

LOCAL NEWS

Write it 1915. How many new leaves did you turn over? David Buckley of Ruch was in town Thursday evening. Mrs. E. E. Gore was a visitor at the court house Thursday. A. W. Walker of Medford was a visitor in this city Tuesday. E. D. Lofland of Medford was in town Thursday afternoon. Gus Newbury was a business visitor at the court house Thursday. Ralph Jennings of Buncom was in this city and Medford Tuesday. Matthew Ray of Ruch was at the New Year's dance Thursday night. Miss Gertrude Dunnington was a visitor at Medford Tuesday afternoon. Russell Evans of Medford was transacting business in town Wednesday. Public schools are having a vacation this week, but will resume Monday. James Damon of Wolf creek was a business visitor in this city Thursday. Uncle Billy Cameron, of Uniontown drove over to Medford Tuesday morning. H. S. Stine of Medford transacted business at the court house Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Burton of Star Gulch, transacted business in this city Tuesday. Henry Mankins of Poorman's creek was transacting business in this city Tuesday. H. L. DeArmond was transacting business at the court house Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Joe G. Lidsby and daughter Ora attended the ball at Orth's hall, New Year's eve. Mark Wingham of Forest creek was transacting business in this city Wednesday. Floyd McKee and Katie Byrne were married Wednesday. They will make their home near Buch. Charles Fry of Joe Bar, who had been spending the holidays at Yreka, Calif. returned home Tuesday. Mrs. Joseph Morcom and daughters, Etta and Margaret, of Ashland, are visiting friends here this week. The Royal Neighbors held an interesting session at the home of Mrs. Decatur Davis, Tuesday afternoon. J. Knox McCloy a mining man of Watkins, Or., was transacting business in this city Wednesday afternoon. W. P. Bailey who was taken to Medford last week was brought back home Sunday. His condition remains about the same. The New Year's dance in Orth's hall Thursday evening was a very successful affair the attendance was large the music excellent. Mr. and Mrs. Br. Forbes of Canyonville who are spending the holidays with Mrs. Lawton of Medford visited Mrs. M. E. Abbott Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. George Miller of Medford, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Reter for several days returned to their home Monday. B. B. Beekman, Esq., of Portland, who had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beekman, during the holidays, returned to his home Wednesday. It is reported that a horse was electrocuted Monday by coming in contact with a live electric wire lying on the ground near the cyanide plant west of this city. Michael Brown, a veteran of the civil war, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Adams, in Medford, Sunday night, aged 74 years. Funeral was held Tuesday afternoon. Pastor Russell's photo play, "The Creation," is being run at the Electric theatre this week; the first section was put on Thursday night and the second section last night. It will be continued this afternoon and evening and finished Sunday. This exhibition is given free—no admission is charged and no collection is taken up. Considerable interest is manifested in the pictures, many of them being excellent. The new county officers will assume the duties of their several offices next Thursday. Fred is Colvig will succeed Jas. M. Froemiller as treasurer; Chas. McCoy Morey will take the place now held by Mr. Colvig as recorder; J. T. Brown will succeed T. W. Osgood as surveyor and John A. Perl will succeed A. E. Kellogg as coroner. Mr. F. H. Madden, the commissioner elect, will fill the position now held by Mr. J. Smith, whose term expires. The county clerk, Mr. Gardner, and the sheriff, Mr. Singler, were both re-elected and the county judge, Mr. Touy, the commissioner, W. C. Leever, assessor W. T. Grieve, and superintendent, J. Percy Wells, are "holdovers," their terms not having expired.

You can find a Notary Public at this office. Joseph Martin was a recent visitor in Medford. W. H. Bowen was a visitor in Medford Monday. Mrs. R. B. Dow was a visitor in this city this week. Fred Offenbacher of Applegate was a recent visitor in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich visited friends in Medford Sunday. "Irish" Coleman of Medford was a visitor in this city Wednesday. Bob Watkins and W. M. Hacker of Watkins were attending to business affairs in this city Monday and Tuesday. The Medford Mail Tribune got out a very creditable New Year's addition yesterday. The pictures being especially good. The eruption of Mt. Lassen was shown at the Electric last night and appreciated by the large audience. The theatre was crowded, standing room being at a premium. Dr. E. B. Seely, F. V. Medynski, A. Thomas and Dillon Hill, came over from Medford Thursday morning to consult the county court in regard to the tax levy for the ensuing year. Ashland Tidings came out yesterday with a booster edition showing the Springs proposition in a flattering light. Incidentally the paper was an advertisement for a number of Ashland's people whose photo's appeared therein.

At The Churches

METHODIST Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock W. G. Caudill Supt. Public worship at 11 a. m. each second and fourth Sunday of the month and at 7:30 every Sunday evening. Class meeting every first and third Sunday 11 a. m. H. C. Gallup leader. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. The public is invited to attend these services. A. Coslet Pastor

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE Services held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Everybody welcome.

FEDERAL BUILDING Chamberlain Introduces Bill Appropriating \$100,000

Ashland, Dec. 31—With the announcement just made that Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill in the senate for a \$100,000 appropriation for a public building at Ashland, it is well to remember that credit for this movement is due to the local commercial club. That organization has fought for this improvement both early and late, both in season and out of season, and whether the building is erected sooner or later the club will have the satisfaction of knowing that its labors have not been in vain. The agitation for the new building was begun years ago, but it is only of recent date that a new impetus was given to the project.

Spice of Life

"It is said that women are braver than men. Do you believe it?" "Well I think more of them would take a chance at marriage?"—Denver Post. She—Don't you think we would better go back through England again on the way home? He—But we did England. She—I know it. But since we were there think of all the lovely new ruins the suffragettes have made.—Life. Dolly—At last I have me' my ideal! Kindly hearted, modest, patient, self-denying! But, a'as, married! Daisy—Don't worry. No woman will live long with such a freaks. You'll get a chance at him.—New York Globe. Dobbis no sir, I never yet felt the craving for liquor. Nobbs—You're a mighty lucky man. How do you account for it? Dobbis—Why, I always take a drink when I want one.—Philadelphia Ledger. "There is a machine that can be graduated to measure the millionth part of an inch." "I know," said the railway passenger. "They use 'em in the refreshment rooms 'on this line when making ham sandwiches."—New York Globe. Teacher (to new pupil)—Why did Hannibal cross the Alps, my little one? Little Man—For the same reason as the hen crossed the road. Yer don't catch me with no puzzles.—Suburban Life. Why not an earthquake tax? To be sure, we have had no earthquake. But then, we have had no war, either.—Seattle Argus. He—When I was a boy I was once thrashed for telling the truth. She—That cured you I suppose.—London Opinion.

Sheriff's Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON. Margaret R. Balthasar vs. Lucy W. Wilson and George F. Wilson Defendants. By virtue of an execution out of order and decree, do hereby above and under the seal of above entitled Court in the said and dated cause, to me duly directed, 1914, upon the 15th day of December entered in a judgment, rendered on day of December, 1914, in favor of Margaret R. Balthasar, Plaintiff, against Lucy W. Wilson and George F. Wilson, Defendants. Hundred of Two Thousand Dollars, with interest thereon from the date of 8 per cent per annum, and the Fifty Dollars, as twenty-three and 65-100 Dollars cost of disbursements, 100 Dollars cost of this writ and the costs of making sale of the commanding me to real property, sit following description, Oregon, to-wit: In Jackson County, Oregon, Section Line between Sections 15 and 16 in Township 39 South and Range One East of W. M., 8 1/2, 13, and 16, common to Section 15 and 16, North 89 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds East, 705.20 feet distant; the North 71 degrees 30 minutes East, 550 feet distant; the South 56 degrees 13 minutes East, 313.51 feet distant; the South 89 degrees 45 minutes West, 723.51 feet distant; the place of beginning containing 6.6 acres of land, being the boundary streets and ways. NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of said execution, order, and decree, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will on Monday, the 18th Day of January, 1915, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of said day, in the front door of the County Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, offer for sale at public auction, Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and subject to completion, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the within named defendants, Lucy W. Wilson and George F. Wilson, or either of them, had in the date of the mortgage herein (19th day of April, 1913), or since he had in and to the above described real property or any part thereof, together with the costs of judgment, order, decree, interest, attorney's fees, costs and disbursements and accruing costs. Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, December 16, 1914. W. H. SINGLER, Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon.

When They Mined the Nile. In the Sudan campaign as the British troops approached Omdurman the Khalifa Abdullah conceived the idea of upsetting the British gunboat expedition by mining the Nile. A former officer of the Egyptian army whom he had long held prisoner was ordered by the Khalifa to construct a couple of mines, which were produced forth with. They were primitive in form, consisting, in fact, of two old iron boilers stuffed with gunpowder, in which was concealed a blot with a string attached to the trigger whereby the charge could be exploded. The first mine was laid by the Ismailia, worked by a native crew, and demonstrated its efficiency by exploding on the instant, sinking the boat and killing the crew, including the mine constructor. The Khalifa was delighted, not at the accident, but at the testimony to the power of the invention, and immediately ordered the Emir in charge of his arsenal to lay the second mine. The same, profiting by experience, insured his safety by putting the Nile into the boiler before he put the boiler into the Nile. He then carried out the mission successfully, to the joy of Abdullah, who loaded him with "presents and praises."—Manchester Guardian.

The Faults of Others. Charity does not require of us that we should not see the faults of others, but that we should avoid all needless and voluntary observing of them and that we should not be blind to their good qualities when we are so sharply sighted in their bad ones. What if others are weak, is that a reason for your no longer keeping any measure with them? You that complain of their troubles, do you give no body any trouble? You that are so shocked at the faults you see—if all to whom you have been troublesome should return the trouble they have had with you, you would be oppressed with the weight, and, besides, even supposing that men had nothing to reproach you with, yet consider, further, what obligations you are under from God to show forbearance toward others for which you know you have such abundant occasion at his hands.—Fenelon.

A Domestic Disturbance. The trouble began with a tea fight. The milk was sour, the cake cut up, and the sugar fell out with the tongs. The spoons clashed, and the table groaned. The fringes on the doilies snarled, and the crackers snapped. The easy chairs were soon up in arms, and even the clocks did not agree. Things were no better in the kitchen. The pitchers were all set by the ears and stuck out their lips, while the teapot and kettle poked their noses into every thing. The range was red-hot, which made the saucepan look black and finally boil over. The bells started jangling, all the pickles and preserves in the cupboard were jarred, and there were any number of scraps in the refrigerator and meat safe. Naturally when the mistress of the house reached the scene of disorder the cook was put out.—Index.

Getting Out of It

By EUNICE BLAKE

David Edgerton, a young American, was spending some time in an Italian city. One day Edgerton was sitting on a bench in the park sucking the terry head of his cane when a girl passed him with an older woman. The young lady was a beauty. Nearly all Italians are brunettes, but this young lady was one of the few blonds one sees in that country. It seemed to Edgerton that she had walked out of a painting of Titian's that he had seen at the Borgese palace in Rome. Her hair was light, tinged with gold; her eyes were the only feature in her face that were of the prevailing Italian kind, being a liquid brown. It was evident from her appearance, from her dress and being attended by an older woman that the girl was of the higher class. There would be no such thing as scraping an acquaintance, Edgerton followed her with his eyes till she passed out of sight; then a man who had been sitting on an opposite side of the walk arose and, advancing toward him, raised his hat politely and said: "Would signor like to make the acquaintance of the young lady who has just passed?" "Most assuredly!" "With a view to marriage?" "Can I not make her acquaintance without marriage?" "With what object? The young lady is of a marriageable age; her parents do not desire young men to be attentive to her except with a view to marriage. But we have a custom here by which you can be introduced to a lady with a view to marriage. If you do not care to complete the transaction you simply forfeit my fee—I am a marriage broker—and any other expenses that may accrue." Edgerton was so desirous of seeing more of the beautiful Italian that he gave the broker an order to arrange a marriage between him and her at once. The man did not seem to hesitate at making the proposition, especially when Edgerton told him that he had an income of \$10,000 a year. The man was somewhat disappointed that his client had no family crest, but thought the income would make up for this deficiency. The introduction took place. Edgerton spoke very little Italian and Signorina Conti spoke no English. But they managed to make themselves understood, and Edgerton enjoyed a very pleasant visit. Later the American was informed that his proposition was accepted. The question arose as to what should be Edgerton's next step. He had made the proposition for the purpose of meeting in a friendly way one whose beauty he so ardently admired, relying on the fact that he could forfeit the commission and no harm be done. But now that his offer had been accepted it occurred to him that to back out would be a slight to the young lady. He did not consider such a marriage best for either her or Signorina Conti's connections were all Italian, while his were American. He would have to take her away from her native land, and as to making Italy his home, it was not to be considered. But how with draw from the arrangement without appearing to put a slight upon the young lady? Edgerton was harassed and wore glasses. Rather he wore a monocle. He had lived in England, and at that time monocles were more common than they are now. He called on his marriage broker and said to him: "Before completing this arrangement I have a confession to make to Signorina Conti." "The signorina, signor, has nothing to do with the matter. It is all in the hands of her parents." This made Edgerton feel easier in his conscience. He had no especial objection to the part he was playing, provided no one was collected except the old folks. "Well, then," he continued, "I desire that you inform Signor Conti that I am not a perfect man. I wear a glass eye." "I do not think," said the broker meditatively, "that this will prevent the marriage so far as the parents are concerned." Signorina Conti may object to you on that account, but, after all, she must obey her parents." "That will not suit me at all," replied Edgerton. "I wish a written statement from the signorina that she marries me because she loves me and with the knowledge that I wear a glass eye. Unless you will bring me a statement to that effect signed by her I will consider the matter off." Edgerton conceived the broker that unless he had used his discretion he would lose his fee. He thereupon delivered the message to the young lady without her parents' knowledge. The signorina had at one time had just one of her eyes and wore a glass eye in its place. Seeing the article removed at times and replaced in its socket had been so repugnant to the girl that she could not stand the prospect of living with a man who was in a similar condition. She took the responsibility on herself of releasing the applicant for her hand. Edgerton had only paid the broker's fee, but sent a handsome present to the young lady. He didn't reveal the fact, however, that his glass eye was worn outside a natural one.

Self-Belief the Key to Success

Do you still believe in yourself? If so, you cannot become a failure. You can at worst only have failed to secure as yet the science of success, of which self-respect is the key. In the great gamble of life we can afford to lose everything but our self-respect. Money lost is little lost; friends lost, much lost, but self-respect lost, and all is lost. Self-belief is the husband of self-respect, just as self-respect is the mother of self-reliance. Believe in yourself and you will win through, for self-belief is the mainspring of human activity and the principal source of human improvement. It inspires you to do things. It teaches you to try again. The man who retains his belief in himself will never give up trying, and success is the reward of persistent effort. Self-reliance will pull us through many a struggle from which the coward flees in vain and in which the weak succumb. The ability to "get up again" is the reward of the self-reliant.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Rules For Success at Golf

Writing in the American Magazine, Jerome D. Frasers calls Harry Vardon the greatest golf player he ever met and says the basis of his success might be set down to these few simple rules: Control of temper. Refusing to worry over any bad lie or any bad luck. Playing easily within himself and never passing. Playing always for the hole, even when 200 yards away. Studying his game and practicing at every opportunity. Making a point, even in practice, to follow all simple rules, such as keeping one's hands still, looking at the ball, etc. Keeping the body under control until perfect timing is developed. Using an easy, natural upright swing that stays as long as possible in line with the intended flight of the ball.

Details

Details are something beneath the notice of the majority. It requires a rare sort of ability to accord to them the proper importance. It is necessary for every great artist to understand details in order that he may know when they should be ignored. Gulliver discovered this interesting fact when he woke up one morning. The perfection of any masterpiece depends upon the strategic elimination of its details. Those who see only those things which lie between the little and the great see neither of these. It requires the same capacity of imagination to master details that it does to master immensities. To see big one must also be able to see little. Controlling events means controlling details. Nothing succeeds like details.—Life.

Heathen Hospitality

African jungle people are not very particular concerning their food. One of our missionary women was down with an attack of fever some time ago. This was a source of sorrow to the poor, unlearned yet sympathetic natives, who in their own way are really compassionate and want to help. One of these "bush mammals" tried to express her sorrow because the "white-manning missionary" was so ill. After a time she left the station with a bright idea in her head and started for the jungle. A little later she returned with a large tropical leaf from one of the trees. Upon it were several bits, crawling green worms, which she had caught and brought to the sick missionary. She thought they would be nice and tender for her to eat during her illness.—Christian Herald.

Psychological Moment

"Pa, what is meant by the psychological moment?" "When I give your mother a check, my son, that is the psychological moment for me to tell her I won't be home until late."—Birmingham Age-Herald. Be Careful. Blobs—That fellow Skinnum is always howling about his pill, Blobs. Well, don't let him apply it to your leg.—Philadelphia Record.

It Changed His Mind

A switching engine prevented a Chicago man from committing suicide the other day. With a rope around his neck and fastened to the rails of the Rock Island railroad he was crawling between the ties prepared to jump from a trolley when a switching engine came along and cut the rope. As he had lost his chance of hanging himself, he thought better of his project.

Good Advice

"What would you say," said the prophet of woe "if I were to fish for trout in a very short space of time and the rivers in this country would dry up?" "I would say," replied the patient man, "go and do that likewise."—Stray Stories.

Her Luck

"I proposed to Miss Slathers last night." "That girl's lucky, all right." "Oh, you flatter me." "I'm not flattering you. She won a bet when you proposed."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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