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MAY INVADE BRUIN'S LAIR

(From Thursday's Daily.)
John Taling came in from the Big Butte district yesterday and had with him the hides of nine bears which he has killed in that section of the country since spring. The hides are to be shipped to Portland. Mr. Taling reports that there are more bears in that section of the country than there has been for a number of years past. Other game is also plentiful.

"I have hunted in the region of Crater lake for a number of years," said Mr. Taling, "and never before have I seen so many bears as are to be found in that section of the country. It would be a great pleasure for the president to go after big game."
It has been told that John Sharp Williams is going on a hunting trip this summer. "If he does and is fond of bear hunting I am going to take him out after some of the game."
"All of the bears I have killed this spring weigh in the neighborhood of 500 pounds. They are nearly all old ones, although one was a two-year-old."

"I am looking forward to good gunning for deer during the summer, and I have a number of parties made up to hunt during the next two months."

Chautauque Program.

- JULY 8—Wednesday, p. m.
"Boyology" Secretary H. W. Stone of Portland Y. M. C. A.
Wednesday Eve:
Songs by chorus under the direction of Prof. Martin E. Robinson.
- JULY 9—Thursday, p. m.:
"The Old and the New Education." Pres. W. J. Kerr.
Thursday Eve:
"The Divine Rights of the Child." Mrs. Lenora M. Lake.
- JULY 10—Friday, p. m.
"My Neighbour and I." Mrs. Lenora M. Lake.
Friday Eve:
"What's Under Your Hat?" Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher.
- JULY 11—Saturday, 2:00 p. m.
Address by Congressman John Sharp Williams of Miss.
Saturday Eve:
"The Battle of Life." Bishop Robert McIntire.
- JULY 12—Sunday:
Two great sermons, 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. (union service).
3:00 p. m. Y. W. C. A. service.
6:30 p. m. Union Young People's meeting.
- JULY 13—Monday, p. m.:
"Evolution of Abraham Lincoln." Bishop Robert McIntire.
Monday Eve:
"Indigenous American Art." Alfred Montgomery, the Farmer Painter.
- JULY 14—Tuesday, p. m.
"Dilettantism in Art." Alfred Montgomery.
Tuesday Eve:
"Level Best Living." Dr. Ira Landrieth.
- JULY 15—Wednesday, a. m.
Address on Missions. Dr. Royal J. Dye.
Wednesday, p. m.:
Chalk Talk. Alfred Montgomery.
Wednesday Eve:
"Jes' a Lil' Cabin." (a lecture on the home). Dr. Ira Landrieth.
- JULY 16—Thursday, p. m.:
"Forces That Win." Dr. E. L. House.
Thursday Eve:
"If I Were the Devil." Dr. Edwin "If I Were the Devil." Dr. Edwin "Cyclone" Southern (in costume).
- JULY 17—Friday, p. m.
"The Man Without a Soul." Dr. Edwin "Cyclone" Southern.
Friday, a. m.:
Annual Business Meeting, 4:00 p. m.
Friday Eve:
Gilbert and Sullivan, under the Grand Concert, "H.M.S. Pinafore," direction of Prof. M. E. Robinson.

BILLBOARD REGULATION.

There has been introduced in the Rhode Island legislature an act granting power to cities and towns to regulate outdoor advertising, to levy and collect license taxes and to fix and collect penalties for violating its regulations. The act requires reasonableness in regulation on the part of city and town authorities and provides for the collection of license fees and the power to collect, with appropriate penalties for delay in payments. A penalty of \$100 may be imposed for each billboard erected without authority, and immediate removal is authorized.

STRALS OUR CUT.

The Newman Post Card company of Los Angeles, Cal., has issued a photo post card upon which is printed the picture of the famous grape vine on the Manwaring place, near this city, and has labeled it "In a California Vineyard." Steps will be taken to have the matter adjusted.

A PRICE ON HIS HEAD.

Voracious Panther Terrorizing Phoenix Livestock Owners.

The people about Phoenix are much excited on account of a monstrous panther that has wandered into their vicinity. About two weeks ago it took up its abode in the brushy Bear creek bottom, about half a mile from town, where it makes night hideous, and causes the people to keep "close in," especially after dark, especially after dark.
Little hunting was done and the panther left undisturbed while it was content to subsist on small game and pigs, but a few days ago it went to the Dodge farm, which is a mile and a half east, and attacked a calf belonging to Mr. Dodge. The calf was bitten through the back and lived but a few hours afterward. Several cows were near and it was thought that they frightened the animal away. Later it killed a spring colt belonging to V. A. Dunlap and dragged the colt up the mountain to a shaded place, where it devoured it. A search was then made, but after one day the hunt was abandoned owing to the lack of necessary dogs. Mr. Colter was notified and has gone to the scene, and it is likely that but few days will elapse before conditions resume their normal serenity. A reward is offered by the endangered stockmen.—Tidings.

GREAT GATHERING OF MEDICAL MEN.

PORTLAND, Or., July 6.—One of the most interesting gatherings yet held in the convention hall of the Portland Commercial club was that of the Oregon State Medical society, which adjourned Friday night the most important three day meeting in the history of that organization. Dr. R. C. Coffey of Portland retired from the position of president, to give place to Dr. W. H. Bird of Salem. The secretary, Dr. William House of Portland, was re-elected for the ensuing year. Among those present were famous physicians and surgeons from the east, while both Washington and Idaho were represented by splendid delegations. The next meeting of the society will be held in Seattle, at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, jointly with the Washington and Idaho associations, and it is the purpose of the medical men to make this meeting one of the most important held in the United States.

Dalles Fears Water Shortage.

THE DALLES, Or., July 7.—Because of the wanton waste of water during the present warm weather, The Dalles is threatened with a water famine, unless the preservation of the city's water supply is looked to immediately. During the past two weeks it has been deemed inadvisable to allow the churches of the city to use water for water motors to operate their organs, and twice the water commissioners has appealed to the citizens to cease the extravagance. Ordinarily there is an abundance of water, but the constant irrigation of lawns and gardens has reduced the supply to the minimum. There are two pipes, one 14 inches in diameter and the other 10 inches, from a reservoir eight miles from the city to the storage reservoir.

Heavy 4th of July Travel.

Twelve hundred and ninety seven tickets were sold at the Medford station account of the 4th of July excursion rates and the celebration at Ashland, by far the heaviest sales on an occasion of this kind in the history of the station.
Tickets were on sale all day on the 3rd and early on the morning of the 4th, this enabled all to secure tickets and to a large extent did away with the usual crush at the ticket window.
The travel was much greater than expected, of the number mentioned, above twelve hundred and fifty three went to Ashland.

BOOTH JURY OUT.

PORTLAND, July 5.—The jury in the case of J. H. Booth, former receiver of the land office at Roseburg, who has been on trial for alleged irregularities in connection with land transactions, retired at 5:20 tonight. At midnight it was locked up for the night.

SHINGLE MILL BURNS.

PORTLAND, July 6.—Fire today of unknown origin destroyed the plant of the Gold Medal Shingle company in this city and burned a part of the Asbestos company's property. The loss was \$22,000, of which \$20,000 was on the shingle mill.

UNCLE REMUS DEAD.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 3.—Joel Chandler Harris, editor of the Uncle Remus magazine, died here tonight after a short illness. He was aged 60 years.

SMALL SURPLUS IN JUNE.

United States Treasury's Condition Shows Improvement.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—From the treasury standpoint the fiscal year just closed has been most satisfactory. Since about the middle of October last, when the period of money stringency set in and the consequent depression in business began to be felt, there has been a constant falling off in government revenues up to the month just closed. For June a surplus is shown of nearly \$4,000,000. This fact, however, is not significant, as June is usually a surplus month, largely due to the fact that it is the closing month of the fiscal year when appropriations gradually reach the point of exhaustion. The month of June, 1907, showed a surplus of approximately \$11,000,000, and every preceding June for many years has shown a large surplus.

As June uniformly shows a surplus July as certainly shows a deficit. Nearly all appropriations begin to be available on the first day of July and this year treasury officials are looking forward to a deficit larger than usual, and while they are not willing at this time to express an opinion as to its size, it is believed that \$20,000,000 for the month would be a conservative estimate, with a chance of its being considerably larger. The amount of cash now in the treasury vaults and available to meet expenditures is about \$70,000,000. In addition to this there is deposited with national banks about \$153,844,000, which is at all times subject to call by the secretary. A considerable portion of the sum is likely to be called into now in the treasury vaults and available, while Mr. Cortelyou has not indicated the amount, it is thought it will be less than \$50,000,000.

STEPS ON DYNAMITE.

Explosion Goes Mostly Down, Horse and Driver Escaping.

EUGENE, Or., July 8.—Jack Poill and Thomas Carroll, of this city, while driving along a Eugene street in a buggy, were blown several feet in the air by an explosion of dynamite, yet they and their horse escaped injury. The horse stepped on a small stick of the explosive and the animal, buggy and occupants were lifted several feet and thrown off to one side of the street about 20 feet, yet when the smoke and dust cleared away it was found that little harm had been done. The horse's foot was slightly hurt. The explosion made a hole in the hard street as big as a bushel measure. It is not known how the dynamite came to be in the street, but it is supposed that it was dropped from a wagon going to a rock quarry in that part of the city.

TO ENFORCE GAMBLING LAW.

Mayor Wingate of The Dalles Defines His Position to Council.

THE DALLES, Or., July 8.—E. M. Wingate, newly elected mayor, assumed the duties of his office yesterday, and last night presided at the first meeting of the new council. Mayor Wingate delivered his message outlining his policy, which was strictly for law and order, especially regarding gambling and the enforcement of ordinances governing the saloons and the sale of intoxicants. He also recommended extensive improvements of streets and walks throughout the city. The mayor appointed James Harper city marshal, the remaining city officials retaining their offices for another year.

ARREST GREEK LABORERS.

Employees Oregon Electric Give Bail and Are Released.

HILLSBORO, Or., July 8.—Deputy Ward Downs last night arrested fourteen Greeks on the Reguto place, his side of Beaverton, working for the Oregon Electric. Chief Engineer Miller came out from Portland in an automobile, accompanied by Harrison Allen, counsel for the railway. The Greeks were released on bail furnished by the railway company, and Chief Engineer Miller, who was present at the trouble Sunday, when the Reghito woman is alleged to have been injured, waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court.

DRAIN IN UP IN ARMS.

Over Recommendation That Normal be Abandoned.

DRAIN, Or., July 7.—Great indignation exists over the recommendation by the State Board of Normal Regents that the Drain Normal School be lopped off, while Weston, Ashland and Monmouth be allowed to remain. Feeling is bitter locally against State Superintendent of Schools who is regarded as the one who took an aggressive stand against this Normal. There is a disposition to continue the fight, carrying it to the Legislature, which President Briggs, of the Normal, favors.

CAPTAIN HOBSON SPEAKS AT THE DENVER CONVENTION

DENVER, July 8.—The galleries were well filled this evening long before the delegates and alternates began making their appearance.

The officers of the convention and members of the credentials committee were in a panic as the time approached for opening the convention, because the majority report of the committee was missing. The precious document was in the hands of the stenographer, who could not be found. The same individual was also in possession of the speech of O. James of Kentucky, who was in mental distress on account of the absence of his oration. Chairman Callaghan of the credentials committee had messengers out in every direction searching for the missing stenographer. A conference of the officials decided that no work should be undertaken by the convention tonight except considering the report of the credentials committee. The debate of majority and minority reports was limited to thirty minutes. Finally at 8:30 the report of the committee on credentials arrived. Meantime Chairman Bell wandered off and could not be located, and while messengers scoured the hall to bring the chairman to his desk and his duty, the spectators put in another period of inactivity.

Bell finally put in his appearance, and the monotonous "rap, rap, rap" for order was not heeded for some time. Ormond of Florida moved that pending the arrival of reports, Richmond Pearson Hobson of Alabama be invited to make an address. Mingled with the cheers for Hobson were hisses by those who opposed the delay to the business session.

Hobson declared that duty compelled him to speak, and began at some length to discuss Japanese incidents of some months ago at San Francisco and Vancouver. After his speaking fifteen minutes the crowd became restless, and cries of "time" from floor and galleries compelled the chairman to call for order, saying the speaker would conclude in a few minutes. In conclusion, Hobson declared if the Democratic party was successful in the election he believed before the end of the four years we would "have a great foreign war on our hands." Instantly there came from the convention a chorus of mingled groans, catcalls, hisses, cries "No, no."

Hobson gritted his teeth and declared that "not so very long ago the president of the United States said in my presence that there is the greatest probability of war with Japan." Further cries of derision greeted the statement, and the chairman said if interruptions did not cease he would order the galleries cleared. Cheers from the coast delegations.

Bell declared that "the chair halls from the coast, and up to the present moment has seen no occasion to enlist," causing laughter. "If we have our way on the Pacific coast we will have a big enough navy to protect our coast."

Giant Cougar Killed.

Grants Pass, Or., July 8.—The skin of a monster mountain cougar was brought to this city yesterday from Merila, near here, where the big cat was slain by W. B. Sherman, Sherman was sleeping in the open under a tree, and was awakened in the early morning by a disturbance of the boughs over his head. Looking up he saw an immense cougar crouched on a lower limb ready to spring. Seizing his revolver he fired at the big cat just as it leaped, and it fell dead at his feet. It is believed to be one of the largest of its kind that has been killed in Southern Oregon in several years. The cougar belongs to the same family as the puma, mountain lion and panther, all of which are found in the deep forests of Josephine and Curry counties.

Chamberlain Stays Home.

SALEM, Or., July 8.—Owing to the fact that Secretary of State F. W. Benson has been suddenly called out of the state, Governor Chamberlain was compelled to forego his trip to Dallas, Texas, as a delegate from the Portland lodge to the national convention of the Elks. The governor had secured transportation and intended leaving yesterday afternoon. Should the governor have gone the state would have been without a chief executive and the governor's duties would have had to be performed by the president of the senate, E. W. Haines of Forest Grove.

APPLES AND PEARS.

Sunset for July Tells of Rogue River Valley.

The July number of the Sunset magazine contains one of the most readable descriptive articles on the Rogue River valley that has come before the people of this section. J. Wells, the writer, has a happy facility of presenting facts and figures in such a manner as to give them a touch of romance and make them read like fiction. He deals mostly with Southern Oregon as a fruit country, and gives especial attention to the apple. The article occupies eight pages of the magazine and is replete with half-tone illustrations. On the subject of the Rogue river apple he says in one paragraph: "Incredulity shows itself at another point. There is a tradition that the best apple is the product of this mild climate and say, 'You simply can not grow the best flavored apple without cold weather.' Well we cannot argue with him. We show him the best apple. It came out of this climate; it came out of this soil; it is in part the outcome of the grower's skill and care. Beyond this we do not know, but here is the apple. Look at it; see its color, its size, its symmetry and firmness. It will easily keep a year, and if six months after it came from the tree you will sample it, you will confess that it is as good as it looks. If you are an Englishman and brought up on orthodox apples, you will surrender to these Newton Pippins, and setting your teeth in one will wish you were a boy again."

"Rogue river rests its case on the market. The men who buy the apples are the best judges; the men who reach half way round the world to taste the flavor and to be able to please their friends with the perfect beauty of those apples on the table at an English banquet—these men do not debate about the climate. They simply 'go' for the apple. And the pear and the cherry and all berries vie with the apple in beauty and size and flavor. We might as well confess—we provincials who have not been outside our own state or our own county—that there are more things in the garden and orchard than we have dreamed of in our philosophy. Oregon, in her untamed wildness knows something about berries that we never knew. In variety, in abundance, in size and flavor they have no rivals in all the world. And the secret which her humid hillsides held when the Indian, the beaver and the bear were in possession of the country, is now being coined into money by the fortunate few who are 'onto it,' and so much of the wild vigor, the lusty strength, and perfect beauty of the uncultivated fruit gets into the cultivated product as to prophesy a day when berries and cherries will be as famous as are the apples and pears. You are struck at once, if at all observing, by the health of the tree, the luxuriance of the vines. This of course is behind the fruit. The climate and soil simply combine to make tree and vine as lusty as may be without sacrificing fruit to exuberant wood growth. You cannot have perfect fruit without a vigorous and healthy body upon which to grow it."

VEINS OPENING UP.

Ashland Coal Mine Developments More Encouraging Than Ever.

The development work which was recently resumed at Ashland coal mine property four miles east of Ashland, under the direction of C. A. Simons, is showing up well, and Mr. Simons predicts that when another two hundred feet is reached in the extension of the present shaft, the coal vein will have increased to seven feet in width, as it is now rapidly widening.
A wagon load of coal was in the Fourth of July parade Saturday, but by some oversight there was no label on it, and few realized that such fine looking coal could be a home production.—Tidings.

IMPROVE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Some of our school yards of bare surfaces could be greatly improved by the addition of a few shrubs and flower beds and an occasional shade tree. We sadly need an official corps of school gardeners who could revolutionize some of our cheerless grounds and make them models of beauty and comfort. Children becoming interested would carry home the cultural methods pursued, as well as cuttings and surplus plants, so that the educational and aesthetic value of the school gardens would soon be manifest in a decided improvement of many now neglected parts of our city.

STORMS KILL MANY.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., July 3.—Five were killed and forty injured seriously in a terrific storm which swept through the towns of Sunnyside and Fort Sumner, on the Santa Fe, in Gaudeloupe county.

WILL HEAR FARMERS' PLEA

ALBANY, Or., July 8.—The state railroad commission has set July 14 as the date for hearing the petition of the Linn county farmers who want through traffic resumed on the Woodburn-Springfield branch of the Southern Pacific. The hearing will take place at Crabtree, where most of the petitioners for the change reside.

The Southern Pacific has not operated through trains over this branch since the bridge over the South Santiam washed out during the freshets of the winter of 1905 and 1907. Portions of the bridge went out at three different times that winter. For many years the railroad company has experienced great trouble with the structure at that point, and finally announced that the bridge would be abandoned and a new survey would be made and the route of the road changed to avoid the troublesome place in the Santiam.

Since the bridge went down the last time, the Woodburn-Springfield run was abandoned, and one train made a round trip daily from Woodburn to Crabtree, while another made a similar trip from Albany over the Lebanon branch to Tallman, thence over the Woodburn branch to Springfield. This leaves a stretch of track seven miles in length between Tallman and Crabtree without train service, the wrecked bridge being between those two stations.

This service has proven as satisfactory, if not better, for the passenger service than the old through-train system, but it has left the farmers between Tallman and Crabtree without opportunity to market their products. A number of farmers in that part of the county have accordingly petitioned the railroad commission to instruct the Southern Pacific to repair the damaged bridge and resume the through traffic.

TAFT NEVER GIVES TIPS.

At Least Not of the Kind Accorded Porters, et Cetera.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 8.—The republican nominee for the presidency does not believe in tipping. He not only does not believe in tipping, but he does not do any tipping. The other morning he visited a hotel barber shop for the purpose of having his hair trimmed. He thought it a good scheme to be properly groomed when he landed in his native city—Cincinnati. After the barber, who has clipped Secretary Taft's hair many times, had finished the job, he asked the big candidate if he wanted a shave.

"No, I do my own shaving every morning," replied the secretary. "I wish I could cut my hair, and then I would not have to bother going to a barber shop."

After Mr. Taft had been brushed down by the colored attendant, he fished out 35 cents—the price of the hair cut—and after paying the cashier walked out. The barber was asked if Mr. Taft was liberal with his tips.

"Tips, nothing!" replied the barber. "He has been having his hair trimmed here for three years, but never did he give a tip. I understand that he believes that he has paid for the work when he pays regular price. I know he shaves himself because I have honed his razors."

BIG PEACH CROP.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 8.—Five hundred and forty-six million peaches will be grown in Georgia this year, according to the estimate of H. L. Kenon, traffic manager of the American Fruit Union of Cincinnati. In other words, this very small part of the big earth will raise enough peaches to give every individual drawing the breath of life—Frenchman, Dutchman, Hindu, Jap, unclad Kaffir and furry Esquimaux—each about a third of a juicy, sound peach.

Mr. Kenon believes that the crop will amount to 7,000 carloads, the equivalent of 21,000,000 baskets, each capable of holding twenty-six peaches. So there you are.

Of this enormous crop not much more than a third will be shipped from the state, in his opinion. From 2,000 to 2,500 carloads will be canned. He has just returned from a trip over Georgia, and reports that the crop is in excellent condition, that the roads are supplying as many cars as the growers need, and that the prospects of the peach orchard owners are the brightest in years.

RAILROAD SHOPS TO BE BUILT IN TACOMA.

Tacoma, Wn., July 7.—What amounts to an official announcement was made today to the effect that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul's Pacific coast shops are to be located in Tacoma. The plans call for the building of immense yards. The cost of the shops will be over a million.