

BOY HAS HARD LUCK

Breaks Leg Twice due to Falling on Wet and Slippery Walks... A few weeks ago, little Tommy McCabe of Eagle Creek, while at play, fell and broke his leg above the knee.

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The readers of his paper will be pleased to learn that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Catarrh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment.

WELL, HOW ABOUT IT?

Alfred Cridge Discusses the "Jynx" that Sits on Oregon's Back... Recently the Courier started a discussion of the "jynx" that is retarding Oregon's development; and in a recent editorial this paper spoke of the holding of land and resources for "investment" as one of the things that was keeping Oregon back.

and he will look still closer if this proposed measure secures a big vote. The small speculator is doomed anyway.

What are "we, the people of Oregon" going to do about it? ALFRED D. CRIDGE.

STRANGE, STRANGE THING

Politician Takes to Writing Poetry Long Before Election... The following verse—we guess it is verse—was handed to the Courier last week by one of our local politicians.

(Note: please observe that we didn't say "he" or "she" yet.) Now the Courier likes to please office seekers, and so we are going to publish these verses, or poetry. But we won't tell you the writer's name, but will consistently regard the secrecy of the author's nom-de-plume.

"OWED" TO NANCY

Move a balky mule? It can't be did! So paste these warnings in your lid. I tried it once—her name was Nan—Now I'm a sad and wiser man. She balked one day 10 miles from home; I bowed—she drubbed me on the dome. I saw some stars, and sighed: "O Queen—"

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So far every attempt at making it unprofitable to hold land out of use has been strenuously and successfully opposed by the organs and advocates of special privilege.

The people have been told that everything is lovely, and all the workmen had to do was to buy a piece of land and become a land speculator.

Now the speculative small fry are being dispossessed. Lots on which they have paid from 25 to 75 per cent of the speculative and extortionate prices asked by sure-thing real estate gamblers, and then had to stop payment on are demanded back at ONE DOLLAR each; or the sucker is threatened with a suit for dispossession and told that a judgment will be held over him indefinitely.

As soon as clear titles are obtained to these lots for \$1 each there will be started another land boom, if the suckers have come up stream again like the salmon.

What are the opponents of every land and tax reform measure going to do about it? You can dam up a stream for a long time, but you must provide spillways or out goes the dam one fine morning.

The scheme to put more land on the market for more suckers, by the state backing irrigation and drainage bonds will not relieve anybody but a few speculators.

Why is not the irrigated and drained land now idle in Oregon in use? Because it is held out of use by big and little speculators, who raise the price in every neighborhood from 10 to 25 per cent every time a tenderfoot gets hooked with a piece at fancy prices.

Measures providing for a graduated land tax; for exempting small homes, for allowing communities to rule themselves and make such exemptions as the people might see fit—all have been voted down as single tax.

But the opponents of these measures have never even so much as suggested the slightest change that in any way will make it easier for a man to get a home.

Farmer and workingman are driven off the earth unless they pay the price. The farmer farming land for a living does not own a tenth of the land in Oregon, measured in dollars. The workingman in the city does not own a tenth, either. Who owns the land?

With land in Portland worth on the market nearly \$2,000,000 an acre, it should not take long to figure out that neither the farmer nor the workingman is getting any of the rentals that make the land so valuable.

The forces of organized labor in Portland have proposed a radical amendment to the constitution which would take ALL the rental value of all land into the public treasury, and loan the surplus funds to home builders in city and country.

"So radical it will never pass," says the land speculator, confident that previous votes will be repeated and the measure overwhelmingly defeated. Never is a long time. Labor unions are stubborn powers. Defeat doesn't scare them. If the Peoples' Land and Loan measure receives even a third of the vote, then there will never be another land boom in Oregon. It is the most sweeping measure ever formulated on the land monopoly question. It beats the measure proposed in 1912 for being radical.

If it is defeated the labor unions will go right on with the agitation AND SUBMIT IT AGAIN, perhaps somewhat modified, but certainly not weakened.

The land monopolist statesman, and the land monopolist newspaper, and the land monopolist politician, must propose some half-way measure; or as the number of home owners grows less in Oregon in proportion to population, and the little speculators get squeezed out so that they do not line up with the landlord so often, there will be an increase of the vote for the radical measure, and louder and more shrill squeals of the land hog.

Every vote for this radical measure is a notice to the land hog to get a move on himself. Every vote is notice to all manner of people not to speculate in Oregon land.

Wise bankers are already hedging in on loans on idle land. A farm with slight improvements and large areas of half improved land, or unimproved land, is not considered good security any more. The wise money lender is looking closely to additional security when he does loan money on idle land,

tiously, often in the disguise of a "convert," the old enemies of progress make efforts to "come back."

George Washington, in his immortal statement: "Eternal Vigilance is the price of liberty," was right. When he said this, it was no doubt his greatest hope that the future citizens of this republic would remember his words. But unfortunately this advice has been almost forgotten, until too much of liberty has been lost.

Oregon stands at the head of the awakening states of the Republic. We took the lead in breaking up the "grangs" that for years checked the growth of better government. Other states have slowly followed in our footsteps, and others are coming. Let us hope that every state in this Union will soon have thrown off every vestige of political ideas that have proven so disastrous to our people. Oregon, as well as other progress states, must be on the alert constantly for those "standpatters" and old political tricksters who ever are the enemies of progressive government. Every county in the state must continually be on the watch for those old-timers. This brings me home to our own county.

I notice that our own George C. now is going over this county in his old-time fashion of the past. Boasting of the fact, I believe, that he spent twelve years in the Oregon Senate. It would show better taste if he said little or nothing about it, in my opinion. When he thinks back to that time and remembers how he got there—for that was before Prohibition and the Corrupt Practice Act became a part of the Oregon constitution—if his conscience has become awakened in his declining years, he should refer to it in a rather bashful sort of way.

Twelve years in the Oregon Senate! The scar is there yet, George. And now you have the nerve to ask us to send you to the House of Representatives, just to please you, it would be a useless burden there, for you must remember that your type and class have nearly disappeared. You would be lonesome up there.

A new generation of well-meaning men have come upon the scene, generally. Your confidential manner, such as whispering in the ear, patting on the back and shaking hands, etc., is no longer effective. You would be a lonely wanderer in our legislative halls. We would be throwing away three dollars a day, George, for forty days. You are using the same "rags" you used twenty years ago, I notice. The Road Supervisor Law, for instance.

Your record in the Senate for twelve long, weary years, if we had access to its records, would reveal a record of broken promises, and if promises were kept, it is my opinion and was the opinion when you failed of re-election, that you were sure first that you secured enough others to defeat the measure you were pretending to work for.

In other words, the voters of Clackamas County thought they "saw" at last. And they discovered you seemingly correct. Your successors in the Oregon

Senate from this county, have a different record. From the viewpoint of popular government they can point like honest men to their records. In my opinion it would be a backward step, and I say this with all the courtesy your past record commands—if the people of our county should permit you to block legislation again that they want. Better it will be for us if we send men who have kept abreast of the times, and whose only ambition is the general welfare of all our people in every walk of life.

ROBERT GINTHER.

WILHOIT HOTEL BURNS

Resort Known for Half a Century Goes Up in Smoke; No Insurance

Early this week the Wilhoit Springs hotel, construction of which was started 50 years ago by John Wilhoit, was burned to the ground, and with it went two cottages at the well known Clackamas county resort. The hotel and cottages were the property of the Wilhoit Springs Mineral Water company, and the loss is estimated at between eight and ten thousand dollars. No insurance was carried.

The hotel, a 40-room structure of rustic build, was closed at the time, but one visitor was occupying quarters in the building. It is believed the fire started from a defective flue. Nobody was injured in the blaze, such employees as were in the place getting out safely, and fighting the fire with a bucket brigade. From the hotel the flames spread to two neighboring cottages.

The hotel and the cottages surrounding it have annually been the mecca for thousands of people seeking health and a vacation in the Oregon woods. While many of the cottages still remain, the resort will not be opened to visitors at the usual time this year; but will open somewhat later when the hotel has been rebuilt. Plans for reconstruction are already underway, and the new hotel will be larger and modern in every respect. With the extension of better roads to Wilhoit it is felt that the resort will become even more popular, and in rebuilding accommodations will be provided for a big rush of tourists this year.

DAVIES WAS THOUGHTFUL

Man Didn't Like to be Constantly Forced to Seek New Servants

Declaring that his wife was so rude to their household servants that he had to be constantly seeking new cooks, chambermaids and other assistants, C. L. Davies has filed suit for divorce in the circuit court from Essie E. Davies, whom he married in Spokane in 1907. Davies also asks the custody of their minor children.

It appears that Mr. Davies was a thoughtful, kind-hearted man, and he hated to see discord in his household. But he says that his wife was so very rude to the servants that they wouldn't stay; and so he had to make regular journeys to the employment bureaus.

FOREST NEWS NOTES

What Uncle Sam is Getting Out of Public Domain Briefly Told

Reports on wood-using industries have now been issued by thirty-three states. The data embodied in these reports were obtained in co-operation with the Forest Service, states. In the eleven western states included within the Pacific and Mountain groups, primary power installation from all sources and for all uses has increased 240 per cent from 1902 to 1912, or more than two and a half times as rapidly as in the remainder of the United States.

Primary power installation in the electrical industry in the western states has increased nearly forty-seven per cent in the three years since 1912.

According to the latest report of the Secretary of Agriculture, 120 public service corporations, out of a total of 1500, claim to own or control a total of 3,683,000 undeveloped water horsepower, or 80 per cent of the total water power at present developed and used in public service operations.

A study of mistletoe on the Whittman National Forest in eastern Oregon shows that the deterioration of western larch in the more open and exposed stands, is due to the mistletoe parasite.

German Coffee Cake

Made Without Yeast By Mrs. Janet McKenzie Hill, Editor of the Boston Cooking School Magazine.

There is no warm bread quite as appropriate for Sunday morning breakfast as German Coffee Cake, yet it is seldom made by housewives who do not bake their own bread. If K C Double Raisin Baking Powder is used it will be just as good as if raised with yeast and it will have the further advantage of being fresh and warm. Save this recipe and try it next Sunday.

K C German Coffee Cake

Two and one-fourth cups sifted flour; 3 level teaspoonfuls K C Baking Powder; 1 level teaspoonful salt; 2 tablespoonfuls melted butter; 2 tablespoonfuls sugar; 1 egg; milk.



Sift dry ingredients together, beat the egg, add milk and butter to the egg to make one and one-quarter cups, stir all together with inverted spoon to a stiff batter. Turn into biscuit pan and spread even. Brush top lightly with melted butter. Sprinkle sugar and ground cinnamon over the top. Bake in moderate oven.

Dutch Apple Cake or Prune Kuchen can be made with this same batter by covering the top with pared and sliced apples, or cooked pears with the pits removed, skin sides down. Dredge with sugar and cinnamon the same as for Coffee Cake.

"The Cook's Book" contains 90 such delicious recipes. You can secure a copy free by sending the colored certificate packed in 25-cent cans of K C Baking Powder to the Jaques Mfg. Co., Chicago, being sure to write your name and address plainly.