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Northwest Clips

Eugene will have a carnival this year.

Bend claims to be the "city of electric energy."

Pendleton is planning a new gravity city water system.

Santa Barbara, Calif., is planning new street improvements.

The Dalles has changed the names of a number of her streets.

A Cottage Grove dispatch says that plum trees and garden peas are in bloom.

There is to be a 1200-acre game preserve established near Springfield, Oregon.

The highway between Ashland and Klamath Falls will be completed this summer.

Portland merchants, as a united body have opened war on fake advertising stunts.

The Umatilla county Good Roads association will discuss the West good roads bill soon.

Work on the big 2600 foot tunnel on the Oregon Eastern near Vale has been commenced.

The fire loss at Houston is \$7,000,000 of which only about 40 per cent is covered by insurance.

Chehalis residents are fighting the payment for a sewer which they claim fails to benefit them.

There were 61,483 jack rabbits killed in Klamath county during 1911, according to the number of ears brought in for bounty.

The mining exhibits sent to the Northwest Mining convention at Spokane from Josephine county brought forth many admiring remarks.

Over 140,000 persons were treated for the "hook worm" by the Rockefeller Institute during the past year. None of the "invalids" came from Oregon, however.

The Klamath Falls Odd Fellows are contemplating the establishment of a club room, with bowling alleys, billiard room and other furnishings for the benefit of its members.

Santa Barbara has just been the scene of another leap year marriage. Miss Cassie Ruiz, a beautiful "hello girl" captured a confirmed bachelor who changed his mind the minute he heard her musical voice over the telephone.

Notice to the Public.

The two leading magazines of the Pacific Coast, the Pacific Monthly and the Sunset, have been consolidated under the title of "Sunset—the Pacific Monthly."

It is the intention of the publishers to spare no money nor effort to make Sunset—the Pacific Monthly a credit to the West and a magazine of national value and importance.

To introduce it to new readers, we will make the following special offer:

Send 50c in stamps, and we will put your name on our subscription list for the next four months, and will send you free a copy of the superbly illustrated Mid-Winter number, and also the famous Sunset Indian poster, securely packed in a mailing tube. It will make a beautiful ornament for your front room or den.

Send your order to Fred Locky, No. 10 Western Manager, Sunset—the Pacific Monthly, Portland, Oregon.

THE EMPEROR AND FATE

By THEODORE BORLAND

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There was once a young man who lived in a country that had long been ruled by a line of profligate kings. At last the people, maddened by their wrongs and by hunger, rose up in their might, beheaded the king and his queen and secretly made away with the heir apparent so that no successor might inherit the throne. Then they killed all the nobles on whom the kingly power rested and established a republic.

This young man, who was a soldier by profession, stood by the palace and witnessed the fury of the mob. He had not suffered himself from the royal tyranny, but could understand the vengeance these people coveted. Nevertheless the scene impressed him with the undeniability of anarchy. The kings of other countries turned out their armies to force the revolutionists to put back the monarchy, and the young soldier fought with the armies of his country against these sovereigns.

From the first it was apparent that he had in him the elements of a great general. He soon obtained the command of an independent army and fought battle after battle, winning every one till his enemies retreated within their own borders and left him master of the situation.

The young man, naturally ambitious, was fired by this success to greater deeds. Obtaining other armies he went on foreign conquests, always returning successful. This won for him the plaudits of the people, and when they placed the government in the hands of three associate governors they made the general the first of the three. But he did not remain long at home. Fresh wars called him to other fields, but he always conquered, and whenever he did so he attached some additional territory to his own country. And so absorbing one territory after another from what had been a kingdom he established an empire.

And now, since he was appointing his brothers to govern these countries he had conquered, making them kings, it was necessary that he should have for himself a title even higher than that of king. So the legislative body conferred on him the title of emperor, putting it to the vote of the people whether or no this should be so. The people confirmed the appointment, and he was seated on an imperial throne.

At this time, when he was at the height of his glory and power, one night he had a dream. He dreamed that he was sitting on his throne, the imperial crown on his head, the scepter in his hand, and a throng of courtiers passing before him, bowing to him as they passed. Among them the emperor noticed a figure clad in unseemly apparel to wear at court, having nothing about his or her figure—there seemed to be no sex—only a flowing robe of poor material. This person passed the emperor without a bow, keeping his strange eyes on the sovereign all the while.

"Who are you?" asked the emperor.

"Fate."

"Ah, you are Fate, are you? What are you doing here?"

"I came to implant within your brain that which will accomplish my intentions for you."

"What are those intentions?"

"It is not meet that mortals should know what I have in store for them."

"At least tell me what will be my end."

The figure turned and looked upward. The emperor's gaze followed in the same direction, and he saw a picture, toward which he seemed to be moving. It was a rock surrounded by water, the waves incessantly beating upon it. Presently he stood on the rock himself. It was a desolate place, and with him were only a few of those whom he had ennobled. Soldiers of a foreign nation loitering about indicated that he was a prisoner. He entered an unpretentious house, from which he would never emerge.

The scene changed, and he lay dying in this house. The few friends who had accompanied him stood about him, but no wife, no child. Then the picture rolled away, and the emperor sat alone on his throne. He awoke with a dreadful sensation and slept no more till morning, when he fell into a troubled slumber. When he awoke all memory of his dream had left him.

Not long after this he started on another campaign. Thus far he had never failed and did not think it possible for him to fail. He marched an army into a northern country in the dead of winter. The people of that country retreated before him, destroyed their granaries and burned their cities. His army, cold and starving, made a horrible retreat, a very few of his soldiers again regaining their own country.

From this point the emperor's star steadily went down, down. He made desperate efforts to retrieve his falling fortunes, but achieved no permanent success. All those kingdoms he had subdued, seeing that his tide had turned, joined together to crush him. He staked all on one decisive battle and lost.

He gave himself up to one of the kings who defeated him and was sent to a rock in the midst of a great ocean. There he died surrounded by a few adherents, but neither his wife nor his son were with him.

His name was Napoleon Bonaparte. There was a saying among the ancients that those whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad.

SCHOOL NOTES

All rooms are studying George Washington this month.

Gertie Shepherd has returned to school after two weeks absence.

Miss Tapscott's room has had perfect attendance this month. Others should profit by their good example.

Those absent from Miss Smith's room this week on account of sickness are Retta Burres and Lesley Dunagan.

In monthly examinations Albert Lulay received the highest average in the second grade and Ella Spaniol in the third grade.

Two rooms have made an average of more than 95 per cent every month this year and have received a certificate of attendance from the County School Superintendent.

Miss Jewett, a former teacher in our school visited the school this week. She gave a very interesting talk to the High School and eighth grade. We are glad to have our former teachers with us again.

In the February County Spelling contest some good grades were made. Out of nineteen pupils in the seventh grade fourteen names were sent to the Co. Supt., and out of eleven pupils in the sixth grade nine were sent to the Co. Supt.

The school month closed last Friday and the report is as follows: The enrollment is boys 90, girls 86, total, 176. Whole number days taught during month, 19. Whole number days attendance, 3216. Number pupils neither absent or late, 87. Average daily attendance, 169. Per cent. of attendance, 95.3 per cent. Number of visits by parents, 11.

She Points With Pride



to her Jewelry because it was bought here and is therefore of the finest quality. Any girl is naturally proud of whatever she purchased here or whatever was bought for her. We carry the most artistic lines of gold and silver jewelry in town, as well as high-grade selections of diamonds, rubies, pearls and other precious stones.

We also grind and mount agates into rings, scarf pins, cuff links, brooches, etc.

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Experienced Jeweler and Optician

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Third and Marion Streets
STAYTON, OREGON

Dog Tax Notice.

The annual dog tax of \$2.50 on all 4 months dogs of age is due on the 1st of March. Call at the recorder's office and get tags. The ordinance provides that all dogs found running loose without a tag after the 1st of March shall be caught and placed in the city pound and sold or killed.

SAMANTHA JANE HIGGINS

of Squabtown near Lick Skillet is candidate for Oregon Senate as a starter—to express her opinion of TEDDY FLIP FLOP. She wants the following placed after her name on the ticket:

"47 years old and not married yet—can not read or write—has a wart on the side of her nose and wears the same hat she wore when Cleveland was first elected president."
(Solomon turned over again)

75c voile one-half price going for	37½c per yard
\$1.00 voile one-half price going for	50c per yard
\$1.50 voile one-half price going for	75c per yard
\$2.00 voile one-half price going for	\$1.00 per yard
\$2.50 voile one-half price going for	\$1.25 per yard

110 gallon galvanized oil tank at a price---\$61.00 Computing Scales, good as new, one-third cost price.

TROTTER'S STORE, Stayton

Sublimity Shots

T. V. Fischer has returned home from Lebanon.

Jos. Prange is visiting at Mt. Angel again this week.

"Swift Water Bill" was in town a few days this week.

Mrs. Louis Schott is visiting at Shaw a few days this week.

Joe Schrewe and Dr. O'Leary made a trip to Portland Monday.

J. A. Ditter and Miss Rosa Ditter left Monday morning for North Yakima.

From what has been reported, Sublimity will have a number of automobiles this year.

For the first time in the history of Sublimity, apples are selling at 2 for 5 cents. Who said taxes were high.

It looks natural to see the smiling face of Fred Albus back in the Ditter-Bell store again, even if he will only be there for a week or so. He is taking J. A. Ditter's place.

Miss Lizzie Doerfler of Louisburg was an evening caller at the home of John Zuber Sunday evening. She left for Salem Monday where she expects to work this spring.

One of Herman Riesterer's horses, while attempting to jump a woven wire fence one day last week, caught one of its front feet on the top wire and fell, breaking a bone in its head. For some time it was thought it would not live, but it is doing nicely at present.

Mt. Pleasant

F. T. Thayer was in Scio last week.

W. R. Ray was in Portland this week.

H. Senz and family spent Sunday at the Pietrok home.

Linn Lambert and Leslie Townes went to Scio Monday.

Mrs. T. Townes spent Saturday afternoon visiting Mrs. Lee Downing.

Leslie Townes and Fox Thayer attended the dance at Jordan Saturday night.

Bessie Lee left Wednesday morning for Mill city where she will be employed indefinitely.

Mrs. O. Shelton of Scio, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ray.

Mrs. T. Townes returned home Tuesday after spending a month or two in Stayton with her son and family.

Misses Elsie and Mabel Thayer returned to Lebanon Sunday eve after spending a few days with their parents.

Harry Shank spent several days in Salem last week attend-

ing the McGilchrist-Savage wedding. He also made a trip to Portland.

A party given at the Shelton home Friday night was enjoyed by a large number of people. The evening was spent in playing games and music. At midnight a fine supper was served consisting of oyster soup, cake and many other good things. The party broke up about 2 a. m. and everyone went home tired, but with the memory of a very pleasant evening.

McAlpin Notes

Bertha Doerfler visited home folks over Sunday.

Mrs. Z. Downing made a trip to Salem Monday.

Floyd Humphreys made a trip to Silverton Monday.

Grant Ashby spent the weekend with his family in Salem.

Mrs. Joe Morley spent the day Sunday at the C. Morley home.

Will Humphreys and wife visited at the Nott home Sunday evening.

T. B. Patton and family visited with their daughter, Mrs. Jones, on Sunday.

Mr. Geo. Caspell is enjoying a visit with his brother's wife and daughter from Canada.

Miss Lois McElhaney visited at home a few days last week. Her mother accompanied her to Mehama on Sunday.

Farm for sale—2 miles east of Jordan. 352 acres, 2 houses with out-buildings. Price \$65 per acre. Suitable for two parties.

2-29-x Joe Schwint.

DON'T FORGET THAT NEW SUIT OF CLOTHING FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Everybody will want a new suit for that occasion and we have spared no time and pains, nor money to get the best and newest styles money can procure. Look them over. We have also added the following new items to our Grocery line, Fresh Cabbage every week, Parsnips, Onions, Dried Apples, Peaches, Etc.

For the chicks we have chick food, scratch food, bone meal, oyster shell, etc., at prices that can not be beaten anywhere. Also a full line of all kinds of fresh seeds. Thousand headed kale seed in bulk at per pound

60 cents

Give us a call and get the BEST at the LOWEST PRICES.

W. F. KLECKER'S

STAYTON'S BEST STORE, Stayton, Oregon