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"Without or with offense to friends or foes
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The Weston Pardon

Governor Pierce has pardoned A. J. Weston, thrice convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. Two of the convictions were reversed by the supreme court because of the unfairness of the trials. The same evidence secured conviction in the third trial, but having been pauperized by previous trials, Weston was unable to pay the costs of a third appeal.

The executive's action will occasion a loud outcry and we will hear much of the abuse of the pardoning power whereby a governor by a stroke of his pen defeats justice and undoes the work of court and jury. Yet that is just what the pardoning power is given to the governor for, if he is convinced there has been a miscarriage of justice.

Those who are familiar with the Weston case and who have read the briefs filed in the two appeals and know that the same hearsay evidence of suspicious and questionable characters and the same bitter prejudice of the prosecution that secured the first two convictions were responsible for the third, are not surprised that a thorough investigation by the executive has resulted in the exercise of clemency.

The Capital Journal, which is somewhat "hard-boiled" in the matter of pardons, and which cannot be accused of partisanship in behalf of the executive, and is more or less familiar with the case, does not believe that the governor erred in pardoning Weston but that on the contrary he is to be commended for courage in correcting what he believes a miscarriage of justice.

Exit Toll Roads

In refusing to give a franchise for the proposed Wilson valley toll road providing a short-cut to Tillamook, and in ordering a survey of the same route for a public highway, the state highway commission has done the wise thing. The day of the private toll road has passed and to reinstate it is poor public policy. It is to be hoped the precedent will govern all future applications.

It had been popularly supposed that with the abolition of toll roads then existing and the purchase by the state of their rights the policy of permitting private toll-roads had gone forever into the discard, as far as Oregon was concerned. But at the last session of the legislature, Senator A. F. Beals of Tillamook log-rolled through a measure permitting their re-establishment by franchise approved by county courts and state highway commission.

After the measure had become a law, Senator Beals appeared before the public as the promoter of a toll road up Wilson river and sought a franchise for himself and associates. Inasmuch as a railroad line had a survey for a proposed extension up the Wilson river, and a survey for the toll road and estimates of cost had never been made, and the latter was not to be constructed for four years, the scheme had earmarks of a promotion game for the profit of promoters rather than public.

The fact that a state senator used his public office to enact a statute to promote his private interests was enough to discredit the proposition in the eyes of the public.

What's In a Name?

(From the Astoria Budget.)
Change the name of Salem to Chemoketa. That is what The Capital Journal of that city is suggesting and trying on the ground is that Salem is a commonplace name and of no significance whereas Chemoketa is the ancient Indian name for the aboriginal village which stood on the present site of Oregon's capital for centuries unnumbered.

Undoubtedly any attempt to rechristen Salem would be met with a great deal of opposition and plenty of reasonable objection, yet the fact remains that the contention upon which The Capital Journal bases its plea is sound. There are 26 Salems in as many states of the union. The name of Oregon's capital is a borrowed one and has no historical or descriptive significance whatever. Oregon would have the only Chemoketa in the world and the name would link Oregon's capital city with its own primitive beginnings. The suggestion of the Salem paper calls attention again to the singular barrenness of Oregon nomenclature, a barrenness which is quite in contrast to the richness of the nomenclature of our neighboring state to the north. Few of the cities of Oregon bear names of any individuality or of any particular significance.

of western civilization in which this city played such a historic part.

Eugene is not a common name for a city and it has the further virtue of being named for Eugene Skinner, one of the earliest of white settlers on the upper Willamette. The Dalles is both distinctive and descriptive. Corvallis, meaning the heart of the valley, has merit as a name but let it be remembered that this is not the original name of the college town and supports the contention of the Salem paper that there are plenty of precedents for the move it urges.

Pendleton was named to honor an Ohio congressman who never saw Oregon and where is there any individuality to such names as Baker, Ashland, Marshfield, Roseburg, Bend?
Klamath Falls alone of the sisterhood of principal cities of Oregon, bears an Indian name which is linked with the early history of the community. To the contrary note its character and flavor given to Washington by its recognition of early Indian names—Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Yakima, Walla Walla, Chehalis, Wenatchee, Topponish—all names reminiscent of the early antecedents of these places and names which belong solely to Washington.

Portland and Albany are further examples of names borrowed from other cities. Astoria is one of the few exceptions to the general rule. Though there is an Astoria on Long Island, it is Astoria, Oregon, that is known and the very mention of the name recalls the birth

herself went to Paris to get her divorce, and knew her for a social climber, one who hoped that her husband's money would get her into the Four Hundred. It amused Marie to think that she herself, who now was applying for a position among Mrs. Lindsay's servants, was of higher social standing than Mrs. Lindsay was.

SECOND WIVES

By VIOLET DARE

Marie Becomes a Wage Earner
After waiting for nearly half an hour, Marie was summoned by the butler and ushered into a library adjoining the small room where she and the other applicants for the position of nursemaid were waiting.

It was a Mrs. Herbert Lindsay whose advertisement Marie had answered. She had frequently seen Mrs. Lindsay's name in the newspapers in the old days before she

herself went to Paris to get her divorce, and knew her for a social climber, one who hoped that her husband's money would get her into the Four Hundred. It amused Marie to think that she herself, who now was applying for a position among Mrs. Lindsay's servants, was of higher social standing than Mrs. Lindsay was.

Marie followed the butler into the library, and found herself facing a thin, blonde woman who sat

in an arm chair smoking. She nodded to Marie curiously and went on talking with the man who sat behind a huge desk that stood near the open fireplace.
At last she turned to Marie.
"You're applying for the position of nursemaid to my little girl?" she asked abruptly, every intonation of her voice putting Marie in her place. "Do you speak French? What education have you? Are you married or single? Have you ever lived abroad? Can you play the piano?"

Marie flushed, embarrassed by the questions and the manner in which they were asked. She could not help appraising Mrs. Lindsay, who, with her dark cloth street frock, was wearing half a dozen flexible bracelets of diamonds, a diamond pendant on a platinum chain, a wrist watch and earrings, jewels appropriated for a ball gown rather than a street costume. The display of had taste suddenly put Marie at ease.

She replied briefly to the first two questions, and would have gone on, but a little girl suddenly bobbed up from behind the man's chair. "Daddy, I want that one!" she exclaimed, pointing to Marie, ignoring the other applicants, who were standing in the background. "I like her!"

The man looked at Marie with an expression of relief. She wondered at it, and at his general appearance. He apparently was Mr. Lindsay—yet how could he have married that shrill voiced woman?

"I want that one!" the child shouted again, and ran forward to take Marie's hand and look up at her. "Let the rest go away. Come on upstairs with me," she added to Marie, and began pulling her toward the door.

"Just a moment, Madeline," exclaimed Mrs. Lindsay, but the child paid no attention to her. Instead she turned to her father.

"Say it's all right, Herbert," she urged, as if they had been the

same age. "Please!"
He looked at Marie squarely. She found herself looking back at him, meeting his eyes squarely. There was something sad about his face, as if life had not treated him kindly. The child had his deep blue eyes, his fine, sensitive mouth.
He smiled, suddenly, and Marie knew that they were going to be good friends.

"It's all right, Babe," he answered, then. And to Marie, "I shall consider it settled, then? You know the salary, I believe—it was mentioned in the advertisement. Thirty dollars a week, and the hours are from nine-thirty to half past five."

Before Marie could reply Mrs. Lindsay cut in again. Obviously, she could not bear being thrust aside.

"We haven't spoken of references yet," she said. "I suppose you have good ones."
"I can refer you to Mrs. Samuel Phillips and Mrs. Nesie Jamison," Marie told her. "If you wish more—"

"Oh no, not if they know you," Mrs. Lindsay replied hastily, far more politely than she had spoken before. "You might go upstairs with Madeline now and see the nursery," she added, and then, to the butler, "Just show these other women out, Sanders."

Marie felt sorry for those others. The lovely French woman—where would she go? She felt like giving up the position and asking that it be given to that other woman, who showed so plainly that she was not fitted to face the world alone.

"But that's the way it is I suppose," she told herself. "If you have to support yourself you have to take what comes."

Tomorrow—The Lindsay Home.

Spring Valley, N. Y.—A bridegroom of 87 paid \$1500 to motorists who visited him to sell him diamonds for his 80 year old bride. He has found they were glass.

NEW Y BUILDING TO BE READY BY FIRST OF YEAR

Every effort will be made to have the new Salem Y. M. C. A. building completed by the first of the year. It was promised last night by S. A. Hughes, contractor, speaking at the annual session of the local Y. M. C. A. Last night's annual meeting was the final one to be held in the present Y. M. C. A. building. The recent fair weather has facilitated construction of the new building, the roof of which is now nearly completed.

There were approximately 50 members of the Salem Y. M. C. A. on hand at last night's meeting, which was held in the banquet room of the present building.

L. E. Goodwin of Portland, acting interstate secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for Oregon and Idaho, and Rev. Charles Ward, pastor of the First Congregational church of Salem, were the chief speakers of the evening. Both spoke enthusiastically of the present work of the Salem branch of the Y. M. C. A.

There were numerous committee reports given. During the past year 6489 men and women were given employment through the bureau operated by the local Y. M. C. A., according to report presented by R. J. Hendricks, chairman of the committee.

Twenty-four baseball teams were organized during the past year, it was reported by George Hug, who reported for the physical education department.

That 144 boys were enrolled in

12 Bible classes during the year, was reported by W. T. Jenks, of the committee on religious work.
Joe H. Albert, reporting for the committee on the building fund, stated that receipts from February 16, 1925, to September 30, 1925, were \$27,181.69. Disbursements, including the amount spent on the new building, have amounted to \$60,467.

Six men were elected to the board of directors, one of them, Allen Kafoury, being a new man on the board. The other five were T. M. Hicks, Paul Wallace, W. T. Jenks, B. C. Miles and James H. Nicholson.

MEXICAN RUBBER LAND IS LEASED

Akron, Ohio, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Further expansion of American rubber manufacturers into the production field became known yesterday when Harvey S. Firestone, president of the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, announced the leasing of 35,000 acres of rubber plantation land in the state of Tabasco in Mexico. At the same time Mr. Firestone said, he was considering the advisability of entering the rubber area in the Amazon valley.

The announcements yesterday follow closely the recent lease of a million acres in Liberia for rubber plantations. The Tabasco lease is only for two years owing to unsettled political conditions of the state.

Mr. Firestone also told of research work in the sap of the Castilla tree which is at present considered a source of low grade rubber. Several thousand acres of the new lease hold are planted with this variety of tree.

VAUDEVILLE AT HEILIG FRIDAY OFFERS TREATS

Five brilliant, excellent, varied acts on the Association vaudeville tour are billed for the Heilig theater program tomorrow afternoon and evening. The five acts come to Salem with the reputation of being one of the best arranged units on the circuit.

The opening skit on the program is "Room 515." This title may not mean much, but to the celebrated divorce lawyer who appears with Wanda Ludlow in her act, it means considerable. It is a clever one-act play with zing, pathos and a surprising finish.

"A Whirl of a Dance," with the artistic Felmova troupe, portrays dances from far off lands and the offering is declared to be a treat to vaudeville lovers.

Gallick and Carrett, the "Roller Skaters Supreme," offer a variety of new feats, introducing a number of phenomenal stunts performed on rollers. Spins, twirls, balancing feats and various exhibitions of agility are performed while the skaters are traveling at a rapid pace.

Harry Cody and Jack Trigg, two "Special Delivery Males," furnish an act abounding in ukulele duets and a number of special songs.

"On the Boulevard," with a beautiful setting that has few equals for scenic artistry, is presented by Tony and George. They offer a snappy routing of comedy that roars with mirth. They are two of the very best comedians and acrobats on the stage today.

A charmingly pretty young girl assists them in putting the act over.
Three shows will be given—a matinee and two performances in the evening. Short subjects and the regular concert number by the Heilig theater concert orchestra, will complete the program.

CHICKEN THIEF ABANDONS LOOT

Dallas, Or., Oct. 29.—Three sacks of live chickens, one dozen birds in all, were discovered Sunday morning a short distance southwest of Independence by pheasant hunters, but a close watch kept on the cache during the remainder of the day and night failed to uncover the thief who had left them, according to Sheriff Hooker.

The chickens were Anconas and apparently fine stock. They were in a ditch near a cross road leading to the highway. No report of stolen chickens has been received and it is not known where they came from. It is apparent they were abandoned by someone who either feared detection or planned to pick them up later and become scrumptious. W. I. Morrison of Independence made the find.

Renovating Exhibit.
Dallas, Or., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Winifred Braden, secretary of the Dallas chamber of commerce, is in Portland this week preparing a Polk county exhibit for display at the International Livestock exposition in Portland. The exhibit will be made up of products featured in the county exhibit at the state fair, which received much praise. Grains, grasses and flax are featured.

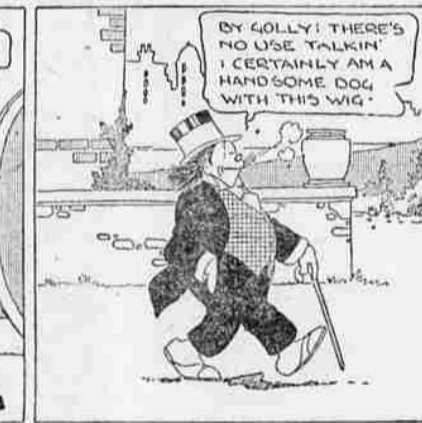
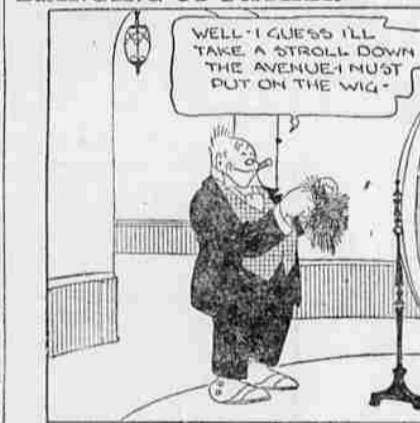
By Chick Young

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By Bud Fisher

MUTT AND JEFF



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