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All Over Oregon

Following the resignation of Roy F. Shields, second assistant attorney-general, James W. Crawford, son of Attorney-General Crawford, was appointed to the position.

With more than 1000 signatures affixed to the petitions asking for the recall of Judge John Coke, of Marshfield, interest in the preliminary campaign is increasing daily.

As the result of a meeting held in Albany an exhibit will be sent to represent the Willamette Valley at the various big land shows to be held in the Middle West this fall.

With the beginning of another fiscal year, active operations on the uncompleted gap of the Natron-Klamath cut-off on the Southern Pacific Railway likely will be started.

The Astoria branch postal savings bank completed its first two months of existence with deposits amounting to \$16,153, which is believed to be the record for a city of this size.

E. J. Krause, of the O. A. C. horticulture department, has returned from an extended tour through eastern experiment stations, including the government plant at Washington, D. C. Solomon Miller, South Portland druggist, charged with selling cocaine to boys, was found guilty by a jury in municipal court. The penalty is \$200 fine and 90 days' imprisonment.

Postal savings banks in Oregon have taken in deposits amounting to \$9696 this year, according to a summary of the report of the condition of banks made out by Will Wright, superintendent of banks.

Directors of the Grande Ronde Chautauqua have announced the program for the second annual session of that association at Riverside Park, a splendid natural wood just outside of the city limits of La Grande.

County school superintendents, with Governor West, visited all of the state institutions last week and were given a practical demonstration of the workings of the new prison system which has been adopted by the governor.

Judge Hamilton and Frederick V. Holman, representing regents of the University of Oregon, are in Salem studying the referendum petitions with Judge Slater. Judge Slater says evidence is being accumulated but will be kept secret until charges are filed.

While no definite action has been reached by State Printer Dunnaway as to whether he will abide by the order of Secretary Olcott and remove the state printing plant from the state capitol, Superintendent Plimpton, it is understood, is considering ways and means whereby such a move might be made possible.

After investigating charges preferred against the Sumpter Valley Railroad Company by the patrons of the line of inadequate service, the railroad commission issued an order in which the transportation company is required to make extensive improvements to its railroad property within the next 60 days.

The request published by Walter Pierce and other boosters of Hot Lake, Union county, for suggestive plans for the construction of a model public school building, regardless of the cost, has aroused general interest throughout the state and a large number of plans has been sent in to State Superintendent Alderman.

Governor West named the following delegates to the annual convention of American Prison Association at Omaha, October 14-15: Rev. W. P. White, Albany; W. F. Woodward, Judge George Tazewell, Rev. W. G. McLaren, Senator Ben Selling, Father E. V. O'Hara, Judge John Van Zante, Judge W. N. Gatens and Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, Portland, and Father A. Moore, Roy, P. E. Bauer and Tom R. Wilson, Salem.

All private work by the employees in the office of the secretary of state must be discontinued, according to a statement made by Secretary Olcott. He states that all of the employees are receiving good salaries from the state and will be compelled to devote themselves to the business of the state. While all of the books and records in the secretary's office are public records, he says that anyone desiring to secure information from these records must do so from someone else than the employees.

SOCIALISM, PATERNALISM OR EFFICIENCY--WHICH

SOCIALISTS are pointing to the building of the Panama canal as an example of how Socialism would work if put into practice. The government at first intended to build the canal by letting the various contracts to private individuals and companies, but the bids were in all instances so much more than it was thought the work was worth, and so much more than the government could afford to pay, that finally from sheer necessity the government decided to do the big job itself. Hence everything is being done by the government with a maxim of efficiency and a minimum of expense.

The Panama railroad, operating 150 miles of track, is owned and operated by the government, as is another line of about the same length.

Hotels are under the same system, and while the prices are high, the service is likewise, and there is no comparison between the well-kept, sanitary government hotels and those run by private enterprise at Panama. Fifteen hotels are operated for white Americans, where good wholesome meals are furnished for thirty cents each. Eighteen mess halls are operated for European laborers, where a day's board is furnished for forty cents. West Indian laborers are boarded at twenty-three kitchens, thirty cents being the charge for a day's board. These establishments are merely self supporting, as it is not the purpose to operate them for profit. They feed 35,000 men. Sleeping quarters, roomy, weather-tight and well-furnished, with water—including baths—and electric lights, are furnished free to the workmen. The quarters are kept as healthy as sanitary science can make them.

A government department store, from which probably ninety per cent of everything used by the 35,000 employees and their families is bought, has eliminated competition on the isthmus.

Up and down the line of the canal in every large settlement there are "Commission Club Houses." They are large pleasant buildings, with social halls, reading rooms, papers and magazines from home, game rooms, bowling alleys, gymnasium and baths.

The government invited the co-operation of the Young Men's Christian association in conducting these recreation centers, and pays the salary of a manager, trained by the Y. M. C. A. schools, for each club house. Although the club houses were primarily intended for men, they are, under certain restrictions, open to women and children. There are gymnasium classes and basket ball for the youngsters, and every few weeks a dance. Several of the clubs have musical and dramatic societies.

More especially to amuse and interest the women folk, the government has fostered the Women's club movement. Now every village along the line has its Mothers' club. The better halves of the steam shovel men, file clerks, draughtsmen and engineers are given every encouragement to get together for literary readings, discussion of child hygiene and formal gossip.

Strolling vaudeville artists and other entertainers are encouraged by the government, and occasionally a circus comes to break the monotony. Government launches run Sunday excursions and give the employees a chance at sea bathing and picnicing.

In short, the people who are building the canal are treated exactly as though they were one big family, with Uncle Sam the daddy of them all. Everything is done to make life in the canal zone pleasant and profitable to those who are working for wages—and everyone is a hired man in the canal zone. Every precaution is taken and every modern device utilized for the safety of the workmen.

It has been simply a common-sense arrangement. Special inducements had to be offered to get men to go on the job. The government, as it was compelled to do the work of digging the canal itself, was compelled to provide means of making life reasonably pleasant for those that it hired to do the work.

It may be Socialism, or Paternalism, or merely Efficiency. But the fact remains that the canal is being dug as cheaply as possible and that those who are digging it are getting as good wages and having as good a time as possible. What ever it is that is bringing about such good results at Panama, those connected with the undertaking and those who have observed the operations unite in pronouncing it the best system yet discovered for a great project.

THE END OF TUBERCULOSIS

The Physician's Responsibility.

By DR. HENRY L. K. SHAW.

Fifteen years ago it was unsafe to drink the Albany water. The doctors of the city educated and agitated public opinion so that a scientific filtration plant was constructed, and today typhoid fever is practically unknown. So with the great problem of tuberculosis which we are all striving so hard to solve. The public is fast being educated, and there is a most determined and commendable effort on the part of all classes and professions to stamp out the disease as effectively as smallpox was stamped out. The chief responsibility, however, rests upon the physician, and he is a traitor to himself and to the noblest of professions if he shirks his duty in the slightest. The consensus of opinion among the students of this subject is that prompt notification of each case to the proper authorities, as in the case of other communicable and infectious diseases, is essential in the control of tuberculosis.

THE HALL OF FAME.

JAMES FENIMORE COOPER—American novelist, author of "Leatherstocking Tales." Born Burlington, N. J., Sept. 15, 1799; died Coopers-town, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1851. His father was a congressman and founder of Coopers-town. The son received private instruction and afterward entered Yale, but was expelled in his third year. He was a midshipman in the navy for three years, when he resigned, married and began farming. It was ten years before he published his first novel, which was practically a failure. His next venture in fiction was "The Spy," which was a prodigious success. Other great tales, such as "The Pioneers," "The Pilot," "The Last of the Mohicans," "The Prairie," "The Pathfinder" and "The Deerslayer," followed and established his fame.



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Hot Weather

Means discomfort for the busy housewife who must bend over a hot stove to perpare the meals for the family, whose appetites are just about as good when the merury is flirting with the hundred mark as at any other time. A great deal of cooking may be saved in hot weather by making selections from our stock of high-class fancy groceries. We have meats, fish, oysters, clams, lobsters and delicious soups in air-tight cans and glasses. They are nice at any time, but especially nice in hot weather, when they save work in a heated kitchen.

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LABOR MUST ORGANIZE

If It Is to Secure Justice From Organized Capital, Says Woodrow Wilson.

Few public men have taken such definite ground on the question of the rights and duties of organized labor as has Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey. In a letter written to one of the labor leaders of his home state recently the governor said:

"I have always been the warm friend of organized labor. It is, in my opinion, not only perfectly legitimate, but absolutely necessary, that labor should organize if it is to secure justice from organized capital, and everything that it does to improve the condition of workingmen, to obtain legislation that will impose full legal responsibility upon the employer for his treatment of his employees and for their protection against accident, to secure just and adequate wages and to put reasonable limits upon the working day and upon all the exactions of those who employ labor ought to have the hearty support of all fair minded and public spirited men, for there is a sense in which the condition of labor is the condition of the nation itself. The laboring man cannot benefit himself by injuring the industries of the country. I am much more afraid that the great corporations, combinations and trusts will do the country deep harm than I am that the labor organizations will harm it, and yet I believe the corporations to be necessary instruments of modern business."

DISCARDING THE LABELS.

Woodrow Wilson Comments on the Breaking Down of Party Lines.

"The country is awakening to a degree of civic consciousness known before only in the period when the country was born," said Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey in a recent address. "We are scrutinizing the men who are conducting the government. We know we are living in an age of complicated conditions. From all our cities man after man tells me that never before have the citizens been so awakened to public questions—to the question of public degeneration."

"The interesting thing of our politics now is that men are not labeled. You cannot tell from the way a man voted last time how he will vote the next time. Men are beginning to find out that the safe line is the right line."

"The mere moral impulse in me is of no force unless it can be translated into action. It is immoral to propose for the United States something that is not of benefit to the whole United States. It is immoral to promote legislation for your business unless it is also for the interest of the rest of the country. Our government is not a paternal institution."

PROSPERITY.

If adversity hath killed his thousands prosperity hath killed his ten thousands; therefore adversity is to be preferred. The one deceives; the other instructs; the one miserably happy, the other happily miserable, and therefore many philosophers have voluntarily sought adversity and so much commend it in their precepts.—Burton.

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