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FINES BY INSTALLMENTS.

When a poor man is haled into police court and fined \$5.00, he has to pay it immediately or go to jail. To the rich man \$5.00 doesn't mean much. Even \$500 doesn't mean a great deal. To the poor chap it means liberty if he has got the five.

Kansas City has completed a year of its system of letting police court offenders pay their fines by installments. By this method many a prisoner is saved from the disgrace of jail. The fact that every week he has to forfeit a part of his pay operates to remind him of the bad business policy of breaking the law quite as much as any lump assessment would do.

Under this system the judge sitting on the bench feels more at liberty to fine those who deserve fining. Under the present method the humane court frequently does not administer a fine for the simple reason that he realizes the man cannot pay it and will have to be imprisoned in default. The offense, perhaps, merits a fine but not a term in jail. In such cases, the offender goes scot free. In other instances the sending of the breadwinner of a family to prison only means that for the term of his sentence his family will be deprived of his support and thus the heaviest punishment will fall on them.

In Kansas City the installment plan is limited to first offenders. The payments are adjusted to the financial circumstances of the defendant, sometimes being as low as 50 cents a week. Ewing C. Bland, judge of the municipal court in Kansas City, believes the plan solves one of the big problems in American cities, the placing of wrongdoers, whether rich or poor, on an equality before the law.

Imprisonment in default of nonpayment of fine is equivalent to imprisonment for debt. In such a case the defendant is in debt to the state instead of to an individual.

SETTLEMENT IN WALLOWA.

Perhaps no other person is so familiar with the growth of the Wallowa country as a reporter. From the interviews he obtains from settlers who have come a long way, attracted either by an enthusiastic friend now living there or by the advertising of some real estate firm, he is able to keep tab on the incoming families. It is evident from close observation that in the last four months no fewer than 200 families have moved into that section of the state. These people have come to stay, and it is safe to assert that in the next year the influx of people will be vastly greater. Less than ten families have moved out, and, in many instances, this was caused by family relations and conditions. Most of the families, yes, the big majority went there to till the soil. This means that in five to ten years the

products raised by these two hundred families will cause a marked increase in the freight shipments to and from that favored section and that in the course of time Wallowa county will be known throughout the state as one of the most ideal counties in the northwest. It is going to mean business for the merchants of this city and for the cities in Wallowa. It will mean bigger schools and better training. It will mean extension of the railroads, the exploitation of all of the mineral wealth that is said to be resting in the hills of that county, it will mean that Wallowa county will be one of the leading counties of Oregon.

THE MANAGERIAL FORM IS CATCHING.

"The Bond Buyer," a paper published in New York and devoted to bond sales of all kinds, has an interesting article on the adoption by cities of the managerial form of city government, and speaks with some emphasis of the fact that this new form is making friends in all parts of the United States. It will be interesting to know that La Grande is in the eye of the nation, on account of her recent move in this direction, and the results gained with this novel form of city management will be either the incentive or the deterrent for other cities dissatisfied with either the commission form or the aldermanic form of government. Says this article:

"The greatest publicity for the new plan of municipal government, however, has come from its adoption last August by the important city of Dayton, Ohio, with a population of upwards of 115,000. Dayton had been suffering from political mismanagement, with its evils of inefficiency and extravagance, and its citizens had become aroused to the necessity of lifting the city out of its wretched condition. A vigorous campaign of education, handicapped by dreadful flood conditions of last year, resulted in a home rule charter, embodying the city manager plan and drafted by a board of fifteen freeholders, which was adopted on August 12, 1913. After a wide and thorough search for an expert executive Mr. Henry M. Waite, city engineer of Cincinnati, was selected as city manager. In the same month Springfield, Ohio, with nearly fifty thousand inhabitants, followed Dayton in adopting the new plan. Since then a number of smaller cities have fallen into line, such as Phoenix, Ariz., La Grande, Ore.; Amarillo and Terrell, in Texas; and Cadillac and Manistee, in Michigan. The charter commission at work in Salem, Ore., is also committed to the single executive scheme. In fact, wherever the subject of city revision is under consideration, the city manager plan is receiving serious consideration as a development of the commission plan."

SALTS FINE FOR ACHING KIDNEYS

We eat too much meat, which clogs kidneys, then back hurts and bladder bothers you.

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water, before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is harmless; inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everybody should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications. A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.

Bob Withycombe refuses to become a candidate for representative, claiming he can do more good breeding barley and fine hogs for the state. There is no argument against his stand, even if some of his friends would like to see him run.

Millionaire is being held in Southern California for big ransom. But dispatches don't state whether his captors are regular bandits or Los Angeles real estate agents.

Now that Chicago women can hold office many are applying for appointment as notaries public. A notary public is an official that makes men swear.

His mother-in-law saved an Atlanta man from suicide. Life in this country is certainly being revolutionized.

Mexico is shipping tainted meat into the United States, but we could stand that if she would only keep her refugees at home.

Remember today is Friday, the thirteenth, and that the groundhog saw his shadow this month. Be careful until midnight.

Among the many other lively and energetic institutions in Union county the circuit court takes a front seat this session.

Order to Show Cause.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Union County. Sitting in Probate.

In the matter of Floyd McCall, a Minor:

At this time the petition of R. F. McCall, the guardian of Floyd McCall, a minor, praying for an order of this court to sell all the right, title and interest of the said minor in and to lots 6 and 7 of Block 26 in Sterling's Second Addition to Island City, in Union County, Oregon, the said interest being a one-twentieth part thereof, coming on for consideration; and it appearing that the next of kin of said ward and all persons interested in the estate, should have notice of the time and place set for hearing said petition;

IT IS THEREFORE ADJUDGED AND ORDERED, That March 11th, 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the County Court room in the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, be, and the same is hereby set as the time and place for consideration of said petition, and the next of kin to said minor and all other interested persons are hereby required to show cause why such petition should not be granted; that this order be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in the La Grande Evening Observer, of La Grande Oregon.

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J. C. HENRY, Dly.—F. 13-20-27; County Judge. Mar. 6.

Colds and Croup in Children.

Many people rely upon Chamberlain's Cough Remedy implicitly in cases of colds and croup, and it never disappoints them. Mrs. E. H. Thomas, Logansport, Ind., writes "I have found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be the best medicine for colds and croup I have ever used, and never tire of recommending it to my neighbors and friends. I have always given it to my children when suffering from croup, and it has never failed to give them prompt relief." For sale by all dealers.

Odd Fellows, Take Notice.

The regular meeting night of La Grande Lodge No. 16, I. O. O. F. has been changed from Saturday night to Monday night.

FOR SALE—Milk cows; ranch for sale or rent. Phone Farmers 14x. 2-13, 5t.p.

WANTED.—Loan on clear La Grande real estate. Call Observer. 2-12-t.

Spring Dress Fabrics in a Wonderful Variety of New Patterns and Shades

Wash Fabrics Spring Woolens This season's offerings include many new materials of unusual beauty. Every fashionable shade and weave of the popular new spring woolens are here. Prices are lower than formally on account of the new tariff reduction and many imported fabrics are shown. See them in our windows and interiors.

15c to \$1.50 per yd. 30c to \$3.50 per yd. See Our Window of New Ratines and Lace Flouncings at 50c per yard

Spring Embroideries have just arrived. West THE QUALITY STORE. Newest Trimmings for both wash goods and woolens.

Dave Bloch Promoted.

Dave E. Bloch, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Bloch of this city, has been appointed copy, plan and art manager for the H. E. Lesan Advertising Agency.

Mr. Bloch has just severed his connection as advertising manager of the Globe-Wernicke Company, of Cincinnati, the largest manufacturing concern of its kind in the world.

Mr. Bloch's national campaign for the Globe-Wernicke company has been discussed by leading advertising men.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church announce a minstrel show for Thursday evening, February 13, to be given at the Arcade theatre. The program is a "Cabaret Minstrel," containing the best talent in the city and some numbers by out of town artists. Tickets 75c and 50c.

The Evening Observer on sale at Jewlin's Book Store.

Hear the boat song in the Cabaret Minstrels.

Something out of the ordinary, Feb. 19th, the Arcade.

Bring your horses in and let Skipton buy them Saturday.

Read the advertisements too.

When Snuff Was Useful.

"Some people have the knack of doing and saying the right thing at the right time," comments Lord Rosemore in "Things I Can Tell." And as an instance of the value of presence of mind in an emergency, he tells of a dog fight in Bond street, London. Two terriers that belonged to two socially eminent ladies had engaged in a businesslike tussle.

The distracted ladies alternately made tearful but vain appeals to their favorites and to the bystanders. Just as the fight seemed about to terminate fatally for one of the animals a blase-looking "chappie" elbowed his way through the crowd with a polite "Permit me."

He calmly surveyed the two struggling dogs; then he produce a handsome gold snuffbox and taking a pinch of snuff from it he dropped a little on the end of each dog's nose. A fit of sneezing ensued, which compelled them to release their grip, and the combat came to an end.

With a polite bow to the ladies, the strategist walked leisurely away—Youth's Companion.

The Only Thing.

"Well, I got something in free of duty?" "What was that?" "The English cigarette I was smoking as I left the dock."

and merchants, and written about in advertising publications, as being one of the strongest and best-planned of the year; and such constructive work as he is capable of doing will be a valuable asset to this agency and its clients. Mexican Rebels Repulsed. Mexico City, Feb. 13.—That rebels were repulsed in their attack on Torreon, Monterey, Tampico, Mazatlan simultaneously, is a fact, according to news received by War Minister Blanquet.

For Young's SWEETS Washington Birthday, St. Patrick, Easter Candy Novelties. 1102 Adams Avenue Phone Red 3931

A REMINDER Celery, Cabbage, Carrots Hot House Lettuce, Head Lettuce, Parsnips, Turnips, Beets Cocoanuts, Grape Fruit, Oranges, Bananas Suggestions For Your SUNDAY DINNER PHONE MAIN 721 BERRY BROS. GROCERY

La Grande National Bank Organized in 1887. DESIGNATED DEPOSITORY OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. UNITED STATES POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITORY. Capital \$100,000.00 Surplus \$140,000.00 Total Resources \$1,000,000.00 For twenty-six years, in all kinds of financial weather, we have successfully catered to the monetary wants of the people of La Grande and the Grande Ronde Valley. We respectfully solicit your business. La Grande National Bank La Grande, Oregon