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LEISURE

What is this life if, full of care, We have no time to stand and stare? No time to stand beneath the boughs, And stare as long as sheep or cows. No time to see, when woods we pass, Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass. No time to see, in broad daylight, Streams full of stars, like skies at night. A poor life this if, full of care, We have no time to stand and stare. —William H. Davies.

THE TRADES COMMISSION

SOME criticism is being made of the federal trades commission because that body has not yet brought about the fullest possible results. It is possible the commission may have been backward in its duty, but it is too early to accurately assay the value of the new commission's work.

The trades commission is dealing with a complicated subject and its own powers are limited. Phenomenal results within a few months time could scarcely have been expected. It was years before the interstate commerce commission became a real regulator of the railroads and in many respects the commission's work still remains defective.

To judge intelligently of how the federal trades commission is meeting its duty it is first necessary to know the extent of the commission's authority. The East Oregonian is of the opinion that some of the newspapers criticizing the commission's work do so under lack of information as to the scope of its power.

HARMONY IS NECESSARY

THE Weston Leader in its last issue carried the following editorial with reference to a normal school conference held in Portland:

A meeting was held last Friday and Saturday in Portland by representatives of the normal school interests of the state, and the problems relating to the establishment of additional schools were frankly and thoroughly discussed.

The conclusion was finally reached that nothing could be accomplished in the way of securing new normal schools for Oregon without absolute harmony between the interests favoring them, the task being difficult at best in view of the opposition so often registered by the voters at the polls. In other words the cities most directly interested, Ashland, Pendleton and Weston, must unite on whatever program is adopted in order to have any hope of winning. It was agreed that the opposition of any one of these towns would kill any normal school project. The delegates parted with the understanding that a committee from Pendleton would come to Weston before long and meet with a Weston committee and endeavor to reconcile the opposing views of these two communities.

It became plain that while the Oregon legislature would make no appropriation for reviving any of the old

normal schools or establishing a new one, it would consent to putting a millage tax measure on the ballot if the normal school interests could agree as to its nature.

Southern Oregon was represented by Ben C. Sheldon, a member of the legislature from Jackson county and a prominent advocate of the Ashland Normal. J. H. Gunn and Fred Lockley represented Pendleton. Dr. F. D. Watts and S. A. Barnes were Weston's delegates and made their report Tuesday evening to the Welfare Club.

The East Oregonian coincides in the view that it will be necessary to have co-operation if an eastern Oregon normal school is to be provided. At best it is difficult to overcome the opposition from the Willamette valley counties and there must be no quarreling among ourselves.

URUGUAY-ARGENTINA BOUNDARY

THE dispute between Uruguay and Argentina over the definition of the boundary between the two republics is of long standing, and has led, on several occasions, almost to open rupture. Uruguay is the smallest of the South American nations; Argentina is next to the largest; the latter, it would seem, could well spare the territory, mostly in islands, that Uruguay claims, but it never has felt so disposed. Recently, after a long period of negotiations, a convention was agreed upon which it was hoped, would result in a final settlement. When the treaty was signed by the Uruguayan minister of foreign affairs there was, at first, great rejoicing in Montevideo, but it was soon discovered that the terms of the instrument fell far short of yielding to Uruguay the results desired.

This treaty specifically named the islands in the Uruguay river, that should belong to Argentina, and those which should come under the jurisdiction of Uruguay, but, upon a more careful examination of the details, it was discovered that Uruguay had ceded to Argentina islands, respecting the ownership of which, as lying in Uruguay, there never had been any question. The difficulty seems to have grown out of the method of drawing the boundary line. Uruguay contended for a division line marked through midstream, while Argentina held to a line drawn through the middle of the navigable channel. The former would give Uruguay many additional islands, and parts of others; the latter would take from her islands which she already possessed. In drawing up the treaty, contrary to the understanding of her representatives, the Argentine line was followed.

The boundary dispute, always a source of irritation, is especially unfortunate in its new phase, because, added to the Uruguayan complaint that Argentina has been grasping, is the allegation that she has proved to be deceitful and unfair. The matter is one of greater consequence because of possible results than because of the territory involved. Argentina could, it seems, easily give way to Uruguay on the points raised, if for no other reason than that a liberal settlement would secure to her a

ROUMANIAN INFANTRY ON DRESS PARADE



The photograph shows the type of Rumanian soldiers encountered by the Teutonic forces in their dash for Bucharest. The Rumanians were unable to stop the dual drives of von Mackensen and von Falkenhayn, although they were aided by Russian reinforcements.

grateful next-door neighbor, and one that is developing strength out of all proportion to her size.—Christian Science Monitor.

WANTS TO BE A LOUQUIST

When he got through they were much discouraged. "You can't be shining lights at the bar," said Mr. Darrow, "because you are too kind."

"You can never be corporation lawyers because you are not cold blooded. You have not a high grade of intellect."

"You can never expect to get the fees that men get. I doubt if you ever make a living."

28 Years Ago Today

(From the Daily East Oregonian, Dec. 26, 1888.)

Miss Jennie Brisban entertained a small circle of young friends last evening at whist and provided them a very pleasant evening's enjoyment. An elegant collation was served to which ample justice was done. The following were in attendance: the Misses Lena Kunsie, Elsie Bushue, Daisy Polson, and Grace Welch, and Messrs. W. N. Bernard, R. G. Ruessis, J. T. Lambirth and L. C. Wood.

Mrs. E. E. Sharon, who left Sunday on a visit to her parents at Weston, returned on last evening's train.

Miss Essie Ritner has returned from Cold Spring where she had charge of a school now closed for the holidays.

Rev. H. Howard and wife are over from Walla Walla on a visit with Rev. and Mrs. M. V. Howard of Pendleton.

F. Pollock who stepped off the back porch of a barber shop last week and was quite badly hurt, is getting along splendidly in his quarters in the Villard.

HE PLAYS 100 TO SAFETY. NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—While the pianist, John Moran, played a march 100 men women and children walked out of a moving picture theater at No. 146 Sullivan street yesterday afternoon following the outbreak of a fire in the operator's room. Smoke and flame poured out over the audience but Manager Manning and Patrolman Leif of the Madison street station kept assuring the people and there was no disorder.

In the street, however, crowds were shouting and striving to break through the police lines. Mothers cried frantically for children they had let go to the theater and it was with great difficulty the police prevented a riot.

The fire was caused by spark created when a projector fell off a table, igniting a film.



MILDRED GILBERT

Miss Mildred Gilbert of California has become so enamored of politics through her experience in the late campaign that she has taken up the study of lobbying in Washington, and will spend her time there this winter trying to convince members of the house and senate they should put through the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the constitution of the United States.

PORTIAS TOO KIND TO GET BIG FEES

Darrow Advises Women Lawyers to Defend Criminals Free of Charge.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Pretty women lawyers by the score met in the rooms of the Brownleigh club last night to hear Clarence Darrow encourage them in their profession, but

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"Of course, you can be divorce lawyers. That is a useful field. And there is another field that you can have solely for your own. You won't make a living at it, but it's worth while and you'll have no competition. That is the free defense of criminals." LES DARCY IN U. S. NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Les Darcy, the Australian middleweight and heavy weight champion, arrived aboard the standard Oil Tanker Cushing, He worked his way from Australia as a stoker and used the name of Lester Dawson. He went immediately to the hotel. He denied evading military service. He declared he intended to join the British army after meeting several American fighters. He is more eager to meet Mike Gibbons, Darcy recently mysteriously disappeared in Australia. He was reported as dodging military services. A mule by any other name would be a chronic kicker.

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THE GREATEST SAFEGUARDS AGAINST TEMPTATION



What are the greatest safeguards against temptation? What may be best calculated to keep young people out of trouble in a big city? Following are some of the answers given to the query sent to many prominent men and women by Dr. Fred Winslow Adams, of St. Andrews Methodist Church, New York. Oscar S. Straus—High aims. Arthur Brisbane—Education. Sri Raddhranath Tagore, the Hindu God as a present and practical help.