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It is generally supposed that murder and treason are the only crimes punishable by death, but the Oregon criminal code makes it a capital offense to assault an officer or guard at the penitentiary with deadly weapons. Death is the punishment provided for this offense. Witnesses have been subpoenaed to appear before the Grand Jury and testify in regard to the offense tomorrow morning, but Superintendent Lee says the matter will be dropped. It would appear from this that the superintendent is adverse to a prosecution, but it is learned that other state officials have been insisting that for the safety of the penitentiary employees the man should be indicted and tried under the law.

## RANGERS APPOINTED.

Will Begin Duty Next Week in Cascade Reserve.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—Captain S. B. Conboy, Superintendent of the Cascade forest reserve, today received notice that the following rangers have been appointed, to go on duty in the reserve June 16: Northern division, W. H. H. Dufur, supervisor; Newton J. Perrell, Salem; Charles F. Elgin, Roseburg; Willard N. Morse, Montaville; William H. Hesseman, Minto; David A. Carter, Hillsboro; George V. Taylor, Madras; E. J. Hennessey, Gater; Adolph Aschoff, Marmot; William C. Ward, Viola; William C. Walker, Dufur; Elmer G. White, Salem. Central division—Eugene Dixon, supervisor; Robert H. Yeatch, Cottage Grove; Add. L. Morris, Harrisburg; Henry A. Foster, Sisters; William Nash, Sisters; Leonard R. Livermore, Eugene; Charles J. Dodd, Springfield; D. D. Shaw, Lebanon; Albert B. Lacey, Rickreall. Southern division—Nathaniel Langell, supervisor; Smith C. Bartrum, Roseburg; Nelson S. Iversen, Medford; J. B. Van Zile, Roseburg; J. R. Wick, Ashland; James H. Wheeler, Port Klamath; S. R. Wright, Klamath Falls; James C. McCully, Jacksonville; Henry Ireland, Jacksonville. Bull Run reserve—T. J. Maupin, Jr., Portland; George W. Woods, Bull Run. Ashland reserve—W. M. C. Kropke, Ashland.

## NO CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT.

Marion County Poor Are Well Fed and Well Cared For.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—Frederick Lockley, Jr., published an article in a Salem paper yesterday in which he charged that the inmates of the Marion County Poor Farm are not properly cared for. He complained that the men are not fed meat oftener than once a week; that they are kept in poorly ventilated rooms; that they are crowded together; that they have no suitable reading matter. M. M. High today made a reply to this charge, in which he says the county poor receive fresh meat every day; that their clothing is as good as is worn by the average farmer; that they have about 12 magazines on hand to read, besides one daily and one weekly paper; that their rooms are ventilated by dropping the top window sashes three inches and by leaving them thus night and day, and that the offensive odor in one room is due to locomotive diseases contracted by one of the inmates. County Judge Scott also issued a statement, in which he says that inmates of the Poor Farm have frequently visited his office and have never made complaint.

## CONTRACTS AWARDED.

For Construction of Barrack Buildings at Fort Columbia.

ASTORIA, Or., June 10.—Constructing Quartermaster Downs received a telegram this afternoon from Quartermaster General Ludington at Washington, saying that contracts for constructing the barrack buildings at Fort Columbia, bids for which were opened in this city on May 29, have been awarded to the various bidders as follows:

Spore & Robinson, Woodlawn, all construction work, heating in barracks and wiring of all buildings with the exception of the barracks.

William Stevenson, Portland, heating in officers' quarters and hospital.

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J. W. Surprenant, Astoria, wiring in barrack building.

The telegram also said that the contract for constructing, plumbing and wiring a detached lavatory at Fort Stevens, bids for which were opened on May 21, had been awarded to C. G. Palmberg, of Astoria.

## TO PRISON THREE YEARS.

Burglar Sentenced in Marion County—Three Robbers Indicted.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—Judge J. W. Hamilton, of Roseburg, is sitting as Judge in District No. 1 of the Circuit Court of Marion County. Judge Burnett, of this district, is holding court for Judge Hamilton in Douglas County. The only proceedings in the Circuit Court today were the drawing of a grand jury and the trial of John McDonald on a charge of burglary. McDonald was found guilty and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. He was taken to prison this afternoon.

The grand jury found an indictment against Fred Williams, A. Peterson and Peter Adams, charging them with burglary at Woodburn. These are the men who saw their way out of the Marion County Jail and made good their escape.

## NINE CASES OF SMALLPOX.

Town in Douglas County Afflicted—Situation Is Serious.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 10.—Smallpox has made its appearance at Yoncalla, where there are nine cases, five of which are in a very bad form. Seven of the cases are inside the corporate limits of the town. County Judge Thompson went to Yoncalla today to investigate and to take necessary steps in repressing the disease, and may request the discontinuance of train service for a time. The persons stricken with the disease have been moving about freely in the neighborhood.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES NOW IN PROGRESS—GRADUATION WEDNESDAY.

MINNIVILLE, Or., June 10.—Saturday evening the musical department of Minnville College gave a recital in the college entitled "Russian Music and Musicians." This was the first public exercise of commencement week, and it had a large and appreciative audience. Sun-

# FORTY PER CENT DIVIDEND

## ON CLAIMS AGAINST BANK AT VANCOUVER.

Will Be Paid Within Two or Three Weeks—Permanent Receiver Then to Be Appointed.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—An examination of recent reports from the temporary receiver of the First National Bank of Vancouver shows that the finances of that institution are in such condition that within two or three weeks the first dividend of about 40 per cent on claims proved can be paid. The Controller of the Currency and the receiver are now arranging for such a payment.

It was given out today that the permanent receiver will not be appointed until after this first dividend is paid, and no intimation is given as to who of the applicants will be favored. Three new applications for this appointment were filed today—from George H. Hill, of Portland; A. B. Eastham, of Vancouver, and Charles Clary, of Mount Vernon. Mr. Hill is now president of the First National Bank of that place.

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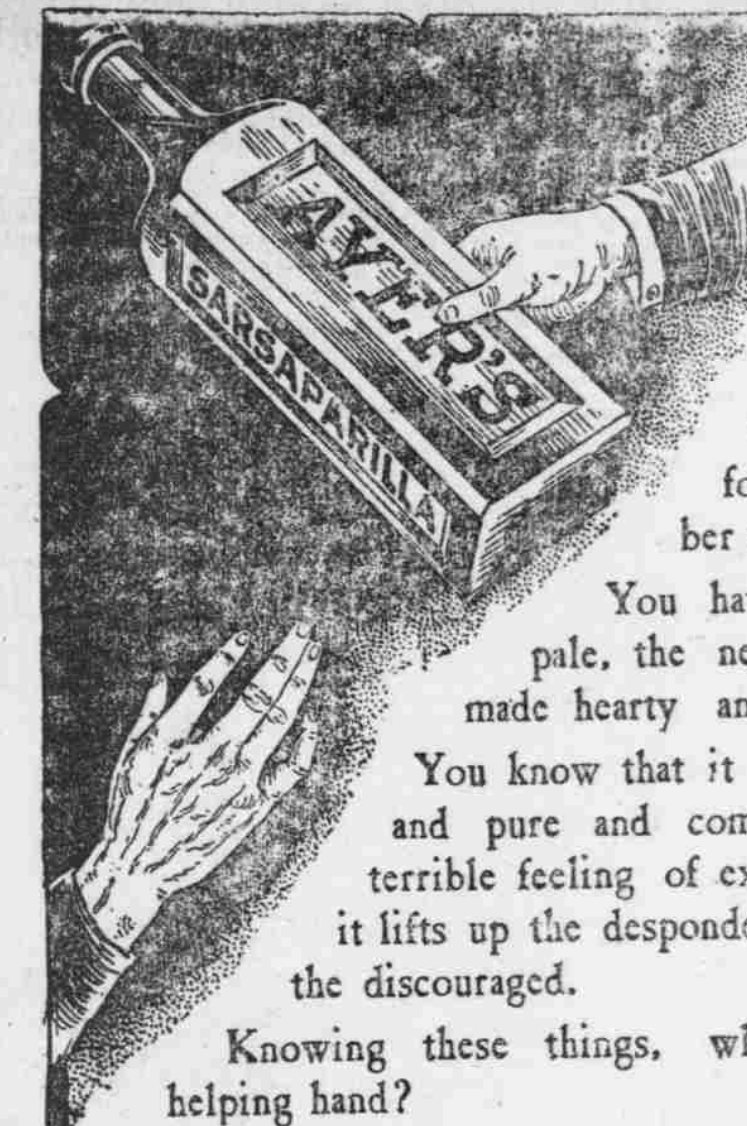
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## News Notes From Amity.

AMITY, Or., June 10.—The Macabees are arranging for their first annual picnic at this place, June 28. It is expected that Mr. St. Rayner, of Portland, will deliver the address.

J. W. Briedwell, a prominent merchant of this place, is attending the Buffalo exposition, and making a tour of the East. The Workers lodge has elected J. L. Wright as representative to the grand lodge at Portland.

The Whittaker creamery expects to commence making butter June 18.

## Senator Mitchell Will Speak.

OREGON CITY, June 10.—Elaborate preparations are in making for a Fourth of July celebration at Damascus. Senator John H. Mitchell and State Senator Brownell have agreed to be present and to deliver orations.

## War Veterans Organize.

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Carip, No. 25, Spanish-American War Veterans, has been organized in this city, with the following officers: Commander, C. A. Murphy; senior vice-commander, O. J. H. Adams; junior vice-commander, O. J. H. Adams; E. R. Carter, quartermaster; S. C. Jones, chaplain; H. McN. Howell; officer of the guard, E. R. Colgan; officer of the day, Henry Janzen.

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