

MUSSED THE YARD

VERY INCONSIDERATE ACT OF DEPENDANT WOMAN

Committed Suicide on Lawn of Big Business Man and Mussed it Up

While our wise men are putting in a good deal of time debating the high cost of living, life is held cheaply. Just to arouse that mind of yours out of its stupor read this over a few times:

Mussed Up His Yard

Everett, Wash.—Mrs. A. Coble, 30, shot and killed herself Wednesday, in the yard of a box factory superintendent who had discharged her.

Oh that is too dull, is it? It is no concern of yours; no one you knew, so you cannot put in your valuable time. Is that your idea? Do you think you have no responsibility in the matter? Well, just take a look at the heading; the utter lack of sympathy expressed in those words "Mussed up His Yard." Just suppose that the suicide had been "one of our most prominent citizens." Which, of course, means that of being possessed of a bunch of bills. Do you suppose such a heading would have been used or the item located in some obscure place in the paper? You may be able to observe with what contempt the capitalist class regards the life of useful workers. Having lost her job apparently she knew the only means of existence she knew anything about, in desperation she ended it all. And the only regret that reaches us through the channel of news is the inconvenience one of the higher-ups was put to.

Would you sit by me for just a few moments and let us try to imagine the struggle in the heart of this crushed sister to us all? Just in the full prime of life when the songbirds of human fancy should be pouring out their rippest and richest notes; when life should be in full, gay colors; when the end life, the dissolution of the elements which form our material existence, by the rule of years should seem so dim beyond the veil of human anticipation, this child of toil cuts the natural span that bridges between two eternities and disappears from our sight in the yawning abyss of death.

And for all this—why? Because "thou takest from me my life, by taking from me the means by which I live."

We boast of the resources of this happy land. We brag about our civilization and talk loudly of protecting the weak. Our sympathy to women is always our pride, but when one of the useful workers is cast adrift to perish our capitalist-minded press adds its insulting slur. For shame I cry: "Oh! to be a slave among the barbarians, Turk, where woman has never a soul to save, if this be Christian work."

Men of this Nation—is it not high time to act, to stop the terrible slaughter of the helpless. Of course you have never committed suicide so you think you never will. These asses which crushed out this life are working over time. In the next column was recorded another suicide of a woman in Spokane, no cause given out, and so the death dance goes on to the time beats of fast music for we are in a hurry after the nimbly penny.

Cannot this great nation which provides so many easy seats for its favorites at sumptuous feasts also see to it that we, the mudsills of society, may at least be assured enough of the necessities of life to guarantee us against want? Surely it would be to the interest of society to furnish us with useful implements. Under capitalism our employment depends on the whim of some individual. The Ayshire poet sadly sang "To see this lordly fellowman this poor petition spurn, unheeded that a weeping wife and helpless offspring mourn."

Yes, the cost of living is high, at right, but life is cheap in this riotous country that boasts of sending over a billion dollars of farm products out in twelve months. But hush, don't say anything about it or you will be classed as an enemy of a couple of yards of bunting and interfere with the prosperity of the loafers.

From the same paper from which the above news was clipped I learned that "the salary of a farm man is \$37.50 per day and as they were paid for seven days' work (mark that) each week, they drew \$1,087.50 each for their 29 days' work. This brought the salary item alone to \$61,987.50."

Must have been rather competent and busy workers they don't you think so? What great service do you suppose they gave to be at it so continuous, so the salary went on on Sunday and that the price looks so tall to me?

Well, perhaps you have heard of a species of "varmint" which forages on political pastures and known as a "progressive reformer" farmer who is being "reformed." One of these was in Congress for some time and having proven true to his charge, and at the same time also, thru a competent press agent, made it appear his burning desire was to smash the trusts, and so many of the common dubs were ready to vote for him instead of themselves, it was thought proper to make him governor. The knowing ones winked the other eye as they saw the simple-minded swallow the hook, for they knew he had always been faithful and delivered the goods in the dark. It now happened that altho he had been furnished a fine pile of campaign boules he could not resist the temptation to gamble in that greatest gambling hell in the land. If my memory serves me right, it has at times opened with prayer. Having however established a reputation among a lot of well meaning but badly informed jays, and having safely landed the governor's office, he proceeded to further improve that "reformed" by pulling off a few Theodore stunts, in fact secured praise from that notorious clown. He, however, in order to make his virtue stunts look right before the gaping hill polli, displeased the real power in the back ground. Result—a real, life-sized impeachment was brought at which just a little of the real Sulzer was put on exhibition, just enough to warrant kicking him out and making the records look fairly straight.

When he mixed up with the wild man from Lobster Bay I began to feel scratchy. I wondered if he was not in a very bad hole, and hoped that by producing lots of noise people would not realize from whence came the stench. I don't mean to say that Teddy helped to bring about his downfall,

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Friend of University Gives Reasons Why Appropriation Should be Sustained.

1. The legislature thoroughly investigated this matter and passed this bill by almost unanimous vote. 2. The University badly needs this for repairs and a new building so that it may decently care for the students. 3. In its present condition the only thing that the State of Oregon can be proud of about its University, is the self-sacrificing enthusiastic persistence of the faculty that has led them to do such good work with such inadequate equipment. 4. The present referendum is not the result of any wide-spread conviction that the legislature made a mistake, but was originated in the mind of a paid agitator, compiled by paid circulators. It is just a piece of the old game of "tagging the University."

5. The reasons given by these parties that at some future time they propose to initiate a new plan for Oregon's schools is a poor equivalent, for continuous prosperity and success in the educational work.

6. The plan of consolidation that appears to be in their minds has a history that does not commend itself to active educators. 7. Universities consolidated with agricultural colleges have never been in the highest degree a success. They cost more per student, the work is more difficult of adjustment, and neither attain such distinction as when separated.

8. Several states having tried this plan are abandoning it by removing one or the other to some distance from the campus. California is eighty-four miles distant. 9. No state having begun with separate institutions has yet seen sufficient reason to change. 10. There is no reason in the present location for such a change. Eugene, the present site of the University, is the most accessible point in the state, and a hard one.

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Mr. Nash and Hoops of this borough are slaughtering big game this week in the upper Clackamas river country.

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If you will send the Oregon City Council into our spud field we will distract their gaudy inclinations by diverting their attention to a weak spot in their backs.

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Did you ever associate closely with a bachelor well along in years, and listen to his sweetest tales? If not you have missed something of interest to a married man, who thinks himself lucky to have corralled one lonesome wearer of skirts. Judging from one solitude man there's several spinsters gathered over the Western States by reason of his refusal to be content. If this one bachelor's experience is but a replica of all bachelors then we need no longer seek an explanation for the great number of lonely ribs occupying claims in Oregon, or advertising for positions as housekeepers.

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As a German I feel ashamed that the act of the legislature raising the salary of the County School Superintendent has been drawn into dispute. A large portion of the inhabitants of this county are Germans. Do we want to find the same sad conditions in regard to the salaries of our teachers that we find in so many churches in regard to the salaries of their ministers? If ministers are content to work for little or nothing, that's their concern, but your schools are under control of the state—they belong to the people as a whole, you must pay them and you ought to pay them well in order to bring the best of material into your service.

The future of our nation lies in the hands of our teachers who are at work in our public schools simply because we lack those means that tend toward education when the school days are over. In European countries they have the discipline of the army and in this schooling much is gained that has been neglected at home or in school.

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A LOVELY FACE— BUT UGLY HAIR

How often you see an otherwise lovely face spoiled by homely hair—a face that would be most charmingly beautiful if she only had prettier hair.

What a pity!—and how foolish! Because that ugly hair, stringy, dull, lifeless-looking though it may be, can be made as glossy, silky and beautiful as the heart could desire if only taken proper care of.

Harmony Hair Beautifier is just what is needed—a hair beautifier. It is not a hair dye or hair oil—it is just a dainty, rose-perfumed liquid dressing to give the hair its natural gloss and brightness, its natural way softness, its natural rich beauty. Very easy to apply—simply sprinkle a little on your hair each time before brushing it. It contains no lead and will not change the color of the hair or darken gray hair.

To keep your hair and scalp dandruff-free and clean, use Harmony Shampoo. This pure liquid shampoo gives an instantaneous rich lather that immediately penetrates to every part of hair and scalp, insuring a quick and thorough cleansing. Washed off just as quickly, the entire operation takes only a few moments. Contains nothing that can harm the hair; leaves no harshness or stickiness—just a sweet-smelling cleanliness.

Both preparations come in odd-shaped, very ornamental bottles with sprinker tops. Harmony Hair Beautifier, \$1.00; Harmony Shampoo 50c. Both guaranteed to satisfy you in every way, or your money back. Sold in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store—one of the more than 7,000 leading drug stores of the United States, Canada and Great Britain, which own the big Harmony laboratories in Boston, where the many celebrated Harmony Perfumes and Toilet Preparations are made.

—The Rexall Store, Huntley Bros., Oregon City.

CRISWELL-JESSE

The marriage of Miss Nora Criswell of this city and Mr. Fred Jesse, of Spokane, Wash., was solemnized at Spokane Sunday afternoon in the presence of the families of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse will make their home at Spokane, where the former is connected with a Railroad Company.

The bride is one of Oregon City's well known young women, and has resided in Clackamas County all her life. She is the youngest daughter of the late Eli Criswell, and niece of Mrs. S. M. Ramaty, who recently moved from this city to Molalla. Until a few days before her marriage she was connected with the Clackamas County Abstract Company, and for several years was employed in the County Recorder's office. She has a host of friends in this city.

Mr. Jesse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse, prominent residents of this county, whose home is at Barlow. He was reared in Clackamas County, where he is well and favorably known.

An Inquiry

Editor Courier:— Will you kindly tell if you can, why Superior Judge Eakin made the injunction against Sheriff Mass, in reference to the Sunday circus, which the Governor stopped, permanent? Was it because his honor has a great sympathy for circuses or did he want to save himself bother in the future, or was it because he wanted to play square with the Governor?

E. A. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Jones, Mrs. Annie Friend, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nation of this place, also Mrs. Katharine Goucher of Molino, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charley Nobilet and son Albert, of Seelye.

Mrs. Clara Woodward, whose home is in Oregon City, is visiting her uncle John C. Anderson and family.

Carl Jones of Philomath is visiting his uncle, Al L. Jones and William H. Jones.

Mrs. E. Ernest Jones and daughter, Leola, who have been visiting with relatives at White Salmon, Wn., for three weeks, returned home last Friday.

Frank and Henry Schoenborn of Oregon City spent several days with Harry and Elsie Schoenborn, returning to their home last Sunday.

Miss Grace Schuebel who is attending high school at Oregon City, spent Saturday and Sunday with her folks of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daniels and his folks, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Al L. Jones, also with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Striker, returned to their home at Eagle Cliff, Wash., Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Butts of Oregon City, spent Thursday with her son Robert Bellard and family.

Mrs. Rosa Schuebel of Oregon City, spent Thursday with her son Robert Schuebel and family.

Mrs. Howard Nation of this place visited with her brother, John Friend and family of Hubbard for several days last week.

Harry Schoenborn visited friends at Molalla Sunday.

Miss Ollis Jackson of Clairmont, spent Monday with her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Charley Spangler.

Several young folks spent Sunday with Miss Elsie Schoenborn.

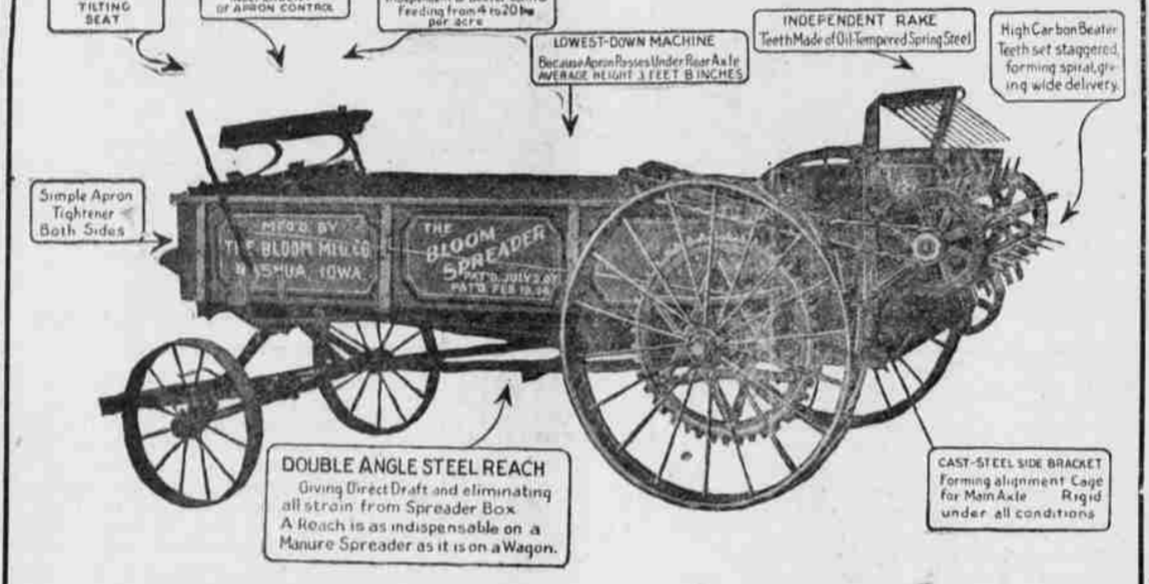
Miss Elsie Fisher of Caras, is keeping house for her grandfather and her uncle, Herman Dietrich.

Miss Tillie Wieman called on Mrs. Helvey Sunday, the mud being so bad that she lost both of her rubbers, and they were found by a passerby early Monday morning and returned to her, John Helvey of Maxburg, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Helvey.

Ellis Graves left Sunday for Clarks where he will spend the winter with his brother, Elmer.

Quite a number from here attended the charivari and dance at Kehlhofer's at Caras last Friday evening.

I have a client that wants to borrow \$1,000, good farm security given. I also have several good mortgages for sale. If you wish to loan your money to me, over Bank of Oregon City. Charles T. Toozee.



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For a Low Down—Easy Loading—Light Pulling Manure Spreader—One that will Last a long time and please you better every time you use it? Look no further.

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By breaking it up fine and spreading it evenly—Easy, sure control and no horse killer—The only Spreader with a reach—Farmers who have bought them say they are the best farm machine investment a farmer can make.

Advertisement for Mitchell Lewis & Staver Co. featuring the Bloom Manure Spreader. Text includes 'See the BLOOM at the nearest Mitchell Agency or write us for Illustrated Catalog' and lists locations in Northwest, Portland, Ore., Spokane, Wn., and Boise, Idaho.

Federal Law Provides Five Years Closed Season.

The new federal migratory bird law which went into effect October 1, provides a five-year closed season on the following game birds which it has heretofore been lawful to hunt in season under state law: Band-tailed pigeon, curlews, wood-ducks, and also all of shore birds to be found in Oregon except the black-breasted and golden plover, Wilson or Jack snipe and greater and lesser yellowlegs.

The Federal statute protecting the above birds is of particular interest to Oregon sportsmen at the present time as they supersede state laws wherever there is a conflict.

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the state, except possibly Portland, and with the completion of present railroad lines that exception will perhaps have to be omitted.

The citizens of Eugene are doing their best to surround the University with the most wholesome conditions both physically and morally and are succeeding in this.

11. The loss in transplanting this University would be a sheer waste of a million dollars of the state's money not to mention that of private investments like the fraternity houses and no compensating saving by such consolidation.

12. Consolidating this institution means killing it and creating another university at some other point. Which means at least five years wasted before the University will be up to its present standard of efficiency, with nothing to compensate for this loss.

13. A large proportion of the youth of this state will be educated in the future by the policy of separate institutions.

14. Separate institutions, equally supported, bring into the work stronger personalities because of the larger scope for individual initiative. This is more beneficial to the state than the common level of uniformity which is the tendency of consolidation.

15. None of the leaders of Oregon's educational forces want this change. The regents of the O. A. C. and the U. of O. oppose it. The faculties of both institutions are against it. The alumni of both schools have condemned it; the board of higher curricula are opposed to it and the churches are opposed to it.

For these fifteen reasons taken together make strong ground for sustaining the appropriation. Voters of

our highest county school officer the meager salary of \$1,000 per year. They say, "Why did the school superintendent not state in the campaign that he wanted his salary raised if re-elected?" How foolish. What lack of human knowledge and of humanity! Be honest, friend. What would you do under similar circumstances? Would you insist on a raise of salary and thus jeopardize your re-election? Would you commit political suicide by clamoring for more money? Our worthy school superintendent did not practice deceit when he passed over this matter in silence, but he supposed that if the people re-elected him that that act would be equivalent