

THE COUNTY FAIR

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The farmer gets more out of the fair than anyone else. The fair to a city man is an entertainment; to a farmer it is education. Let us take a stroll through the fair grounds and linger a moment at a few of the points of greatest interest. We will first visit the mechanical department and hold communion with the world's greatest thinkers.

You are now attending a congress of the mental giants in mechanical science of all ages. They are addressing you in tongues of iron and steel and in language mute and powerful tell an eloquent story of the world's progress. The inventive geniuses are the most valuable farm hands we have and they perform an enduring service to mankind. We can all help others for a brief period while we live, but it takes a master mind to tower into the realm of science and light a torch of progress that will illuminate the pathway of civilization for future generations. The men who gave us the sickle, the binder, the cotton gin and hundreds of other valuable inventions work in every field on earth and will continue their labors as long as time. Their bright intellects have conquered death and they will live and serve mankind on and on forever, without money and without price. They have shown us how grand and noble it is to work for others; they have also taught us lessons in economy and efficiency, how to make one hour do the work of two or more; have lengthened our lives, multiplied our opportunities and taken toil off the back of humanity.

They are the most practical men the world ever produced. Their inventions have stood the acid test of utility and efficiency. Like all useful men, they do not seek publicity, yet millions of machines sing their praises from every harvest field on earth and as many plows turn the soil in mute applause of their marvelous achievements.

FARMER RADFORD ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE

The home is the greatest contribution of women to the world, and the hearthstone is her throne. Our social structure is built around her, and social righteousness is in her charge. Her beautiful life lights the skies of hope and her refinement is the charm of twentieth century civilization. Her graces and her power are the cumulative products of generations of queenly conquest, and her crown of exalted womanhood is jeweled with the wisdom of saintly mothers. She has been a great factor in the glory of our country, and her noble achievements should not be marred or her hallowed influence blighted by the coarser duties of citizenship. American chivalry should never permit her to bear the burdens of defending and maintaining government, but should preserve her unsullied from the allied influences of politics, and protect her from the weighty responsibilities of the sordid affairs of life that will crush her ideals and lower her standards. The motherhood of the farm is our inspiration, she is the guardian of our domestic welfare and a guide to a higher life, but directing the affairs of government is not within woman's sphere, and political gossip would cause her to neglect the home, forget to mend our clothes and burn the biscuits.

RURAL SOCIAL CENTERS

We need social centers where our young people can be entertained, amused and instructed under the direction of cultured, clean and competent leadership, where aesthetic surroundings stir the love for the beautiful, where art charges the atmosphere with inspiration and power, and innocent amusements instruct and brighten their lives.

To hold our young people on the farm we must make farm life more attractive as well as the business of farming more remunerative. The school house should be the social unit, properly equipped for nourishing and building character, so that the lives of our people can properly function around it and become supplied with the necessary elements of human thought and activity.

Education is a developing of the mind, not a stuffing of the memory. Digest what you read.

Old men have visions, young men have dreams. Successful farmers plow deep while sluggards sleep.

The growing legumes will retard soil depletion and greatly add to its power to produce.

INNOCENT MAN HANGED.

So Says Letter on Painter Case to Chief of Chicago Police.

Chicago.—That an innocent man was executed here in 1894, when George H. Palmer was hanged for the murder of Alice Martin, is the statement made in a letter received by Chief of Police Gleason from a person signing himself "R. W. Baxter" of Buffalo, Sangamon county, Ill.

The writer asked that Painter's relatives be found and promised to remove the stigma from the family.

Painter's last words on the scaffold were a declaration that he was not guilty.

Alice Martin, Painter's sweetheart, was beaten to death in 1891, and Painter was arrested nine months later. After two years of fighting the prisoner was convicted and executed. On the scaffold he said:

"If I killed Alice Martin, the girl I dearly loved, the woman I loved so much that I would almost commit any crime for her, I pray this minute, my last minute on earth, that the eternal God will put me into eternal hell."

The condemned man raised his voice and continued:

"Look here, gentlemen, if there is one man among you who is an American I say to him on his soul—on his soul, I say—see that the murderer of Alice Martin is found."

The scaffold prayer was delivered by the Rev. A. P. Moerdyke, who said:

"May he whom so many believe innocent of this crime join thee in everlasting life for the sake, O Lord, of thy son Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Gleason said he would take no steps in the matter except to look for Painter's relatives to make known to them Baxter's request.

TOWN TURNS OUT TO PAN GOLD IN STREETS

Great Excitement Until Metal Proves to Be Iron Pyrites.

Sumner, Wash.—Excitement prevailed in Sumner following the news of a "gold" strike made on Main street by Frank Kelly, an ex-Alaskan miner of nine years' experience. For several hours forty men and boys panned the mud in the gutter and proudly exhibited the "dust." Kelly staked out a twenty acre mining claim, including the heart of the city, and two hours later the claim was jumped by Jesse Childs. The local druggist, Bill Naysmith, who made a hasty nitric acid test of the glittering metal, pronounced it pure gold.

Kelly was sweeping the sidewalk in front of the Kelly & Darr grocery on Main street when he saw bright specks the size of pin heads in the mud in the gutter. He hastily got a pie tin and panned some of the mud containing half a spoonful of the dust. Taking it to Naysmith, he was assured after an acid examination it was real gold.

Kelly then obtained a government mining claim blank and filled it out. The claim was named the D. & K. claim. The location was the regular twenty acres allowed by the government. The filed claim sheet was nailed to a two foot board that was placed upright between two bricks at the edge of the street.

By this time, however, the report of the strike had gone out, and as Kelly went to mark the four corners of his claim others began to appear with pans of all descriptions.

Brooms, shovels and all kinds of implements for collecting a pile of the valuable dirt were pressed into service. Tom Frye and several others ran to the fire house and brought out the fire hose. When this was turned on to sluice the street a number of the slower miners got a bath. Frye obtained a bottleful of the "gold" mixed with the black sand and boasted that it contained at least \$500 worth.

By 2 o'clock the street had been swept as clean as a billiard table, the first time it has been washed clean since it was laid, it was said.

The metal was pronounced to be pyrites of iron, or "fool's gold," by Streeter Beall of Puyallup after microscopic and heated nitric acid tests. It was admitted by all, however, that it looked to be real gold, and being found in black sand was an added indication in its favor. The sand that fell on the streets was from gravel and sand wagons hauling it from a gravel bank near the Stuck river.

Mayor Wants Municipal Church.

San Bernardino, Cal.—Mayor J. W. Catick issued a statement advocating the abolishment of all churches in the city and the building in their stead, by a bond issue, of a tabernacle seating more than 2,500 and the appointment of a municipal minister, who would administer the spiritual needs of San Bernardino. He also proposed the appointment of a municipal minister, who must perform all marriages and officiate at all funerals free; the prohibition by law of the soliciting of funds from

congregations; the entire city to be members of the church, which would be maintained by municipal taxation; "Let us have only one good route to heaven and a municipal minister to point the way," concluded the mayor.

Jeffre Doesn't Read Papers.

Paris.—General Jeffre, the French commander, has not read a newspaper since the war began. It is said, and the only thing in the way of letters he has written were brief notes to his wife and sister.

ARTILLERY MAIN BATTLE FACTOR

Has Assumed New Importance in the Present War.

RAIN HALTS THE FIGHTING.

Both Sides Face Difficult Problems in Getting Water Out of the Trenches. Germans Collecting All the Brass They Can Find to Get the Copper Out of It For Fuses.

London.—An account by the "eye-witness" of the British headquarters staff at the front mentions the continued and exceptionally heavy rainfall in the fighting zone. Aviators, the account says, report that the Scheldt as well as the Lys has overflowed and is flooding large districts. The condition of the trenches is shown in the following extract from the statement: "The Germans in some places have attempted to pump the water from their trenches into ours, but owing to



Photo by American Press Association. GERMAN SOLDIER WRITING DIARY ON BATTLEFIELD.

the flat ground they have been singularly unsuccessful. The problem of how to get rid of the water is engaging both sides. The muddy water is difficult to pump out, but this difficulty is being overcome, although continual bailing and pumping are required."

The account relates some minor fights and then makes the following references to the situation of the enemy:

"The Germans are reported to be collecting all the brass they can find, no doubt for the purpose of extracting the copper for fuses. The towns and villages behind the front are systematically ransacked and everything that contains copper, from church bells to household utensils of all kinds, has been seized."

The following reference is made to artillery:

"The experiences of this war have caused many profound modifications of theories previously held, but no factor, perhaps, was so underestimated as the effect of high explosive projectiles fired from guns and howitzers. At the opening of the war the allies were inferior to the enemy in this respect. This inferiority has since been made good, and the Germans are now experiencing to a far greater extent than before the devastating effect of these missiles. The successes of the Japanese at Port Arthur gave an inkling of the possibilities of the heavy howitzer against permanent fortifications, but the decisive effect of high explosives against troops in the field as well as against field intrenchments has come as a complete surprise."

"Artillery has assumed an importance greater probably than it ever before possessed and certainly greater than it has known since the time of Napoleon. For the last hundred years, as used

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We call your attention to the following announcements and ask that you accept this as an invitation to be present as often as possible at "The Church with the Methodist Handshake."

Sincerely,

Milton A. Marcy, Pastor,

Mrs. E. Butler, Sec. of Official Board,

Sunday School each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock with classes for all ages.

Epworth League each Sunday evening at 6:30. Epworth Praises is the official song book. Ralph Harrington Choister.

Theme Announcements for the morning worship at 11:00 o'clock and evening worship at 7:30 o'clock.

Jan. 31. Morning: Sunday School program under the direction of Miss Mary Hammond as chairman of the Committee on Sunday Schools.

An urgent invitation is extended to all to attend this evening service.

Evening: Choir special.

Business Integrity	-	N. Selig
Sin and Disease	-	Dr. Hellwarth
Male Quartette	-	Selected
Sin and Education	-	Prof. Haley
Should Law be Obeyed	-	H. G. Strayhr

These are vital themes discussed by men who know from experience.

February 7. Morning: Beginning a series of constructive, honest talks on "The Choice of a Church." (I) The Roman Catholic Church, (Including a brief survey of its magnificent history.)

Evening: Does Evolution undermine the Truths of the Bible?

February 14. Morning: (II) Christian Science Church.

Evening: Address by Dr. James Moore, Superintendent of Salem District.

February 21. Morning: (III) The 7th Day Adventist Church.

Evening: Smith, Jones and others put some hard questions. They want to know: (I) Whether the present day "Woman Movement" is to help or to hinder the cause of morals and religion.

February 28. Morning: (IV) The Methodist Church.

Evening: (II) Whether the Bible has greater moral and spiritual authority than other great books and whether it makes any difference what a man believes just so he lives right?

March 7. Morning: Historic Israel (Illustrated) Evening: (III) Whether a man who really thinks today can be religious?

March 14. Morning: Historic Israel (cont) Evening: The Benefits and Evils of the Cigarette.

Reading: Miss Ella Mehrling.

Male Quartette. Selected.

Special music at both morning and evening services under the direction of Mrs. Chas. Moyer and the choir.

Services similar to those herein announced occur each Sunday at the M. E. church and you are cordially invited to attend.

Signed: Milton A. Marcy, Pastor,
Mrs. E. Butler, Sec. of Official Board.

against troops, field artillery generally has been depended upon to create a moral effect rather than great material result. It has been reserved for this war to prove it to be the chief agent in destroying the enemy's power of resistance.

"It is extremely hard to conceal the position of trenches from an aerial observer, and once their position is notified to the guns and the range is obtained it is not long before the whole length of trenches will be blown in. Entanglements, trous de loup and every form of obstacle, however ingenious, are swept away."

"That the moral effect is very great is shown by the written and verbal evidence of prisoners."

"The allies' artillery is gradually assuming superiority over the German, a factor of great importance in the prosecution of our general offensive."

Bean Famine in Boston.

Boston.—Because many bean crops have been sold to the nations at war, Boston is facing a bean famine. The price is now 12 cents a pound instead of 8.

Notice to Electric Light Users

All persons owing the Falls City Electric Light Co. for service prior to April 1, 1914, will please pay the amount to D. L. Wood at The News office.

Good farm for sale, enquire at this office.

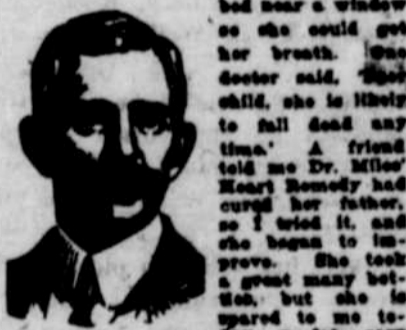
Walter L. Tooze, Jr., Lawyer, Dallas, Oregon.

Correspondents wanted in every neighborhood in this section of the country.

Extra copies of The News are printed each week, and will be sent to any address desired, postpaid, for 5 cents per copy.

Heart Disease Almost Fatal to Young Girl

"My daughter, when thirteen years old, was stricken with heart trouble. She was so bad we had to place her



bed near a window so she could get her breath. One doctor said, 'This child, she is likely to fall dead any time.' A friend told me Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy had cured her father, so I tried it, and she began to improve. She took a great many bottles, but she is up and to me today, a fat, rosy checked girl. No one can imagine the confidence I have in Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy." A. R. CANNON, Worth, Mo.

The unbounded confidence Mr. Cannon has in Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy is shared by thousands of others who know its value from experience. Many heart disorders yield to treatment, if the treatment is right. If you are bothered with short breath, fainting spells, swelling of feet or ankles, pains about the heart and shoulder blades, palpitation, weak and hungry spells, you should begin using Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy at once. Profit by the experience of others while you may.

Dr. Miles' Heart Remedy is sold and guaranteed by all druggists. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.