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## "If Not, Why Not?"

In last week's Reporter an article appeared under the above caption, evidently written by Mr. C. E. Hawkins, in which he makes reference to the printing of the delinquent tax rolls. He would have the people believe the whole thing to be illegal and fraudulent. The public is entitled to the facts, which are as follows:

The law requires the county court to enter into contract with the paper which shall be "most likely to give actual notice to delinquent taxpayers." It also determines the method by which the county court may arrive at the knowledge of what paper is "most likely to give actual notice to taxpayers," viz: By the publishers filing with the court, at its January term, a sworn list of their subscribers. Mr. Hawkins is the "business manager" of the Reporter, and being an attorney of course knew the law, but wholly ignored it, and refused to file his list, so that, officially, the court had no knowledge of the existence of such a paper, and could not, legally, give it the patronage. Mr. Hawkins, knowing this, saw an opportunity to give vent to his hatred for the judge and carry out his threats to tattle that official all he could in the discharge of his duties. He waited until he had every reason to believe the contract had been let and then sent in a bid which he knew could not be accepted—even if he had offered to do the work for nothing—for reasons already stated—namely, that it would not have been legal. Mr. Hawkins did not expect to secure the contract; neither could he if he had been on the most intimate terms with the court, under the same conditions. Such relations, however, do not exist, and the feeling between these gentlemen had its origin in the last campaign. Mr. Hawkins was a delegate to the Republican county convention and helped to nominate the ticket. Mr. Brown was the nominee for judge and Mr. Wade for clerk. Instead of standing by his ticket, as he was in honor supposed to do, Mr. Hawkins went to P. H. Myers, the Socialist candidate for clerk, and tried to induce him to "draw off" in the interest of Mr. Lutz, the Democratic nominee, for the purpose of defeating Mr. Wade. Mr. Myers, being a man of honor, informed him that he would "draw off" the day after election, and forthwith went to Mr. Brown, the Republican candidate for judge, and informed him of Mr. Hawkins' treachery. Mr. Wade being out of town at that time. Mr. Brown, of course, informed his colleagues of what was doing, and on Mr. Wade's return Mr. Hawkins was forced to acknowledge what he had done. From that time the relation between these gentlemen has been strained, and Mr. Hawkins, with some able assistance, has missed no opportunity to make trouble for the county court. It was he who, in connection with others, enjoined the judge's salary. It is he who has given the judge constant trouble in the settlement of a number of Indian estates. It is he who, posing as a republican, puts every possible obstacle in the way of a successful administration by the man selected by his (?) party—a man who is trying to fill the office of county judge with credit to himself and the upbuilding of the county.

THE LEADER has no desire to devote its space to the airing of quarrels within the camp of its own party, but some of our readers wish to know the cause of the numerous hot-air blasts from the business manager of the Reporter. We have given a true explanation.

## W. R. C., Attention.

There will be a special meeting of Abe Lincoln W. R. C. No. 49 at the hall next Wednesday night. Every member is urged to be present.

ROSE SCHENCK, President.

## Attention, Rebekahs.

You are requested to meet at the hall Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for practice. Please be there if possible. O. O. K. STAD, ADA SOULE, N. G. Secretary.

Banker and Mrs. Thomas Leese of Corvallis were among the arrivals last night.

Miss Hattie Gillette departed this morning for a few weeks' sojourn with relatives and friends in the valley.

Adrian Ford of Newport was in the city last Saturday.

Miss Julia Fogarty of South Beach was visiting in Toledo last Friday.

John Stevens, a well-known Siletz rancher, was a passenger for Albany Monday morning.

Will Soule has been rusticated in the Alsea bay country during the past week—an ideal time for an outing.

Some genuine March weather prevailed the fore part of the week. We got a little of everything except dust.

C. C. McBride of Eddyville came down Wednesday evening to pay his taxes and neighbor with Toledo friends.

Miss Martha Wakefield who had been visiting her sister, Miss Mamie, returned Monday to her home at Eddyville.

Tom Coleman, the well-known traveling representative of Wadhams & Kerr Bros. of Portland, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. George Beck departed Monday morning for her home in Michigan. Her husband will probably follow in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McArthur departed Monday morning for Fort Mojave, Ariz., Mr. McArthur's new post of duty in the Indian service.

George W. Ellis, representing the Blake-McFall Paper Company of Portland, was making his regular call on Toledo business men Wednesday.

Lee Williams of Newport, the retired hotel prince, passed through Wednesday morning en route to Portland. He will be back in a few days if no bad luck interferes.

We are requested to announce that the Ladies' Un-Aid Society will give an entertainment on the evening of April 1. Programs and further announcements will appear later.

Shedd Rosebrook, who has been at the Bremerton, (Wash.) naval station for some time, is now on the battleship Wisconsin at San Francisco, where he asks THE LEADER to visit him.

A. W. Rogers and his little 8-year-old daughter came up from Siuslaw on the Roberts a few days ago and have become citizens of Toledo. Mr. Rogers has purchased the John Anderson residence on the north side near Dr. Thayer's property.

Dr. O. H. Davenport, the dentist, left last Saturday evening for Kernville, accompanied by W. E. Ball and J. F. Stephens, citizens of that place. The doctor expects to spend about ten days on his cattle ranch in that country. Now is the time for your teeth to ache.

As a result of attending church services, Principal George McCluskey of the Toledo schools is 11 cents to the good, to say nothing of the more important benefits derived. At one service he picked up a dime which he discovered on the floor and on the following Sunday his eagle eye spotted a penny. The moral is plain.

The Ladies' Aid Society met with Mrs. Dorar at the parsonage Tuesday afternoon. The few who braved the storm were well repaid. The hostess served refreshments and the session was a very pleasant one. If the weather is favorable next Tuesday afternoon the society will meet in the M. E. church to tie comforters. All lady friends of the cause invited. Each member is urged to come and bring a friend.

W. E. Ball and J. F. Stephens were up from the lower Siletz country last Saturday. They report that that snow white calf which was believed to have been abducted from the leased domain of the Parmele brothers has been found dead—lodged in some drift on the river bank. THE LEADER is pleased to learn this, as most of the citizens down there are its readers, and we feared some of them might be under suspicion.

J. H. Dunn, who had been at the home of County Judge Brown for several days, died about 2 o'clock Monday morning and was buried in the Toledo cemetery Wednesday. Mr. Dunn was in his 83d year and for some time had been helpless. He has two sisters in Portland, it is understood, but was unable to converse intelligently, and their address could not be obtained. He had no relatives here, and it became necessary for the county to care for him during his last illness.

## A TOLEDO BOY IN HONOLULU.

Zenas Copeland prospering in the "Paradise of the Pacific."

THE LEADER is in receipt of a letter from Zenas Copeland, dated "Honolulu, H. T., Feb. 25, 1903," from which we append a few extracts:

"Since I left Toledo, nearly two years ago, I have wandered around considerable, and finally settled down here in Honolulu, the so-called 'Paradise of the Pacific.'"

"I am working for the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land company, and am doing well. Since I have got used to the climate I have been enjoying excellent health, which is nothing new to me."

"With this mail I send you two numbers of our principal papers. One is the 'cable edition;' the other contains an article on how we used to get news before we got the cable."

As most of our readers are aware, Honolulu was connected with the United States by cable at the beginning of the present year. A portion of the article mentioned by Mr. Copeland is here produced:

"The Washington Star says: 'I guess, maybe, the cable won't be appreciated by the Honolulu folks!' said an American newspaper man who recently returned to this country after being employed for many years on the staff of a Honolulu newspaper. I have knocked about the world a good bit, and I don't know of any place that has been more in want of cable communication for years past than Honolulu. The white population is composed exclusively of hustling men and thoroughly up-to-date women from all parts of the United States and Europe, and their feeling of isolation, even while living in so modern a city as Honolulu, has long been acute, with no other news brought from the outside world than reaching them in heaped-up form in the American newspapers that we get to the islands by steamers at from four to ten days' intervals between them. They are alert people, who before settling in Honolulu were in the habit of closely following the news of the world from day to day, and the business of waiting for days at a stretch for information as to the world's doings, especially at periods when they knew something big was going on, has been extremely irksome to them."

"To illustrate: Our first news of the eruption of Mount Pelee was brought down to us on the steamer Australia. The Australia brought the San Francisco papers, containing the bare announcement of the great catastrophe, published the day after the great eruption, before any of the details of the horror were known. There were just four or five double-leaded lines on the first pages of the newspapers, telling of the thing, and that was all. The steamer Australia had left San Francisco for Honolulu just seven days before, and there was no other steamer from the states due for something more than a week."

"Now, if there's any one thing that the people living in the Hawaiian Islands are particularly interested in, it's volcanoes. So, when the Australia brought the San Francisco papers, containing only those few lines about the Mount Pelee affair, the people longed for cable as they had never longed before. The brief announcement stated that perhaps 50,000 lives of residents of St. Pierre had been sacrificed, and the Honolulu folks weren't very cheerful just about then."

"The Warrimoo, bound for Samoa and Australia, was late, and didn't get down until ten days after the arrival of the Australia, and we had to wait all that time to get the details of the Pelee affair. Then we each got our big bundle of newspapers, ten days of them, and we had to sit down and spend a night wading through the terrible history of the dreadful Martinique calamity. Honolulu was the gloomiest city imaginable for several days after the arrival of the Warrimoo. Whereas if the town had been in constant daily communication with the United States by cable the news of the great catastrophe would have come out gradually and naturally, and the shock of swallowing it all at a gulp would not have rendered the city dismal and depressing as it did."

"Again: The first we heard of the shooting of President McKinley was contained in the bunch of San Francisco newspapers brought down to Honolulu by a steamer that left San Francisco on the morning following the deed of the assassin. The accounts were given in detail, of course, but it seemed certain from the telegraphed stories in those papers that the president could not possibly live, and some of the merchants even draped their stores in mourning upon receipt of this first information. Then, about five days later, if I remember correctly, another steamer came along, and we were astonished to find, not only that the president was still alive, but that there seemed quite a fair prospect that he would eventually recover. We were rejoicing over this still when, a week later, another steamer came in, bringing newspapers containing not only the information that Mr. McKinley was dead, but giving in detail the accounts of his funeral."

"So that living in a place cut off from cable communication with the rest of the world gives one a constant series of shocks."

"A man who can sit down and read ten days' copies of his newspaper, say from January 1 January 10, and do the thing consecutively and in order, without trying to find the outcome of something that he gets interested in in the later numbers before he has absorbed the entire contents of the first numbers, is worthy to rank alongside of Job. I've tried to do it innumerable times, but never got away with the task. I once knew a missionary who had spent many years in the heart of Africa, and who only got his papers once a year, and then all in a bunch and he told me that he read them consecutively in a systematic manner, but that man was a saint, not a human being."

The copies of the Commercial Advertiser received from Mr. Copeland indicate that the people of Honolulu are jubilant over the arrival of the cable. They feel that they are really a part of Uncle Sam's big and progressive family.

M. M. Davis of Yaquina Monday nighted in Toledo.

John Meeck, the Siletz meat merchant, had business in the county seat last Saturday.

Jack Cusack made proof on his homestead last Saturday and departed Monday morning for Lakeview.

Express Messenger William Toner is indulging in a lay-off and doing the state metropolis this week.

Marion Hunt of Eddyville was in the city Wednesday night for the purpose of getting square on the tax rolls.

His Honor Gus Weber of Beaver Creek was a county seat visitor yesterday, accompanied by his little son Hermann.

Landlord Johnny Gaither of Newport was in the city last Sunday on his way home from a visit to his farm on the Siletz.

John L. Anders, the moral and gentlemanly C. & E. brakeman, is nursing a crippled hand, the result of trying to chop wood.

Messrs. S. A. Prnett and S. J. Brown passed through Sunday en route to their home at Yaquina from a picnic on the Siletz.

Farmer Clyde Fox went out to Albany Wednesday, to be absent about six weeks. He returned Sunday from his ranch northeast of the Agency.

The entertainment given by Miss Mamie McCluskey's school at Yaquina last Friday night for the purpose of raising a school library fund netted the neat sum of \$27.60.

Services will be held by Rev. J. C. Reinertson in the Lutheran church next Sunday. The Norwegian language will be used at 10:30 in the morning and English at 7:30 in the evening.

J. J. Gaither went over to Siletz Monday to assume the duties of clerk under superintendent McKoio. Mr. Gaither's years of experience in the Indian service will make him perfectly at home in the position. His Toledo friends are pleased to see him "catch on" again.

Attorney B. F. Jones accompanied his son Francis to Portland Monday, where the latter will take a course at a business college. Mr. Jones carried the proxy of F. M. Wadsworth, member of the Congressional committee for this county, and attended the meeting of the committee at Portland yesterday.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

### Record of Recent Exchanges in Lincoln County.

March 9—Minnie A. Tolford to Howard Morley, sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 8, township 8 south, range 9 west. Consideration \$2250.

March 10—W. T. Slater to J. A. Richardson, lots 1 and 4 and the sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the se<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 19, township 11 south, range 10 west. Consideration \$165.

March 9—Emma B. Thompson to Mattie W. Moore, 120x40 feet in Nye & Thompson's addition to Newport. Consideration \$65.

Feb. 21—George T. Smith and Caroline Smith to Ollie J. Purdy, 20 acres in nw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of ne<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 15, township 11 south, range 10 west. Consideration \$1.

Feb. 25—Fred Joss and Anna Mary Joss to Alpheus G. Bradley, sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 4, township 13 south, range 11 west. Consideration \$1750.

Feb. 25—F. F. Gaar to Thomas Leese, lot 11, block 2, city of Toledo. Consideration \$325.

Feb. 27—Charles Corser and Clara Corser to School District No. 6, 1 acre in ne<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 18, township 11 south, range 8 west. Consideration \$1.

March 4—Catherine McHardy to W. C. McClure, sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 10, township 8 south, range 9 west. Consideration \$3150.

March 9—Charles Allen and Maggie Allen to M. W. Simpson, se<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 22, township 11 south, range 10 west. Consideration \$275.

March 12—Henry Nice and Jessie L. Nice to Gottlieb Elksnat, 4.55 acres in section 27, township 13 south, range 11 west. Consideration \$15.

March 12—John Loy to Howard Morley, w<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the se<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the ne<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, and the fractional nw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the ne<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, in section 2, township 8 south, range 9 west. Consideration \$2250.

W. G. Hanson, writing to THE LEADER from Jelly City, Tehama county, Cal., asks for information concerning the advantages of this county, and says he would like to hear from parties who want to sell property, and from real estate agents. He intends moving to Oregon soon.

J. A. Westerlund of Fruitburst, Ala., William Westerlund of Chicago, T. R. Egerton of Shultsburg, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Redman and H. J. Kent of Monroe, Mo., are in the city. They are looking over Lincoln county with a view to becoming citizens.

Hall & Anderson's delivery team indulged in a little frolic Monday evening, upsetting the wagon twice, but doing no damage worth mentioning. When the horses had finished their romp they went quietly to the barn and asked forgiveness.

Sam Center went to Elk City Monday to introduce his cream separators to some of the thrifty ranchmen. The separator is becoming popular in this county. It is a sensible idea.

J. H. Doty and son Grover of Yaquina were in the city yesterday. Mr. Doty reports that the storm Monday night demolished his crabbery and also damaged the cannery.

Epworth League topic for Sunday evening: "The Young Christian's Pleasures." Answer to roll-call with a Scriptural quotation on "Help."

Dr. J. D. Wetmore has been taking his own medicine this week, but, nevertheless, notwithstanding, seems to be getting better.

Merchant J. R. Vant moved into his own home on First street last Friday, exchanging places of abode with R. E. Collins.

Ed Swanson went to Newport this morning. The rumor that he intended to buy the place has not been confirmed.

Miss Ethel and Edith Ross went to Newport Wednesday night to attend a meeting of the Order of Eastern Star.

If Eli Gaither can borrow a horse with short ears and a verified pedigree he will probably visit Newport today.

J. Hurley Lutz departed Tuesday morning on a business trip to Portland and intermediate points.

H. D. Barber, the genial Newport pedagogue, was a county seat visitor last Saturday.

Mrs. Hattie B. Tracy of Newport was in the city last Saturday.