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Get ready for Cottage Grove's big district fair November 19-21.

Candidate Sherman appears to be keeping very quiet. This is becoming to him.

It has been a rarely dry September, but we shall doubtless get well soaked this month.

The Albany Herald has it this way: "Bryan the Peerless; Chafin the Beardless; Taft the Fearless." Why not Debs the Gearless—Radium.

Prospects look mighty good for the lumbermen, miners and farmers in this vicinity for next season. There will be something doing hereabouts every minute in 1909.

In many places in the Willamette valley the farmers propose to rigidly enforce the trespass law against hunters. They assert that all game birds are almost exterminated.

As a result of Cottage Grove's fame for the production of prize winning yellow-legged roosters, the Methodist preachers of West Oregon have decided to hold their annual district conference here next September.

Governor Haskell is now amusing himself by calling Teddy R. "a crook in the White House," "an infamous liar," etc. He is also applying some equally drastic epithets to Editor Hearst, who he will sue for libel, he says.

In addressing the Methodist conference at Salem, the capital city mayor told the preachers that when he was a boy his father wanted him to study for the ministry, but he said, "I decided I had rather work for a living."

A North Inlet, Coos county man says that his cranberry ranch will yield about 300 bushels per acre, and as the prevailing price is about \$2.75 per bushel, he will derive about \$825 per acre. He expects to raise 400 bushels an acre after the land has been cultivated more, and some times cranberries are worth \$4 a bushel there.

The pink mudguards of Sunny Jim will catch the frost descending and turn a fine autumnal red, with the burning sumac blushing; the frost will thin out Mr. Kern's elaborate chin thicket, and each of these hair-bearing tails will go some on his ticket.

And then November 3rd will come. When all of us shall vote. And one of these two Bills will have to be the Billy goat.

MEDITATION.

Autumn weeps as she decks her funeral pier with mantles of crimson and gold. Sad season—saddest of the year! Your sear leaf and tearful sigh throw the soul back upon its self and compel us to think that soon or late it shall be said of each of us, "The harvest is past, the summer is ended." But Nature will have her course, and it is well. Spring and summer must go. Well, let them go. What if the hurried approach of the grim armies of winter do drive to earth each trembling leaf, they can not take away our verdant spring painted on the pages of memory.

We would not stay the fresh, young season? Spring, Spring, with its budding flowers and budding hopes. Spring, with its vigorous strength of youth, all untried as yet. Spring, when the sower goeth forth to sow, and man begins the long journey. Destiny hath marked out for him. Let spring give way to summer with its toil of brawn and brain. Let the toiler in life's harvest reap as he hath sown, and sing, or mourn, as he reaps.

But soon, too soon, the season of golden fruit and waving grain sleeps beside her sister, spring, and in her place stands autumn, slight and sad. Though much has gone, much remains. Then let not the toiler say, "what is the cause that the former days were better than these? For we stand in ways where Wisdom gathers up the golden threads of time and weaves a crown for honest, thoughtful brows; where Truth's white pinions fan the wounded head of life's warrior as he staggers in the place of his long, last sleep. And winter's icy hands hold a lump of clay but not the soul.

When, on silent, cycling seasons of the year, you serve a will that's ruled by Love.

Why call back the past? Shall the mottled butterfly go back to its straightened chrysalis? Shall fields of ripened grain revert to the tender blades? Shall the monarch oak steal back to the acorn home, from whence it came? Shall the hoary sage creep back to the downy cradle of infancy? Oh, no! The past must bury the past, and we, like true soldiers, will go on facing both good and ill, seasons four or five.

W. A. E.

Cottage Grove is a hustler these days. The citizens are arranging for an annual harvest fair that is to be conducted on an extensive scale. They could do nothing that would be more beneficial to the town. Eugene Register.

At the special election held in Eugene yesterday to vote on bonding the city for the purpose of installing a gravity water system, using Ritchey creek as a source of supply, the measure was defeated.

Herman Rider, editor of the Staats-Zeitung, the great New York German newspaper, has been appointed treasurer of the democratic national committee to succeed Governor Haskell.

A city park for Cottage Grove is a good subject for the civic improvement society to tackle. A pretty city park is a splendid advertisement for a town.

The Eugene Lumber Co.'s mill was started up again Tuesday morning and is running with a full force again.

Love of Selfish Pleasure Leads to Race Suicide.

By Professor GRANVILLE STANLEY HALL, President of Clark University.

HUSBANDS as well as wives are too often prone to shirk the duty of parenthood, which is as much due to the state as that of paying taxes or fighting for the country's life if it is threatened by a foreign foe.

LOVE OF SELFISH PLEASURE, DOUBT ON THE PART OF EACH MATE OF THEIR OWN OR THE OTHER'S ABILITY TO PERFORM SUCCESSFULLY ALL THE DUTIES OF PARENTHOOD, DISTASTE FOR THE EXPENSE, TROUBLE, SELF DENIAL AND CONFINEMENT ARE CAUSES IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO APPRAISE IN THEIR RELATIVE IMPORTANCE.

Here, too, we must place "the one child system" or the ideal of one or two children only under which parents often seek to atone for the shortcomings of their powers of heredity or of nature by nature—i. e., LAVISHING EXCESSIVE CARE UPON THEIR FEW CHILDREN, WHO WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITH MORE NEGLECT. Careful studies have shown that only children are on the average distinctly inferior physically, mentally and morally to those with several brothers and sisters, and an ounce of heredity is worth a hundredweight of culture.

CANNOT ASSESS EXPRESS COMPANY

Judge Harris has handed down his decision in the case of Wells-Fargo & Co. against Lane county and Harry Bown, its sheriff and tax-collector, in which the company brought suit to restrain the sheriff from levying on its property to collect the tax from the assessment against its rights and privileges in the sum of \$15,180.

Judge Harris finds that the express company has no interest in the railroad lines and has no connection therewith whatever, except that it transports express matter over said lines, paying an agreed compensation therefor; that plaintiff in particular owned no transportation rights and privileges of the value of \$15,180, or of any value, in Lane county on March 1, 1907; that the assessment and tax are without authority of law and are wholly void.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

That plaintiff is entitled to a decree cancelling and annulling the pretended tax on its alleged transportation rights and privileges over 75.90 miles, which tax is asserted as part of the tax roll for the year 1907, by the defendant, Lane county; that the plaintiff is entitled to a decree perpetually enjoining the defendants from collecting of said pretended tax and from issuing execution and making levy on the property of plaintiff for such purpose. Dated September 30, 1908. L. T. Harris, Judge.

Egg Hunt Saturday.

An unique picnic was greatly enjoyed by the members of the Christian Sunday school, on the McFarland butte last Saturday. The chief feature of the day was an egg hunt—one of the eggs being a "golden egg." Previous to the coming of the members of the Sunday school about one hundred boiled eggs had been secreted in the grass, among the bushes and in the boughs of the trees. It was worth going a long way to see the youngsters scramble for the "golden egg" and was awarded a liberal treat of confectioneries.

After the hunt numerous games were engaged in, and then came the feast of good things under the shade of the oaks. Dinner was followed by a long tramp through the wildwood. The young people returned home unanimously declaring that they had a glorious time.

The many friends of Rev. S. M. Nickle, especially his congregation, were much gratified to learn that he had been assigned to the ministry of the M. E. church at this place for another year by the M. E. conference convened at Salem last week. He is a gentleman in every respect and his sermons are very able and interesting.

Read the new ad of the Cottage Grove Manufacturing Co., offering apple boxes for sale, and the new ad of the Grove Gallery.

Read A. W. Henneway's large new ad.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD'S INITIATION

November 20th will be a red letter day for the W. O. W. order of this city, in the evening of which day there will be initiated in one body one hundred new candidates. That there will be something doing every minute until the dawn, goes without the saying. The district fair will be in session at that time and Friday Nov. 20th has been designated as "Woodmen Day," on which day the town will be turned over to the Woodmen to do what they please with it. J. P. Smith, the W. O. W. booster of Eugene, has been in the Grove several days, infusing enthusiasm into the W. O. W. blow-out and has "got the boys going" in good shape. It will be a big, successful occasion.

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