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EUROPEAN WAR ONE YEAR AGO TODAY

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An air raid is made by the Germans on Cuxhaven.

The Russians attacking the Galician forts of Cracow are driven back fifty miles.

The Allies make unsuccessful attacks at Nieuport.

TIME IS SHORT

THERE is only one more day left before the close of the year and every one who expects to make any good resolutions had better get busy and have them listed in their minds.

WITH THE TOAST AND THE TEA

THE OLD COUNTRY DOCTOR

He'd stalk to our bedside and order us gruffly

To stick out our tongues, which we'd do with such dread,

And give, while he handled our pulses so roughly,

An ominous shake of his solemn old head.

And then, while he listened to mother's description

Of things we had eaten and what we had done,

He grimly would fix his old Latin prescription

For nastiest medicines under the sun.

Those horrible doses! How mother would scold us,

And beg us and buy us to take 'em in vain;

Then, oh, how we'd struggle when father would hold us,

And squeeze about our noses regardless of pain.

And when forced to open our mouths quickly mother

Would shove in a spoonful that strangled us, till

We spluttered it out just in time for another,

Its vile, nasty taste's in our memory still.

—Selection

HUH!

They pinched him and he can't get bail,

But why should he get peeved or pout?

As long as he's locked up in jail

There is no way to find him out.

When you hear some Coos Bay girls trying to play the piano you realize how true it is that a little learning is a dangerous thing.

QUESTION FOR THE DAY

Have you ever noticed how much noise the other fellow makes without saying anything? Well, do you need any stronger argument to make you keep your mouth shut?

When a Coos Bay man is alive his wife thinks that he is so insignificant that she is surprised that a fly doesn't step on him and crush him.

But when he dies she gets the idea that he was so important that she has to go into debt for five years to see that he gets the biggest funeral in town.

No Coos Bay married man can brag that he has never made a mistake. Even if he did get the right woman he often has to hook her gown up the back.

A man can get 400 love letters from her before he marries her, but he never discovers that she doesn't know how to spell until after he has been married for awhile.

The trouble with the optimist who is always broke because he says: "Oh, well, you can't take it with you when you die." is that he is always trying to relieve you of your burden of small change so that you will be light enough to fly in case anything happened to you.

Every now and then you see a widow who acts as if she was too bashful to walk on the same side of the street with a man.

News of Nearby Towns

BAD MONEY HERE

During the past week several counterfeit half dollars have been circulated in this place. There appears to be quite a lot of them in circulation in the county at the present time.—Coquille Herald.

LOSES PART OF FINGER

Tom Moss, the butcher, lost the first joint of his forefinger on his left hand in some mysterious manner yesterday.—Coquille Herald.

MEAT MARKET CHANGE

W. B. Moss, who has just sold out of the Moss & Jones meat market, will now engage in the business of cattle buyer. Before coming to Coquille Mr. Moss had many years' experience in buying for the Kansas City and other markets, and what he doesn't know about beef on the hoof is not worth talking about. Mr. Jones will locate in North Bend.—Coquille Herald.

WEDDING RING IS CAUSE OF INJURY

Mrs. Sam Epperson has blood poison in a finger of her left hand caused from wearing her wedding ring which was too tight and caused her finger to become swollen to such an extent that blood poison has resulted from it.—Coquille Herald.

LUSE HOUSE BURNS

Palatial Residence at Sutherland is Destroyed

Fire that broke out shortly before midnight Friday completely wiped out the \$40,000 J. F. Luse residence, overlooking Sutherland, and considered one of the finest and most elegant country homes in Southern Oregon.

The Luse family was attending a Christmas tree celebration in town and discovered the flames upon preparing at a late hour for the homeward trip. Owing to the distance of the country place from the town fire fighting equipment, little could be done toward controlling the flames and, although more than 100 volunteer fire fighters worked heroically, the place was a total loss.

DIES AT ROSEBURG

A Roseburg paper says: "Mrs. Frank C. Rodgers, a popular lady of this city, and a resident of Roseburg for the past nine years, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. Sadie Peasley, 527 South Mill street. Mrs. Rodgers had been ill about eight months, having an affliction of the lungs. She was 26 years old. A sister, Mrs. Nellie Frieze, of Fossil, and a brother, D. A. Peasley, of Gardner, who in addition to her mother, survive her, are expected to arrive here for the funeral.—Mrs. Rodgers' husband was employed on the Roseburg-Myrtle Point stage route.

AT THE HOTELS

Chandler Hotel A. H. Cotter, Moro; C. A. Baintie, Eugene; N. C. Nelson, Eugene; F. S. Pitt, Gardiner; J. E. Aasen, Coquille; S. P. Bartlett, Coquille; E. P. Adams, Myrtle Point; R. V. Jones, Portland; J. R. Beulhoff, San Francisco; William Candlin, Coquille.

St. Lawrence Hotel J. C. Harley, Coquille; Thomas H. Hanley, Coquille; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Buer, Myrtle Point; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wilson, Myrtle Point; John R. Smith, South Inlet; Morris A. Joffe, Powers; J. J. Jones, Powers.

Blanco Hotel C. S. McCulloch, Coquille; Henry G. Schaefer, Powers; W. O. Stull, Allegany; A. W. Johnson, Coquille; W. S. Bonebrake, Catching Inlet; W. Habeck, Powers; W. Haydon, Jr., Empire; R. F. Macgenn, Empire; Ed O'Brien, Powers; James Pyron, Powers; C. W. Egenhoff, Sumner.

The Coos Bay man who is always bragging about his own achievements wouldn't be such an infernal pest if he was bragging about ours.

No Coos Bay man ever went home with a black eye because he let the other man do all the talking.

It sometimes takes a Coos Bay man fifteen years to explain the sweet little note he scribbled in fifteen seconds and sent to her.

SALEM—Oregon railroads expended \$2,822,068 in extensions and improvements during the twelve months ending June 30.

ROSEBURG—J. H. Scott, head of a corp of engineers relocating the Pacific highway, sends word that he will reach Roseburg in ten days.

SILVERTON—Mrs. Elizabeth Whitlock, resident of the city since 1845, died of heart trouble, aged 81 years.

MARSHFIELD'S FIRST SALOON STARTED 46 YEARS AGO

When the doors of the saloons close tomorrow night Marshfield will have done away with a business which has existed in the city for the past 46 years. Liquor has been legally sold in Marshfield for that length of time. Liquor was used here even farther back but the first retail saloon opened was in 1869: it was the Pioneer, and was a log structure which stood where the Palace restaurant on Front street is now located. The saloon was opened and conducted by A. P. De Cuis a French Canadian, and the liquor sold was shipped here from San Francisco.

Sold to John Bear In the early 70's DeCuis sold the place to John Bear who conducted it. When the saloon was opened it was one of the only three buildings on the water front of the city. At the time Mr. Bear conducted the place there was no bank in the city and Mr. Bear acted in the capacity of banker as well as selling liquor. He kept his own money and any that might be left in his charge at his residence. He had a trap door in the floor and under it a little brick vault where he kept the money. Sometimes he was the only one who had much cash on hand and there were occasions when he loaned money to the lumber companies to pay off their men.

Had Brewery Here Beer was made in Marshfield as far back as 45 years ago. About 1870 George Stauff and William Reichert, who was known as Dick Reichert and "Old Dick" started the operation of the brewery. This was the old brewery where the saloon of that name and the wholesale house is now located. Mr. Stauff soon after sold out to Reichert and in 1874 built a brewery of his own at Uter City which was then quite a settlement.

At Empire First But there were saloons on Coos Bay before the first one was started at Marshfield. Empire was the first settlement on the bay and there were saloons there before the Pioneer was started in this city. A. C. Rogers is said to have been the first saloon man in Empire. Others of the early day saloon men in Empire were Hopkins, Billy Buckhorn, Hank Barrett, Frank Knowles and Jim Kelley.

Customs Different The early day saloon customs were different from what they are now. Nothing less than twenty-five cents was accepted. Dimes were not in circulation then. The system of

GEORGE LAIRD WILL HAVE FINE DAIRY

Ranch on Coquille to Be a Finely Appointed One and Highly Modern

George Laird is to have one of the most modern dairy farms in this part of the state according to the following from the Western World of Brandon:

Seven pure-blood Holsteins, purchased at the Star ranch in Curry county by George P. Laird, were brought to Brandon last Friday, and on Saturday shipped up the river to the new Laird ranch. They are of the finest and highest-priced stock in this section of the state, and will be the nucleus for a herd of equal quality. Eleven head of young stock for the same owner are at the Sweet ranch, where they will be fed until spring. A number of thoroughbred bogs and little pigs have also been taken to the ranch.

M. G. Lutsey of Curry county, who will have charge for Mr. Laird, took his family and belongings there Tuesday and will begin at once getting the dairy plant organized.

Is Near Riverton The Laird ranch consists of about 130 acres opposite and extends about a mile south of Riverton, along the river. It commands a beautiful view, the house and barn setting against the side of the hill, considerably higher than the rest of the land. The house is a modern sixroom bungalow, with all the latest conveniences down to a shower bath.

Barn Fine One The barn is the envy of every Coquille valley farmer. It can accommodate about 50 head, has concrete floor, steel stanchions, stalls that can be flushed out with running water, and all the latest tramways and conveyors. It also has a mammoth hayloft. Commodious outbuildings for pigs have also been constructed.

Place Being Cleared Much slashing has been done on this place during the past few months but there is more to be done. When all the available bottom land has been cleared there will be sufficient to keep from 50 to 60 head of cattle.

The way in which Mr. Laird is keeping up quality in building his place, indicates that he will have one of the most up-to-date ranches in the county.

treating was different. When a man entered the saloon he was supposed to buy drinks for whomever was there. Then he could wait and accept drinks from the others who came in and bought and it was perfectly proper. It was therefore wise to get in the saloon early as the later comer had a good many to buy for when he entered.

Gambling Flourished It has not been so many years ago that gambling flourished in connection with the saloon. The frequenters of the places played for high stakes and the old timers tell of some famous games which were played in the back rooms of the Marshfield saloons. They were open gambling rooms and were well patronized.

After the shooting and killing of a man in a local saloon the gambling was done away with and there never was public gambling again. This reform came about when John S. Ccke was mayor of Marshfield.

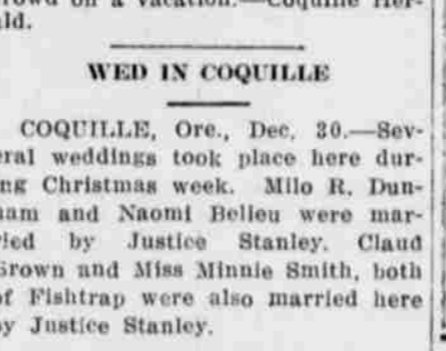
No Keys Needed Up until about eight years ago the saloons were open all the time, days rights and Sundays. No keys were needed as the doors were never locked. Along about those times everybody had plenty of money and they spent it. The saloons were patronized late at night sufficiently that it paid them to keep open.

Early Bootleggers If anyone is arrested for bootlegging after the first of the year it will not be the first time. Before saloons existed on Coos Bay men were arrested for bootlegging in the 50's and in the 60's.

COQUILLE VIEW STATED It was a sorrowful looking bunch of men that went home to Powers on the train Monday from Marshfield. They were drunken men, men with bandaged heads and black eyes and bruised up faces. They had the appearance of a wild Western crowd on a vacation.—Coquille Herald.

WED IN COQUILLE COQUILLE, Ore., Dec. 30.—Several weddings took place here during Christmas week. Milo R. Dunham and Naomi Belleu were married by Justice Stanley. Claud Brown and Miss Minnie Smith, both of Fishtrap were also married here by Justice Stanley.

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