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PERSONALS.

Miss Hattie McMurray of South La Grande is recovering from an attack of measles.

William Dox is back from a trip to Boise. Mr. Dox was formerly a bartender at the Sommer bar.

Charles Wax and wife are at the Sommer today. Mr. Wax is connected with the Portland Oregonian.

E. C. Skiles, with Stewart & Holmes of Seattle, is a guest at the Sommer today.

R. J. Kirkley of Pendleton transacted business here yesterday, stopping at the Sommer.

G. F. Schofield of Spokane and J. J. Blair of Spokane were some of the Savoy guests last night.

S. P. Bement of Baker was a business visitor in La Grande last night. He was registered at the Savoy.

Will Erickson, formerly a business man of this city, but now a resident of the state of Washington, is here visiting with friends this week.

D. W. Sheahan, a well known attorney of Enterprise, stopped at the Savoy while transacting business here yesterday evening.

A. R. Johnson, J. H. Slocum, J. A. Martin and E. C. Bergen all of Portland, were Savoy hotel guests last night.

Lee Ferguson is in from Elgin for a few days. He recently bought a large farm in that country and is very well pleased with general conditions.

Dr. Gutter, wife and family are expected to arrive this evening from Valparaiso, Nebraska, to visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Bridges for a few days.

Miss Edna Wissler and Miss Laverne Wissler, both of Pendleton, left today for Joseph lake after having been guests with friends here yesterday.

Mrs. W. B. Bach is recovering rapidly from the effects of an operation performed by Dr. Hall for appendicitis last Monday at the Grande Ronde hospital.

F. D. McCully, a prominent banker and merchant of Joseph, stopped at the Sommer last night and yesterday afternoon while transacting business matters here.

W. W. Smith of Spokane, C. E. Reinhardt of St. Louis, A. Schultz of Portland, H. R. Fleming of Chicago and F. W. Morgan and wife of Ontario were some of the Sommer hotel guests last night.

W. M. Kunnels, a city official at Joseph, stopped at the Foley last night.

F. R. Hanks is here from Portland today, a guest at the Foley.

E. C. Herynger of Pendleton was a business visitor in La Grande today and stopped at the Foley.

William Bollons and W. R. Ladd, O. W. officials, were in the city this morning, staying at the Foley while here.

H. S. Geddes, a resident of Baker, transacted business at La Grande this morning, staying at the Foley while here.

Mrs. R. E. Pollack and daughter, Miss Anna, have been touring the west, and lately have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Pollack, have returned to their home in York, Pa.

BILYU COMING TO HELP ELKS

GRAND MEET SUNDAY WILL BE OF MUCH INTEREST.

Visiting Elk Herd Said to Be Exceptionally Clever Bunch.

Big Bilyu, the Enterprise twirler, will occupy the mound for the La Grande lodge of Elks next Sunday when the locals meet the crack Boise Elks' team coming here for one game. That it will be a bang up affair goes without saying. The local ball tossers who wear Elk buttons are industriously preparing for the game of big moment by diligent practice and the big slab artist is coming from Enterprise prepared to twirl the game of his life. There will be no fall down if hard work can drum the local players into shape.

That a banner crowd will attend is conceded for it will be a diversion to see Idaho players here. During the summer there has been rattling good ball but the fans have come to know the players in the league and are now looking for something new for a diversion.

"TURN-AROUND CAUSED DELAY

HARRY DODENDORF EXPLAINS HIS ABSENCE.

Court Orders Investigation of Cause for Contempt Yesterday.

For the time being H. W. Dodendorf has been able to avoid punishment for contempt of court in not appearing as a witness before the Van Durne trial yesterday morning as ordered to do by a subpoena. Mr. Dodendorf was served with the warrant for his arrest on a contempt charge last night when he returned from his run and he told the court in showing cause why he should not be held in contempt, that he would have been in on time had he not received a turn around order which delayed his arrival in La Grande. The statement will be investigated and while no decision has been handed down, it is believed in court circles that the sentence will be lightened if everything is found just as Mr. Dodendorf states it and that he could not have reached La Grande without disobeying orders from dispatchers.

House to Praise Wiley.

Washington, July 27.—Dr. Harvey Wiley, the chief chemist of the department of agriculture, whose "condign punishment" was recommended by Attorney General Wickersham, may get praise from the house.

Congressman Rodenburg, of George, today introduced a resolution which expresses confidence in Wiley and it is expected the democrats will support it.

Gov. Marshall Gives Advice.

Auburn, Ind., July 27.—Attacking the decision of the supreme court in the Standard Oil and American Tobacco cases, Governor Marshall of Indiana today asserted the time had come when the individual voters must drive the "interests" out of politics.

Bribe Confession Proven.

Washington, July 27.—Testifying before the Lorimer committee today, H. D. Holtzlaw, son of State Senator Holtzlaw, presented evidence of his father's confession that he was bribed to vote for Lorimer, was correct. Young Holtzlaw is the cashier of the State bank at Luks, Ill. He presented a deposit slip showing his father deposited \$25,000 in the State bank of Chicago June 1th, 1909, the date the elder Holtzlaw said he received the bribe.

SEEING A JOKE.

It Depends on the Brand of Humor to Which One is Accustomed.

Foreigners, as a rule, do not understand our wit and humor. Sir Alfred Harmsworth once remarked to me, says a writer in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, that American humor was coarse and sometimes brutal. Mark Twain and Finley Peter Dunne are the only American humorists who are accepted by Englishmen. On the other hand, we do not appreciate the humor of Punch, the Englishman's delight.

I have seen an Englishman laugh heartily over a joke in Punch that I couldn't see any point to until it was explained to me, and no doubt that gentleman considered me as dense as we consider them when we tell them a funny story and get a sort of pained look, rather mystifying to be sure, in stead of the laugh which was expected.

It is the local application of the joke that counts the world over. The funniest thing I ever saw was the charge a yearling Hereford bull made at a barbed wire fence in the Texas Panhandle. He struck the fence full tilt, and the rebound caused him to turn a complete back somersault. He landed on his boots all right, and there he stood all straddled out with a look of astonishment on his face that was almost human. It was so ludicrous that I lay down in the mesquite grass and rolled over in spasms of mirth. Then he began to hawl like a whipped child turned tail and ran as from a banshee.

I was at dinner in a Bradford club and told about it, expecting to get a laugh, but all I got was this from Hon. Smith Feather, mayor of that Yorkshire city: "By Jove, I didn't know those wire fences were so strong. It's a jolly good thing the poor brute wasn't injured."

WATERSPOUTS.

Old Time Mariners Fought Them With Noise and Cannon.

In the waterspout the medieval mariner saw a malevolent living monster—a sea dragon. There were various means of combating them: Once all sailors carried black handled knives, which the monster was believed to hold in special abhorrence. When a spout made its appearance these knives were produced and pointed in its direction, waved in the air so as to make the sign of the cross or according to the recommendation of certain contemporary authorities, driven several times into the side of the ship. Certain passages from the gospel of St. John were recited as charms against waterspouts.

A loud noise of any kind was also believed to be efficacious against them—shouts, the clash of swords, the beating of drums and gongs, etc. The custom of firing cannon against waterspouts, says the Scientific American, dates back at least as far as the sixteenth century. The original idea appears to have been to frighten them away by the noise of the report, but in the later times it was believed that the watery column could be cut in twain by the cannon ball and the spout thus dissipated. It would be interesting to know whether the cannonading of waterspouts is still sometimes practiced. It was certainly common much less than a century ago. It is hardly necessary to say that it is entirely futile.

The Babbee.

Englishmen are familiar with the name "babbee," applied to the Scotch halfpenny, but few does it bring the association of a baby queen and a loyal people. It appears that the first attempt at the portraiture of the unfortunate Mary, queen of Scots, was made in her infancy, and her small face was engraved upon the Scottish halfpennies at the time of her coronation in 1543, when she was but nine months old. A number of these small coins are still preserved, and it will be easily understood how the name "babbee," or baby, came to be given to the coin bearing the effigy of the baby. The halfpenny of Scotland is still commonly called the babbee, although the baby face no longer appears on it.—Pearson's.

Fact or Fiction?

"The trouble with these literary clubs," said a captious critic, "is that they always degenerate into meetings for the exchange of gossip." "True enough," replied an enthusiastic member, "but how can you expect anything else when facts are so much stranger than fiction?"

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Get a nice cool drink of buttermilk at the Valley Creamery—all you can drink for a nickel. 7-27-31

Prof. F. J. Freenor, the magnetic healer, has returned to La Grande and is located at the Savoy hotel, room 10. Office hours 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. He treats all chronic diseases. If you would be well let him. All treatments by appointment only. 7-27-8-3

Buttermilk, fresh and cool, at the Valley Creamery. 7-27-31

Arthur Gammond, the music teacher is moving into the residence of 495 Fourth street. The place is being papered and generally renovated.

The Valley Creamery, 215 Fir street, sells ice cream in cones or by the pint, quart or gallon. 7-27-31

Hugh Kinney of South La Grande is building a fine barn on his property.

The new icecream maker at the Valley Creamery is making the best ice cream in La Grande. 7-27-31

Glady Linderman, an actress, was married yesterday afternoon to Ernest R. Scott a railroader of this city, at the Stewart theatre. The ceremony was conducted by Dr. J. D. Gillman.

W. W. Ross of Haines is in the Baker hospital suffering from injuries sustained in an auto accident this week. The machine was owned by Harvey McCulloch. The car hit a telephone pole, badly damaging it.

The remain of T. Mathews, known as "Uncle Tom" when he resided in this county for 26 years prior to going to Albany, were buried this afternoon from the Henry & Carr undertaking parlors. He died in Albany Sunday. The pioneer had many friends in this valley. He is survived by his sons, S. W. of Pendleton, J. W., Richland, and L. E. of Prosser

No Cause for Murder.

Sacramento, July 27.—Investigation today failed to develop any motive for the murder of Miss Dudley by a man whose name appears to be Cole. It is known that the man drank heavily two weeks before the shooting but his identity is mysterious.

Assessor Goes to Prison.

Oakland, July 27.—Former Assessor Dalton was sentenced to eight years for soliciting a bribe and was taken to San Quentin penitentiary today to begin his term.