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Concerning the Soldiers' Home Management.

COMRADES: You have no doubt ere this received from Reno Post No. 29, a series of resolutions denouncing the action of the board of trustees of the Oregon Soldiers' Home, for adopting certain rules which their communication recites. The post claims that the rules violate Section 4945 of the Revised Statutes of the United States. They do no such thing. On the contrary they conform to an act of congress passed in 1891, which act is part of the general pension appropriation bill of that year. Moreover, similar rules are now in force in every one of the National Homes in the United States, and it is to be supposed for a moment that the national government in adopting such rules would violate its own laws? It is further claimed that Rule 14 forces the old soldier to submit to civil penalty without legal process, and reduces him to the "defective" classes. It does no such thing; for no penalty is applied to him and no rule is enforced upon him until he voluntarily and of his own free will subscribes to the rule, which in this case is nothing more nor less than a contract which he enters into with the state. Nor does the rule reduce him to the "defective" classes, for he owns and controls every dollar of his pension money until he, of his own option, gives it into the control of the commandant of the Home and is himself a party to its just and proper disposal. But these rules are not peculiar to the Oregon Soldiers' Home. They have been adopted and are now in force in many of the State Homes and all the branches of the National Home, and have been endorsed by G. A. R. encampments. They have been passed upon by the highest court in the states of Minnesota, Iowa and Michigan, and in every case declared to be constitutional, equitable, just and right. They were adopted by the board: First, because they are just to the soldier, just to his relatives and just to the state. Second, because they are intended to correct a great evil and as far as possible right a great wrong. Many of these pensioners are old, and feeble and childish. With their entire pension money they visit the city where they fall a prey to the temptations of the saloon, and are returned to the home without a dollar. This evil has become too great longer to be borne without an effort to correct it. But for all this, these rules never would have been adopted had they not been founded on right and justice and sustained by law and precedent. Others beside the movers of the resolutions you have received may have a regard for these men, their welfare and their honor, and the rights of those dependent upon them. The state acting through the board of trustees is the guardian of these men, and will perform its duty toward them, subject to the decision of the court which is the final arbitrator.

Resolution of Sympathy. At the regular meeting of Myrtle Camp, No. 197, Woodmen of the World, held at their hall Monday night, May 31, a committee was appointed to prepare and publish a resolution of condolence and sympathy in behalf of their lately bereaved neighbor, Marshall Way. The committee reports as follows: Resolved, That Myrtle Camp, No. 197, Woodmen of the World of Coquille City, Oregon, does hereby extend sincere sympathy and condolence to Neighbor Marshall Way in the sad affliction and bereavement recently visited upon him in the death of his aged, honored and respected father.

Mention the HERALD, cut out this notice and forward it with ten cents, to the address below, and you will receive a sample copy of Demorest's Magazine, containing a Pattern Order which entitles the holder to any dress patterns illustrated in any number of the Magazine published during the last twelve months, at the uniform price of four cents each—between thirty and forty patterns annually illustrated in one number, thus affording an almost unlimited variety to select from. Demorest Publishing Company, 110 Fifth Avenue, New York.

T. A. Walker's little daughter, Electa, while whittling toward her person with a pocket-knife last Friday, had the misfortune to have the knife slip from the stick and cut her nose. The knife penetrated the lower portion of the left nostril, but barely escaped making a more serious wound in or near the eye. Dr. Moore dressed the wound and it is all right now.

Yesterday Geo. Lorenz and Is Noser made the first through trip of the season on bikes to Marshfield and return. They made the trip to Marshfield—22 miles in 3 hours, and the return in a little less. They represent good roads beyond the summit, but broken and rough on this side.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Horsfall spent two or three days in this place, including Sunday, during which the reverend gentleman conducted Episcopal services at Masonic hall, morning and night. They departed for their home at Marshfield yesterday.

H. Snook, contractor for the construction of the courthouse at this place, arrived Saturday and viewed the situation, as well as interviewed many of our citizens. He left yesterday to investigate a rock quarry on the upper river.

Frank Strang, Aaron Wilson and Fred Nosler left yesterday for Bandon, to rusticate a few days and to be present also at the Y. P. S. C. W. convention Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Boutell went over to Sumner last week, to spend a season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beyers.

The Temperance Meeting

Held in the Methodist church last Friday night, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., was a delightful and most entertaining affair. Two or three things conspired to interfere with the appointment, particularly that of the late hour of convening and the threatening rain, but it was a success, nevertheless, and supplied a pleasing program. Mrs. Nora A. Good conducted the exercises, which followed in the following order: Song by the choir—Temperance Battle Hymn; scriptural reading and prayer by Rev. C. A. Stine; recitation, The Advance—Grace Smith; recitation, Only a Glass—Clare Sherwood; recitation, The Use of Some Adjectives—Irene Leneve; song by a class of little girls, Susie Tuttle, Irene Lamb, Clara Sherwood, Grace Smith, Lydia Simmons, Phebe Simmons, Dolly Skeels, Rose Leneve, May Wickham, Laura Fox, Leta Barrows and Bessie C. Newell—Don't Wait Till the Drunkard is Made—Miss Zettie Messer at the organ; recitation, The Insulted Pig—Bessie Conwell; recitation, Telling Fortunes—Irene Lamb and Ralph Nosler; recitation, Advanced Thoughts—Susie Tuttle; song by the Choral Society—Under the Flowers; address by Rev. W. B. Smith; song by Choral Society—The Temperance Brigade; recitation, The Little Shoes—Leta Barrows; recitation, Shut the Door—Lydia Simmons; song, by class of little girls—We'll Turn Down our Glasses; recitation, The Return—Laura Fox; solo, The Unequal Fight—Minnie Nosler; recitation, It's Nothing to Me—Phebe Simmons; recitation, A Voice from the Poorhouse—Laurel Conwell; song by the Choral Society—Temperance is Gaining the Day; recitation, The Drunkard's Dream—Mary Dickson; recitation, Total Abstinence—May Wickham; song by Choral Society—Joyful Sounds from Vale and Mountain. Miss Winifred Taylor was organist for the Choral Society. The program was varied and edifying, the recitations being nicely given, and the musical numbers all well rendered. The task of training the children and arranging the program was the labor of one person and was arduous but well done.

The HERALD thanks Hon. Binger Hermann, commissioner of the general land office at Washington, D. C., for a fine map of the United States and territories, showing the extent of public forests, Indian, military and forest reservations, railroads, canals, and other details, compiled from official surveys of the general land office and other authentic sources. It includes also designation of the territory of the original thirteen states, as recognized by Great Britain in 1783, as also the several acquisitions of territory by purchase, treaty and cession, as that of Florida from Spain, Louisiana from France, Mexico by purchase, as by the Gadsden treaty and annexation as of Texas. It is a very valuable map for reference, and fits the editorial sanctum admirably.

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Chas. Summers and M. L. Guth, of Yoncalla and section. Mr. Guth served in the late war from Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and we had the pleasure of greeting the comrade.

Fred Helgren and Niels A. Pederson will start for the Columbia river in a day or two for the purpose of fishing during the season. Alex Shith, the Arago logger, was in town Friday and Saturday, having come down to settle with parties on the lower river for catching logs that got adrift last winter.

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Sun's Empire City Items: R. J. Coke, the genial clerk in the S. O. Co's store, it is said will resign his position as such in June, and retire to his farm on the Coquille.

Last evening the town board passed an ordinance giving H. Orchard, of Tillamook, a franchise to put in a water system. The water will be brought from Pony slough, and according to the provisions will be pumped into a 250,000 gallon reservoir 200 feet above the level of front street. Mr. Orchard is to commence work 90 days after securing right-of-way and site for reservoir, and is to have the system completed in one year. In consideration of the establishing of the system the town is to pay Mr. Orchard \$60 per month for water for fire purposes, the town having the privilege of putting in as many hydrants as desired in the original mains mentioned in said contract, but in case other mains are laid the town will pay \$2 extra for each hydrant connecting with these. At the expiration of five years the town will have the privilege of buying the system, and the purchase price is to be determined by multiplying the last year's profits by eight.

Memorial Day.

At the last meeting of General Lytle Post, G. A. R., and the ladies of the Relief Corps, respectively, those bodies decided to observe Memorial Day. A kind invitation was extended to those who wore the gray, with their families, to meet with the above and participate in the exercises of the Memorial services on Sunday, May 30, and in the Decoration exercises on Monday, May 31st. A similar invitation was also extended to all the civic societies of the city, including Beulah Chapter, O. E. S. and the Daughters of Rebecca. Elder C. A. Stine will deliver the Memorial sermon on Sunday, May 30, at 11 a. m., and the Choral Society will furnish music for the occasion. Further notice will be given of the Decoration exercises on Monday, 31st.

A Challenge. To Bishop Valin Millard and the Church of Redeemed Israel of Coquille City: Believing the doctrine you teach and preach to be contrary to the scriptures, the word of God, I hereby challenge you to meet me in a public debate in Coquille City within ten days after the acceptance of the proposition: Do the Holy Scriptures teach that "men are the incarnated spirits of God's banished angels, and not a new creation, and must return to Heaven."

This proposition sets forth the doctrine taught by Mr. Millard and his church and we believe is contrary to God's word and common sense. J. P. EASTER.

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UPPER - RIVER DEPARTMENT.

Myrtle Point and the Upper-Coquille and What is Going on There.

A large amount of freight arrived by last Friday's train for the merchants of this place.

Cass and Nelson Smith have been called to visit the bedside of their mother at Looking Glass, who is said to be lying at the point of death.

Myrtle Point was visited with three-day white frosts last week, but we are glad to learn that but little damage was done to fruit or crops.

A "hard times" ball was given by the M. P. band Saturday evening, including a clam supper. It is asserted that a very enjoyable time was had.

J. B. Metzle, a gentleman from the interior, is in town making an effort to organize an Assembly of United Artisans, and we understand he has much encouragement.

Captain Harris placed a sack of potatoes in his garden to be planted last Friday, but some one who is in a miserably depraved condition stole them before the captain got them planted.

Daniel Giles received his pension certificate last week for services during the Indian wars of 1855 and 1856, granted by special act of congress introduced by Hon. B. Hermann.

Company G, O. N. G., was mustered out by Capt. Walker last Thursday evening. Some spirited addresses were made and compliments given the commander, who well deserved them.

It is worthy of note, and we notice that Hon. T. H. Tongue is looking after the interests of Coos county. He seems to be carrying out his promises in that line, made during the campaign last spring. People of all parties no doubt will appreciate any and all good work accomplished by him.

Charley Poland, who had been engaged in purchasing cattle, got a large amount of "fire water" aboard and wished to become a disciple of Corbett. Bob Martin offered to try him a round if he would lay his gun down, which he did. Bob entered the ring, gave Poland a push and snatched the shooting gun and ran, and Poland attempted to capture him, but without success. The result was that Poland is in the cooler at this writing and will face Judge Bender this (Monday) morning.

Rev. Dr. Ford, the M. E. presiding elder, and Dr. Buckner, P. C., held quarterly meeting at this place Saturday and Sunday. The former preached an able sermon Friday evening and his discourses morning and evening Sunday were eloquent and powerful, and it is considered that he is one of the best pulpit orators that has ever visited Myrtle Point. The next visit of this able divine to this valley will be about the time the G. A. R. encampment takes place at this place, and Dr. Ford thinks the bishop of the church, who is a comrade, will be present, and if so he will deliver an oration for the "old boys." This would add much interest to the occasion. We learn that the M. E. church at Bandon will be dedicated about that time, also, by this bishop.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at Bandon, commencing on Wednesday, at 1 o'clock p. m., the 12th day of May, 1897. Teachers who are eligible for state certificates and diplomas must make application at the same time. Dated this 24th day of April, 1897. J. H. BARLOW, County School Superintendent.

WANTED - FAITHFUL MEN OR women to travel for responsible established home in Oregon. Salary \$750 and expenses. Position permanent. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. The National Star Insurance Bldg., Chicago.

Portland, April 28.—A frightful street-car accident occurred at 6:45 yesterday morning, on East Morrison street, between Eighth and Ninth, involving the death of three persons and the injury, more or less severely, of nearly a score of persons. Car 52, of the City & Suburban line, running between Mount Tabor and the West Side, in charge of Conductor Stephen Guthrie, with John G. Kieffer as motorman, jumped the track while crossing a bridge at high speed, and dashing over the roadway through the frail wooden guards, built for the protection of pedestrians, and plunged into a slough of water 20 feet below. There were 31 passengers on the car, and as near as could be ascertained, 21 persons, including Conductor Guthrie, were aboard when the headlong plunge was made.

A SCENE OF HORROR. A scene of indescribable confusion followed. The crash of breaking timbers was mingled with the agonizing shrieks and piteous cries of the wounded and struggling passengers in the half submerged car. They were shut up like rats in a cage, and the marvel is that any were able to escape a horrible death. The car with its human freight lay on its side, but it did not at once go to the bottom. There was breathing space for the frantic humanity within, and a terrible struggle to reach the windows began. There was a grabbing for a hold of some kind and a rapid and instantaneous smashing of windows. Heads and arms at once began to emerge from the wreck, and the able-bodied climbed to comparative safety on the outside. One or two who had jumped while the car was lying in the air were slowly and painfully swimming to the shore; and hats, canes, dinner-baskets, and other small movable

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articles began to appear on the surface of the water. CAR GOES TO BOTTOM. The car remained in its half submerged condition, very close to the steep bank for a few seconds—long enough to prevent the certain death of many of the crazed prisoners—and then it gave a sudden lurch, and the water rushed in through the windows and other orifices. The upper side sank to the level of the water, and the underside rested on the uneven bottom. The passengers who had been able to extricate themselves from their imprisonment began to help others out through the shattered windows. These were able to make their way to the bank over planks ran out by persons who had already begun to assemble. THE DEAD. William W. Blanchard, of Sunnyside, 48 years of age. Katherine Baillie, 25 years of age; until recently of Illinois; Newton Hansen, of Sunnyside, 16 years of age. THE INJURED. Adelbert Matteson, of Tabor Heights, left arm broken; Stephen Guthrie, conductor of the car, left arm broken and badly bruised; Robert Tompson of Mount Tabor, slightly injured; Michael Frison, of Mountville, slightly bruised about the head; Melchoir Baninger, lives near Prettymann station, shoulder-blade dislocated, and thought to have sustained internal injuries; Andrew Gatzka, of Sunnyside, newsboy, slightly injured about head; George Howell, slight scalp wounds; Lizzie Lorenz, lives near Glencoe station, slightly injured about head; Louis Larsen, Sunnyside; right arm and body bruised; Charles C. Miller, injured about head, neck and back; J. N. Casey, 111 East 35th street, slightly injured; J. C. Butler, 1067 East Morrison street, slightly injured; Earl Hunter Sunnyside, slightly injured; Charles M. Atwood, lives at 170 East 34th street, slightly injured; R. O. Collis, harness-maker, lives at 942 East Morrison street, injured about head; Ed Larsen, Sunnyside; right arm broken, and sustained injuries about chest; D. B. Ulbrand, 1106 East Main street, right collar-bone broken, chest bruised; J. B. True, hip injured slightly.

Indians, April 26.—A suit of the state against the Vandalia railroad to recover more than \$2,000,000 due to the school fund, under an old charter, was filed by Attorney-General Ketcham today. The case will come before the superior court and the summons was made returnable May 3. It is alleged that the company wrongfully withheld from time to time large sums of money out of the earnings over and above what was reasonably necessary as a contingent fund to pay subsequent expenses, in violation of the charter, investing these sums in United States bonds, or other roads, in city bonds and in purchasing its own stocks from individual holders, amounting in the aggregate to \$3,000,000.

Oshkosh, Wis., April 26.—Twenty-four members of National Manufacturing Company, commonly known as the Sash, Door and Blind Trust, at a meeting held here decided to disband, as the courts have restricted the operations of the organization. The necessary papers were prepared to be filed with the secretary of state. Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Cascarets, cure constipation forever. See. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Jacksonville Times: The bill passed by the legislature of Nebraska, prohibiting corporations from contributing money for political purposes is a step in the right direction. A corporation is wholly a creature of law, and has no moral right to do anything that is not specified by the act that created it. If the Nebraska law was adopted in every state and enforced in every campaign, a great many of the difficulties which beset honest politicians would disappear. State Superintendent Irwin has issued instructions to county boards of examiners for their direction and guidance in holding teachers' examinations.

For Sale at a Bargain. I WILL SELL MY RANCH, CONTAINING 164 acres, 30 in cultivation; 30 acres creek bottom; 80 acres in pasture, fence 125 feet from house; 100 acres of small fruit; large house 7 rooms, plastered and papered; barn 40x60, stables, cattle sheds, and all necessary outbuildings; buildings new or nearly so; county road on one side of place; five months term school each year, five minutes' walk from house; forty minutes' drive to Bandon or the beach; \$800 insurance on buildings. Price \$1400. Will also sell farming tools, and all other things. Write for particulars to me or address DAVID BALDWIN, Bandon, Oregon.

Execution Sale. NOTICE is hereby given, that under and by virtue of a writ of execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, on the 20th day of March, 1897, in favor of Thomas Wilson, plaintiff, against A. G. Lettingh and W. T. Lettingh, defendants, I did, on the 9th day of April, 1897, at the instance of the said plaintiff, sell, to the said Lettingh and W. T. Lettingh, the said defendants or either of them had on the 17th day of July, 1896, or may at any time since, have acquired in or to the following described real property, situated in the county of Coos and state of Oregon, particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning 8.15 chains south and 7.89 chains west of the quarter section corner between sections 8 and 9, township 29 south of range 12 west of the Willamette Meridian, at a C S post from which a myrtle 29 inches in diameter bears south 46 degrees east 28 links, run thence west 17.50 chains to the right bank of Coquille river to a cedar C S post from which a willow 10 inches in diameter bears east 11 links, thence up the right bank of the Coquille river to the northwest corner of the E. C. Catching donation claim, thence east 7.28 chains to the north west corner of the town of Myrtle Point, thence south 10 degrees east 8.91 chains to Fannie G. Dixon's line, and recorded February 28th, 1893, in Book of Deeds No. 17, on page 201 thereof of the records of Coos county, Oregon, and I will, ON SATURDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF MAY, 1897, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the Court-house door in the town of Empire City, Coos county, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash, the above described real property, or a sufficient thereof to satisfy the demands of said plaintiff as specified in said writ of execution, amounting to the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars.

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