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WHY WORRY OVER FATE?

WE CANNOT escape fate. Even if we are allowed to live a useful life after forty, and escape chloroform at sixty, we must still face the fact that we have little chance of rounding up with the ten per cent of human kind that is free from tuberculosis. And the scientific dictum is old that nobody is perfectly sane. The pathetic part of the matter is that so many people go on living in disgraceful ignorance of the tragedy of their existence, even making merry withal.

CITY GOVERNMENT

THE recent convention of the National Municipal League at Baltimore, where officials of some hundreds of American cities discussed the problems of city government and exchanged views regarding their solution, is eloquent of the plain trend of the times in the direction of better, more representative and more efficient city government. It is direct evidence of the general acceptance of the conviction that old systems are faulty, wasteful and unresponsive to popular will. The encouragement is to be found in the palpable fact that not only is this recognized, but that an effort is being made to get away from it. We are slow sometimes to accept new plans and new methods, but dissatisfaction with systems that have obtained for years is the first real essential toward getting something better. That will finally come.

WITH THE TEA AND THE TOAST

GOOD EVENING.

One may be right, another mistaken; but if I have more strength than my brother, it shall be employed to support, not oppress, his weakness; if I have more light, it shall be used to guide, not to dazzle him.—Burke.

LIFE'S DAY.

The days are so short, how quickly they go; Hours now are fleeting, in youth they were slow; Nearer and nearer to life's high noon Twilight and shadows are filling the room.

Sunrise and moonlight they seem but twin stars Ere their rays are begun they're crossing the bars; Noonday and evening soon creep into morn, A sigh and a dream—a new day is born.

A glimpse of a face—a clasp of a hand— These are melodies sweet from a shadowy land; Grey veils of mist and the gold of the sun A moonbeam shines forth—and the day is done.

Is love an asset or a liability? Dyspepsia and pessimism have a lot in common.

No, Cordelia, a prudent girl isn't necessarily a prude. Any man can borrow trouble without bank references or security.

A woman sometimes keeps up a semblance of innocence long after that condition has passed merely because it harmonizes with her cast of countenance.

No man should be judged by his clothes, but it is always safe to judge a woman by the way she does her hair.

Among those who ought to be barred from society is the man who remarks after you have told your best story, "That's not the way I heard it."

Practically the man who never pays his debts has none.

When an old bachelor marries his women acquaintances all wonder that he didn't do it sooner and his men friends wonder how he happened to get caught.

When a man marries to get a housekeeper he is sometimes surprised and aghast to find that he has reckoned in as part of the house furnishings.

NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS

COQUILLE SOCIAL CHAT.

One of the most pleasant events of the Yule-tide week was the entertaining of the members of the "500" club, their husbands and invited guests, by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Collier at their home on Tuesday evening. The home was beautiful with its decorations of green and small Christmas bells everywhere in profusion. The Christmas spirit was among the guests; everyone forgot cares and entered into the joy of the evening. At the close of the games the most delightful refreshments were served and each one present seemed to vie with the others in determining who could best do justice to these refreshments.

Mrs. N. N. Neiman whose score was highest for ladies, won the first prize—a beautiful linen center piece. Mr. Hartson, with the high score for gentlemen, was presented with a book. Mrs. Evland and Mr. Neiman carried home the consolation prizes. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames L. H. Hazard, C. Evland, B. Folsom, L. A. Liljeqvist, A. J. Sherwood, N. N. Neiman, D. D. Pierce, J. A. Paulson, Z. Strang, J. H. McCloskey, E. Lorenz, G. Lorenz, W. J. Longston, Geo. Robinson, C. A. Howard, M. J. Hartson, Hal Pierce, L. J. Cary, R. H. Mast, Paul Sterling, Walter Sinclair, Ben Currie, Mrs. K. V. B. Nicklin, Mrs. Williams, Misses Heckma and Clare Sherwood.

Yesterday at the home of Henry Lorenz occurred one of the pleasant events of the holiday season, when Miss Camilla, the 12-year-old daughter of the house, gave a musical recital to which the other girl pupils of Mrs. M. O. Hawkins, and her mother's friends, to the number of 35, were invited.

The J. G. W. Ladies met with Mrs. J. S. Lawrence last Tuesday evening. The decorations were Oregon grape and poinsettia, and the holiday scheme was carried out by the use of holly berries for the table. The work for the good of the order was of the nature of needlecraft. The following were present: Mesdames E. E. Johnson, H. B. Lyons, J. A. Lamb, Fay Jones, C. W. Eudicot, Henry Lorenz, M. O. Hawkins, A. N. Gould, C. T. Skeels, and Misses Mary Davenport and Ruth Woodford.

Mr and Mrs. Aaron Wilson entertained last Monday in honor of Mr and Mrs. C. H. Nozler, of Bridge. There was lots of music and plenty of good things to eat and an enjoyable time for everybody. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames S. M. Nozler, Fred Nozler, C. H. Nozler, J. E. Norton, Frank Leslie and M. O. Hawkins.—Coquille Sentinel.

DEXTER RICE SENATOR.

ROSEBURG, Or., Jan. 4.—Governor West appointed Dexter Rice, State Senator from Douglas county to succeed George Neuner, who was only recently appointed District Attorney for the third prosecuting district. Governor West claims a provision of the state constitution makes the appointment of Mr. Rice legal, regardless of the fact that the statutes of the state provide that a special election must be called to fill any vacancy. When interviewed by a Review representative Mr. Rice said he had not been advised as to such an appointment and had not been consulted in regard to it in any manner. He added that he would not accept the office, if it was offered to him.

FINDS FLORIDA HOUSE BURNED

R. H. Mast is in receipt of a card from J. C. Savage, written at his new home at Freeport, Florida, shortly after his arrival there. He says his brother met him at the boat with the news that the house on their place had been burned that morning. There was some insurance, however. They are pleased with the country.—Coquille Sentinel.

CULLINGS OF COQUILLE.

Coos County Seat News as Told by The Sentinel.

Dr. Walter Cullin has had a shrd tustle with the grip lately, as a result of hooping it to the top of Fairview Mountain one when when the auto in which he was traveling broke down at the poor farm, but he is on deck again now.

James W. Crawford, former assistant Attorney General and a cousin of County Clerk Watson, arrived here from Salem Wednesday on business. He went over to the Watson ranch yesterday and returned to Coquille today.

In December, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Lawhorn, of McKinley, became the parents of a baby girl.

Only one prosecution for drunkenness in the Recorder's Court at Coquille during the holiday season is a record which tells of improved conditions here.

Dr. V. L. Hamilton returned to Coquille Wednesday morning after performing a major surgical operation for Mrs. Al Gartin at the Mercy Hospital at North Bend on Tuesday.

Harry Oerding went over to North Bend last Sunday to see his brother Walter, who is in the hospitals there, following an operation performed on his ear a week previous. He is getting along very nicely.

Mrs. W. M. Hammock, of the Fishtrap neighborhood, was stricken with paralysis Saturday and died in three hours without regaining consciousness.

We have heard about the Coquille river being frozen over here years ago, so that it could be crossed on the ice and the other day we asked Mr. Haskins, one of the old timers, how it was done. He says that the ice was about three-quarters of an inch thick and a light-weight, with two planks, one to walk on and to shove ahead, turned the trick.

CORNS MAMMY COST LIFE.

Pitiful Plight of Aged Tie Maker Near Bandon.

W. D. Englab, a tie hacker 74 years of age, is at the Emergency hospital having his feet treated for blood poisoning. The old gentleman lives alone in a little cabin several miles above Rocky Point. He came to Bandon Thanksgiving Day and while here bought some corn plasters, which he applied before starting on his walk for home. The plasters apparently were too strong for the aged man's feet, for when he reached home they caused him much pain. However, he left them on and the following day his condition became worse. On removing them he is said to have removed some skin and flesh, which through lack of proper precautions, caused infection and blood poisoning.—Bandon World.

BRIEFS OF BANDON.

News of City-by-the-Sea As Told by The World.

The third Sweet wedding this season was solemnized at St. John's church on New Year's Day, when Miss Jennie Sweet became the bride of Manton E. Treadgold. Both are popular young people and the affair was one of the prettiest of the season.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William A. DeLong, the venerable Bandon couple, was celebrated at the G. A. R. hall on the afternoon of Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Spencer have gone to San Francisco for a brief visit.

Jack Kronenberg is confined to his home with an attack of the mumps.

CURRY COUNTY ISOLATED.

After a quietness of about three weeks without an outside paper or a package of parcel post, something like twenty-five horse loads of mail arrived at this office in the last two trips of the Agness mail boat.—Gold Beach Globe.

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