

PROVIDING FOR POSTAL SAVINGS

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SENATOR CARTER

Limit of Deposits Is \$200 and an Account May Be Started With \$1—Two Per Cent Per Annum Is to be Allowed on Deposits—All Postal Savings Deposits Exempt From Legal Detention.

Senator Carter of the committee on post office and post roads has introduced a bill to establish postal savings banks.

He claims that this measure is satisfactory to the post office department, being drawn in view of the hearings that have been held by a sub-committee of the committee on postoffice and post roads. It was referred back to the committee and will receive further consideration.

The bill provides for a system of postal savings banks under the supervision of the postmaster-general. Money order postoffices and such others as the postmaster-general may designate will be postal savings bank offices.

Deposits in these banks may be made by any person 19 years of age or over, "a married woman in her own name and free from any control or interference by her husband," a trustee, parent, guardian or other person for the benefit of a child under 19 years of age.

At least \$1 is required to open an account, but 10 cents or multiples of that amount may be deposited afterward. No person will be permitted to deposit more than \$200 in any month.

Two per cent per annum is to be allowed on these deposits. No deposit will be allowed to exceed \$1000, and no interest is to be paid on any part of a deposit in excess of \$500.

The postal savings funds are to be exempt from detention under any legal process against the depositor.

They are not to be subject to any taxation by the United States or any state.

The postmaster-general is to deposit these funds in national banks to be designated by him at a rate of interest not less than two and a quarter per cent per annum.

Such deposits are to be made in national banks in the states and territories in which the funds are received and as far as practicable in the immediate vicinity of the places at which the funds are received. If any bank becomes insolvent such funds are to be a prior lien upon its assets.

Additional compensation is to be allowed postmasters of the fourth class for the transaction of postal savings bank business at the rate of one-quarter of one per cent of the deposits received to be paid from the postal revenues.

A report by the postmaster-general to congress at each session is to be made showing all facts deemed proper to present. The bill appropriates \$100,000 to establish the system.

RICH ROGUE RIVER VALLEY.

Oregon's Tokay Grapes Rival Those of Italian Vineyards.

A letter from Grant's Pass to the Chicago Packer says:

The Tokay grape enthusiasts of Rogue river valley and of Grant's Pass in particular, have had to revise their figures on vineyard acreage. Needless to say these figures will have to be increased as they have had to be each month since it was discovered that the climate and the peculiar red soil, found only in the foothills of Rogue River valley, are ideal for vineyards.

The Flame Tokay reaches such perfection here in color, quality and flavor that it is a marvel both to producer and consumer alike. Truly this part of the valley is "the Italy of America."

The cause for recent enthusiasm is the fact that the W. B. Sherman vineyards have just "heeled out" a car of slips containing 100,000 Tokay slips from Lodi, Cal.

"I expect to plant 120 acres this spring," said Mr. Sherman to the Packer man, "and next year this will be increased to 200 acres."

"We grow other things in this valley besides fruit," said Mr. Sherman. "I want to show you my hotbeds where I grow my tomato plants. We grow from 20 to 30 tons of tomatoes per acre. This year I will put out about 10 acres and, in fact, have already contracted that amount at \$10 per ton."

The Sherman vineyards are adjacent to the city on the east, on a warm gentle slope to the southwest, amid beautiful natural surroundings.

Fruit growers are not the only ones interested in the grape industry for you hear it talked of everywhere at the hotels and business houses of the city, and fully 60 per cent of the business men have orchards or vineyards of their own.

Between 800 and 1000 acres of apples and pears have been set out during the winter and spring.

Grant's Pass has a climate peculiar to itself, being a happy medium between the dry hot weather of some parts of California and the cold rainy weather farther north. The term "Sunny Oregon" undoubtedly found its origin in the Rogue River valley.

Grand Easter Ball.

Don't fail to attend the Easter ball, given by the Scandinavian club in Eagles' hall, Wednesday evening, April 15; \$1 per couple, including refreshments. Invitations must be shown at door.

Petition Blanks for Candidates. "Petition of Candidate" and Elector's Nominating Petition blanks for either party, are now printed and on sale at the East Oregonian office.

The Cripple and His Father.

Not even the wide flapping trousers of his sailor suit could wholly hide the slender form wasting away from lack of use. Smoldering brown eyes illuminated the little face, made wizen by hours of pain, as he smiled up at the tall man at his side, who, broad of shoulder and strong of face, smiled back encouragingly.

A troop of small boys noisily invaded the car at the next station. Reckless in their good spirits, one of their number was roughly pushed against a crutch, causing it to fall to the floor. The man's eyes blazed more with anguish than with anger as he exclaimed harshly, "Be careful!"

The sturdy urchins, awed at what had occurred, subsided in seats opposite. The man looked over their heads into space. The child looked first at the boys, then with questioning eyes back at the man.

"Fawther," he whispered as he lightly touched his sleeve, "would you love me better if I was like those boys?"

The man gave a startled glance across the aisle at "those boys," insistent in their perfect health and boyhood vigor, then tightly grasping the hand nearest to him said: "No, son. I love you better than all the world—just as you are."—New York Times.

Risky Speculation.

In the days "befo' de wah" a handy negro named Jack was saving money earned at odd times with which to buy his freedom. His master encouraged him and kept his money for him. In time Jack had saved \$900 and needed only another hundred to make him free. His master told him that it wouldn't be long now until he could get another hundred. Jack went out with another slave to celebrate some local festival. Returning along the railroad track they were frightened by an approaching train. Both got off the track, but Jack's companion fell and, striking his head against a rock, was killed. Jack hurried as rapidly as he could to his master's house. It was a late hour, but the master must hear him. He said, "Gimme mah money right now." The astonished master remonstrated, saying, "But, Jack, you need only another hundred dollars to get free." "I knows it, Mars Henry, I knows it, but niggers is too onsarlin. Bill jes' killed himself by bustin' his head agin a rock, an' I ain' gwine inveh mah money in nothin' as onsarlin as niggers."—Washington Herald.

Grieg as a Schoolboy.

Grieg, the noted composer, was not a pattern schoolboy. In a description of his days at school he wrote: "Knowing that by arriving late I would not be allowed to enter the class until the end of the first lesson, I used, on wet mornings, to stand under a dripping roof until I was soaked to the skin. The master then sent me home to change my clothes, but the distance being long this was equivalent to giving me a dispensation. You may guess that I played this prank pretty often, but when at last I carried it so far as to come one day wet through, though it had hardly rained at all, they became suspicious and kept a lookout. One fine day I was caught and made an intimate acquaintance with the birch."—St. James' Gazette.

A Peculiar Cold.

Sims Reeves had been announced to sing at a small public dinner at which Dickens presided, and, as happened not infrequently, Sims Reeves had something the matter with his throat and was unable to attend. Dickens announced this, and the announcement was received with a general laugh of incredulity. This made Dickens very angry, and he rose manfully to the defense of the delinquent. "My friend, Sims Reeves," he said quietly, "regrets his inability to fulfill his engagement owing," he added, with caustic severity, "to an unfortunately amusing and highly facetious cold."

Large Doings.

On Long Island a hundred and more years ago there was fox hunting for three days during the season, and the biography of Catherine Schuyler contains the following apt lines from the pen of a witty woman whose name remains unknown:

A fox is killed by twenty men.
That fox perhaps had killed a hen.
A gallant act no doubt is here.
All wicked foxes ought to fear.
When twenty dogs and twenty men
Can kill a fox that killed a hen.

Meal Justice.

"Sammy," said a Germantown mother recently to her youngest boy, "when you divided those seven pieces of candy with your brother did you give him four?"

"No, ma'am," replied Sammy, "I knew they wouldn't come out even, so I ate one before I began to divide."

—Harper's Weekly.

The Poor Villains.

"Don't your heart ache for the poor hero an' heroine, Hiram?"

"Oh, I dunno, Marthy. They allus come out right an' sassy in the end. Sometimes I can't help feelin' sorter sorry for the villain an' the villainess."

—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Playing and Listening.

Muggins—You mustn't mind my daughter's mistakes. You know she plays entirely by ear. Buggins—Unfortunately that is also the way I listen.—Philadelphia Record.

His Inferiors.

"No," said Kadley, "I never associate with my inferiors. Do you?"

"Really, I can't say," replied Miss Cutting. "I don't think I ever met any of your inferiors!"

To forgive a fault in another is more sublime than to be faultless oneself.—George Sand.

If you see it in the East Oregonian, it's so.

Howard Whiting

Candidate for Railroad Commissioner Making Many Friends

ALL THE CANDIDATES for the commission have visited our city. The real live one seems to be Mr. Whiting. In commercial circles Mr. Whiting is no stranger, as he is in business in the city of Portland, his candidacy came about largely through the commercial interests there, who desired that a business man and a man who was in sympathy and knew the needs of the commercial world be selected for this important position. Mr. Whiting is in no sense of the word a politician, but purely a business man.

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Mr. Whiting is a pleasant gentleman to meet, and if chosen the people will find him always willing to lend a helping hand toward securing justice.

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No. 40—480 acres A 1 wheat land close to Milton, half in grain this year. You can live in town and farm this place. Price \$80 per acre. Easy terms.

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