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SMOTHER IT, SMOTHER IT.

The act to establish a new judicial district of Washington and Tillamook counties stands a good chance to have the referendum invoked against it by a few citizens. In the opinion of the attorney general this would cause a state election which will cost around a hundred thousand dollars.

Will someone please bring a cholera bottle and put to sleep opposition to the new district, or a feather-bed and smother the agitators. For Oregon does not want a special election over a judicial district, or any other kind of a district at the present time. It would be better to give the aspiring new judge a salary and let him fish instead of set on the bench, for the state as a whole would be ahead of the game and all the confusion would be avoided.

For the love of peace and quiet and good sense let's have no more elections for a while.

A REGRETTABLE CONCLUSION.

The investigation in Chicago where in the locomotive men and the rail-

roads were attempting to settle their differences did not conclude satisfactorily to the employees. This is a most regrettable thing, for it had been hoped by all engine men that this exhaustive investigation would settle things for years to come.

Calm was the interview given out by the dissatisfied men, but behind that interview is plainly to be seen general dissatisfaction all of which means that things are not on a solid basis.

Corporation Commissioner Shoulderman got into the newspapers Sunday with a proclamation telling the promoters that they need not fear, so long as they kept within the law; that he was in the office not to drive capital from the state but to induce it to come into the state. But the interpretation of the law is frequently an important matter. Watson, his predecessor, doubtless went a little strong against promoters, and yet when some of the wildcat schemes were unfolded it is little wonder that he drew the lines so tightly. Mr. Shoulderman will find himself in considerable trouble if he begins to play loosely with some of the smooth promoters who perch in the west.

It might be well to give respectful attention to H. G. Rich, who in the Portland Journal Sunday, proclaimed the merits of wood block paving for country roads. His argument is good and his statement that every cross roads saw mill could be put to work on home materials for building the roads cannot be doubted. Mr. Rich must be given credit for one thing—he has nothing to sell to counties wanting to build roads, and that is more than a good many good roads advocates can truthfully say.

Just at a time when Frank Baile of the Columbia mine introduces the South American tango in his mining camp to hold his men, the wife of a miner across the range in the Cable Cove district refuses to live in the mountains where there is no "society" and sues for a divorce. Someone should tell this lady that tango of the South American brand is the purple of society at present.

Governor Withycombe says in an emphatic message that May 20th shall be good roads day; that settles it. Let's clear the loose rock from the hillside roads on that day. But remember it is not an afternoon tea party that will do the work on roads. Men must not pretend to work, but actually get at it.

Those passengers who sailed for Europe on the Lusitania had fair warning that war is on in earnest and it looks very much like a foolhardy trick. Should that vessel sink the Germans can at least say, "we told you so."

That French horse buyer who refused to stop at the Geiser Grand hotel in Baker because the name Geiser is German, little knew that the hotel is run by a full blooded Frenchman.

The Portland Journal has found some defects in the Cello canal. Stop the entire celebration until Senator Harry Lane investigates the canal and makes a report.

King George and Ambassador Page are each barring King Alcohol from their homes and using grape juice.

Guess Bryan is making some headway.

In his Oregon Voter C. C. Chapman has forever removed E. B. Piper of the Oregonian from being a senatorial possibility. Doubtless Mr. Piper would never have been a candidate for the senate, but to have Chapman expose his political power and tell what a factor he is in politics must have been embarrassing to the modest man who dictates the Oregonian's policies.

Two thirds of the registered voters of Multnomah county did not vote on the good roads question which lately carried down there. Plainly there are a lot of people in the world who do not give a tinker's hammer about public matters.

Best Thing for a Bilious Attack
 "On account of my confinement in the printing office I have for years been a chronic sufferer from indigestion and liver trouble. A few weeks ago I had an attack that was so severe that I was not able to go to the case for two days. Failing to get any relief from any other treatment, I took three of Chamberlain's Tablets and the next day I felt like a new man," writes H. C. Bailey, Editor Carolina News, Chapin, S. C. Obtainable everywhere.

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ELGIN NEWS

(Elgin Recorder)

Elgin Walks Inspected by Council
 There is to be a general clean-up in Elgin on old dilapidated walks. Such is the conclusion of the city authorities.

During the past few days the street committee inspected every foot of walk in the city, and they report a most satisfactory condition in residential sections. Some are worse than others, but there is hardly a section but what presents walks that are unsightly and unsafe.

The chairman of the street committee states that a reasonable time will be given owners of defective walks to repair them. The same will be accorded those whose walks are unsafe, but in this case new walks must be constructed. Unless this opportunity is taken advantage of the council will meet in special session compelling each and every resident to provide walks that are safe for pedestrians.

This is a move that should meet with approval of all, even if numerous people will be compelled to make an expenditure for improvement. Elgin will present an improved appearance and the liability of accidents will be reduced to a minimum.

The foundation of the north wall of the large oven in the Elgin Bakery collapsed Tuesday afternoon as a result of the excavation being made alongside, and allowed the whole north wall to tumble into the newly excavated basement. No one was injured, but workmen employed there barely escaped what might have been a serious accident. The work of excavating for the basement and new oven was not yet completed but those employed there fortunately were on the surface of the ground when the wall caved in.

The walls of the oven were constructed of concrete, while the oven proper was built of brick, and all rolled into a mass of ruins. The fact that the south line of the new basement ran directly parallel and against the foundation of the oven, weakened the foundation and gave way under the enormous weight.

At the time of the accident several hundred buns were in the oven and they rolled down with the brick and concrete. The dough bins in which enough dough had been mixed for 300 loaves of bread were undisturbed.

The entire oven has been dismantled and as a result Simonsen Bros. will have to supply the trade from other sources, shipping in the "staff of life."

They expect to rush construction work on the new oven as rapidly as possible.

Band Will go to the Lake

It was formerly announced that in case Elgin did not celebrate, the Elgin Concert Band would go to Wallowa Lake, favoring that excellent resort above all other outside points and in view of that will have plans for a visit to that place closed within a few days.

Manager Egensperger wants the Elgin band and orchestra for July 3, 4, and 5. He also stated that the biggest celebration of the resort will be staged there this year.

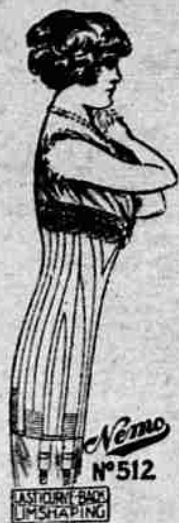
Already numerous Elgin people have decided to go to that point and there is no doubt but what Wallowa Lake will be the Mecca for not only a large majority of Wallowa county people, but residents from Union county as well. It is not only the intention of several from this place to spend the Fourth of July there, but

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This Nemo week is of vast importance to all women. In the past 2 or 3 years women have been wearing all kinds of freak corsets. But women are now wearing real corsets and have come to demand healthful comfort combined with style which only the "Nemo" alone can give as a result the sale of Nemo corsets, especially the old well known and favorite models, is greater than ever. Nemo week is the annual high tide in the corset trade. At this time our stocks of Nemo corsets are at their best. You can get the exact model and size you need. Come to our corset department this week and let us show you the Nemo and Kopservice corsets. Priced \$3.50 \$4.00 \$5.00



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On account of the law passed by the last legislature stamp books must be redeemed on or before May 15th.

N. K. West & Co.
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many are planning on enjoying an outing of several days.

Jep Christiansen, who hunts and traps along the mountains north of Elgin, was in town the latter part of the week, and reported killing a brown bear, of average size.

He has returned to the hunting ground and expects to kill a few more before the season ends.

COUNTY RECORDS

Conveyances

Walter A. Ott, et ux to O. M. Guhlmann. \$3000. Warranty Deed. Conveys: Tract com at NE cor of SW 1-4 of Sec 15 Tp 2 S R 38 E and run then W along N line of SW 1-4 of said Sec 15, 53 1-2 rds then S in line parallel to line run thru the center of said Sec 15 60 rds then E in line parallel to N line of said SW 1-4 of said Sec 15 53 1-3 rds to line run thru center of said Sec 15 then N 60 rds to beg.

Carl P. Edvalson et ux to Emil A. Fuher. \$10,000. Warranty Deed. Conveys: S 1-2 of NW 1-4 of Sec 3 Tp 2 S R 38 EWM.

August Hug, Sheriff of Union Co Ore to Joe Halgarth. \$26.53. Conveys: Lots 17, 18 19 and 20 in Blk 51 of Hindman's Add to Elgin. Assessed in 1808 to William Wiggins.

Suits Filed
 N W Schofield plaintiff vs Henry T Hill defendant. Plaintiff demands judgment against defendant for sum of \$600 and for interest at 8 per cent from Oct. 29th, 1914 together with costs and disbursements of this action. The above sum of \$600 is alleged balance due for sale and delivery of Lot 8, Block 68, Chaplin's Add. 13

La Grande; sold by Plaintiff to Defendant, etc.

Marriage License
 Albert Baker to Adaline Gent.

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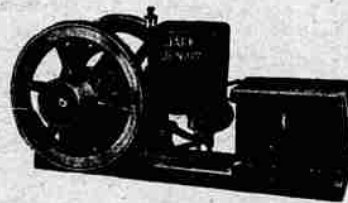
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