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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Items of Interest Gathered in and About Town

Tango Beads at Rowe's Jewelry Store.

Lots of old papers at the Monitor office for sale.

The summer session at the State Normal closed today.

Postmaster Merwin returned from Newport Wednesday night.

A good assortment of Auto or Motorcycle Goggles at Rowe's Jewelry Store.

The Methodists and Baptists will again hold union services next Sunday.

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For Sale—A bicycle in good shape and condition. Inquire A. L. Monitor office.

Thursday's Oregonian: A W. Kidler and family of Independence are at the Multnomah.

Mrs. Thos. Newhill and children of Portland, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Paddock.

Dr. and Mrs. O. D. Butler and Mr. and Mrs. W. Walker attended the funeral of Z. Davis in Corvallis Wednesday.

Mrs. E. A. Olsen and children of Portland, who have been visiting Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, returned home Wednesday.

The fire company boys tried out the water system Wednesday night and had plenty of pressure and plenty of water.

J. O. Smith is down from Juntura, Malheur county, this week on business and is closing up the Smith estate, of which he is executor.

Frank J. Westfall was here from Amity this week closing up matters in connection with the administration of the J. M. Westfall estate.

Are you going on an outing this summer, do you need a trunk, suit case or traveling bag of any kind? If so, Conkey & Walker have them at reasonable figures.

When are you going to buy that new suit or extra trousers for the trip you are figuring on taking? If this week or next you will find a new and complete line at Conkey & Walker.

Wanted—Live representative in Independence. Advancement to parties howling ability. Steady position. Good money. Lady or gentleman. Ben Newman Mtg. Co., Lewis Bldg., Portland, Oregon.

While it is lawful to ride bicycles on the walks in the winter time, it is not so in the summer and one citizen wants us to suggest that the riders not abuse a privilege lest it be taken away from them.

Dean J. Butler and wife, who have been in the Philippine Islands for several years, returned home this week and are with Mr. Butler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Butler. Mr. Butler has been in the employ of one of the largest law firms of the Philippine Islands and has been over a great part of the country as a result of his work.

The thief who stole L. D. Redding's horse, has evidently made his escape.

For the benefit of the Ladies Altar Society of the Catholic church, a lawn social was held last night.

Mrs. A. R. Martin and son of Junction City were visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Butler, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Compton and Mrs. Compton's mother and sister returned home yesterday from their summer outing.

It is reported that several petitions are being circulated around town for various purposes which will be filed with the city council at their next regular meeting which comes on Aug. 5.

Atty. Wm. H. Hallum of Portland, was in the city Thursday. He has the case in the foreclosure case of P. M. Kirkland, et al., vs. Matt Clark, on the cannery building.

J. S. Cooper Sr., has been appointed an honorary member of the Advisory Board of the Manufacturers and Land Products Show, which will be held in Portland in November.

The Baptist Young People's Society had an interesting debate at their meeting Tuesday night, on the question of whether it was morally right to pick hops. The judges rendered a decision in favor of the side who argued that there was nothing wrong in picking hops.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Art Fletcher, Giants' Short-stop, Going Great Guns.



Photo by American Press Association.

Arthur Fletcher, who plays the short field for McGraw's Giants, is rapidly taking Hans Wagner's place as the leading man in his position in the National league. Several years ago McGraw was severely criticized for keeping Fletcher in the game, but he persevered and the result has certainly justified the means. Art is credited with the greatest pair of hands in the game, and once he gets them on the ball it's all over.

Lacrosse is Exciting Game. What is the matter with lacrosse? It is speedy and exciting from the spectators' viewpoint, and it is not difficult to gain a knowledge of the fine points of the game. Critics of the sport have alleged that it is brutal, but while minor injuries are more or less frequent the record of lacrosse is replete with serious accidents and fatal ones is much cleaner than that of baseball, boxing, football or almost any other strenuous sport. Professionalism is charged by some Canadian critics with responsibility for the decline of the game, but baseball, soccer, hockey and other sports have survived and flourished under a professional regime. The facts of the matter seem to be that lacrosse has everything a game should have to enlist popular support except publicity. If the newspapers took up lacrosse it would soon become popular.

FOR THE CHILDREN ROUND THE WORLD

Boy Scout Camp Rules.

The following provisional rules have been adopted for the government of the Boy Scout of America camps during the season of 1914. They are issued by Lordard Spencer, chief scout commissioner.

The camp will be in charge of the campmaster or the assistant campmaster at all times.

All scouts shall report at camp headquarters upon entering or leaving camp except when on special detail. Failure to register upon departure will deprive a scout from future camp privileges.

No scout may leave the camp limits without permission.

Swimming, except at regular hours prescribed by the campmaster or with his permission, is absolutely prohibited. Scouts must wear bathing suits.

Before using boats permission must be obtained from the proper form from the campmaster and presented to the boat guard.

Trees and shrubs are to be protected, and the cutting of same except under the direction of the campmaster will be punished.

No scout who has his camp privileges taken away may return to camp without the consent of the campmaster, which must be filed in writing at these headquarters.

Spending money shall be limited to 50 cents a week. No candy, soda or food of any kind will be permitted in the tents or in camp except what is officially provided or obtained with the consent of the campmaster.

The Whippoorwill.

There are several reasons why the whippoorwill is rarely seen. He sleeps all day in the heart of the solitary woods, and instead of perching across the branch (which he is unable to do because his claws are so tiny) he crouches lengthwise along it, his dusky coloring not to be distinguished from that of the bark. His back and long wings are mottled in grays, buff and browns, his head black and white and his tail in blending colors, with the lower half of the outside feathers white. He matches well the mossy limb on which he squats. If he is discovered by chance he utters no cry, but flies silently away.

The eggs are even harder to find than the parents, for they are creamy white with dark brown and olive spots, simply laid on the bare ground, with the colors of which they blend. The whippoorwill is very careful of their children. If they think they are discovered they pick them up in their mouths and move them as a cat does her kittens.—Farm Journal.

Game of One Legged Traveler.

If the game is to be played on the lawn scatter apples, oranges, bananas, nuts of various kinds and a few gourds, turnips or other vegetables at intervals of a few feet. Instruct each player that he must double one leg at the knee, holding it up from the ground and hopping on the other. Without touching the doubled up foot to the ground he is to gather as many of the fruits, nuts, etc., as he can, the one making the longest collection receiving a prize. If in bending over he touches both feet to the ground or loses his balance he forfeits three of the trophies already secured. At the end of the game each player is privileged to eat his prizes.

Seven Day Game.

Name each player for one day of the week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, etc., and ask them to stand in a line facing the side of the room or a fence. The leader throws a small rubber ball against the wall, at the same time calling the name (day) of the player whom he wishes to catch it. If Monday is called that player must have the ball safe in his hands by the time the leader can count ten, counting aloud. If he misses the leader recovers the ball and throws it again, calling some other player.

If there are more than seven players use months, January, February, March, etc., instead of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Conundrums.

When are hunters and stars alike? When shooting.
When is yeast like Chinese women's feet? When compressed.
When are fleas like the winter wind? When biting.

Why is a lady's evening gown like a vine? It has to be trained.
What sea would a man on a leaking ship prefer? A little in dry attic.
When is a window like a star? When it is a skylight.

Sing a Song of Cookies.

Sing a song of cookies.
Ready now to bake,
Four and twenty rabbits
In a raisin cake.

Molly deer, and Polly
Are the little cooks
In their linen pinafores
Reading cookery books.

When the cake was ready
They began to sing,
"Isn't this a dainty dish
To set before a king?"

Father in the library
Reading daily news;
Mother in the nursery
Fixing baby's shoes.

When they heard the laughter
Of the little cook,
Both stood in the doorway
With inquiring looks.

"When the cake is finished
All of us will sing,
"Isn't this a dainty dish
To set before a king?"

—Philadelphia Ledger

Raw Potatoes.

Few people are tempted to eat potatoes raw, yet those who have done so have been made to suffer for their rashness, for raw potatoes contain a poisonous alkaloid called solanine. This alkaloid disappears with cooking.

If you have money to loan or want to borrow any, see R. J. Taylor.

There are 20,327,000 acres of land in Ireland.

New York has one skyscraper to every 100 buildings.

Chicago may be compelled soon to meter water service.

Spain grows about half a billion pounds of melons annually.

Polemo has more jewelry stores than any other Italian city.

Chicago has a boy of ten years of age who is a confirmed cocaine fiend.

There are 200 homes in Japan for foreigners with room for 5,000 persons.

The oriental countries are being flooded with cheap phonographs from Germany.

Of the 2,825,000 cows in Hungary more than 2,000,000 are of the best milk producing breeds.

Koreans have migrated to Russian territory where they have already built thirty-two villages.

Paper drinking cups are made in Barcelona, Spain, and retail there at nine-tenths of a cent each.

In embalming the diseases carried by the fly it is estimated that \$157,500,000 is spent in the country each year.

The total population of Algeria, estimated at between five and six millions, includes only 800,000 of European origin.

Dr. Sohn, a German physician, declares that the typical musician or composer has a somewhat abnormally shaped head.

Wool is the most costly to mine in the world. The output per annum for each person employed has remained from some years at 220 to 230 tons.

A Russian has invented a floating storehouse for fuel and other naval supplies which can be sunk out of sight in the sea at the approach of a foe.

In Burmese streams women are allowed to wash with baskets for rubbles. They earn only a few cents a day, but occasionally they pick up a valuable stone.

A New York youth has gone into the business of furnishing his blood for transfusion purposes at \$30 a quart. He has earned \$120 in the last four months.

Fire losses and the cost of fire prevention cost the United States more each year than the total value of its production of gold, silver, copper and petroleum.

Attention is called in an English medical journal to the fact that sometimes edible mushrooms acquire poisonous qualities when they have become stale.

It is said that since natural gas was first discovered in this country as much has been wasted as has been consumed for either domestic or commercial purposes.

Between 30,000 and 40,000 Sicilians emigrate from Palermo to the United States each year, and in the course of time almost all of them go back permanently or for a visit.

In England last year there were 3,840 firms or persons licensed to brew beer. The output for twelve months was 37,078,700 barrels, and the amount of duty charged was \$97,020,474.

In France a horse statue weighing three and a half tons that was too large to be hauled by railroad or canal was hauled on a motor truck to its destination, 246 miles away.

A sanitary sugar receptacle has been invented for public places that resembles a carafe, the narrow neck through which the contents are poured preventing the insertion of a spoon.

The European tourist movement this year has kept up well. From Jan. 1 to June 21 54,394 first class passengers sailed eastward compared with 51,836 last year in the same period.

Japan by law prohibits the employment of any person less than twelve years of age at any time and of women and children less than fifteen years old more than twelve hours a day.

The Island of Tashatow, just southeast of Canton, China, is to be improved at a cost of \$1,700,000 so as to make it available as a site for a beautiful city with modern improvements.

A dealer in mummies at Cairo, Egypt, was sent to jail recently because he sold an American tourist a bundle of four bones saying they were the remains of a pharaoh of the third dynasty.

Owing to the improved methods, seams of coal have been worked in Britain at a depth of 3,000 feet and in one mine in Lancashire 3,700 feet, which means a natural temperature of over 90.

About 2,500 pounds of refined sugar are fielded on an average by an acre of beets, and for each ton of beets the average for the past three years has ranged from 237 to 265 pounds of refined sugar.

The champion long time smoker is Herr Heintz of Schaumburg, Germany. He established the record of 2 hours 29 minutes 12 seconds for smoking a pipe without relighting it, winning from 200 contestants.

Australian rabbit freeing works have reduced the bunnies' pay to 8 cents for large rabbits and 2 cents for "kittens." Rabbits are very plentiful, and even at the lower prices trappers are said to be making high profits. Exports reach nearly \$2,000,000 annually.

Signor Ulivi, the engineer who claims to be able to locate explosives at a distance of seven miles by means of rays, says his invention can be so applied on board ship as to ascertain whether another steamer is within a radius of thirteen miles. Thus precautions can be taken which should lessen the possibility of collisions at sea.

PLEADING HIS NEPHEW'S CAUSE

What Happened to a Man Who Wooed For Another.

"Uncle, I want your assistance."
"What's the matter, Joe?"
"You know Ellen Pickering?"
"Yes, a lovely girl."
"I want her. She is a very advantageous match. Help me to get her."
"How can I help you?"
"Uncle, you are devoted to her mother—don't deny it—and the widow is devoted to you. Your influence will turn the scale in my favor."
"Pooh, boy! Do you suppose a man of forty-five, an old bach, is a proper person to interfere in love affairs? Besides, are you sure Miss Pickering wishes to marry you?"
"No, I wish your intercession with her too."
"Very well; I will see what I can do."

The next evening Major Joseph Stone, feeling in honor bound to keep his pledge to his nephew, called at Mrs. Pickering's.

"I have come to plead a cause," he said nervously. "Your daughter is a lovely woman, and I have come with reference to a proposal—from one whose heart!"

The major broke down and wept.

"He may be a little off as to age"—
"That would be no objection, I assure you."

"Then his income is very limited; but, you see, I see very clearly, major. The income is of no consequence. My daughter is very well off. What she wishes is a man she can respect and love and be proud of. The hero of—"

"Pardon me, heroism has nothing"—
"Not another word, major. Modesty is the most charming of qualities. You will find Ellen in the music room."

The major disappeared in the music room, and at the same moment Miss Pickering opened the door of the parlor, where she had left her mother.

"Oh, Ellen, I thought you were in there! Your hero has come to propose for you. Fortunate girl! He is returning. I will leave you here." And as the major re-entered the mother disappeared.

"Mamma was mistaken, major. Here I am."

"I am glad to see you looking so charming, for a woman cannot well look charming without feeling charming. This will make clear a delicate mission I have to execute."

"I am listening."
"I came to plead a cause, the cause of one who loves you."

"Oh, major! dropping her eyes."
"Yet one who admits that he needs some friend to help him."

"He needs no one but my mother. If she is pleased, there is no one else to be considered."

"Your mother sent me to you, wishing me success. She has noticed the drift of this affair, and she will be delighted with the match. You see, you have every good quality, while the man, though a trifle young for you!"

"Ha, ha! What a pleasant irony! The man is just the age I would choose. You know I am a young thing of twenty-eight."

"He has many estimable qualities. I can assure you."

"Oh, major, how you amuse me! A trifle! You are stammering along as you stumbled up San Juan hill."

"That was an easy job compared with this," taking out his handkerchief and wiping the perspiration.

"I always said, major, even when a little girl, that I would marry none but a hero."

"That's too bad," disappointedly.

"The heroism in this case—the heroism of physical courage—has never yet been proved, but I dare say upon opportunity."

"You dear major! You say that as innocently as if it were really true. Doubtless you think it so. The greatest heroes are the least aware of their heroism. One thing I will admit—because a man is a military hero it doesn't follow that he has courage in telling a woman he loves her."

"I confess there is some cowardice in this case. A man should not employ any one but himself to plead his cause with a woman."

"But mamma doesn't count, you know. You can't be accused of cowardice for speaking to her first. Major, you are an utterly unfit person for a proposition of this kind as you proved yourself fitted to lead men in battle."

"Well, then, to cut the matter short, you accept?"

"I do, most assuredly."

"Then, having nothing more to do, I shall wish you a very good evening and much happiness, moving away."

"Nothing more to do, major?" drawing very near and looking up at him reproachfully.

"Nothing whatever. It's all settled."

"Then I have something to do."
Throwing her arms about the major, she drew his face down till his lips were within an inch of her own.

"I know you love me, dear major, though you have been too blundering to tell me so, and I love you dearly."

"By thunder!" exclaimed the major internally, then externally: "Love you! I have loved you since you were a child."

"Confound that uncle of mine!" said Joe Stone, Jr., shortly after to a friend. "I sent him to plead my cause with a girl, and he got her for himself."

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