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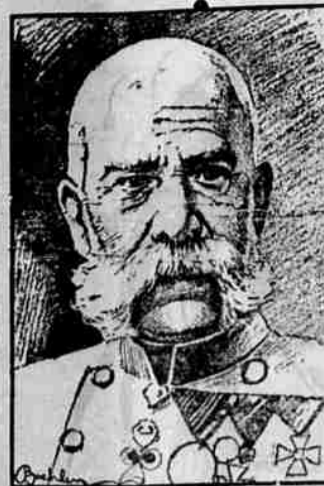
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## FRANCIS JOSEPH, REIGNS SIXTY YEARS



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Victoria, 1837 to 1901, 63 years.  
Francis Joseph, 1848 to 1908, 60 years.  
George III, 1760 to 1820, 59 years.  
Louis XV, 1715 to 1774, 58 years.  
Henry III, 1216 to 1272, 56 years.  
Edward III, 1272 to 1377, 50 years.

Vienna, Dec. 2.—Sixty years an emperor! Such is the extremely uncommon record achieved by Emperor Francis Joseph, who was called to the throne of the dual monarchy just 60 years ago today, in the midst of the storm and tumult occasioned by the revolution of 1848. In observance of the anniversary, the capital was today a mass of flags and bunting, and in the windows everywhere were displayed pictures of the aged emperor, beloved by all his subjects and respected by all the world. Services of thanksgiving were held in all the churches and the day was observed as a general holiday. During the past summer elaborate pageants and other spectacular features were held in celebration of the emperor's jubilee. The observance of the actual anniversary today was confined principally to the presentation of formal addresses of congratulation in behalf of the army and the various departments of the government, the foreign diplomats and numerous societies throughout the empire.

The serious illness through which Francis Joseph passed last year sapped much of his vitality and deprived him of much of that physical vigor

which was regarded as marvelous in a man of his years. Mentally he is as alert and active as ever. During the recent course of events in the Balkans, which threatened the peace of Europe, the aged ruler held long daily conferences with his ministers of state, and as on so many occasions in the past, the results furnished strong evidence of his consummate diplomacy and keen insight of the situation.

During the sixty years of his reign Francis Joseph, amidst extraordinary difficulties, has done more than falls to the lot of most rulers to improve the condition of his subjects. When in December, 1848, he was somewhat unexpectedly called to the high office of emperor he found his realm in a state of indescribable confusion. The policy of his immediate predecessors had been harsh and repressive, and the great revolutionary war of 1848 caused formidable uprisings in both Austria and Hungary. These were sternly repressed and drastically punished. The ancient liberties of the Hungarians were curtailed and ultimately abolished, and Francis Joseph seemed destined to be perpetuated in history as one of the most despotic of European monarchs.

From this bad reputation he was saved by what seemed at the time a series of tragic misfortunes. In a short campaign in 1859 Austria was defeated and forced to cede her sole foothold in Italy. Then followed the crushing defeat inflicted on her by Prussia in 1866, and her expulsion from the German confederation.

A man of coarser fibre and more unflinching nature would probably have been crushed by such a series of national humiliations, but they only served to make apparent the statesmanlike qualities of Francis Joseph. From projects of foreign aggression he turned to plans of national betterment. The claims of Hungary to receive the consideration they deserved. After the death of 1866 the plan of Deak, the greatest of Hungarian statesmen, for a federal empire, was adopted, and Francis Joseph was crowned anew king of Hungary in 1867. So peculiar a constitution as that of Austria and Hungary called for the exercise of patience, tact, and administrative ability of the highest order, but for forty years he has managed to overcome all difficulties and yet retain a personal popularity only paralleled by that of the British king among the crowned heads of Europe. For sixty years has Francis Joseph weathered all storms, alike of public anxiety and domestic sorrow, and today he stands out among the world's greatest sovereigns as one of the strongest and most attractive figures.

### ATLANTIC FLEET IS HOMEWARD BOUND

Washington, Dec. 1.—The big Atlantic battleship fleet under command of Rear Admiral Sperry has completed the first half of its journey around the world and is now homeward bound. Under orders from the navy department the battleships are to take their departure from Manila today. Two weeks will bring the fleet to Colombo, Ceylon, where a stay of six days will be made. From Columbia the fleet will go direct to the Suez canal. The ships will pass through the canal as expeditiously as possible and then the fleet will split into four divisions, each division visiting a different Mediterranean port, reassembling at Gibraltar on February 3. They will proceed thence direct to the United States, and are due to arrive at Hampton Roads on February 3.

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### COTTAGE GROVE NEWS

Nattie Martin shipped a coop of fine white Langshan chickens to Eugene Monday, from which place they go to a Japanese breeder in Japan. Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Chapman, of Divide, on Friday last, a 9 1-2 pound boy. Dr. Kime attending.

Yesterday Colonel and Mrs. W. H. Blair, of the Hotel Oregon, received their first consignment of fruit trees for their orchard tract which they purchased from John Spray last summer. This consignment comprises enough Comice pear trees to plant five acres and Spitzenberg apple trees to set out another five acres. They also received a number of grape vines and Bing, Lambert and Royal Ann cherry trees to add to their fruit orchards. They have a 60-acre tract admirably situated for fruit and when the trees now on hand are set out they will have 15 acres planted. The trees are being set out 24 feet apart each way and will be kept well cultivated and pruned. The trees were purchased by Colonel and Mrs. Blair from J. D. Cochran, agent for the Woodburn nurseries.—Leader and Western Oregon.

### Watts' Watches

Fred Flak, Oregon timber lands bought and sold. Eugene, Oregon. WATTS FOR WATCHES

### PLEASANT HILL NOTES

(Special Correspondence.) Pleasant Hill, Nov. 30.—L. C. Sherwood and family have moved to Canby and Mrs. Slus and wife, to whom he sold, are now living on the farm. J. D. Baughman and wife, of Thurston, and Miss Ruby Baughman, who is teaching in the Creswell school, spent Thanksgiving with their mother and grandmother at this place. Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Laird are in Eugene on the bedside of Mr. Laird's mother, who is not expected to live. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Liles entertained the pupils of the high school and a few of their friends last Friday evening and an enjoyable time is reported.

The lumber is on the ground for horse sheds to be built on property belonging to and near the Christian church. They will probably be ready for use in a week or two.

Clara Carum, teacher in the high school, went to Ashland to spend Thanksgiving with her husband and his family.

The \$4000 imported Percheron stallion belonging to the Creswell & Pleasant Hill Stock Company died recently of cerebro-spinal fever.

It is quite possible that a pottery may be established here in the near future, a deposit of clay having been found near the foothills which is pronounced suitable for the purpose by an experienced pottery worker, who will probably test the matter in the coming spring or summer.

The plastering on R. J. Hemphill's new residence is nearly done and the family expect to occupy it before Christmas. This undoubtedly is the best residence near the Military road from Eugene to Lowell, and one of the best in the county.

While the Commercial Club or city council are trying to secure better telephone service for Eugene it would be to their interest to include the lines from Eugene to Springfield, as it is nearly impossible for country lines running through Springfield central to do business with Eugene, and for this reason Springfield is getting trade that would otherwise go to Eugene. REGULAR.

### CAR OF COAL HERE

The Williams Transfer Company has received a load of Washington coal. Ten dollars a ton, delivered. Order at once, as it will go soon.

### TO WATER CONSUMERS.

The city will receive payments for water service at the city recorder's office until further notice.

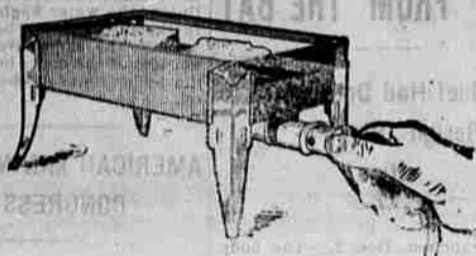
### OREGON TIMBER LANDS

Abstracts furnished. Land titles examined, timber lands cruised, timber lands bought and sold. Fred Flak, Eugene, Oregon. Merchants' Bank Building.

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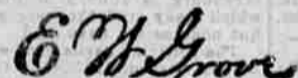
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