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Word as Applied to Postal Savings Banks Teaching Independence.

When opponents of postal savings banks have no other objection to offer to the establishment of the system in the United States they take refuge in the assertion that it is "paternalistic," assuming that such a declaration establishes their position.

The indefiniteness of the term paternalism does, indeed, make it attack the position of those who would hide behind its protecting shadow. All government is and must be in a sense paternalistic.

Generally the term paternalism is taken to imply offensive activity in looking out for the supposed interests of the people and in regulating their affairs on the part of a government that is outside of and above the people.

Paternalism implies dependence. The object of the establishment of postal savings banks in the United States is the very reverse of this.

Postal Banks in Australia.

In several of the Australian colonies both general savings banks and postal savings banks exist, both being under control of the government, says the Chicago Record.

As between the general savings banks under government control and the postal savings bank there is no question that the latter is the one for adoption in the United States.

In noting the default of Peter Bellinger and the forfeiting of his cash bail when called for trial at our late term of court, the South-west Oregon Reporter—Hon. J. H. Upton's paper—mentions the attorney's "fine, Italian hand" in these pertinent words:

"There is a bit of melancholy history in connection with the above case. The larceny charged was from Nancy Palmer, an Indian woman, widow of a Mr. Palmer who died on the lower Siuslaw some time ago.

Boise, Idaho, Oct. 23.—For ten days a woman was governor of Idaho, not as the result of the election, but governor nevertheless, empowered with executive authority and exercising it. This woman is Miss Margaret Reeve, private secretary to Auditor of State Lewis.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, more constipation forever.

The "Penalty" Tax.

The following news item from the Pendleton Tribune will be of interest to the people of Douglas county:

The Pendleton Tribune has the following to say in the new departure of tax collecting that the sheriff of Umatilla county has adopted: "That part of the 1895 tax, known as the 'penalty' tax, imposed upon delinquents and which formerly applied in payment of extra expense incurred in making the collections, is to be returned to the parties who paid it."

It seems that the supreme court held in a recent decision that the penalty could only be added to taxes after the roll had been returned delinquent, and then under the statutes only 3 per cent could be added.

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Gen. Gobin, of the Pennsylvania militia, to show his defiance of and contempt for the civil law, said that if the sheriff was arrested while he or his troops were absent, he would send a squadron of cavalry and take him out of jail!

O. M. Welburn, ex-collector of internal revenue in San Francisco district, who has been on trial in the district court, Judge De Haven, on an indictment containing 46 charges of embezzlement, was acquitted Thursday night of last week by the verdict of the jury.

Const Seaman's Journal: The attempt to gloss the crime of Sheriff Martin and his thugs by reiterating the fact that the miners killed were "foreigners" is one of the worst features of a bad business. It is not only inhuman, but insulting to the intelligence of the people.

At the Illinois Democratic editors' convention last Saturday strong resolutions were adopted heartily endorsing the Chicago platform of 1896, recognizing the money question as the paramount issue and containing greetings to William J. Bryan.

At Danville, Ill., last Saturday, Mrs. Carrie Corbett, aged 32, a widow, has been awarded \$54,333.33 damages for breach of promise.

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Notes About the Late Accident.

We are glad to do justice to the two gentlemen—James Byers and Dave Baker—who were present in a passing wagon at the time of the accident to Judge Nosler and family Monday evening of last week.

Choice apples are selling as high as 40c per box. W. E. Racker's sawmill closed down last week. Elder Joseph Luff left by stage for Looking Glass Thursday.

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Then on Friday morning another explosion occurred in the same mines, resulting in the serious burning of John Peart (well known here, having lately married Miss Jessie Dean of this place), a Mr. Thomas, a Mr. Phillips, and another whose name is unknown.

Brother F. A. White brings us the sad intelligence of the killing, by an accident, of Elder Ezra Wyatt, presiding elder of the radical branch of the U. B. church, and lately on service at Myrtle Point, at Plainview, Linn county, Monday of last week.

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The manager of the cannery will endeavor to get a permit to run it until the 15th of next month. Seven thousand cases of salmon have been put up at the cannery and if successful in having the season extended, it is probable the pack will reach \$10,000 cases.

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UPPER - RIVER DEPARTMENT.

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

Choice apples are selling as high as 40c per box. W. E. Racker's sawmill closed down last week.

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T. S. Bartel and wife of Beaver Hill are visiting with relatives and friends in this city.

Since the late rains have swollen the river a little, the steamboats now come to town.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dodge, reported as quite sick last week, is still very low.

L. B. Fetter of Remote was in town a few days last week waiting for the storm to subside.

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Talk about your talk-abouts! I'll bet on Capt. Riley every time. Why in 1864 he saw the salmon so thick in a tributary of Rogue river that for three days he did not cross.

J. H. Leek and W. T. Reed opened their photograph gallery last Tuesday and are prepared to take pictures from 8x10 inches down and prices to suit the times. Give the boys a trial.

C. W. Hunt, the Oakland fruit dealer and commission merchant, shipped a carload of apples to San Francisco Monday, while two carloads will follow later in the week. Mr. Hunt is doing a good business in this section.

Page and Sherwood started for Oakland Sunday morning with a mixed drove of between 200 and 300 head of cattle for A. Deer of that place. This will probably be the last drove for this season, as the roads will soon be in bad condition for driving.

One hundred and twenty-five tons of coal was hauled over the new road of the Newport mine Thursday.

The stove mill shipped 1000 apple boxes over to Myrtle Point yesterday to the order of A. H. Black & Co., the leading merchants of the Coquille valley.

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A. H. Moore and wife left for Gold Beach Saturday morning. Miss Maggie Thom returned home from Coquille City Friday.

Dietz and Sebroeder captured a 42-pound salmon Friday evening. Our merchants are all very busy of late fitting out the people with their winter supplies.

Quite a number of the young folks enjoyed a social hop in Dixon's hall Saturday evening.

Mrs. F. G. Dixon sold off a portion of her old stock of merchandise at public auction Saturday.

I. M. Greene will build a large cistern on his residence lots to catch rain water for domestic use.

Many fine strings of trout were brought in last Saturday by the local fishermen, caught with rod and line.

A plank sidewalk will take the place of the old cement walk around the Hermann brick block, plank being much cheaper than cement and answering all purposes.

At the raffie for a horse last week, Adron Page won the prize and now has a horse for sale. Any one wishing to purchase the same will do well to come early and avoid the rush.

The M. P. M. & D. Co. are still pushing the development work on their mining property on Poverty Gulch. They report some fine discoveries of lats and expect a grand showing in the spring.

A brief but interesting history of Oregon will form the introduction of the new history being compiled by Orvil Dodge, the historian of the Pioneer Association. Mr. Dodge has received numerous propositions from publishing companies to place the book on the market.

Now is the time to bid on the contracts for carrying the U. S. mail for the next four years. It is to be hoped that people will not get too anxious and bid the contracts (as is often the case) down so low that there is not a living in it for the poor horses or an oil coat for the rider. Ask for good wages and surely you shall receive.

that a section of the shell of the boiler had blown out under the steam drum. One of the brick struck Albert Jones, fireman, who was standing near by, on the arm and it was a close call from breaking the same. Fortunately no other parties were hurt and Mr. Jones will soon recover from his injuries.

Teachers' Examination.

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 Marshfield, at one o'clock, p. m., the 10th day of November, 1897.

Teachers who are eligible for state certificates and diplomas must make application at the same time.

Dated this 23d day of Oct., 1897. J. H. BARLOW, County School Supt.

H. M. Finley, of Corvallis, has sold 19,000 pounds of dried Italian prunes at 3, 3 1/2 and 4 cents, respectively, for thirds, second and firsts, the product to be delivered in Corvallis by the grower, the buyer to furnish sacks. Mr. Finley has 23,000 pounds of dried peaches not yet marketed.

A Pennsylvania exchange says that the supreme court has decided that poultry running at large is wild game and the party on which they trespass has a right to kill them. No man has a right to allow his chickens to run at large and bother his neighbors.

The health of Senator Wilson," says a Gray's Harbor paper, "appeared much improved by the good sleep always obtainable on this harbor." It is not often a western town advertises as a "rest-cure" locality.

General A. J. Warner has challenged Senator Hanna to a series of joint debates upon the merits and demerits of the single gold standard policy. It is not thought that the debate will come off.

There are already 970,000 names on the pension rolls, all of which are drawing pensions, and Commissioner of Pensions Evans says there are about 200,000 claims to be favorably acted upon.

The Collegiate Institute is becoming a favorite in our community under the principalship of Prof. Nicholson. The school is building up substantially and is well spoken of by all the pupils.

"And so Dr. Cutting, the eminent appendicitis expert, is dead? Dear! dear! That's a severe loss to the community. What was the matter with him?" "He swallowed a peachstone and it got stuck somewhere."

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Due to the Tariff Law. New York, Oct. 20.—Because of the tariff laws of the United States and Canada, U. H. Lever, the big soap manufacturer, has come to the United States to establish a factory, and he will go to Canada with the same project for that country.

Washington, Oct. 20.—Funeral services over the remains of Admiral Worden were held today. President McKinley, Secretary Porter, Attorney-General McKenna, Postmaster-General Gray and Secretary Wilson attended the funeral.

An entertainment is being arranged for at an early day for the purpose of raising funds to seat the new primary school room.

WANTED.—TRUSTWORTHY AND active gentlemen or ladies to travel for responsible established house in state of Oregon. Monthly \$65.00 and expenses. Position steady. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope to The Dominion Company, Dept. Y, Chicago.

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Executors Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by an order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, made on the 6th day of July, 1897, John F. Manford was duly appointed executor of the estate of James McNaughton (deceased), and that letters testamentary have been duly issued to me.

Notice to Stockholders—Special Meeting.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a special meeting of the stockholders of the Coos County Mercantile & Shipping Association, a corporation, will be held in the hall of said corporation, in the town of Coquille City, Coos county, Oregon, on Saturday, November 6, 1897, at one o'clock p. m., of said day, for the purpose of electing five directors, amending the capital stock of said corporation and for the transaction of such other business as may be lawfully brought before such meeting.

Treasurer's Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT all county warrants endorsed prior to October 23, 1897, will be paid on presentation at my office in Coquille City. No interest will be allowed after October 15, 1897.

Notice to Taxpayers.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT all delinquent taxes must be paid by November 1, 1897, or costs will be added.

C. C. MYERS, ARCHITECT AND PRACTICAL BUILDER.

Wool! Wool!

FOR SALE—Two full-blood Jersey Bulls, both eligible for registry for pure-blood, one yearling and one spring calf. The yearling can be bought for \$40, and the 4-months' old calf for \$20.

FOR SALE—20 acres of All Bottom land, 1/2 mile south of Coquille City, on bank of river; 18 acres in cultivation; good farm buildings; orchard, 300 trees—crop this year. Plenty of apple trees for family orchard. Terms reasonable. Address G. W. STEVENSON, Coquille City.