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## SONG OF THE SADDLE.

When my trail stretches out to the edge of the sky,
Through the desert so empty and bright;
And I'm countin' the miles, as they go crawlin' by,
And a-hopin' I'll get there by night;
Then my hawse never speaks through the long, sunny day
But the saddle, he sings in his creaky old way—
Easy—easy—easy.

For a temperit galt ain't a crime,
Let your mount hit it steady, but give him his case,
For the sun hammers hard and there's never a breeze;
We kin get there in plenty of time.

When I'm after some critter that's hit the high lope
And a-spurrin' my hawse till he flies;
While I'm watchin' my chances for throwin' the rope
And a-winkin' the sweat from my eyes,

Then the leathers they squeal with the lungs of the swine,
And I work to the liveller tune that they sing—
Reach 'em! Reach 'em! Reach 'em!

If you lather your hawse to the heel,
There's a time to be slow and a time to be quick,
Never mind if it's rough and the bushes are thick,
Pull your hat down and fling in the steel!

When I've rustled all day till I'm achin' for rest
And I'm ordered the night guard to ride,
With the tired little moon sinkin' low in the west
And my sleeplessness fightin' my pride;
Then I nod and I blink at the dark herd below
And the saddle he sings, as the hawawe paces slow—
Sleepy—sleepy—sleepy.

We was ordered a close watch to keep,
But I'll sing you a song in a drowsy old key;
All the world is a snoozin., so why shouldn't we?
Go to sleep, partner mine, go to sleep.

—Charles B. Clark in Pacific Monthly.

## PENDLETON AND THE ROUND-UP

The opening of the second annual Round-Up marks a big occasion for Pendleton. For many months preparations have been carried on with a view to making the present show a thrilling entertainment. The best talent obtainable has been gathered in from far and wide, a mammoth grandstand has been erected and other improvements made with a view to the better accommodation of both spectators and performers. It has been the intention of the Round-Up management and of the people of Pendleton in general to leave nothing undone that would work for the complete success of the three days' show. If the frontier show is not enjoyed it will not be because Pendleton has not striven to please.

As for the character of the Round-Up, it is an entertainment devised to provide good, wholesome recreation for those who participate and those who witness the performance. The show is not intended to depict the life in this country at this time, for the Round-Up is not typical of Pendleton and of eastern Oregon these days. This much may be safely said without reflection.

In the Round-Up and in the daring work of those who participate all take pride. But it is sport, not business. In their serious moments the people of this section follow less strenuous work. Wheat raising is the banner industry of this county and the graingrowers of the county produce one per cent of the wheat of the United States.

There are also vast irrigation districts in this county. The Milton-Freewater district, which constitutes the oldest fruit raising district of the county, produced more fruit last year than did the Hood River valley and it sold for more money than did the Hood River fruit. In the west end of the county there are numerous private irrigation projects, among them the splendid Furnish project, and the Umatilla project, developed by the United States reclamation service. The Umatilla project has been classed by the engineers of the government as being the most favored project in many respects of any undertaken by the government. Just now the government is also planning for the expenditure of $4,000,000 upon the extension of the Umatilla river.

In area Umatilla county contains more square miles than do the combined states of Rhode Island and Delaware. There are more miles of railroad in Umatilla county than in any other county in Oregon. This is the second wealthiest county in the state and has undeveloped resources that promise great things for the future.

All of these things are mentioned here to show that while Pendleton features its frontier show this little city is also the capital of a territory that is alive and progressive with reference to affairs of industry, commerce and culture. There are bath tubs, automobiles and paved streets in Umatilla county as well as bronchos, buckaroos and Indians.

But just now it is not civilization we are after. We are showing the rough and ready life of the range and it is a life worth while.

"Let 'er buck!"

## A PUBLIC SERVANT.

In City Attorney Frank S. Grant seems to have an official who strives to serve the people. He is an agent of the public and is striving to get what he can from them in the way of proper treatment from the public service corporations.

It appears that the Portland Railway, Light & Power company desires to fasten its hold more securely upon Portland. The company's franchise does not seem absolutely secure and the corporation managers would like to make it safe. But before any action is taken by the city administration the city attorney would like to have the corporation do a few things for Portland. Here is a summary of his requests:

That the Portland Railway, Light & Power company be required to take out a franchise to sell light and power in the city of Portland.

That it be required to take out a franchise for the use of the Hawthorne avenue bridge in accordance with Section 118 of the city charter, as amended, paying therefor the sum of $15,000 a year.

That it be compelled to pay its share of the cost of the Front street bridge, the company having evaded payment heretofore by abandoning its franchise across the ravine.

That the company be required to pay to the city $3000 as its share of the cost of improving Nineteenth street from Overton street to Wilson street, it also having evaded this payment by process of abandoning its tracks.

That the company be made to pay a similar claim on Halsey and East Twenty-eighth streets.

That it be required to pay for the widening of East Fifteenth street, the city having been forced to pay the contractor $1100 for this work, which was done solely that the street might be made wide enough to accommodate the streetcars of the corporation.

In the relations of the city of Portland and the Portland Light & Power company, the East Oregonian has no concern. But in the general subject of the duties of public servants and of public service corporations this paper is much interested. It is splendid when an official sets forth fearlessly and frankly to serve his people as Mr. Grant seems to be doing. There are officials in Pendleton who seem to have no zeal at all in behalf of the public, but devote their time to worrying lest their people will secure too much in the way of service from the public utility concerns. Upon this point the East Oregonian has particularized in the recent past and may do so again if the occasion seems to demand.

It is raining today in Portland but not in Pendleton. Let the Portlanders come on and catch a good view of the sun.

For two successive years Benton county has taken the prize for the best exhibit at the state fair.

Mrs. Mabel Warner will continue to be before the footlights.

The Carnival of the Strenuous Life is now on.

Help accommodate the visitors.

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## NERVE.

We have read of the nerve of the light brigade,
That charged through a rain of lead,
And the fleet that entered Manila bay,
Where the dauntless Dewey led.
We have heard of the nerve and the steady aim
Of the patriot William Tell,
And the great Jim Bludso daring death
On the burning Prairie Belle.
Man's nerve has made the whole world thrill,
Though some men's nerves appall,
But the nerve of the nervous iceman
Is the damnest nerve of all!

A different nerve had old Doc Cook,
Who came from the Arctic sea
To spring his tale of the gumdrop trail
That led to the last degree.
The nerve of the crabbed, cross old cove
Who flirts with the coy young maid,
And the henpecked man who leads the van
In a suffragette parade.
Man's nerve has made the whole world thrill,
Though some men's nerves appal,
But the nerve of the nervous iceman
Is the r'ppingest nerve of all.

## THE HUNT.

To seek a cosy flat he went;
His wife was by his side.
The agent told him of the rent;
The figure hurt his pride.
Since what he felt that he could stand
Each month would, after all,
Secure space for an oil stove and
A hat rack in the hall!

Said he: "We must economize
On room. Whene'er we sup,
If you sit down it will be wise
On my part to stand up.
And in this way we can command
The space, whate'er befall,
For both ourselves, the oil stove and
The hatrack in the hall."

—Washington Star

## SEPTEMBER 14 IN HISTORY.

1544—The English, under the Duke of Norfolk, raised the siege of Montreuil, in France.

1773—Vault under the church of Bourbon-les-Bains gave away, in Bassingi, during the celebration of mass and six hundred were killed.

1895—The English defeated the Dutch at the Cape of Good Hope.

1804—The governor of New Brunswick was forced to order out the troops to quell a riot among oyster strikers at Amboy.

1829—The peace of Adrianople was declared. Turkey agreed to recognize the independence of Greece and relinquish to Russia the northeast coast land of the Black Sea.

1839—Don Carlos abandoned Spain and retired with his family into France, by which the long protracted civil war in Spain was regarded as at length closed.

1848. The British forces, under General Whish, had besieged for several days the city of Moultan in northern India. After much fighting the desertion of Shere Singh, an imperial ally, they were compelled to withdraw.

1853—The first ground broken of the European and North American railroad at St. John, by Lady Head, assisted by the lieutenant governor, in the presence of 25,000 people.

1854—English and French forces landed in the Crimea.

1864—Secretary Stanton announced that a draft would be put into effect on September 19, in all states and districts in which the quota had not been filled.

1868—The Georgia house of representatives resolved that the negro members having one-eighth negro blood are ineligible; 69 republicans refused to vote.

1884 — Antagonism between clericals and liberals in Belgium threatened to result in civil war.

1909—President Taft began his 13,000 mile journey through the west and south.

Judge Robert Lovett succeeded E. H. Harriman as chairman of the executive committee of the Union Pacific railroad.

## NOT SO NICE AFTER ALL.

In the garden, over the Sunday paper and a pitcher of iced tea, they were holding a vacation argument.

"Yes," he said, "Doc Sawyer tells me a separate vacation is the best thing for married folk."

"Humph."

"Well, look at the matter calmly. Here we are married nearly twenty years and always together. Think of what a change it would be for both of us to get away alone—to see nothing but new scenes, nothing but new faces."

"Humph."

"A change, a thorough change, that is what we require, Doc Sawyer says."

"William, look here. I consent. I consent providing you make this change really thorough by letting me go off on my vacation by myself, and you take with you on yours the six children that I haven't had out of my sight for ten years."

But this time it was William who said:

"Humph."

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