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**THE DEFICIT.**

Postoffice department report shows a deficit for the last year of over \$10,000,000. This is due to exorbitant rates paid to railroads, to graft and dishonesty in the weighing by which the amount on which the railroad is paid is determined; and to improper and dumb classification (so improper that the Canadian postoffice department refuses further free exchange).

Those are the real causes of the deficit but the high-mucky-mucks will elaborately explain it is due to carrying the poor little country weeklies at 1 cent a pound and to rural free delivery.

The Canadian department carries newspapers at from 1/4 to 1/2 cent a pound, gives free rural delivery, and never has a deficit.

Maybe the fancy poultry breeders are responsible for the exorbitant price of eggs. When the old brown hen was permitted to go about her business without any pedigree tied to her she managed to furnish the world with eggs, but now that we have printed a hen blue book, and keep out of society the fowl that does not come up with a family tree, there are not eggs enough to make a decent pumpkin pie.

The suspension of publication of the Ohio Penitentiary News, because there was not a convict who could set type, brought to notice the fact that there are twenty bankers in the Columbus prison and not one printer. The most common and nationally portentous crimes of the day are not being committed by the world's workmen.

Old home preserved, an historical museum, a public library, a city hall, a monument, a public park, McLoughlin Institute of Learning, a public high school building (a suggestion of Dr. Carr), are a few of the ways proposed for Oregon City to honor its founder. Which shall it be?

President Roosevelt undertook to shovel coal into the furnace of a battle ship and missed the door. That's what the reports say, but young America would much prefer to believe that Teddy hit the door so hard he drove the coal through the back end of the furnace.

The O. W. P. gives the Portland merchant a bonus of 21 cents on every shopper from Center, yet the Oregon City merchant can save that same shopper more than the bonus and she is finding it out as the increasing numbers of her in local stores prove.

Mr. Harriman is alleged to have said that he would be glad to quit the railroad business if he could. Harriman's fangs must be bent inward like a snake's, and when he strikes at an object he cannot let go of it until he swallows it.

The trade of Oregon City has been doubled within a few years," says the president of the board of trade, and "it is going to be multiplied by four within the next few years." Good. That is the kind of talk, backed by action, that wins.

It is reported that the Southern Pacific company has cut the section men's wages from 17 1/2 to 15 cents an hour. This with the raise in rates on hops and other Oregon products will keep Harriman tide over the winter.

Why should it cost a woman of Center only 4 1/2 cents to ride eight miles north on the O. W. P. and 15 cents to ride only four miles south on the same road? We pass it up. Ask President Goode.

There is now talk of President Roosevelt's taking a trip to the Philippine Islands. No courtship in the trip, however; purely a tour of inspection.

The hay crop is said to be five million tons short, due probably to the fact that the breakfast food mills have taken that much away from the horses.

Maa is so conceited that he will not believe he snores even when he is awakened and notified.

The more money a man has, the less he wants people to think he has.

Buy it early this week and early in the day and buy it in Oregon City and you will be happy and have lots of fun sympathizing with the belated shoppers next week.

If the price of eggs continues to rise, it will not be long until any old hen may be referred to as the bird that lays the golden egg.

What has become of the old-fashioned farmer who used to bring in a nice basket of spare-ribs and backbones to the editor?

Persons who poke their noses into other people's business usually smell something that doesn't agree with them.

The little potatoes in the hill probably feel as important as the big ones until the man comes along with the hoe.

Getting out of trouble is what costs; getting into trouble is free, with premiums attached.

Two horses cannot trot twice as fast as one.

It is better to wear an old coat than a new cold.

**Fulton's Successor.**

From the Woodburn Independent. After the legislature, U'Ren can start his Referendum machine and get more solid with the people. He has made two or three mistakes in his political life in this state, one being his prominent participation in the legislative holdup, but as Bourne, who was also in the holdup game, received a plurality of the Republican votes last June, it stands to reason that the people have forgiven if they have not forgotten. Another error was omitting the enacting clause from the Initiative Anti-Pass bill, but he can remedy this in 1908 through the Initiative if the legislature fails to act properly. Mr. U'Ren seems to be gradually gaining ground and will probably succeed United States Senator Fulton.

**DEATH RECORD**

**Mrs. C. N. Mosher**—aged 21, died Saturday morning at 3 o'clock at her home on Fourth and Madison streets from tuberculosis. The funeral will be held Monday and interment be made at the cemetery at Silverton, to which place the remains will be shipped. She leaves a husband, C. N. Mosher, employed in the woolen mills, and three children, two boys and a girl.

**William Butcher**—aged 73 years, a charge of the county, died at Guy-nup's farm Saturday. He had no relatives in this county, and was reputed to be a miser with considerable means, notwithstanding the fact he received aid from the county.

**Dr. Simeon Smith**, of Portland, died Sunday at his home, at the old age of 86 years. Mr. Smith lived on the East Side at the corner of East Pine and Ninth streets and was one of the oldest residents of that section of the city. Mr. Smith bore his age well but for some time had been failing in health and his son, Dr. C. B. Smith of Eagle Creek, was in the city to see him Saturday. Dr. Smith spent the day with his father and the latter upon the son's leaving for home seemed bright and cheerful. But before the doctor reached home, the sad news of his father's death was broken to him.

Dr. Simeon Smith was one of the oldest practicing physicians of the city of Portland for many years until a few years ago, when he met with an accident that caused him to retire. His wife died several years ago and Dr. C. B. Smith of Eagle Creek is an only son. Dr. Simeon Smith was an uncle of C. D. Latourette, of this city.

**Captain S. B. Califf**, died Wednesday morning at three o'clock at his home Ninth and J. Q. Adams streets, at the old age of 81. Mr. Califf had been gradually failing in health for a number of years. The funeral will take place Friday morning at 10 o'clock under the auspices of Oregon Lodge No. 3, I. O. O. F., of which he was a member. Rev. Landsborough of the Presbyterian church will also take part in the services.

Capt. Califf was born in Bradford county, Pa., but at a very young age moved with his parents to Iowa. While in that state he enlisted as a private in Company K, 38th Regiment of the Iowa Volunteers and served during the Civil War. His deeds of valor were rewarded by being promoted to the captaincy before the war came to an end. In 1849 he was married to Elizabeth Holenbeck in Waterford, Wis.

In 1873 he moved to Oregon and located in the pioneer city where he has spent the remainder of his life. Capt. Califf always took prominent part in the affairs of the city in the early days and served as justice of the peace for some years. Later he was elected county treasurer and this

office he filled for two terms. A wife and six children remain—Mrs. Lizzie Bolding, Portland; Mrs. Ida Kilne, Portland; Mrs. Nora Muir, Bently, Iowa; Charles Califf, Ventura, Cal.; Geo. Califf, and Ed. Califf of this city, 23 grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**Wm. A. Mills** of Forest Grove, an Oregon pioneer of 1843, died December 10, at the age of 80 years. Mr. Mills was a resident of Clackamas village for a number of years from 1873, but moved to Marlon and later to Multnomah counties and finally returned to Forest Grove, where he died.

**MULINO MUSINGS.**

From appearances we will have some old time winter weather before spring.

Mr. Chase butchered a calf last week.

Miss Berthena Howard is staying with Mrs. F. Woodside.

Grange met Saturday with a large attendance.

Fred Woodside was hauling baled hay to town last week.

Rev. Wiles spent Saturday and Sunday with his family here.

A telephone meeting was held at grange hall Saturday evening. W. A. Woodside was elected director.

John Lamm is again working for Adkins brothers.

D. L. Trullinger has purchased a bunch of timber of Mr. Orm of Meadowbrook.

A number of Mulino young folks attended the basket social and entertainment at Tenseal creek Saturday evening and all report a good time.

Mr. French is building a new smoke house.

Maack Husk, who was ill, is able to be around again.

Tom Fish is doing some grubbing with his new stump puller.

George Mallatt and family have returned from Eastern Oregon.

**NOTES FROM CARUS.**

Everybody complaining of colds. The tealese girls are still at work trimming teasles.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Inskeep of Portland spent last week with his parents.

Thena Howard is working for Mrs. Agnes Woodside at Mulino.

Miss Tillie Thomas spent Friday with her mother.

A large crowd attended the sale at Robert Shubel's, Tuesday.

**FROG POND CROAKS.**

I understand that someone visited Mr. Polivska's hen house the other night and found it empty. It is not safe to go again.

People here hope to see Henry Barber our next road supervisor.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have returned from Gaston where they had been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Wood.

I understand that Mr. Gebhart and Mr. Mayes are going to spend Christmas in Canada if nothing happens. They were at Stafford, Sunday.

August Peters has rented his property to Fred Zimmerman.

Mint Peters had the same old cat when George came home.

**SUNNYSIDE AND ROCK CREEK.**

Everett Hubbard is the owner of twin calves, which they say look very much alike.

Ladies club met at Mrs. Rodman's Friday afternoon, but the attendance was small on account of the rain and mud, also bad colds.

Rosewell Hunter is paying a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunter. Miss Lydia Hunter is expected home soon after the holidays.

Grandpa Johnson is about the same. The Misses Anna and Louise Stoll have gone to Portland to work for awhile.

**Superintendent Sole Birch-Wielder.**

The City School Superintendent, Walton McKee, will from now on keep in good physical condition for he has been appointed to fill the place of "the man with the iron rod."

Whether the school board thought that the former "wielders of the birch" were doing themselves justice is not known, yet the superintendent has not been given full power. A person must witness the punishment. The principals and teachers of the schools in the future have no power to apply the rod.

**BUY SITE AT EUGENE.**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—The Treasury department today announced the purchase of a site for a public building at Eugene, Or., from W. M. Renshaw for \$6000 at corner of Sixth and Willamette streets.

Captain Seabee of the Lighthouse board recommends increase of Columbia lightship appropriation to \$215,000.

France expels the Pope's agent and pushes war on church.

**City and Vicinity**

Mrs. J. I. Hanny returned from a visit in Woodland, Wash., Monday.

The bazaar given Tuesday by the ladies of the German Lutheran church was largely attended and the proceeds were very satisfactory.

Miss Myrtle Fisher, who had been staying in Portland with her cousin, Mrs. Oley Oviott, who has been ill, returned home Tuesday.

Albert G. Klebe of Vancouver came Tuesday to visit his brother-in-law, Rev. W. R. Kraxberger.

Miss Bert Chambers is in the city, after spending the summer at Clatska and Vancouver, Wash. She will return to Clatska after the holidays to stay with a sister.

City Treasurer Latourette has received a warrant from the county in the sum of \$2,211.25 on the special road tax of 1905.

W. H. Wood came home from Drain, Tuesday, to remain until after the holidays.

Mrs. Josiah Howelf of Canemah, went to Portland Tuesday, for a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. McGregor.

Eleven full days of vacation ought to make this a glad holiday time for the school children.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. McBain returned the first of the week from an extended trip to New Orleans, going by way of Salt Lake and returning by Los Angeles. They visited relatives at Salt Lake City.

Mrs. L. L. Porter and baby Rodrick, returned Tuesday evening from Corvallis where they had been visiting Mrs. Porter's parents, since Thanksgiving.

Ex-County Treasurer Enos Cahill of New Era delivered three porkers Tuesday to R. Petzold, the Main street butcher, that certainly were ample proof that fat hogs can be raised in Oregon. They weighed 275 pounds each and netted Mr. Cahill a neat sum.

L. A. Nobel received a telegram Tuesday evening telling of the serious illness of his brother-in-law, Chas. Burkhardt of San Jose. Mr. Nobel left upon the receipt of that telegram. Another telegram came later saying the brother-in-law had died Tuesday morning.

Miss Robin Shaw has returned from San Francisco where she went in response to the call for nurses soon after the earthquake and where she has since been performing valuable services in the hospitals. She will make an extended visit with her parents, Captain and Mrs. J. P. Shaw.

George McCormick was in Oregon City Tuesday evening, after an extended absence. He will visit his parents who are at present living at Sweet Home, beyond Mt. Pleasant. Mr. McCormick has been in the employ of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company.

Mrs. R. C. Blackwell and her mother, Mrs. Pratt, left for Salem Tuesday evening, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Pratt's nephew, Frank Pratt.

Gordon C. Moores, a former Oregon City boy, was unanimously chosen Tuesday night captain of the University of Oregon football team for 1907.

Court Robin Hood No. 9, Foresters of America met Tuesday evening and enjoyed a sociable time which ended in a feast. Ten new members were initiated and sent through the mysteries of the road leading to a membership.

Pioneer Chapter No. 28, O. E. S. held election of officers in their meeting Tuesday evening, after which light refreshments were enjoyed. Installation will take place the second Tuesday in January, and appointive officers named. The election resulted as follows: Worthy Matron, Mrs. C. W. Evans; worthy patron, J. E. Hedger; associate matron, Miss Albena Horn; secretary, Miss Martha Koerner; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Walker; conductress, Miss Bessie Capen; associate conductress, Miss Gussie B. Humphrey.

Charlotte Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Chambers, was christened Sunday at 12 o'clock in St. John's Catholic church, by Rev. Fr. Hillebrand. Mr. and Mrs. Clancy are the godparents. A reception was given that evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, when an elegant supper was served. Interesting remarks were made by J. Chambers. Those attending the reception were Mr. and Mrs. J. Cham-

bers, Mr. and Mrs. M. Clancy, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Wrinkle and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ford and family, Mrs. Frances Savage of Stafford, Sadie Clancy, Mary Goldie Silvers, Carrie, George F. and Bert Chambers, Agnes N. Silvers, E. L. McFarland, J. S. Meyers and Elmer N. Downing of Portland.

Mrs. G. W. Grace returned Tuesday evening from Portland where she had been visiting Miss Nettie May, daughter of the late David May, well known here. Miss May was born and raised in Oregon City and her many friends here will be glad to hear of her marriage to Mr. Henry N. Nelson, which occurred in Seattle Tuesday. They will reside in Seattle.

Several Oregon City students of the University of Oregon took prominent parts Wednesday evening in the Greek play, "Pygmalion and Galatea," which was presented at the Eugene Opera house. Frances Galloway as Pygmalion, the sculptor, performed the principal dramatic work with great credit while Angeline Williams also did good work as Cynisca, wife of Pygmalion. Roy Kelly as Chrysoas and Jack Latourette as Leucippe furnished the comedy side of the play. The performance was well received by all who attended.

G. W. Church, who has undergone a second operation on account of impaired eyesight, is under care of a Portland hospital. Last reports heard from the city is that Mr. Church is improving as fast as could be expected under the circumstances.

Mrs. Clyde Wood of Colfax, Wash., who has been at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bailey, at Gladstone, the last three months will depart for her home Friday morning. She has been assisting in the care of her brothers, Fred, Walter and James, who have been very ill with typhoid fever. The former was confined to his bed for ninety days but is now able to walk from his bed to his chair. The other boys are also much improved.

Ira Lystell of Stringtown has again reported the theft of some of his high bred chickens from his place. Some time ago he lost over forty and had since taken precaution against a repetition of the deed. All his efforts in protecting the barn yard fowls seem to have been in vain as Wednesday noon Mr. Lystell reported the facts to the chief of police. The culprits have not left any trace as to their identity and so far the police has no clues. Lately Caneman of its suburb, Stringtown, have been fested with a large number of bobcats and some of the tie-walkers may have committed the theft.

Mrs. E. J. Farnham of Portland was in town Tuesday and Wednesday, being called here by the serious illness and death of her father, S. B. Califf.

W. J. Fowler, wife and son, arrived from Minnewaukan, N. Dak., Wednesday. They will remain in this state until March, stopping for the present with Mrs. Bohall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Holmes of the West Side will remove to Douglas county, Wash., where they own a farm, when they can dispose of their property here. They have a son and daughter living in Spokane. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes came to Washington from New Boston, Ill., seven years ago.

Louis Flanders of Clem, Eastern Oregon, who had been spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Boyer, returned to his home Thursday morning.

Evan Parish, who had been making an extended visit with his sister, Mrs. N. Farr of Oregon City, left the first of the week for his home in Smoek.

A famous lady preacher, traveler, and writer, will be at the Congregational church next Sunday morning. Miss Mabelle Biggart, sometimes called "Dinah the Preacher," conducts the morning services and will preach from the subject, "Simon the Cross-Bearer." Miss Biggart occupied the pulpit of the First Congregational church in Portland Sunday evening, and comes highly recommended by Dr. House. The gifted lady-evangelist is a member of Rev. Dr. MacArthur's Calvary Baptist church of New York city, and is touring in the Northwest collecting material for a book of sketches of American travel. On December 4, Miss Biggart gave her great dramatization of "Adam Bede," at Whitman College at Walla Walla to a delighted audience. She would like to make arrangements to give this here, under the auspices of any literary or philanthropic society. All through England, Canada and the United States this specialty has given Miss Biggart fame on two continents. She is now at the Hotel Portland.

Eagle Creek.—One of the most enjoyable affairs that has taken place in this neighborhood, occurred at the residence of J. P. Woodie, December 6, 1906, it being the celebration of the 25th anniversary of their marriage. The rooms were beautifully and artistically decorated in blue and white tastefully interspersed with the glossy foliage and brilliant red berries of the Oregon grape. The host and hostess, with a hearty handshake and general smile of welcome, met their many friends who had gathered to discuss the memories clustered around this auspicious date, when a quarter of a century ago, J. P. Woodie and Miss Lydia A. Howlett started on the eventful journey of wedded life together. Ten children have been given them, and three grassy mounds bear mute testimony of the vacant places in their family circle. The crowd was ushered into the dining room where tables fairly groaned under the weight of goodness so lavishly and daintily spread. The look of extreme satisfaction that rested on the faces of each at the close of the dinner, was proof of the culinary skill of the hostess. The afternoon and evening was spent in games, music, singing and recalling reminiscences.

They were the recipients of many useful and handsome presents. We heartily join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Woodie many more anniversaries, and may the next 25 years be years of health, happiness, peace and plenty. Those present were: Messrs and Mesdames J. W. Howlett, G. R. and I. N. Woodie, the latter of Portland, C. H. Dauby of Gladstone, S. E. Holcomb of Mt. Tabor, W. J. and A. J. Douglas, A. W. Cook of Damascus, J. F. Bowers, R. B. Gibson, W. F. Douglas, and A. J. Kitzmiller of Dover; Mr. J. A. Forbes; Misses Bessie Chittenden, Cleo Douglass, Helen, Mildred and Laura Brower, Myrtle, Mary and Nettie Woodie, Ethel Douglass, and Ruth Brower, and Ray, Claud, Malcolm, Joe and Roy Woodie, Guy and baby Frank Douglass.

**Hyde-Bristow.**

Geo. A. Hyde and Mrs. Nancy Bristow of Milwaukie, were married Monday, December 10, at the Baptist parsonage, Rev. W. H. Robins officiating. Miss Bonnie Bristow, daughter of the bride was the only attendant. They will live in Milwaukie.

**Daniels-Edwards.**

Miss Tirzah Edwards and Mr. William Daniels, both residents of this county, were married at the Presbyterian manse Wednesday afternoon. They will make their home at Beaver Creek.

W. A. Shaver, a prominent farmer of Molalla, was a business visitor here, Wednesday.

Clyde G. Huntley returned Wednesday evening from The Dalles where he was attending a meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy.

Miss Josette Blanck, a teacher in the West Side Schools, leaves Thursday evening for Vancouver, having been subpoenaed to appear as witness in a trial in the circuit court there Friday morning. Miss Blanck was formerly bookkeeper for one of the firms involved.

W. H. Ingles, a prominent Democrat of Molalla, was shaking hands with friends in Oregon City Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. Levitch is visiting her sister at Albany and will probably remain till after Christmas.

Mrs. James McFarland who was visiting relatives in Seattle, returned home, Wednesday.

George Blackburn of Pleasant Home, after a short visit with relatives here, returned to his home Wednesday evening. He was accompanied by Mrs. E. S. Holmes of the West Side, who will remain at Pleasant Home until after Christmas.

W. J. E. Vick of Molalla, was transacting business in Oregon City, Wednesday.

I. C. Vaughan of Molalla is in town Thursday.

Wm. Skein of Liberal was in Oregon City, Wednesday afternoon.

The J. E. Smith Hardware company of Tenth and Main streets has decided to go out of business by the first of the year.

M. Justin has sold a one-half interest in the Mt. Hood Cafe to Martin Kokal, who assumes the partnership at once. The new firm solicits patronage of old and new customers. The deal was completed Thursday afternoon.

Harriman has lots of money to fight Jim Hill, but none to haul Oregon products.