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AWFUL DEATH RATE
IN OUR COAL MINES

It would hardly be in accordance with the facts to say that the people of the United States were "shocked" at the news of the late terrible mining disasters in which several hundred lives have been snuffed out. Disasters of this nature have come on us with such frequency that they have in a degree lost their power to create a shock, except perhaps in the immediate vicinity of the tragedy. When death rides on the wintry gales and gathers in the aged and infirm who have lived out their allotted span of years, we philosophically accept the decree as one of the benign workings of Providence. Apparently, by the same line of reasoning, we have come to regard these wholesale harvests of death in a similar light. This at least would seem to offer some explanation for the lack of interest in and lack of laws to prevent such wholesale tragedies as plunge entire communities into mourning and leave behind them a wake of distress and sorrow which for thousands will find no alleviation in this life.

There was a time when the earth was younger, and the finer instincts of humanity had not been completely subjugated by the craving for money that such a value was placed on life that no precaution was considered too expensive to use in preventing death. That this ancient belief has not been abandoned in other countries finds ample evidence in official statistics, which show that the coal mines of the United States kill three times as many men per thousand employees as are killed by the mines of European countries.

Not only is the death rate per thousand in this country three times as large as it is in Europe, but it is increasing at an alarming rate, while that of Europe is actually decreasing. In spite of the greatly increased output from the mines in Europe. This decrease is said to be due to the effect of mining legislation in those countries for the safeguarding and protection of the lives of the workmen. The government report, which was written before either the Alabama disaster or the Manohagat disaster, prophetically says:

"Both the number and seriousness of mine explosions may be expected to increase, unless, through investigations such as have proved effective in other coal-producing countries, information can be obtained and published concerning the explosives used, the conditions under which they may be used with safety, and the general conditions which make for health and safety. Such information may serve as an intelligent basis for legislative enactment and for agreements among persons associated with mining operations."

It is absurd for a country so far progressed in art, science and invention as the United States to set up the plea that coal mining cannot be made as safe in this country as it is in Europe. None, in fact, attempt to make such a plea. It is simply a case of coloring the life blood of miners into dollars through neglect to employ proper precautions which would add an infinitesimal fraction to the cost per ton of mining coal. Our railroads, like our coal mines, also have the unenviable reputation of killing more men in proportion to the number employed than are killed on any other railroads in the world. That this is also a needless sacrifice of human life is shown by the results achieved on the Union Pacific, which has spent \$2,000,000 in installation of safety devices and as a result finds a decrease in the list of killed and injured from 2007 in 1898 to 1209 in 1907.

In the mad rush for wealth in this country our coal barons as well as other industrial masters have unfor-

ly cheapened human life, the most precious of all things. If the long overdue reform can be accomplished in no other way, some of our missionary societies should temporarily abandon their efforts in behalf of the foreign heathen and work for the salvation of the honest workmen who are being murdered by thousands at home.

This year the Oregon Electric Co. has completed a railway line from Portland to Salem and trains will be running regularly over it by January 1st. The work of construction has been done quickly and well, showing an abundance of capital and brains behind the project. The next step, so the officials of the company announce, will be the extension of the road to Eugene, and the building of "feeders" from this city and other important towns in the valley. Much in the way of development and settlement depends upon the future operations of this company and there is every reason to believe that they will carry out their plans as announced without any unnecessary loss of time. To be the terminal of this great electric system will itself be sufficient to make Eugene an important commercial center.

A prominent writer thinks that he sees the dawn of the fraternal age. So they thought in France long ago when they madly followed the slogan of "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity." So they thought in the Dark Ages when the great brotherhoods of the church grew so strongly despite the general darkness and desolation. So they thought in the time of Plato; but it's a long way yet to the real dawn, and battleships and magazine rifles continue to find purchasers; murders and mob massacres proceed in Russia in a manner anything but fraternal, and here in the United States we are spending millions on new battleships, and by sending the greatest fighting fleet every mobilized around the world, are giving the nations an object lesson in anything but fraternalism.

Nothing slow about Congressman Richmond P. Hobson. Though he is cutting his first congressional teeth, he is said to aspire to the responsible position of floor leader—speaker. If the democrats carry the next house—in the next congress, maybe he is one of those born for leadership, but he'll have to prove it.

Secretary Loeb never kicks for publication, but he would be justifiable in kicking hard against being blamed for what happens to the booms of members of the cabinet. He draws a salary for being buffer to the president, but not to every member of the administration.

Fred A. Mulkey and Joseph Simon have both announced their withdrawal from the senatorial contest, and Charles W. Fulton will have a clear field on the republican side unless H. M. Calk, of Portland, decides to enter the race.

Even if Secretary Cortelyou should find the cabinet atmosphere congenial, he is not likely to resort to the want column for a job. His New York friends control a bunch of banks, all of which have to have presidents.

William J. Bryan has just been appointed a senator from Florida, to succeed Stephen R. Mallory, deceased. But this particular Wm. J. is not the perennial candidate for president.

John D. Rockefeller should not show off cans at money-borders as long as he continues to hang on to that \$29,000,000.

EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATIONS
The eighth grade final examinations for the public schools will be held
January 22, 24.
May 14, 15.
June 11, 12.
Teachers who have pupils ready for the examination should notify me of the number of questions wanted and the name of the person appointed to conduct the examination at least 15 days before the date for which the questions are wanted.
W. H. DILLARD,
County Superintendent.

A RARE CHANCE
I have a farm of 127 acres to sell; 70 acres in cultivation, 30 acres pasture; 11 acres timber; horses, cows, hogs, chickens, wagons, farm implements, orchard and good buildings. \$18 per acre. Four miles from depot; good schools and neighborhood. Enquire at the Springfield Hotel, Springfield, Gr.

NOTICE TO FRUIT GROWERS
Spraying and Pruning Promptly Done

We are prepared to do all kinds of spraying and pruning. Call up Red 2711. C. A. Barker, H. V. Darling, J. Keller, J. A. Henderson. ml

Splendid prizes will be given at Co. A's masquerade on New Year's eve. Do not fail to attend.

Do not fail to attend the masquerade at the armory New Year's eve. If

OVER FOUR
HUNDRED STUDENTS
AT UNIVERSITY

There are at present 401 students enrolled in the regular undergraduate department of the university and from the number of applications already on file in the registrar's office, it is estimated that the enrollment at the opening of the second semester will approximate 425. The present enrollment shows a gain of 20 per cent over last year and of 100 per cent over the enrollment during the years 1901-1902, the first year of President Campbell's administration. Besides the regular enrollment of college students, there are a large number registered in the departments of law, medicine and music. There are also more than 200 young men and women in different parts of the state who are availing themselves of the advantages of the correspondence courses.

The present enrollment of college students represents nearly every county in the state, as well as a few outside states and foreign countries. Portland heads the list of cities with a representation of nearly 100.

There are approximately 55 seniors, 75 juniors, 110 Sophomores, 145 freshmen and 20 specials.

Registrar A. R. Tiffany who is always conservative in his estimate of attendance says that there will be more than 550 students in college during the year 1908-1909.

EUGENE PROPERTY WILL GROW VALUABLE
Blair street addition property is sure to double in value within the next two years. Two electric railways are coming up the valley from Portland and both of them must enter the city from the west, and the line that will tap the Siuslaw country can not go out in any other direction. As sure as water runs down hill, Eugene must build down the valley—because the business is there.

There are both acreage tracts and large lots in this addition; only a mile from the business center and three blocks from the Geary public school.

Prices are very reasonable and you may make your own terms, a small payment down and monthly installments if you desire.

See the Oregon Land Co. at 412 Willamette street, or write them for particulars and prices.

TIMBER LAND
Here is the chance of your life. I can sell you timber in tracts from 4,000,000 feet to 400,000,000 feet as low as 25 cents per thousand feet. This will make you 100 per cent per year. Put your money where it will make you a fortune in a short time and stop talking hard times. There never was as good a time to buy as now. Don't wait six months and then kick yourself for what you have lost. Inquire at 482 Willamette street or write James N. Randall, Lock Box 155, Eugene, Or.

A Real Wonderland
South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mount City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing was lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Dr. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by W. L. DeLano, druggist, 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

STORE ROOMS AND OFFICES
I have blocks in contemplation. Tenants desiring store rooms and offices will do well to consult me immediately. I am also planning flats for families.

FREE THOMAS, Architect.
Room 7, Chrisman Bldg.

PRICES FOR CAB SERVICE
Owing to the buses being taken off, cab service to and from trains will be 50 cents for one, 75 cents for two, or \$1 for three or four.

BARNARD & WEST.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas county, ss.
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn before me and subscribed in my presence this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

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Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

When you're languid, when you're lazy;
When you're loose, lank and lean
A pliffy object you will be
Unless you take Rocky Mountain Tea.

—Linn Drug Co.
It costs no more to apply good paint—therefore use New Era. Sold only at the Berger-Bean Hardware Company.

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BACK ACHE IS THE
DANGER SIGNAL

Valuable Prescription to Make Home Remedy, Said to be Very Fine and Easily Prepared.

Many people succumb each year to some form of kidney trouble than any other cause. The slightest form of kidney derangement often develops into Bright's kidney disease, diabetes or dropsy. When either of these diseases are suspected the sufferer should at once seek the best medical attention possible. Consult only a good, first-class physician, and leave patent medicines alone.

There are many of the lesser symptoms of kidney trouble which can be treated at home as stated by a well-known authority. For some of these, such as backache, pain in the region of the kidneys, weak bladder, frequency (especially at night) painful scalding and other urinary troubles, try the following simple home remedy: Fluid extract dandelion, one-half ounce; compound sarsaparilla, one ounce; compound syrup sassafras, one ounce. These simple ingredients are harmless and can be obtained at any good prescription pharmacy, and any one can mix them by shaking well in a bottle. The dose for adults is a teaspoonful after each meal and again at bedtime.

There is no better general remedy known to relieve all forms of rheumatism, either, because it acts directly upon the kidneys and blood. It cleans the clogged-up pores in the kidneys so they can filter and strain from the blood the poisonous uric acid and waste matter, which if not eliminated remain in the blood, decompose and settle about the joints and muscular tissues, causing the untold suffering and deformity of rheumatism.

Backache is nature's signal notifying the sufferer that the kidneys are not acting properly. "Take care of your kidneys" is now the physician's advice to his patients.

Badly Mixed Up.
Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience. He says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said kidney disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth blood poison and the fifth stomach trouble; but none of them helped me. My wife advised me to try Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed for blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints by W. L. DeLano, druggist, 50c.

MISCELLANEOUS
LADIES' TAILORING—and dress-making. 769 Pearl street. 15
TO TRADE—By owner, timber land for city property or land close to some town. No agents. Address H. G. Box 494, Eugene, Or.

GASOLINE WOODSAW—P. L. Miller, phone Black 4767, residence, 779 East Eleventh street (Fairmount).

ACCORDION PLEATING—Done by Mrs. Bert Vincent at 627 Hilyard street, near East Ninth, on reasonable terms. Phone Red 3302. 1f

FOR EXCHANGE—15 acres, well improved, near Oakland, for property in or near Eugene. Good trade will be given. McMurphy & Rugh, 22 West Eighth street. 1f

STORE AND OFFICE HELP—Furnished free to employers. Clerks' Registration Bureau, entrance to offices 14 Selling-Jitach building, 386 1-2 Washington street, corner West Park, Portland, Oregon. 1f

DON'T fail to see Chexem if you want bargains in real estate. We buy and sell farm and city property, improved and unimproved. Timber and mining stock. H. Chexem, Room 11, Walton Bldg. 1f

GOLD AND SILVER PLATING—On knives, forks and all household articles that do not look like new. Write the Oregon Plating Works, 128 Lowndale street, Portland, Oregon, for prices.

FOR RENT
FOR RENT—Fine front room; furnace heat, electric light, bath. 154 East Ninth.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for young men students. Call at 332 East Fourteenth street. 1f

FURNISHED ROOMS—Electric light and bath; three blocks west of postoffice. Apply at 521 Lincoln. 1f

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WANTED—After January 3, young woman to cook and assist with housework. Inquire before Saturday at 96 W. 10th street. Phone Red 2612.

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WANTED—Manager for branch office we wish to locate here in Eugene. Address, with references, The Morris Wholesale House, Cincinnati, Ohio. 15

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B. F. DORRIS,
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CLASSIFIED COLUMNS

FOR SALE

HORSE FOR SALE—An ordinary work horse. Call at this office.

WOOD FOR SALE—616-inch oak wood. Phone Farmers' 280. 126

FOR SALE—Second growth fir wood. W. L. Coppertoll, at Watt's jewelry store. 1f

FOR SALE—Heavy farm wagon, nearly new. Inquire at 685 East Eleventh street. 1f

FOR SALE—Pure-bred white Wyandotte cockerels for sale. J. A. Griffin, 718 Perry street. 1f

CORRWOOD FOR SALE—Leave orders with L. G. Brown at Dr. Brown's office in Chrisman block.

FOR SALE—Fresh Jersey cow for sale. Inquire of J. S. Couger, mile and half west of town. 428

WOOD FOR SALE—A few cords of good dry grub oak and dry fir. Enquire of E. M. Warren, 442 Lawrence street.

FOR SALE—House and lot one block west of Geary school. Price, \$450, part on time. If desired, Address J. L. Miller, Eugene, Oregon. 12

FOR SALE—Fruit farm of 13 acres, one mile from P. O., variety of fruit trees, good new house, good well; barn and other outbuildings. Call at The Guard office. 12

FOR SALE BY OWNER—A snap in heart of city; only one block from high school, choice lot 57x162 feet, convenient cottage; modern. Cheap at \$2000; investigate. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE BY OWNER—New eight-room house with gas, electric light, beautiful shrubbery, and all modern improvements, two blocks from car line and in heart of residence district. You pay no agent's commission. Lots 66-2-3 x 169. Apply at this office for particulars.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—Good house of 7 rooms, 80 fruit trees, deep well with wind mill, one acre under chicken fence; large chicken house; two blocks from Geary school house. Price, \$1600. Time on part. 1. N. Harbaugh, agent, Room 8, over First National Bank. Bring this notice with you.

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WANTED—(Continued)

WANTED—Young lady would like place in private family to work for board so she can attend school. References exchanged. Address, H. C. box 335, Eugene. D28

WANTED—A man 25 years old with family would like position with grocer or general mercantile establishment; has had eight years experience; will work for reasonable salary; give best of references. Address E. G. Guard office.

LOST AND FOUND
LOST—Between Ninth and Pearl streets and the Eugene Dye Works, a set of white furs. Finder return to Eugene Dye Works and receive reward.

LOST—A \$10 bill in First National Bank or near there. Finder please leave at Guard office. 427

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Estate of A. J. Black, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, L. E. Ward, has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of A. J. Black, deceased, by the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present, to the same, duly verified, to the said administrator, at the law office of L. Bilyeu, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1907.
L. E. WARD,
Administrator.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Easle Rickman, administrator of the estate of J. H. Rickman, deceased, by virtue of an order of the probate court of Lane county, Oregon, dated the 27th day of September, 1907, and an order dated December 16, 1907, will on and after the 21st day of January, 1908, sell at private sale, for cash, the following described real property belonging to the said estate:

The S. E. 1/4 and the S. E. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of Section 11, the N. E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 and the S. W. 1/4 of Section 14 and the E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of Section 15, all in township 18, S., R. 4, W., containing 520 acres, in Lane County, Oregon.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1907.
ESSIE RICKMAN,
Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, R. H. Matteson, has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Perry Matteson, deceased, by the County Court of Lane county, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to file the same with the said administrator within six months from this date.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1907.
R. H. MATTESSON,
Administrator.

Williams & Bean, Attorneys for Estate.

Notice for Publication.
United States Land Office, Roseburg, Or., Oct. 23, 1907.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, William H. Pierce, of Walton, county of Lane, State of Oregon, filed in this office his sworn statement No. 8527 for the purchase of the NE 1/4 of sec. 26, tp. 19, S. range 8 west, Willamette Meridian, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes and to establish his claim to said land before W. W. Calkins, purposes and to establish his claim Eugene, Oregon, on Tuesday, the 7th day of January, 1908.

He names as witnesses: W. T. Bailey, of Meadow, Oregon; Aaron C. Harbour, of Walton, Oregon; Jarvis U. Sutherland, of Walton, Oregon; William Sutherland, of Walton, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 7th day of January, 1908.

BENJAMIN L. EDDY,
Register.

J. W. BARRINGER
Expert Housemover

Moves anything. Twenty-five years experience. Residence, East Fifteenth and Oak Sts. Phone Red 4511. Eugene, Oregon

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