



HOW TO WIN A HUSBAND.

Woman's sphere in this 20th century is not limited any more than is man's. She can occupy almost any business position or profession, and yet the popular view of womanhood is that she best fits the position of wife and mother and head of the household. Every girl should know her heart and also know that her womanly system is equal to the strain of marriage. If a girl is nervous and irritable ten chances to one it is due to some trouble peculiar to womanhood.

Capit has no place in a girl's heart if she is nervous and irritable, feels dragged down, worn out for no reason that she can think of. The weak back, dizzy spells and black circles about the eyes are only symptoms. Go to the source of the trouble and correct the irregularity. Stop the drains on the womanly system and the other symptoms will disappear. This can be done easily and intelligently. So sure of it is the World's Dispensary Medical Association, the proprietors of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that they offer \$500 reward for women who cannot be cured of leucorrhoea, female weakness, prolapsus, or failure of the womb. All they ask is a fair and reasonable trial of their means of cure.

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VICTORY FOR LINN.

Wagon Road Company Pays Tax on Timber Land.

Albany, Or., Dec. 18.—Charles Anschul, proprietor of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Range Wagon Road Company, yesterday came to the center with \$8829.29, the amount of taxes due on his timber holdings in Linn county, and thus the first victory was registered to the credit of the Linn County Assessor and Sheriff in their efforts to make the holders of big timber interests in Linn county pay taxes in proportion to their property. Of this money, \$7604.53 was the tax assessed for the past year, and \$1224.76 was the penalty for nonpayment.

This large amount of money was paid very grudgingly by the wagon road company, who made every effort to have the amount reduced. The company owns over 110,000 acres of fine timber land in Linn county, and the Assessor valued the land at \$3 per acre. In years gone by the land has been valued at but \$1.25 per acre, and the taxes have amounted to a trifle over \$1000. In addition to this, the wagon road company has had but 40,000 acres of timber land on the assessment rolls in the county.

When Assessor McKnight took charge of the Assessor's office, however, he examined the present ownership books, and found that the big company had been paying but a small part of the taxes that should have been contributed by it. He also established the wise policy of valuing timber land at something near its worth. These elements together made the taxes on the wagon road company many times higher than in former years, and brought forth a correspondingly loud protest. The county officials have succeeded in collecting the money, and have scored victory number one.

The next fight will be over the question of the taxes of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. This corporation owns by far the finest tracts of timber in Linn county. Never have any taxes been paid on this property, the railway company maintaining that as patents have not been issued to the company, taxes could not be collected. But it is a well-known fact that the land belongs to the Northern Pacific Company, having been taken on script obtained from the Government for the worthless holdings of the company in some arid or mountainous region, and also that the company can sell this land at any time.

Last night the tax rolls were closed, and no more taxes can be paid without extra cost. The Northern Pacific did not pay its taxes on the timber land.

This precipitates the struggle, which will begin with the advertisement and sale of the property for delinquent taxes. This will be done, the property of the corporation being treated in the same manner as the property of individuals resident in the county. A fight is expected, but the county officials have determined to try the matter out in the courts if necessary.

Both Condemn Hitchcock.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Philadelphia Press today prints a long interview with Secretary Hitchcock in which the Secretary states that the opposition to him comes entirely from men who are involved in land frauds, and who are endeavoring to force him out of the Cabinet because he is an obstacle in their way. In the course of the interview the Secretary, discussing frauds in Oregon, again brings in the names of Senator Mitchell and Representative Hermann, though saying nothing not heretofore printed. His remarks, while not openly and directly connecting them with the frauds, drags Mitchell and Hermann in in such a way as to convey the impression that they are really involved. Both Mitchell and Hermann very bitterly condemn the Secretary for his persecution of them and the methods to which he resorts, but neither cares to be quoted. Senator Mitchell says the Secretary's interview shows the Secretary's animus and the clearly established fact that he is persistently resorting to cowardly means to damage him.

Senator Mitchell said today: "I defy Secretary Hitchcock and everybody else to produce the first fragment of truth that I ever had any improper connection with the cases at issue or have in any way been involved in land frauds."

Representative Hermann said today that if he is desired as a witness in the land fraud case that has been postponed until March, he will gladly go on the stand and tell everything he knows about the case. He says he is more interested than anyone else in seeing the rascals brought to justice, and will gladly contribute any information that will aid to that end.

Senator Mitchell said today that if the cases which are postponed are called for trial when he can attend, he will willingly go on the stand and testify.

Oregon Wins Many Prizes.

After several months in St. Louis, where he had charge of the Oregon exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, W. H. Wehrung returned to Portland Thursday, says the Oregonian. He reported wide interest among Easterners in the Lewis and Clark Exposition and predicted there will be heavy westward travel next year for the purpose of seeing the Western World's Fair.

Mr. Wehrung speaks highly of the showing made by Oregon at the St. Louis Fair, saying that the state held up well against states with much larger appropriations. He also says that he has been told that Washington's representatives bought a consignment of Oregon cherries from a dealer and exhibited them as Washington product. Thus Oregon competed in the cherry contest against her own product.

The total number of medals won by the Oregon exhibit is 288, of which 67 were gold medals, 150 were silver and 71 bronze.

Neat Compliment Paid Baker.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Secretary Doyer, of the National Republican Committee, today paid State Chairman Baker, of Oregon, a very neat compliment. Chairman Baker called on Mr. Doyer in company with Senator Fulton. Mr. Doyer congratulated Mr. Baker on his work in the campaign, declaring he was the most active chairman in the entire West.

How best to get good roads is a big question that ought to be kept to the front until it is solved.

WILD ANIMALS AT FAIR.

Harney County Proposes to Display Savage Beasts.

Just to give Eastern visitors to the Lewis and Clark Exposition a few thrills and to show them that although the people of Oregon are civilized there is enough of savagery about the Coast country to make the title "wild and woolly" appropriate, Harney county will bring to the Fair a collection of stuffed wild animals, showing the wild life of Oregon, and representative inhabitants of the state in the period that Lewis and Clark made their perilous trip to the mouth of the Columbia River.

Preparations are now going forward for the collection of such exhibit, both of wild beasts and birds. Not only will such a collection be a liberal education to the average Easterner who does not see wild animals except at rare intervals, but the collection will be a source of profit to those collecting it. It is said that without exception such collections are sold for much more than the cost of collecting and mounting, and at St. Louis it was found that the supply of such attractions was sold out two months before the Fair closed.

Harney county is already taking active steps to make an exhibit at the Exposition. The County Court has appropriated \$1000 for the purpose, and members of that body have signified their willingness to segregate another amount of a similar magnitude after January 1. Although that county has an immense territory, of rich and fertile acres, the people at the head of the interests there realize that the usual farming exhibits are not apt to attract the attention from visitors that some unique display will. Although Harney county boasts one-third of the cattle of the state, and more than one-ninth the area of Oregon, its exhibit will be along lines not attempted by the other counties, and while its resources, vast and undeveloped, will be brought out, the unique plan of giving Easterners something decidedly different from anything any other section of Oregon will bring forth will be followed.

Harney county is said to have 48 varieties of wild animals and 250 varieties of birds other than domestic. In getting an adequate realization of the wild conditions and the savage foes Lewis and Clark had to contend with, the wild animals displayed will show true to the life the dangers the intrepid explorers encountered. A better idea of their bravery in penetrating the trackless forests on their great mission will result from Harney county's exhibit.

Congressman Binger Hermann is on record as once having said that the only products of Harney county known to the outside world were "hay, hell and petitions." The County Court of the interior section proposes to make an exhibit of another product which will compel the wide-eyed attention of every visitor. Animals posed even as they spring upon the luckless traveler in life, and birds posed as if on the wing, will doubtless make a decided impression upon the mind of the visitors, and particularly those who, in coming to the extreme West, will expect to find Indians on every street corner, and the quaint customs of the cowboy's rule in the social procedure of the city. To such the "varmints" from Harney will prove refreshing and do away to some extent with the complete disillusionment which Easterners feel when they come here and find that they are as much at home in Portland as in Chicago.

Harney county realizes that in collecting an exhibit for the Exposition, the time is rather late, and in making the collection of wild animals they do not need to await another harvest. It is likely that a large stock company will be formed for the purpose of making the animals' collection, in which citizens generally can take any amount of stock they wish.

Independent and reliable—The Oregonian.

Will Abandon John Day Road.

Sumpter, Or., Dec. 16.—From a resident of the John Day valley it is learned that the people of that section are much disappointed over the report that the Sumpter Valley Railway company will not extend its line into that locality next year. It is said the Harriman people are stopping the advance of the Sumpter Valley road by refusing to deliver rails for building purposes except at the maximum charge. This it is claimed is almost prohibitive, as the cost would be \$2.25 per hundred. Rails could be shipped round the Horn, but the high rate from Portland would still be starting the little road in the face.

A right of way has been cleared from Tipton to Wright Station, a point almost half way between Sumpter and Prairie City. It was announced at the time this work was done that the road would be built to this station in the spring, and ultimately reach the vicinity of Prairie City by fall. That this program has been abandoned is the expressed idea of John Day valley residents, and the continuation of the road is put off to an indefinite date.

Another reason given for the holding back of further extension is the fact that the Sumpter valley road from Tipton on is required to be standard gauge, according to the stipulation of the franchise by the government. This would mean the closing of the whole system on a broad gauge, a condition that is hardly justified at the present stage.

Still another theory is advanced, accounting for the action of the Harriman people. This is that the Sumpter valley is in splendid position to head off advancement of the Columbia Southern through Central Eastern Oregon. As the latter road is fostered by the stronger combination, every assistance possible is to be given it. That this road must extend its lines eventually in order to control the business of its territory is a well known fact, and therefore it would not be to its advantage to have another road reach the Harney valley ahead of it.

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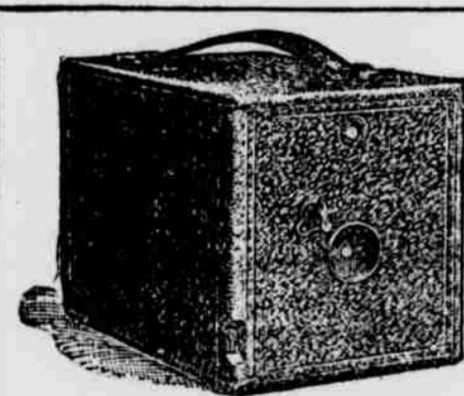
Good Hair

To Deepen Portland Harbor.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Representative Williamson will earnestly urge before the rivers and harbors committee an extension of the Willamette River project so as to give Portland deep water above the Madison-street bridge. The amendment he has introduced and will speak for will include that part of the Willamette from the Madison-street bridge at Portland to Ross Island. If adopted, it will provide a 15-foot channel one mile upstream above the bridge. It is the plan of Representative Williamson to authorize the Government engineers to dredge out and maintain a 25-foot channel as far upstream as the foot of Ross Island, practically one mile beyond Madison-street bridge, which is now the end of the 25-foot project. If this channel is provided, it will enable vessels of heavy draft to reach wharves above Madison-street bridge which are now inaccessible at low water. The improvement will also save the expense of lightering, which is now necessary at times. Mr. Williamson is very hopeful of success.

Ashland wets and dries will have another battle next week in the shape of a city election.

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