WEATHER INDICATIONS.
Oregon City—Occasional rain Saturday; southerly winds.
Oregon—Rain or snow, except in southeast portion Saturday.

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PROMOTER PLEADS FOR MAN HE DUPED

WOMAN FACING JUDGE SAYS HE WAS NOT AIDED IN ESCAPING.

EIGHTEEN MONTHS' SENTENCE GIVEN

Punishment Of Guard Made Lighter By Court After Statement of Convicted Promoter.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Dr. John Grant Lyman, get-rich-quick promoter, today was sentenced by Judge Van Fleet in the United States District Court to serve eighteen months in the Federal penitentiary on McNeil's island. The recreant guard, Charles M. Courtright, who permitted Lyman to escape from Providence Hospital and was indicted with him for conspiracy, was sentenced to six months in the Alameda county jail.

Cringing and quite crushed, Courtright stood mute with bowed head to receive his sentence. The court, asking the formal question as to whether the prisoner had any reason to give why sentence should not be passed upon him, received no reply. But Lyman arose and said:

"Your honor, may I be permitted to say a word for him?"

His voice was low and husky, slightly vibrant with emotion such as Lyman never has displayed before in court. Receiving the permission of the court, he went on: "This man Courtright had absolutely no knowledge of my intention to escape."

The many-sided nature of this strange man seemed to take on a degree of dignity as he stood there, mournful, somewhat staggered for the first time, facing a long term for himself, and pleading with the court for leniency toward the shrinking man whom he had tricked into aiding his escape.

Clearly taken by surprise, Judge Van Fleet was silent for a moment and then said: "I shall take that into consideration in passing sentence of Courtright, and I shall remember it in sentencing you."

XMAS HESPERIAN REFLECTS CREDIT

The Hesperian will be on sale at Huntley's drug store and Gardner's jewelry store today. This is the Christmas number of the Oregon City High School Magazine, and every citizen interested in the public schools of the city should secure a copy.

Notwithstanding the fact that a school or college student publication must inevitably betray the fine Italian hand of the teacher, there yet remains enough of the students' handiwork to enable the discriminating critic to form an idea of the student mind, and in this Christmas number the High School pupils responsible for its issue need fear no comparison with any that has gone before.

The gray-headed alumnus may sneer at the newspaper wisdom of the present generation of sophomoric scholars, but the fact remains that while much of the idealism of a decade ago has gone to the limbo of the things that were, the idealized materialism that has taken its place is by no means a bad substitute.

While the purest might criticize the literary construction in not a few instances, there can be no criticism of the subjects treated, nor of the way the magazine is made up and printed. It is a work of art from the colored frontispiece to the back cover.

Ambrose Brownell is the editor-in-chief, assisted by Eula Schuebel and Echo Spence, with Gilbert Morris as business manager. Ruby Francis, as literary editor, and Esther Healy assistant, have done splendid work, while the various departments have been interestingly reported by Louise Huntley, Evadne Harrison, Erna Petzold, Leola Kordenant, Kent Wilson, Pearl Francis and Florence White. John Dambach, and Edith Aldredge looked after the subscription end.

NO TRUANTS AT THE MOVING PICTURE SCHOOL.

MOORE ACCUSES HENRY BICHHER

RICH HEAD OF CEMENT COMPANY DECLARES HE WAS ATTACKED.

BROWNELL AND HAYES TO SPEAK

Dr. Mount Says Prisoner's Sight Was Affected By Blow On Head During Fight.

Aman Moore, president of the Portland Cement Company, which is building a $1,000,000 plant at Oswego testified Friday in the damage suit filed against him by Joseph Bichner, an aged pioneer, that Henry Bichner, son of the defendant was the aggressor in the fight over the strip of land at Oswego. He said that he was removing posts which had been placed by the Bichners on the property when the younger Bichner ran up behind him and struck him on the head with a shovel.

Dr. H. S. Mount testified that the blow on Joseph Bichner's head had injured the sight of his left eye. Drs. Applewhite and Slocum, of Portland, after an examination of Mr. Bichner, testified that the wound was not a serious one, and had not affected his sight. Dr. Moore, of Portland, testified that Moore had been seriously injured by a blow received on the head during the fight.

William Stone, of counsel for Bichner, and John F. Logan, who represents Moore, summed up Friday afternoon, and Gordon E. Hayes, for Moore, and George C. Brownell, for Bichner, will speak this morning.

Couple Gets License.

A marriage license was issued Friday to Vesta Nancy Harless and Ernest Albert Mallatt, of Mulino.

Miss Schuebel's Engagement.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Schuebel have announced the engagement of their daughter, Eula, to Mr. Lee H. Bequeath, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bequeath, of Portland. The marriage will take place about the middle of January in this city.

If you are not reading the Morning Enterprise, why not? Year-end Bargain Period is now on. See ad on back page.

THE CHILD'S QUEST; CHRISTMAS ALLEGORY

(Communication.)

A little child had heard that the Christ-child visited the earth once a year, and that wherever he touched the earth flowers of joy sprung up, which would last all the year if one could but pluck them on Christmas Day. Every day would be made a happy day for him that found them. So on Christmas morning he set out to discover the flowers. He hardly dared to hope to see the Christ, but he hoped to find the flowers. He wondered where the Holy Child would be most likely to be found. First he thought of the field nearby, where he had seen the daisies growing in the summer days. Now the ground was cold and bare, but perhaps the heavenly child would bring back flowers in the winter by His magic touch and make the brown grass green. He crossed the field, looking this way and that, but not a single flower was there. Only a little mouse ran squeeking through the dry grass and hid from sight.

The child was very sorry for the timid creature, and stooped to repair the mouse's nest, broken by some heavy hoof.

"This wee bit house all in ruin,
Its silly walls the winds were strewin'
And nothing now to build a new one."

So he laid a few protecting stones about the nest and packed moss about the cracks, to keep out the winter's wind. When what should he see but the bright eyes of the little mouse matching him from a safe distance. "Good by mousie," he shouted. "I won't hurt your house. I have just built it up again." But there was no flowers to be seen.

Then the child found his way into the street where the feet of many travelers passed. Surely, thought he, among so many the Christ-child will pass along this way. A long time he lingered on the street, and saw all sorts and conditions of men go by, but saw no signs of the Child. No flowers of any kind grew. Everything that lived seemed to have been trampled down long ago. He was about to leave the street when he saw two hungry little boys gazing longingly into a baker's window, tears trickling down their pale cheeks, as they remembered the empty home which they came.

Then the child felt in his pockets and found two silver coins which he had been saving to buy something beautiful at Christmas time. Just a moment he thought, then looked at their thin faces and drew out the two coins and put one in the hand of each. The tears stopped, the faces lighted with surprise and joy, and with a shout each little lad disappeared into the baker's shop.

The child turned away with light pockets but with a lighter heart. He had not supposed anyone could be so hungry. Still he wondered where to find the flowers of joy.

Just then he saw a great stone church and thought surely into this holy place the Holy Child would go. Perhaps in its aisles the flowers might bloom or surely near the altar. Just as he was about to go in he saw a little girl standing by the steps shivering with the cold. Her bare hands were red and her lips blue in the chill wind. A ragged shawl around her shoulders did little to warm her frail body.

"Why," said the boy, "how cold you are! Why don't you go into the great church. It will surely be warm in there." "I do not dare to go in," she said. "I am not dressed well enough."

Now the boy was wearing a warm cloak which came below his knees. Without a moment's hesitation he threw it over the shoulders of the little girl. "Now let's go in together. I am looking for the footsteps of the Christ-child, and the flowers that grow where he steps. You may look, too." So in they went.

The church was beautiful, with rich carving and wonderful windows. Choir boys were chanting, "Peace on Eearth, Good Will to Men." A congregation listened, but no one noticed the two standing in the dim entrance. In a back seat the child spied a shabby-looking, lonely man with a saddened face, who gazed on the floor, and never looked up.

"How lonely the man looks," said the boy. "Let us sit in the seat with him." So they both went and sat

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ECONOMY TAFT'S POLICY IN FUTURE

POLITICIANS EXPECT LITTLE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED AT PRESENT SESSION.

TARIFF REVISION MAY BE URGED

Efforts To Have Aldrich Plan For Central Bank Adopted Will Be Made By Republicans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Opinions as to the net results of the present session of Congress vary not a little. Some of the statesmen already in Washington believe that Congress will pass practically no legislation. Others are just as certain that it will delve deeply into tariff legislation. It is not very probable that Congress will transact very much business, as both parties will probably feel disposed to go ahead with much caution on the eve of a big political campaign, in order to make as few mistakes as possible. The currency will receive a good deal of attention, and an effort will be made to adopt the Aldrich plan for a central bank. The democrats are disposed to abolish the Commerce Court, which they accuse of being too strongly biased in favor of the transportation interests. They

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NEIGHBORS DECLARE HARVEY IS INNOCENT

The following statement by neighbors of Nathan B. Harvey was issued last evening:

"In view of the statements being published in the different papers at this time, we the neighbors of N. B. Harvey, who have known him and his family for twenty to thirty years, wish to protest against these statements against the Harvey family.

"First, Dan Harvey, who killed his mother and himself, was known to be out of his mind at the time and had been for some time before the act. He feared poverty, although he had $10,000 at the time, which fell to N. B. Harvey, by will, through his mother, but was turned over to the estate by N. B. Harvey and divided among all the heirs.

"Willard Harvey was drowned in the Willamette River at Milwaukie while bathing alone, in the year 1878 or 1879. He was living with Seth Lewelling at the time and was found by Mr. Lewelling in the water.

"Charles Wilson, who killed Mamie Walsh, was no relation to N. B. Harvey, neither was she killed on Harvey's premises, or near them.

"Seth Lewelling has said in the hearing of some of us that he was well acquainted with the father and family of N. B. Harvey. He says they were Quakers and highly respected to his death, and we surely have never heard of any in our thirty years' acquaintance with the family.

"N. B. Harvey is the youngest of the family and came to Milwaukie when only a boy. He has associated with our wives, daughters and other women folks under all conditions, and we have never heard of an immodest word or act of his in all the time we have known him, nor of his brother, Dan.

"It is said that N. B. Harvey has insulted different women in the neighborhood. Is it not strange that not one of his neighbors has heard of it?

"MRS. J. E. WETZLER,
"C. A. LAKIN,
"R. S. WILLMAN,
"MRS. R. SCOTT,
"FLORENCE E. OLSON,
"WM. SHINDLER,
"F. C. HARLOW,
"S. V. LEWELLING,
"MRS. L. A. HARLOW,
"HENRY SCOTT,
"J. C. EMMEL,
"J. E. WETZLER,
"O. W. WISSINGER."

DIMICK CHARGE DENIED BY U'REN

SINGLE TAXER DECLARES HE DID NOT RECEIVE $16,775 FROM FELS

FUND IS CONTRIBUTIONS OF MANY

Mayor-Elect Is Accused of Making Misstatements By Oregon Land Tax Leader.

In a written statement issued Friday W. S. U'Ren denied the allegation of Grant B. Dimick that he (U'Ren) had received $16,775 from the Fels fund. "I am quite willing to leave to the readers of the Enterprise the question of whether Mr. Dimick's misrepresentations of what he hears and reads are due to deliberate untruthfulness or merely to talented stupidity," says Mr. U'Ren. His statement follows:

Surely Mayor-elect Dimick knows whether he indulges in falsehood every day or not. I will not say so, even with his kind of permission. He may have days when he neither talks, writes nor makes signs.

But seriously, can Mr. Dimick read? He says, "I notice also on page 31 of said pamphlet Mr. U'Ren received out of that millionaire manufacturer's fund, known as the "Fels Fund" the magnificent sum of $16,775. In addition thereto he is now receiving out of that fund a salary equal to that paid to the average circuit judge in the state of Oregon."

My name occurs on that page only in the last line of the following paragraph:

Anna Hicks, rent of New York Club rooms	$200.00
Boston Mailing Company	6.35
To Missouri, per Dr. Wm. P. Hill	800.00
To Arkansas, per George J. King	282.32
To Minnesota per F. E. Coulter	368.30
John Z. White, salary and traveling expenses, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico	991.28
Colorado, per John H. Gabriel	400.00
Oregon, per W. S. U'Ren, printing and general expenses	16,775.60

An itemized account of the expenditure of this money in the last campaign was filed with the Secretary of State. I never received a dollar from the Fels Fund. I have stated publicly my arrangement with Mr. Fels so often that everybody who is interested knows what it is

Again referring to the same pamphlet he says:

"I have read the pamphlet carefully and I notice that the whole purpose of the Single Tax doctrine therein expressed goes to the exemption of taxes upon the merchants and manufacturers, and says nothing about the home-owner and farmer."

On page 7 of that pamphlet there is given to the work in Oregon and among other things the following is stated: "All calculations were based on official figures, and thus farmers were shown that their taxes in 1909 would have been much lower under the land value tax than under the general property tax system. In the same way, it was shown that owners of improved city lots would have profited by the land value tax, that business and labor would have profited by the change, while a much greater burden of taxation would have fallen upon franchise corporations and upon speculators in land and city lots."

Can Mr. Dimick read?

The object of the Single Tax is to wholly exempt from taxation all labor and the value of labor products, and to collect all public revenues from the assessed value of land in proportion to its value. A lot that is worth $100,000 will pay 100 times as much tax as a lot that is worth only $1,000, regardless of improvements If this system is approved by the voters, the public service corporations will pay about one-half more taxes than they now do in Clackamas county.

As to water-powers, it cost the Fels Fund about $800 to get the true value of those in use, and of the corporation franchises and rights of way for the Clackamas county Single Tax Assessment. This is based on the earning power as shown by actual receipts and official reports. I mentioned only the P. R., L. & P. Company's water-powers, but Mr. Dimick jumps instantly to the defense of that corporation. I never hear of any railroad company or other public service corporation advocating the Single Tax, contributing to the Fels Fund or paying for the circulation of Single Tax literature. The Fels Fund is supported by about 1,800 contributors,

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STATE TO VOTE ON ABOLISHING NOOSE

SALEM, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The question of capital punishment is to be submitted to the voters of Oregon at the next election and in the meantime such clemency as Governor West may extend capital criminals will be in the form of reprieves, staying execution of sentence until the verdict of the voters of the state is received. If that verdict be for hangings, the sentences of the courts will be promptly executed. In the bill to be submitted, and which will be recommended for passage by Governor West, there will be a provision for life imprisonment for murder, with no power of pardon by the executive except on recommendation of the Supreme Court. All this is announced in a statement by Governor West, in which he says:

"Capital punishment is either right or wrong. I believe it wrong and I believe I voice the sentiment of a majority of the people of the state when I say it is wrong and should be abolished. When I stated before leaving for the East, that there would be no hangings during my term of office, I did so because I had, as I now have, the firm belief that the people of this state would at the first opportunity vote to abolish it and it was my intention, as it is still my intention, to submit the voters of this state through the initiate a measure abolishing capital punishment, substituting life imprisonment and permitting the granting of pardons in murder cases only upon recommendation of the Supreme Court. In the meantime death sentences will not be commuted but reprieves only issued for the purpose of postponing the execution until after the people have declared their wishes."

"If they declare for hanging, their sentence shall be carried out to the letter in each and every case, but I do not fear such a verdict, as I am firm in my belief that the people will abolish this relic of the dark ages and that there will be no more hangings in this state."

NO TYPHOID EPIDEMIC, SAYS HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. J. W. Norris, City Health officer, Friday denied a report that there is an epidemic of typhoid fever in Oregon City.

"There are only three acses of typhoid in this city," said Dr. Norris. "The patients either contracted the disease away from here or through drinking well water. I am confident the city water is not contaminated and the residents of the city need not have any fear in using it. The river water has been examined frequently, and found to be free of disease germs."

HARVEY SUSPECTED IN HOLZMAN CASE

DETECTIVES SAY IT IS POSSIBLE RICH NURSERYMAN KILLED GIRL.

LANDLADY THINKS HE WAS ROOMER

Arrest Said To Have Been Precipitated By Threats Of Neighbors To Lynch Man Called Hill Slayer.

Sheriff Mass said Friday night that Nathan B. Harvey, under arrest on a charge of slaying the Hill family at Ardenwald Station, also is suspected of having slain Barbara Holzman, in Portland. Mrs. Bertha Nelson, keeper of the lodging house where the girl was killed, has seen Harvey and according to the authorities, thinks he was the man who rented the room from her.

That Harvey was arrested and locked up as a protection against acts of violence on the part of neighbors, is the newest development in the case. It has leaked out that Harvey, within the last few weeks, had been threatened with lynching by irate residents. One threat made was that he would be strung up on the Milwaukie bride to force a confession from him, and that the crowd might forget to cut him down until too late.

"There has been general feeling against Harvey for some time in that neighborhood," explained the sheriff, "and the threats became so strong that we had to take serious cognizance of them. We will not divulge at this time just who made these threats, but we know they were made and who made them. This part of the affair has, of course, nothing to do with the Hill murders, and is not a part of the evidence which we will use against Harvey to pin the atrocious crimes onto him."

The authorities have not made any serious or systematic effort to fasten the Barbara Holzman murder on Harvey. When Mrs. Bertha Nelson, the lodging house landlady who rented a room to the slayer of the little girl, gave the fiend's description, no thought of connecting Harvey with it was aroused until after the Hill tragedy. But when the detectives and sheriffs began investigating the latter case they noted the striking manner in which Harvey answered the description given by Mrs. Nelson.

Desiring to exhause every resource in running the Holzman's girls slayer to earth, the authorities gave Mrs. Nelson three opportunities to see Harvey at close range. At these times she said she thought Harvey was the man who rented the room.

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