

# Local News In Brief

**COMING EVENTS**  
 Aug. 5.—Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri Association picnic at Riverside Park.  
 Sept. 25-29.—Union County Fair at Elgin.

## HAWAIIANS SAY ALIEN LAWS O. K.

HONOLULU, T. H., July 31.—The territory of Hawaii will not concede that the law adopted by the last legislature to regulate alien language schools is rendered invalid by the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court, declaring unconstitutional the language schools of twenty states, according to territorial Attorney General John Mathewman.

The territory will continue to defend its statute in the pending legislation brought by several Japanese language schools on the contention that the law is unconstitutional.

The Hawaiian statute provides that no alien language school may be conducted without a license; that all teachers must be licensed after examination; that text books used in the schools must be compiled on the basis that the pupil's usual medium of expression is English; and provides also for the elimination of the first two grades of the schools.

The petition of the Japanese schools to have this law declared invalid is before the territorial supreme court.

**Lane Chapel Aid**—The Ladies Aid of the Lane Chapel will meet tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock at the Chapel.

**Fined for Cutting Corners**—Henry Walmer was arrested last evening and fined \$10.00 and costs by Arthur C. Williams, Justice of the Peace, for cutting corners.

**Baby Boy Named**—The baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kratz of Astoria, has been named Wendell Alfred. Mr. Kratz was formerly city manager of La Grande.

**Club Postponed**—The Wednesday Bridge Club which was to have been held tomorrow, has been indefinitely postponed, owing to the death of Mrs. John Stoddard.

**Visiting Parents**—Mr. and Mrs. Perry G. Nagle, and Mr. James Nagle, arrived from Portland by auto Sunday morning for a few days visit with Mrs. Nagle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. "Shy." They also brought word that Mrs. Nagle's brother, George Ruby, who was in a serious auto accident some time ago, is well on the road to recovery.

**Raise Excellent Cherries**—Just to prove that La Grande can raise some excellent cherries as well as C. L. Berry, and J. A. Shira, who live at May Park brought a box of Big Giants into the Observer office this morning for the office foreman, and they were as good to eat as they were to gaze upon. The Big Giant is a cross between a Lambert and a Bing, and from 150 trees they realized better than ten tons of cherries, all of which makes them take a very optimistic view of life.

**Cherry Gifts**—M. S. Carrol of May Park, brought in a box of excellent flavored cherries to the Observer office the other day, and Junius and the rest of the force were made very happy while they lasted. G. G. Stackland of Stackland Brothers of Cove, brought in two boxes of big Bings Saturday afternoon, as a sample of what they raise on some of their trees in Cove.

**Father and Son Outing Postponed**—The Father and Son's outing of Union Stake of the L. D. S. church which was to have been held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week, will be postponed to next week, August 5, 6 and 7, on account of the funeral of W. K. Foltz, who was killed at Pine Grove yesterday and Mrs. John Stoddard.

Some husbands seldom look into a closet, and some think their wives have a quart laid away for medicinal use.

## BOOKS HELP TO CURE THE SICK

### Condition of Patient Must Be Considered in Prescribing Literature.

CHICAGO, July 31.—Books as well as pills for curing the sick are now being used in the principal hospitals of the country, according to Miss Louise Sincley, district manager for the American Library association.

"Robinson Crusoe won't cure a case of tuberculosis, but reading does keep the patient's mind off his troubles," Miss Sincley said. "Efforts are made to put the right book in a sick man's hands. A librarian in a hospital studies her patrons somewhat as a doctor does. Everything depends on the individual case."

"Some books depress and others excite. Many librarians say that whole classes of books should be tabooed from hospitals for those very reasons. But if a librarian studies her patients like the doctor, she can prescribe books for him without danger. A book that would hurt a person with a certain ailment or with a certain temperament will be all right for another."

"The psychology of the patient must be taken into consideration. A tuberculosis patient can undertake more serious reading than most of the other sick people because his convalescence covers a longer period of time."

"A librarian cannot tell a patient he must take one novel a week in large doses. However, she has to steer her readers without them knowing it, later on the patient gets interested in some particular line of work, and after that he takes care of himself."

## METALS AND WHEAT ARE LOW

### Precious Metals of West Upset by Present Alleged Good Times.

(By Associated Press)  
 SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., July 31.—Steady declines in the prices of many metals throughout the Twelfth Federal Reserve District, were noted in the monthly report of John Perrin, San Francisco, made public here.

Mr. Perrin's report, which covers conditions in Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada, Utah and Arizona, shows that the present quotations for copper are 11 per cent below the peak levels of March, 1923, while those of lead are 13 per cent below, silver 4 per cent and zinc 21 per cent below.

The effect of this situation on production of metals throughout the district has been accentuated by completion of government purchases of domestic silver under the Pittman Act of 1918, which fixed the price at which the government must buy silver at one dollar an ounce. Final tenders of silver under the act were accepted by director of the mint as of June 2, 1923, and domestic silver mined thereafter must be sold on the open market. The average open market price for silver during June was 65 cents an ounce, and the mines which produce silver only have thus been seriously affected, many being forced to shut down. Lead mines of the district which also produce large quantities of silver, however, generally maintained production at previous levels.

Copper and zinc mines have been less affected by developments in the silver market than silver and lead mines. Their response in curtailed production to price declines has thus far been limited. The large size of most of the copper operations makes it difficult to adjust output to fluctuations of the market which may prove to be temporary, and no decline of copper production has followed the fall in prices of this metal. A significant feature of the copper market during June was the report of the Copper Export Association that the 400,000,000 pounds of copper marked for export in 1921 has now been completely sold.

Production of zinc during June was slightly less than in the previous month in Utah, but unchanged in Idaho.

National production of copper, silver and zinc for May, 1923, April, 1923, and May, 1922, follows:

**Copper:** (lbs.) 124,784,916.  
 Silver: 6,615,535.  
 Zinc: (tons) 47,347.  
 April, 1923.  
 Copper: 118,432,571.  
 Silver: 6,615,535.  
 Zinc: 46,866.  
 May, 1922.  
 Copper: 92,048,036.  
 Silver: 4,257,973.  
 Zinc: 27,419.  
 Lead figures not available.  
 Average prices for copper, lead, silver and zinc during June, 1923, May, 1923, and June, 1922, were:

**Copper:** (lb.) 14.91.  
 New York Electrolytic.  
 Lead: (lb.) 7.14.  
 New York.  
 Silver: (oz.) 64.86.  
 New York Foreign.  
 Zinc: (lb.) 6.03.  
 St. Louis.  
 May, 1923.  
 Copper: 15.69.  
 Lead: 7.30.  
 Silver: 67.04.  
 Zinc: 6.62.  
 June, 1922.  
 Copper: 13.82.  
 Lead: 5.74.  
 Silver: 71.15.  
 Zinc: 5.34.

### Road Project Studied.

Baker, Or., July 31.—Proposed improvement of the Baker-tully road was discussed at the meeting of the state highway commission held here last night. The subject again will be brought up at the next meeting of the board to be held in Portland July 29 and 31.

The meeting was attended by William Dobb, chairman and V. H. Malone of the commission; H. M. Baldock, state highway engineer, and members of the local committee. The party, which arrived yesterday morning from Grant county over the John Day highway, was met by Judge Poston, Commissioners Miller and Carritt, Engineer Gray and W. E. Meacham. The highway commissioners inspected the road over the mountains between Baker and upper Burnt river.

At the present time the county is asking for state aid in the improvement of the highway, for which \$100,000 of county bonds were voted some time ago.

## WOULD SAVE SACRED ALTARS

### Prelate Arrives in America to Work Up Sentiment for Palestine Altars.

NEW YORK, July 31 (A. P.)—The sacred places of the Holy Land, the places hallowed by the human presence of the Savior are in danger of becoming shabby and neglected. That is the word issued by Archbishop Patelestimon, representative of the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, who has come to this country in interest of the Christians of America in saving these places and maintaining them in the dignity to which their sacred associations entitle them.

The locations include the Holy Sepulchre, Bethlehem, Nazareth, the Mount of Olives, and others woven into the life of the Lord. They have been maintained in the past by the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, one of the four great branches of the Orthodox Eastern church. But today the Patriarchate faces the rapid exhaustion of its funds as a result of conditions

## Decreasing Birth Rate Vital French Question

PARIS, July 31. (AP)—The peril of a greater, stronger Germany overwhelming a steadily weaker France by sheer force of numbers, looms increasingly large in the pessimism of French sociologists studying the shrinking birthrate of their country.

The increase of 160,000 in population for 1923, small as it was, aroused the hope of the government and the public, for it was generally believed that the rush of war-tired soldiers and women anxious to marry and establish homes, was the turning point. They have been disappointed. The net excess of births over deaths the following year, still being tabulated, are rather dreaded by sociologists and economists.

President Millerand not long ago spoke of the birth rate question as "that of life itself for France." His efforts, he said, were devoted to furthering the creation of homes and the rearing of children.

France's plight in a world of war is likened to that of the little boy who grows slowly while all his companions develop like weeds. In the 18th century France had half the population of Europe; at the end of the 18th she had only one fourth, and today she has little more than one-tenth.

Since 1871 deaths have exceeded births, and only immigration has saved the race, from rapid extinction by a loss that frequently was a quarter of a million a year.

Whatever the reasons for the half century of decreasing birthrate, the present shortage of living quarters, the vicissitudes of life, and the lowered moral standards, are blamed today by students for the condition that persists in spite of a really national campaign for more children.

The world isn't getting more tolerant. It is just that fewer people are qualified to throw the first stone.

The theory of evolution continues to excite the country, but it isn't probable that it will require a solemn referendum.

## Trade Commission Regulates Operations Of Board of Trade

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Holding further Federal regulation of futures trading in grain necessary to "prevent abuses," the Federal Trade Commission, in the concluding section of its report on the methods and operations of grain exporters, published Monday, makes several recommendations.

Legislation requiring daily publication by the Chicago board of trade of the total volume of the preceding day's operations in futures and open trades in each grain and acceptance by the board of grain delivery on futures contracts at other important markets, when necessary to prevent a squeeze or corner at Chicago, were outstanding among the commission's recommendations.

It is no longer easy to get ahead out in the great open spaces. About forty others are waiting to see off.

## Dog Found

Found a beautiful Llynellan dog with a La Grande license for 1923. The animal is a beautiful specimen of its breed and appears to be of a very affectionate nature. It is supposed that the dog was lost or stolen from its master. The animal is at the Keweenaw Auto camp near this city, and its owner can have it upon identification.

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(Continued From Page One) somewhat relieved today by the Sawyer statement.

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