

COOS BAY TIMES

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THE OLDEST INHABITANT.

THE oldest man in the United States, according to the census bureau, is Cherokee Bill of Grand Junction, Colo. He is said to be 114 years of age and an Indian negro. He has accumulated a fortune since he passed the 99 mark, having struck it rich at Cripple Creek some fifteen years ago. So far as is known Cherokee Bill has not formulated a health code or told the reporters how he managed to live a hundred and fourteen years. He isn't advocating a veritable diet or ten mile sprints before breakfast. Perhaps he hasn't accomplished as much for the good of humanity in general in his long life-time as some more strenuous individuals have in a shorter period of existence. But whatever he has or hasn't done he has defied time in a way that makes him a fit subject for scientific study. Some enterprising theorist might compile a whole volume of health rules from the habits and observations of Cherokee Bill. But in the meantime it is probable that a great deal would have to be left to individual discretion and common sense, just as it was in the case of the veteran westerner. A course of the training that made a "beap old man" of Cherokee Bill might prove ironically fatal to the health and longevity of the average mortal.

THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

THE development in China recently has been the most marvelous in the world's history. Within a decade a nation of hundreds of millions of people with centuries of conservatism back of it has been transformed from a bureaucratic despotism into a republic. China, at the opening of the present century, had neither a constitution nor a parliament. Today it has emerged from medievalism, is organizing a republic and is asking advice from the United States. It would organize its governmental scheme along the lines we have adopted. The awakening of China has been no gradual affair, as might reasonably have been expected. It is more than likely that the progress China will make during the next few decades will be equally rapid, and that soon it will be counted among the great forces in world politics and power. Once the Chinese have shaken off their oriental conservatism, much may be expected of them. They are an intelligent and dependable people. Their civilization has not been ours, but they have had centuries of development along lines that have built up the stability of character that is needed to insure the success of a republican form of government. The Chinese today are better qualified for self-government than are the citizens of many countries that have been disposed to look down on them as backward. It seems safe to expect that the Chinese republic will be a success and a credit to its citizens. Therefore, it is of importance that the integrity of the country should be preserved; that outside influences should not take advantage of the present to cripple the future greatness of the republic before it has been given a chance to get on its feet.

It should also be remembered that the figures showing the rapid increase of insanity in this country were collected before the outbreak of the daffydill mania.

RETALIATION.

(Written for The Times.)

Not a smile or a frown, Not a sigh or a tear, Do I miss or neglect; no, not I. Would you crush a man down? Then his duty is clear, To return you full change, or to try.

'Tis a foolish conceit To think others are blind; There are many who think so, alas! But the fool they would greet, Were they that way inclined, Is concealed in a small looking-glass.

From the envious sneer You will not be exempt, Let your effort be never so pure, Treat the lout or the jeer With cool, cutting contempt; 'Tis the most direct, radical cure.

Not a smile or a frown, Not a sigh or a tear, Can I ever neglect; no, not I. If you crush me when down I will kick like a steer, And keep out of your debt, or I'll try.

Bay City.

Have your job printing done at The Times' office.

TWO ARE HURT BY BAD FALLS

John Biasca of Coos River Injured Today—Baby Falls Twelve Feet.

John Biasca, a well-known Coos River rancher, fell from the roof of a new barn on his place today and is feared to have been seriously injured. But few particulars of the accident were received here in the message summoning a physician. Dr. McCormac left for there this afternoon. Child Is Injured. A three-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Juth, residing over the Ekblad hardware store, fell off the rear porch Saturday evening and was quite badly hurt. The little one struck on her face. She was unconscious for quite a while. An examination failed to reveal any broken bones or injuries other than severe bruises. She fell about twelve feet and that she did not sustain a broken neck or fractured skull is little short of marvelous.

INQUIRY IS ORDERED.

Accident to Alliance to Be Investigated by U. S. Officials. The Portland Journal says: "At the offices of Local Inspectors Edwards & Fuller in the custom house building an investigation will be held today into the cause of the steamer Alliance losing her rudder off Coos Bay last Sunday while bound from here to Marshfield. The steamer was eight miles off Cape Arago light when the loss of the rudder was discovered and reported to Captain Lofstedt. She was picked up the next day by the steamer Nome City, after drifting about all night, and reached port Friday. She was drydocked on the Oregon Drydock company's dock, and will have a new rudder installed there."

BOUQUET FOR WAITE.

Concerning the candidacy of F. B. Waite, who is well-known on Coos Bay on account of his extensive investments here, for state senator from Douglas county, the Sutherlin Sun says: "Citizens of Sutherlin, Mr. Waite's home town, would rally to his support to a man. Mr. Waite is not only very popular with the citizens of Sutherlin Valley, but his friends are legion all over Douglas county and throughout the state. His wide and varied experience in business matters eminently qualifies him for the position in the legislature which his friends are so desirous that he accept. Mr. Waite has never sought public office, and has repeatedly refused to allow his name to be used in connection therewith. Those close to Mr. Waite believe, however, that in this instance he will allow his name to be used."

MANY STEEL BRIDGES.

Douglas County Will Put In More Permanent Structures. ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 12.—Contracts for the construction of four concrete steel bridges in Douglas county, were awarded by the county court to the Portland Bridge & Iron company. The prices submitted by the successful bidder aggregate a total of \$57,519, which sum will be augmented by about \$2,000 in incidental items. The most expensive of the four bridges will be built at Umpqua ferry to replace the wooden structure which collapsed last summer, killing six workmen. It will cost \$17,154. A new bridge at Winchester will cost \$15,620, a third at Winston will cost \$13,740, and a fourth at Garden Valley involves a sum of \$11,205. There were seven bidders. The court has also under consideration to build a new bridge in Roseburg at a cost of \$20,000. The contract is being held in abeyance pending the decision on a site.

PLUMBERS PERFECT GENTLEMEN.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 12.—Declaring the plumbing trade was as honest as the ministry, officers of the National Association of Master Plumbers of the United States, in convention, resented today the reputation often given the trade. Louis E. Deubl of Canton, Ohio, secretary of the organization, said to the delegates: "A plumber is a gentleman in every sense of the word, a business man with ethics, morals and a conscience, the same as a preacher. We resent the reputation given the plumber that he is a 'bunco man' and 'grafter.'" The principal speeches of the session advocated sensible housekeeping, rather than legislation, as a solution to the plumbing problem. Try The Times' Want Ads.

MORE LISTS OF BACHELORS IN

Additional Names For Leap Year Eligibles Are Submitted by Times Readers.

A man may save his shekels for a bleak and rainy day. And deposit half his earnings every time he draws his pay. But in leap year he is helpless when a slow troupe comes along. For the female of the species just delights in comic song. Though it costs six bits a ticket, he must make his silver ring. For to sit well up in front she declares the proper thing. So he parts with much mazuma, though his lot be doth bewail. For the female of the species spends more money than the male. —B. WARE.

AND STILL ANOTHER.

Leap Year Editor: I have watched carefully your kind leap year list of eligible bachelors, but I must admit that you have failed the name of one bachelor who ought to be one of the first on the list. A bachelor of sterling quality is James R. Wall.

AN ADMIRER.

Leap Year Editor: The list of eligible bachelors will never be complete until you have the name of one who will make good. "What is the matter with our county timber cruiser? Oh, you Dennis McCarthy!" ONE WHO KNOWS HIM.

MORE AT NORTH BEND.

Leap Year Editor: I hereby send you a list of bachelors from North Bend. They are from 26 years old to 55:

- Syver Backey, Adam Newman, Bill Snyder, John Paulson, Bob Liljeqvist, Bill Dolan, Jeff Hartman, Louis Christiansen, Aamund Johnson, John Stalvik, Christ Pedersen, Andrew Gaffney, Joe Gaffney.

MYRTLE POINT POINTERS

News of Upper Coquille Valley as Told by The Enterprise. In the absence of Thos. D. Guerin the other four members of the Myrtle Point Port Commission met last Tuesday at the office of the Myrtle Point Mill Company and effected a temporary organization by electing Dr. M. O. Stemmler, temporary president and P. L. Phelan temporary secretary. They adjourned till Friday, January 19, when Mr. Guerin is expected to be home and the permanent organization will be made. It is too late to levy any tax this year, which will delay work being done on the river for a time at least. Definite plans for the work of the coming year will be discussed at the meeting on the 19th.

Z. T. Johnson received a telephone message Wednesday conveying the sad news that the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tollman had died that morning. Mrs. Tollman is a daughter of Mrs. Oscar Reed of the South Fork.

Died—At the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Devault of this city, Harry J. Devault, Wednesday, January 10th, 1912, at the age of 20 years, 5 months and 22 days. The young man had been suffering from tuberculosis for over a year.

A new brakeman for the Harrison & Rose Transfer Line arrived last Sunday, January 7th, 1911, and will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rose. The little fellow will spend several years acquainting himself with the work before taking up his duties on the front seat.

MYRTLE POINT BOOSTERS.

Commercial Club Organized to Aid in Development. The Myrtle Point Enterprise says: "Fifteen citizens and business men of Myrtle Point met at Dr. Johnson's office last Tuesday evening and effected the permanent organization of the Myrtle Club of Myrtle Point. The constitution and by-laws were read, adopted and signed by all present. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Dr. L. G. Johnson; vice-president, C. E. Huling; secretary, E. C. Roberts; treasurer, L. T. Dement; managers, J. O. Stemmler, P. L. Phelan, A. T. Park, J. L. Knight, D. W. Gilles."

Charles Durham, Lovington, Ill., has succeeded in finding a positive cure for bed wetting. "My little boy wet the bed every night clear thro' on the floor. I tried several kinds of kidney medicine and I was in the drug store looking for something different to help him when I heard of Foley Kidney Pills. After he had taken them two days we could see a change and when he had taken two thirds of a bottle he was cured. That is about six weeks ago and he has not wet in bed since." RED CROSS DRUG COMPANY.

LEFT CREDITORS IN THE LURCH

Marshfield Men Mourn Departure of Messrs. Ward and Hawley From Here.

A number of Marshfield men who are holding the sack for various amounts from \$15 to \$20 and some for even more, are discussing taking action to locate E. T. Hawley and Ed Ward who conducted a cleaning and pressing establishment here. Mr. Hawley is supposed to be at Boise, Ida., his father being governor of Idaho.

Ward is apparently the worst offender. Wm. Cox, who sold Ward a pneumatic cleaning outfit, did not get any money on it and now is unable to find any trace of the apparatus. R. E. Pinegor is minus \$20 on Ward's account. It is also reported that parties at Bandon are endeavoring to locate him.

John Herron holds a check for \$15 which he cashed for Hawley and which the bank returned to him marked "insufficient funds."

BANDON WATER COMPANY.

Coquille Valley Men Incorporate to Build New Plant. The Bandon Recorder says: "The Bandon Water Co., incorporated, has taken over the holdings, rights and franchises of the Bandon Light & Water Co., and has elected the following officers: President—E. E. Johnson. Vice-president—L. H. Hazard. Sec. Treas. and Manager—Geo. P. Laird. Directors—L. H. Hazard, E. E. Johnson, Geo. P. Laird and Wm. Nye, Jr.

The new company has outlined extensive improvements which will soon be under construction, among them being new reservoirs calling for the construction of three dams and about 1,300 lineal feet of flumes, together with over 5,000 cubic yards of excavation, the laying of several thousand feet of pipe, tile drain, etc. The plans include a clear water reservoir of 3,000,000 gallons capacity and two settling reservoirs of 5,000,000 gallons capacity. The water from the settling reservoirs passes to the clear water reservoir through a sand filter, insuring an abundant supply of the purest and clearest water."

SIGN FOR BIG FIGHT.

Jack Johnson to Meet Jim Flynn in Nevada Next July. CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 9.—After 18 months of idleness, Jack Johnson has signed articles here to fight a finish battle with Jim Flynn, the Pueblo freeman, generally regarded as one of the best "white hopes." The fight will take place somewhere in Nevada in July. As a tentative date, July 22 was selected. The fight will be staged either at Windward or Metropolis.

Johnson will receive \$31,000 and one-third of the receipts from the sale of moving picture rights. Flynn's share of the purse was unannounced. Each fighter agreed not to engage in a contest between May 1 and the date of the fight without the consent of the other. This means Johnson's fight with Sam McVey may be shaved or postponed in favor of the Flynn battle.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. For the balance of the winter, there will be a boat at the O'Kelly landing that can be chartered day or night. J. A. O'KELLY, Prop.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION Flanagan & Bennett Bank —of— MARSHFIELD, OREGON At the close of business, December 5, 1911. Resources: Loans and Discounts \$422,312.68, Banking House 50,000.00, Cash and Exchanges 184,486.43. Total \$656,799.10. Liabilities: Capital Stock paid in \$ 50,000.00, Surplus and Undivided Profits 58,531.57, Deposits 548,267.53. Total \$656,799.10

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