



"Mr. and Mrs. Karl Jones have cast off clothing of all kinds and can be seen any day between 4 and 5 o'clock," ran an advertisement in a daily paper.

We wish to announce that we have no cast off clothing or shoes, but have just received a large new invoice of men's, women's and children's shoes of the celebrated **Foot-Schulze** and **R. P. Smith** manufacture.

Included in this shipment is Shoe No. 1808, a nine-inch medium high top shoe for men, which we think will suit the man who does the work.

We are still in the grocery business and wish our many patrons a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We hope for a continuance of your patronage in 1915.



L. I. O'Harra

(Phone Main 241)

GROCER - - - HABERDASHER

ment the burning of the whole lay-out, and it was copied in almost every paper in the country.

It reminds us, likewise, of a story we wrote when a cub reporter for the East Oregonian. We told in a serious and convincing way of a wind storm so fierce that it blew the roof off a flat car at Cayuse station.

This incredible yarn also spread like the sniffles at a Bingville picnic.

INTERESTING REMARKS

In writing the advertisements of the local bank Cashier Smith sometimes evolves a few bits of wisdom that are comparable, we think, with Poor Richard's philosophy. Herewith some recent examples:

"People do not have bank accounts because they are successful, but they are successful because they have bank accounts."

"No one ever regrets having saved money. Thousands regret not having done so."

"When you spend a dollar that's the end of it. When you save it, that's the beginning of it."

A Philadelphia scientist says the human race hasn't improved greatly since the stone age, but we fear that he judges by a few isolated specimens such as may be found (for instance) in a certain Athena sanctum.

Congress has voted to issue some \$50 gold pieces to commemorate the Panama-Pacific Exposition, and we will agree to give them a good notice if a few are promptly sent to us as souvenirs.

New York is rated as the wealthiest city in America, owning nearly a billion and a-half dollars worth of real estate, and we fear that Weston will have to concede the distinction.

Baker county has refused to pay any further pensions to thirty widows, inspiring us with a certain degree of consolation that ours is not among the number thus forsaken.

The Germans have seized a Belgian Cardinal, but our baseball editor says it's all right so long as they refrain from drafting one from St. Louis.

The Oregonian's Annual strengthens our impression that Oregon is a great state, Portland a great city and the Oregonian a great newspaper.

"Stick tight!" counsels Cartoonist Murphy, leaving us in some incertitude as to how a fellow is going to stick if he happens to be tight.

We read with some degree of apprehension the report that prohibition Salem saw twin Mount Hood's the morning after New Year's.

We fancy the administration would be better pleased with a Lodge in some vast wilderness than in the senatorial chamber.

One trouble with a big standing army is that some other nation will always want to see if it can run.

The Kaiser's throat is still in bad condition, but look what the allies often make him swallow!

The Turks are losing so many corps that they may well hand to Russia the entire apple orchard.

GIVE THE BOY A CHANCE.

The world's record for corn-raising belongs to Walter L. Deenon, an Albia boy, yet in his early teens. Last year this boy raised 233 bushels of corn on a single acre of land, which is the largest yield per acre ever recorded. This remarkable record was made by an ordinary boy and an ordinary land. He became interested in corn raising and studied into the matter of the kind and proper use of fertilizers and proper cultivation. As a result of putting his knowledge to practical use, he has raised 233 bushels of corn on one acre of land, thereby winning the championship of the world. What Walter L. Deenon has done serves to show what a common, every-day, out-and-out boy can do if he is given the chance. There are thousands of ambitious boys on the rich farms of this state who never know what it is to be encouraged to take an interest in agriculture or stock-raising. If these boys were given a small plot of ground and some seed—corn for example—to plant and cultivate, a circus would not be able to turn their thoughts very far away from the "enchanted spot" where a wonderful harvest will be theirs to reap. A boy may not be able to raise 232 bushels of corn on an acre of his father's land, but he can do well enough to make his efforts worth while. What boy in this county is going after that world's championship record next year?

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FARMERS' BANK OF WESTON, AT WESTON, IN THE STATE OF OREGON, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 31, 1914.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$116,067 80
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	406 54
Bonds and warrants	10,377 65
Banking house	3,500 00
Furniture and fixtures	1,000 00
Other real estate owned	27,048 75
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	759 76
Due from approval reserve banks	12,121 56
Checks and other cash items	95 94
Cash on hand	7,964 98
Total	\$179,293 00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$20,000 00
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Individual deposits subject to check	86,069 56
Demand certificates of deposit	4,639 19
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States of Oregon, County of Umatilla, ss. I, E. M. SMITH, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. M. SMITH, Cashier.
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1915.
E. L. BLOMREN, Notary Public.
(SEAL)

STICK TIGHT!



(J. E. Murphy in the Oregon Journal.)

GETTING BACK AT KANSAS.

Everyone has read William Allen White's 42-centimeter editorial shot at Nebraska, inspired by the New York Times' error in assigning Nebraska instead of Kansas as the native state of General Fred Funston. Now comes Harvey Newbranch, editor of Senator Hitchcock's Omaha World-Herald, with the following withering fire of literary shrapnel:

"Base envy, as the poet remarked, withers at another's joy, and hates that excellence it cannot reach. So was it ever with Kansas.

"Nebraska raises corn and alfalfa and wheat and pork and beef and Kansas raises hell. Nebraska piles up wealth and Kansas piles up mud dunes. Nebraska is so righteous that she can trust herself to freedom, and Kansas so wicked that she must restrain herself in gyves and chains—then cries out, 'See how good I am!' Kansas tries all things and Nebraska picks up those that are good and holds onto them. Kansas keeps the rest. Nebraska is philosophic and happy. Kansas a fretful, impatient insomniac. Kansas vainly seeks surcease in fads and follies and chimeras. Nebraska finds it in the simple virtues our mothers taught, reinforced by all the good things that a rational use of honestly acquired wealth can procure. Nebraska is courteous and unobtrusive. Kansas a shrieking self-advertiser, boasting even of her blis-

hards and hot winds as colder and hotter and more destructive than can be found anywhere else on earth. Nebraska outranks Kansas in all the excellencies and blessings and Kansas outranks Nebraska in her ability as a ballyhoo artist.

"If this man White really thinks we are 'a milk-eyed, placid, bluestockinged old maid' who never had a throb of emotion, let him come up and try us. Let him sneak around Lincoln, which is a Kansas burg transplanted by a Kansas breeze and not a Nebraska town at all, and make his way straight to Omaha. Let him come with his hair in a braid and a glad, mad light in his eye. He may go home fagged and dazed and bent and broke, but at the least he can say, 'I have lived!' And he will have the rest of his life to devote to recuperating—and remembering. He will have been to Carcassonne."

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FRIDAY.....JAN. 8, 1915
Entered at the postoffice at Weston, Oregon, as second-class mail matter.

However, the Swift Packing company was too slow to escape an indictment in New York.

Our impression of the "Portland ring" is that it is not of the sort to blacken Oregon's finger.

The Pendleton waterworks row has been renewed to such an amusing extreme as to seriously endanger its gravity.

Our fighting editor says he never gets so bellicose that he would rather run the German war machine than a G. Wash.

The situation in Mexico City is said to be deplorable, but we are willing to let the Mexicans do all the deploring that is necessary.

As an example of high art we commend the Journal's double-page picture of Portland, taken from a balloon at an altitude of 1200 feet.

"War is an indispensable instrument of civilization," says General von Bernhardi, and we hope it will result in civilizing the German militarists.

"The Filipinos are not fit to be free," says W. H. Taft, and we recall that some such opinion was once entertained by England concerning her American colonies.

SOME SPEED TO THESE LIES
"Get a little rheumatism and come over to Hot Lake," writes Manager Tape to the LEADER man.

Some day we are going over there, too, but we hope Doc Tape doesn't insist on the rheumatism. Somehow we could never regard it as a boon companion.

Tape winds up with an observation to the effect that the Hot-Lake-frozen-over story reminds him of a canard concerning the first Ice Palace built in Montreal, in 1884. Lake Sharp wrote a story for the Detroit Free Press

A SWEETLY SOLEMN THOUGHT.

How dear to our hearts is the steady subscriber
Who pays in advance at the birth of each year
Who lays down the money and does it quite gladly,
And casts 'round the office a halo of cheer.
He never says: "Stop it; I cannot afford it."
I'm getting more papers than now
I can read."
But always says, "Send it; our people all like it."
In fact, we all think it a help and a need.
How welcome his check when it reaches our sanctum.
How it makes our pulse throb; how it makes our heart dance!
We outwardly thank him; we inwardly bless him—
The steady subscriber who pays in advance.

Hutchinson, Kan.—A mouse short-circuited the electric wires here recently and for hours the town was without power or light.

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