

POKER JIM TELLS OF THE EARLY DAYS

The following communication was handed to Major Lee Moorehouse, from POKER JIM, with an urgent request that it be published:

Umatilla Reservation, Sept. 18, 1911.
I have the greatest pleasure of writing in regard to the "Round-Up," held in Pendleton, Ore., September 14, 15 and 16, which was enjoyed by many visitors from the east south and the north. The state of Oregon was at one time a big, wild country, and inhabited exclusively by Indians, and their thousands of beautiful ponies grazed on the prairies and it was from this that our tribe was called the Cayuses.

Now, you young white people should think of the hard times that your parents had when they first came west, and they are living no more, but their children are now having good times, wearing good clothes, riding on the cars with plenty to eat and drink, but you should think of your poor fathers and mothers all dead. What would they think about you if they could come to life now and see the farms and cities along the road they had traveled and had hard times.

I do often think of my father and great-grandfather, who, at one time, wore nothing but the Indian war bonnets and the rest of the wearing apparel, such as was seen in the parade and that is the reason why I like to see my people wear these old time clothes at the celebration of the Fourth of July, in memory of our forefathers, who are now all dead. I, in behalf of the Indians, want to thank my friend, Major Lee Moorehouse, who so kindly helped us out by loaning us lots of things from his

Many years ago you white people immigrated into the west, where there never had been any white people before. This was a surprise to the Cayuse Indians. They respected them more than they did their own people

and they said "These people are the Indians' new friends." The whites traveled with oxen and with wagons covered with canvas, such as was seen in the parade Saturday, they bought our furs and other things and horses, but at that time the Indians did not know the value of gold and silver. Now your fathers and mothers who drove across the plains and seen many hard times are no more, and the Indians' fathers and mothers have all gone to the Happy Hunting Grounds; they were the white men's friends, but the children of those who crossed the plains are living and the children of the Indians who first saw them are living, and we are all friends to each other.



Redmen in Native Costume.

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collection and who helped us out by heading the Indian parade.
We Indians really love this country, because our fathers owned it all lived here and were raised here, but now the white people are taking the country some owned by our fathers, but some not owned.
I am writing this letter for the purpose to help you think of the hard times many years ago, and perhaps this some white people have heard nothing about it.
That is all I have to say.
Yours Respectfully,
POKER JIM. (Sap-it-to-nee)

IS NOT WILLING TO OBEY.

Woman's Suffrage Supporter Becomes Bride by Contract Marriage.
New York.—Mrs. Freda Helen Keller MacLean, ardent supporter of the woman's suffrage movement, does not intend to be forced to obey her husband, Donald C. MacLean, and therefore objected to the clause in the marriage ceremony whereby she would have to pledge herself to obedience. Yet they are man and wife, held together by a simple written contract, in which they declare their intention of living together as such.
For a long time the bride held strong views on this subject and when MacLean asked her to become his wife she consented, providing he found a way to be married without obtaining a license.
MacLean cracked his brain and finally concocted a lawyer. As a result the couple signed a marriage contract in the presence of two witnesses as provided under the amended contract marriage license law of 1907.

ment from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, as no bid of less than \$2 50 per 1,000 feet will be considered for the timber cut during the first five years of the contract nor of less than \$3 per 1,000 feet for that cut during the following years. All the timber must be cut in ten years.
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NAVAL PUGILISTS DESERT.

One Quits Because Rules Prevent Getting Licked; Other Because He Did.
Mare Island.—Sam Trinkle, pride of the "Fighting Maryland," and Battling Robinson, middleweight champion of the Pacific fleet, are both missing from their ships.
It is believed both have deserted. Trinkle because Admiral Chauncey Thomas refused him permission to fight ashore, and Robinson because he was virtually lashed out of the navy after refusing to fight "Sailor" Bert Bowers of Great Island a few days ago.
Both Trinkle and Robinson have fought several bouts in San Francisco and are the two best known boxers in the navy on the Pacific coast. Robinson was attached to the flagship California.

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Transaction Will be One of the Largest on Record—Cuttings to be Made in Southwestern Reserves.
Washington, D. C.—Arrangements for the largest timber sale ever undertaken by the government, involving approximately 600,000,000 board feet of merchantable timber, nine-tenths of it yellow pine, are being made by the department of agriculture and of the interior.
The tract, claimed to be the largest body of good timber in the Southwest, comprises parts of the Apache and Sitgreaves national forests and the Fort Apache Indian reservation, in eastern Arizona.

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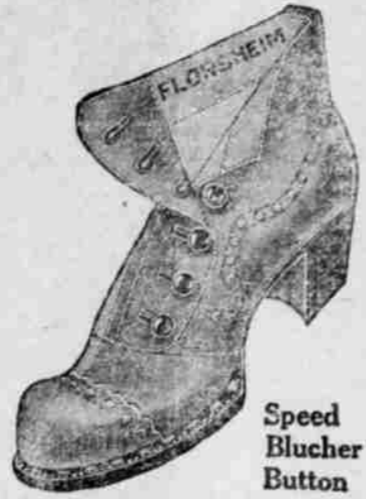
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NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

Harvest Dance at Freewater, Ore.—The Nagle brothers gave a harvest dance in the Bradley hall.

Freewater Society Meets, Ore.—The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society held the first meeting of the society for the season at the home of Mrs. Ed Horner, Washington street. It was an all-day meeting.

Wedded 44 Years; Wife Sues, Davenport, Wash.—After 44 years

of wedded life Mrs. Clara E. Porter of Davenport, has filed suit asking divorce from Edward P. Porter, against whom she alleges cruel and inhuman treatment. The husband, the complainant says, persisted in telling the neighbors that his spouse was crazy.

Robbers in Waiitburg Store, Waiitburg, Wash.—Saturday morning at the S. F. Patten company's store, evidences of burglary were discovered. Goods were thrown helter skelter. A pair of shoes was left on the back platform in the alley. The extent of the robbery Mr. Patten had not been able to determine.

Wireless Instruments at Fair, Walla Walla.—Wireless telegraph instruments were installed at the Walla Walla county fair as a part of the high school exhibit. Four boys, Robert Norton, Fay Colt, Charles Emigh,

and Earl Kennedy will be in charge of the instruments. The boys have private stations of their own and frequently communicate with North Yakima and Lewiston.

Irrigate Land in Oregon, Ontario, Ore.—The latest irrigation project to be promoted in Halheur county includes 5,000 acres south of Kingman colony, along the Owyhee and Snake rivers. The land holders in that vicinity have authorized a preliminary survey.

Sign Big Power Contracts, Ontario, Ore.—Contracts for electric power to pump water on the Kingman colony lands were signed this week with the Kuhn people of the Great Shoshone Power company. The Kingman colony is 20 miles south of Ontario, in this county, and about 5,000 acres are included.

Mark Wheat on Flour Sacks, Walla Walla.—Farmers in this vicinity are agitating seeking a federal ruling whereby the variety and proportion of wheats used in the making of flour shall be marked on the sack, thus insuring consumers a guide to the best wheat and resulting, as it is believed would be the case, in a demand for the higher grades of wheat.

Barley Yields \$57 an Acre, Baker City, Ore.—H. C. Higbee has just sold and delivered to the Oregon Mill and Grain company this year's crop of barley. From 48 acres he threshed 182,873 pounds, an average yield of 79 1/2 bushels to the acre. The barley brought an average price of \$57.24 an acre.

Snow Slide on Mount Adams, Trout Lake, Wash.—Mount Adams had a snow slide in White Salmon glacier when the entire center of the mountain patch apparently slid away, leaving the place bare of snow and ice. White Salmon river is muddy as a consequence. The mountain has been visited by a severe snowstorm and is covered with a deep new snow, with the exception of where the avalanche occurred. Rain has fallen almost continuously here for a week and the grain and hay crops suffer considerably.

Ontario Plans "Round-Up," Ontario, Ore.—A program of buckaroo sports that will rival any similar entertainment in the west will be given at Ontario during the Malheur county fair, September 25 to 30. Some of the most famous riders and ropers in the states will be present and take part in the contests here that week, one of whom will be Buffalo Vernon, the famous Wyoming steer roper, who has taken prizes all over the west.

A little ground and a lot of healthy work—and you're all right.

FIND GOLD WATCH IN ALLIGATOR'S STOMACH.

Discovery Believed to Explain Disappearance of Little Girl, Forsyth, Ga.—The finding of a valuable gold watch and chain in the stomach of an alligator that died in a pond near here is believed to solve the mystery of the disappearance of 12-year-old Janet Thornton from the home of her parents at Island Grove, Fla., two years ago.
The alligator was captured near Island Grove some weeks after the girl disappeared and was brought to this place by J. M. Jackson. The little girl has never been heard from since she was standing on the bank of the lake when Jackson captured the alligator, and she was wearing at the time a gold watch of the Waltham make with her initials engraved on the back of the watch.
The same initials are on the back of the watch discovered inside the dead alligator. It is believed by Jackson and others that while the girl was playing on the bank of the lake, the alligator came up on the bank and devoured her.
The parents of the girl have been notified and the watch will be returned to them.

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DEATH BARES MARRIAGE.

Fact Leaks Out Helms Was Bride of Finney, Buried to Death in London.
New York.—A wedding announcement inserted in the advertisement columns of New York newspapers made known for the first time that Jameson Lee Finney, the American actor who lost his life in the Hotel Carlton fire in London August 9, was secretly married in London a month before his death to Miss Emily D. Jex, a wealthy young New York woman.

TURTLE DROWNS THREE.

Boys in Canoe Upset When One Hits Turtle with Paddle.
Sharon.—Three boys were drowned in the Shenago river recently when a canoe in which they were riding capsized. They were Ernest Roadshaw, 14; Harold Roadshaw, aged 16, and Roy Hassell, aged 17.
When in the middle of the river one of them struck a turtle with his paddle and overturned the canoe.
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