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## CLEAN HEALTH LAW TO STAND UPON STATUTES

HOUSE RECONSIDERS ITS VOTE BUT AGAIN KILLS BILL TO REPEAL THE MEASURE.

PROHIBITION BILL HAS BEEN REPORTED TO HOUSE

House Also Adopts Plan to Have One Railroad Commission. Elected from Eastern Oregon One from "The Valley" and One from Multnomah County—Senate Approves Free Text Books.

Salem, Jan. 29.—The house today reconsidered the Anderson bill which was defeated Wednesday, providing for a repeal of the law requiring a certificate of health to secure a marriage license. But it was again defeated.

The house adopted a majority report on the railway transportation committee favoring the passage of a bill changing the manner of electing railroad commissioners so that one commissioner shall be chosen from Eastern Oregon, one from the Willamette valley and another from Multnomah county.

The senate adopted a majority report of the judiciary committee in favor of the bill repealing free text books. It had already passed the house.

The house committee on alcoholic traffic reported to the house today the amended prohibition bill. The committee believes the measure will be effective and at the same time stand a legal test.

## STANCHFIELD FUNERAL SET

Arrangements Have Been Completed for Burial at 2:15 Sunday.

Today funeral arrangements for the interment of the late W. H. Stanchfield were made. The services will be held at the house 602 M. avenue at 2:15. The body will lie at the Bohlenkamp chapel until 1 o'clock Sunday.

**MORE GREEKS RETURN TO HOME.**  
Slowly but surely the war in Europe is calling the reserves from this country. Yesterday two Greeks who have been employed in this city for a number of years past left for the old country by way of New York City. These men were Tom Lenos and Pete Vikos, who were called to the colors by the mobilization of the Grecian troops in preparation for what seems to be the inevitable.

## SCHOOL BILL IS OPPOSED

DIRECTORS MEET TO PASS ADVERSE OPINION.

Cup to Be Given to the Cove Colt Winner Show Next Month.

Strenuous opposition was voiced late yesterday afternoon by the directors of the Commercial club against the proposed Ragsdale school district bill now up in the senate, and described in detail in yesterday's Observer, when a resolution was drafted and sent to the Eastern Oregon delegation at Salem. The commercial club directors to a man opposed the purposes of the measure and told the author and the Union county delegation so in plain words.

President Snodgrass called the meeting to get prompt action on the Ragsdale resolution, and while in session, several other important pieces of business were discussed, one being to donate a desirable cup for the winner of the Cove Colt show to be held soon. Practically the entire board was out to take part in the discussion.

## FARMERS GUESTS AT NEW "Y" SATURDAY

DINNER BASKETS TO BE OPENED AT NOON HOUR.

Availability of Boys Pears in Our Market Yesterday—Over 200 Present During Day.

Tomorrow is farmers day at the Y. M. C. A. and indications are that it will be the red letter day for the opening week, unless the boys of the grade schools who gathered into the building yesterday afternoon claim that honor because of superior numbers.

The program as prepared for tomorrow afternoon provides for something doing every minute of the time allotted to the farmers with addresses and musical numbers from some of the best talent in the county and gathered from all sections of the county so that a representative gathering can be expected on this occasion.

Secretary Rudd was kept guessing yesterday when the boys of the grade schools were turned loose on the new building. The Central school boys were dismissed at recess to visit the "Y" and the way in which they visited made it necessary to take them through the program in relays. But this was only the beginning of the crowd that was to come when the boys from the other two grade schools and St. Mary's academy arrived on the scene. Fully 300 youngsters inspected the building and enjoyed a taste of the treat that is in store for the members of the local organization.

Tonight is business men's night at the "Y." No program has been prepared for this occasion. The men will simply visit the building, inspect it as it now appears with its partial equipment and probably indulge in some refreshments and a shower. All of the men of the city are invited and urged to take advantage of this evening for visiting the new building.

## Rev. Close Out Again.

Rev. R. E. Close has improved from his recent illness to the extent that he can again be at his study in the Baptist church.

## VILLA REPORTED SERIOUSLY WOUNDED; NEWS UNVERIFIED

Many Slain and Wounded When Mexico City Again Falls

## OREGON LEADS TEN THOUSAND MEN INTO CAPITAL

Washington, Jan. 29.—American Agent Hillman has cabled the state department that an unconfirmed report has been received in Mexico City to the effect that General Villa has been seriously wounded.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Vigorous fighting, in which a large number of men were killed and wounded, attended, the latest capture of Mexico City by General Obregon, at the head of the Carranzista forces, according to a dispatch to the state department from Consular Agent Hillman. The dispatch seemed to remove all doubt about the fall of the capital. According to it Obregon marched to the capital at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the head of 10,000 Carranzistas.

While unofficial advice from Mexico placed the Carranzista troops in Mexico City, other dispatches indicate that General Obregon and the Carranzistas met resistance on the march to the capital. Villa's adherents here have received telegrams indicating the reported withdrawal from Mexico City of Zapata was merely a temporary move undertaken for strategic reasons. There will be no chance in the policy of the administration regarding Mexico, although fresh bloodshed is brewing there. This was the positive announcement made by Secretary Bryan today after he had given the matter consideration. It means the attitude of "Watchful waiting" will continue.

## LUMBER PRODUCERS HERE

Representatives of practically all the nine big mills in Eastern Oregon that embrace the membership of the Eastern Oregon Lumber Producers' association, are in conference today at the annual meeting of the association. In the absence of President Stoddard, Will Geddes of Baker, presided. During the morning session the reports of Secretary Leon B. Stoddard of Perry were read and approved. An effort to broaden the field for the sale of Eastern Oregon lumber through adjustment and modification of certain shipping rates, and facilities, was taken up at some length. During the afternoon the conven-

## SUPREME COURT TO GET PFIFFER CASE

WRIT OF ERROR ISSUED BY STATE TRIBUNAL.

Likely That Three Years Will Be Required to Get Case Through Highest Court.

Yesterday the Supreme court of this state issued a writ of error to the United States Supreme court in the case of Henry M. Pfeiffer vs. O. W. R. & N. Co. This action was brought under the Federal Employers Liability act and therefore involves the construction of an act of congress, the final determination of which must necessarily be made by the Supreme court of the United States. In view of the congested condition of the docket of that tribunal it is probable this case will not be argued at Washington for about three years. Mr. Pfeiffer won a \$10,000 verdict in the Circuit court here as damages for injuries sustained as an engineer. The case was appealed but the Supreme court affirmed, and then the railroad company sued out a writ of error with the result noted.

The Michigan compensation plan instead of the compensation act now in vogue. With one or two exceptions all the mills are represented. The lumbermen here today represent an annual cut of 112,000,000 feet. Those present include: Nelson Hackett, of the company bearing his name at Elgin; Frank Gardiner, White Pine Lumber Co., Baker; W. S. Shockley, Stoddard Bros., Baker; Joe Stoddard, Stoddard Bros., Baker; George Palmer, Vincent Palmer, George Palmer Lumber Co., La Grande; Will Geddes, of the W. S. Eccles Lumber Co., Baker; Fred Atkinson, Oregon Lumber Co., Baker; George M. Cornwall, The Timberman, Portland and L. B. Stoddard, Grande Ronde Lumber Co., at Perry.

The annual election of officers was postponed.

## WILL IMPROVE LIGHTING

Added Windows Decided Upon to Perfect Store's Light.

Although complete rearrangement of the N. K. West & Co. store building took place last year, announcement is made today that still another change is to be made at once. It is found that the light is not sufficient in the building as it now stands, and in order to have perfect light in every department that portion of the building now occupied by the shoe department and the clothing department will be remodeled. New windows will be put in the rear of the building and the shoe department moved to the front, while the clothing department will be located where the shoe department now is. With additional light this will make the department used for the clothing well lighted, and with the shoes in the front there will be a much better arrangement.

The center of the store as it now stands is to be completely changed and will be devoted to furnishings. "Most plans look good on paper," said N. K. West today, "but I have learned that one has to actually try out a store interior before he knows exactly which is the better plan. We had hoped the arrangement made recently would be permanent but we find that the business demands better arrangement, which we are going to begin at once to work out."

## "Peoples' Man Here.

Sol Baum, manager of The Peoples' Amusement company of Portland is here today visiting with S. A. Gardiner of the Arcade theatre.

## GERMANS FLY OVER ALLIES' LINES AGAIN

SECOND SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT IN ONE WEEK SAY BERLIN REPORTS

SHELLS ARE DROPPED ON SUPPOSED HEADQUARTERS

Dunkirk's English Depot Shelled by Airships of Various Kinds—Infantry Again Playing Important Part in the Week's Activities—Slight Gains Made by the French.

Berlin, Jan. 29.—German aeroplanes passed over the allied lines in Belgium for the second time this week and dropped bombs where the headquarters of Field Marshal French is supposed to be located. The ships passed over Nieuport and shelled the British depots at Dunkirk. The extent of the damage is not known. The Germans also claim to have repulsed the French at LaBasse again.

Paris, Jan. 29.—Slight gains by the Allies near Nieuport where infantry fighting has been in progress for 24 hours, is announced by the war office today. The German positions between Lombartide and Saint George were captured. Several infantry clashes elsewhere in Belgium and South of Ypres are taking place, but Germans are evidently waiting for the arrival of reinforcements.

A German aviator was brought down and captured, in Belgium, while maneuvering to drop bombs on Allied positions.

At Craonne there is still some fighting by cannon but infantry fighting is almost constant.

## MRS. BUCK IS ILL

Still Sore from Bruises, Drayman Goes to Wife's Bedside.

E. F. Buck left this morning for Pendleton in response to a letter telling him that his wife who is in a hospital in that city, is in a critical condition, and that she was not expected to live long. Mr. Buck stated that it was his intention to bring Mrs. Buck to her home in this city if it was at all possible to do so. This is the first time that Mr. Buck has left his home since the accident of last week in which he was injured when his express wagon was struck by a light engine. The injury to his back has proved more serious than he thought it to be immediately after the accident and he still suffers considerable pain. He stated this morning that he intended to resume business as soon as his injuries would permit.

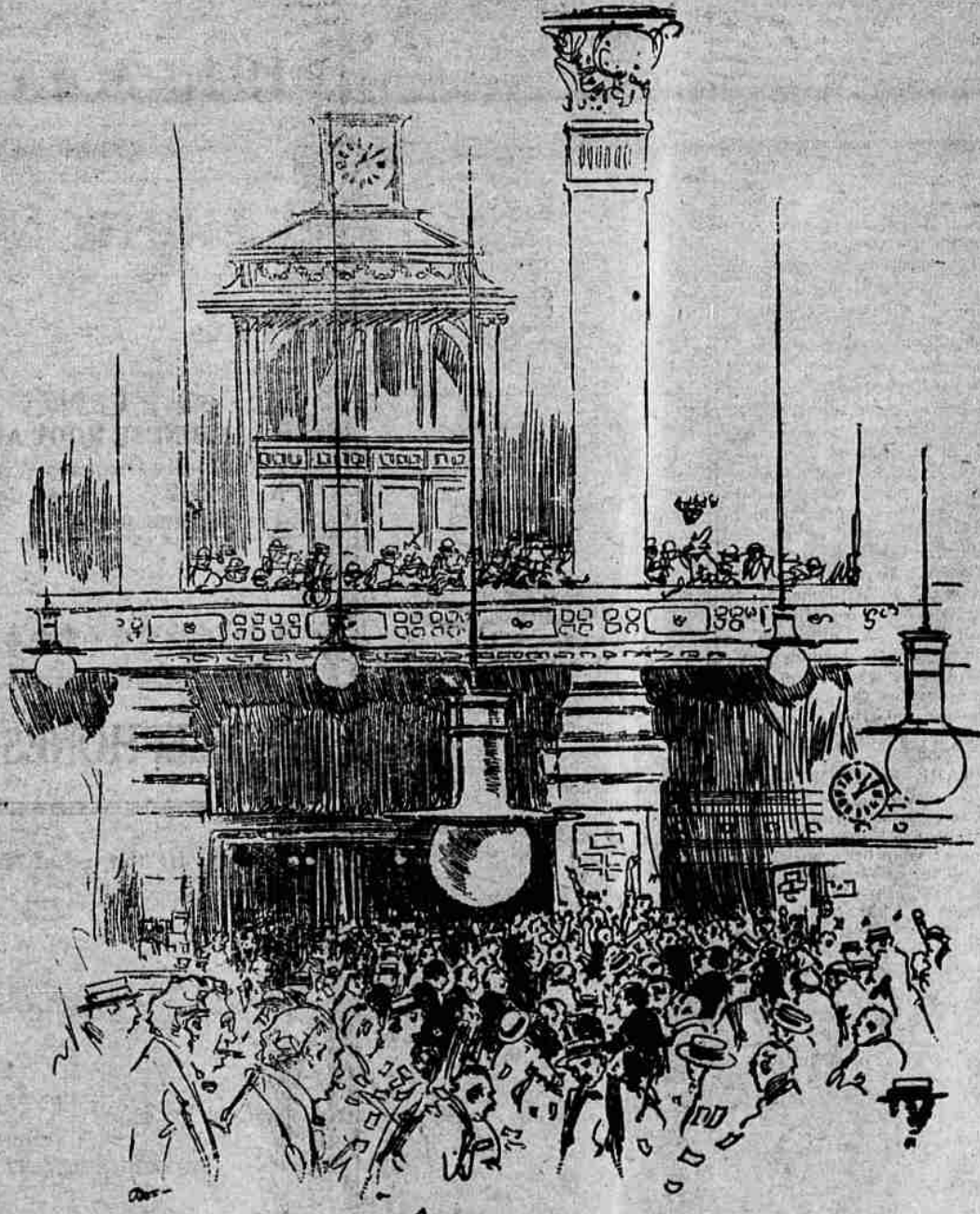
## A CORRECTION.

In the ad of N. K. West & Co., in last evening's Observer the coupon at the bottom right hand corner of ad. should have read as follows:

"Present this coupon at our store any time before February 10th and make a cash purchase of 50 cents or more and receive \$1.00 worth (10) Fidelity Trading Stamps free in addition to the regular stamps."

The error was caused by transposition of linotype slugs.

THE CHICAGO WHEAT PIT AT ITS WILDEST.



The Board of Trade in Chicago refuses to permit photographers to enter its sacred precincts on business. There is a rule that no photographs may be taken of the business of buying and selling wheat. So in order to give a representation of the

enormously interesting scenes there for the past few days it was necessary to send an artist into the gallery to draw a picture of the scene, and the one shown here is the result. Never before, except under extreme conditions, have such high wheat prices prevailed. When it touched \$1.45 3-8 a

bushel it seemed that the notch price had been reached. Many brokers believe otherwise. They point out that the exports of breadstuffs in December last reached the enormous total of \$55,860,209. In December, 1913, the exports amounted to only \$11,149,600.

## SYRUP EXPERT PRAISES THE GRANDE RONDE APPLE BRAND

Stamp of approval and warm testimonials are placed on the Cleaver apple syrup by C. H. Stine, connected with Adirondack Maple company, makers of maple syrup and sugar at Lovville, N. Y. Mr. Stine tasted some of the syrup a few days ago while in the city on business, and immediately made arrangements to confer with Geo. L. Cleaver the inventor and producer at Imbler. This he did yesterday, and arrangements to put the syrup on the California market have been commenced. He foresees a big future for the industry. "The syrup has merit; it is of such

a quality that it will sell readily at the price quoted" emphatically declared by Stine after inspecting the plant and the product. "There are several similar kinds of fruit syrup but this is far in advance of the average. It has a marked quality that is sure to make it a good seller. I have no hesitancy in pronouncing it good" he concluded. Mr. Stine is versed in sugar and syrup and his flattering praise of the Union county by-product of the apple orchard carries much weight here.