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MISTER SUMMER SPEAKS.
I.
Mister Summer up an' said: "I found the earth a-freeze, With icicles a-hangin' on the winter-blighted trees. An' I hear the folks a-prayin' as they walked the icy track: 'We're weary of the winter; Lord, send the Summer back!'"
II.
"And now they rise to mock me; they blame me night an' day; 'Please hurry up the Falltime,' is the way the sinners pray; An' the thing is so surprisin' I can't keep back the smile As I put 'em on the griddle for to roast 'em all a while."
—Frank L. Stanton.

JUST TELL THE TRUTH
"A bumper wheat crop exceeding any in 30 years," says the Portland morning paper describing crop conditions in the northwest, and it further emphasizes the falsehood with a cartoon this morning.
Is such stuff as that due to ignorance or design? If it is ignorance it is high time the Portland papers were getting some truthful reports from the inland empire.
There is too much of this bumper crop business about the time new crop wheat is ready for the market. It causes the impression there is a big crop, when there is no such outlook, and serves to depress the price at a very favorable time for the buyers.

Just now it is particularly unjust for the big papers to follow such tactics unless it is their purpose to subvert the farmer. There is no outlook for a bumper crop. In the last 10 days the grain crop has been hit and badly hit. According to reliable farmers the damage from the burn is the worst in many years if not in history. If other sections of the northwest are like Umatilla county it will be fortunate if the crop is three fourths the normal yield.
The truth should be told in Portland and elsewhere. We do not want prices based on large production unless we get the big yields. The farmers are already facing a bad situ-

ation in the form of extortionate shipping charges that will reduce their profits some 40 or 50 cents a bushel.
Please do not hand them anything more just now. If Portland cannot help the farmers at least no lying should be done in behalf of the bears.

DO THEY FEAR REPUDIATION?

NEXT to the military operations in Europe the financial aspects of the war are of importance.
It is already known that the war is costing Europe something like \$50,000,000 a day. Necessarily such expenses make a heavy load for the nations to bear and powerful as the warring nations may be the struggle cannot be financed with ease.
The burden England has to bear is reflected by the increased interest charges that nation has to pay upon its war loans. A proposal has just been made for a British war loan of \$1,250,000,000 at 4 1/2 per cent. What that means may be seen when it is said that not in 100 years have British consuls borne a higher interest than 3 per cent. The last reduction was to two and a half per cent. To secure war money England must almost double its interest rate.

In order to pay for war supplies in this country France last week negotiated a \$50,000,000 loan in New York through the aid of England. The loan was secured through Morgan & Co., and the lenders required American railway bonds as collateral.
What is the significance of such a request on the part of bankers? It would appear that French and English war bonds to the extent of \$50,000,000 would be perfectly good, yet reports state American security was demanded.
Are money lenders fearful the war will require such vast expenditures some of the nations may be unable to pay? Do they share the idea that the war may be followed by popular revolutions in Europe with the result there may be repudiation of debts incurred for purposes of destruction?

THE LIBERTY BELL

JULY 12 will afford the people of Umatilla county their first chance to see the famous old Liberty Bell. It may be their last chance since the historic relic does not travel save on very important occasions.
Every American and every Americanized foreigner has an interest in the bell because more than anything else it stands as the symbol of American liberty. It is the same old bell that rang out in wild acclaim when the declaration of independence was signed and given to the world. It spoke for freedom in the days when it was necessary for men to hang together or they would hang separately. The bell rang for political freedom and the rights of man when to do so

was treason to the crown of England.

The Liberty Bell is a connecting link between the America of today and the spirit of '76. It is something worth going many miles to see.

TO GET OR NOT TO GET

WITHOUT question the sanest suggestion made regarding the O. & C. grant lands is that by ex-Governor West who advises a special session of the legislature to memorialize congress to turn the lands over to the state on payment of the \$2.50 per acre due the railroad company.

Yet all reports indicate the suggestion will be refused. Governor Withycombe is quoted as opposing the plan and suggests instead that we ask the federal government to sell the lands and give the proceeds to this state.
If the federal government handles the sale of the grant lands it will give the proceeds to this state in a pig's eye. If the United States has to go to the trouble of buying the lands from the railroad and of retailing them out to settlers it is a foregone conclusion the federal government will keep the profits. To expect anything different would be foolish.

As matters stand the West plan offers the state of Oregon a fine prospect of securing \$35,000,000 for the school fund of the state. The Withycombe plan offers a fine chance not to get any such sum of money for the state.
This matter is so important to Oregon that the best thing should be done even if the scheme be proposed by a democratic democrat. We cannot afford to sacrifice so much just to snub an ex-governor who thinks what he thinks.

COLORADO TRYING TO SOLVE LABOR PROBLEM

DENVER, Colo., July 2.—A semi-official attempt to solve the unemployment problem was undertaken by Governor Carlson when he appointed a committee to confer with state officials, organizations and individuals upon ways and means of providing employment and administering relief. An appeal from Trinidad for relief for the starving miners resulted in the governor's appointment of F. J. Radford, Trinidad; H. J. Alexander, Denver; and A. A. Reed, Boulder, on a committee.

The three men have no state funds to distribute. They are not authorized to give out state employment. However, they plan to approach state aid as closely as the present law will allow. They will cooperate with the state highway commission in planning new improvements which will afford jobs to hundreds. They will urge and receive donations for unemployment relief, but no charity will be extended except in the form of opportunities for employment.

Wind is Damaging Wheat.
BAKER, Ore., July 1.—Dry farmers in this vicinity may get half crop from their wheat acreage, although a few weeks ago 40 bushels to the acre were predicted by farmers on the high lands.
According to wheatmen of the county, the north wind, coming before the grain had matured, has sapped the life of many of the growing stalks. Many farmers are cutting the wheat now, believing that the only use they will be able to make of their crop will be for hay.

"SLEEPING GUEST" AT LAST AWAKENS

RIVERSIDE, Cal., July 2.—Mrs. George W. Sanborn, a tourist, fell asleep at a hotel here, slumbered for more than three weeks, and gave no indication of awakening so a guardian was appointed for her by the court. Mrs. Sanborn became known as the "sleeping guest." Apparently she was in good health. Physicians were puzzled.

RECORD OF DEEDS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Satisfaction of Mortgage.
A mortgage executed by Nellie P. and F. A. Sikes to Louisa J. Pierce Dec. 16, 1912, for \$2500, is paid and released.
Chattel Mortgage.
Jesse M. Jones to Monarch Hdw. and Furniture Co., \$319. My 2-3 interest in the hay and grain harvested on the John M. Wilson ranch and on a tract of land on the A. J. Sturtevant land.
Olive Brisson to Bank of Echo, \$300. 1-2 interest in the alfalfa grown during the season of 1915 on a tract of land, title descriptive. Also four horses.
Mortgage.
Wm. J. Lundy to E. F. Drake, \$1,000. 135.21 acres land, title descriptive.
Cushing R. Baker to Ruby E. May, \$3000. A tract of land, title descriptive, containing 320 acres, T. 4 N. R. 37.
Quit Claim Deed.
Joseph Vey to U. S. of America, valuable consideration, the NE 1-4 of sec. 25, T. 2 N. R. 28, E. W. M.
Deed
Frank P. Klark to W. J. Lundy, \$10, 133.21 acres land, title descriptive.
Julia I. Luhrs et al. to A. F. Mitchell, \$450. The SE 1-4 of sec. 22 T. 1, S. R. 23 E. W. M.
Nellie P. and F. A. Sikes to First National Bank of Milton, \$3500. A tract of land in Milton, title descriptive.
Rebecca and Dan Kemler to Emma A. Hays, \$1600. North half of lot 13 in block 182, reservation addition to Pendleton.
Patent.
Sarah Fahrwald, 160 acres in secs. 13 and 14, T. 2 S., R. 30 E., W. M.

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Estate Worth Millions.
NEW YORK, July 1.—James L. Goodwin, a cousin and once a partner of the late J. P. Morgan, who died in Hartford, Conn., left an estate valued at from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000. His will is to be offered for probate in the surrogate's court in this city.

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Flight Lieutenant Killed.
LONDON, July 2.—Flight Lieutenant Watson, R. N., was killed at Eastbourne when the aeroplane which he was piloting dropped 1000 feet to the ground.

Ballasting Done Rapidly.
SPRINGFIELD, Ore., July 1.—Gravel at the rate of 1000 yards a day is being taken from the pits near Springfield for ballasting the line of the Willamette-Pacific Railroad on the Lower Stuslaw. Two trains of 25 cars each are sent 70 miles one each day and the ballast crew is placing the gravel at the first "lift" at the rate of a mile a day.
The first layer of gravel will be completed to the site of the Stuslaw bridge at Acme by the end of the week. Piling of the second "lift" and of the

finishing coat will require perhaps a month more.
Sixteen carloads of screened gravel and sand for the concrete work on the big bridge have also gone forward from the pits here.

Italian Help Announced.
PARIS, June 30.—"A most determined effort will be made shortly to force the Dardanelles with Italian troops and warships reinforcing the British and French."

Berlin Press Quiet.
BERLIN, June 30.—(Via wireless to Sayville)—Adopting a policy of cautious waiting, Berlin newspapers voiced no comment on America's latest note to Germany.

"I'm Off to the Links"

barked the mongrel dog from the back of the dog catcher's wagon. He was not thinking of his coat and pants.

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