

# NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

## OREGON CITY

**NOTICE**—Oregon City subscribers will please take notice that the office of The Journal has been established at the corner of the office, Seventh street, next to depot, where subscriptions, complaints, payments, etc., will be received and attended to by L. J. Canfield, The Journal Oregon City agent.

### UNCLE SAM'S BOOK AGENT WALLOPED

**YOUNG MR. DE WRIGHT WILL NEVER INVADE HOMES IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY, WHERE SO MANY INHABITANTS WERE BAMBOOLED.**

(Journal Special Service.)  
Oregon City, Jan. 20.—De Wright is a young man of veracity and character. He lives at Liberal in this county and has an experience as a book agent that will last him for some time to come. All of the southern part of Clackamas county has recently been worked and re-worked along the book agent lines. A history of Oregon and Clackamas county, with a biographical sketch of each person who subscribed for the book, was palmed off on the people at \$18 per copy, with a total of \$93 if the unsophisticated farmer would agree to put his picture in the book, which quite a number of them did. When the books were delivered and the cash had to be dug up, there was a holy howl, as the books were in no sense what they were represented to be. De Wright has been in the government service some time in the last year or two and the government sent some 50 copies of a very fine issue of a work on veterinary surgery, finely bound and illustrated with copious notes and engravings, and asked Mr. De Wright to distribute them among his friends in Liberal and Molalla, which he at once proceeded to do. He found that the people who had bit at the last book agent were not only hostile but belligerent. They could not be made to believe that the books were a gift from Uncle Sam, but thought it a trick of some "peaky" book agent, and about as fast as Mr. De Wright delivered the books the good housewife would cart them out and throw them into the big road to moulder and rot. In one instance a lady hit Mr. De Wright a crack or two with a broom and in another chased him out of the yard with a bulldog. Mr. De Wright has given up his job as book agent for Uncle Sam and says if the government has any more books to deliver in that part of Clackamas county he must get some one else to deliver them or send along a company of regulars, as he does not intend to face the fury of the outraged citizens of Molalla and Liberal.

**Passing of a Pioneer.**  
Another old pioneer and respected citizen of Clackamas county has been gathered to his eternal rest. On January 15, Ferdinand Rath, aged 79 years, passed over the great divide. He was the father of nine children, six sons and one daughter, all of whom survive him. Ferdinand Rath left New York June 20, 1855, for Australia, and landed at Melbourne October 15 of the same year. He came to Oregon and settled near the present post office at George in 1871, and resided there until the time of his death. He was a splendid citizen and took with him to his grave a spotless reputation. His body was laid to rest in the cemetery at George, the funeral ceremony being preached by Rev. Mrs. Nelson.

**He "Kicked" the Dog.**  
Dr. W. E. Carr is a popular physician of this city. He has an office in Bartly block. It is handsomely furnished and he has a large library and a number of sofas with a half dozen pillows made of good feathers and covered with silk slips. His also is the owner of a dog of uncertain age and lineage which he leaves in his office to look after and take care of things when he goes out to make a call. During his absence the dog concluded to put in his time chewing up the sofas and succeeded in tearing the covers off of two and scattering the feathers to the winds. When the doctor returned to his office and opened the door he was under the impression that some one had started a feather renovator in his office and has since put in his time gathering up the feathers and licking the dog.

**The Initiative.**  
The petitions that are being circulated in this county by the grangers to invoke the initiative upon the direct primary law are being numerously signed. The popularity of the measure is attested by the great number of signers as re-



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**NOTICE**—The Vancouver agent of The Oregon Daily Journal is located at 603 Main street, John F. Lundberg, agent.

### SHE HAS QUEER CHOICE, SAY PEOPLE

**REPORTED THAT MARRIAGE LICENSE SECURED YESTERDAY AND THE QUESTION IS WHO WILL PERFORM THE CEREMONY.**

(Journal Special Service.)  
Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 20.—Marriage licenses were issued yesterday afternoon by the county auditor to Charles Letcher and Edna Hamilton, both claiming to be from Portland, Or.

There are a large number of Portland people who come to Vancouver to get marriage licenses, but in this instance there was an unusual striking contrast between the bride and groom and might rightfully be termed "a study in colors." The groom is an Ethiopian of the most pronounced type. The nationality of the bride is not known, but she is not an Albino. It is said, however, that she did not show the positive trace of colored blood and was quite fair to behold.

The fact is not denied that the Miss Hamilton is a pure white girl. It is said as near as can be learned that she lives on Gilman street, Portland. The closest investigation here cannot ascertain how she became so infatuated with Mr. Letcher as to enter a state of matrimony. The affair created quite a sensation, and who will perform the ceremonies is a question at this time.

**"Dickens of a Meeting."**  
A genuine old-fashioned surprise party was tendered Rev. R. Yeatman and wife of the Baptist church last night by a large number of his congregation and specially invited friends. The surprise was complete in every way.

Rev. Yeatman had called a meeting of the deacons of the church to take place at his residence at 8 o'clock last night, but in the meantime was called to the residence of Mr. Driver for the purpose of uniting in marriage Charles H. Collins and Dorothea T. Bemis, both of Vancouver and vicinity. The members composing the surprise party met at the residence of W. L. Burt and proceeded from there in a body to the parsonage. On the return of Rev. Yeatman he was greeted with many voices wishing him the best of health and other complimentary remarks. Some little merriment was occasioned by the remark of Rev. Yeatman inquiring on his entering the room: "Is that the deacons' meeting?" It was misunderstood by one, who presumed he said, "This is a Dickens of a meeting."

Rev. and Mrs. Yeatman were the recipients of many beautiful and useful presents, and a merry time ensued, notwithstanding that the deacons' meeting had to be postponed until some later date.

**Retail Clerks' Election.**  
The Retail Clerks' Association of Vancouver elected officers for the ensuing term at its regular meeting last evening. The officers elected are as follows: E. M. Thoroughman, president; Jacob Westhoff, secretary; J. S. Warren, first vice-president; Harry Miller, second vice-president; Charles Butterfield, secretary; Miss Della Mungler, recording secretary; Miss Ethel McQuarren, guardian, and William Miller, guard.

**Gets a "Bottail."**  
Private Frank L. McCutcheon of the 24th battery, field artillery, who was tried by a general court-martial at Vancouver barracks, Washington, gets what the soldiers term a "bottail."

McCutcheon deserted from the service of the United States at the Presidio, California, went to Utah, and finally landed in Portland, while working in Portland. It is said, he decided to give himself up.

He was tried by a general court-martial, was found guilty of desertion, and sentenced by the court to be dishonored by labor for the period of one year under the post guard, as well as forfeiting all his pay and allowances due him from the government. The findings of the court were approved by the reviewing authority, but the sentence was mitigated to confinement at hard labor and forfeiture of pay.

**Woodcraft's Dance.**  
The order of Woodcraft's last night gave a dance at Eichenlaub's hall, which was well attended and proved quite successful.

**A TRAGEDY IN PUNCTUATION.**  
She was after  
Lingered for fashion's whim,  
But she said, with laughter,  
She cared 0 for him.

She pronounced  
Caused no exultation,  
Then became dumfounded  
At her l.

"Twas like heaping:  
Fire burning hot,  
For he staked his soul on  
Marriage with a.

Soon he made a — for  
Nearest exit gate,  
Found he had no cash for  
Dinner that he s.

Quickly she relented,  
Wrote that she'd be his,  
Told him she repented  
( )

Now they're living double,  
Happy, strong and well;  
It seems the cause of trouble  
Was a deadly ill.  
—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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## SALEM

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### IN THE SHADOW OF THE GALLOWS

**PLEASANT ARMSTRONG'S ATTORNEYS APPEAL TO THE SUPREME COURT AT SALEM—IF THEY FAIL THERE THEY WILL TURN TO THE GOVERNOR.**

(Journal Special Service.)  
Salem, Or., Jan. 20.—The scaffold stands ready at Baker City to close the last chapter in the life of Pleasant Armstrong, slayer of his sweetheart, Minnie Ensminger, and the only earthly power yet remaining that will grant a reprieve to the murderer is action by the state supreme court or the governor of the state.

Armstrong in the condemned cell of the Eastern county jail, sits and awaits the dawn of Friday morning, while G. J. Bentley, his counsel, pleads with the courts.

Judge Goodman and George J. Bentley, attorneys for Armstrong, are arguing his case in the state supreme court this afternoon on its merits. They urge that the last death warrant issued by Judge Eakin was without warrant of law, since they declare no law existed for executing the condemned man in the county by the sheriff. If hang he must, they say, it is his right to be hanged in the penitentiary.

Attorney-General Crawford appears for the state opposing a reversal of the decision of the lower court.

If successful in their present plea Armstrong's attorneys will later urge that the prisoner cannot be hanged at all for the crime, as he killed Minnie Ensminger before executions in the state penitentiary were provided for. It is expected that the court will decide the case tonight or tomorrow morning.

"While there's life there's hope," said G. J. Bentley as he walked slowly from United States District Judge Bellinger's court yesterday afternoon after his motion for a writ of habeas corpus had been denied for the second time, "and until the trap is sprung that sends Pleasant Armstrong into the next world I'll never give up this fight."

In his final argument before Judge Bellinger in Portland yesterday, Mr. Bentley said, his voice choked with emotion: "Your honor, this is a grave question and as I know you must view it purely from a legal standpoint, you should remember that a man's life is at stake and that your decision means much to Pleasant Armstrong."

But Judge Bellinger refused to take any action.

Mr. Bentley went to Salem this morning for the purpose of once more appealing to the state supreme court for a stay of execution. If he fails in this he will turn to Governor Chamberlain.

Judge Gilbert of the United States district court of appeals is expected in Portland either this evening or tomorrow and Bentley may ask him for a stay of execution. Inasmuch as Judge Bellinger has refused to act, it is said that Judge Gilbert may refuse to take cognizance of the case.

"If I did not think I were right I would not put up such a stubborn fight," said Mr. Bentley. "But I still hold that the amendment passed by the special session of the legislature holding that condemned prisoners, to whom the death warrant has been issued, should be executed in county jails is ex post facto. The act of the special legislature is a weak attempt to bolster up the law which annulled the old one which provided for the execution of criminals at the penitentiary and made no provision for persons awaiting trial at that time."

Judge Bellinger holds that the new law is not ex post facto in the case of Armstrong inasmuch as it does not make the penalty greater but merely changes the place of punishment.

### SAME OLD STORY OF CRUEL TREATMENT

(Journal Special Service.)

Salem, Jan. 20.—A divorce suit was last evening filed in the circuit court by Mrs. Josta Hicks against John Hicks. The couple were married in Astoria, June 18, 1898, and since that time have lived in a number of cities in the Northwest. The woman alleges cruel and inhuman treatment, that she has been repeatedly beaten by her husband, that he conducted a cafe and dance hall in Lewiston, and made her wait on lewd women, that he habitually associated with lewd women and gamblers, and that at one time he forced her to give him money she had earned and he then squandered it in gambling. One child, a girl of 2 1/2 years, is the fruit of the union. The custody of the child and her costs and disbursements of the action.

**Women of G. A. R. Entertain.**  
The women of the G. A. R., at their hall over Steiner's grocery store, at noon yesterday, tendered a reception to Mrs. Lillian Bailey of Sara Francisco, national president; Mrs. R. E. Wanda, department president of Oregon, and Mrs. Lizzie Benedict, department president, who returned Monday evening from Roseburg, where they visited the Soldiers' home. At the reception a large number of the members took part, and were present, as well as a number of old soldiers, and a most enjoyable time was had. Governor Chamberlain, having been especially invited to attend, was there and enjoyed a pleasant visit with the ladies of the G. A. R., following the reception a bountiful dinner was served and the afternoon passed in a social way. The three prominent officials of the ladies of the G. A. R., who have been visiting the various lodges of the order throughout the state, renewed interest in the organization.

**State Gets Money.**  
Governor Chamberlain has received from the United States treasury department \$90,135.24, being 5 per cent of the receipts from United States land sales in Oregon during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903. This money was by the governor transferred to the state treasury department and will be the secretary of state distributed to the several counties in the state according to area, for use in building and repairing roads and highways. This is nearly four times as large a sum as that received from the federal government last year, and is by far the largest payment ever received in one year from this fund.

**Early Notices.**  
From the Buffalo Courier.  
The Pitte Indians are on the warpath. Time was when such an announcement would cause much concern. Now it attracts little more attention than the report of some barroom row.

## WALLA WALLA

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### HISTORIC FORT AT WALLA WALLA

**BUILT WHEN STRENUOUS TIMES DEMANDED ITS PRESENCE, BUT NOW UNCLE SAM HAS NO FURTHER USE FOR IT AND IT WILL BE ABANDONED.**

The abandonment of Fort Walla Walla is positively intended. It is said by the secretary of war that so soon as Boise barracks are enlarged to a capacity to accommodate regimental headquarters and four troops of cavalry this will be done.

Old Fort Walla Walla was established in 1857. This was just subsequent to the disastrous Indian wars that were raging through southern and eastern Oregon and Idaho. Then the fort was an absolute necessity, and when built, many families were taken within its confines for protection against the hostile Indians.

General Grant, about the time of the establishment of the fort, spent two months there, and it was then said that his pay of captain in the regular army could not support the cost of living in the Northwest.

After leaving Walla Walla, Grant came to Portland, en route to Washington, and it was then said that the location for a fort that occupied by the one he had just left.

**ANECDOTES OF AUTHORS.**  
When Herbert Spencer was in the habit of dining out with his scientific and literary friends, a lady of conspicuous mental ability and learning was generally one of the company and Spencer was invariably asked to take her down to dinner. His hosts thought they were paying him a compliment in giving him the most brilliant lady of the company, but he resented always being associated with the same lady. At last, when his host on one occasion said, "Mr. Spencer, will you take Miss — down to dinner?" the philosopher emphatically replied, "No, I will not," and another companion had to be found for him.

When Capt. Dreyfus published his book containing the story of his troubles the editor of a Paris paper, recalling what Zola had done for the unfortunate soldier, went to see the novelist to get him to review the volume. The visitor found him at the big table at his library doing his day's work. "Review Capt. Dreyfus' book!" he repeated when the proposition was made to him. He got up and ambled round the table—a short man, with a stomach and no neck—grinding at intervals. Finally he said: "Why should I review his book? He never even read mine."

Edmund Clarence Stedman, the poet, while in France, was standing on a country road admiring the landscape, when he noticed that the peasant who were passing dotted their hats. This attention was very flattering until he discovered that he was standing in front of a roadside shrine to which the peasants were showing their customary reverence.

**CLEVER LITTLE STORIES.**  
At an evangelistic service at Glasgow recently the preacher at the end of his address cried: "Now all you good people who mean to go to heaven with me, stand up!" With a surge of enthusiasm the audience sprang to its feet—all but an old Scotchman in the front row, who sat still. The horrified evangelist wrung his hands and, addressing

him, said: "My good man, my good man, don't you want to go to heaven?" Clear and deliberate came the answer: "Awe, Awm gangin', but no wi' a pairsonally conducted party!"

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**GAY-COLORED PETTICOATS.**  
Once again well-dressed women are wearing all sorts of brightly-colored petticoats in daring contrast to the som-

bre cloth dress, while those who are economically inclined content themselves with one smart black silk petticoat, making it do duty for more than one frock.

There is nothing more charming than a touch of color in the underskirt for the winter. Scarlet, orange, or bright royal blue, under black, brown, or dull navy blue cloths, are in good taste. This contrast in color applies only to the underskirt worn with the street costume.

**What He Wanted.**  
From the Philadelphia Ledger.  
Mr. Nuritch—You've resigned your situation again?  
His Son—Yes, sir, it was too hard.  
Mr. Nuritch—Too hard! Don't you know that no situation is perfectly easy?  
His Son—Yes, sir; that's why I prefer no situation.

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