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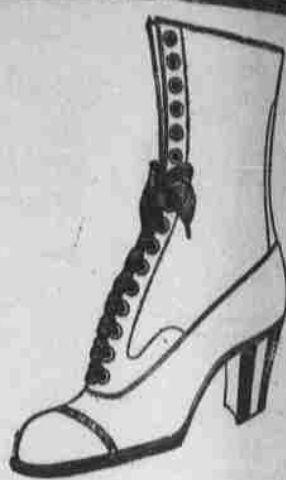
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## EXECUTIVE HORSEPLAY.

No one can truthfully charge The Observer with being unfair to Governor West. While certain other Republican publications in this state have seized every opportunity to exaggerate his foibles, and to make political capital out of them, we have not been a party to such procedure and have steadfastly believed that the governor was honest in his convictions and fearless in the discharge of his duty, as he saw it. But we confess that our estimate of the chief executive of Oregon has undergone a radical change within the last few weeks, and we no longer view him or his actions in the light that once we did. This final estimate of his capacities has come through a somewhat closer relation with his acts than formerly, and we have had occasion to view, at close range, the eccentricities of the man who now holds the position of chief executive of this state.

But the final climax of his foolishness came last week when he deliberately sneaked from his office and left the legislature to get along as best it could with the huge mass of proposed legislation with which its members were struggling and had been engaged with for 40 days. No legislature ever worked harder than has this present body, no legislature

has tried to do its duty by the state with greater fervor. Even to accomplish this result and complete, if possible, the work outlined within the 40-day limit, it has worked night and day, but, despite all this extra exertion, the stipulated time of the session expired and found the body still with much work to accomplish. But it was willing to face the exigencies of the occasion, and it has done what no previous legislature of Oregon has attempted, it has been willing to work overtime and without pay until the work is completed and the slate clean. In the face of this intention Governor West deliberately locked his office and fled. Possibly he was overworked and worried, as his defenders declare. We do not doubt that his wild endeavor to make political capital out of every attempt to pass a bill, or other step that the legislature has taken, has sapped his energy and left him fagged and weary. But he still owes a duty to the state nevertheless. He should have remained at his office while the legislature was in session in order to receive any messages, which might be sent him and been ready at all times to expedite the business of the state. That is what any self-respecting executive would have done. He should have had the manliness to bravely face the issue and openly to have either approved such measures as he thought just or to have disapproved those that, in his judgment, were not meritorious.

As we have previously stated, no body of men could have been fairer in their treatment toward one of opposite political faith, no legislature ever assembled with higher aims than the present one. They were willing to consider the vetoed bills of the 1911 session on their merits and they did so consider them. In this consideration, the governor won on many points, the greater number of the bills he disapproved were also cast aside and his judgment thereby confirmed. But West was not satisfied. He saw that he might lose out by remaining passive, so he proceeded to play to the galleries and began telling the legislature what to do. He promulgated a set plan of action, so to speak, and plainly told the representatives of the people that he knew more than the 90 men whom the people of Oregon has sent to Salem to represent them. Naturally, such tactics aroused the enmity of the members. They told the governor to manage his own office and they would do the best they could to handle theirs. Even afterward, however, the legislature showed its willingness to accept advice from the executive office and many of his suggestions have been heeded. But, when the talk of the prolonged session began to be heard, and it at last became apparent that such an outcome was probable, the governor, understanding that he might be prevented from effecting a wholesale slaughter of the work of the session, after the same had adjourned, slunk away like a coward in the dark and thereby worked a gross injustice, not only to the members of legislature, but on the people of the state. Other governors have not been afraid to openly disapprove important measures while the legislatures have been in session, and thus give the body an opportunity to modify them until they might have executive approval. That would have been the usual course for West.

Friends of the governor declare that, if his great disappearing act shall result in stopping the passage of further bills, he will have rendered

a great service to the people, yet these same individuals were howling their heads off a few days since because the legislature had been in session so long and accomplished so little. Apologists for Oregon's spectacular executive are thus placed in the position of contradicting themselves.

The fact of the matter is that the present legislature has been making a very good record. West knows it as well as anyone and in company with a small minority in that body he has evidently conspired to embarrass it if possible. But it is possible that his latest piece of "horseplay" may result in a boomerang. While the members were disposed to be fair and not use the majority machinery to the disadvantage of the governor, it is entirely within the power of that same majority to beat the governor at his own game. While the legislature must adjourn, sometime, there is nothing to prevent it from returning after the five day limit shall have expired for the purpose of acting on vetoed bills. If it shall be found, as was the case two years ago, that many measures of importance have been negatively by executive displeasure, the majority is strong enough to pass them, notwithstanding such disapproval, and if the members have the nerve to follow out that program they will have rendered a valuable service to the state. Certainly the governor has a right to veto such bills as he deems unwise to enact, but, when he extends such official acts to embrace disapproval merely for political reasons, his hand should be stayed and one jealous and headstrong individual should not be permitted to place his judgment above that of 90 others of his peers. The whole thing is summed up in the one sentence--the man is too small for the job.

## FORMER DALLAS MAN SUED

Salem Hopgrower Thinks Wife's Affections Worth \$25,000.

C. T. Lange, a hopgrower living near Salem, has filed a suit for \$25,000 damages against D. A. Madison for the alienation of his wife's affections. Since the first of 1910 Mrs. Lange has conducted a millinery establishment in Salem. Madison is a saloon man of that city. About three weeks ago the Langes were in court in a divorce proceeding. Mrs. Lange filed a complaint alleging cruel and inhuman treatment, and in his answer and cross-complaint Lange alleged desertion. By a compromise Lange was given the decree of divorce on the ground of desertion. Mrs. Lange not fighting the case.

## ALMANAC USED AS TEXTBOOK

Public Document Valuable in School Work in Many Schools.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 25.--The Oregon Almanac, issued by the State Immigration commission, is in demand by schools and colleges where it is used as a textbook, which is helping along the know-your-state movement. The almanac, of which an edition of 380,000 was printed, is filled with data carefully gathered and compiled and is, in substance an admirable encyclopedia on Oregon. The book is being distributed to inquirers in all parts of the country from the Portland headquarters of the Oregon Development league and copies will be sent, without charge, to any state schools desiring them for use in educational work.

During the coming year the book will be completely revised and enlarged and letters are now being sent out to county assessors in order to get accurate statistics on land

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## Teachers Express Thanks.

The teachers and students of the Dallas school wish to express their appreciation of the interest that the ladies of the Woman's club have taken in raising funds for the furnishing of rest rooms in the High school building. The program given last Friday night was most pleasing and showed efficient management on the part of the educational committee of the club.

By order of the committee.  
MAUDE A. MACDONALD,  
CORA A. ROSSITER,  
SADIE LYNN.

## Oregon Grows Corn.

That Oregon can grow splendid corn, ranking well with the best corn states of the union, is the statement of C. L. Smith, agriculturist for the O.-W. R. & N. company, who is arranging a corn show to be held next fall at Pendleton. This will be open to corn exhibits by farmers in every part of Oregon and another show will be held at Colfax, Washington, for the farmers of that state. "Farmer" Smith declares that the average corn crop per acre in Oregon is larger than in Iowa, that corn is a plant that will adapt itself to almost any climate and should be made one of the chief items of agricultural production here.

—Trespass notices, weather proof, for sale at Observer Job office.

## Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, C. W. Beckett, the administrator of the estate of Jane Beckett-Thompson, deceased, has filed his final account as such administrator in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Wednesday, the 19th day of March, 1913, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the Court Room

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of said County Court in the city of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.

C. W. BECKETT,

Administrator of the estate of Jane Beckett-Thompson, Deceased.

OSCAR HAYTER,

Attorney.

Dated and first published February 18, 1913.

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## SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County. Department No. 2.

H. M. Berry, Plaintiff,

vs.

E. H. Wiedeman and Bessie Wiedeman his wife, and James Daugherty, Defendants.

To E. H. Wiedeman and Bessie Wiedeman, his wife and James Daugherty, the above named defendants.

In the name of the State of Oregon, You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause on or before six weeks from the date of the service of this summons upon you by the publication thereof and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will take a judgment and decree against you as prayed for in his complaint herein, to-wit: for the sum of \$1550.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of six percent per annum from the 9th day of November, 1911, and the further sum of \$150.00 attorney's fees and for costs and disbursements, and that the mortgage mentioned in plaintiff's complaint be foreclosed and the land described therein, to-wit: Beginning at a point 14.63 chs. South and 5.10 chs. West of the Northwest corner of the P. P. Hooker D. L. C. No. 48, in T. 8 S., R. 5 W., Will. Mer. Polk County, Oregon, thence South 16.66 chs., thence West 6.30 chs., thence North 7 deg. West 8.37 chs., thence North 18 deg. West 5.38 chs., thence East 10.04 chs., to place of beginning, containing 12.75 acres more or less, be sold and the proceeds be applied to the payment of said judgment, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just.

This summons is published for a period of six weeks by order of Hon. J. B. Teal, Judge of the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, made at Chambers on the 11th day of January, 1913, and the date of first publication will be January 14th, 1913, and the date of last publication will be February 25th, 1913.

SIBLEY &amp; EAKIN,

Attorneys for Plaintiff.

## Notice For Bids.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, for forty (40) cords of oak grub wood, to be not less than two (2) inches nor more than six (6) inches in diameter; also forty (40) cords of first-class second growth fir wood; said wood to be delivered at the Court House in Dallas, on or before September 10th, 1913.

Bids to be opened on the first day of the March, 1913, term of this Court. Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

A. B. ROBINSON, JR.,

County Clerk.

## Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that the school board of the Broadmead School District, No. 70, will, on Feb. 28th, 1913, at 2 p. m., at the residence of the Clerk of said district, receive sealed bids for the construction of a school building in said district, bids to be accompanied by certified check for one-third of amount.

Plans and specifications may be

had at the residence of the Clerk at Broadmead.

School board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 8th day of Feb., 1913.

E. C. PRICE,

Clerk, Broadmead School District No. 70, Broadmead, Oregon. 2-11-25

## REGISTRATION OF LAND TITLE

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County.--Department No. 2.

Application No. 42.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the application of Ladd &amp; Bush, Bankers, a corporation, to register the title to the real property, situate and being the Southeast quarter of Section 5 and the South half of the Southwest quarter of Section 4, all in T. 9 S. R. 6. W. of the Willamette Meridian, in Polk County, Oregon.

Ladd &amp; Bush, Bankers, a corporation, Applicant,

vs.

All Whom It May Concern, Defendants.

To All Whom It May Concern: Take notice that on the 7th day of February, 1913, an application was filed by said Ladd &amp; Bush, Bankers, a corporation, in the Circuit Court for Polk County, for initial registration of title to the land above described. Now, unless you appear on or before the 12th day of March, 1913, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

(Seal.) ASA B. ROBINSON, JR., Clerk.

CAREY F. MARTIN,

Attorney for Applicant. 2-11-34

## Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, W. L. Walker, have been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Harvey Walker, deceased, by the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, and have qualified as such. All persons

having claims against the said estate of the said Harvey Walker, deceased, are required to present the same to the undersigned executor at McRoy, Polk County, Oregon, properly made out and verified, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated February first, 1913.

W. L. WALKER,

Administrator of the estate of Harvey Walker, deceased.

ED. F. COAD,

Attorney for Estate. 2434

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