COOS BAY TIMES

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BORN, NOT CREATED

AMHERST COLLEGE is going to establish a chair of common sense, and $100,000 is to be set aside in support of the same. Just what the curriculum will be is not declared, but it may be suggested in advance that common sense is not school taught, and it may be doubted if any amount of college work can add to or subtract from that quality in an individual student.

The boy with common sense can become better equipped for life by a college education. He will succeed without it, provided there is a fair amount of industry in him. But the boy without common sense will essentially fail, even with every advantage a college can give him.

WITH THE TEA AND THE TOAST

GOOD EVENING

Opportunity to do good is the greatest preferment which a humble heart does desire.
—Thomas Fuller.

VAIN QUEST

When weary with our business cares,
The marketing of stubborn wares,
Of telling petty social fibs,
Of tickling buyers in the ribs,
Of building or of tearing down
Our reputation or the town—
Say, wouldn't it be more than grand
To hit the trail for babyland?

To sit and wonder why the moon
Came out at night and not at noon,
To speculate if shining stars
Were headlights for celestial cars,
To watch the gaudy butterfly
On wings of light go flitting by,
To shovel in the shining sand
As toilers do in babyland.

Or at the evening hour to sit
Where shadows from the fireplace flit
And hear the story, ever new,
Of Cinderella and her shoe,
Of Jack the Killer, strong and true,
Who such ferocious giants slew;
Of Robin Hood's alluring band,
The pride of folks in babyland?

Alas, it never can be thus!
It isn't in the cards for us.
That time has gone away for keeps,
In memory's little crib it sleeps.
We listen as the echo sings,
Then turn our mind to other things.
Then wouldn't it be mighty grand
To take a trip to babyland?
—Selected.

What the country needs is fewer orators and more listeners.

If the world doesn't understand a man it always calls him a crook.

One rarely sees an old man who is afflicted with self conceit.

Fish are wise. They begin business on a small scale.

A man's wisdom isn't as interesting as a woman's intuition.

QUESTION FOR THE DAY

What has become of the old fashioned mother who named her daughter Mary Ann?

A Coos Bay man never forgets a kindness done—when he does it himself.

The Lord hasn't much use for a cheerful giver who gives nothing but advice.

A Coos Bay man may be a good judge of other things but it isn't safe to let him make a ruling in the matter of his own importance.

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SOCIETY NOTES

SOCIAL CALENDAR

MONDAY
Alpha Delphian Society with Miss Elvira Frizeen.
WEDNESDAY
Pastime Club with Mrs Justin Arms.
Priscilla Club with [illegible] E. Duncan
[illegible] picnic at [illegible]
[illegible] Simp[illegible]

[illegible]CH PARTY

[illegible] evening a party of Marshfield folks motored to Sacchi Beach and surprised Mr. and Mrs. Fred Raymond who are camping there. A bounteous supper was enjoyed and then a big camp fire, music and games made the evening a most delightful one. Among those present were: Ed. Eteele, John Ferguson, Clara Myren, Ednah Asplund, Mrs. Milford Raymond, Will Curtis, Lawrence Meyers, Elvira Frizeen, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hillstrom and Alfred Fliesburg.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE

The dance at Sumner hall last Saturday evening was well attended and a delightful time is reported by all who were in attendance.

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Miss Jessie Smith, a charming San Francisco girl, is in the city visiting at the home of her brother Fred W. Smith, at Myrtle Arms.

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Miss Alpha Mauzey, of The Times, leaves tomorrow for San Francisco to visit the Exposition.

COUPLE GO SOUTH

MISS RUTH MATTHEWS LEAVES TO WED C. B. LANDERS

Young Couple After Marriage in Portland to Leave for South America to Make Home

Miss Ruth Matthews, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. L. T. Matthews, left on the Breakwater yesterday morning going north to Portland where she will marry Charles B. Landers, Portland agent of the steamship Breakwater. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple intend to leave for South America where they are to locate. It is not known here to what point they are going or what position Mr. Landers has there.

Landers has for three years been in the employ of the Southern Pacific company. For more than a year he was located in Marshfield, leaving but a few weeks ago, having been transferred to Portland. He is very well known here and last winter was a prominent member of the basket ball team that won the championship of the county.

Miss Matthews is also well known and leaves behind her a host of friends who wish them both well in their new home.

Mr. Landers' father and mother come from Norfolk, Neb., to attend the nuptials. Mr. and Mrs. Landers will remain in Portland for the time being. The wedding took place today, according to word this afternoon.

'ALOHA' SURPRISES

L. J. SIMPSON SPRINGS HAWAIIANS AT GATHERING

Shore Acres Scene of Happy Banquet Saturday Evening—Music Surprise to Friends

Strains of "Aloha," sung by Hawaiians with the music on native instruments, issued from the Palm room of Shoreacres Saturday evening. It came as a surprise given by L. J. Simpson to Mrs. Simpson and a party of friends who had been invited down for supper and a social evening.

The Hawaiian troupe of five singers were taken down for the occasion. After the banquet the music was enjoyed in the moonlight on the broad veranda of the palatial home.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. C. T. Keating, Mr. and Mrs. William Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. McCullom, Misses Grace and Minnie Sheridan, I. R. Tower, Claude Thompson, J. E. Montgomery and George Sheridan.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Claude Moon and Margaret Wiseman.

Perry Howell Poole and Erma Augusta Carpenter.

Victor W. Lindstrom and Mary Engblom.

Louis A. Wheeler and Margaret Ogren.

J. Le Noir Rasedale and Nellie J. Olson.

CALLED BY SERIOUS ILLNESS OF SISTER

Mrs. H. D. Cox and Mrs. A. C. Cox Leave Hurriedly for Eugene—Sister Thought Dying

Mrs. H. D. and Mrs. A. C. Cox left hurriedly this morning by the Drain route for Eugene, called to the bedside of their sister, Mrs. Will Bunch, of Elkton, who is said to be dying following an operation for appendicitis.

The young woman is but 21 years old. Three months ago she was operated on after the appendix had burst. Her system was unable to resist the poison resulting and a second operation, it is feared, came too late.

THE LAW OF SALVAGE

BEACHCOMBERS CAN'T KEEP FINDINGS.

Marshfield Attorney Quo[illegible] Law and Court Decisions in [illegible] of Shipwrecked P[illegible]

Marshfield, Ore., J[illegible]
Editor Coos Bay T[illegible]

I read your paper [illegible] tention has only just [illegible] an article I must have [illegible] at the time of its publica[illegible] which Captain Magean of the s. s. Breakwater criticises the [illegible] refusing to salvage as I gave it to the newspapers on request at the time of the wreck of the Claremont, or rather undertook to dispute the authenticity of any such law, and [illegible] these questions are constantly recurring in a district located on the ocean coast, the following may be of interest to your readers, both as substantiating the law as I then gave it to you, and as a guide to the public in the event of any future unfortunate occurrences of like nature. The substance of the following is digested from an article by Hon. George L. Canfield, of the Detroit Bar and one of the best known and most universally recognized authorities on the subject of Admiralty law in the United States. He says:

"Salvors are expected to exhibit great good faith in their dealings with the subject of their work. The courts treat them with favor when this element is present and are correspondingly severe when it is not. They must deal very honestly with the property, and have no right to appropriate any of it to their own use. The best course is to promptly surrender it to the court under a libel for salvage. They have no right to retain possession as against the owner. The law protects their right to compensation by a maritime lien which has no relation to possession and which can only be displaced by an admiralty sale or their own laches in enforcing it.

"Practice in salvage cases occasionally brings one in contact with some of the very primitive notions of law. One of these is the idea that the finder of wrecked property becomes its owner, or that such property is subject to appropriation by the first occupant. There are probably few shipwrecks which fail to occasion applications of this theory. The neighborhood takes what it can and is usually sincere in the belief that it has a right to do so. The oldest sea codes contain denunciations of the practice, but it was not considered reprehensible in the earlier periods of the common law, and perhaps the popular notion is a survival of an ancient custom of the sea shore. It does not, however, find any countenance with the courts. The Albany, 44 Fed. 431, presents such an instance. She was stranded in the Straights of Macinac with a valuable cargo and jettisoned a considerable quantity which was appropriated by various people along the shore with the aid of tugs and lighters. Some of them acted ostensibly as salvors, but on landing the property they permitted it to be loaded into wagons and carried away by such as chose, to such an extent that the court treated the transaction as one of plunder and not of salvage, saying: 'The evidence in this case discloses a very singular misapprehension upon the part of a certain class of people with regard to the duties of the public toward vessels in distress, and with regard to the ownership of property thrown overboard or unladen from them. So far as being moved by the misfortune of the Albany to extend to her such assistance as was in their power, her signals of distress seem to have been interpreted as an invitation to everybody to help himself to whatever he could lay his hands upon belonging to the cargo. Indeed there is a medieval flavor about the conduct of the men engaged in this wrecking expedition which intuitively recalls to the student of maritime law the customs of the Gauls as stated by Judge Peters in his observations on the laws of Heron, who were in the habit of seizing upon the cargoes of vessels stranded upon their coasts and confiscating them to the use of the lords of the soil and of either selling their crews into slavery or sacrificing them as an offering to their gods. Happily the crew of the Albany were preserved from this fate'

"In another case, Murphy vs. Dunham, 38 Fed. 503, the question of when the owner of shipwrecked property lost his title was considered. A schooner was sunk in Lake Michigan, loaded with a cargo of coal. Murphy bought it from the underwriters, but did nothing towards recovery and it lay on the bottom of the lake from May 12, 1883 until after the middle of June, 1884, when Dunham raised nearly a thousand tons and sold it in Chicago. Murphy then sued him for a tortuous conversion. The court held that the suit was rightly brought—title had remained in the owner Murphy, despite the apparent abandonment, and Dunham was a trespasser in interfering with it. The only way of divesting the owners' title would have through a judicial sale in a salvage proceedings."

Shipwreck does not divest title. Those who act as salvors will be amply protected by the courts if they observe the requirements of good faith and simple honesty. The basis of the law of salvage is equity and public policy—equity in adjusting the burden of the loss and the labor of recovery, and public policy in suitably encouraging the protection of life and property from the perils of the sea. Captain McLean is a good captain and an excellent navigator, but he is too engrossed in poetical aspirations to ever be a safe guide for the public upon questions of maritime law.

Sincerely,
E. LOTHARD M'CLURE.

AMONG THE SICK

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