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MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.
He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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Let it be remembered that it is the Minnesota legislature and not the Minnesota girl that is clamoring for the enactment of an anti-kissing law. To us it seems opposed to the prevailing growth of reciprocal relations, for nobody is likely to want to kiss the legislature.

SENATOR KAY's bill providing for the appointment of a matron in the state penitentiary, whose duties will be to look after the female prisoners, is a move in the right direction, and if it becomes a law will tend to prevent the recurrence of scandals, such as that which horrified the right feeling people of the state last week.

CONGRESSMAN LITTLEFIELD, of Maine, was assuring some Washington correspondents that journalistic talent is not confined to the National capital. "Why, I know of a reporter," he said, "who was describing the wreck of a vessel on the Maine coast. This was one of his sentences: 'At the moment a giant wave swept over the doomed craft, and six poor sailors bit the dust.'"

HON. BINGER HERMANN turned over the office of commissioner of the general land office on Saturday last to his successor and immediately started for Oregon. Mr. Hermann would announce no plans for the future further than that he expected to resume his law practice at Roseburg. As to entering either the senatorial contest or the campaign for the nomination for representative for this congressional district, he said he had not considered the question closely enough to give a decision, but would reserve it until he had examined the local situation.

It is gratifying to the people of Oregon to learn that the condition of Senator Mitchell, who has been quite ill in Washington, is considerably improved and that his physician expects that he will be up and around in a short time. The senator's illness was due to over work, and the greatest difficulty his physician now apprehends is to keep him from doing the same time as soon as he is able to work at all. There has been considerable anxiety among the constituents of Senator Mitchell as to the out come of his illness, as everyone realizes the injury the removal of the senator would be to the interests of the state, especially since the death of Mr. Tongue.

SENATOR CARTER's bill providing for traveling expenses for the school superintendent of Jackson county, which has already passed the legislature is a measure which should have passed the legislature two years ago. It provides that the superintendent of schools of Jackson county shall receive an allowance for traveling expenses amounting to \$200 per year. Sixteen county

superintendents are already receiving allowances for this purpose ranging from \$150 to \$350 per year and it is nothing more than right that the superintendent in this county should be allowed a reasonable sum. Supt. Daily could have secured a larger amount for this purpose, but, while aware that \$200 would not cover his actual expenses while traveling about the county visiting the various schools, he felt that \$200 would be much better than the blank he has been drawing for such purposes heretofore. There are 84 districts to be visited by the superintendent of schools in Jackson county and it requires nearly three months continual travel on the part of that official to reach all of them, so that it will be readily seen that the above-mentioned allowance will not cover a person's traveling expenses unless he is quite economical.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Following are some of the principal measures passed by the Oregon legislature during the past week.

IN THE SENATE.

To appropriate \$20,000 for the Eastern Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station.

To permit the State Fair Board to have its printing done by others than the State Printer.

Authorizing the State Board of Medical Examiners to admit persons upon certificates from other states.

To provide for executions at the state penitentiary, passed by unanimous vote.

To authorize County Courts to appropriate money for advertising purposes.

To require that schools be kept open not less than four months in each year.

A general enabling act providing the manner in which county seats may be removed.

To fix the traveling expenses of the School Superintendent of Jackson County.

To reappropriate the state into Senatorial and Representative districts.

To prohibit circulation of indecent literature.

To provide that the statutes of limitation shall run against the state.

To make the term of office of Road Supervisors begin January 1st.

S. C. R. by Kuykendall, inviting President Roosevelt to visit Oregon during his trip to the Pacific Coast, and to appoint a committee of two Senators and three Representatives to receive him, was adopted.

IN THE HOUSE.

Regulation titles of insurance.

S. J. M. 6. for election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, a d for a convention to amend the Federal Constitution to this effect, was adopted.

To remove \$5000 limit in recovery for damage resulting from death caused by the wrongful act or omission of another.

For an appropriation for salmon hatcheries; amended in committee of the whole, so that the amount of money for Columbia River hatcheries was cut down to \$15,000.

H. B. 39, Banks—To regulate and limit the hours of employment of females.

To regulate and license warehousemen.

S. C. R. 17.—Inviting President Roosevelt to visit Oregon; was concurred in.

To prevent misrepresentation and fraud in securing employees.

Fourteen New Routes in Oregon.

J. W. Irwin, assistant superintendent of free delivery on the Pacific coast, is in Oregon looking into the free rural delivery mail routes and the arranging of new ones, made possible by the liberal Congressional appropriation just made.

"Rural delivery," he says, "is no longer an experiment; it is an accomplished success. We are putting in new routes all the time on the Pacific coast, and will continue to do so until the system is complete. Fourteen new routes will be established in Oregon by the middle of February, and between forty and fifty before the end of the present year. It is the same in all parts of the country. Since October, 1896, when the first route was started, the department has established more than 12,000."

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends and neighbors, of Griffin creek, for their assistance during the late sickness and death of our little daughter, Burthio.

MR. AND MRS. JUDY.

Settle up Notice.

All persons owing the undersigned are requested to call at the store of Brown & Owen, and settle same at once. All accounts must be settled without delay.

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SENATORIAL VOTE.

MONDAY
Fulton, 34; Geer, 16; Wood, 14; Mills, 12; scattering, 6; absent, 8.

TUESDAY
Fulton, 34; Geer, 16; Wood, 17; Mills, 12; scattering, 8; absent 3.

Wednesday and Thursday the vote was the same as on the two previous days.

Fair Bill Signed.

Governor Chamberlain has signed the bill appropriating \$500,000 for the aid of the Lewis and Clark Fair at Portland in 1905, and has named the following committee to take charge of the expedition of the same:

Professor F. G. Young, university of Oregon, Eugene; F. A. Spencer, manager of Allen & Lewis, Portland; J. H. Albert, banker, Salem; Stephen A. Lowell, attorney, Pendleton; W. E. Thomas, attorney, Portland; Richard Scott, farmer, Millauke; D. Rafferty, physician, East Portland; Jefferson Myers, capitalist, Salem; Frank Williams mining operator, Ashland; G. Y. Harry, labor organizer, Portland.

About Newspaper Subscribers.

There is one shallow brained newspaper man in this town of Medford who is foolish enough to believe that if he sends a sample copy of his sheet to a person for two successive issues and that person takes the two papers from the postoffice he has become a "regular" subscriber. We said at the start that this newspaper man was foolish enough to believe this to be a law, in fact, we believe he believes it. He is simple enough to believe almost any old fool thing. But his belief is far from being correct. No person ever becomes a subscriber to a newspaper until he either pays or agrees to pay for the same. The newspaper business is, in so far as its relation with the public is concerned, a counter-part of any other business. If you want the goods you buy them and pay your money therefor, or agree to pay at some subsequent date. If a newspaper is sent to you beyond the date paid for, and you did not order it discontinued at that time, you owe for it just so long as you have taken it from the postoffice after the time for which you have paid for it and the account can be collected in the same manner as any other debt. That story which some unscrupulous, but over zealous, newspaper men put up that you have committed a penitentiary offense when you have so taken a paper from the postoffice is all rot and is only a game of bluff in which the postal laws or laws of the state are not parties to. The postal authorities allow a publisher to send one sample to any address free of postage, but all copies of papers sent after that time are supposed to be sent to regular subscribers. Publishers are expected to make affidavit to the number of subscribers they have and furnish a list of them to the postmaster. A subscriber is one who has either paid, or agreed to pay the subscription price. If any publisher is sending papers to persons who are not subscribers and is paying only second class rate of postage or is enjoying the use of the mails for free circulation of his paper in the county where printed, he is amenable for a violation of the postal laws and the offense is perjury.

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The road leading to the Manufacturing Company's mill on Neil creek, nine miles south of Ashland was considerably damaged by high water, two out of the fourteen bridges spanning the stream having been swept away.

Buy Acres—

Under ditch before June 1, 1903. Level, deep, rich bottom land, cleared and fenced. Near school, church, store, P. O., and depot. A bargain. Address Ben A. Lowell, Woodville, Ore. 1-6t.

City Council Proceedings.

At the regular monthly meeting of the city council, held on Tuesday evening, February 3d, all the members were present.

The reports of the recorder and superintendent of light and water were approved.

A petition for the grading of J street

from 4th to 7th was referred to committee on streets and alleys.

The matter of naming and marking streets of the city was referred to the same committee.

The street committee was ordered to confer with I. J. Phipps on the subject of the dedication of certain streets and alleys to Phipps' reserve.

The committee on sewers and drains was ordered to investigate the outlet of the sewer at Bear creek and make necessary alterations and repairs.

The matter of repairing the city ditch for the purpose of securing water power for city purposes was referred to the finance committee with instructions to ascertain the probable cost of such changes and the amount of power to be derived therefrom.

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The Ray Dam Solid.

One thing has been demonstrated during the late high water which has been a matter of doubt among the people of this section for many years, and that is the successful damming of Rogue river.

Last September work was commenced on a dam across the river near Tolo, known locally as the Ray dam, under the supervision of the Condor Water & Power Co. The wisecracks predicted that the company would be unable to complete the dam before the high water came, and that, even if completed, it would not stand the rush of the waters of that turbulent stream. In a measure they were right. The dam was not completed before the first rise in the river came. Indeed, the rise came before expected, and considerable damage resulted to the temporary work. The reported damage, however, was greater than the actual loss suffered, and it was freely predicted that when the river did "get on a rampage" the dam would go out.

But every bit of the dam had been constructed with a view to permanency, and when the unexpected and unexpected (since 1890) rise occurred last week there was not a timber or a stone in the permanent work that was moved. The dam stood. Although but a little over half completed, the mighty current of Rogue river was unable to do anything except take off loose timbers, not part of the permanent work, and flowed over the completed part of the dam without doing it any injury.

This demonstrates that Rogue river can be dammed, and that the dam of the Condor Water & Power Co. is built to stand and will stand the full power of the river.

The Braden dam, about a mile and a half below this dam, was taken out, as was also the Houck dam at Gold Hill. The dam of the Golden Drift Co., a few miles this side of Grants Pass, stood better than the last mentioned two, but was somewhat damaged.

Gold in Yreka Streets.

From the Journal:

Last Sunday from daylight until dark a large crowd of men and boys were hunting for nuggets of gold along the west end of Miner street and also along Gold street, washed out by the ground sluicing of a flood of water from the heavy rain storm of Friday and Saturday previous. Most of the crowd were armed with shovels, hoes and pans, scratching over the surface and washing the gravel in their pans, gaining gold dust as well as nuggets. The gold evidently came with the gravel washed down from the old diggings on Yreka Flats, the gold seekers following the route of the water running down the west end of Miner street between the western town site boundary line and Gold street and along Gold street to North street. Gold was probably floated into town with gravel on the streams along the north and south sides of town, but became buried in the softer sand and tailings, or floated down into Yreka creek. The prospects thus found prove that there is considerable gold in Yreka and Yreka Flats that may be available by improved methods of mining, notwithstanding the ground on the Flats has been supposed to be worked out.

—The MAIL has the news.

THINGS seem to be sadly out of proportion in Kansas. At the idiot asylum one employe takes care of nine idiots. At the penitentiary one officer safely guards 16 male-factors. But with the Kansas state Senate it takes four guards or attendants for each inmate.—Kansas City Journal.

We are not so certain about the disproportion. Happenings in various state legislatures during the past few years would lead one to believe that Kansas is not so far off in its system of guards.

Homestead Filings Made.

The proprietor of THE MAIL has been appointed a United States Land Commissioner for Oregon. He is empowered by this appointment to prepare homestead and timber land filings, take testimony in homestead and timber land final proof cases, conduct contest cases, and in fact, to do all business for the land office which applies to government land. It is now unnecessary for applicants for any land claim, for those having proofs to make to go to Roseburg to make such application or proofs. It can be done right here at home and at much less expense.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of Oregon for Jackson County.

Geo. R. Ball and Bert Hall, Plaintiffs,

vs.

Sarah Harper and W. B. Raymond, Defendants.

To W. B. Raymond, one of the above named defendants: You are hereby required to appear in the above entitled court and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed in said court against you in the above entitled suit on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for the publication of this summons, which time is six consecutive weeks from the date of the first publication hereof; said first date of publication being January 30, 1903, and the date of the last publication will be March 13, 1903.

And you are notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as hereby required the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: For a judgment and decree against the defendant, Sarah Harper, for the sum of \$481.61, with interest at 10 per cent. per annum from Aug. 23, 1899; and the further sum of \$100, with interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum from June 8, 1901, and for his attorneys fees herein; and for a decree that the mortgages mentioned in said complaint be reformed so as to include the true description of the lands intended to be embraced in said mortgages, and that, as so reformed, said mortgages be foreclosed and the lands therein described sold as by law provided, and the money derived from said sale applied in liquidation of the sums due upon said mortgages, the costs of said sale and the costs and disbursements of this suit; that the defendants herein, and each of them, and all persons claiming by or under them, or either of them, be forever barred and foreclosed of all right, title or interest in said lands, or any part of them.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the MEDFORD MAIL, by order of the Hon. H. R. Hannan, judge of the above entitled court, made at Chambers in Jacksonville, Oregon, the 24th day of January, 1903.

COVAT & GANNON, Attorneys for Plaintiffs.



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