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THE BEST COMPANY: "Enoch walked with God, and he was not; for God took him." Gen. 5:24.

"BAKER'S COPPER AND GOLD"—AND MARION'S

Believe the enthusiasts of Baker county and you will find no room left for doubt that that metallic section of eastern Oregon is about to have a gold-copper rush. The Morning Democrat of Baker relates the discovery of a ledge over 100 feet wide which yields \$54 to the ton of copper, gold and silver. Baker, says the Democrat, is destined to be the "Denver of the Far West" and—

Copper developments on the Baker county copper belt are proving beyond any speculation that here exists one of the greatest copper deposits in the world. From the grass roots to a depth of several hundred feet there is a continuous showing of high grade copper and gold and silver contents, the like of which is found nowhere else and in inexhaustible quantity, for the length and breadth of the zone is almost beyond calculation.

The above is from the Portland Journal. A gold-copper rush has been rumored for Baker county, and for Idaho, for some time— And it is no doubt coming. There is also a gold-copper-silver rush about due for Marion county.

Ore richer in gold, copper and silver than \$54 a ton has been found in the mines on the Little North Fork of the Santiam river at and near the mouth of Gold Creek, and such ores exist there in great quantities; literally mountains of rich ores, underlying the summit hills of the Cascades. The average of the ore there has 4.28 per cent copper, and in copper, gold and silver at the present prices the average values run better than \$15 a ton— And there are cross cuts of this ore 54 feet wide, and it has been traced on the surface 9000 feet; and there is already 2000 feet of underground workings—

So there is no question about the vast extent of these Marion county ore bodies, running through into Linn and Clackamas counties, and under the Cascades into Jefferson and Wasco counties. It will pay well to mine this ore, whenever it can be done on a large scale— And it will pay better to mine it and treat it on the ground. New methods have been recently discovered under which this can be done, and there have been examinations made recently looking to this possibility—

So we may look for a gold-copper-silver rush in Marion county almost any day now. Whenever the capital for development is available and is put to use, there will be opened up at Salem's front door a great mining camp— And it will be capable of enormous expansion, on account of the vast extent of the valuable ores.

THE DAWN OF THE NEW YEAR

(By T. S. Mackenzie.) Looking backward through the shadow Of a year that's passed away And listening to its echo, gone! goodbye! I remember now, with sadness, The many wasted hours, And mistakes that seem to pile up mountains high. I can see as in a dream The joys and sorrows of the past, The dear old home, the fireside mirth and tears. "We are waiting!" "God be with you," "Till we meet beyond the River" "Time is passing," are the songs that fill my ears. A century-beaten farm house, Mid deep north apple trees, The scene of happy childhood days gone by, "The barefoot boy," the stone bridge, "The pasture and the brook," Are recollections sweet that never die. I am just beyond the summit Of the hill in Life's rough way, And oh, how short the climb has been to me! But looking down the decline Through the dawn of the New Year The pathway broad and easier seems to be. The past of life lays bare behind, The future mist before, I know not what awaits me on the way, But looking far beyond I see my Guide is still ahead Who beckons me to work and watch and pray. Thrice welcome, Happy New Year! Burst forth in songs of praise Cheering the saddened heart to life once more. Stretch forth thine arms, enfold us, We greet thee once again, Yet ne'er forget those happy days of yore. —Salem, Oregon, January 1, 1926.

GRANGE DEFEATS NEVERS COUNT IS MARRIED JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 2.— PARIS, Jan. 2.—The marriage of "Red" Grange's Chicago Bears de-

The Arizona Sheriff

Tales of his adventures, his courage, his humor, his keen intelligence—no collected by Walter Groves F. Jackson. "The Deputy from Yavapai County." How with simple gun and motor car he braved swift and sure justice to outlaws.



HARD ROCK MOONSHINERS

When a hard rock miner turns moonshiner, he's going to have a pretty elaborate layout for his distilling apparatus. A pair of copper miners, tired of layoffs and lower wages when the price of copper got down around 12 cents a pound, decided to get more out of a sheet of copper, properly shaped, in a month than they could get out of mining it in a year.

Sheriff W. T. "Skeets" Witt of Greenlee county had been pretty hard on the white mule makers, however. No ordinary still would escape his eagle eye for a week. So there was established down on the bank of the Gila river about twenty miles below Clifton in the most mountainous county in Arizona, probably the most elaborate moonshine outfit ever constructed. One that did the miner's previous occupation proud.

First, they sank a shaft for 32 feet, down from a bluff to a few feet above the river level, fifty feet from its shore. Next they led a tunnel out for twenty feet on the 22 foot level, big enough to hold thirty men. Here they set up their distilling apparatus. The still held 80 gallons at one run. The cooling coil was in a barrel. A cistern pump brought water from the river, which seeped through into a pit on the 30-foot level, and it was emptied by a pipe running through the earth into the river, all below the ground.

The mouth of the tunnel was finished with cement, with a board trap door covered with soil and scrub mesquite. Men could work down there with the door shut for a week at a time. The still was heated by a gasoline pipe coming from a tank sunk in the ground and covered with mesquite brush. It was completely hidden. But Skeets Witt heard of it when the first run-off was made. A light rain had fallen the night before, and Skeets knew that if any tracks would show plainly in the sandy arroyos near the river. He learned generally the location, and slipped down there before the warning could come that the Studebaker was out. For when Skeets starts out in that car, every bad man lies low; no one knows where it will show up and not even the Greenlee's 12,000 foot mountains can provide terrain which it won't cover. He went directly to the aban-

doned ranch house nearby where he accosted Ben Black. "I've come for that big still, Ben. Want to take me over to it, or have I got to get out and hunt up the tracks and follow them? I've got some dynamite, and I guess I can blow 'em out."

Skeets can shame a bloodhound, on tracking a man through Arizona terrain, where the layman would see no indication whatever of anyone's passing, so Ben gave it up. In the tunnel they found 40 gallons of moonshine, just run off, and confiscated it. "You'll leave the boys their tunnel, won't you sheriff?" asked Black who had seen the two miner-moonshiners flee over the mountains just as Skeet's Studebaker began coming up the last narrow trail. "Sure," replied Skeets; "I'll do better than that; I'll make it bigger for them, and give them some ventilation too."

So he set fifty pounds of dynamite at the bottom of the main shaft, carefully replaced the cover, and touched it off. Fragments of the mash barrels sailed half a mile out of the shaft as though out of a gun, and the tunnel is now a miniature canyon. "Air will be better down there now, and they won't have to put in ventilating fans," explained Skeets, who must have his joke. PRISON FLAX PLANT WILL SHOW PROFIT (Continued from page 1.)

travagance the state could not well afford to pay. "The grand jury also visited the new farm home for boys being constructed near the town of Woodburn, in Marion county, Oregon," the report reads. "It occurs to this grand jury that the investment in this new institution is an extravagant outlay on the part of the state. Magnificent buildings have been constructed and are in the process of construction. However, for the investment so made by the state, facilities will be available for the care of only 120 boys in that institution, which number is about one-half of the whole number of boys now under the care of the state. We urge that the proper authority see to it that all of the boys committed to the Oregon state training school be maintained at one place, either at the old institution or at the new institution, to the end that the expenses incident to the conduct of the institution be maintained at a minimum."

Two true bills were returned by the grand jury. Nagel Sorhus was indicted on a charge of attempting to smuggle a revolver into the state prison yards. In the other indictment J. J. Dietrich, Harry R. Ross and Herbert Liberty are accused of obtaining money under false pretenses. A not true bill was returned for Dick Kelley and Myrtle Kelley, charged with larceny of some clothes from John L. Cummings.

VETERANS DO NOT FILE

21 PER CENT FAIL TO APPLY FOR COMPENSATIONS WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(By Associated Press.)—One out of every five world war veterans entitled to compensation under the bonus act had failed to apply for the relief granted by congress up to December 1, 1925. The total number of applications received up to that date was 2,760,677, of which 2,669,370 were certified to the veterans bureau as being valid the others having been disallowed or were at that time in process of correction. It is estimated that approximately 21 per cent, or 700,000 of the compensable veterans for dependents have not as yet

TWELVE DIE IN FLAMES

TEN INJURED, FIVE MISSING I PENSACOLA BLAZE PENSACOLA, Fla., Jan. 2.— With the known dead numbering 12, ten injured in hospitals and five workmen missing firemen continued tonight to battle flames which resulted today when a fire retort at the export tar and turpentine company exploded with the expectation that the bodies of the missing would be recovered. Fire officials estimated the property damage at \$200,000. The blast, which came a little more than an hour after the plant opened, demolished one unit of the large plant in which 22 men were working. Flames spread in hte resinous premises and soon engulfed other units. Some of the injured were believed to have been standing near the unit which exploded and were caught before they could flee to safety. The cause of the explosion was undetermined tonight. Many of those killed were badly mutilated and some of the bodies are still in the burning unit.

NEW LIGHT THROWN ON CZAR EXECUTION

tion of our living room, no wardrobe has any keys. "A sentry on duty searches the house twice daily. At one a. m., we hear the clank of weapons under our windows; on the balcony is a machine gun; another one is under the balcony. There are fifty guards in a small house across the street ready in case of alarm. All the keys are with the

One flea more or less on a dog has no effect on the time he devotes to scratching.

MOTHER!

Child's Harmless Laxative is "California Fig Syrup"



When a child is constipated, has wind-colic, feverish breath, coated tongue, sour stomach, or diarrhea, a half-teaspoonful of genuine "California Fig Syrup" promptly moves the poisons, gases, bile, souring food and waste right out of the little bowels. Never cramps or overacts. Babies love its delicious taste. Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup" which has full directions for infants and children plainly printed on bottle. Always say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.—Adv.

commandant, who treats us well enough. "If the possibility (of escape) occurs, please inform. In any event please let us know if you can take us and our suite. In front of the house an automobile always stands. Each sentinel has access to a bell communicating with the commandant's office, guard barracks and other departments. "If our attendants remain can we be sure that nothing will happen to them?"

The house was frequently visited by sums who brought food in which notes often were concealed. In the cork of a bottle of milk, the following note was found: "The time approaches; deliverance is sure. The days of the usurpers are numbered. These lines are written by friends. The Slavnic armies are only a few miles from Ekaterinburg. The cherished moment has arrived; you will have to act."

Describing the behavior of the members of the royal family in the days preceding their execution, the correspondent says they did all they could to gain the sympathy of the sentinels. Dr. Botkin, the emperor's physician acted as intermediary between Nicholas and the soldiers. The emperor's daughters employed their graces to win the soldiers of the guard. On the night of July 16, 1918, former Emperor Nicholas Romanoff, his wife and family were executed at Ekaterinburg. The soviet's official report of the killing describes the tragedy which occurred after the president of the district soviet signed the death warrants. The execution was hastened in order to prevent interference by supporters of the czarist regime. The Romanoff family members were informed that they must move from upper floor to the lower. All of them went downstairs about 10 p. m. Here in one of the rooms on the ground floor, they were directed to stand at the

ants were slaughtered the same night. Nicholas II abdicated the Russian throne March 12, 1917, when revolutionary forces took over the government. A provisional regime was set up and this has since developed into the soviet republic.

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Salem Bank of Commerce

OF SALEM, OREGON

Report of Condition, December 31, 1925

Resources	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts... \$531,507.63	Capital Stock..... \$50,000.00
Bonds and Warrants... 300,041.62	Surplus and Profits..... 50,682.75
Banking House..... 21,400.00	Deposits 900,492.75
Furniture and Fixtures 1,400.00	
Cash and in Banks..... 146,776.25	
\$1,001,125.50	\$1,001,125.50

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UNCLE BILLY WILL PLEASE BRUSH ME OFF UNK? SURE! -WHAT'S THO' ABOUT BILLY?



I'M GOING TO A CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH MARTHA AT EIGHT O'CLOCK. EIGHT O'CLOCK?



WHY YOU'RE TWENTY MINUTES LATE RIGHT NOW! AW -HOW COULD I BE TWENTY MINUTES LATE NOW-



-WHEN I HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED YET!



LITTLE GIRL I'M LOOKIN' FOR A JOB I DO LIGHT HOUSE WORK. DONT YOU KNOW WHERE TO GO?



NO -I'M A STRANGER IN YOUR TOWN. WAIT TILL I GET MY HAT



YOU'RE A NICE LITTLE GIRL TO GO TO ALL THIS BOTHER. JUST FOLLOW ME



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