

LITTLE TALKS ABOUT TOWN

A GRIST OF COOS BAY GOS-SIP GATHERED HERE AND THERE ABOUT THINGS OF PASSING INTEREST.

"The people at Drain are expecting announcement any day of the resumption of work on the Drain-Coos Bay line," remarked A. J. Mendel of the Hub Clothing and Shoe Co., who returned via the overland route from a business trip to San Francisco, Saturday. "They are cutting an immense amount of ties out there and it is stated they are for the new line. Business conditions at San Francisco are steadily improving. In San Francisco, I saw M. E. Whitmore, J. H. Somers and F. W. Feeney of Marshfield. All were anxious to get home, but were waiting for a steamer."

"I notice that the city officials are going to prohibit cattle, horses and chickens running at large, but they don't say anything about putting an end to the curs which are running around town," remarked Judge Hall the other day. "In my estimation, the dogs are a worse nuisance than the others and they don't earn anything for anybody, while the chickens, horses and cattle do. Dogs are constantly running over your lawns, flower bed or garden and doing much damage."

"That indispensable household friend and help, the sewing machine, is frequently the object of a great deal of unjust criticism and abuse," remarked a dealer in sewing machines. It is neither easy nor pleasant to confess our own ignorance or impatience, and so we are wont to declare that the machine is "cranky," "has fits," and "has gone into a fit of sulks."

"When your sewing machine has the next fit, get some oil and a brush and go over the running parts, brushing the oil into every crevice. Then wipe it all off, cleaning the running gear as perfectly as possible. "Oil the machine, reset the needle, see that the thread is all right, and proceed with your work. It will be a very strange thing if the machine doesn't sing away merrily as a reward for your patience in putting it in order."

"The people of the Coquille valley will have to get busy or the opponents of the Port of Coquille will defeat the project," remarked L. A. Liljeqvist of Coquille, while in Marshfield the other day. "Of course Bandon will be pretty solid in favor of the project, Coquille gives it a majority, but according to reports Myrtle Point and that section will be against the measure. The organization of a Port Commission there would be of immense value to all the river where it is possible to make the stream navigable. It would not cost a great amount to keep the river open in good shape for boats and vessels much larger than now ply on it, and then the Port Commission would be able to secure Federal assistance probably much sooner. At present, the opponents of the plan are fighting it on the ground of increased taxes and as property owners had to pay considerably more taxes this year than in previous years. The date of the election has not been set yet, but the petitions for it will soon be circulated."

"I think that Captain H. C. Nelson errs slightly when he says the Port Commission is without power to regulate vessels in the Regulation of channel," remarked C. R. Peck of the Port Commission today. "The Port of Portland is regulating the vessels there, and I think we can do the same here. In fact at the time of the investigation of the Breakwater-Alert accident, the United States Inspectors would not admit testimony to show that the Breakwater was running too fast because we did not have regulations governing speed in the harbor. They asked then about our speed regulations in the harbor. The Government retains certain rights and privileges, but I am inclined to think they will uphold us in any reasonable regulation."

BIG FIGHT PRICES.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19—Instead of having the prices of the Jeffries-Johnson fight run from \$10 to \$100, it is now almost settled that the prices will be from \$10 to \$50, and there is some chance of the far away bleacher seats being sold for \$5.

TWO DEALS IN CITY PROPERTY

Odd Fellows Buy Future Home For Lodge at Seventh and Central Avenue.

Late Saturday, the Marshfield Odd Fellows Lodge completed negotiations for the purchase of a tract 100 feet square at the corner of Seventh street and Central avenue. The property was bought from the Marshfield Realty and Trading Company and the purchase price is understood to have been less than \$2500.

The corner which is between the G. W. Tribbey residence and the Finnish Hall, was bought as a site for a future home for the lodge, a thing that has been sought for sometime. Just when the lodge will improve it depends on the development of the city.

Saturday, F. E. Hague bought a lot 50x100 feet just south of the Coos Bay Water Company's warehouse on Fourth street and Central avenue. It faces on Front street. It was also sold by the Marshfield Realty and Trading Company and the purchase price is understood to have been about \$2000.

Henry Sengstacken negotiated the deals. The Marshfield Realty and Trading Company is a subsidiary corporation of the C. A. Smith Lumber Company.

SHANNON'S HISTORY.

Editor Times:

"Confession was invented in the twelfth century in the reign of Constantine."

So says Dan Shannon to the people of Marshfield. You will notice at the outset that Mr. Shannon is a little misled in his dates; he makes Constantine live in the twelfth century when that good man had lain in his grave for nine long centuries—what a miracle worker! This is only one of the many mistakes which he has made in the manufacture of history for Shannon would not think of quoting history, because history has this one peculiarity—it does not lie.

Therefore, when Shannon makes the statement that confession is a human invention, I would ask him to open his bible and consult its pages for that enlightenment which he sadly needs. Let him read carefully John XX, 21:23: "As the Father had sent me, I also send you. When he had said this he breathed on them and he said to them: 'Receive ye the Holy Ghost whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them, and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained.'" The Catholic interpretation of this passage will be more clear by a comparison. Suppose today that in a prison of the Philippines a number of convicts of various crimes under the Spanish rule, were still confined and that there was a question of the justice or exceeding severity of their sentences. President Taft, informed of this, determines to send to Manila twelve commissioners with full power to investigate charges made, and you hear him say in the White House to these twelve men: "All necessary power is given me by the people of these United States. As they have chosen me to represent them, so I have chosen you to act in my name with my authority, I as President possess the pardoning power over crime. Receive your commission whose crimes

you shall pardon, they are pardoned by me, whose crimes you shall not pardon, they are not pardoned by me." What would be your inference from these words? At once you would say: (1) That these twelve men had received from the President the power of pardoning; (2) That they had sole and absolute control of the criminal cases in question and that the power of all other judges ceased on their appointment; (3) that their power could not be rightly exercised without a thorough investigation of each and every case; (4) that their authority would last until the last "guilty" or "not guilty" had been pronounced.

So the Apostolic commission supposes equally (1) that the twelve Apostles received from God the power of pardoning; (2) that the Jewish way of pardon was superseded by the Christian; (3) that the exercise of that power necessitated confession; (4) that their authority will last until the death of the last sinner. The history of the sacrament of penance is proof positive that it is not a human invention, but is of Divine origin and one of the greatest incentives to virtue the world knows of. Could it have survived during these nineteen centuries if it were an incentive to sin? Would millions of intelligent men and women still bend the knee? It is impossible to think so. The corruption of morals that everywhere followed the abolition of confession in the sixteenth century made many of the reformers wish for its re-establishment. Voltaire wrote in the eighteenth century: "The enemies of the Roman church who have opposed so beneficial institution have taken away the greatest restraint that can be put on crime." If confession were an incentive to sin, as Mr. Shannon says, it was in the case of his poor old father, how is it the most hardened sinners never go and the best Catholics are seen frequently at the sacred tribunal? If it weakened character, how do you account for its reformation of the habitual drunkard and its recall of the penitent Magdalen and the comfort and peace it gives to the condemned criminal? If it encourages crime why would Catholic fathers and mothers rejoice so much in seeing their boys and girls go frequently to confession and feel so sad at heart when they begin to neglect their duty? The fact is evident the Sacrament of Penance is a guide to the doubtful, a comfort to the afflicted, an encouragement to the weak, a warning to the young, a strong arm to the weak, and adviser to the ignorant, a menace to the hardened sinner, a joy to the truly penitent; it is Jesus Christ speaking to the world: "Come, to me, all you that labor and are burdened and I will refresh you." Matt XI, 28.

REV. J. A. MORAN,
St. Monica's Church.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

COQUILLE, Or., March 21.—Marriage licenses were issued the past week by the County Clerk to the following persons:

J. B. R. Miller and Mabel C. Greve; James R. McBee and Nellie Crowley.

Mrs. Dorothy Johns, a prominent woman's rights leader of San Francisco, says she has no hope that woman's vote will elevate politics very much, but she believes she will see the time when a woman can marry the man of her choice instead of being forced to take the first meal ticket that comes along.

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