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Much has been said through the columns of the local papers of the forthcoming People's Lyceum Course of winter entertainment and every reader of the Mist has become familiar with the kind of an entertainment it will be. There are some five numbers given, one each month the dates of which have already been announced. To the people who enjoy a high class and instructive lecture or musical entertainment it will pay to attend these meetings. It is a Chataqua course on a little different scale but made up of the same class of speakers and entertainers. It is not a money making affair for the committee in charge, but is being handled by some of the public spirited citizens of the community as a means of furnishing first class entertainment for the winter. School children should attend every one of the meetings if possible and teachers should call attention of the pupils to it. It is commendable in the committee to bring such a course to the city and it should receive the support of all of our people who have the time and means to do so. We bespeak success for the Lyceum Course.

One of the darkest places in Columbia County is the platform of the Houlton depot on a stormy night; not a light to be seen except a dim one from the small window of the office. Yet there is a law in Oregon whereby this thing is regulated. It seems that when a traveller alights from the train at night on a depot platform that he should at least be able to see enough of the walk to permit him to pick his way around the puddles of water standing in the low places and to keep from colliding with the trucks and baggage standing around. It also seems that when there is a good electric light system in operation within half a block of the depot the Railroad company should be compelled to furnish light. But the conditions at Houlton, where thousands of dollars are taken in each month by the company, is just such, and we hope this paper will fall into the hands of the Railroad commission and the officials of the company and see if some lights will not be placed there.

And while this is being done it might also be a wise idea for the company to fix up and remodel to some extent the other depot facilities some of which are in bad shape.

It seems to have been adopted in this state that Capital punishment is abolished. The news columns of the daily papers contain the information that two murderers have been allowed to plead guilty to murder in the second degree and receive life sentences, during the present week, at The Dalles. Of course it is improper for a paper to criticize the actions of the officers in taking this course, when the facts and circumstances are not known, but just from a distant view of the matter it would appear that the commutation of the sentence of Webb has had its effect.

If Judge Boylwell, who is trying the McNamara case at Los Angeles, does not make a mistake which would be sufficient

ent for the Supreme Court to order a new trial, it will be almost miraculous. With objection to every question asked a prospective juror and which will no doubt be continued with more force in the examination of witnesses, and the judge having to pass on these objections it is going to be impossible for the judge to rule correctly every time. Laying aside the question of the guilt or innocence of the defendant, it seems to be a part of the defense in this case to force enough error into the record to cause a reversal, in case of conviction.

THE NEW SCHOOL HOUSE
 The new school house at this place is fast nearing completion and when finished will be the most up-to-date building of the kind in the county, containing 6 class rooms, manual training room, assembly hall, gymnasium, basement and plenty of large halls. It will be steam heated, the steam being obtained from the mill. At the time this building was first talked of last spring there was considerable objection to it on account of no necessity, as it was claimed, but just at present there are some 40 pupils in one grade being taught in the City Hall and every room in the old building is filled with more than should be there, and in one room there are two teachers, one of them using the library for a recitation room. So that before the building is completed all the space in it is in demand.

An Appeal On Behalf of Dependent Children.

Do not forget the little ones at the Home of the Boys' & Girls' Aid Society of Oregon in Portland this Thanksgiving. The Management of the institution appeals to all persons who are interested in the welfare of dependent children of the State to give liberally this year. The work of the institution has increased very much during the

past year. Many more wards are under its care so of course expenses of maintenance are increased in proportion. The average number of children on hand last year at the Receiving Home was sixty but now it will exceed that number by at least five each day. The little ones at the Home have been sadly afflicted for the past three months with an epidemic of scarlet fever, although the cases were light, yet, it was necessary that the children be isolated for two months. The first of these cases were cared for at the Contagious Hospital but the last to the number of fourteen were taken care of in this institution. This certainly was a great trouble and expense to those in charge, however, at this writing the Home is entirely free from the disease and properly fumigated and the good work is again going on.

It is the effort of the Management to care for cases of abuse and neglect of Children throughout the State, especially outside of Multnomah County and the records will show that about four-fifths of the children coming through the institution are from outside Counties, hence, this Society is an aid to every county in the state and it is earnestly hoped that donations for its benefit will be liberal this Thanksgiving.

The Railroad and Steamboat Companies are carrying all such donations free of charge if they are plainly marked Boys' & Girls' Aid Society of Oregon, Portland, Oregon.

Boys may be had and sometimes girls. The older ones at ordinary wages and others to be schooled and cared for in return for slight services rendered.

For particulars address W. T. Gardner, Supt. Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Oregon, Portland, Oregon.

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Preaching	11:00
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