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A CURFEW SUGGESTION.

"I am in favor of a curfew, a good, strong curfew and one that is in use," declared Judge Gilliland of the juvenile court this morning to the East Oregonian of Pendleton. "I think that not only should every town have a curfew but there should be one in every home, especially in towns like this where the curfew ordinance is not rigidly enforced.

"Here's what I would recommend. It's a curfew I've been reading about in this newspaper here, and it strikes me that it is the best remedy I have struck yet. I believe I know what I speak of, too, for there are mighty few cases that have come before the juvenile court where this remedy would not have sufficed. More than that, these curfews are home-made and inexpensive. Get our your pencil and I'll give you directions so that anyone in the county can fix up one for his own home. I'm so confident of the value of these that, if anyone can't afford but needs one and will use it, I'll provide it myself. For the others, however, here are the directions:

Take a piece of siding two feet long and whittle one end down to a handle; take the child that needs the curfew and bend it over a barrel. Now take the siding in hand and use it as a clapper. Put it on hot, divide the strokes evenly and see that none miss. Good for a boy or girl up to the age of 16, and three applications are warranted to cure the most pronounced case of street loafing that exists. The music is said to be finer than singing "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?"

With a \$160,000 municipal water plant, the bonds for which have already been sold, with a \$400,000 irrigation project, with one-half of the required acreage already secured; with a public park backed by the most patriotic band of women, veterans who never lower their flag on any proposition, and a new high school building, La Grande and Union county will enter upon the new year with a realization that much is to be accomplished during the next few months. The period of inactivity that always precedes a presidential election is a thing of the past. The great northwest is to be the scene of activity on every hand during 1909, and we are in line for progress second to no community within this great commonwealth. The man who today owns real estate in this city and valley, by aiding the development that is now being promoted, with every assurance of success, will see his holdings grow in value rapidly within the next 12 months.

Be a booster. Everyone should consider himself a committee of one to foster the irrigation and park projects. If every one will make it a point to lend a kind word upon every opportunity and, in fact, make your opportunities, both will be secured easily. The merits of both are such that naught can be said. Many a beautiful flower, however, withered simply from the lack of just a little attention.

This spring like weather does not suggest Christmas, nevertheless there remain but 17 more purchasing days. Shrewd buyers will enter the markets early and shrewd dealers should also make it a point to encourage early buying.

Five tons of advertising matter descriptive of the wonderful resources of Oregon were shipped out of Portland this week. It is no wonder that Oregon is growing in population. With increased population developments follow.

If you have any doubts about the profitability of the poultry business in Union county, step into any grocery store and ask the price of eggs or dressed poultry.

Francis J. Hensey, the prosecutor, is out of the hospital. We need not be surprised to hear of a few more San Francisco grafters committing suicide.

It was a case of Greek against Greek. As a result of the war both popcorn wagons were ruled off the streets.

MUCH FAITH IN SUCCESS

"We are going to get the required acreage." These were the words spoken this morning by J. D. McKennon, chairman of the soliciting committee to secure the 20,000 acres required under the proposed irrigation project. Anyone hearing the emphatic manner in which he spoke those words could not but have taken renewed faith in the early success of the undertaking. Next week Chairman McKennon will start his committee out, and it is to be a finish fight, until the remaining 10,000 acres of land is secured.

Pickler Selected. Last night the Commercial club secured the services of Engineer Pickler to run the line for the ditches and laterals.

Everybody has taken renewed interest in the entire project and one and all feel and express their confidence that the entire matter is to be closed up right away.

There has never been any opposition to the project. Everyone recognizes the benefits to be derived and all have been hopeful from the start, but after the first attempt, which resulted in such a large acreage so easily, every one seemed willing to let the other fellow do the work, with the result that little progress was made.

It was the busy season, too, and what seemed at that time apathy, has once more been turned into enthusiasm. Mr. McKennon expressed the sentiment that finds immediate response by all who have given the matter consideration, when he stated that this is the biggest thing that this valley has ever attempted to secure. Something that will make it possible for more people to make a living off of the same acreage than anything that possibly could be done. Think of the government project a few miles west of Pendleton, at Hermiston, the purchasers are limited to 40-acre tracts and it was only this week that a line of people sat up all night in front of the door of the United States land office, in order to be the first to have an opportunity to make their filings on the irrigated land. They paid \$60 per acre for it. Our proposition only costs \$20 per acre for the land and we have 10 years to pay for it. There are mighty few acres of land that cannot be made to pay for this perpetual water right in one year.

Another point in our favor as compared to some irrigation projects is the absolute assurance of securing ample water. We have the water every year in abundance. A natural reservoir, a natural channel for 20 miles, and a valley that lies ideal for distribution. All we want is the interest to direct its completion and we have that. Talk with the members of the committee and imbibe some of their enthusiasm and you will readily understand how all of this is to be brought about.

GOVERNMENT AFTER DATA. Twenty-five Local Students Must Answer Long List of Questions.

Twenty-five pupils of the high school will be required by the government to give an exhaustive biography of themselves, of their parents and of matters which apparently have but little bearing on school matters. Out of the entire high school membership, 25 names will be selected and these



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pupils must answer a long string of questions. How much study is required to master lessons in school; how much "at home" study is given; what the student is learning—if anything—while going to school; what the vocation of the father is; what he earns, and so on. The list of questions is exhaustive. When these 25 blanks have been thus filled out, they will be sent to the government officials at Washington.

Taft to New York. New York, Dec. 5.—William H. Taft has accepted an invitation to address the North Carolina Society of New York at its annual banquet Monday night.

Sell State Lands. Olympia, Wash., Dec. 5.—State lands and timber holdings to the appraised value of \$253,000 were sold today in 19 counties of Washington.

Lodge of Sorrow. New York, Dec. 5.—A universal lodge of sorrow will be held tomorrow by Elks throughout the country, in memory of brothers who have died within the year.

KEEPS UP HIS FIGHT. Persistent in Waging War Against Sulphuring of Coast Fruits.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry, of the department of agriculture, who has aroused the wrath of Pacific Coast farmers and shippers by criticising the sulphuring of fruits, declared today he would continue to speak and write against the practice, and referred the board appointed by Roosevelt to investigate the case. He says he does not care what the board decides, but insists that the presence of sulphuric acid in the fruit is injurious to health.

King Corn to Reign. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 5.—King Corn

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will reign supreme in Omaha next week, when a great national exposition devoted principally to showing Indian maize and its products will be opened in this city. The premiere will not take place until next Wednesday, but already the big buildings devoted to the National Corn show are filling up with exhibits.

The opening day will be devoted especially to receiving and entertaining the governors of the "corn states" and most if not all of these gentlemen will have something to say on the occasion. The states which particularly figure as corn raisers are Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas, though various others produce large quantities of the grain. The governors of these states have gifted tongues, and they will speak with moving eloquence of the virtues and value of corn.

Punished for Criticism. Paris, Dec. 5.—Because he stated in an interview that the ammunition of the French Mediterranean fleet was poor in quality and insufficient in quantity, a council of ministers today removed Admiral Germinet from command of that fleet. Public indignation followed.

Attention, M. W. A. All members of La Grande Camp 7703, M. W. A., are hereby notified that the annual election of officers will take place at the next regular meeting Monday, December 7. All members are urged to attend. D. E. COX, Clerk.

KOHAGAN ACQUITTED. Roseburg Man is Free Again—Baker County Man on Trial.

Portland, Dec. 13.—Louis Kohagan of Roseburg, accused of swearing falsely when he took up a timber claim on which a man named Jones had filed a homestead, was acquitted late yesterday. J. B. Mead, accused of a similar offense committed in Baker county, is now on trial.