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OREGON CITY AND Oregon City now has, for the first time, the FULL RUN WATER opportunity to gain from the natural fastnesses of the mountains the purest water that nature has made.

There is nothing better for Oregon City than the Bull Run water supply. It will settle, once and forever, the question that will otherwise be continually bobbing up as to the purity of the city water or the cause of the typhoid epidemics that may, from time to time, affect the interests of the city.

With the water of Bull Run passing through the city's mains there will, hereafter, be no question as to the purity of the water source nor any quibble as to the value of bacteriological or chemical examinations that may be made by the various authorities on those subjects in the state.

To get the question settled once and for all is worth money to Oregon City. It will cost money to build that line to the headwaters of the creek and to tap the springs in the reservoir on the hill. But everything that promises a lasting value costs money and things of value are worth money.

There can be no question but that the water problem of Oregon City would be settled for all time to come by the construction of the mains to the reservoir at Mount Tabor and the tapping of that inexhaustible supply for the city.

The mere fact that Oregon City will have to construct its own mains to the tapping point in the reservoir is not a staggering one. The initial cost will not be great. It will be something, of course, for benefits are not to be plucked from the limbs of every tree that grows by the road nor are they to be had simply for the asking.

The voters of the city will realize that the plan is going to cost money, that it will take time, and that it will require capital. The construction of a pipe line capable of carrying the entire supply for a city of this size with its constantly growing population and prospects of many thousands more of population in the next few years is going to be no mere child's play.

MULTIPLICITY Councilman Horton at the Wednesday night session of the city council touched the key note of the situation in every state in the Union when he declared that there are now on

the statute books hundreds of laws that are never enforced and that the various cities and towns are merely adding to the general confusion by the multiplicity of ordinances that they enact.

Some one has said that the trouble with the United States is that "we are a too much governed people." There are too many laws that are jammed into the statute books of the state at every session of the legislature.

As a result, the country suffers from law. It groans under the weight of statutes and court decisions. Annually, the legal printing houses issue libraries of decisions from the various courts that interpret the laws that have been made and that, by their interpretation, really enact new statutes to add to the general burden and confusion.

In spite of this fact, however, the law is generally administered with an even temper and with the spirit of fairness and equality to all classes and conditions of persons in every unit of government.

So general has this spirit prevailed through the courts of the various states, that some of the legislatures have guaranteed decisions built on that theory by requiring the supreme courts to consider only the MERIT of the cases on appeal and to neglect the technical points that may be raised unless the interests of the party appellant are so injured as to necessitate a reversal of the decision of the lower court.

At the same time and in spite of this construction of the law, the people of the United States are too much governed. There is a law for everything under the sun. It has been figured out by statisticians that there are about 500 misdemeanors that may be committed in some states for every one of which there is a penalty.

Codification and simplification of laws bring the statutes down to date and make them easier of access but, in an incredibly short time, the legislatures enact other statutes and other laws that put the codes out of date and that again make the legal situation more complex and puzzling than ever.

Fewer laws and better laws is a slogan that has been used by commercial organizations in several of the states and has had a wholesome effect upon the legislatures in putting a damper on their ardor to enact laws and to fill legal libraries.

An effort toward the manufacture of few laws and better ones has been made in some states where experts on legislative enactments are maintained as a part of the official family and where every measure is examined and weighed before it leaves the committee rooms and passes into the legislative chamber.

Too much law, too much government is the trouble with the United States as it with Germany, to a greater extent. This country and every other country under the sun would be better, would gain more material progress, would simplify the common every day affairs were there less in the way of law making and more in the way of law enforcement.

Board of Health, to get the information necessary for an accurate bulletin of vital statistics.

An interesting point in connection with this bulletin is that in June under the head of "Cases of Typhoid Fever," the answer is "none." Everybody in Oregon City knows this answer is perfectly true, and that the doctors and newspapers are wrong.

EXAMINERS FIND NO ONE IS RESPONSIBLE

Following the verdict of the coroner's jury at the inquest over the body of Mrs. John Kelly, which placed the responsibility for Mrs. Kelly's death with the Southern Pacific Co. and charged that corporation with negligence, the company today issued a statement of the findings of the Board of Inquiry, composed of E. W. Cochran, general manager Oswego Lumber Co.; H. B. Hichner, an Oswego merchant; C. W. Martyn, assistant superintendent; F. M. Sufer, assistant superintendent, and D. F. Knapp, master car builder.

Mrs. Kelly was killed last Monday at Goodin, near Oswego, while returning from a picnic. She was near the track, when a freight train passed, and several pieces of slab wood fell from a car and struck a number of people. Mrs. Kelly was instantly killed and several others received minor injuries.

The report of the Board of Inquiry for the Southern Pacific follows: "At about 5:45 P. M., Monday, September 1, 1913, Train No. 35, Eugene No. 2704, Engineer S. K. Willett, Fireman G. L. Wise, Conductor D. J. Bryman and Brakemen H. Hamburg, H. Blaw and L. C. Bond, passed through Goodin, an agency station, running at a speed of not to exceed 25 miles per hour. It was daylight and the weather was clear. The deceased was standing within six feet from outside rail, and was struck by a piece of slabwood, four feet in length and not more than 15 inches in width and two and one-half inches thick. Approximately 15 pieces of slabwood fell from the car, and it could not be determined definitely which piece struck her. Death followed almost instantly.

"We, the Board of Inquiry, after examining car and its load and track conditions at point of derailment, and reviewing statements of train and engine crews in charge of Train No. 35, find that the accident was due to slabwood falling from top of car S. P. 78571 as train was rounding curve. We find that there was no individual responsibility."

WOMAN'S NOTES STIR UP FAMILY TROUBLES

Because he received letters from other women couched in the most endearing and affectionate terms and because she believed that he was "a base deceiver and falsifier," Estella E. Archibald filed suit in the circuit court Thursday against her husband, Harry A. Archibald.

Through her complaint, she refers to another woman who she said wrote letters to the defendant and signed them "from your loving wife, Anna". She alleges that he persuaded her to leave the state and to take a visit to California points so that he might run down to Portland and spend the month with another woman whom he knew there.

She also alleges that he did make the trip to Portland and that for the period in which she was visiting in California, he spent his time with another woman and held her out to the public as his wife.

The complaint recites that they were married in Chicago, March 28, 1911.

JURIST MAKES ORDER FOR BROTHER JUDGE

A circuit judge was plaintiff and another circuit judge was in the case when Judge J. U. Campbell's suit for the quieting of title to some land in Clackamas county was decided Wednesday by Judge George N. Davis of Portland.

REAL ESTATE
John Williamson and wife to Portland, Eugene & Eastern, tract in Sec. 34, T3E, R1E, 910.

FUNNY MIX-UP OVER ONE JOB

ONE DOCTOR REMOVED, ANOTHER RESIGNS, AND THE REST WON'T TAKE PLACE

WANT NORRIS AS HEALTH OFFICER
Physicians Ask County Court to Give Office to Man Who Had It Formerly—Petition Will be Refused

W. C. Schultze is not the county health officer. Neither is Dr. J. W. Norris.

DOCTOR RESIGNS JOB COUNTY GIVES HIM

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FLYER WRECK HURTS 35; THREE KILLED

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John Williamson and wife to Portland, Eugene & Eastern, tract in Sec. 34, T3E, R1E, 910.
Oliver M. Hickey and wife to J. L. Fenwick and wife, Bees, 16, 17, T10E, R1E, 11.

Forest W. Bartholomew and wife to Albert L. Kent and wife, two acres in Hathaway D. L. C. Sec. 22, T10E, R2E, 110.

Northwestern Trust Company to Thomas Barnes and wife, lots 16, 17, 18, block 3, in Bell Heights of Placerville, 110.

C. T. Howard and wife to Edith M. Shaw, NW 1/4 of NE 1-4, Sec. 17, T10E, R2E, 434 acres, 110.

Howard N. Smith and wife to Henry S. Smith, B. B. Rogers D. L. C. 28, 169 acres in T2S, R2E, 11.

Henry S. Smith to Howard N. Smith and wife, same, 110.

Ella A. Johnson to James Johnson, lots 3 and 4, of block 33, Oregon Iron & Steel Company's addition to Oswego, 11.

L. Clarke and wife to I. D. Larkin, part of D. L. C. of Monroe Larkins and wife in Sec. 26, T4E, R2E, 11.

George K. Barker to C. J. Grant, N 1/2 lot 4, and all of lot 5, Shaw's addition to Jennings Lodge, 110.

AMERICAN BANKERS ASSOCIATION TRAVELERS' CHEQUES
Use "A. B. A." Cheques "When Seeing America"
The Bank of Oregon City, Oldest Bank in Clackamas County.

VALUABLE INDEED The Oregon State Board of Health issues a IS THIS BULLETIN quarterly bulletin, that is full of information so erroneous that it is a wonder the Board does not discontinue the circulation of its pamphlet.

Husband Orders Wife to Leave Property to Hospital
Instructing his wife to will her property to a hospital in Barga, Italy, and giving one dollar to each of his children, Giovanni Lucchesi wrote one of the most peculiar wills that has been filed for record in the county.

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