

Chautauqua Assembly.

The fourteenth annual session of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Assembly is in progress at the grounds of the Association at Gladstone Park, near Oregon City. A programme has been arranged with great care and the attendance promises to eclipse that of any former year. A pleasant combination of a Summer outing, a Summer school and a Summer entertainment is the Chautauqua occasion. The privilege of living in tents, of listening to music, of attending baseball and other games and of hearing some of the best orators in the country speak upon living topics, is open to all at very small cost, while the study classes offer valuable opportunity to students who care to accept it. The value of an outing under the conditions provided and the protection that is assured to young people has been tested and approved by years of experience. The annual meeting affords pleasure to many and is the one social and musical event of the year in the lives of a multitude of men, women and children of the intelligent, busy, workaday world to which it is tributary.

Bill Nye's Cow.

"Bill Nye, the humorist, once had a cow to sell, the story goes, and advertised her as follows: 'Owing to my ill health, I will sell at my residence in township 19, range 18, according to the government survey, one plush raspberry cow, age eight years. She is of undoubted courage, and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death in any form she would be a great boon. She is very much attached to her present home with a staychain, but she will be sold to any one who will agree to treat her right. She is one-fourth shorthorn and three-fourths hyena. I will also throw in a double barrel shot gun, which goes with her. In May she usually goes away for a week or two and returns with a tall red calf with wabby legs. Her name is Rose. I would rather sell her to a non-resident.'

Absurd Jap Assumption.

The most ridiculous assumption with which Japan has been accredited in regard to the United States is that the crews who man our navy are disloyal, and if put to the test of battle, will not work the ships. Admiral Sakamoto is quoted as having said that the American naval officers are brilliant figures at balls, but are deficient in professional training and practise, and that the marines of the American Navy, are not sufficiently patriotic to fight. The Japanese Admiral is either earnestly ignorant of the history of the American Navy, and hence wholly incompetent to judge of its quality, or he has been "misquoted."

If however, this opinion represents the sentiment of Japan in the matter, it will not stand long before the guns of the American fleet. It took but a few hours to show Spain the quality of the men behind our guns. A similar demonstration awaits Japan, should occasion require it. Not that any one supposes, in the event of war, the fleet of Japan, with the gallant Togo at its head, will fall an easy prey to the fleet commanded by Admiral Evans. But when the little brown men come to reckon with Americans they will find patriotism that will match their own, backed by resources without stint; naval skill that has never been out-manuevered on the high seas; bravery that has stood unflinchingly at the guns in greatest stress; endurance that has defied fatigue, and determination that has never known defeat.

This is not said boastfully, but with a confidence that is inspired by the history of the American Navy from the time of the Bonhomme Richard to that of the Oregon. Our naval equipment in battleships may not equal, in the Pacific that of Japan. Should war be forced suddenly by the Japanese government—a contingency which is not at present seriously considered—the fleet of Japan would outclass that of the United States in these waters. But

the Japanese are fatally at fault in their reckoning if they think the way to victory over the United States is made easy by unskillful naval officers and unpatriotic Americans behind the guns. The American commander does not take refuge in suicide when he suffers defeat. He does not have to do this. He simply renews the conflict, grimly determined to win or die fighting, his ship in line, his face to the foe. A nation conversant with the history of nations does not need to be told this. It is a fact the record of which stands out boldly on many a page of history.—Oregonian.

Fish With a Gold Nugget

A gold nugget weighing several ounces and thought to contain about \$2 worth of gold was found in the stomach of a yellowtail caught by Capt. Billy Graves about ten miles out at sea from Long Beach, Cal. The nugget is really a piece of rich ore, but how it came to be lodged in the stomach of the fish is a mystery. The fish weighed twenty-two pounds and it is expected that every large fish caught there for some time will be examined with the greatest care by the fishermen.

Beats His Wife.

R McKindsley, who follows the occupation of an itinerant umbrella mender, and who had pitched his tent near the Odd Fellow's cemetery, was arrested last Wednesday for severely beating his wife and threatening to kill her. His actions indicated that he would carry out his threats, but some other campers interfered and fortunately a fatality was prevented. McKindsley was taken before Justice Pennock, and not being able to furnish \$1,000 bail he was committed to the county bastille at Coquille Ore., to await the action of the next grand jury. At the preliminary trial, McKindsley admitted that he had been arrested previously at Roseburg and fined for a similar offense.—Times.

Coquille Notes.

From the Sentinel.
Brother Ellis seems to have little confidence in moral suasion. We suppose he would give the sinners a right-handed uppercut on the jaw and make them be good. Well, we will not try the experiment for the fellow would doubt our religion and hit back. Then we would be obliged to turn the other jaw, so we think it best to let the good brother have the job.

W. W. McCalley, who has had charge of the Salmon Mountain mines was in this city Wednesday. The gentleman says he has had much experience in mining and he believes that Coos county's great mines will develop into large dividend paying properties. Mr. McCalley returned to the mining vicinity and will commence operations of a private nature.

Constable Carter of Marshfield brought over R. Kindsley last Friday and lodged him with Sheriff Gage. Kindsley was the brute who kicked his wife and nearly killed her while they were camping near the cemetery in Marshfield. He was arrested on the charge of assault, little less than murder and was bound over to await the pleasure of the next grand jury at the September term of court.

The celebration on the Fourth at Bandon was enjoyed by a large crowd. The steamer Favorite made the trip from this place, several going from Coquille, and by the time the boat reached Bandon it was loaded to the limit. The program at the seaside city was well arranged and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. No rowdiness of any sort prevailed on the streets or at the grounds, and every one present enjoyed the day.

Must Smoke a Pipe.

No more cigarettes in Washington after September 1st. The law forbidding the trafficking of the little substitutes for cigars passed by the last legislature, will be operative in

a little less than two months. It was the outcome of the work of the committee on public morals, Representative Byers, chairman, and is as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any person, by himself, clerk, servant, employe or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to manufacture, sell, exchange, barter, dispose of or give away or keep for sale, any cigarettes, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers or any paper made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking; and any person, for violation of the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall, for the first offence, pay a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50 and cost of prosecution and stand committed in the county jail until such costs of prosecution are paid; and for the second and each subsequent offence, shall pay, upon conviction thereof, a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 and costs of prosecution, or be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed six months. Provided, that the provisions hereof shall not apply to the sales of jobbers doing an interstate business with customers outside the state.

Business Men's Club.

Some of the business men of the Town have taken unto themselves the task of organizing a Development and Boosting Club, the object of which is to advertise Bandon and to work in harmony and connection with the Chamber of Commerce. At 8 o'clock, Friday evening, a meeting will be held at the Town Hall for the purpose of general discussion, and if such a movement meets the approval of the business men, then plans will be outlined looking toward such organization. All who have any interest in Bandon, are urged to be present.

Salmon Catchers Join the Union.

For five years the 3000 fishermen who go to the Alaska fishing grounds from San Francisco, Astoria, Portland, Seattle and Tacoma have been organized, and have, during that period, improved their condition about 40 per cent. There are, however, about 600 fishermen in southeastern Alaska, Caucasians and Indians, permanent residents of the territory, who heretofore had not been organized, hence the cannery superintendents and fishbuyers dealt with them as individuals, the fishermen generally getting the worst of the bargain.

During the last two years frequent requests had come to the Alaska Fishermen's Union from fishermen of the Ketchikan and Petersburg districts to send an organizer to aid organization; the United Fishermen of the Pacific ordered one two months ago to comply with this request.

Unions were organized by him at Ketchikan and Petersburg and no change in the price of fish has been made. On his arrival in Alaska the fishing season had already commenced and the policy of the organization is to make agreements for the season some months before it opens. This method has worked satisfactorily with the men going to Alaska, who, during the last five years have not lost a day through strikes but have steadily bettered their conditions. Fish were coming in rather slack when he left Southeastern Alaska.

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