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Newsy Notes of Pendleton

Weather is Warmer. The minimum temperature recorded last night by the official thermometer was five degrees above zero.

Home for Christmas. Dan O'Donnell, an employe of the Tallman Drug company and the Alta theater, left this morning for Salem where he will spend over Christmas at his father's home.

Fined for Assault. Sheriff Taylor yesterday arrested Will Benedict at Pilot Rock Junction on a charge of assaulting Nick Nitzor. He pleaded guilty this morning before Justice of the Peace Parkes and was fined \$12.50.

Funeral is Held. The funeral of the late "Uncle Tom" Matthews, who died here night before last, was held at the Brown chapel this morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Charles Quinsey of the Church of the Redeemer officiating.

Big Brown Bear Hung Up. Yesterday and today a big brown bear hung up in front of the Oregon Market has attracted considerable attention. The animal was killed by J. H. Hecker of Ukiah last Wednesday. The meat will be offered for sale in a few days.

Pair Board Meets. President G. L. Hurd and Secretary Lee Moorhouse of the Umatilla county fair board held a meeting this morning to audit the bills for the past year and to discuss the prospects for the future. They have not yet decided whether an attempt will be made to have a fair next fall.

Suits Are Dismissed. A satisfactory settlement having been made this morning, the two suits filed in the justice court against A. L. Sparling to collect money were dismissed upon motion of the attorneys for the plaintiff. Mr. Sparling made a cash settlement and feels that his creditors were a little precipitate in their action.

Her Mother Died. H. J. Taylor today received a message from Mrs. Taylor who is at Browning, Mo. to the effect her mother died there at 5 o'clock last evening. The funeral is to be held tomorrow and Mrs. Taylor will probably arrive home Sunday. A sister, Mrs. Moon of Pasco, also made the trip.

Fire Did No Damage. A slight blaze that caused no damage occurred at 1:35 this forenoon in the rear of the Demott cigar store on Main street. The fire started from gasoline that was used by the swamper and became ignited. The blaze was soon quenched by men there and there was no damage whatever. The auto truck company responded quickly to a call but the services of the firemen were not necessary.

Test Blow at Noon. Instead of at 8:30 morning and evenings as heretofore the test blows at the fire station will hereafter be sounded at 12 o'clock noon each day and there will be three taps on the bell. The change in the time is made because of the fact one of the firemen is asleep at the station by 8:30 in the evening and another is slumbering there at 8:30 a. m. By making the test at noon each day it will be possible to try out the alarm system daily and not disturb the sleep of the boys at the station.

Plucky Carrier Boy. That you cannot stop an East Oregonian carrier boy by merely breaking his arm is shown by the case of Robert McGee, who carries route No. 5, west of Main street and north of Webb. Young McGee fell from his bicycle Saturday evening and broke his left arm. However, not a subscriber on the route has been neglected as a consequence of the accident. Last evening the carrier covered his route as usual though he had his

brother with him to carry the papers. Not a single complaint was received from the route. The boy is the son of J. W. McGee and lives on West Alta street.

Joe Berger Here. Joe Berger, former premier twirler for Pendleton, is spending the day in the city with friends while en route to his home in Colorado to spend Christmas with his mother. Joe and Eddie Ford, Yakima manager, have the Washington rights for the moving pictures of the Walla Walla fair and wild west show.

Had Accident With Auto. While motoring the other side of Holdman day before yesterday in search of goose fields, District Attorney Stelwer, Deputy R. I. Keator and William Roesch were brought to a jerky halt when the rear axle of their car broke. It was necessary for them to secure another car to convey them back home.

Bill Ridings Artist's Model. "Slim Bill" Ridings, the Round-up wrangler and handy man, has been selected by A. Phinister Proctor, the New York sculptor, as a model for his cowboy statue. Ridings is now handling the few Round-up horses at the barns and is spending the winter here so that he was easily available. He is a little too tall for the typical cowboy but has the other essential characteristics.

Taxpayers Saved \$100,000. The making of the state and county tax levy eight mills instead of ten mills as last year is a saving of nearly \$100,000 to the taxpayers of the county. The two mills extra on a valuation of over \$49,000,000 would have produced over \$98,000. The saving this year resulted from a smaller state tax and by reason of the fact that, instead of having road bonds to take up, the county has a surplus of nearly \$15,000 on hand.

Deeds for Big Sale Filed. The deeds for the \$100,000 land transaction at Stanfield last week were filed yesterday for record and they netted the government \$150 in taxes under the new revenue law. There were three deeds in all, one from the Hazel Investment company to A. H. Hinkson conveying the acreage for \$100,000, one from the investment company to Mabel C. Hinkson conveying the business block in Stanfield for \$10,000 and one from Mabel C. Hinkson to J. J. Nicolle conveying the same property for the same price.

Pupils' Program Enjoyable. A large crowd last evening witnessed the presentation of "The Bridge of the Gods" in dramatic pantomime by the pupils of the seventh and eighth grades of the Washington school, in spite of the cold weather and the difficulty in getting to the high school while Justin street is being improved. The entertainment proved a very enjoyable one, the settings and costumes being very realistic and the efforts of the boys and girls to portray some of the more dramatic scenes from Balch's famous book being highly creditable. A great deal of credit is due Miss Vivian Bretherton who directed the entertainment.

SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS IS THREATENED IN OREGON

SUPERINTENDENT CHURCHILL SAYS HIGH SCHOOLS MUST PROVIDE COURSES.

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 22.—Oregon will face a serious shortage of teachers in 1915 unless high schools of the state respond to an appeal for the installation of teachers' training courses, according to J. A. Churchill, state school superintendent, speaking before the Oregon State Teachers' Association here at which about 700 educators were assembled.

"Oregon needs 1900 teachers annually, and the State Normal school does not furnish more than one-tenth of this number," he said, "and this is in face of the fact that after September 1, 1915, no one, not even a high school graduate, can be granted a certificate who has not had an elementary teachers' training course." "While the course in the high school cannot give the training that a standard normal school gives, it can partially prepare teachers for their work, and it can give the training course required by the new law. Incidentally, it will assist in raising the standards of the rural schools." A still greater extension of the industrial educational system in the schools of the state was demanded by speakers at the opening of the fourteenth annual session of the Oregon State Teachers' Association. Extend the teaching of book-keeping, shorthand and handwriting work below the high school into the grades prepare those students who do not even go into the high school to be industrially fitted whenever they drop out, were the themes.

ROCK ISLAND ROAD OFFERED FOR SALE NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Rock Island railroad was offered for sale on the steps of the New York county court house today. It was bid in by James Wallace, president of the Central Trust company, at seven million, one hundred and thirty five thousand and three hundred dollars.

AND HE WALKED ROUND THE BLOCK IN HIS BARE FEET

NARRY A GALLANT OF OLDEN DAYS HAD ANYTHING ON THIS PENDLETON SWAIN

What will not man dare for woman's smile? To what dangers will he not expose himself, what sacrifices will he not make under the spell and lure of the light that lies in milady's eyes?

To bask in the sunlight of Cleopatra's radiance, Anthony, the triumvir, madly threw a world away. To have fair Helen's smiles for himself alone, the Trojan Paris sealed the doom of his country. To bathe in the blushes of Hero for a few stolen moments, brave Leander nightly braved the angry waves of the Hellespont until he found death among them. That Anne Boleyn might be the queen of his heart, bluff King Hal defied the papal power and, bringing man's madness down to modern times, we but lately saw Manuel of Portugal dethrone himself while entranced by the witchery of Gaby of the dance hall.

And yet these reckless deeds of love enmaddened swains are hardly less heroic than the feat performed last evening by a gallant gentleman of Pendleton. Can the mind of man or woman conceive of any greater test of a lover's devotion than that he should bare his pedal phalanges to the chill of a wintery night and, with no more protection than a tender cuticle, tramp boldly around a snow and ice-bound block, and all because it was a woman's whim. If so speak out, and there is a woman who will ask it and a man who will perform it.

Last night when the mercury was flirting with the zero mark and most of the residents with the flames of the fire, a well known young lady, and a pretty one withal, dared an equally well known young man to doff his shoes and hose and walk once around the block in which she lived. The man heard the challenge and looked into her eyes. What he saw there only he can tell but it made his heart leap at hardships as he stripped the raiment from his feet. With the blood singing in his veins with such warmth that it tempered the blasts of Jack Frost, he sallied forth with a snap of his fingers for the germs of pneumonia, diphtheria and other beasts of prey that lurked within the frozen snow. Right merrily he held his course about the four corners of the block and he heeded not the curious stares of passerby. Though all about him was winter, it was summer within, and the barefoot boy of poetry had nothing on him for gladness.

Safely he reached the haven from which he started. Maybe his feet were numb as clods but no such admission came from his lips. His lady was awaiting him at the door and again he looked into her eyes and, as he had found his inspiration there, so also he found his reward. Sufficient unto the evening is the happiness thereof.

COARSE WOOL WOULD BE WORTH 26 CENTS

REPORTS FROM BOSTON MARKET SHOW STRONG PRICES PREVAILING.

Fairly clean eastern Oregon coarse wool would be worth about 26 cents per pound here, if on the market at this time. This is indicated by the news from the Boston and London markets as reported by the National Woolgrower. The Christmas number of that journal carries a story from their Boston correspondent in which he treats of prices now prevailing. It sets forth that medium fleeces are about as strong as anything upon the list and that Ohio three-eighths blood combing has sold at 29 cents and quarter blood at 27 cents. The three-eighths blood is

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YOUNG MARINE OF UNCLE SAM'S NAVY VISITS HERE

T. F. MILLION AMONG AMERICAN TROOPS WHICH WERE LANDED AT VERA CRUZ.

Just back from Vera Cruz where he had been for several months as a part of Uncle Sam's restraining force, T. F. Million, a young man born and raised in this city, is here today greeting old friends and telling them interesting stories of his stay among the Mexicans. He is a member of the United States marine corps, Co. No. 5 of the Philadelphia navy yard and is on his furlough now. He will report to his commanding officer on January 4. He is a relative of J. M. Bentley.

Young Million's company was dispatched to Vera Cruz as soon as the indignities against our flag was learned. The first landing of the marines was on April 21 and Million's company was not sent ashore until the 22nd. However, he got into the fight and bears a scar on his head from a hand to hand conflict with a "Mex" during the fire of the snipers. It was not altogether a comfortable feeling at first, he said, to be subjected to the fire of the snipers. Suddenly a man would be thrust out of a window or around a corner and discharged, giving the marines no chance

to return the fire at once. He recalls one incident where a Mexican hid himself under a sheet on a stretcher and fired upon the American troops. He was bayoneted from both sides, Million states. Million bears the medal of a sharpshooter. He operated a machine gun in such shooting as was done down south. In all the United States lost 21 men killed by the Mexicans at Vera Cruz and he estimates that 500 Mexicans were killed by the Americans.

He states, also, that it was almost as exciting when they withdrew during the latter part of November as it was when they landed. Almost as many shots as greeted them when they landed were fired, he states, and, personally, he declares, he "sweat blood" when he was detailed with two others to search for a couple of the marines supposed to be stationed along the wharves where the snipers were thickest.

When the marines landed, the city of Vera Cruz was so filthy that a countless number of buzzards hovered over the city, he states, and, as a result of the sanitary measures taken by Uncle Sam's army, the city was clean and wholesome when the troops left. He reached Philadelphia on Dec. 4.

Young Million has been under fire before, having served three years with the marine corps and having taken part in several little island engagements. He declares that the marines are not anxious for a war with Mexico or any other country as they have their hands full now. Million will leave this evening for Kamela and will go on east from there. He will be accompanied back by a brother, who has been living in Portland recently.

Russian Plot to Die

BERLIN, by wireless to Sayville, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The St. Petersburg (Petrograd) police have arrested a great number of men and women on account of a revolutionary plot. A court-martial at Perm, East Russia, has sentenced 22 men to death on account of strike riots.

Dance Christmas Night.

There will be a public dance in Moore hall Christmas night, Friday, December 25th. Big Pendleton United Orchestra. Admission, gentle, 50c; ladies free. All are invited.—Adv.

The Place for Xmas Candies is The Place of Strictly Pendleton Industry. The Delta Our Candies are made to eat. Eastern candies are made to sell. For Sweets to Eat—The Delta.

The Pastime Theatre WHERE THE FAVORITE PLAYERS PLAY THE HOME OF GOOD PICTURES TODAY General Film Company Offers "The Golden Beetle" Essentially a story of adventure on the high seas and in the jungles of India. Five reels of thrills and excitement that will delight those who love sensational pictures. A story fairly bristling with action. Conspicuous for its tense moments, spectacular battles with jungle beasts and its clever intricate but easily followed plot. Surrey's Adventure in the Jungle Beneath the Ruined Temple; His Rescue from the Grave; His Message for Help Tied to the Wings of a Ferocious Eagle; His Battle With a Lion in the Jungle; His Shipwreck and His Final Return to Claim his Legacy, are absorbing incidents in a story charged with unusual situations and exciting exploits. FOR COMPLETE SYNOPSIS READ PHOTOPLAY COLUMN. Coming Thursday and Christmas "THE THIEF" As produced by Daniel Frohman at the Lyceum Theatre, New York. By special arrangement with Henri Bernhardt, the author, with Dorothy Donnelly, creator of "Madame X."

Rip Van Winkles Famous Toast "Here's to your health and your family: May they live long and prosper." Thos. Jefferson in "RIP VAN WINKLE" From the original working script of Jos. Jefferson Everyone knows the famous sketch by Washington Irving as it has been a part of school work for years and years. Thos. Jefferson has followed in the path of his father and has made himself famous in the same part. THE ALTA THEATRE Coming: Max Figman in "What's His Name"