

TROPHIES FOR NORTHWESTERN LAND PRODUCTS SHOW.



Northern Pacific Railway Gives Half Dozen Silver Pitchers.

The Northern Pacific Railway, through President Howard Elliott and Vice President J. M. Hannaford, has donated to the Northwest Development League, six silver pitchers to be given as prizes at the Northwestern Land Products Show in Saint Paul, at present.

These prize pitchers given by the Northern Pacific are offered in such a way that the individual grower will win them, and they will each go into some farm home in the northwest where they are sure to be appreciated, by reason of being an article of utility as well as an ornament.

In speaking of the donation of these pitchers are a new thing in the prize the Northern Pacific said, "The silver pitchers are a new thing in the prize line, and I believe are a very happy solution of the problem of a prize which will really be prized for what it is, as well as for what it represents. We have selected pitchers of the latest patterns and Christmas in six northwest homes is going to be brightened this year by the presence of these pitchers."

The six pitchers are to be awarded for exhibits as follows:

- 1. For the best bushel of apples grown in Minnesota.
2. For the best sample of barley grown in North Dakota or Montana.
3. For the best exhibit of alfalfa grown in central Oregon.
4. For the best exhibit of processed fruits from Washington or Oregon.
5. For the best sample of flax grown in North Dakota or Montana.
6. For the best exhibit of products of logged-off land in Idaho.

IMITATING THEIR ANCESTORS.

Some Habits of Men and Other Animals Traced From Remote Times. Cleveland.—It is from our remotest ancestors that we get many of our habits. Mankind's dislike of darkness is as old as he is himself. All children fear the dark and few grown-ups are quite at their ease in it.

Scientists trace stage fright back to the days when to be conspicuous meant to invite attack from more powerful animals. And the shyness some people have about crossing a large room when other people are present is another inheritance from our primitive ancestors. In the forests it was only the biggest and strongest animals, such as the bear, the elephant and the mastodon, who dared to walk straight across the wide open space. The others preferred, for safety's sake, to sidle or slink around the edges.

Scientists declare that the paralysis that a sudden fright is apt to cause is a trick we learned in our wilder days, and exactly corresponds to the death-shunning that some animals are so adept in. The weaker animals learned ages ago that a moving object is much less likely to escape the notice of a prowling enemy than the one that stays motionless.

Do you like shaking hands? Many old people do not, and avoid the ceremony as much as possible. It is the old, animal dislike of being touched. The ordinary house dog is so civilized that it likes being petted, but take any wild or half-wild animal, such as an Eskimo dog, a touch will make it spring yards away, or bury its fangs into the intruding hand. All of us overcome this dislike in the case of our intimate friends, but there are many people who, if their hands are touched accidentally in a crowd by a stranger, stealthily wipe them.

The dream that everybody has had—that of falling and being brought up with a jerk—is a dream that always brings the dreamer awake with a start. Psychological science declares it is probably the very oldest memory of the human race going back, indeed, to the days when our apelike ancestors lived and slept in trees—Leader.

FORTUNE COMES WITH BABY.

An Infant That Brought Wealth and Yet Mixed Things Up Badly. Scranton, Pa.—When the stork dropped into town on his usual rounds it called at the home of Charles R. Connell, nephew of former Congressman William Connell, and now Scranton is boasting of a "half-million-dollar baby," while the boy's mother is proudly displaying its charms to her friends and at the same time showing a \$10,000 diamond sunburst, the gift of the proud father.

Under the will of the baby's grandfather it was provided that if its father died without issue the estate was to go to the children of the former congressman, and inasmuch as Mr. and Mrs. Connell had been married eight years without their union blessed by children, it began to look very much as if the behest of the will would stand. The arrival of the baby, however, set aside this provision of the will and the \$500,000 will now remain in the other branch of the family, no provision having been made by the decedent for its conversion in the event of the child's not living.

LORIMER MUST GO SAYS SENATE POLL.

Roll Call Will Oust Illinois Senator by at Least 8 Votes and Probably Fourteen.

Washington.—William Lorimer of Illinois, charged with holding his seat in the United States senate through corruption of a legislature, will be ousted from that body by a majority of not less than eight. The majority votes will probably be as high as fourteen. A careful poll of the senate justifies this statement.

Just as sure as the day comes when the vote is taken on the resolution declaring Lorimer not entitled to his seat, that resolution will be adopted. Friends of Mr. Lorimer realize that his fight is hopeless.

On the best information the final roll call will stand: Against Lorimer—Bacon, Borah, Bourne, Bristow, Brown, Bryan, Burton, Chamberlain, Clapp, Clarke, Crawford, Culberson, Cummins, Davis, Dixon, Gore, Gronna, Hitchcock, Jones, Kenyon, Kern, La Follette, Lea, Lodge, Martin, Martine, Myers, Nelson, Newlands, O'Gorman, Overman, Owen, Page, Percy, Poindexter, Pomeroy, Rayner, Regd, Root, Shively, Smith of Michigan, Smith of Georgia, Smith of South Carolina, Stone, Sutherland, Swanson, Taylor, Williams, Works, Total, 49.

For Lorimer—Bailey, Bankhead, Bradley, Brandegee, Briggs, Burnham, Clark of Wyoming, Crane, Cullom, Curtis, Dillingham, Dupont, Fletcher, Foster, Gallinger, Gamble, Guggenheim, Heyburn, Johnston, Lippitt, McCumber, Nixon, Oliver, Aynter, Penrose, Perkins, Richardson, Simmons, Smith of Maryland, Smoot, Stephenson, Thornton, T. Man, Warren, Watson, Wetmore, Total, 30.

Lost dog—Black and tan female, Alredale Terrier. Notify this office and receive reward.

ECHO BASKETBALL 5 LOSES, TO UMATILLA

DANCE FOLLOWS CONTEST AT COUNTY'S SEAPORT

Umatilla Man Secures Contract for New Catholic Church at Stanfield—New Lumber Yard to Open and Coal Business Also.

(Special Correspondence.) Umatilla, Ore., Dec. 16.—At the opening basketball game here last night, the Echo team was defeated by the home team, score 39 to 38. The game was fast throughout and in the first half the score stood 18 to 18. Following is the lineup:

Echo—Hoskins and C. Hoskins, forwards; Moore, center; Atterbury, guard; Ripper, guard. Umatilla—Hindman, forward; R. McNurlin, forward; O. Connell, center; Means, guard; Shaw, guard.

W. Hoskins referred to the satisfaction of both teams. After the game the weekly dance of the social club was held. The next game will be played at Echo on December 22.

Personal Mention. Mrs. A. O'Connell has returned from a visit to Walla Walla.

Russell Brownell of Hermiston, was a visitor here yesterday. Arthur Means has returned from a ten day visit spent in Salem and Portland.

Mrs. H. C. Means and Miss Means left today to visit friends in Portland. J. Manning and C. E. Shaw of Portland are here today.

Mr and Mrs. H. T. Irwin of Hermiston were here yesterday en route to Spokane.

New Coal Yards. The Umatilla Feed and Transfer company has opened up a coal yard here in connection with their business.

Gets Contract. Geo. Simpson, the well known Umatilla contractor and builder, has been awarded the contract of the new Catholic church at Stanfield.

Buys Umatilla Property. The Turn-a-lum Lumber company of Walla Walla has purchased a half block of land from D. C. Brownell on the south side of the city and will open up a lumber yard here. Already two cars of lumber have arrived for the company and in a few weeks they propose to begin the erection of a suitable office building and may put up some residences for rental.

WED. US. 250 SWAINS BEG OF 250 WIDOWS. "Cupidity" of Bachelors' Club Is Largest in Matrimonial History. Santa Monica, Calif.—Constituting what is said to be the largest matrimonial offer in history, members of the Oatman Bachelors' Association of Oatman, Ariz., have proposed to 250 widows of Santa Monica.

The offer is official, coming in the form of a letter to Chief of Police Barretto and being signed by sixteen directors of the bachelors' organization. As the widows hold the balance of power in the city election of December 5 however, all steps toward a reply to the gigantic proposal either jointly or severally, will be postponed until after that date, as the widows are needed to vote here then.

The letter to Barretto, after stating that a newspaper account of the political power held by the widows of Santa Monica had reached Oatman, continued: "We have an equal number of bachelors here, ranging in age from 29 to 41 years. We also have a bachelors' association. If you could find it convenient to communicate with some of those fair widows and notify them of our intentions, should they intend to get married, we are convinced they would have no trouble in getting husbands."

Then follows a long list of the bachelors' names and descriptions, such as "Andy Porter, 29 years old, six feet one inch tall and 220 pounds heavy." The letter concludes: "These names are only a small margin compared with the great number of bachelors employed at the Tom Reed mifing camp. We would suggest that you try to find us life partners."

OBSESSED BY OLD OMEN.

Family Portrait Fell so Southern Man Killed Himself.

Athens, Ga.—Belief in the old superstition that the fall of a family portrait presages death is thought to have caused Mark B. Bell, brother of Congressman Thomas Bell of the Ninth district, to kill himself while in bed.

In the evening there was a gathering of friends at the Bell home and during the evening a family picture fell from the wall. "That means a death in the family," said a member of the party. "Yes, and I will be the victim," said Bell.

After the friends left Mrs. Bell says her husband became gloomy and referred to the fall of the portrait as a sure sign of death. Mrs. Bell arose and left her husband in bed. Soon after she left the room she heard a shot and returning, found that her

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husband had put a bullet through his brain. Bell was wealthy, being the head of a large marble plant. This is the fourth tragic death in the Bell family in a few years.

Two years ago Lester Bell, a brother, shot himself in the presence of his bride of a few months. Shortly after that the father of Bell was murdered. An uncle also met a violent death.

WOULD SEW OUT OF JAIL.

Pugnacious Widow Guarantees to Earn \$5 a Day if She's Released.

Goldfield, Nev.—Mrs. Jennie Enright, a widow of pugnacious tendencies, is serving a sentence of 100 days in jail as the result of conviction for numerous assaults, in each case men being the victims of her prowess. Mrs. Enright objects to spending the time in jail and in idleness, and she informed the sheriff that if he

would provide her with a house, rent free, for the 100 days, she would guarantee to make \$5 a day doing embroidery work. Out of this amount she said she would pay the fine of \$200 in lieu of which she went to jail.

Five persons have offered to pay her fine, but she has refused to accept their generosity.

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