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THE EUROPEAN BIG STICK MAN.

THE GERMAN KAISER loses no opportunity to keep Europe agog with expectancy of and anxiety about what he contemplates doing or in a more or less direct way hints or threatens that he will do. Emperor William no doubt is ambitious to be not only a great ruler in his own domains but the big man of Europe, a royal cock-of-the-walk not only in Germany and Prussia but in other capitals as well.

of heavier grades and curves, yet with heavy rails and a perfect roadbed there seems no good reason why far greater speed could not be made through most of the Willamette valley and over portions of the road between Portland and Seattle.

KEEP THE EXHIBITS OPEN EVENINGS.

IF IT IS POSSIBLE in any way so to arrange it the exhibits at the fair grounds should be kept open in the evenings until some reasonable hour. As in every community the great majority here are wage earners. They are employed on a weekly salary and the only leisure time they have is after they get through their day's work. If the exhibits are closed after that hour there is nothing left for them but the Trail and however attractive that may be, and it has many attractive features, it will not appeal as a steady diet to many who go to the exposition to get fuller information on many things that interest and instruct them.

PUGET SOUND CITIES GROWING.

IF ALL the already quite large and rapidly growing cities of the Puget Sound region, not very far apart, could be counted as one, they would make a pretty good-sized town. Seattle, keeping far in the lead, claims on the basis of its forthcoming directory a population of 187,500, as against 90,000 in 1900, an increase of over 100 per cent in five years.

A NOTED NEWSPAPER MAN GONE.

THE death of Beriah Wilkins, proprietor of the Washington Post, at the comparatively early age of 60, removes from American journalism one of its most agreeable as well as successful men. The Post is one of the country's greatest newspapers and was made so chiefly, as to many of its characteristics, by Mr. Wilkins. His journalistic career, such being the case, is peculiar in the fact that he did not become a newspaper man in any capacity until he was past 40 years of age.

NEW SPEED RECORD FOR TRAINS.

THE NEW 18-hour train over the Pennsylvania railroad between New York and Chicago, a distance of nearly 1,000 miles, is not so much to accommodate the public as a contest between that road and the New York Central, which has been running a 20-hour train, and it is now announced that a 16-hour train will soon follow.

All for Seven Dollars.

Correspondence St. Paul Dispatch. Seven dollars will enable the visitor to the Lewis and Clark exposition to see every concession on the Trail, the amusement thoroughfare of the centennial. At St. Louis it cost in the neighborhood of \$30 to see the "Pike" with its 70 shows, many of which were not worth the price of admission.

Queerness of Indiana.

From the New York Sun. Peeking stonily and superiorly over the Boston Pale at a barbarian world, the Boston Herald stares and wonders at those happy Hoosiers and remarks: "Indiana is a queer state."

Costly Living in Gotham.

From the Pittsburg Dispatch. Every day in New York there is some fresh aggravation to matrimony cropping up in places affected by bachelors. It costs 10 cents more to be rubbed with alcohol than it did six weeks ago. Manufacturing is \$1 instead of 75 cents.

Only a Peanut Office.

From the Oregon Irrigator. In spite of his defeat Governor Williams is still the grand old man of Oregon. It is, however, too bad that he ever stooped to such a petty office as mayor of Portland. That is a job fit only for a peanut politician, and George H. Williams is too big and broad a man to stoop to the small ways and divers subterfuges of the ward heeler and the corner loafer—those who live by peanut politics.

Kansas City's Terrible Weeds.

From the Kansas City Star. For weeds, individual humanity is blameable. They can be cut down "ere sin can blight or sorrow fade." To neglect to do so is to inflict a grievance upon others. It is to offend society and the law. The municipality should take delight in enforcing in the case of weeds that measure of protection which is denied it, also, against the vagrant fly.

SMALL CHANGE

Only two bits tomorrow. (Go. "No hoose in Benton county." The crops haven't time to fall many more times.

SON FOR TOMORROW

By E. D. Jenkins, D. D. June 18, 1906—Topic: The Heavenly Home.—Rev. xxiii-11. Golden Text—He that overcometh, I will give him to sit down with me in my throne. Responsive readings: Psalms 131, 132. Introduction.

The revelation with which our New Testament is closed was written by the same beloved disciple who wrote the fourth gospel. This has been endlessly noted by the angels who were to accept the current belief of the church universal, based upon a tradition which was accepted by those who lived nearest to its date of authorship.

The church was, at the time these visions were granted to John, in perilous straits. He was a prisoner, a companion in tribulation with thousands of suffering believers. Most of his generation had fallen upon sleep, most of it a hard, unbroken sleep, in the midst of the great martyrdom.

The heart of the valley also made a fine showing. There are few, if any, regions superior to that of which Corvallis is the center. Russell Sage has written an article on "How to Invest Your Surplus." One telling how to get the surplus would be more interesting to many.

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

Medford 3,000—growing. A Crook county man sold a portion of his land and stock for \$25,000. It is estimated that 40,000 head of mutton sheep will be sold in Lakeview during the season.

A Chicago capitalist who has been visiting Harney county considers it an ideal stock country. A Dalles man is propagating a cherry that he thinks will be two weeks earlier than the Royal Ann and as good.

From a small spring about 1,300 feet from his house a farmer near Fossil has completed the installation of a splendid system of waterworks that adds wonderfully to the comfort, convenience and value of his ranch. The water is cold and pure, bursting out of the solid rock of a hillside.

An Amity (Yamhill county) man has invented a hog-catching machine. For fear some newspaper writer who thinks he is a wit might suggest that it be set for the "Salem variety," the Salem Statesman explains that it is not intended to catch the bipeed kind at all.

That Grants Pass is attaining to metropolitan standards is noticeable in many ways about the city. Many of the offices of the professional man would not be out of place in the best office buildings of his cities, for in equipment, furnishings and appearance they are as complete as to be found in any city.

LATE NEWS FROM RABBITVILLE

From the Oregon Irrigator. The City drug store has just received 10 barrels of cement, two tons of coal and four cords of wood, as well as a full line of porous plasters and a nice stock of garden rakes.

Old man Bunco is going around with his off eye did up in an orator. He says he fell down and hurt himself. He did. But a rolling-pin in the hands of Mr. Bunco helped him fall.

We strolled over to Sagebrush flat last Saturday. We wore a gun. That is why we are alive to tell about it. A nice burg is Sagebrush flat. We would not go so far as to say that all of her people ought to be in the pen, but most of 'em has been there.

Old man Blinkinduffer was coming up street Sunday leading his bull, pup and Rastus, his noodle was leading his brindle pup down. The dogs met. The next thing Blink and Rastus was cussing and wallerin' around in the sand with the dogs. It was a beautiful fight.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

A Card From Mr. Wittenberg. Portland, Or., June 16.—To the Editor of The Journal.—In order to disabuse the mind of the taxpayers of school district No. 1, as to the resolutions passed at the meeting of the taxpayers of Portland, increasing the salaries of teachers, I herewith present a copy of the resolution, showing that the increase was voted by the directors to distribute as in their judgment seemed best.

Credit to Mr. Brown. Portland, Or., June 16.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Few Portland people realize that the sale of the Portland Consolidated company, which means an investment of several million dollars of new capital in our city, was actually the efforts of our enthusiastic former townsman, Mr. Frank L. Brown, whose foresight and unflagging energy some years ago saved the old cable streetcar line leading to Portland Heights from being sold to the railroad.

The Only One Benefited. Portland, June 16.—To the Editor of The Journal: I see in The Journal of the fourteenth that an ordinance has been introduced in the city council granting saloons the privilege to remain open all night by paying an increase in license of \$300 and that the liquor interests of the city are in favor of it.

A Suggestion. From the Roseburg Review. The Republicans of Oregon want to reorganize and get together for the purpose of carrying the state at the next election, so their newspapers tell them. If this is true a good start could be made by requesting the resignation of Frank C. Baker, chairman of the state committee, a man so morally incompetent that his selection was an insult to the respectable people of the state.

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