

ORPHANS ARE WORKED AS MENIALS

Startling Revelations Are Made in Letter Written an Oregon Senator by Mrs. Cora Stone of Foster, Linn County.

(By Journal Leased Salem Wire.)
Salem, Or., April 1.—Startling revelations of the condition of orphan children in Oregon—how they are adopted merely to be pressed into menial service, their mental training neglected and other charges—are contained in a letter written to an Oregon senator by Mrs. Cora Stone of Foster, Linn county. Whether the facts set forth will cause an investigation is problematical, but the letter has been placed in the hands of Labor Commissioner Hoff.

The letter is peculiarly pertinent, in that it arouses interest in the orphan problem as a statewide question—to what extent the motherless children are being misused, if at all; and whether their condition in general is as deplorable as the alleged cases cited in Mrs. Stone's letter. The letter follows:

Mrs. Cora Stone's Letter.
"I wish to call your attention to one of the most pitiful and deplorable conditions in this community I ever met with any place I have ever lived, and I have been in many places during the 25 years of my existence. There seems to be no law governing the disposition of orphans in Oregon. Anyone who wants extra work done, goes and gets an orphan. People whom wise nature let us hope it was, anyway—denied children of their own, people who have little and work like oxen, people with no education, no real home surroundings, go to Portland and come back with a boy or girl adopted.
"As one man put it, in a year or two the girl can do the housework and the boy can help me on the farm. A young woman of 25 who has \$3000 of her own, who lives with a semi-invalid mother, a brother and two sisters, has adopted a boy of about 5 years of age. All she grows up simply live for money. They all have a hand in seeing that the boy works. I understand. They are religious fanatics, go off on home roller and such hikes.

Works Boy of 13 Years.
"Another young man has a boy of 13, quite bright. He is not adopted, but his whole family are dead. The young man has him for what work he can get out of him and uses such language to the small boy that it is the talk of the neighborhood. The young man is an inveterate and incessant cigarette smoker, and has been for 14 years, so you see what kind of a custodian he is for a young boy.
"Those to us is an old bachelor who had had a boy for several years. Last year when I moved here I began a systematic jogging of the county school superintendent to find out what was going on. At last I succeeded, but then the old bachelor said the boy was not worth his keep if he had to go to school so he sent him away. And I could tell you more.

"There should be some simple law compelling people to register with the county judge when an orphan is taken in charge by private parties; the fitness of the individual to properly care for the child and why the child is wanted, etc. It is an outrage and the legislature should see to it."

Frightful Fate Averted.
"I would have been a cripple for life, from a terrible cut on my knee cap," writes Frank Dismery, Kellier, Minn. "Without Buckler's Arnica Salve, which soon cured me. Infallible for wounds, cuts and bruises. It soon cures Burns, Scalds, Old Sores, Bolls, Skin Eruptions, Warts, etc. Price 25c at Woodard, Clarke & Co."



Don't fly away with the idea that it is necessary to pay high prices for good clothing. Every day we are satisfying many good dressers that this store saves them money, and as to style and choice—well, there is no gainsaying the fact that our customers are "really well dressed." Just try

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lature with time for best sheet and halpin foolishness should look this up.
"MRS. CORA STONE."

Commissioner Hoff's Answer.
In answer to the communication of Mrs. Stone, Labor Commissioner Hoff states that he is powerless to act. When a child is adopted it stands in the same relation to its adopted parent as if this parent was its actual father or mother. As long as the child is not working for a compensation, supervision does not fall under the jurisdiction of the labor commission, by virtue of the powers delegated to him under the child labor laws.

CHANGE PLANS OF COURTHOUSE

County Court's Suggestion Will Increase the Office Space in Building.

Alterations in the plans for the new courthouse have been approved by the members of the county court that will add considerably to the space for offices. The change consists in cutting in two the offices planned for the same floor with the courtroom.

Under the plans being prepared by the architects, Whidden & Lewis, the courtroom will measure 14 feet from floor to ceiling. By the original plans the offices on the same floor would have had the same spacious space. The court decided to have floors put in at the 12-foot point, thus providing for two sets of offices, one above the other, instead of one.

It is announced that the working plans for the courthouse will be ready in about two weeks. When these are finally approved the county court will be ready to advertise for bids for construction. The east side workers are then expected to apply for an injunction, and the legal fight will be on.

HEALTH BOARD ELECTS MACK

Dr. D. W. Mack was appointed by the city health board this morning to the recently created position of city dairy inspector. Dr. Mack will go on the salary roll May 1. There were two other applicants for the position. Five ballots were cast. Dr. Mack's selection was announced, the first four resulting in a tie between him and Dr. H. E. Smith.

The office of dairy inspector was added to the municipal list at the last council meeting when a milk inspection ordinance was passed. The salary of the inspector is \$125 a month.

PENALTY IF TAXES NOT PAID MONDAY

Next Monday will be the last day for taxpayers to escape delinquency. All who have not paid before Tuesday will be subject to a 1 per cent per month penalty until the amount is paid. However, half the tax may be paid now and the remainder deferred until October.

NEW TRIAL DENIED IN DAMAGE CASE

Judge Bronaugh in the circuit court this morning denied a motion for new trial in the case of W. A. Cecil against The Journal in which a jury gave judgment for \$400 for libel for the publication of an article in connection with Cecil's arrest on the charge of stealing several sacks of sugar from Mason, Ehrman & Co.
John F. Logan and John H. Stevenson, who appeared for The Journal, contended that in view of the retraction published immediately following the publication of the article, damages were awarded, the paper having been misled in its information, nominal damages would be sufficient. The court, however, beyond a nominal sum, they argued, is in the nature of exemplary or punitive damages, and therefore excessive.
Judge Bronaugh indicated that had the damages been as heavy as some of the jurors desired to place them he would have set the verdict aside as excessive, but under the circumstances he would not interfere with the verdict of the 11 men who tried the case.

TWO BIG STOCKS MUST GO IN HURRY

The Moyers Clothing company has absorbed another store. This time it is the Outlet, at First and Morrison streets. A combination is to be effected by the closing of the Chicago Clothing company, which was bought a few days ago, down to the corner of First and Morrison in the old Outlet store, where two stocks will be closed out under the name of the Moyers. This will prove the largest combination of stocks ever effected in Portland. As announced in the advertising columns today, there are some exceptionally good values. The sale is on today.

PERSONALS

A. B. Winfree, who has been connected with the law firm of Teal & Minor for more than three years, has been admitted a partner. The firm name will hereafter be Teal, Minor & Winfree. Mr. Winfree, during his residence in Portland has made a wide circle of friends and has earned a reputation of being an attorney of unusual ability.

Building Permits.
East Twenty-fifth street between Prescott and Going, E. C. Leyde, erect story and a half frame dwelling, \$1500.
Third street between Alder and Morrison, F. A. Reed, erect two story brick saloon; Vermont street between Virginia and Macadam, R. C. Zimmerman, erect one story frame dwelling, \$500.
East Seventy-fifth street between Barnside and Everett, Ira P. Ryder, erect frame two story frame, \$1500.
Dwight street between Dawson and Winchell, J. F. German, erect story and a half frame dwelling, \$1500.
Milwaukee between Bybee and Glenwood streets, Mrs. G. E. Riches, erect story and a half frame dwelling, \$1500.
Wilbur street between Killingsworth and Jessup, Mrs. R. Jost, erect one story frame dwelling, \$1500.
Third street between Pine and Ash, Mrs. Cora Garde, repair one story frame, \$500.

Runs Auto Too Fast.
Herman Wittenberg, president of the Pacific Coast Electric company, is the last autist to help out the needy city treasury to the extent of \$10, for he was fined that amount today for exceeding the speed limit. W. S. Taylor, who was arrested several days ago and fined, was again served with a warrant this morning.

Death of Pioneer.
William S. Tilden, a pioneer resident of Woodlawn, who died the other day at the age of 80, was buried today. A wife, two sons and a daughter survive.

DASENT RESIGNS ALBANY POSITION

Will Boost Henceforth for a Real Estate Firm in This City.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Albany, Or., April 1.—Bury I. Dasent, manager of the Albany Commercial club, has resigned his position and will move to Portland, where he has accepted a position as advertising manager for one of the large real estate companies.

EUREKA WANTS ROAD BUILT NEXT SUMMER

Eureka, Cal., April 1.—Citizens of this city representing its railroad promotion committee sailed this morning for San Francisco bent on having an interview with officials of the California Northwestern railway, to come to some understanding concerning the building of the line from Sherwood, in upper Mendocino county, to Eureka. This committee believes this railroad, which will open up northwestern California, should be built this summer.

GARDNER CASE TO JURY TOMORROW

San Francisco, April 1.—Eugene Gardner, the young Kentuckian charged with the murder of Joe Cortina, a negro mate on the whaler Bowhead, last August, while the vessel was in the San Francisco harbor, will see his case go to the jury in the United States circuit court tomorrow morning. Gardner declares that he will be satisfied with nothing less than acquittal. He claims he was attacked by the negro and, after being beaten severely, struck him in self-defense.

WESTON'S LEFT LEG GIVES HIM TROUBLE

Cambridge Springs, Pa., April 1.—Edward Payson Weston, the veteran pedestrian, on his way from New York to San Francisco, arrived here today in a bad plight, after having waded through mire most of the 17 miles of his journey here from Union City. His left leg is in bad condition, but the septuagenarian is in excellent spirits and is cheerful after resting here a few hours he will start for Meadville.

Undoubtedly Works Wonders for Sick Men

It is presumed to be infallible, and highly efficient in quickly restoring health and strength to those suffering from "nervous exhaustion," weak vitality, neurasthenia and the functions. First get fifty cents worth of compound fluid balmwort in a one ounce package and three ounces arap arap. Partia compound; take home mix and let stand two hours; then get one ounce compound essence caritol, and one ounce essence cardamom compound (not cardamom). Mix all in a six or eight ounce bottle, shake well and take one teaspoonful after each meal. One when retiring. Followed by a drink of water.

Closing Out Sale

of Two Large Stocks of Clothing

We have purchased the entire stocks of the CHICAGO CLOTHING COMPANY and the OUTLET CLOTHING COMPANY, both of this city, at material reductions from cost and will CLOSE THEM OUT at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES at the former stand of the OUTLET CLOTHING COMPANY, First and Morrison Streets — We wish to state that the methods heretofore pursued by the OUTLET CO. will not be tolerated by us—Every price and quality advertised will be the TRUE ONE—No misrepresentation will be permitted—Money will be cheerfully refunded when desired

Here Are Some of the Reductions:

Men's Suits	Men's Pants	Men's Shirts
OUTLET PRICE \$15.00— SALE PRICE\$7.50	OUTLET PRICE \$2.00— SALE PRICE95¢	75c GOLF SHIRTS39¢
OUTLET PRICE \$20.00— SALE PRICE\$10.00	OUTLET PRICE \$2.50— SALE PRICE\$1.15	\$1.00 GOLF SHIRTS.....78¢
OUTLET PRICE \$25.00— SALE PRICE\$12.50	OUTLET PRICE \$3.00— SALE PRICE\$1.85	\$1.50 GOLF SHIRTS.....98¢
		\$2.00 GOLF SHIRTS.....\$1.49

EVERY ARTICLE IN THE STORE except collars GREATLY REDUCED—Note the Location

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GREAT "STYLE STORE" VALUES

Shop at the "Style Store" where salespeople are clothes experts. When we sell you a suit it not only embodies the attractive features of prevailing fashions, in superior materials, and so well made that it carries its distinctive style throughout the entire season, but it FITS AND BECOMES YOU AS NO OTHER SUIT COULD.



Handsome New 3-Piece Suits One-Fourth Off For Easter

The very newest really smart styles, in long classic lines and hipless coats—all the pale shades, dark colors, and black, adapted to immediate wear, but good for all summer as the style is advanced and the material and making of best grade—nothing shoddy or commonplace. Many newer weaves and novelties, as well as standard cloths. THIS IS THE VERY BEST SUIT OFFER IN PORTLAND—make your Easter selection at once, in time for alterations.

NOTE WELL THESE PRICES:

\$25 Suits for	\$18.75
\$27 Suits for	\$20.25
\$38 Suits for	\$28.50
\$40 Suits for	\$30.00
\$45 Suits for	\$33.75
\$48 Suits for	\$36.00
\$52 Suits for	\$39.00

A REMINDER FROM OUR

Men's Clothing Section

EASTER IS NEAR

YOUR SPRING OUTFIT IS READY

All you have to do is to select your favorite style and color and let our newly appointed expert fitter put the finishing touches to it. Here choosing is very easy, because whatever we show is new creation, from collars and lapels to cuffs and pockets. In the conservative models we show quiet and genteel dark patterns. Every model is correct and faultless in fit. They are the product of the

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They range in price from \$18.00 to \$40.00

A grand display of Eastern Neckwear, Shirts, Hats and Shoes at moderate prices. Select your Easter requisites now, and let us charge them to your account.



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Open a Charge Account, which privileges you to pay for your purchases in weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly payments

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