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Act That Arouses Indignation of Dallas People.

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DALLAS, April 10.—It has come to light that a man named B. F. McLaughlin on Saturday eloped with or kidnaped a 16-year-old school girl of George E. Shaw, of this place. There is much feeling here. The people are indignant, as the girl is motherless. She was a girl of good character, industrious and obedient, being her father's housekeeper, and all was harmony at home until she met this man, only a few days ago.

McLaughlin three or four years ago was editor of the Sheridan (Tambuli) County Sun. In August, 1898, while camping at the mouth of Neustuca, his wife was drowned under peculiar circumstances. The wife's life was insured, and he collected the insurance money. He has lived a high life since. Telegrams have been sent to Portland asking for his arrest and the return of the girl to her home.

SALEM'S CREAMERY STARTED.

Has 400 Cows Now, but Expects More

—Examination of Teachers.

SALEM, April 10.—Salem's new creamery is now in running order, and received its first lot of cream today. The plant, has been pushing the preparations as rapidly as possible, but unforeseen contingencies delayed the work of changing the buildings and active operations have been delayed 10 days longer than was expected. The new creamery will turn out its first butter tomorrow. Mr. Townsend has employed L. B. Zeimer, a graduate of the Wisconsin State Dairy School, to manage the creamery and make the butter. With a uniform output of first-class butter, it is certain that a ready market can be found for the product. The creamery industry will be from this time on one of the revenue producers of this section. The creamery has, to start with, the cream from 400 cows. When the farmstead and the creamery in an established institution, it is expected that the number of cows contributing to the creamery will be increased.

The regular teachers' examinations for county certificates will begin in all the counties of Oregon tomorrow at 9 o'clock, and will continue until Friday, April 12, at 6 o'clock. On Wednesday the examinations will be conducted on the subjects of penmanship, history, orthography and reading; on Thursday, written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar and school law, and on Friday, geography, mental arithmetic, phonology and civil government.

Superintendent Ackerman reports that many of the county superintendents are expecting an unusual number of applicants for teachers' certificates. It has been the custom of the state department to send out to each Superintendent a list of the names of the applicants, and in inquiry concerning the number of sets of questions desired. In order to save expense, Superintendent Ackerman estimates that the number of sets of questions that would be required, using the former regulations as a basis for his estimate. He has received letters from a number of counties stating that more sets of questions are needed.

Under the new plan of distributing the proceeds of sales of association hops, the officials of the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association have been remitting to growers the net amount received for their individual lots. Local Agent James Winstanley said today that all the money received will have been turned over to the growers by tomorrow night. Those whose hops have not yet been sold will receive their money when sales are made. Mr. Winstanley reports today a sale of 25 bales of hops stored at Portland.

Edward Colgan, of this city, fell off his bicycle and a 15-foot embankment this morning, while riding on the bicycle path from Salem to Brooks. He received a severe cut in the back of the head, but the wound is not serious.

At the meeting of the Salem Cycle Association last evening, the following officers were elected: President, N. J. Damon; vice-president, C. S. Hamilton; secretary and treasurer, A. W. Long. A resolution was passed urging all owners of wheels to pay their bicycle tax early in the season.

Erb & Van Patton, who were the successful bidders for the work of making changes in the hall of Representatives, today signed the contract with the board of Capitol Commissioners, and filed a bond in the sum of \$884, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the work. The sureties on the bond are George B. and W. T. Gray.

The receipts of the Salem postoffice for the first quarter of 1900 were \$460 31; expenses, \$222 22. For the second quarter last year the receipts were \$540 27; expenses, \$230 35.

Jacob Miller was today appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Keil, late of Aurora.

SHOT IN A QUARREL.

Alexander Moore Kills Himself While Struggling With a Boy.

BRIDAL VEIL, Or., April 10.—In a quarrel with his nephew, Alexander Moore, of Bridal Veil, shot himself Monday and died from the effects of the wound at 3 o'clock this morning, in Portland. It is charged that he was endeavoring to shoot his nephew when the pistol was discharged.

Moore had come to the house of the boy, and was engaged in an altercation over some money left by his brother, the boy's father. In the dispute, he drew a gun and leveled it at his nephew, who struck it up. As it was rising, it was discharged, inflicting a fatal wound in Moore's throat.

Coroner Rand left last evening for Bridal Veil, and will fully investigate the case. On his return, an inquest will be held over the body of the deceased, which now lies at the morgue, having been taken thither from Good Samaritan Hospital, where Moore was taken for treatment after the shooting. Moore was 65 years old and unmarried. He formerly lived in Brownville, where he is well known. He has three brothers, James, Anthony and Amaty. He invented Moore's turbine wheel. For many years he lived on the old Keeney place at Brownville. About 15 years ago he moved to Bridal Veil. During the past winter he has been suffering from grip, and spent two or three months in the hospital here. On his return to Bridal Veil it was noticed that he was affected by the grip. He lived with exercised wonderful control over him, and he obeyed their every command without a demur.

The Oregon City Council.

OREGON CITY, April 10.—At the adjourned meeting of the Oregon City Council, held last evening, Councilman Schube, of the Third Ward, resigned, on account of removing his residence to the Second Ward. The vacancy was filled by the election of C. W. Fredericks. The finance committee reported that the offer of Theodore Wyzant, of Portland, to purchase two lots owned by the city, on Main street, was refused. However, Mr. Wyzant had been notified that he could purchase the lots by paying

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Contractor Says.

EUGENE, April 10.—Mr. W. D. Gillette, of San Francisco, construction engineer of the Southern Pacific Company, is here examining the work so far done on the Springfield-Wendling branch road. He says it is the intention of the company to relet the grading contract and have the work proceed at once. He thinks the contract will be let within a week. The work will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

The Southern Pacific Company has declined to honor orders given by John Bays in favor of some of his creditors for supplies furnished. The company takes the position that it will pay all labor bills first, and those who have furnished supplies will take what is left, if anything. There is some probability that all claims will eventually be paid.

WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING.

Arrested at the Dalles for Soliciting for Mythical Orphanage.

The Dalles Chronicle.

The County Jail got a new inmate last night who knows about the saw-marks of a slick customer. He had worked the town yesterday in the interest of an alleged orphan asylum at the Cascade Locks, that he claimed, contained 39 children. He presented a letter from "General Regular Army," an offshoot from the Salvation Army. He had a letter-head bearing the written signature of "Rev. Wm. Brown, Major," and claimed this as his General order, No. 15, instructing the commanding officers of the Fourteenth, Eighteenth and Twenty-third Infantries to designate a battalion of their regiment as a "home battalion," and prepare it for shipment to the United States. The home battalion would be transferred to officers who desire to return or who, for valid reasons, should be sent back, also invalided soldiers, and men having less than six months to serve and are not intending to re-enlist. When the organization of the home battalion shall be complete, a full report of all facts necessary to effect its concentration and conveyance to the United States will be promptly made to the Adjutant-General of the department.

The matter of identifying the remains of the soldiers to be sent home has been such a source of anxiety and trouble to the chaplain that a circular order has been issued, and is as follows: "Having been brought to the attention of these headquarters that bodies of deceased soldiers are frequently shipped to this city without a tag or other means of identification, it is hereby ordered that it be possible to determine the name of the deceased or organization of which he was a member, it is directed that hereafter each body will have attached to it in such a manner as will not prevent its being a strong pastebord card, upon which will be plainly written the full name, company and regiment or organization to which the deceased belonged, and other necessary information."

What Became of the Bear?

Myrtle Point Enterprise. Sheriff Croft, who resides on the sheep ranch on the Middle Fork, met with a peculiar and painful accident last Saturday. In company with John Wiley he was hunting, and their dogs bayed a bear on the shore of a lake. The bear was placed under a tree, where he remained, pending an inquiry. The bear was killed, and the bear's head by the trousers, just below the neck. Sheriff Croft pointed his gun at the bear's head and fired, but the bullet missed the bear and went through his own foot, inflicting quite a painful and probably serious wound. Wiley then carried the wounded Croft back to his camp, and the road, a distance of four miles, whence he was taken to Roseburg for treatment.

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VICTORIA, B. C., April 10.—It is announced tonight that the Legislature of British Columbia has been dissolved, and a new election ordered for about June 6.

Grand Jury Discharges Editor.

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REMEDY FOR RATE-CUTTING

If Railroads Can't Agree to Rates, They Must Connect Ownership.

The significance of the paragraph in the annual report of the Pennsylvania Railroad in reference to the acquisition of rock in competing roads as a means of preventing ruinous rate-cutting, and the criticisms is commented upon by the Railway World. Railway rates per ton per mile have been going steadily down, down, down for years, so that but for some of the acquisitions of new lines and new capital for improving roadbed and equipment every road in the country would now be bankrupt. The margin of economies has, however, been almost exhausted and yet the rate per ton per mile continues to descend. It was lower last year than ever before. All is due to senseless rate-cutting—senseless because it means ruin ultimately to all parties except the shipper, who gets discrimination in his favor.

The only lawful remedy—now that agreements as to rates are unlawful—most railroads believe, is a sort of joint ownership, obtained by holding stock in rival companies, and so exerting an influence to restrain rate-cutters. Says the World: "The concentration of control among the railroads of the United States as a means of bringing about a stable rate situation is one of the tendencies of the present time, publicly announced by the management of the Pennsylvania road in the company's annual report. Efforts of traffic associations to prevent the reduction in rates since the shipper has been on for years have been unsuccessful, and the railway companies have only been able to offset the decline in the ton-mile rate by a corresponding reduction in the cost of transportation. But it now appears that the constant decrease in expenses has about reached its limit, and as the Pennsylvania report points out, closer relations between the great trunk lines is the only effectual remedy in sight. The Pennsylvania Company, with this end in view, announces that it has acquired an interest in other railroads; and that by uniting with the other shareholders who control those properties in supporting a conservative policy reasonable and stable rates will be secured, while unjust discrimination will be done away with. The unification of large railway systems through an interlocking of ownership means much to the value of railroad investments."

There has been a radical change in the management of railroads in the last seven years. "In 1893," says the World, "the investors in public works, and examples of the inside wreckers' work, but since that time bankrupt roads have passed into honest hands, and stockholders are now enjoying the benefits of honest management and prosperous times. This is an age when railroad managers are striving to build up and preserve their properties in the interests of the stockholder. Every annual report that comes to hand reflects the fact that the railroad wreckers are in two classes, and the one to be feared the more represents the dishonest management."

Longevity in Mental Workers.

Professor Manterla contributes to a Mexican scientific society, a paper on longevity in connection with mental work. The author divides professions into three groups: agricultural, manual and clerical, according to their influence on longevity. In mental workers he argues that the general average of life