"Oh Yeah?"

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The Willamette Valley in 1855

THREE months ago we commented on the first of two articles editing the "Abbot Railway Surveys", a contribution of R. W. Sawyer of Bend in the Oregon Historical Quarterly. The June issue of the Quarterly concludes the portion of the journal relating to these surveys which he made in 1855 in locating the route for a line of railroad from the Sacramento to the Columbia. The trip north, described in the first article, was through the Klamath lake country. After reaching the Deschutes an effort was made to find a route across the mountains but the great bastion of Mt. Jefferson barred the road. Finally the party crossed following in general what is now the Wapinitia cut-off and the old Barlow road, coming to Oregon City in October, 1855.

From Oregon City Lieut. Abbott visited Portland and Fort Vancouver; got authority from Gov. Curry for a military escort on account of Indian outbreaks; and then on Oct. 22 started south. His return route in general followed the route which was used for the later construction of the Oregon and California railroad in the '70's and '80's. The portions of his diary telling of his trip through this part of the country are of interest.

Oct. 22. Sold 2 mules and lot of saddles, etc. . . . Went 16 miles to Pudding river over a muddy road much of it through

"Oct. 23. Rose early and went 31 miles to Salem over a very fine road. Saw Surveyor General, Col. (Charles K. Gardiner) and Mr. Gordon etc. Molally and French Prairies are very beautiful

"Oct. 24. Had to ferry Willamette in one old flat boat which could only carry 8 at a time. Made swim all the loose animals. One was drowned. Went about 24 miles over a very crooked route to Luckamute. A few hills along route but not a great deal. Very thickly settled. Much trouble in finding road.

Traveled 24 miles. "Oct. 25. Over a very level plain bounded by high hills to Corvallis, a long street, saw sun rise over hills about a mile from camp. Whole country very level with much oak cedar fir and spruce timber in spots. Camped on long Tom creek 34 miles. Oct. 26. Rose early and went 25 miles to Eugene City, a

dirty place. Medicine chest broken. Rise in price of oats. 'Oct. 27. To Coast Fork up a lovely valley a few rolling On Oct. 29 the party reached the North Umpqua and sume they will hold the meetings Oregon, because he was much on

ferried at Winchester. They reached Fort Lane on the Rogue on Nov. 3rd and then crossed the Siskiyous and journeyed on to Benicia.

The cities and towns have changed, but the country re- congregation ought to decide that, principally under the hat of Kintsponds to the general description given by Lieut. Abbot in It might be some churches would zing Pritchett, secretary, until 1855. Even three quarters of a century ago that observer noted that the country between Salem and Rickreall was "very thickly settled".

### A State Bank

THE state grange went on record last week as favoring a state bank. The purposes of such an institution were not made clear; but we can think of only three arguments which might have been advanced for a state bank: either so borrowing could be easier; or second the interest rate less; or third so deposits would be safer.

Now examine these reasons. First, the distress which banks have labored under has been due to over-generous loans. Most all the bank failures in recent years have been due to inability to realize on loans. In other words too much of the bank's money was advanced on the chattels, lands, commodities, and securities which were posted to secure the ban. If banks have been failing because they have been too generous in the past in making loans, how may the grange expect the state bank to be more liberal?

Second, as to interest rates. The prevailing bank rate in the valley here has been eight per cent; but that has not fluctuated. At present very good grade bonds are on a yield basis of better than eight per cent, but the bank rate remains stable. Is this rate too high? Judging from the earnings made by banks it is not. Even in the presumably prosperous years prior to the stock crash Oregon banks showed rather poor earnings. Heavy cost of service, unproductive small accounts, poor loans, all helped cut down the earnings to low levels except in the case of banks fortunately situated or splendidly managed.

Third, safety of depositors. Depositors would be safer if the state guaranteed the deposits; but that would merely shoulder losses of the state onto the taxpayers. Since taxpayers are generally the depositors they wouldn't be ahead any. In fact they might be worse off, because political management might increase the losses to be covered by increased

It would seem that the experience of recent years would indicate that if there is one business which is highly technical and full of dangerous pitfalls it is the banking business; and that it is precisely the type of business which the state should stay out of. Doubtless the grangers when they stop to study the implications of their resolution, will be quick to renounce it, except for those socialists who would have the government take over all business. When that happens there should be no need for banks because nobody will have anything to deposit and no one would want to borrow

The preachers of the city were wise in refusing to permit distribution of school board election literature on their doorsteps Sunday. It was a case of misdirected zeal for the sponsors of particular candidacies to use this means of getting support. There were no issues in which the church as a church was involved; and none of the candidates was making a campaign on any issues that might be considered immoral. It is ticklish business for the church to get mixed up in politics. Its own members usually split as many ways as there are candidates; and the preacher who presumes to tell his parishoners how to vote in a school election gets on dangerous ground. Rumor and campaign propaganda usually travel fast enough without having the preachers to peddle them.

Ralph E. Williams, national committeeman from Oregon, seems to have succeeded in getting himself in bad at Chicago where he was the real master of ceremonies. He mustered a midnight caucus of the Oregon delegation to revoke the designation of Sen. France as alternate; and that led to high-handed ejection of the Marylander from the convention hall when he tried to make a speech. Then Williams gained the ire of Vice President Curtis by trying to stampeds the convention for Dawes for vice president after Dawes had definitely eliminated himself. Williams is a professional manipulator; but this time his wires were rubbers that snapped back in his

It was Postmaster General Brown who said before the convention: "You may rest assured we will have a prohibition plank that will please everybody." And how!

# THE OLD PARTIES ARE JUST ALIKE IN PRINCIPLE

Yesterday Statesman reporters asked this question: "Do you think churches should have only one service during the summer

Mary Hansen, housewife: "I don't think it would be a bad idea for each church to hold only largely under General Joe Lane's building at the southeast corner one service Sunday; espacially in hat after he came and proclaim- of 6th and Main streets, Oregon view of the summer Sunday after- ed, March 3, 1849, that the egis City, now occupied by a market. noon meetings in the park. I pre- of the U.S. government was over again 'his year."

Florence Saubert, clerk: "I do want to and some wouldn't."

J. T. Smalle, laborer: "Well, on Sunday nights. So many people go out on picnics."

George L. Grace, farmer: "It's vices, all right."

# BITS for BREAKFAST

Historic four corners: \* \* \* (Continuing from Sunday:) 4 4 4

The territorial capital was the move.

While he was away, settling not know. I should think each Indian troubles, etc., etc., it was so until Aug. 18 of that year, as acting governor after expiration they might as well not have any of the term of Lane until the ar-

> up to the church members. I don't belong. If enough want two ser-

# Daily Health Talks

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

bing the eyes may cause sharp particles

penetrate the cornea, with very serious e o n sequences. Washing the eye with cool boiled water, used in an eyecup, will some-times help. If this simple expedient fails, the services of a physician should be sought.

Dr. Concland

An inflammation of the eyes known as "conjunctivitis" is common in children. The eyelids become swollen, the child shuns the light, and there is a profuse catarrhal secretion from the eyes. This condition frequently accompanies a head cold, since it is easy for the germs to enter the eyes from the nose.

The Basic Cause measles, usually are accompanied by such an inflammation of the eyes, and frequently the eye trouble may not subside, even

E. H. Q.-Can you tell me a cure for blushing?

-This is usually due to lack of self-confidence. For full particulars restate your question and

H. M. Q .- What do you advise for pimples on the face?

A .- First correct the diet, by cutting down on sugar, starches, and coffee. Eat simple food and avoid constipation. Send selfaddressed stamped envelope for envelope for full particulars and full particulars and repeat your

A. M. M. Q .- How can I gain A.—Eat plenty of good nour- it is worse than others. ishing food, including milk, eggs, fresh vegetables and fruits. Ex-

MALL children at play are al- of the lid is common in children ways getting dirt and sand in who are not physically fit. Small blisters may form on the edges of their eyes, and none but the blisters may form on the morning the gentlest measures should be used eyelids may be stuck together. A in attempting its removal. Rub- simple eye wash and the applicarelief.

The real source of such a condition is constitutional, although some defect in vision or eye strain may be the direct cause. A general building up of the body with good nourishing food, assisted by pure cod-liver oil as a tonic, will hasten recovery. In school chil-dren an eye test should be made. Treatment of a Sty

Another disorder of the eye is painful infection of a hair folcie, known as a "sty." The eyelid becomes swollen and painful and the symptoms grow worse for several days. Finally a small, pinlike spot appears, and a discharge of pus follows. Bathing with a warm solution of borie acid is the regulation treatment, but if sties become a habit, the cause must be

sought.
Muscular weakness of the eyes, as shown by cross-eyes, is caused by unequal strength of the muscles of the eyeball. Some cases can be corrected by exercises or by the use of glasses, but if such Contagious diseases, especially a condition is neglected for any length of time, the only cure is an

operation. The old-fashioned idea that a child will grow out of such an eye when recovery from the disease defect has brought suffering to seems complete. In such cases, many a little child, giving him the unless proper treatment is fol- reputation of being stupid, maklowed, a chronic conjunctivitis may ing him backward in school, and result. Then it is difficult to giving him a sense of inferiority, cure, and causes the little patient Proper and immediate treatment great suffering and disfigurement. should be given any eye defect in

Answers to Health Queries

W. L. S. Q.—What should a boy weigh, 16 years old, 5 feet 4 inches tall?

A .- For your height and age you should weigh about 120 Miss R. S. Q .- What causes

excess salivation? A .- This may be due to hyperacidity of the stomach. Correct your diet and avoid poor elimination. Send self-addressed stamped

repeat your question. M. G. G. Q.—I would like to know the cure for a pain I have in the joints of my legs, sometimes

ercise daily in the fresh air, practice deep breathing. Plenty of rest and sleep are also essential. Take cod-liver oil as a general tonic.

A.—I believe you are suffering from arthritis, which is a very stubborn disease. For full particulars please restate your questionic.

By R. J. HENDRICKSrival of Governor John P. Gaines. 5 5 5

But the sessions of the territorial legislature, consisting of council (like senate) and house of representatives were held in a

The first territorial legislature convened July 16, 1849. There was a special session in May, 1850 called partly because the regular session had omitted the duty of fixing the dates of future sessions. The first Monday in De-June 18, 1850, when it was more cember of each year was the date

So the second regular session came together December 2, 1850 At that session, on Monday, January 13, 1851, that legislature voted to fix the capital at Salem. This was pleasing to residents of the village up the Willamette, and to others in the central valleybut it was gall and wormwood to the Clackamas county crowd, among some others. It opened a long and bitter fight over the capital. But that story has been told in this column. \* \* \*

The third regular session was arranged to be held in the basement of the Oregon Institute (Willamette university), that stood near where the gymnasium is now-and at one time was pronounced the most imposing structure on this coast. All the members came and reported for duty. with four exceptions. Columbus Lancaster, member of the council from Lewis, Clark and Vancouver counties, A. E. Wait and W. T. Matlock, house members from Clackamas, and D. F. Brownfield. house member from Clatsop and Pacific counties, refused to come; claimed the act making Salem the capital was irregular. (Note that what is now Washington was then part of Oregon.)

These four members organized their rump legislature at Oregon City, in the territorial library room there, and met and adjourned for two weeks. Lancaster, the single councilman, spent this fortnight in making motions and seconding them himself, preparing memorials to congress, asking for many things, including a ed," and spittoons had been addmilitary road to Puget Sound, ed and other conveniences proand in denouncing the Salem di- vided. Lancaster again absented vision of the legislature.

5 5 5 But the legislature, without the four who refused to play, beginning December 1, 1851, went on Umpqua county, and A. C. Gibbs, with the session in the Oregon Institute basement. Samuel Parker and the war governor, representwas president of the council and ted that county in the house. B. F. Harding speaker of the house. Prominent pioneers were members. Ben Simpson, father of Sam, the poet, represented Marion county, Matthew P. Deady Yamhill, etc., etc. The counties of Douglas and Jackson were created, the First Methodist church of Salem chartered, and the Oregon academy at Lafayette, congress was memorialized for a survey of the Umpqua river-the Umpqua country was boomingthe Deady bill exempting the wife's half of a donation claim from the debts of her husband was passed, saving many pioneer homes; and, generally, it was a useful session, though exciting, owing among other things, to the matters connected with the removal of the capital. Congress was memorialized for troops between Fort Hall and The Dalles and in the Rogue river valley, to protect covered wagon trains, Editor, Statesman: coming in, from Indian attacks.

\* \* \* There was a special session in that Hon. A. B. Meacham was of \$19,681, which he claimed was the Oregon Institute rooms, call-murdered by the Modoe Indians. due him for lobbying before coned by Governor Gaines for July This is an error. Although Meach- gress in 1919 for a bill to reim-26, 1852, which merely organ-am was attacked by the Indians burse Coos county in the sum of

The Murder of the Night Club Lady
By ANTHONY ABBOT

SYNOPSIS

Lela Carewe, night club habitue, receives a death threat, New Year's Eve. Previously her dog and parret were mysteriously killed. District Atterney Merle K. Dougherty suspects Lela of being the "brains" of in a glaze. She did not seem to be be but has her less than he Lela Carewe, night club habitué, the jewel thief ring that has baffled breathing. Rowland, an attorney, are present. her mouth.

CHAPTER EIGHT

EALLY, Mr. Colt," Lola carthe living-room, and closing mustn't pull such a long face. It isn't ler, and our woman detective. worth it. Nothing is, you know."

She laughed - a low humming laugh. Then, walking very near to Colt, she suddenly put her hands on his shoulders and kissed him on the cheek. As he stared at her, too startled to speak, Lola turned and walked on toward the guest-room.

cracked like a whip-"don't go in there-alone!" "The deuce with all that!" was Lola's sudden, fierce rejoinder. "I ing figure, Colt looked across at the syringe. Then, reaching across the want my cigarette case." Before

anyone could stop her, she had en-"Oh, don't excite her, Colt!" begged Vincent Rowland. "She's perfectly safe in there. Nothing can asked. happen to her. Let her calm down!"

screamed. It was a harsh cry, choked with horror. The awful sound of it rose to a piercing height bland and placid voice of Chung. and then was throttled off. There hand was on the knob and he flung back the guest-room door.

Without answering, Mrs. Carewe meanwhile, his head to one side if) sank into a chair and buried her On the floor of the guest-cham-

ber lay the body of Lola Carewe. The soft lamps, left on since we dead? If dead, from what cause?

Suddenly I heard a sound which haunts me even now. From somechimed three brazen strokes. We were in the presence of a mystery that soon would have a his ear against her heart. nation by the ears. No wonder that

against all his precautions. The scene in that guest-room, transformed now into a chamber of

ibly on my memory. most into the form of a question and croup-like sounds came from mark. She was still wearing her her throat. Clearly, once or twice,

was, according to the opinions of

most of the members, and ad-

nearly all democrats, while

Gaines was a whig, besides being

sona non grata for other reasons

\* \* \*

the territorial legislature was

also held in basement rooms of

the Oregon Institute, beginning

Monday, December 6, 1852. A

committee room had been add-

ed, "on the right of the stairs off

the council chamber, for the

committees and the enrolling

clerks; with more room if need-

himself, but he was the only rum-

per this time. Capt. Levi Scott,

famous early southern Oregon pi-

oneer, was in the council from

to become the first republican

\* \* \*

At this fourth session, con-

gress was asked to set aside

the Columbia river: Pierce, King,

Island and Jefferson. The county

seat of Thurston was located at

Olympia, Jackson at Jacksonville,

Lane at Eugene. The law was

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Letters from

Statesman Readers

The fourth regular session of

tale too long for telling here.

journed-for the legislators were D. C.

a rank outsider, and he was per- and lived in Salem. He was ap-

that a study of history reveals; a sioners along with Gen. Canby,

death.

penniless, Lola lives in luxury. Police was stern, his black eyes narrowed. sounded in a long-drawn bussing Commissioner Thatcher Colt places His fingers played around Lola's summons. In all his unbent height, a guard in Lola's penthouse apartment, warning her that she must not be alone in a room at any time. Mrs. Carewe, Lola's mether; Chung the brought his nostrils close to the brought his nostrils close to the chief brought his nostrils close to the

In the living room, the Commis- We who were watching him could door, and then stay close by." sioner finds a bag belonging to not tell from his manner if indeed Christine Quires, Lola's guest. It he had discovered an odor of poi- mother's hand, and with a courtly evidently had been used that night, son, the purpose of that last grim sympathy led her away. After them yet Lola informs Colt that Christine action. In stiff attitudes we stood trudged Miss Lox and Chung,—the is at the Lion's Paw, a roadhouse, there watching. I was close to Colt; butler straight, rigid, and indigwhere Lola was to have joined her. Dougherty was bent over, on the nantly self-possessed. But hardly Colt is surprised to find Mrs. Ca- other side of the girl, his red hands for a moment were Colt, Doughrewe's room in strange contrast to spread over his knees, his popping erty, and I left alone. At once we the surrounding wealth. Lola's own blue eyes fixed on her in bewilder- heard outside a brief murmur of

young man whose photograph white and pinched with fright haired man with young, inquisiadorns her dresser. Five minutes against the gray horizon of her tive eyes. Colt once compared him before the death threat dead-line of hair. She ran forward, fell beside to a collie, in his restless and wellthree Lela tells Colt she is going into Lola, and kissing her frantically, mannered strength. In his right the guest room for her cigarette cried to her to open hereyes. hand Doctor Baldwin carried a oled, suddenly entering into hand worried at his whiskered chin. Doctor Baldwin bent over the quiet the boudoir door behind her, "you startled faces-the maid, the but- of her wrist and listened at her Colt's voice, crisp, precise, broke

the silence. "This girl seems to be dead. Chung-did Doctor Baldwin say he

was coming? "Miss Carewe"-now Colt's voice step back into the room, repeating: we waited in silence, he broke the

send for him?" Still kneeling beside the unmov-Chinese butler inquiringly.

tered the guest-room and closed the Mr. Commissioner! He will be here in three instants."

> "What does it matter now? Get a Lola. From the other room came the

"I supplied the name of Baldface in her arms.

Thatcher Colt, still on his knees, sat back and in one calculating were last in the room, bathed her glance appraised the posture of the white and lovely face in a warm body and its position on the floor. glow of light. What had happened There being no chalk at hand to best thing: by the points in the tory of heart trouble." While Colt knelt beside her, pattern of the rug he fixed firmly these riddles sparked like fireworks in his mind the exact position of he remained rigid in thought. Then in my bewildered brain. Peo ple the body. This was the work of suddenly flashing open his eyes he came running from other rooms, two seconds or less. Then Colt demanded: slipped his strong arms under the body. Rising easily to his feet he death due to heart trouble?" where in the pent-house a clock carried his burden to the bed. There he laid her down tenderly and once more fingered her pulse and laid

"She is breathing!" he announced Thatcher Colt was resolved from in a low voice, "Her pulse, which the first to solve this mystery above had seemed to stop, is now quite all others — this crime committed evident—it is getting stronger murmured over his shoulder. "But every second-almost too strong! in the last three minutes-"

Why doesn't that doctor get here?" It was like watching a dreadful fantastic mystery, is graven indel- resurrection. The rigid form of the said. "We can only wait now—and mysteriously stricken girl became hope!" Lola Carewe's body was sprawled mobile before our eyes. Spasms and rigidly on the floor, contorted al- convulsions shook the entire body

dying, I believe, in Washington,

Meacham was for several years

pointed one of the peace commis-

Rev. Dr. Thomas and L. S. Dyer

to treat with the Indians for a

cessation of the warfare. Gen.

Canby and Dr. Thomas, at the

conference, were foully murder-

ed by Capt. Jack and his men,

but Meacham and Dyer escaped

A PIONEER.

a sash and buttoned. Her cloud of and tongue tried to speak but black hair was tousled and disar- failed. Then, just as suddenly, the

the pelice. Although her husband, Beside the still figure of the wolooking down on the unfortunate man knelt Thatcher Colt. His face Lola, until the front door-bell choly speculation. Moodily he stood

butler, Eunice the maid, and Vincent parted lips and sniffed audibly of and Miss Lox remain in Miss Carewe's boudoir. Chung, answer the

Vincent Rowland took the old boudoir is a gaudy contradiction of ment.

the living room's elegance. Lola reIn the doorway suddenly apdoorway, stood the physician, Dr. fuses to reveal the identity of the peared Mrs. Carewe, her features Hugh Baldwin, an athletic, gray-Dougherty led her back to the door, black medical case. Two long Peeping around the edge of the strides brought him to the bedside. door was Vincent Rowland. The at- as Colt introduced us and explained torney's eyes were curved slits, how we had found the girl and her and the fingers of one sleek old recent symptoms. Without a word, Beyond were clustered a group of form. Like Colt, the physician felt

> heart. "She is still alive," he promptly announced. "But there is just a tiny spark left. We shall see-"

With swift but deliberate movements, Doctor Baldwin opened his Before he could reply, Mrs. Ca- bag and drew out a hypodermie rewe, who had insisted on remain- syringe and needle from a coning on the threshold, took a quick tainer filled with alcohol. While "Dr. Baldwin! Why did anyone tip of an ampule which I suppose contained some restorative drug. This dose was drawn up into the body of Lola, the doctor seized the "He promised to come at once, arm farthest away from him. Pushing back the sleeve of her bathrobe, he found a place in the crook Then Colt looked at Mrs. Carewe, of the elbow, and quickly wiped the "Do you object to Baldwin?" he skin there with a lump of cotton soaked in alcohol. Still in silence, Doctor Baldwin inserted the needle At that instant, a woman doctor - any doctor - for my poor under the skin, apparently in the subcutaneous tissues, and slowly injected the medication.

"Immediately her pulse picks up," he declared, as with his free was a crash like the fall of a body win to the Commissioner, madame. hand he laid aside the syringe and to the floor. In one instant, Colt's I hope there was no impropriety?" needle. He was counting pulse-beat

"What is that you have given her?" asked Thatcher Colt. "Adrenalin." "So you think it's a heart at-

tack?" inquired Dougherty huskily.

"I fear so, I was formerly Miss to her? Was she in a faint-or make an outline, Colt did the next Carewe's physician,-she had a his-Colt's eyes closed. For a moment

> "You would give a certificate of "Certificate of death? She is still alive, sir!"

Doctor Baldwin's glare was bewildered and slightly resentful. He turned and anxiously scrutinized the face of his patient.

"Once her eyelids fluttered," he

He looked around at us solemnly. "I have done all that I dare," he

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ized, talked over how many kinds and badly wounded, he survived | \$490,000 as taxes on the southof a rapscallion Governor Gaines and lived many years afterward, ern Oregon land grant.

> From early morning until late at night T. G. Albert, superintendent of the auto camp ground superintendent of Indian affairs takes names of incoming campers. Eighteen new camps were made last night while 16 old camps were among those listed.

WASHINGTON-The soldiers' bonus bill was made yesterday, by a vote of 52 to 8, the special order of business of the senate immediately after the final vote on the tariff bill. Several senators gave notice they would press for action on the bonus ahead of the tariff.

## Y esterdays . . . Of Old Salem

Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days June 21, 1907

On account of the rush in the fruit business, the plant of the Mutual Canning company is now running overtime. During the last few weeks the strawberry crop has been given the chief attention, but they have not given \$100,000 for the improvement of the Willamette river. These new place to the tons of cherries that are coming into the city. counties were created north of

> Improvements are to be made at the Old Soldiers' Home at Roseburg. A new building is to be erected and all the buildings are to be painted.

PENDLETON-With hundreds of thousands of cords of wood in the Blue mountains contiguous to the railroad and not far distant from this city, a fuel famine is again expected with the coming of winter. The wood is available but there are no laborers to cut it up.

June 21, 1922 Oswald West, ex-governor of Oregon, was given a verdict by a In your notice in reference to Lane county jury yesterday Col. J. W. Reddington you say against Coos county in the sum

"I think it rather fine, this necessity for the tense bracing of the will before anything worth doing can be done. I rather like it myself. I feel it is to be the chief thing that differentiates me from the cat by the fire."-Arnold Bennett.



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