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"MURDER"

A working man goes to investigate an unexploded dynamite charge without waiting (on his employer's time) until he is absolutely certain that there is no possibility that the darned thing will go off. He is blown forty feet in the air and seriously injured. It is his own fault, and the law that would allow him compensation ought by all means to be changed. If he is totally disabled, let him be a pauper taken care of by the county at the taxpayers expense; not compensated for his injuries out of a state fund drawn from the industry in which his hurts were received.

But—note the difference. Some hundreds of Americans deliberately board a vessel sailing for Europe and which must pass through the "war zone." They have known the danger for a month before they sail. They are specially warned by the German embassy with great ads in the New York papers that the vessel will be sunk. They know the freight consists of cartridges and other contraband of war and that according to all the so-called "rules of war" the Germans have a right to sink her. Yet they take a chance, and they lose out. The Germans sink the vessel, exactly as they said they would, and the Americans are drowned. Then, overlooking the fact that the world was thus rid of Elbert Hubbard, some of us want to go to WAR at once, without delay or parley.

Of course Americans had no business on the vessel; of course Britishers figured that their presence on the boat would accomplish one of two things: either the Germans would let her go through with her contraband of war because they would be afraid to sink a vessel with so many Americans aboard, or else they would sink her (as they have done), and this country would be drawn into the war to help France and Russia pull England's chestnuts out of the fire. Thank the Lord, President Wilson isn't built that way. As an old, rock ribbed Republican remarked in Coquille the other day, "he is all right, if he is a Democrat."

What is the use to talk twaddle about murder in connection with war. It is all murder, from start to finish. We have made some arbitrary rules, and call one kind of killing "murder" and another kind something else. If we sink a ship and drown women and children, that is murder. If we bombard a city and kill them with shot and shell and falling walls and fire; if we lay siege and starve them to death with all the accompanying horror of famine and disease—those things are legitimate and can't be helped. None of our Christian warriors would call them "Murder."

General Sherman told us, some years ago, exactly what war is. It is HELL. The sooner the world accepts the fact and ceases to glorify war; to talk about "bravery" in connection with sending some one else to be killed; to talk about national "honor" from the Spanish grandee standpoint as something that can only be sustained by the spilling of blood (preferably that of some one else); to glorify the flag only as the emblem of our power to do more effective killing stunts than any other nation—the better for civilization and the human race.

The Germans are demonstrating what war really is. They are not talking; they are fighting. They are not polite; they are brutal. They are guilty of murder, pillage and rapine. They bombard churches and destroy art galleries. They are barbarians? Sure they are. That is why they are so successful in this war. Were they devils they would undoubtedly win. It may be that by the time this war is over the world will be ready to discard war as a method of settling international disputes. In the mean time, let's keep out of it. If Americans do not want to get killed, let them stay at home.

The Social Whirl

Sofie Hammer Concert

As foretold in last week's Herald, the Library association scored a triumph in the Sophie Hammer concert.

The little Norwegian woman took her audience into camp as soon as she walked upon the stage, and she had every one with her throughout the evening. She has an exceptionally good voice and she has it under perfect control, the effect of long training under great masters being seen in her ability to handle every note with perfect sureness and delicacy. Here dramatic ability is also unusual in a singer but very pleasing to her hearers. As for her personality, of which so much has been said, it is charming, and her modest and unaffected, yet thoroughly confident manner puts her on the friendly footing with her hearers at once.

Henrik Gjerdrum at the piano took his full share of the honors of the evening. He showed us what "accompaniment" really means, making it seem like a supplementary and essential part of the vocal performance.

The appreciation of the audience for the work of both these artists was shown by the hearty applause and repeated recalls for both.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the Association, besides scoring an artistic triumph, made a financial success, about \$20 being cleared.

Among the people that came over from the Bay Sunday to witness the dedication of the new Catholic church were the following: Esther Nelson, Ruth Knox, Myrtle Nelson, Muriel Kramer, Lillian, Jennie and Nina Diagle, Anna Truman, L. Bremner, O. Burroughs, Jack Stack, M. Thorwald, Anna Holland, Levi Diagle and wife, Edgar Cason, I. Chapman and Gertie Scaife.

NOTES ON THE PHOTOPLAYS

Of Interest to Those Who Patronize the Movies

John Bunny is dead. The big moving picture comedian, whose broad face was probably better known throughout the world than that of any other man in it, passed away at his home in Brooklyn on April 26th, after several weeks' illness from a complication of diseases. His age is given as about 52 years, and he leaves a wife and two sons. John Bunny's philosophy was that it was better to make the world laugh than cry, and millions of people of every age, race and disposition have been made to temporarily forget their troubles while they laughed at his work on the screen. His humor was genuine, and while it was never coarse, it could be appreciated by every one. He helped to brighten the world. Peace to his ashes.

The Boy Scout Picture shown at the Grand last week was all that the advance advertising promised. It was a fine picture and most interesting and well worked out. A crowded house greeted the production and there was standing room only at the end of the first show. A large proportion of the crowd was of the younger generation, and their intense interest and appreciation was shown by their enthusiastic applause at every good point of the picture.

The White slavery picture shown last night also drew a good house. The picture is evidently designed to accomplish a good work by showing the sordid and seamy side of the white slave traffic, as well as some of the methods by which girls are dragged into the rapids which carry them to destruction. It shows the mercenary, brutal and unspeakably repulsive inside of the traffic, not the bright lights of the exterior, and the effect of such a picture should be good in many ways.

City Council

At the council meeting last night a contract was awarded to the Pacific Tank and Pipe Co for pipe and fittings for the water system. Redwood pipe of various sizes was ordered for piping.

A number of bills was paid and money was drawn to pay the judges and clerks of election.

Last Tuesday afternoon Mrs. G. Leach entertained in honor of Mrs. Ed. Moeller, of Marshfield. Refreshments were served and the afternoon was passed with needlework, conversation etc. Those present were Miss Ruth Woodford, Mrs. F. S. Slagle, Mrs. Geo. Wickham, Mrs. Cal Slagle, Mrs. Jack Lamb, Mrs. Fay Jones, Mrs. Will Lyons, Mrs. Hartson, Mrs. Lorenz, Mrs. Jennie Williams, Mrs. Geo. Leach, Mrs. Ed. Moeller, of Marshfield, Mrs. T. Leach, Mrs. N. Osmundson.

Friday afternoon Mrs. Walter Sinclair entertained the following ladies: Mesdames K. V. Nicklin, S. Wickham, L. H. Hazard, J. W. Leneve, Jennie Williams, M. J. Hartson, H. W. Dunham, H. Cochran, W. Colby, V. R. Wilson, C. Eudicott, N. Osmundson, Lilith Miller, W. Candlin, J. S. Barton Geo. Lorenz, and L. Stratton. The afternoon was given over to sewing and various kinds of fancy work. At five o'clock dainty refreshments were served and enjoyed by all present. The decorations consisted of many beautiful flowers.

Friday afternoon Mrs. V. L. Hamilton gave a party for the small son of the house, Earl, it being his 6th birthday. The following children attended: Mary Esther Johnson, Marvin Hawkins, Glenda Johnson, Florence McDonald, Helen Lyons, Fay Brenner, Alice Collier, Irving Lamb, Billy Fox, and Don and Kenneth Donaldson. They were royally entertained from 3:30 to 6 p. m., and at 5 o'clock a luncheon was served, consisting of ice cream and cake, and it was indulged in heartily by all present. Dainty place cards adorned each plate, and the rooms were decorated in white and pink roses. Earl received many nice presents. All present enjoyed themselves very much.

New Catholic Church Is Dedicated Sunday

The dedication of the new Catholic church just completed in this city took place Sunday with impressive ceremonies, conducted by Rev. H. J. McDevitt assisted by Rev. Michael Wallace, these being the priests resident at Marshfield. At 9:30 a. m. occurred the blessing of the church, high mass and sermon, the subject being "What is the Catholic Church?" At 3 in the afternoon came the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and sermon, the subject being "The Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Eucharist." The choir of St. Monica's Church in Marshfield, with 17 voices, provided the music, which is said to have been fine, and Edgar Cason, of Marshfield, who has acquired a high reputation as a vocalist, sang a solo.

The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and American flags. On the altar were white roses and on either side great bunches of calla lilies, while the railing of the sanctuary was covered with carnations and other flowers. The building was filled to its capacity at both services. A special train brought 63 people from the Bay side, and many came from up and down the river.

In speaking of the building, Father McDevitt took occasion to speak in the highest terms and by name of P. M. Hall-Lewis, the architect, Shelley and Eusele, the contractors, and Fred Schildt, the painter, saying that they had all displayed the greatest disposition to not only do good work but to make everything satisfactory to the building committee, accepting suggestions and making desired changes with unflinching patience and the best of feeling, no shadow of misunderstanding or dissatisfaction on either side having arisen during the progress of the work.

It is expected that services will be held in the church twice a month, but definite arrangements have not yet been made, owing to the illness of the priest who was located at North Bend.

Marriage Licenses

Ira P. Chase and Genie McAdams.

Born

LEACH—In this city, May 12, 1915, to the wife of Tracy Leach, a son

Hogwallow News



DUNK BOTTS, Regular Correspondent (George Bingham)

Washington Hocks, who has been sitting on next to the front seat at the Dog Hill Church, has been asked by those behind him to pull off his hat and not snore so loud, as it bothers the preacher.

Dock Hocks took advantage of the all-day footwashing at the Cal Ribs church last Sunday.

One of the few discomforts of Spring in Hogwallow is the fact that Isaac Hellwanger then begins to sleep with his feet out the window.

The Rye Straw Storekeeper has gone to the Hog Ford still house after change for a half dollar. He will return in a few days.

Jefferson Potlocks is patching the roof on his house. The one he has had on there leaks, and he was compelled to patch it as he did not have any extra pans and buckets to set around over the rooms.

Ellick Hellwanger took the mumps from a man near Rye Straw last week and was landed in jail. On the following day Sim Flinders was arrested for shouting on the highway, and was sentenced to five days in jail and a case of mumps.

The Mail Carrier, who keeps ever

abreast of the times, has raised the back window in his buggy.

The Rye Straw store keeper got up yesterday morning with a crick in his neck and has been meeting his customers sidewise.

While waiting for the mail day before yesterday the Postmaster gave several valuable suggestions for changes in the way the U. S. mail is handled. However, he abides by the present rules and puts up the mail within a few hours after it arrives, even if he is busy planting his garden at the time.

Slim Pickens was over to see Miss Fruzio Allsop Tuesday, but as she was busy, he was put to turning the grindstone.

A drove of snails passed the Mail Carrier on the Gaudier Creek road yesterday.

Ellick Hellwanger who, it was thought, would have to interne at the Tickville jail, took advantage of the darkness soon after he was arrested, and escaped down Gaudier creek.

Flim Dillard is getting his cart in readiness to take Miss Flutie Belder to a dance at Tickville Saturday night, and Yam Sims is wearing his hat down over his eyebrows.

High School Plays

The High School students will undertake something new next Friday evening when they appear in a German play. Those taking part in the performance will be Edna Harlocker, Mary Levar, Roy Avery and Horace Rahskopf. The medium through which these students will demonstrate their histrionic abilities is the German comedy, "Nein." It might be explained "nein" means "no." The play tells the story of a man who is so easily influenced by his wife that he never says "no" to any request she may make of him. Learning that his wife considers this a weakness, he determines to be firm and refuse her next request. So, in spite of her pleadings and tears and in spite of his own inclination to relent, he remains firm to the end. A full synopsis of the play will be in the hands of the audience so that there will be no difficulty in understanding the action.

The German performance will last about thirty minutes and will be followed by an English comedy, "The Ugliest of Seven." Those taking part in this play are as follows: Ernest Hellwald, hier to the late Countess of Falkenbrun—Raymond Burns.

Jeremiah Ambrose, steward of the late Countess—Julian Leslie. Seven daughters of Ambrose: Ernestine—Janey Lowe. Rosa—Mary Fusonne. Elise—Myrtle Cunningham. Gabrielle—Zelma Strang. Amelia—Vera Kelley. Dora—Jessie Moody. Adelaide—Edna Robison. Formerly Friends of the Countess: Madame Moorpiltz—Olive Howey. Madame Kunkel—Geneva Robinson. Madame Mousetooth—Hazel Radabaugh.

Mike, the Gardner—James Hersey. Peasants.

Both plays are bright and full of humorous situations. The audience is assured a treat. The music will be furnished by an orchestra under the direction of Stewart Norton. An admission of 25 cents will be charged. School children, 15 cents.

Commencement Week

The exercises connected with commencement week of the Coquille High School start off next Friday evening with an entertainment to be given by the German students and the Public Speaking class. On Sunday evening the Baccalaureate service will be held at the Methodist

Church South. The various churches of the town will unite for this service. Rev. C. H. Bryan will deliver the sermon and the music will be in charge of Mr. F. G. Leslie. The annual Gold Medal Contest in Declamation will be held in the Masonic Opera House on Thursday evening, May 27. The final commencement exercises with an address by Hon. Charles I. Reigard on Friday evening, May 28, will conclude the week's festivities. On account of the fact that a large number of the high school alumni are away at college, the annual reception of that organization will not be held until sometime in June.

The Waters-Davis Case

Considerable interest has been felt in the suit by which Mrs. Wm Waters of Coos Bay, has been trying to secure a share in the estate of the late J. M. Davis, on the ground that she was his daughter by an Indian woman. Davis was one of the first settlers on Coos river, and nearly all the old settlers of the county who still survive have been brought into court as witnesses in the case, making the court house look much like the scene of a pioneers' reunion for several days last week. While it seemed to be pretty generally conceded that Davis, like other husky pioneers, probably dabbled with Siwash Delilahs, and that the Waters woman might be his daughter, yet no evidence of a marriage between him and the woman's mother was brought out. The case went to the jury at about 10 o'clock this morning, and after about an hour's deliberation a verdict for the defendant was reached.

East Fork Items

Ira Goodlin of Smith River, Del Norte county, California, has been visiting his old neighbor of Smith River, John McVey.

Ed Abernethy and his crew finished putting his logs in the pond last week.

The rain of last week gave the ground such a soaking that grass crops are insured.

Rains have delayed road work as the soil is too sticky to scrape.

Married

CHASE-McADAMS—In Coquille, Saturday, May 15, 1915, Ira P. Chase and Genie McAdams, Rev. C. H. Bryan officiating. The marriage took place in the afternoon in the presence of the brother and sister of the bride, Henry Halverson and Mrs. Nettie Roundtree. The groom is in the employ of the Smith-Powers Co. and the young couple will make their residence at Powers.

Spring Time Brings That Tired Feeling

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Announcement

HAVING bought the plant of the Coquille Mill and Mercantile Company, the undersigned is now prepared to fill all orders for any kind of

LUMBER

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E. E. JOHNSON

Portland Semi-Weekly Journal and Coquille Herald, both for \$2.00 a year in advance.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Coos County.

W. J. COSRAD, Plaintiff vs. A. J. HACKETT, R. E. FALCONER, R. C. FALCONER and UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants.

To A. J. Hackett, R. E. Falconer, R. C. Falconer and Unknown Owners the above named defendants. In the Name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby notified that W. J. Conrad the holder of Certificate of Delinquency numbered 35 issued on the 6th day of January, 1909, by the Tax Collector of the County of Coos, State of Oregon, for the amount of Five & 21/100 Dollars, the same being the amount then due and delinquent for taxes for the year 1907 together with penalty, interest and costs thereon upon the real property assessed to you, of which you are the owner as appears of record, situated in said County and State, and particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Lots 4-5-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-35-37-38-39 & 40 all in Block 38 in Portland Addition to Bandon, Coos County, Oregon.

You are further notified that said W. J. Conrad has paid taxes on said premises for prior or subsequent years with the rate of interest on said amounts as follows:

Table with columns: Year's Date Tax Paid, Rec't No., Rate of Int. Am't. 1908 Mar. 26, 1909 48939 \$3 36 15, 1910 43741 \$7 23 15, 1911 32699 \$9 78 15, 1912 64055 \$13 65 15, 1913 68144 \$17 01 15, 1914 317 \$19 32 15

Said A. J. HACKETT, R. E. FALCONER, and R. C. FALCONER as the owners of the legal title of the above described property as the same appears of record, and each of the other persons above named are hereby further notified that W. J. Conrad will apply to the Circuit Court of the County and State aforesaid for a decree foreclosing the lien against the property above described, and mentioned in said certificate. And you are hereby summoned to

appear within sixty days after the first publication of this summons exclusive of the day of said first publication, and defend this action or pay the amount due as above shown together with costs and accrued interest and in case of your failure to do so, a decree will be rendered foreclosing the lien of said taxes and costs against the land and premises above named.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable John S. Coke, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos and said order was made and dated this 28th day of April, 1915, and the date of the first publication of this summons is the 11th day of May, 1915.

All process and papers in this proceeding may be served upon the undersigned residing within the State of Oregon, at the address hereafter mentioned.

JOHN C. KENDALL, Attorney for the Plaintiff, Address Marshfield, Oregon. 5-11-7

Notice

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the Port of Bandon at the meeting of the Commissioners on the first Saturday in June, 1915, at Bandon, Oregon for the work of driving piling for the protection of the banks of the Coquille River in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 5 and the plans and specifications of the Port Engineer, and the applications and agreements of property owners along the river as said ordinances, plans, specifications and agreements appear on file in the office of the Secretary of said Port.

And that the contract for driving said piling shall be let to the lowest bidder, providing satisfactory bids are submitted, reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

J. E. NORTON, Secretary of the Port of Bandon. 5-11-21

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Coos County

Notice of Assignment of E. W. Kammerer, Assignee.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Coos, his final report as such Assignee, and all persons interested in said estate are notified that the said final account will come up for hearing in the above entitled court on, to-wit, the 26th day of May, 1915.

JOHN C. KENDALL, Assignee of E. W. Kammerer. Date of first publication April 27th, 1915. Date of 1st publication May 25th, 1915.