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A MODERN NOAH.

The editor of the Lamar, Kan., Democrat loathes that modern type of Pharisee who is known, inelegantly, but picturesquely, as the "knocker." His dislike for this class of fellow, doubtless of which there are many representatives in his own town, has given him a new interpretation of an old biblical tale which ought to be productive of certain helpful reflection. It is not necessary to apologize for the following: "Do you know that we think is the best story in the Bible? It may surprise you, but it is about Noah and the flood. We say this even in the face of educated folks, who turn up their noses and declare this story a fake. You remember, Noah had to work a long time on that ark. It was uphill business, too, at best, to go on toiling and sweating day after day in the hot sun, building a boat away out on the dry land while the local mud and hammer club sat around, splitting tobacco juice upon his lumber, whittling up his pine boards with their jackknives and telling him what a fool he was to expect a big rain in a country that was too dry to grow alfalfa. But he kept at it. Finally the flood came, and every mother's son of the croakers were drowned. This is the only instance we know of, either in sacred or profane history, where a bunch of knockers got exactly what was coming to them."

After this one feels a more intimate regard for Brother Noah. While the writer of the foregoing is not unlikely guilty of an anachronism in his reference to the tobacco and the pine boards, he has analyzed Noah all right, and the scoffers who made jest of his industry.

Just now the happy thought comes that the editor of the Democrat is a new Noah and has seen it write some place that soon there will be another deluge—not of water, necessarily—for the express drowning of the few million of our twentieth century wise-aces who, imbedded in their own egotism, like a toad in the rock, stand solemnly and idly by, making offensive remarks while other members of society are building arks of progress. Some day the big rain will come, and then—then only he who had the forethought and application to build himself an ark will attain Ararat.

FORESTS AND THE CLIMATE.

In a recent issue, the New York Commercial calls attention to what it regards as one among the chief arguments for the preservation of the forests. It is the contention of this paper that in the denuding of the forests we are threatened with climatic changes little short of disastrous. Specific instances of changes in New England and South Atlantic general climatic conditions are given, as even casual observation has shown them. The more interesting of these are the changes which have come about in Florida, and the damage that has resulted from their effect on the orange crop of that state, says the Portland Telegram.

As this paper points out, for sixty years prior to 1885, there was no record of a frost in Florida which did any material damage to the citrus crop. But in that year and in many subsequent years, the frosts in that section have been heavy and disastrous, extending farther and farther south.

It might have been added that prior to the early '80s the cultivation of oranges along the lower border of the states of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana was of commercial importance; but since that period has become more and more difficult because of the uncertain severity and duration of the winter climate. The same general climatic change may be noted in what we may call the Mississippi Northwest. It is only within the past thirty years

that we have record of continuous deadly cold and terrific storms that goes to make up the winter record at this time. All through the North Atlantic coast there is abundant evidence of the same general change.

And here in the Pacific West, we cannot say that we are entirely immune from the changes in climate that are brought about by the destruction of the forests. What change we have experienced is not so perceptible as in the Eastern States; but the observant old resident will say that it is surely coming about. There is nothing of the substantial, statistical character to uphold the assertion; but the average old resident as he thinks over the general climatic conditions for the past thirty years will admit the fact.

There is no manner of doubt that the destruction of the forests has worked a marvelous change in the climate of the Eastern States. It is equally clear that the heavy onslaughts of the lumbermen on the Southern yellow pine have materially changed the winter climate of the gulf coast, and at least of the northern portion of the Florida peninsula. If the process of destruction follows on the Pacific coast, as it has been experienced in the east and south, we may expect to suffer in a climatic way, in perhaps disastrous fashion, except as to floods and excessive heat and frost. But the loss will be great in the ultimate, and with the object lessons before us, we should do all in our power to avoid it.

MYRTLE POINT POINTERS.

Items of Interest Taken From The Enterprise.

At the annual meeting of the Myrtle Point fire department, the following officers were elected: J. R. Benson, president; M. G. Pohl, vice-president; L. H. Pearce, secretary; E. J. Schneider, treasurer; L. J. Roberts, chief; O. Spires, assistant chief.

Ora Masters succeeded in killing a large female panther Wednesday morning of this week and is after a number of young panthers. The brutes have been killing numbers of sheep and goats for Mr. Masters and he has determined to rid his range of them if possible.

Secretary G. G. Swan of the Fruit Growers Association, requests the presence of all members of the association at the next regular meeting on August 5th, when they will be expected to report on the amount of apples and pears they will have for sale this fall. When these reports have been made the association officers will make their offerings in the market and ask for bids on the crop.

The railroad company is getting a supply of timbers at this terminal. If it was desired to rouse a railroad rumor it might be assumed that they are to be used in building bridges for an extension or for constructing that long desired new depot, but truth compels the statement that they are to be used in repairing or reconstructing the turn table some of the timbers of which are becoming somewhat shabby.

Mrs. Mark Hardman, formerly Miss Emma Appleton, died at the family home on Myrtle Creek last Friday, after a brief illness and the funeral was held on Sunday. D. E. Norcross, pastor of the Christian church of this city, conducted the services. Mrs. Hardman was born in Coos county on January 2, 1885, and she was therefore 23 years of age. She leaves a husband, three children, and her own family to mourn her death, one of the children being a new born babe.

SURRENDERS HUSBAND TO HIS "AFFINITY."

New York Woman Publicly Gives Up Her Legal Spouse to Girl With Whom He Eloped.

CHICAGO, July 22.—Mrs. Johanna Blaser, legal wife of Rudolph Blaser, a well-known chef, has publicly surrendered her husband to Miss Annie Pfortner, the "affinity" with whom he fled from New York to Chicago.

"I met him in the Catskill Mountains," said Miss Pfortner, whose "pet" name is "Henny." "We found we love each other and I came to Chicago with him. We had expected to be married shortly and for that reason I had taken his name.

Mrs. Blaser announced her determination to sue for divorce. She said her love for him is dead and that she desired only that he support her two children. As soon as she obtains her divorce she will return to her home at No. 145 West One Hundred and Eighth street, New York, where she left her children—Elsie, thirteen years old, and Alfred Aubrey, twelve years old.

Join the crowd for Charleston Bay next FRIDAY. Baptist Sunday School.

NEWS OF COQUILLE.

Items of Interest in the Valley Taken From The Sentinel.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Neatherly of this city, July 14, a daughter.

Miss Cora Belloni, who has been employed on the North Bend Harbor, has resigned her position and returned to her home south of this city.

The Sentinel has received reliable information that the Salmon Mountain Coarse Gold Mining Co. has struck a large body of good ore at the end of an 800 foot tunnel in a porphyry and serpentine contact.

Arthur McDuffee of White Salmon, Wash., arrived in this city last Saturday for a visit with his cousin, E. A. McDuffee and other relatives in this county. Mr. McDuffee is trying out with the Coquille baseball team.

The school board held a meeting Tuesday evening and accepted the resignation of Misses Florence Walstrom and Thora Smith. Miss Smith has accepted a position in Alaska to teach for the coming year. These places have not yet been filled, though Clerk Moulton is in receipt of letters from several teachers who desire to come to this city for the coming year.

Joe Russell of Portland, and L. A. Frey and Hollis Short of North Bend, were in Coquille last Saturday where they were joined by Tex Robinson and John Lamb of Fishtrap, and left for Euchre and Lobster creeks where they will hunt for a few weeks.

Last Thursday Roll Anderson had the misfortune to have his right foot crushed and the left one badly bruised by getting caught on the landing platform at Seely and Anderson's camp below town. It will be two or three weeks before he will be able to be out.

The Coquille River Transportation Company held their annual meeting in this city Monday and Tuesday of this week and elected the following officers: Capt. D. T. White, president; C. J. McLain, vice-president; G. Boak, manager; J. C. Moomaw, secretary; H. G. Stratton, treasurer. The old board of directors were elected for the ensuing year.

MANY WILL ATTEND.

University of Oregon's Enrollment Will Be Record Breaker.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, EUGENE, Ore., July 22.—The freshman class entering the University of Oregon this fall will be by far the largest in its history. Every indication points to a freshman registration of 250, and a total enrollment of nearly 600 students, not including the departments of law and medicine. Last year one-fourth of all the high school graduates of Oregon entered the University of Oregon, and there is every reason to believe that an even greater percentage will enter this fall, though the number of graduates is nearly a half larger than last year. Another source that will help swell the number very materially is the large number of Eastern people coming into the state.

SEVERAL Marshfield and North Bend people have enrolled, for a course of Chiropractic treatments, with Dr. H. A. Foster at the Garfield hotel.

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