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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1909.

The state fair and the capitol are to remain at Salem.
 Farmers report fall grain uninjured by the late freeze and say it will prove of much benefit to the land.

Today is "ground hog day" and it is to be hoped the animal will not get a good look at his shadow. The sunshine, like the rain, is always welcome out of season.

The Roseburg papers are sore because their people would not turn out and attend a called mass meeting hostile to county division, the people are taking no interest in the matter over in Douglas.

"Every farmer" boy wants to be school teacher, every school teacher hopes to be an editor, every editor would like to be a banker, every banker would like to be a trust magnate, and every trust magnate hopes some day to own a farm and have chickens and cows and pigs and horses to look after. We end where we begin."

It is not enough that interest should be taken in the growth and upbuilding of the town and surrounding country. Let every citizen of Cottage Grove put a shoulder to the wheel and aid in making Cottage Grove the best town in this part of the state. Sympathy is valuable, but assistance in any and all work is what is needed if we are to make a stride in any given direction.

The editor of the Springfield News says he has been non-committal on the county division proposition, not considering it any of his fight until he happened to attend a meeting of the Eugene Commercial Club recently, when he was convinced that the creation of Nesmith county was not the proper thing, at this time. We are surprised at our friend Beebe. It would be just as reasonable for a verdict of guilty to be found in a criminal case, or a decision rendered in a civil case after hearing one side of the case only, as for Editor Beebe to pass judgment on Nesmith county after listen only to the presentation of the

county division proposition from the standpoint of the old county seat ring or "Knockers Club." Defer passing judgment until you hear the pleadings of both the plaintiff and defendant, Brother Beebe. Be fair!

A good many readers of the Portland Daily Journal down this way marvel at the fact that the Journal will assign a man to legislative reporting at Salem, who don't know a legislative assembly from a town council, who was never inside of a legislative hall before, nor within the portals of a capital city. His reports of the legislative proceedings are too ridiculous to be amusing and he is evidently a prince of grafters judging from the way he colors his reports to suit the various interests he espouses; while his reports are supposed to be fair, unprejudiced and reliable. If the way he has handled the Nesmith county proceedings at Salem, is to be taken as a criterion, his "specials" are so false and misleading as to brand the Journals service as utterly unreliable. His reference Friday to the Nesmith county bill being in the hands of the committee on counties composed of members of Lane and Douglas delegations, demonstrated the fact that he is not familiar with the committee assignments and his comments or summary of committee work is woefully unreliable if not purposefully false. A great daily should give the public more fair and reliable service.

The Register is attempting to reassure itself and its readers that Nesmith county will not be created but that a bill will be passed submitting such matters to a vote of the people of the territory affected, when it is anticipated the Nesmith proposition will be given a solar plexus punch by Lane and Douglas. Our esteemed contemporary does not seem to recognize the fact that no matter if such a bill is passed by the legislature and the Nesmith county movement were defeated in Lane and Douglas by means of this measure, the people of Nesmith would still have the privilege of an appeal to the people of the state through the initiative and would then most surely receive fair and just consideration and have their wishes granted in the creation of Nesmith county, as the Hood river people did after their prolonged struggle. Nesmith is going to be a reality and don't you forget it, neighbor.

HE WILL CARRY NESMITH
 Editor Hofer of the Salem Journal, who fought the last University appropriation tooth and nail, is urging a big appropriation for the agricultural college. He is also urging through his paper the formation of Nesmith county. Mr. Hofer aspires to be governor of Oregon.—Eugene Register.
 Editor Hofer won't care a continental if he can't play in the Register's back yard, so long as he can stroll at liberty in our new park and bask in the sunny smiles of fair Cottage Grove and proud Nesmith.



SENATOR KNOX, MRS. KNOX AND THEIR WASHINGTON HOME.
 Senator Philander C. Knox, who will become secretary of state when Mr. Taft assembles his cabinet, has one of the finest homes in Washington. It has been the scene of many brilliant entertainments, for the senator and his charming wife are noted for their hospitality.

A good little story comes from our city school indicating that even the primary pupils in Cottage Grove are deeply impressed and are very enthusiastic boosters for Nesmith county. Being asked "what is required to build up a great city?" A little son of J. W. Wilson promptly replied: "County division, a court house and a city park."

Regarding the printed circular turned out by the Eugene "knockers club," headed "why Nesmith county should not be created," this anti-booster document is best summed up in the language of the newspaper. "I ain't insultin of yer—I tell yer I'm simply callen of yer a liar and yer are one!"

The Eugene Register is extensively advertising its "bargain-day" on which subscriptions are taken at a "reduced price." There will probably be no great rush upon its subscription department from south Lane county on that day.

Junction City claims the champion public school debating team of Lane county. Well, that is a real honor, better than champion football or basketball players.

A terrible blizzard swept over the middle and northern states last Saturday.

ATTACHMENT LAW IS A SKIN GAME

House bill No. 93, by Campbell, by request, is to abolish the old unjust Oregon attachment law. Under that law any creditor can swear out a complaint and start an attachment suit and attach anything a man or corporation has got. In other civilized states an attachment suit must allege fraud, or that the debtor will abscond. Here in Oregon any jack lawyer will start an attachment suit, clap on big fees and make costs, for a big business man against whom he has a spite. This bill will be fought by lawyers who want to keep this Oregon hoot on the limbs of the creditor class to make fees out of it, but not by the biggest and ablest attorneys in the state. It amends the law so as to require some allegations of fraud. It should pass.



Humor and Philosophy
 By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

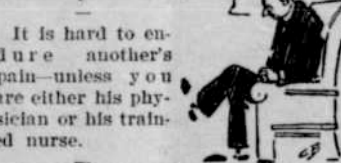
Don't get sick. Some of your long suffering friends may come around and insist upon your taking your own often prescribed medicine.



Of course we would be careful as possible of the feelings of our friends if we could only privately convince ourselves of the right of our friends to possess feelings.

If there is anything that a woman yearns to have on hand nowadays it is one of the new sleeves.

Life would be one grand sweet song if we could reward our friends and punish our enemies according to our own private code.



No woman has cause for jealousy—who is the only woman present.

It is hard to endure another's pain—unless you are either his physician or his trained nurse.

Had the combination been just a little different every man is dead sure he would have been a great and glorious success.

It may be all right to be strenuous if some one else will stand the expense and let you reap the profits.

Belated Praise.
 Sing a song of summer.
 Hard to chant its praises
 When the sun is boiling
 And it's hot as blazes,
 But its rare attractions
 Are immensely pleasing
 When the snow comes drifting
 And our ears are freezing.

When the days have vanished
 That were full of splendor,
 Hot enough, I'll venture,
 Storage yard to render,
 How they strike our fancy
 Like a hammer tripping
 With a zero layout
 And the front bus nipping!

Then we die of longing
 For the breezes fleeting
 That with blast of furnace
 Were at times competing,
 And we can in fancy
 Feel them fan our faces
 When we find old winter
 Getting down to cases.

Thus at every season
 Vain regrets come fretting
 For the one that's vanished,
 On its graces betting.
 And we come reciting
 Words serene and pleasant
 For the one that isn't
 On the job at present.

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Some girls are just determined to marry, no matter if their husbands are so poor that they can't pay much all-ony.

MUSICAL RECITAL
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PROGRAM

Chorus "Great and Glorious".....A. Beirly	Chorus Club
Guitar solo "Sabastopol" (Repeated by Request).....H. Worrall	Miss Gertrude Emmerson
Mixed quartet "Moonlight Will Come Again".....Will Thompson	Mr. Johnson, Mary Hopper, Gertrude Emmerson, Almon Owens
Solo, vocal "Heavenly Song".....H. Gray	Mr. Johnson
Piano duet "Shepherd's Evening Song" op 76.....Chas. D. Blake	Miss Gertrude Emmerson, Mrs. Johnson
Violin solo "Simple Avieu".....F. Thome	Edward Babecek
Duet, vocal "Ship Ahoy".....Harrison Millard	Mr. Johnson, Prescott Wheeler
Chorus "Memory Bells".....A. Beirly	Chorus Club
Piano solo "Old Black Joe" (Concert variations).....Frederick Lewis	Miss Gertrude Emmerson
Male quartet "He Knows it all".....Finley Lyons	Mr. Johnson, Prescott Wheeler, Frank Wheeler, Almon Owens
Piano duet "Marche Triumphale".....F. G. Rathbun	Misses Gertrude Emmerson, Mary Hopper
Ladies Trio "Sweet Rest".....C. E. Leslie	Misses Amy Owens, Olive Parance, Gertrude Emmerson
Duet, vocal "Whispering Hope".....Alice Hawthorne	Mr. Johnson, Gertrude Emmerson
Orchestra, Opus 300.....W. T. Kohler	Solo, vocal "Asleep in the Deep".....H. W. Petrie
Chorus "On the Silvery Sea".....A. Beirly	Chorus Club
Piano, Six Hand Piece "Menuet".....W. A. Mozart	Misses Gertrude Emmerson, Mary Hopper, Faye Deardorff
Mixed quartet "Soft Floating on the Air".....F. W. Root	Hiram Wheeler, Olive Parance, Mary Hopper, Roy Wheeler
Double male quartet "Going Down the Valley".....J. H. Fillmore	Guitar solo "Spanish March".....Archie Wilson
Flag drill "Our Country's Flag" (Repeated by Request).....A. Beirly	Chorus Club

Recital Begins at 8 P. M. Admission, Popular Prices
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Free Instruction in Horticulture.

A six week course in horticulture is now under way at the Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oregon, and there is a large attendance from different parts of the state, the attendance being more than double that of last year. Some of the most interesting work in the course is yet to come. Many fruit-growers are unable to attend the course for the entire six weeks, but are able to come for a few days or several weeks. The course is open to them at any time. There will be two weeks more of apple-packing and work in budding and grafting. In addition to this, special lectures are given on the various phases of fruit growing, truck gardening, and landscape gardening.

Beginning on February 8 a special course of two weeks will be given in walnut grafting. This should be of great interest to people contemplating engaging in this industry. The most important methods of walnut grafting will be taken up, including the very successful and famous Payne method. In addition to the lectures practice will be given in the work including nursery grafting, and the top-working of the large American black walnut trees found scattered over the state.

In the last two weeks of the course two hours a day of practical instruction will be given in spraying, pruning, staking and setting of orchards. This work includes apples, grapes, peaches, cherries, etc.

Special lectures will be given by some of the best authorities on horticulture to be found in the northwest. These courses are open to any one interested in horticulture. Come at any time.
 Corvallis, Oregon, Jan. 25, 1909.

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