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The Star Spangled Fifth.

Oh, say, can you see by the dim sandlight That has glowed since the last roman candle exploded While we stood on the lawn at a late hour last night— Can you see if they're gone, as most of us foreboded? Little Johnnie's left ear will be useless, I fear, And papa's scorched nose makes his face very queer— But, say, do poor grandfather's whiskers yet wave, Or did he acquire a skyrockety shave? Uncle Henry has gone for some cotton and salve To apply to the arm of your poor sister Lizzie, And the doctor keeps speaking of things he must have; Father cannot sit down, so he stands, with a frown, And looks out at the fires that are blazing o'er town. But, say, do poor grandfather's whiskers yet wave, Or did they melt off in that crash the bombs gave?



"DO GRANDFATHER'S WHISKERS YET WAVE?" All day he was warned that it might not be best To be showing the youngsters the tricks of their fireworks; He was told that his beard should be shaved in his vest Or the sparks and the flames would exhibit their dire works. I and Lizzie and John, with our cuticle gone, Suffer here on our cots in the gray of the dawn. But, tell us, do grandfather's whiskers yet wave, Or did he acquire a July Fourthish shave? —W. D. Nesbit in Judge.

THE DECLARATION.

History of the Immortal Document Which Made Us Free.

What has happened to the Declaration of Independence since its signing is recounted by William H. Michael, formerly of the state department at Washington. In 1789 congress authorized "the secretary for the department of foreign affairs" to take charge of it, along with other records, books and papers of the Continental congress. The same year the department of foreign affairs became the department of state, which has, to all intents and purposes, remained the depository of the Declaration ever since. The great document was from 1841 to 1877, however, deposited in the patent office, for many years a bureau of the department of state, and was allowed to remain there after the patent office was placed under the interior department, the old department of state not being fireproof, while the patent office building was believed to be so. After the present fireproof state, war and navy building was finished the Declaration was returned to its legal depository. Until 1894 the Declaration was framed and displayed in a steel cabinet in the library of the department of state, where all visitors might see it, but in that year it was hermetically sealed in a frame and placed in a drawer of another steel cabinet constructed to protect also the original signed copy of the constitution. Here the Declaration still remains, locked and sealed by order of the late Secretary Hay, and it is no longer shown to any one, except by special direction of the state department.—New York Times.

Aftermath. Part of him fell in the east by the sea. Part of him fell in the sea by the west. Certain remains fell in Charleston, S. C. Kennebec, Maine, got his trousers and vest. In New Jersey there landed a leg. Over New Mexico's rattlesnake plains, Maybe his ribs may descend one and all. Many months hence with the autumn's rains. And if some shred of him, happy, you find, Don't slip it back to his aunts and his niece. Dig a small grave for it, friend, and be kind; Mark it, "One section of Jones; Rest in Peace." —Wallace Irwin in New York Globe.

IN PORTLAND JULY 13TH

GUESTS OF DR. HENRY WALDO Vice President Fairbanks and Secretary Garfield Will Be in the Rose City July 13.

(Special Correspondence.) Portland, Oregon, July 1st, 1907.—Hon. James R. Garfield, secretary of the Interior, and party will spend Saturday, July 13th, in Portland. They will be guests of Dr. Henry Waldo Coe for a drive over the city and luncheon at his residence and for a banquet at the Commercial Club in the evening. All Oregon is indebted to A. L. Craig, passenger traffic manager of the Great Northern Railway for publicity given this state in many of the leading papers of the country, including those of New York, St. Louis and other great cities. Mr. Craig feels that that \$5000 prize offer of the Portland Commercial Club should result in an enormous advertisement for the state. Vice President Fairbanks will be the guest of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce July 13th, with banquet at Seaside. Portland Business Men have in contemplation an excursion covering about twenty-five points in Northwestern Oregon and Western Washington July 24-28. Many complimentary reports are

A Few Proverbs for the Fourth.

Dead boys tell no tales. A new bomb sweeps clean. Canon crackers alter faces. All's not cold that smolders. Insurance is the best policy. Celebration is the thief of time. One good burn deserves another. Patriotism covers a multitude of sins. A little burning is a dangerous thing. Never look a gift cannon in the mouth. A living boy is better than a dead patriot. Uncasy lies the head that wears bandages. A shot in the gun is worth two in the hand. It's an ill bomb that blows up nobody good. Accidents will happen in the best regulated fireworks. A good aim is rather to be chosen than great stitches. Never put off till tomorrow what you can fire to-night. It's a wise father who knows his own child—the day after. He who shoots and runs away may live to shoot another day. The Weather. The first four days of the week were warm and sunny. The maximum temperatures in the western counties generally occurred

THE DAY WE CELEBRATE

EVERYTHING READY. The Park Looks Like "a Tented City" The Balloon Goes Up Today and Everybody Will Celebrate. Everybody will celebrate today (Thursday). The park looks like a "tented city," with its many booths, tents and stands. The merry-go-round is there, the big dance pavilion will draw immense crowds and the big balloon goes up this afternoon, and if everybody does not have a good time it will be no fault of the Fourth of July and Park committees for they have worked hard to make this celebration a glorious success. The park, a week ago, looked far from inviting, but it has been transformed, thanks to a few willing hands. The old soldiers have had four days of it and they have enjoyed every minute. Last Sunday three services were held, and there was a large attendance at each. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the veterans, the W. R. C. and their friends, enjoyed camp life, talked over old times, and at 11 o'clock last night turned the park grounds over to the Fourth of July committee. Fun will be had and fireworks all day today. We hope everybody will have a good time, with no accidents to mar the enjoyment.

ETIQUETTE OF THE FLAG.

By C. L. Hammond, Secretary Illinois United States Flag Association. When President William McKinley was assassinated six years ago, thousands of loyal Americans raised flags at half mast over their places of business and let them fly by night and by day until they wore out. They undoubtedly thought they were showing respect to McKinley's memory, but they were not showing proper respect to the flag. The United States government displayed at that time its flags at half mast from sunrise to sunset from the president's death until his burial. The government regulations provide that on the death of a president in office its flag shall be displayed at half mast only one day. In memory of the 250,000 Union soldiers who lost their lives during the civil war, on May 30, Memorial day, each year the United States displays its flag at half mast at all army posts, stations and national cemeteries from sunrise till midday. Immediately before noon a dirge is played by the band, or field music, and the national salute of twenty-one guns is fired. At the conclusion of this memorial tribute the flag is hoisted to the top of the staff and remains there until sunset. The idea is that the national ensign is too sacred an object to be long in mourning for any man or number of men, no matter how exalted their rank. The flag reversed, with the union down, indicates distress. The flag on anything but a fort, actually besieged, should never be displayed between sunset and sunrise. When the flag is to be displayed at half mast, it is lowered to that position from the top of the staff. It is hoisted to the top before it is finally lowered.—Washington Post.

OREGON LINE PUSHING AHEAD

MOVING TOWARDS HILLSBORO. This is the Line Given a Franchise Through This City—Hundreds of Men and Teams at Work.

Work has been begun clearing the buildings of block 13, between Jefferson and Columbia and Water and Front streets for the erection of terminals for the Oregon Electric Railway Company. Passenger and freight depots will be erected on this block and all the traffic from the new Salem line will be collected and delivered at that point. Work on these buildings will be commenced as soon as the ground is cleared of the present structures. Track for this road has been completed from the junction of Hood and Moody streets to the Slavin road, in South Portland, and the United Railways Company is rapidly closing up the gap to connect the new Front-street line with the Salem roads rails. There is great activity all along the line of the Oregon Electric Railway. Four concrete sub-stations along the line for the even distribution of electricity and for feeding it onto the trolley wire have been commenced. These stations will be located at Garden Home, Wilsonville, opposite Champoeg, and north of Salem. The buildings will cost \$6000 each. Work will be begun this week on the erection of steel on the piers for the new high bridge across the Willamette river at Wilsonville. The steel is on the ground and the piers are completed ready to receive their burden. The falsework for the bridge erection is now largely in place and the bridge will go up in a hurry. On the Salem end of the road 12 miles of grade has been constructed and the work for the remainder of the distance between Salem and Wilsonville is a night character that crews can construct a mile a day. The heaviest work now going forward is that south of the city, where nearly 500 workmen and 150 teams are busy. All rails needed for the construction of the line are on hand and will be laid as fast as the grade is ready for it. "I see no reason why the Salem road should not be in complete operation by the end of October," said Chief Engineer Donald yesterday. "The work is progressing favorably all along the line. We are not having trouble in getting workmen and our crews are full. The weather is favorable and materials are in good supply. Our equipment is being built in the East and will commence to arrive by the last of August."

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A Naive Prayer.

Just before the indecisive battle of Monmouth in the Revolutionary war a brigade chaplain in Washington's army is said to have offered up this unique prayer: "O Lord of Hosts, lead forth thy servants of the American army to victory and give them the victory; or, if this be not according to thy sovereign will, then we pray thee stand neutral and let flesh and blood decide the issue."—Harper's Weekly.

The Largest American Flag.

To hang in the great court of the postoffice department in Washington a flag will soon be made which it is believed will be the largest in the world. It will be sixty feet long by about thirty-five feet wide. The thirteen red and white stripes will be nearly three feet wide each. The cost will be \$200.

A Word of Warning.

Oh, see the lovely roman candle— Just a stick without a handle; In lighting it we recommend You don't look in the business end.

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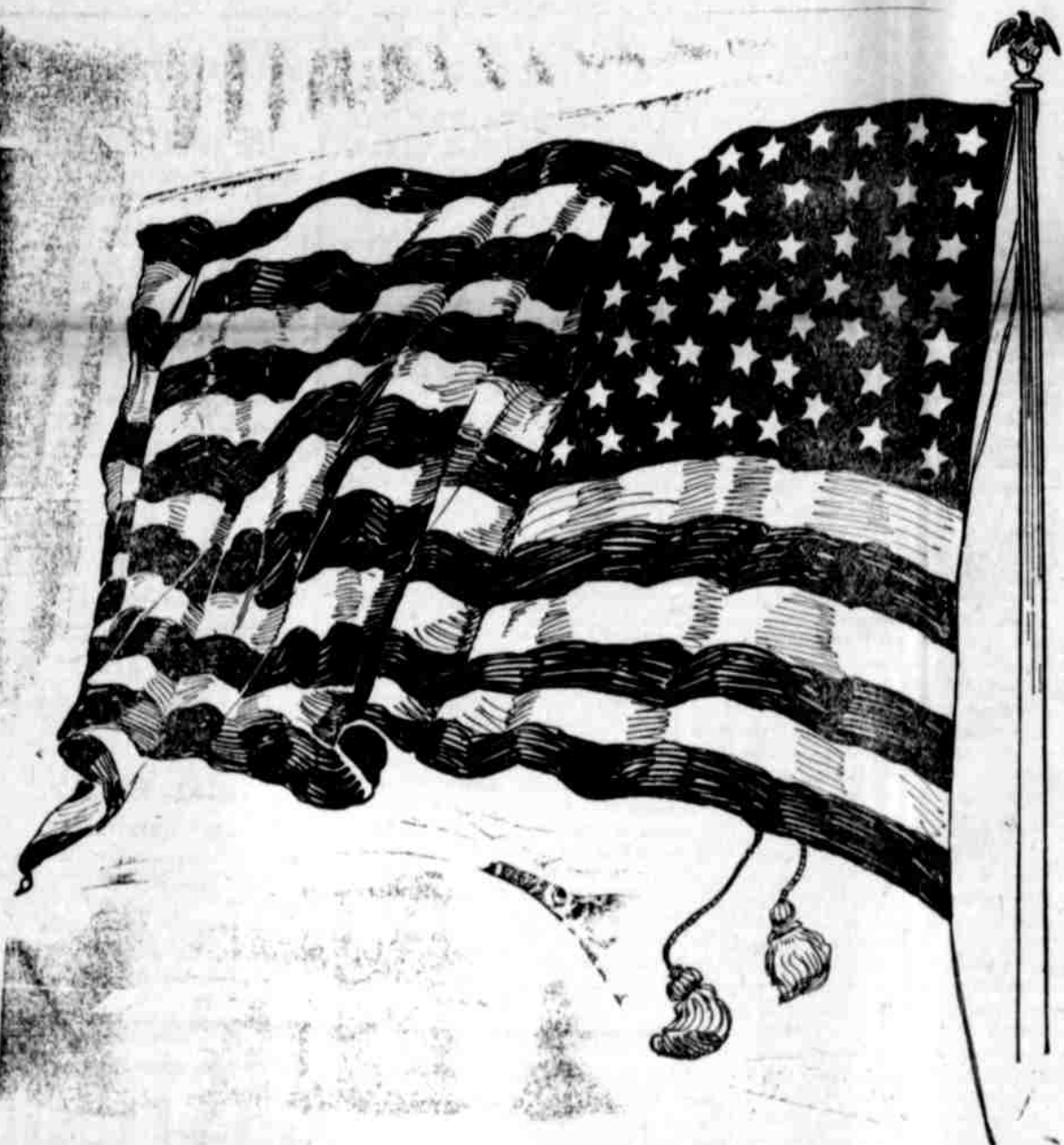
At the Hillsboro Pharmacy carries in stock "Royal Cherry Buds," "Pasadena Rose" and "Palo Alto Pink" Call and get a bottle if you want something fine and lasting

A Wonderful Happening.

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The sight of a boy on the pipe with an habitual cigarette or pipe between his teeth is bad enough (and there are some in Newberg) but just a little worse is the girl whose tramp, tramp, up and down the street is accompanied by the continued champ, champ of her jaws on a wad of chewing gum. We decline to say whether there are any of these in Newberg.—Newberg Graphic.

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Ask any child what the above stands for today, July 4.

being received from the newspapers of Nebraska, containing good words about Oregon as a result of the Omaha business men's excursion to this state. It is the consensus of opinion among the best advised grain men that the wheat crop of the present year will leave in the hands of the farmers of the Pacific Northwest from \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000, assuring good times. Large delegations will go from Oregon to attend the Christian Endeavor Convention at Seattle, the National Educational Association Convention at Los Angeles, and the Baptist Young People's Convention at Spokane, and all should bear in mind that every ticket is good to any point in Oregon. Judging from advance preparations being made by the different delegations, they will do a great work in advertising the resources of this state. Good reports are being received from all the fruit sections of Oregon. The crop is satisfactory, the prices are good at the present time and the prospects for the fall fruit crop are the brightest in the history of the state. Found:—Purse containing a sum of money. Owner can have the same by calling at this office, proving property, and paying for this notice.

Wednesday afternoon, when 90° or more were common throughout the Willamette valley and in Douglas, Josephine, and Jackson counties. The following day was the warmest in the eastern counties, when maximum temperatures of 90° were general in that section. This warm spell excited considerable alarm, as it was feared that it would continue and culminate in damaging hot winds, but fortunately it turned cooler Friday, and cloudy weather, with temperatures slightly below normal, prevailed until the close of the week. During the last three days good rains fell in the Willamette valley and in the coast counties, and thundershowers, heavy in places, occurred in the counties east of the Cascade Mountains. Fire Crackers! Fire Crackers, Torpedoes, Cap-Pistols and Caps, Cans and Ammunition, Flags, Fans, Red, White and Blue Ribbon, Paper Parachutes and Kites, Roman Candles, Sky Rockets, Pin Wheels, at Mrs. Bath's. Fine assortment of fire works. A Memorable Day. One of the days we remember with pleasure, as well as with profit to our health, is one on which we became acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, the painless purifiers that cure headache and biliousness, and keep the bowels right. 25c at all drug stores.

The parade is due to leave Main street at 10 a. m. sharp. There is practically no such thing as gratitude on the part of the public for any moral service rendered by a newspaper. The same is true of a favor done an individual by a newspaper. To the average citizen as a railroad corporation and the attitude of the public is often to use it but to beat it if you can. Every editor has had good citizens urge him to attack this or that evil, and probably within a week after the battle had been fought and won, the same man for some purely personal or business reason would stop his paper and his advertisement.—Rural Spirit. The Charming Woman is not necessarily one of perfect form and features. Many a plain woman who could never serve as an artist's model, possess those rare qualities that all the world admires: neatness, clear eyes, clean smooth skin and that sprightliness of step and action that accompany good health. A physically weak woman is never attractive, not even to herself. Electric Bitters restore weak women, give strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, beautiful complexion. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c.

THE FOURTH AT SANTIAGO.

Told by "Fighting Bob" Evans, Rear Admiral U. S. N. "The Fourth of July, 1898, was really the most spectacular one I ever witnessed," says Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans in the New York Press. "We were lying outside Santiago harbor after the sinking of the Spanish fleet on the 3d of July. "I had been working hard on the 3d and was up all night and had retired about 10 o'clock on the Fourth to get a much needed rest. "About 11 o'clock my orderly came to my bed and, whispering, 'The lantern in my face, said: "Another boat is coming out, sir." "That can't be," I answered. "Yes, sir. I saw her, sir," he reiterated. "By the time I reached the deck the Texas and Massachusetts, on watch, had their searchlights upon her, and we read plainly Reina Mercedes. And then began the first battle in the history of the world by searchlight. "The Texas opened up her twelve inch guns, and the first shot struck the Reina Mercedes broadside. Then followed a fusillade from the Massachusetts, while the whole fleet moved up for position in the fray. "Then the shore batteries and forts opened fire, and shells fell thick and fast about us. For Fourth of July celebration and noise, for excitement, enthusiasm and patriotism, that Fourth of July, 1898, stands out as the most spectacular one in my experience."

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