

Eugene City Guard.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The business department of the WEEKLY GUARD is caused considerable trouble by correspondents addressing the proprietors personally.

To Correspondent.

The WEEKLY GUARD goes to press early Friday mornings. To insure the insertion of correspondence it should reach us not later than Thursday morning.

Correspondence which reaches this office late Thursday and on Friday and Saturday, unless important, will not be published.

Correspondents should mail their contributions to reach us Tuesday and Wednesday, and early Thursday. Later than Thursday they may not be used.

A FILIPINO QUESTION.

The Filipinos have been reading history. One of their commissioners on leaving the American lines to return to his own people said:

"We greatly appreciate the courtesy shown us. We have spent some time with your commissioners incidentally considering American annexation. Its principles impress us profoundly.

GROSS IMPOSITION ON TAXPAYERS.

When the legislature met in special session last September to elect Jos Simon to the senate, whereas and resolutions were adopted providing for the appropriate observance of the semi-centennial anniversary of the extension of the laws of the U S over the Oregon country.

The day came and there were speeches by Governor Geer, Judge Lord, Genl Geo H. Williams, Mrs Duniway and others. Then the legislature voted to publish the proceedings of the day in pamphlet form, giving all the addresses in full.

There is no gift in this business anywhere—just simply a gross imposition on the taxpayers. That's all.

The Cottage Grove Nugget is right when it remarks that "every road supervisor should realize the responsibility imposed upon him to do his duty. That's one thing that has been the matter with road work in Oregon.

Major-General Joseph Wheeler has good ideas about the means that should be used to fit the Cuban people for self government. Through his suggestion an association has been formed, called the Cuban Educational Association.

The Philadelphia Inquirer of recent date says there is a story floating around Wall street that the Vanderbilts and Mr J P Morgan have bought control of the Southern Pacific road. It is impossible to confirm the rumor.

Here is something that the general public should remember, and help to enforce, too: "A fine of not less than two nor more than fifty dollars is the penalty under the laws of Oregon to sell, barter, trade, give, or in any way furnish a minor tobacco, cigars, cigarettes or any compound in which tobacco forms a component part.

Salem has an editor who is capable of giving farmers advice on agricultural matters. Of course there is a fly in his cup, an envious newspaper rival, who takes occasion on the announcement of the latest lecture subject, "Tilling the Soil," to remark that "he does his farming from the poop deck of an old second-hand bicycle that he got at a second-hand store."

California is in big luck to get rid of her insane Japanese and Chinese for which deportation arrangements have been made with their respective governments. Five of the former, and eighty five of the latter will be sent home from the Stockton asylum during the month of July.

A new liar has been developed in the fish, or rather crawfish line. Witness this from the Portland Telegram: "Several Yamhill farmers living along the banks of the Yamhill river devoted their entire time to crawfish-catching last year, and not only lifted burdensome mortgages from their farms, but laid up a little cash as well."

The Oregon Railway and Navigation Company expects a Columbia river flood when the warm weather strikes the headwaters of tributaries of the mighty stream. They are getting out rock for track repair emergencies and have fifty miles of steel rails on the way to weight down bridges between Bonneville and Portland.

Tacoma breaks the record with the meanest thief. A public school building was broken into the other night and robbed of every book, and all other paraphernalia of study.

An Albany young lady with her bicycle went off a bridge into the water power race, which leads the Democrat to remark that it was a Baptist bicycle.

A big row is in progress among the manufacturers comprising the bicycle trust. "When thieves fall out honest men get their dues."

MEETS AT SALEM.—The State Horticultural Society's mid-summer meeting will be held at Salem, Oregon, June 9 and 10, 1899. Topic: "Organization and Co-operation in the Marketing of Fruits."

WANTED FOR FORGERY

Portland Officers Capture a Man With a Past and a Future.

Oregonian: Detectives Day and Welner, with Officer Church, made a neat capture of one Jack Hannel, alias J C Day, alias Griffith, on North Third street, this morning, between 12 and 1 o'clock. The man had forged the name of a prominent Lane county farmer to a check for \$150, last Monday, and succeeded in getting it cashed at the bank in Eugene.

The prisoner had come up from California on a bicycle, and stopped at Eugene, evidently to rest for a few days. He is a native of Polk county, 35 years old, and was formerly a tarkeeper in Portland.

Real Estate Transactions.

- O & C R Co to W D Wallace, 40 acres in T 18 s 1 w; \$100.
U S to George A. Maines, 160 acres in T 15 s 7 r 1; patent.
U S to Cameron D. Maines, 160.64 acres in T 15 s 7 r 1; patent.

- James M Spores and wife to Daniel T Spores, 160.02 acres in T 17 s 2 w; \$1.
The Siuslaw River Lumber Co, to Vulcan Iron Works, lots and property in Acme; \$1.
O & C R Co, to D W Shortridge, 40 acres in T 23 s 3 w; \$120.
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Cattle Shipped to Omaha.

Junction City, Or., May 25.—Ferguson, Barnett & Williams recently sold 1200 head of cattle to Cox & Pyle, of Dillon, Montana, who shipped 700 from this place to Omaha, Nebraska.

W W Oglesby and Byrne Milliron returned today from the mining regions of Crook county. They say that they have a rich quartz mine. They have mountains of ore, and it shows free gold.

MARRIED.—Roseburg Review May 25: "At the residence of Hon John H Shupe on Pine street, last evening, May 24, 1899, Mr Albert Abraham and Miss Leona E Shupe, were united in marriage by Rev W A Wood, pastor of the Christian church. Only the relatives and a few near friends witnessed the ceremony, and the happy couple left on the overland train for Portland."

Roseburg Review: "Walter Patterson of the up-to-date grocery store, is the strawberry king of Douglas county. He has contracted the entire crop of quite a number of the largest strawberry patches in the county, and expects to handle from 3000 to 4000 crates of twenty-four boxes each. The rainy, cloudy weather has up to the present time kept the berries from ripening and his shipments so far are only twenty-five or thirty crates."

Oregon City Chautauqua notes: "Prof Glen, of Eugene, a prime favorite with the assembly, is coming back this year to sing and speak and conduct again his popular class in the History of English Literature."

Jacksonville Times May 25: V Cook has returned from Portland, and is at the Sterling mine during the absence of H E Ankeny.

Snake Charmers.

It is generally supposed that the serents exhibited by snake charmers have been deprived of their fangs, and this is doubtless often the case, while one instance at least is recorded in which the mouth of the snake had been sewed together to prevent it from biting.

The writer noticed at the Ceylon exhibition, given some years ago in London, that one of the snake charmers, finding the cobra he was exhibiting becoming too lively and aggressive, seized the reptile by the neck and thrust it hastily into the small round basket in which it was carried, at the same time pinning it with a voluminous white cloth, at which it bit savagely. Having almost closed the lid of the basket, the man drew away the cloth violently, thus doubtless dragging out the fangs which were fastened in it. He then secured the basket and carried it away.

Theater Tickets.

The fact that a ticket bought for a theater and not used on the date stamped on it is always good for an admittance is not generally known and probably theater managers would take very little trouble to spread knowledge of the fact, but it is nevertheless true.

Reckless Extravagance.

Senator Hear is not a stingy man, but he looks out for the pennies. He was riding on a street car one day, relates a Washington correspondent, and had just completed a transaction with the conductor involving the payment of a quarter of a dollar for six car tickets—4 1/2 cents a ticket—when an acquaintance got on board and took the seat next to him. The acquaintance handed the conductor a nickel and turned to open up a conversation with the Massachusetts senator. The senator edged in his seat a minute and then broke in with the remark, "I am glad to see that you are prosperous."

Must Be Barbers and Musicians.

There is a barber shop in an up town avenue in New York where music goes with every shave. Never a barber is hired there who cannot twinkle the sweet mandolin or plunk the dreamy guitar. The gentleman who can play on no instrument but the razor and the shears has no welcome in this tonsorial parlor, for the boss barber is musical and loves to mingle celestial strains with the torture of the barber chair.

Had Not Forgotten It.

The ward heeler, with whom the ambitious politician had been in consultation an hour or more, shook his head slowly.

The Infinity of Space.

"Among the photographs you have seen," said Sir Robert Ball, "there are stars so far distant from this earth that if the glad tidings of that first Christmas 1,800 years ago had been dispatched then by an electric current which could speed seven times round our globe between every two ticks of the clock they would not yet have received them."

Forethought.

"Amanda," said the husband of the soon to be widowed young wife, "my last request is that you will not let anybody know there is a large insurance on my life. I want you to live in undisturbed enjoyment of it for a few years at least."

Where Men Have the Advantage.

Interesting Lady Patient—Doctor, what do you do when you burn your mouth with hot coffee? Dr. Fingerlee.—Swear.—Roxbury Gazette.

Promotion.

"Miss Mary, are you sorry that your sister Evelyn is married?" "No, it advances me one number."—Chicago Record.

"Ashes of Angels" Cake.

I once knew an estimable lady who in the absence of her cook undertook to make a certain kind of cake. She took "some" of one kind of ingredient, "a little" of another and "a small quantity" of something else.

Not So Bad.

Dotty Trimble rushed up the stairs to Lucy Cherry's room and burst through the door. "He isn't such a fool, after all!" she exclaimed.

A Bellesse Youth.

The boy is still father to the mast. A certain prominent political brother, who, like the British tar in "Pinafore," is ever ready with his dose, showed his pugilistic taste at an early age.

Asshore in a City's Streets.

The military students of Tung-Chen are a conspicuous nuisance. They have a way of using one of the main streets in the city as a convenient spot for practicing archery, and we have been repeatedly obliged to edge up to the extreme edge of the footpath to avoid possible eccentric flights of arrows.

Brides and Wet Weather.

A Boston bride rather likes to have a wet wedding; it is held to signify that all her tears are now shed and that she will therefore have a happy married life. I know of no similar belief in the British Isles.

Take the Same.

Lawyer—You say that you were in the saloon at the time of the assault referred to in the complaint? Witness—I was, sir.

Good Use For Them.

She (singing softly)—"Would that I had the wings of a bird." He—What earthly use would they be to you, my dear? She—I was just planning the trimming for my spring hat.—Detroit Free Press.

Presentiment.

Justice of the Peace to bride's mother as the bridegroom hesitates with his "Yes"—Step a little further back, madam.—Toledo Bee.

Promotion.

Belgian workmen are fond of cock crowing competitions. The other day one well trained bird crowed no less than 493 times in the course of an hour.

In ancient times many of the mountains of Palestine were terraced, and some of these terraces still remain.

W. C. T. U.

Synopsis of the Session Morning.

TONIGHT AND TOMORROW.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of this coast has been patiently waiting these many years, for promised visit of the National.

The smile which illumined her face, suggests a ready sympathy and a warm heart. She will lead the White Ribbon Army of the new confidence in the organization and they will rally around her as they did around the late Miss Willard.

Seeing Miss Anna Gordon grasping the hand of one who was a companion of Miss Willard for twenty beautiful years, is considered by members of the W. C. T. U., one of the greatest privileges of her life. Her face is sad, and shows lines of care and sorrow and her sweet voice suggests that that drop as softly as dew, and upon the listening ear like a benediction. Her very presence is an inspiration to the women who loved her, who she served so long and faithfully, with their whole hearts. But aside from her association with Miss Willard she is highly appreciated for her own attainments and warm loving nature, and for her devotion to the cause she has made her life work.

The conference of the Women's Christian Temperance Union opened at 10 a. m. with a fair number present. A devotional meeting was conducted by Mrs Wilson, county president. Prayers were offered by the National President Mrs Stevens and Mrs Gordon, which voiced the sentiments of the meeting.

"Lead Kiodly Light," was sung most feelingly by Mrs Brooks. The state president arranged a program made up of topics which were interesting not only to the members of the W. C. T. U., but to the general public, and the first of these was opened by a paper by Mrs Shepard on the question, "How to make the unions more effective." This yielded many practical suggestions in the discussion which followed and helpful thoughts were brought out. Mrs Stevens advised the use of programs, not only along the headquarters but upon popular gatherings of the day.

Miss Gordon emphasized seeing the help of the young women in the programs and in this way interest them in reform work.

The Local Temperance League department opened by a paper by Mrs Henrietta Brown. After the reading the topic was discussed at length. Miss Gordon threw her heart into the subject and made a strong plea for organizing at L. T.

The Warehouse Question.

The Eugene Register discusses warehouse and freight rates questions:

"An independent warehouse near the water front would give those shipping or selling so as to ship by water a rate of over one cent per bushel over the shipping by rail. The Southern Pacific tariff on wheat from Eugene to Portland is 12 cents per cental. The rate charged by the Eugene Transportation Company, per steamer City of Eugene is 10 cents per cental. This is saving to the producer of two cents per bushel, which means, that if wheat is really worth 48 1/2 cents, it is really worth 48 1/5 cents."

"So much the new steamer has done for the wheatgrowers. By taking advantage of the facilities offered by the boat and erecting a warehouse adjacent to her wharf, they can help themselves still more. There are no chances to be taken in the erection of such a building, for if the boat should fail to get here at any season of the year the grain if necessary could be shipped by rail. There was talk last year of building a farmers' warehouse, and it is said that there are a number of substantial wheat-growers who are willing to take hold of the matter. The warehouse should be in operation in time for the fall crop."

ENGINE PURCHASE.—The board of commissioners of Lane county has purchased a J I Case 15 horse power traction engine from S L Long. The new engine will be used with the rock-crusher.

It is estimated that between 750 and 800 bicycles are in use in Jackson county alone, which represents an outlay of about \$40,000.