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CZAR HARRIMAN'S UKASE.

The Portland Telegram says: "Mr. E. H. Harriman was in our midst last August. Naturally, his visit was the occasion of a great deal of railroad talk. One of the results of our industrial system is that Mr. Harriman must be considered as the arbiter of our material fortunes. The development of certain sections of the state of Oregon waits upon his will and pleasure, which latter are determined by the amount of money the interests he represents may make by aiding such development. If we seek material in the fullest measure we must ask Mr. Harriman about it. The question is answered, that if we can make that prosperity pay for Mr. Harriman under a guaranty, it is ours to hope for.

"Such is precisely the condition which the king of railroad manipulators imposes as precedent to his serious consideration of the construction of the Drain-Coos Bay road. Mr. Harriman has telegraphed to the Coos Bay people upon the subject, and in that communication he has left nothing to be desired in the way of candor. Before a step is taken for the construction of that road, there must be an absolute guaranty of 4 per cent on the cost of maintenance, operation and taxes. This is final and decisive. It is the ukase of a potentate who believes that he is master of the situation.

"It matters not that the Harriman interests make millions of dollars out of Oregon business every year, which, for ambitious extension of those interests in other territory are diverted, while Oregon development lags for want of transportation facilities. This policy suits Mr. Harriman well enough. His ambition is served, and it is exactly for that purpose that Mr. Harriman is in the railroad business. There is perfect willingness that the Coos Bay people should have a railroad. There is even that generosity that will tender the construction upon a guaranty of profit in the operation—not a mere promise of guaranty, but the actual cash in hand or its equivalent.

"It is foolish to suppose that there could be diversion of Oregon railroad earnings for the extension of Oregon lines when the money can be more ambitiously and more profitably employed elsewhere. Oregon development, as Mr. Harriman calculates, is bound to come on in time; but in Mr. Harriman's time and to suit Mr. Harriman's interests. Oregon people may think they have rights in the premises, but like the heathen mentioned in the Bible, they rage and imagine vain things. As for the present, if they would seek recognition of those rights from Mr. Harriman, let them put up the money. For Mr. Harriman believes in the philosophy of that comic ditty: "Every little bit added to what you have, makes just a little bit more."

HELEN ROWLAND'S REFLECTIONS.

In the modern game, of love hearts may be trumps—but it helps immensely to be able to flash a few diamonds.

Nowadays a man looks upon flirtation as just a lot of red tape through which he has to go in order to kiss a girl.

Don't worry if your husband regards you as "a little fool," because that's probably the reason why he married you.

A soothsayer has warned us to beware of red-headed women on

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

The hard work, the patient endurance, the courage in bearing losses and trials, at length on some favored day bring forth their result.

—Selected.

REFORM TOMORROW.

There's nothing in the habit. As any one can see, I'm going to break off smoking. And from the weed be free. Tomorrow at the latest I'll throw my pipe away. So since I am determined I'll smoke awhile today.

It's just a waste of money. A burning up of wealth; it doesn't help the morals. It doesn't mend the health. Far better spend my wages on bills I ought to pay. I'll chop it off tomorrow. So light 'er up today.

There's no excuse for being a slave to such a vice. Though it were not an object To salt away the price. So fare ye well, perfecto, And rope of twisted hay; I'm done with you tomorrow. Though friends we are today.

Without regret or longing, Without a single sigh Or moan for pleasures passing, I'll put my meerschaum by. Tomorrow—yes, tomorrow I'll smash my pipe of clay. But if there's no objection I'll light it up today.

ANON.

Having secured nine-foot bed sheets, Texas should now turn out more seven-foot men.

Sometimes the girl who "marries for a home" gets a husband who spends very little of his time there.

"And if hamburger cheese can smell," remarks the Manchester Union, "why isn't it reasonable to believe that plants can see and hear?" Now, isn't that putting it rather strong?

A hen in a New Jersey town has been caught in the act of laying eggs in an automobile. But with the price of eggs so high no hen should be expected to deposit her product in a wheelbarrow.

Chicago dressmakers want it, specified in marriage licenses that husbands must pay the dressmaker's bills. Have some Chicago men really succeeded in putting up a bluff that went?

Reed & Wright is the name of a firm that has opened a restaurant in Delphos, Kan. What their patrons will expect, though, is strong evidence that they employ a chef who knows how to cook.

It is asserted that Mr. Carnegie actually gave away half of his income last year. The "masses" are prevented from doing likewise by the butcher and baker and grocer, who get about nine-tenths of theirs.

"A man should be careful in choosing a hat," remarks the London Lancet, widely known as a medical authority. We have noticed that most men are. More careful, in fact, than when choosing a wife.

Claiming to have been beaten every day for eighteen years, an Illinois woman is asking for a divorce. March 17. Of course! but why didn't she include the other 364 days?

When a girl allows a man to catch her under the mistletoe without any trouble, he may kiss her—but somehow he feels just as bored and resentful about it as though his partner had trumped his ace.

How is a girl going to know what a man means by his attentions—when half the time he doesn't know himself?

A man's idea of a perfectly modest, innocent girl is one who knows enough to blush at things she oughtn't to know anything about.

You can never make a man believe that the way to sew on a button is not to stab it through the heart as though it were an enemy and then strangle it by winding the thread around its neck.

Marriage—a solemn contract to quarrel with one particular person for life.

No doubt she has been postponing the step in order to avoid the countercharge of being quick-tempered.

One scientist claims to have discovered that Mr. Rockefeller's prototype existed 23,000 years ago. The oil king evidently has the advantage in that he is more than merely "existing" in these days of prices.

Abdul Hamid, the Sultan of Turkey, is reported to have a private fortune of \$120,000,000 on deposit with the Bank of England. Evidently the "high cost of living" has not prevented him from laying something by for a rainy day.

BRIEFS OF BANDON.

News of City-by-the-Sea As Told In The Recorder.

The Coos Ministerial Association of the Methodist Episcopal church, will hold its annual session in the Methodist Episcopal church beginning April 20, 1909. The Epworth League will also hold a convention immediately following the ministers' meeting.

W. D. Button had the misfortune to get his wrist badly cut last week, while at work superintending the planers at Cody's mill. Dr. Perkins took three stitches in the wounded member, and bandaged the same thoroughly, and the patient is getting along as well as could be expected at present.

W. M. McKay has taken the contract to build a gasoline launch for the Cody Lumber Company to use as a tow boat for hauling logs down the river. The craft will be forty feet long and well constructed. Mr. McKay will be assisted in the work by Chas. S. Hubbard and Lawrence Stitt. The boat will be built at Price's shipyards, and will take about two months to complete it.

Messrs. Geo. W. Moore and Spain E. Pierce, who have been here for some time, left on the Fifield for San Francisco, and will return to their home in Port Huron, Mich. Mr. Moore is one of the largest stockholders in the Cody Lumber Company, and also has a large interest in the steamer Bandon. Mr. Pierce is a prominent citizen of Port Huron and has been out here to look at the country.

The Bandon Creamery Company is preparing to double its capacity so far as output of butter is concerned for the coming year. Last year was the first the creamery was operated and they churned more butter than any other creamery on the Coquille river, and they have now purchased the Mountain Spring Creamery near Riverton, and will move the machinery here, put in another churn as well as some other improvements, and will thus double the capacity of the creamery this coming summer. The daily output of the creamery will average at least 2000 pounds.

AT THE HOTELS.

Blanco.—J. W. Laird, William Norris, C. H. Zevy, A. W. Martin, Lee Nulty, Lou Gooduran, Coquille; A. J. Keach, Salem; A. E. Millington, Rome, N. Y.; W. Locke, North Bend; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cole, Los Angeles, Cal.; Pete Jane, Jr., Theophil Kasper, Portland; Chas. Crannell, Vallejo; J. H. Timon, wife and family, Myrtle Point.

The Chandler.—J. E. Walling and wife, Arago; Stanley A. Piltz, San Francisco; Jim Rodgers, San Francisco; F. C. Billieps, Portland; E. D. Doran, San Francisco; H. L. Rhinehart, San Francisco; M. L. Robbins, Portland; G. F. Grant, Portland.

J. S. HUME, a nephew of the late R. D. Hume, and formerly assistant manager for him, passed through Marshfield en route to Wedderburn to look after his interest in the estate. Mr. Hume now resides at Seattle.

Fog Delayed Plant.—The M. F. Plant reached port late this afternoon, having been delayed several hours by the heavy fog this morning.

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