

WITH the next session of congress rapidly nearing we read and hear much of the plans of able and scholastic representatives and wise and noble senators. We hear of plans for national defense, of an enlarged army and navy, of improvements in rivers and harbors, of the care of our Indians and the old saw that always serves when all others are worn out—economy in expenditures.

With a large percentage of the people bankrupt, with thousands upon thousands homeless and hungry, we hear of no more practical way to conserve them as valuable citizens of this country than to build more warships and increase the standing army.

The chains of existing social injustice and industrial wrong are easily cut or broken, but no hand dare attempt to sunder them. The nation knows it can be done, but stands hypnotized from long gazing at an old parchment called a constitution, as helpless as Tribby under the gaze of Svengali.

We turn to pages of the press, the inspired voice of the people, and behold pages of football and society notes, the adventures of Wallingford and exploits of Elaine, fit epitome of the life of a people afraid to think.

How thankful we are that men who lived five or five hundred thousand years ago devised an economic system for the present day. If they had not we would have to do it for ourselves, and there are none among us for the task. So we drift on and, in the language of William Howard Taft, only God can help hungry people out of work, even though they stand in reach of a billion bushels of grain.

SUFFRAGE LOSSES IN THE EAST

THE EAST—the staid, bespectacled, pompous old East—is the fool of the family. With grave accord the New England states at their recent elections deliberately disapproved of suffrage. It was this same East that sent her thousands of sons into fight for the principle of human equality—and freed a race from slavery. Yet, so benighted is this day, she hails the rot and simpleton as "citizen!" and thrusts presumptuous woman back to greasy dishwater and improvement clubs that can't improve—for the reason that their patronesses are not classed as rational beings. The trouble is that the East does not recognize the very principles for which she has twice taken up actual arms—because, for the once, these same principles wear petticoats.

FOND subscribers of the Portland Journal—and there be many such in this locality—will rejoice to learn that their favorite daily disseminator of news will enter the morning field on November 15th with a special out-of-town edition. This issue will reach southern Oregon patrons in the afternoon of the day of publication, and will contain in entirety the gossip of the world for twenty-four hours previous. To achieve this result it has been necessary for the Journal to add to its present facilities a leased night wire from the east.

Reward Offered! \$50.00 REWARD For information leading to recovery of Ford Auto DESCRIPTION: Stolen from garage at Gold Hill, Oregon, November 3, 1915; model 1914; bore Oregon license No. 4408; engine number 439371; original license tag may have been removed; red front common to 1914 models has been repainted black; brass cap on right rear hub is mashed; guard on left front wheel is kinked; right hand strap of folded top is substituted with common red leather grip strap; muffler replaced, asbestos wrapped, closely bound with stove wire. Telegraph to D. H. MILLER GOLD HILL, OREGON

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THE LAUGHER

I do not remember when first I heard laughter—yet I know that I loved it that day and thereafter. Why, I never have heard it but deep in my heart the pixies of pleasantness waken and start. They brighten my eyes and they lighten my breast, till I throw back my head and I laugh with the rest. Give me dross, give me loss, give me pen and pain—but, O, give me leave just to laugh once again!

Not the laughter of Judas who counted his gold; nor the laughter that rings as the brass mimics gold; nor the laughter that wakens to gibe at a woe; nor the laughter that sneers at the plight of a foe—but laughter that springs as a fay from the flower, all merry with morn and the magical hour; laughter that quivers and quickens and clings like colors that riot a butterfly's wings.

Not the laughter of him who is pale with his jest; nor the laughter of him who has failed at the test; nor the laughter of cynics who torture the truth; nor laughter that lechers the white dream of youth—but laughter that booms like a berserk at ease, with his tousle-haired kiddies astride of his knees; laughter that wakens and widens and roars like a giant at play in his great out-of-doors.

I do not remember when first I heard laughter—yet I know that I loved it that day and thereafter. Why, I never have heard it but somewhere within the pixies of pleasantness plead to begin. They tug at a prisoner pent in my breast, till they loosen his bonds and he laughs with the rest. Take my spear, take my gear, take my castle in Spain—but, O, give me leave just to laugh once again!

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Portland's public schools next year will cost the taxpayers approximately \$2,650,000.

The annual Oregon Irrigation Congress will be held in Portland December 28-30, at the Imperial Hotel.

A fire destroyed half a block in the business district of Independence, entailing a loss of \$20,000, with an insurance of about \$10,000.

Eastern Oregon has furnished just half of the county entries in the land products section of the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show at Portland.

Jones and Murray, of Modesto, Cal., have just purchased the Harpold property of 1400 acres in the Bonanza district of Klamath county and paid \$40,000 for it.

Seventy-five editors and publishers from all parts of the state convened at Salem for the two-days' annual meeting of the Oregon State Editorial association.

Because a piece of apple lodged in his windpipe, 3-year-old Albert, son of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Saunders, of Richland, died at Baker in St. Elizabeth's hospital.

The Dallas band has at last won its fight for municipal support. After January 1, 1916, the Dallas band of 40 pieces, will be a regular municipal institution and under control of the city council.

The financial statement of the state industrial accident insurance commission covering the 16 months prior to October 31 last, shows receipts totaling \$779,141.05 and disbursements of \$630,980.57.

Governor Withycombe has issued paroles to seven inmates of the state prison, whose release had been recommended by the state parole board. The board considered 26 cases at its recent meeting.

The Oregon Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis is preparing to launch its campaign for funds by holding a sale of Red Cross seals. This will begin on December 1 and will close December 24.

Don. J. Zumwalt, who has a crew of surveyors at work on Klamath Marsh, in the northern part of Klamath county, reports that the preliminary work in the drainage of the marsh is progressing nicely.

Approximately 55,800 head of central Oregon sheep have passed through Bend in the last month to the winter range near Coleman and to other ranges in the state for feeding preparatory to shipment to coast stock markets.

Several hundred teachers and educators are expected to gather in Pendleton next week to attend the annual teachers' institute, November 17, 18 and 19. The district includes the counties of Morrow, Wheeler, Gilliam and Umatilla.

Growers from all sections of the Hood River valley report that the apple crop for the season is now gathered and under roof. Several hundred packers are now at work sorting, grading and packing the apples in boxes for the trade.

According to plans announced to members of the commercial club by C. N. Ravlin, the huge apple displayed by the Hood River commercial club in the Palace of Horticulture at the Panama-Pacific exposition, may be placed on permanent display in Portland.

Oregon's first drainage district formed under the new state law, has successfully floated a bond issue and is now prepared to work actively toward the reclamation of a large area of fertile soil. The district lies in Clatsop county between Kuappa and Westport.

A statewide campaign for a dry national issue was started in Oregon Monday and 40 central meetings, with speakers of national reputation, are to be held in all sections of the state during the next few days, closing with a state convention in Portland November 16 and 17.

By elimination of superfluous matter from Oregon's house and senate journals of the 1915 legislative session and condensation into one volume, the cost of publication this year was cut to \$2753.03, as compared with \$4220.50 paid out for the 1913 journals, printed in two volumes.

Twice as many cars have been furnished Oregon shippers so far in the month of November as during the same period in October, according to the public service commission, but the shortage, although less acute, still exists, and is especially felt by the lumber manufacturers.

Insurance Agents Held Liable

Salem.—Because many insurance agents in Oregon have contended they were not responsible for the payment of the premium on a policy issued at the request of another agent who delivers the policy to the insured, Harvey Wells, state insurance commissioner, has issued a bulletin declaring that his department would hold agents issuing such policies responsible for the premium's payment.

Just the Right Present

Don't take chances in the matter of Christmas presents. You don't want yours, like so many others, to be received with indifference or worse, and ten days after Christmas to be cast aside and forgotten.

You take no such chance in giving The Youth's Companion for a year.

Did you ever know of a home in which it came amiss, or of one in which it was not conspicuous on the library table or in some one's hands all through the year?

It is worth while to make a gift of that sort, and it is worth while to receive it, too, for The Companion illustrates the best traits in American life in its stories and sketches, upholds the best standards in its articles and other contributions, and combines the practical and informing with the entertaining and blood-stirring.

If you do not know The Companion as it is to-day, let us send you one of two current issues free, that you may thoroughly test the paper's quality. We will also send the Forecast for 1916.

Every new subscriber who sends \$2.00 for the fifty-two weekly issues of 1916 will receive free all the issues for the rest of 1915 and The Companion Calendar for 1916.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION Boston, Mass.

New subscriptions received at this office.

Stock Ranches —FOR— SALE

720 acres, solid body, in Meadows district, small house and good barn, old orchard in bearing, several good springs, about 40 acres under cultivation. Price \$12.50 per acre.

865 acres, near Debenger Gap, 16 miles from Gold Hill, over 100 acres under cultivation, 10 room house, good barn, live creek through it, and several springs, all good land. Price \$35.00 per acre.

200 acres near Beagle, finely improved, including stock and all agricultural implements, all for \$40.00 per acre. Terms, 604 acres in one solid body five miles out, Sams Valley district, nearly all under cultivation, no better alfalfa or grainland in this county. Price \$100 per acre.

120 acres on Fooths Creek, 7 miles out, 45 to 50 acres under cultivation, as much or more could be easily cleared and cultivated, almost unlimited range for stock, good house, two large barns, hog and chicken, houses, good stream through it. Price \$75.00 per acre.

160 acres near Asbestos, 20 miles out, some under cultivation, small house, large amount of small fruit, small bearing orchard, most of this is heavily timbered, unlimited range for stock, several good large springs. This is a bargain at \$4500. Considerable stock and implements go with the place at that price.

Several other farms, large and small, several fine garden tracts from two up to 50 acres, improved and unimproved, several of them are decided bargains. If you want anything in this line it will pay you to call and see me, or write for particulars on any of the above.

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Common lumber, sized, \$13 per thousand, thoroughly seasoned. All building materials at reasonable prices. All competition cheerfully met. —Big Pines Lumber Company.

Notice of Tax Levy and City Budget for Gold Hill, Year 1916

NOTICE is hereby given that at a special meeting of the City Council of Gold Hill, Oregon to be held in the city hall, Friday, November 26th, at 7:30 p.m., a tax of 5 mills upon the assessed valuation of the City of Gold Hill will be levied for the year 1916, to provide for the various departments as named in the following budget, unless it shall be otherwise determined by the action of the meeting then and there assembled.

Any and all taxpayers of the City of Gold Hill may appear at such time and place for consideration and discussion of the proposed tax levy and city budget, and will be heard in favor of or against such proposed tax levy.

The estimated expenditures of the City of Gold Hill for the year 1916, are as follows:

Table with columns: Receipts, Expenditures. Rows include: Budget of City Expense for Year 1916, Proceeds 5 mill tax on assessed valuation (\$1340.00), Licenses, water receipts, etc. (200.00), Total receipts for year (1540.00), Interest on outstanding warrants (80.00), Salary of police for year (300.00), Salary of recorder for year (180.00), Treasurer's commission on funds handled (35.00), Street fund (300.00), Water fund (300.00), Contingent fund (345.00), Total expenditures for year (\$1540.00).

This notice is given by order of the Council of the City of Gold Hill, Oregon, duly made and entered on the 1st day of November, 1915.

Dated at Gold Hill, Oregon, November 1, 1915. BEN H. LAMPMAN, Recorder.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale Under Execution in Foreclosure

Cora B. Olson, Plaintiff, vs. B. F. Seaton, Chas. A. Chapman and Effie Mc Lellan Chapman, his wife, Rebecca Mc Lellan, J. H. Wennandy and Lon L. Fox, partners as Wennandy Livery Company, and Rogue River Fruit & Produce Association, an Oregon Corporation, Defendants.

By virtue of an Execution and Order of sale duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, to me directed and dated 1st day of November, 1915, in a certain cause therein, wherein Cora B. Olson on the 19th day of October, 1915, recovered a judgment against the above named defendants for the sum of Seven thousand seven hundred thirty-eight and 87/100 (\$7738.87) Dollars, with interest thereon from said 19th day of October, 1915, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and \$132.65 costs, which said judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court on the 10th day of October, 1915 and is of record in Volume 23 of the Circuit Court Journal at pages 365-6-7 thereof.

Now Therefore, in Compliance with the commands of said Execution and Order of Sale, I will on Monday the 6th day of December, 1915, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Jackson

County, State of Oregon, offer for sale and will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to redemption as is by law provided all of the right, title, and interest that the defendants above named had on the date of the Mortgage herein foreclosed, or now have or have since acquired in and to the following described real property situated, lying and being in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

The South half of the Northeast quarter and the South half of the Northwest quarter of Section twenty-eight (28) and the Northeast quarter of Section Twenty-nine (29) township Thirty-four (34) South range Two (2) West of the Willamette Meridian. Together with all water rights appurtenant or belonging thereto or used thereon and together with all the tenements hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to or in any way appertaining to any of said real property.

That all of said property will be sold at said time and place in the manner provided by law for the sale of real property under execution to satisfy the judgment, costs and the accruing costs of this sale. Dated this 2nd day of November, 1915.

—W. H. SINGLER, Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon, 11-6 12-4 By E. W. Wilson, Deputy.

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Fine hand-made Mission furniture at half value. See it and get prices. I also make the best furniture polish and floor oil and sell it cheap. Also do all kinds of job-work and all sorts of furniture repairing, guaranteeing all my work—it must stand or no pay. Be sure you see the right man.

—J. N. FOUNTAIN, Gold Hill, Oregon.

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—C. L. DOSENBERRY, Gold Hill, Oregon.

BUY SHINGLES AT HOME.—Manufactured from Jackson county timber, select stock, at our new mill in Sams Valley. Will sell shingles at lowest prices obtainable anywhere—at mill or delivered to order. We also manufacture fruit boxes. Prices always reasonable, stock always the best. Call at or write—Sams Valley Shingle Mill, Sams Valley, Ore.

Mrs. Galthier Drewry, Spencer county, Ky., has given birth to nine children within 18 months, believed to be a world's record. Eighteen months ago there were born five children, three boys and two girls. The girls died. She has just become the mother of four more boys.

The American Society of Civil Engineers, at its meeting in Chicago, drafted a federal law looking to the construction of a \$50,000,000 project for the manufacture of nitrates on the Columbia river, in Oregon. The measure will urge congress to clear title to water power sites desired.

Representative Claude Kitchen, democratic leader of the house, told President Wilson after a long conference with him, that he could not support the administration's program for national defense and that he would oppose the program in a personal capacity only and not as a majority leader.