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An article appeared in the Graphic last week under the head of "The Greeks and the Oregonians" that should have been credited to the Hood River Glacier.

Some of the democratic sheets and also some of the so-called independent papers are amusing themselves by snapping at the heels of Congressman Hawley. It furnishes them with a little bit of thunder at a season when the sky is clear, and since they are not able to raise a breeze nobody is worrying.

The warm spell of last week increased the number of bathers, and consequently the streams of Oregon made many additions to the season's toll of human beings who went down to watery graves. The deep pools in our streams make cold currents, which produce cramps, rendering the bather helpless without aid. This is probably the reason that so many drownings occur in this country.

Wherever R. A. Booth, nominee for United States Senator, has gone campaigning he has made a very favorable impression, and the friends of Senator Chamberlain, who wants to be elected again, realize that "our George" is up against the hardest proposition he has tackled in an election for a long time. Oregon is a republican state and it is not going to be easy to convince republican voters that they ought to turn down a republican of Mr. Booth's standing and vote to retain a democrat. As a soft soap dispenser George E. is an adept, but he is going to fall down this time.

HOW SALOONS
HELP BUSINESS

In answer to an inquiry sent out by the Anti-Saloon League, with headquarters in Portland, came the following:

In reply to your letter of June 12, I will say I have kept the county poor farm for over twenty years, and I know that nine out of ten of the inmates came here through drink. Most of the children who have assistance from the county have the necessity for assistance caused by liquor.

Very truly,
Mrs. Robert Neece,
Supt. Grant County Poor Farm,
Canyon City, Oregon.

I have had 109 inmates in thirty-four months. Eighty per cent were drunkards. Six young men, sixteen to twenty-two, drink and cards brought them here. No saloon man has ever helped any of them.

Yours truly,
J. W. Page,
Supt. Jackson County Poor Farm, Talent, Oregon.

It has been proven beyond a doubt that 50 per cent of all inmates can attribute their presence to drinking of liquor. Liquor drinking people fail to provide for their families. Children from drinking families tend to become paupers themselves.

Yours truly,
C. E. Grieser,
Supt. Linn County Poor Farm,
Albany, Oregon.

In the face of such statements

as these the booze dispensers continue to cry out in their desperation that saloons help business, and plead for votes to help them to retain their grip on the taxpayers, some of whom fail to see the falsity of the claim. Business men, however, who take time to think the proposition over for themselves, have it figured out that they are paying the taxes that go to keep those who are made paupers from the effects of drink, while the men who own the saloons are reaping the financial benefits.

The life of the saloon depends on how long the tax-payers can be hoodwinked.

PAY FOR CARRYING THE MAILS

Although the railways of the United States are under no obligation to carry the mails, they realize that public sentiment compels them to do it. Under laws established by Congress, the Post Office Department weighs for a certain period the mails that each road carries, and takes the average of the weights as a basis for the payment to that railway for the next four years. The method is admittedly rough-and-ready, and has been continued more because it is convenient than because it gives fair treatment to the two parties to the contract. In some cases, indeed, other considerations have helped to determine the payment that the railways receive. For example, since 1875 the government has required the so-called "land-grant railways" in the Mississippi valley and farther west to carry the mails for eighty per cent of the regular rates, as a payment for the valuable land that the government granted to them when they built their lines.

The coming of the parcel post in January, 1913, and the increase, actual and prospective, in the weight of the parcels that it carries, have greatly added to the work of all who have contracts with the Post Office for transporting the mails,—whether star-route carriers, rural delivery carriers, trolley lines or railways,—and have made them demand that rates shall be readjusted. A great deal of matter that formerly went by express now goes as mail, and the compensation for carrying it, even with the additional payment that Congress permitted the Post Office to make, is proving to be an insufficient return for the work. So serious do the railways feel the question to be that they have organized a committee on railway mail pay to present their case to the government and the public.

Meanwhile in Washington, the Post Office Department, and also a joint committee of Congress, are at work upon the problem. They, too, realize its seriousness, for in the West scores of star-route carriers are refusing to renew their mail contracts. To the remote districts that these men serve, dealers have been sending heavy goods in such large quantities that sometimes the star-route carriers have been obliged to use auto-trucks and four-horse teams to deliver them. Moreover, a few weeks ago a Connecticut street railway company that carried mail to half a hundred post offices withdrew from its contract on the ground that under the new conditions the amount received was inadequate.

As yet, however, the officials in Washington have not been able to devise a theory of compensation that promises to work out fairly. One or two plans have already been tried and abandoned.—The Youth's Companion.

DUNDEE

Mrs. E. C. Alford, of Salem, is visiting at the home of Rev. J. G. Alford.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Dundee church held an all-day

quilting at Groth hall on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. A. E. Brown and son, Grant, who have been visiting for several months at the home of Mrs. Brown's daughter, Mrs. Kennedy, left on Sunday for their home in Kansas.

Mrs. Polingzer, of San Francisco, is visiting Mrs. Michael Miller.

Mrs. E. U. Marr and son, Nel, are visiting relatives in Okem, Oklahoma.

Mrs. R. W. Swink and Miss Gertrude Imus were Dundee attendants at the Chautauqua at Gladstone Park.

Carl Lehmann, formerly of Dundee, and Miss Vera McKay, of Wilbur, were recently married and have moved to Talent, Oregon, where Mr. Lehmann is station agent. Mrs. Lehmann will act as his assistant in the office.

Philip, the little son of A. B. Bower, has recovered from a recent severe sick spell.

J. O. Spencer, of Portland, spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. C. J. S. Greer.

At the special school election on Saturday, the proposal to build an addition to the school house was voted down.

An interesting meeting of the Neighborhood Club was held at the home of Mrs. F. S. Hillsinger on Thursday. An interesting program on the subject of birds was participated in by several members. Miss Bernice Keyes, Pauline Powell and Laurel Alford furnished music for the occasion. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Elwin S. Greer; vice-president, Mrs. Bland Herring; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Gordon. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. L. J. Eddens on August 6.

On Saturday evening a large number of Dundee young folk assembled at Parkhill Home, the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allan, to honor the birthdays of Ruby Ryan and Elmo Shannahan. The evening was spent in playing games on the beautiful grounds of Parkhill, after which substantial refreshments were served to the young people, who had worked up appreciative appetites in the games.

Mrs. Hoover went to Portland on Tuesday to visit her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Scott and son spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Scott's brother at Tualatin.

Mrs. A. A. Parrett and daughters, Mrs. Emerson, Mrs. C. W. Scott and Miss Arline Scott were Newberg visitors on Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Reed, Miss S. E. Beck and Miss Frances Rockey, all from the Red Hills, spent the fore part of the week in Portland.

Many persons from Dundee and the Red Hills engaged in the berry harvest in various parts of the country. Two young ladies and their brother from Dundee earned \$90 picking berries at Springbrook, and report having had a pleasant outing meanwhile.

On Wednesday last while Mr. and Mrs. J. Watson Baker were returning from prayer meeting at Newberg, their auto "shied" at some planks at the south end of the bridge and ran into the railing. One of the front wheels was torn from the auto, thereby preventing what might have been a drop of thirty feet over the embankment.

The Mocking Bird.

Of song birds the mocking bird is easily king. The skylark and nightingale deserve all of the praise that the poets have given them. They are sweet songsters indeed, but when it comes to a contest with the mocking bird their famed laurels wither away. In its variety, range, volume and sweetness the song of the mocking bird has no equal in the feathered kingdom. To hear the "falling song" of the mocking bird on a moonlight night in June is to hear that which never yet came from throat of skylark or nightingale.—New York American.

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SIRIUS, THE DOG STAR.

If It Were Where Our Sun Is It Would Burn the Earth to a Cinder.

Sirius, the dog star, described as a "celestial furnace," is many times larger than the sun and is forty times hotter, with its atmosphere of glowing hydrogen.

Sirius is one of the swiftest of bodies in the great void, for it travels at the rate of 1,000 miles a minute.

Luckily for us this hot and hasty speeder is swinging on an orbit so far from this world that its rays require eight and a half years to reach us, notwithstanding the fact that light travels at the rate of 186,000 miles a second. If you have the time and the mathematical talent figure that out, and the very bigness of the task will further impress you with the gratifying remoteness of swift Sirius.

Scriven Bolton, fellow of the Royal Astronomical society, whose demonstrations of the wonders of the heavens have been appearing in the Illustrated London News, while taking an aesthetic pleasure in the contemplation of the brightest of fixed stars, at the same time shudders at the contemplation of a nearer acquaintance with the luminary. If it were to approach the earth at the present distance of the sun it would spell goodbye to all created things and the burning of the earth to a cinder.

"The change that would overcome the land and sky would transcend everything hitherto dreamed of," declares the astronomer. "In the heavens would be poised a brilliant globe twenty-five times larger than the sun appears to us, emitting for millions of miles into space gigantic fire rays and coronal streamers. Bombarded by terrible heat, the earth would become red hot; its atmosphere dissipated; its vegetal covering erased; its ocean basins turned barren wastes, while iron would flow like water."

Here it is shown how a man of cold, scientific training and not given to imaginative flights like the purely literary man, may vividly and profoundly draw a great, overwhelming picture in a few simple words.

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