being used in the selection of road supervisors, and consequently better results are being achieved in all parts of the county. Columbia County "flies with her own wings," and while willing to co-operate in every way for the "general good," has no desire to be classed as a supplicant for alms, knocking for admission at Multnomah's back door.

A MYSTERIOUS MURDER

John P. Drew Killed Near Here Last Friday Night

The body of John P. Drew was found at an early hour Saturday morning on the trail between the Phillip Brook quarry and Houlton, a short distance from the Milton Creek bridge, with a bullet hole through the head from temple to temple. He had fallen forward with his hands under him, the right hand resting on a .38-caliber revolver, one chamber of which had been discharged, while in one of his hip pockets was a 22-caliber revolver with three empty chambers. Drew was a young man of nineteen who came to St. Helens from Sullivan, Maine, two years ago, leaving his mother in their

against his successful rival, saying he "would like to throw Johnny Drew into the river." Knapp also, on the day of the murder, wrote a postal card to Miss Smith saying "I am having a good time and hope you are the same." Drew had received several threatening postal cards but had destroyed them. He was a member of the United Artisans and on the night of his death had attended lodge at Houlton, and was on his way home when killed. The testimony at the inquest threw some suspicion on Fred Knapp and the authorities here immediately proceeded to investigate his



John Drew is Second One From Left of Picture.

old home and joining his father here. He was very highly esteemed, was of excellent habits and was not thought to have any enemies. Coroner Sherwood summoned a jury and proceeded to hold a secret inquest, reaching a verdict the deceased came to his death from a wound inflicted by some person unknown. The testimony showed that young Drew had been "keeping company" with Hattie Smith of Houlton, and that Fred Knapp of Kalamazoo was his rival for the girl's affections. He had asked her to marry him and had been refused and informed that she preferred the attentions of Drew. In his anger he made threats

whereabouts that night, with the result that the sheriff now has in his possession affidavits which completely clear Knapp of any suspicion, and leaves the matter of Drew's death as much of a mystery as ever. Drew's funeral took place at Houlton last Monday, at 10 a. m., Rev. Smith of the M. E. Church, conducting the services and the interment taking place in the Odd Fellows cemetery at Warren. The attendance was very large, the Artisans and the Paving Cutters Union, of which Drew was an apprentice attending as organizations. The statement in the Evening Telegram that there had been insanity in the Drew family was untrue.

Scappoose School Notes

(By Archie Duncan, Grade 7)
There will be a union Washington birthday program Feb. 21st.
Room IV gave a literary program last Friday.

Enid and Emma Newman have left school. They went to Ridgefield, where they will attend school.

Next Monday morning a part of the time for chapel exercises will be devoted to the reading of essays from the different rooms.

Roy Freeman missed the wagon Tuesday and had to walk in the rain.

At last Monday's fire drill the entire building was emptied in the remarkably short time of 35 seconds.

Mr. Vandermast, driver of the south route wagon, was off duty last week on account of sickness. Louis Bushman has been driving in his stead.

Miss Goldie Duncan, who has been assisting Mr. Barker, will leave in about two weeks for Mosier, where she has accepted a school.

Willard Johnson and Clarence Goin have been on the sick list.

County School Superintendent Collins spent a whole day at our school last week.

A suggestion: Mr. White would not have so much sweeping to do if a platform were built at the front stile. Children could get in and out of the wagon without getting wet and muddy feet.

Perfect attendance in Room IV last week.

Dellie Anes, whose family recently came from Idaho, has enrolled in the eighth grade.

The high school took their first semester examination last week.

The advanced Algebra class have finished the subject and taken up Plane Geometry.

In a few more days we hope to be able to see Mr. Hood. The trees are being fast cut down in front of the school house.

St. Helens School Notes

More sickness during the past few weeks than any previous period within the annals of the school records. Why is it? Is the weather wholly to blame? Is the atmosphere at variance with the laws of purity? Is it an over supply of pure water? Is it caused by too much of the wrong kind of sewerage? We believe the weather partly responsible but feel that there are other causes.

The cold weather was very hard on the wood pile. It took treble the wood ordinarily required.

say that it was a success would be putting it mildly. The girls and boys know how to be sociable, how to play games, and what games to play. To describe the lunch they served we should call it a banquet. They were clasped over by Mr. and Mrs. Allen.

According to the report made by the National Monetary Commission, the banks on the Pacific Coast stand third in the United States. This body has investigated all of the financial institutions in the county during the past year. It places the Middle Eastern or Atlantic States at the head of the list, the resources per capita being largest. The New England States are next and then follow the Pacific Coast States. Thereafter, the Middle Western, Far Western and Southern groups are ranked in the order named. Washington stands third in the Pacific group being headed by Nevada and California.

Conservation will once more become the important topic for consideration when the joint congressional committee investigates the charges that have been made against Secretary of the Interior, E. A. Ballinger. This examination is at the request of the secretary, who persuaded President Taft that it was time to call a showdown on the calamities that have been heaped on him by the adherents of Chief Forester Pinchot. Concerning the radical view of conservation, Judge C. H. Hanford of the federal court, recently said in public, "It is restriction of use, which is equivalent to waste. True conservation is the making of the best use of what we have, rather than leaving our resources untouched."

Grange Program

The Columbia County Pomona Grange will meet at Scappoose in the Watts & Price Hall, February 5th. The day will be given to the Pomona work. There will be an open meeting in the evening. This meeting will be in the nature of a farmer's institute. The Scappoose lecturer is preparing the following short program for the opening:
Solo, "Drifting"..... Miss Ellarce Butler
Talk, "Just a Fact or Two"..... Mrs. Mae Getchell
Solo, "If I Had a Thousand Lives"..... Miss Mary Adams
Reading, "Miss Sophronia Dabbett at the Opera"..... Miss Alva Meyers
Solo, "Somewhere"..... Miss Lucy Leonard
Talk..... Prof. C. E. Barker
Prof. A. B. Cordley, of O. A. C. will give an illustrated lecture. He has stereoscopic views of the fruit pests and enlightens the anxious fruit grower as to the best way to get rid of them. Everyone in this section should be out to reap the benefits of this lecture. We invite and urge everyone to come and fill the hall with their presence; and their heads with knowledge.



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Card of Thanks
For myself and in behalf of my wife's family I desire to return sincere thanks for the kindness shown during our recent terrible calamity. W. B. TAYLOR

Notice Closing Streams
Know all men by these presents: That, whereas, the Board of Fish Commissioners of the State of Oregon and the United States Bureau of Fisheries have propagated and stocked, and are propagating and stocking the waters of the Willamette and Clackamas rivers, and their tributaries, in the State of Oregon, with salmon fish; and

Whereas, said streams are frequented by salmon fish, and for the purpose of protecting the same, the said Board of Fish Commissioners has decided to close the said Willamette river and its tributaries, below and north of the falls thereof, at Oregon City, and all of the Clackamas River, and its tributaries, to prevent fishing therein, in any manner whatever, for salmon fish, during the time herein specified;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given by said Board of Fish Commissioners that said Willamette River, and its tributaries, below and north of the falls thereof, at Oregon City, and all of said Clackamas River, and its tributaries, are, and each of them is, hereby closed to fishing, in any manner whatever, for salmon fish, between twelve o'clock, noon, on the first day of March, 1910, and twelve o'clock, noon, on the first day of May, 1910; and it is and will be unlawful to fish for, or take, or catch, any salmon fish in any of said waters during said period of time above specified.

Any and all persons whomsoever so fishing, in violation of this notice, will be prosecuted, as by law provided.
F. W. BENSON,
Governor.
F. W. BENSON,
Secretary of State.
GEO. A. STEEL,
State Treasurer.
Constituting the Board of Fish Commissioners.
Attest: H. C. McALLISTER,
Clerk of the Board.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia County.
Charles G. Lindgren, plaintiff, vs. Emma E. Craby, G. A. Galtson, and Lena Carlson, defendants.
To G. A. Carlson and Lena Carlson, defendants:
In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby notified to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, filed against you in the above entitled cause, on or before the 20th day of February, 1910, that being the day fixed by the court for you to appear and answer herein, said date being more than six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to appear and answer said complaint, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in the complaint in this cause; to-wit: that you, G. A. Carlson, and you, Lena Carlson, defendants in this cause, and each of you, have no estate or interest whatever in or to the following described land, or any part thereof, situate in Columbia County, Oregon, to-wit:
The east one-half (1/2) of the northwest quarter (1/4) and the east one-half (1/2) of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section eighteen (18) in township six (6) north of range four (4) west of the Willamette meridian.
And that by said decree the title of plaintiff to said land be declared good and valid, and to said defendants, and each of you, be forever enjoined and barred from asserting any claim whatsoever in or to said lands, or any part thereof, situate in Columbia County, Oregon, and further relief in the premises as to the court may seem just and equitable.
This summons is published by order of the Honorable J. U. Campbell, Judge of said court, made and entered on the 1st day of December, 1909, and the day of the first publication of this summons is January 7th, 1910.
O. C. SPENCER AND HARRISON ALLEN, Attorneys for Plaintiff

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Road Dist. No. 2 Road Dist. No. 4

Bids will be received by the County Court of Columbia County, Oregon, up to 12 M., Thursday, February 3rd, 1910, for the construction of a steel bridge across Milton Creek on the St. Helens-Yankton road in accordance with plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk. Bids must be accompanied by certified check for five per cent of amount bid. The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Signed
JAMES DART, County Judge

Bids will be received by the County Court of Columbia County up to 12 M., Thursday, February 3rd, 1910, for the grading of 1100 feet of the Deer Island Upper Tide Creek Road, beginning at the west end of new grade and running west in accordance with specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk. Bids must be accompanied by certified check for ten per cent of the amount bid. The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Signed
JAMES DART, County Judge



St. Helens, Jan. 28, 1910
Dear Friend:
Oh! papa used to be such a crank about coffee that he almost worried poor mamma's life out of her. She tried all kinds of coffee and it was either too strong or too weak or too bitter or too something, but now every morning when papa takes the first sip of coffee, he smacks his lips as much as to say, "That is mighty good." I can tell you why this is. Mamma has found out where to buy coffee. The kind we use is FAIRMONT COFFEE. It costs 40c a pound.
Your friend,
JACOB
P. S. You can get Fairmont Coffee at WELLINGTON'S

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the county court executor of the last will and testament of John B. Foster, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate verified as required by law, to the undersigned at the office of T. B. McDevitt, attorney at law, room 21, Alameda building, 287 Oak street, Portland, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.
JULIEN J. BARKER,
Executor of the estate of John B. Foster, deceased.
T. B. McDevitt, Attorney for the Estate.
Date of first publication Dec. 24th, 1909.

Final Notice
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Columbia:
Notice is hereby given that R. W. Foster, executor of the estate of R. B. Foster, deceased, on the 10th day of January, 1910, has filed his final account as such executor of said estate and that all persons having any objections thereto are notified that the court has set the time for the hearing of said objections, if any there be, on the 14th day of February, 1910, at 9 o'clock a. m. in the County Court.
R. W. FOSTER,
Executor of the estate of R. B. Foster, deceased

M. E. MILLER
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St. Helens, Oregon

D. R. EDWIN ROSS,
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