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WELL, HOW ABOUT THIS?

The esteemed East Oregonian has this to say, among other things, in a recent issue:

"One of the fine things about the Sheldon bill is that it provides a square deal for Weston, as well as other Eastern Oregon towns. Our Weston friends have long insisted that a fair, first-handed investigation of their city will convince anyone as to the desirability of keeping the normal school there. The Sheldon bill provides for exactly what they have prayed for so long. It leaves the location of the Eastern Oregon school to the board of regents, a body composed of absolutely disinterested men, none of them having any purpose to serve other than the good of the state. With such a fortunate arrangement at hand it would never do to pull Weston off the track and the East Oregonian refuses to be a party to Clark Wood's diabolical plot against his town."

We fear that frankness is not among the East Oregonian's virtues. It knows quite well that Weston will never be selected by the board of regents—some of whom are known to have objected to naming it in the Sheldon bill. It knows that \$125,000 would not be proposed in the bill for new buildings if there were any thought of utilizing the Weston plant.

However, the Leader is by no means so obstinate that it would refuse to modify its "peace proposal." It will support the Sheldon bill if Pendleton alone will withdraw as a candidate for the school.

To be sure, the East Oregonian has already demonstrated its blindness to the wisdom of such a course. Yet it may be brought to see the light.

Why should so fair and unselfish a town as Pendleton—a town of such lofty sentiment and high ideals that it would never stab a small neighbor except in the dark or between the ribs—stand in the way of the Sheldon bill by permitting the suspicion to obtain that it is a measure "cooked up" by Pendleton boosters in Pendleton's interests?

Let Pendleton be satisfied with its Round Up, its Bug House, its Elastic Conscience and Happy Canyon Squirr.

CRISS-CROSS ADMONITION

"Time is too valuable lately to be squandered on dime-fed ambition."

Even Nature can't turn out a good job in a hurry—so what chance do you stand?"

The above somewhat confusing epigrams are taken from the same page of Herbert Kaufman's weekly batch of sapience. In one place he wants us to go ahead, whether right or wrong, and in another to make haste slowly. These and other similar examples of Kaufman wisdom are sufficient to indicate why so persistent if not consistent a mentor is not the captain of industry he would have his readers to become, but is compelled to scribble for a living.

Instead of a broken backbone, Winter comes to bat with a bent spring.

"Let us have faith that right makes might; and in that faith let us dare do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.

One might observe that the German government is a good deal of an ass—if an ass could be so destructive.

That ruthlessness is chiefly dangerous to the German submarine is indicated by the fact that in one

week, 1100 ocean vessels reached the shore of England and France in safety.

The passage of the state bonding measure means a hard surfaced highway extending through Umatilla county to the state line—and that without increasing taxes one iota.

If war balloons can cross the Atlantic, it is well to reflect that they can cross it from either direction—and Uncle Sam can build 'em if he will get on the job.

Is friend Seattle a fish, that it should be chiefly known by its Gill?

We gather from Senator Lane's few apologists that he has suffered from misrepresentation; but so—much more so—has Oregon.

Carranza has been elected president of Mexico, but we are unable to see wherein either Carranza or Mexico is entitled to congratulation.

In offering to give away so much of the United States the Kaiser reminds us of a certain cloven-hoofed personage who had more generosity than possessions.

The band dinner and concert tomorrow evening will be made a get-together affair for the entire community and ought to be a social hummer.

Those who kick about the too frequently falling snow cannot, poor souls, amend the law of gravitation.

Revolutionists have seized the Russian government, but this is apt to bring cold comfort to the German kaiser.

The railroad brotherhoods are determined to strike tomorrow, it seems, even if they hit the entire nation at a critical time.

CLEAN-UP WEEK SUGGESTED

(To the Editor:)—I was impressed with the editorial on "The Burg Beautiful."

Yes, let us all get together for a better, cleaner and more beautiful town.

I would suggest that the Commercial Club and the Saturday Afternoon Club each appoint a committee to confer with the street committee of the city council, make a survey of the city with a pad and pencil in their hands and take notes of what is needed to be done—how and where to make our little city better, cleaner and more attractive.

I know some will say, "Oh, I haven't got time." But it won't take much time. One can go all over the town in a couple of hours. Or the town can be divided into districts and individual members appointed to make a survey of allotted localities and report to the whole committee.

It will take a little effort to do this, but the work is worth while and all will proud of it after it is done.

The committee could get up posters setting forth the various advantages of cleanliness to our town, designate a clean up week and have some boys deliver a poster to every family in town a day or two before the week selected. If this is done I believe the city will pay for printing the posters and hauling the garbage away.

The rubbish should be put in sacks in order that it can be handled conveniently. Any old worn sack that isn't much good for anything else, can be used.

Let every family in town appoint themselves a clean up committee; clean up their front and back yards, pick up all the old broken boards and sticks strewn over the premises—and do not forget the manure piles that have been thrown out in the alleys during the winter. They are an eye sore; a menace to health and breeding place for flies, besides violating a city ordinance.

Repair tumble down fences—or better yet, take them away, if living anywhere near the center of the town, and the appearance of your places will be improved 100 percent.

Do not depend too much on the City Council. As a rule they are doing the best they can with the means at hand, and will meet the people half way on anything that is to the best interest of the community as a whole.

Let our slogan be for awhile at least: "A clean up day is Weston's way." J. W.

ROADS, ELEVATORS, WALKS ARE LOCAL CLUB THEMES

The commercial club had a five meeting Tuesday evening, with the discussion of such diverse questions as state road bonds, bulk grain handling, a town hotel, cleaning up methods and concrete sidewalks.

The invitation to send delegates to the Pendleton road meeting having come too late for club action, Sim Barnes was directed to go to the phone and inform Roy Ritner that Weston wished to be represented by spirit. On motion President Price appointed a committee of five to investigate and report upon the state road bond issue, in order that the club may have comprehensive information. Its members are C. H. Nelson, L. R. Van Winkle, Sim J. Culley, P. T. Harbourn, J. M. Price.

Dr. Watts submitted two tentative propositions with regard to the building of a local hotel. An hotel committee was appointed, consisting of H. Goodwin, Marvin Price and Ralph Saling.

An exceedingly interesting address was made by Sim J. Culley, president of the Weston Warehouse company, on the subject of bulk grain handling. Mr. Culley gave the club the benefit of the large fund of information he has gathered on this important matter, and spoke encouragingly of the prospect for elevators at Weston and Downing.

Called upon for his ideas on the subject of town cleaning, Councilman Wurzer gave them in tabloid form, and they are presented elsewhere in this paper in more detail.

Professor Lundell tendered the thanks of the Weston Concert band for the club's highly successful efforts in behalf of the concert series.

Councilman Saling, chairman of the street committee, was asked concerning the prospects of concrete sidewalks on Main street, and reported the outlook as encouraging, inasmuch as owners of more than two thirds of the frontage have been found to favor this improvement.

BAND BENEFIT DINNER TOMORROW AFTERNOON

The ladies of the Saturday Afternoon Club, assisted by the people of Weston and vicinity, will give a dinner on Saturday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day,) at the opera house, beginning at five thirty in the afternoon and continuing until all are served.

The Weston Concert Band will play throughout the dinner hours and everyone is earnestly invited to come and enjoy the music—also the fine menu, which will include the Culley potatoes—and in this delightful manner assist our band. Come early and stay through the entire concert, as there will be plenty of chairs.

Dinner at the usual price, despite the high cost of spuds.

What Did She Mean?

"How was your speech received at the club?" asked one of Chumley's friends. "Why, they congratulated me heartily. In fact, one of the members came to me and told me that when I sat down he had said to himself it was the best thing I had ever done."—London Saturday Journal.

Printer's Problem.

Marie hit upon a problem the other day more perplexing than George II's apple dumpling. She peered between the uncut leaves of a magazine and said: "Mother, how did they ever get the printing in there?"

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. Myrta M Barto, Plaintiff, vs. Jackson Barto, Defendant.

To Jackson Barto, Defendant above named:—

In the Name of the State of Oregon, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled suit, within six weeks of the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: on or before Friday, the 27th day of April, 1917; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for and demanded in plaintiff's said complaint, namely, for a decree of the Court forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order made in this cause by Honorable Gilbert W. Phelps, Circuit Judge of the above entitled Court. The first publication of this summons will be made in the Weston Leader on Friday the 16th day of March, 1917, and the last publication will be made on Friday the 27th day of April, 1917. Dated at Pendleton, Oregon, this 14th day of March, 1917.

WILL M. PETERSON, Attorney for Plaintiff. Postoffice address: Pendleton, Ore.

LEADERS APPROVE OF EXTRA SESSION

Feeling is Evident That Congress Ought to Be on Hand During Crisis.

Washington.—Leaders of both parties in congress greeted with approval President Wilson's call for a special session on April 16.

There has been a feeling evident that congress should be in Washington when the president takes any step further in the German situation.

The length of the special session, the legislation it will enact and the debates that may mark its progress will depend largely on three factors—just what legislation the president expects, what results from the arming of American merchant ships, and the way the new house of representatives conducts itself with its evenly balanced membership.

The democrats control the new senate by 12 votes, and despite its bitter debates on international problems and its failure to pass the armed neutrality bill, it can be safely counted on to stand behind the president in almost anything he asks in handling the German situation. The little group of pacifists are still there, but their power to defeat legislation would be negligible in a session that might last until December, even without the modified cloture rule which the senate adopted.

The new house might organize as republican or democratic, or an effort may be made to effect a coalition organization, but its leaders say it will make little difference which party controls when it comes to international problems and preparedness.

FEDERAL LAND BANK OFFICIALS ARE NAMED

Washington.—Officers of the federal land bank of Spokane, were appointed by the farm loan board as follows:

President, D. G. O'Shea, of Red Lodge, Mont.; vice president, C. E. B. Roberts, of Rupert, Idaho; secretary, George C. Jewett, of Palouse, Wash.; treasurer, George M. Dreher, of Spokane.

The officers and A. W. Cauthorn, of Portland, Or., also were appointed directors. Turner Oliver, of La Grande, was appointed registrar and attorney. Dr. Dreher is brother-in-law of ex-Senator George Turner.

Regarding the two Oregon appointments the farm loan board in a statement says:

"A. W. Cauthorn, director, is peculiarly fitted to serve the Spokane federal land bank by reason of his practical experience as a banker and as the editor of a farm paper. Mr. Cauthorn is manager of the farm edition of the Portland Journal, and in this capacity has attained an intimate knowledge of farm conditions in the great northwest."

STORY OF BRIBE IS TOLD

Seattle Bootlegger Says He Gave the Mayor \$4000.

Seattle.—George Vandever, attorney for the Billingsley Bros., during their sensational bootlegging operations in Seattle, got the bribe figure to be tendered Mayor Gill at \$7500, Logan Billingsley testified under cross-examination at the hands of Wilmon Tucker of the staff of six shrewd attorneys conducting the defense, and by whom the witness was kept under a fire of questions through. "Don't offer the mayor less." Logan quoted Vandever as warning.

The testimony was a surprise to the attorneys for both the defense and prosecution and it created a sensation among the spectators.

Billingsley explained that the reason he gave the mayor but \$4000 as alleged was because his brothers objected to separating from so large a sum.

Hiram Johnson to Keep Senate Post.

Sacramento, Cal.—Reports emanating from Sacramento that Hiram Johnson was planning to relinquish his United States senatorship-elect in favor of Chester Rowell, of Fresno, and to retain his present post as governor, brought forth a statement from the governor that the report was "wholly and absolutely false."

One Killed, Five Hurt in Wreck.

Medford, Or.—One man was killed and five injured in a freight wreck at Voorhies, one mile from Medford, when the axle of a car holding a beam of a steam dredge broke, telescoping 13 cars of northbound Southern Pacific freight. All the men were wanderers.

Pacific Railroads Need Not Divorce.

New York.—The government suit to divorce the Central Pacific railroad from the Southern Pacific has been won by the railroads, J. P. Blair, general counsel for the Southern Pacific has announced.

Suits Coats Dresses

We are now showing all of the latest models in the new shades of Gold, Apple, Plum, Rooky, Chartreuse and Blue. Prices in reach of all. Pay us a visit and see all the new Spring Styles.

Table listing clothing items and prices: Ladies' Suits, Ladies' Coats, Misses' Coats, Children's Coats, Ladies' one piece Serge Dresses, Ladies' Silk Poplin Dresses, Ladies' Silk Dresses, Crepe De Chine Waists, Children's Rompers, Children's Gingham Dresses, Misses' Gingham Dresses, Boys' Wash Suits, Boys' Suits, Children's one piece Play Suits, Boys' Overalls, Boys' Overalls (indigo), "Boy Scout" Hose, Boys' Knee Pants.

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