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The Merry Widow.

It's the Merry Widow this.
And the Merry Widow that;
It's the Merry Widow kiss,
And the Merry Widow hat.

It's the Merry Widow craze,
And the Merry Widow dance;
It's the Merry Widow plays,
And the Merry Widow glance.

It's the Merry Widow dinner,
And the Merry Widow waltz;
It's the Merry Widow sinner,
With the Merry Widow faults.

I've a Merry Widow wife,
And a Merry Widow boat;
I've a Merry Widow knife,
And a Merry Widow cat.

I've a Merry Widow auto car,
With a Merry Widow toot;
And a friend whose wife has sued him
Has a Merry Widow suit.

And if I die tomorrow
Why, let them play real loud,
The Merry Widow waltz song
For the Merry Widow crowd.

—St. Louis Chronicle.

SCHOOLS GROW,
SALOONS DISAPPEAR.

Attention was recently drawn by Chief Justice J. M. Hill of Arkansas, to the multiplication of educational facilities in the southern states. Referring to his own state he pointed out that there are today 23 schools for every saloon, while it was not so very long ago that there were 23 saloons for one school. This change has not come through any general law or sudden and impulsive movement, but is the result of educated public sentiment.

The mathematical progression in the increase of schools and decrease of saloons affords gratifying evidence of the general trend of education in the south. Stimulating educational influences have been at work, and as they continue to operate, those engaged in the movement look forward to an active rivalry in the southern states, each striving to outdo the others in the extent to which it is improving its school system.—Spokesman-Review.

FALSE PRIDE.

The Pendleton East Oregonian eulogizes the work of one Ora Jay in the Walla Walla track meet. Editorially, the paper mentions that Jay has twice in succession wrestled the individual honors from among nearly 200 competitors for that honor. Were Jay running under colors of some athletic club, or some athletic association other than a high school, the swelling of cheeks would be justified. Under the conditions, however, the position taken by the East Oregonian is open to criticism. Jay is older than high school athletes as a whole. He has won his events year after year, just as regular as a track meet is pulled off.

In Baker City, in Walla Walla, in The Dalles and in La Grande is yearly asked the question, "When is Jay going to graduate?"

Concededly, Jay is a splendid athlete. His grace and adeptness is the result of natural gifts, careful and judicious attention to his physical well being. Put Jay in a class where he belongs and he will still continue to win honors, but they will not be from high school boys, that nine times out of ten are much younger than Jay.

The Portland Telegram is conducting a straw vote on the people's choice for president. The data thus procured is not of much weight even after it is completed. Many of the votes cast will not be voted understandingly at this time, and the returns will necessarily have a color of school-room balloting.

The Commercial club of Eugene has a woman's auxiliary. If the ladies of that city are as thoroughly inoculated with the boost virus as are La Grande ladies—as seen in their efforts to spread boost gospel last fall—the venture will prove beneficial.

Sendpoint, Idaho, is all excitement over the announcement that the community is soon to have a modern round house. The excitement is natural, as a round house means liberal additions to the payrolls of any city.

Idaho is a veritable hotbed of La Folletteism. It isn't so bad an "ism" to have, either.

Escape in Night Robes.

In a disastrous fire that occurred shortly after 3 o'clock this morning the R. E. Porter house, below the ball grounds, was completely destroyed and the members of the family escaped with their lives only by hastily climbing through the windows, says the Pendleton East Oregonian.

How the fire started is a complete mystery. According to Mrs. Porter the family retired about 9 o'clock last evening and they were awakened between 3 and 4 o'clock by finding the house enveloped in flames. At the time Mr. Porter was in Hermiston and Mrs. Porter and her children were alone at home. Three of the children were sleeping in the upper portion of the house and escaped by going out upon the porch and jumping off.

By the time the family was aroused the flames had spread so that the door could not be reached and Mrs. Porter escaped through a window. So hurriedly did the family leave the burning place that they had not even an opportunity to dress and were forced to seek shelter of their neighbors in their night robes. A small rocking chair was the only thing about the house that was saved.

A Jumbo Newspaper.

On Sunday, May 10, the New York World will issue a 25th anniversary number, which will be without exception the greatest, most attractive and best number of that great newspaper ever issued. It will contain in the neighborhood of 200 full size pages. It will cost nearly \$100,000 to print and distribute the issue. Each copy will cost about 10 cents to produce. There will be separate color sections devoted to automobile, music, real estate, national affairs and to New York—the Wonder city. Besides all of this, there will be the usual first-class newspaper comic weekly and magazine.

Socialists Leave for Chicago.

Oregon and Washington delegates to the national socialist convention, which will be held in Chicago May 10, will meet in this city this evening and will go east over the O. R. & N. to the Windy City. They will be joined at Salt Lake by the California delegation and the entire party will travel together from there to Chicago. The Oregon delegates are as follows: C. W. Barzee of The Dalles, B. F. Ramp and R. R. Ryan of Salem, Mrs. Mollie Crabtree of Portland, and D. C. Varner of Corvallis. There will be eight in the party of Washington delegates which will arrive here to join the Oregon delegates this evening.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Notice of Meeting.

The stockholders in the Elks' Building association will hold a meeting in the Elks' Building tomorrow night, to adopt by-laws governing the following official race issued by Exalted Ruler C. S. Dunn:

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders in the Building association of the B. P. O. E. No. 433, at 7:30 o'clock May 7, for the purpose of adopting by-laws and transacting other business that may come before the meeting.

By order of stock committee.
C. S. DUNN, Exalted Ruler.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Union County.

The Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, plaintiff, vs. John Eastlack and Susan Eastlack, his wife, Alonzo Crane and Ethel Crane, his wife, Alfred W. Crane, a minor, and Christo-

pher Crane, a minor, defendants.

To the above-named defendants, John Eastlack, Susan Eastlack, his wife, Alonzo Crane and Ethel Crane, his wife, Alfred W. Crane, a minor, and Christopher Crane, a minor:

In the name of the state of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause, on or before the 12th day of June, 1908, that being six full weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint, the plaintiff herein will take judgment against you for the relief demanded in its complaint herein, to-wit: For judgment of the above entitled court in the above entitled cause, appropriating to the plaintiff all of lots two (2), three (3), four (4) and five (5), of block twelve (12), in Riverside addition to the Town of La Grande, in Union county, Oregon, for the purpose of furnishing additional side tracks, switching facilities and repair shops within the town of La Grande, Oregon, to properly serve the public, in order that the public and different persons traveling or shipping freight over plaintiff's road may be accommodated; and public interest requires the construction of such side tracks, additional switching facilities and repair shops and the prosecution of said enterprise, and for an assessment of all the damages that will result to the said defendants, John Eastlack, Susan Eastlack, Alonzo Crane, Ethel Crane, Alfred W. Crane and Christopher Crane, by reason of the taking an appropriation of said property by the plaintiff, and upon the payment by the plaintiff of the damages assessed and awarded on the trial of the said cause the plaintiff take a judgment appropriation all of said property upon which to construct, build, equip, operate and maintain additional side tracks, switching facilities and repair shops within the town of La Grande.

This summons is published for six consecutive weeks by the order of the Hon. T. H. Crawford, judge of the above entitled court, made on the 24th day of April, 1908; the date of the first publication thereof being on the 1st day of May, 1908, and the 12th day of June, 1908, is to be the date of the last publication thereof.

W. W. COTTON,
W. A. ROBBINS, and
COCHRAN & COCHRAN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

LOST—One dark bay mare about 12 years old; weight 900, brand A2 on left thigh, small pit on one ear. Reward will be paid for return or information leading to return of said animal. S. F. Andrew, at Golden Rule store.

County Court Convened.

Auditing bills occupied the attention of the county court in its first day's meeting of the May term. Judge Henry and both commissioners, J. M. Seider and Ben Brown, were in attendance.

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To Exchange.

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Sells Barber Shop.

W. F. Anderson has disposed of his interest in the Anderson & Meyer barber shop on Adams avenue. Mr. Meyers, the junior member of the firm, is now the sole proprietor. Mr. Anderson is undecided as to what vocation he will follow.

Valued Same as Gold.

B. G. Stewart, a merchant of Cedar View, Miss., says: "I tell my customers when they buy a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills they get the worth of that much gold in weight, if afflicted with constipation, malaria or biliousness." Sold under guarantee at the Newlin Drug Co.'s drug store. 25c

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Notice of Meeting.

Reserve House company No. 1 holds its election of officers tonight. All members are requested to be present.
P. A. FOLEY, Foreman.

Don't place too much confidence in a man who thinks he understands women.

Lost.

Small gold watch with a bow of black velvet ribbon for a fob. Engraved on back, Helen H. Byrkit. Was lost somewhere between the rink and Geo. Cleaver's residence. Finder please return to Mrs. Cleaver and receive reward.

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