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THE WRITERS.

Anthony Hope, the novelist, is a superb diabolical player.

E. Prentiss Bailey, editor of the Utica Observer, has entered upon his fifty-fifth year in the service of that newspaper in very good health at eighty-three.

Premier Clemenceau of France has been elected a member of the Societe des Gens de Lettres in consideration of his philosophic, historical and dramatic writings.

One thousand dollars for a new story by a new writer is offered by the Outing Publishing company. The condition of competition is that the author shall never before have had published a novel of standard length.

Mrs. Burton Harrison, who has lived in strict retirement since her husband's death a couple of years ago, is again in Washington. Mrs. Harrison has signed her intention of taking comparatively little part in the social gayeties of the capital, but is merely anxious to be near her son, Francis B. Harrison.

DOINGS AT THE COURT HOUSE

Items of Interest to the Taxpayers of Josephine County From the Various County Officials

New Tax Law Causes Muddle.

Sheriff Russell is in somewhat of a quandary as to what to do with regard to the delinquent tax list. At one time he prepared the list for publication and had everything ready for the printer, but along came the announcement that the majority of the counties in the state were going to abide by the new law, even though Attorney-General Crawford had advised that the old law was to be followed in the matter. Now he is as much 'at sea' as ever. He believes that the property owners who are thus derelict in paying their taxes should have some kind of a notice and so, although the new law does not seem to intend anything of the kind, he gives a notice in today's Courier. Like other people, who have investigated, he thinks that the last legislature muddled things a bit and instead of economizing, they have probably blundered and the taxpayers will have to foot the bill.

Some Real Estate Moving.

Transfers of real estate keep up very well, for the midwinter season, many deeds being filed for record with the county clerk. The following documents have been placed on record during the past week:

W F Bowler et ux to John H Miller, 114 acres in sec 14, tp 38 s, r 5, \$750.

R W Clarke et ux to Nelson W Cole, lots 7, 8 and 9, block F, Judson's add to Grants Pass, \$180.

George Altpeter to Maggie Sauer 50, by 150 feet in lot 3, block M, J Bourne's first add to Grants Pass, \$400.

J P Edwards to W G Henry, one acre in sec 19, tp 36 s, r 5, \$350.

John G Schallhorn to Minnie Schallhorn, his wife, lots 4, 5 and 6, block 16, H Miller & Co's add to Grants Pass, \$1.

Same to same, part of lots 13, 14 and 15, block 50, O T S of Grants Pass and 15x25 feet off northeast corner of lots 15, block 50, Grants Pass, \$1.

Same to same, lot 6, block 53, O T S, Grants Pass, \$1.

H B Hendricks et ux to John L Margaret Scovill, 20x19 feet, south of acre tract in North Grants Pass, \$1.

Lucien F LeCroz, Jr. et ux to George L. Houghton, part sec 26, tp 36 s, r 6, \$500.

Henry Gross to Hattie Gross, his wife, 5/8 acres in sec 9, tp 33 s, r 5 and one-fourth interest in irrigation water right of Jack Robinson Gulch, a tributary to Coyote Creek, \$500.

Andrew Giegler et ux to Kate Burns et al., lots 1 and 2, block 16, O T S of Grants Pass, \$1.

J M Lawson et ux to Lynn D Allen, 25 acres in sec 24, tp 36 s, r 6 \$1170.

First National Bank of Southern Oregon to A Giegler, part sec 30, tp 36 s, r 5, \$1250.

Peter Christensen et ux to O Woodcock, 161.6 acres in sec 1, tp 40 s, r 9 \$900.

Edward S VanDyke et al to Robert Roberson, 80 acres in sec 24, tp 36 s, r 5, \$1200.

Lee F Parker et ux to J E Hair, part sec 23, tp 35 s, r 6, \$1.

Bernard C Pratt et ux to Swastika Mining Co, part sec 29, tp 34 s, r 8, \$1.

G H Carner to P B Herman et al, escrow agreement for 79 acres in James P Tuffs Donation Land Claim, No. 37 and lots 11 and 12 in tp 36 s, r 6 (\$1500 mortgage to be raised from said property) \$8500.

Will C Smith to Mary Eaget, part block 63, railroad add to Grants Pass, \$30.

Eliza J Parlow et mar to J M Lawson, 43 acres of lot 4, sec 24, tp 6 s, r 6 \$1.

Voters Beginning to Register.

The registration books are now open and voters are beginning to have their names enrolled therein, thus enabling them to participate in the approaching primaries. The following precincts have not yet had a single voter register at the clerk's office: Although, Kerby, Leland, Selma and Wolf Creek, Galice has one lone republican, as has also Lucky Queen and Slate Creek. Merlin has had one democrat while Waldo has one republican and one democrat. Williams has two republicans. In the city of Grants Pass the interest is more marked.

For instance: North Grants Pass has 40 republicans 9 democrats 1 socialist 3 prohibitionists and 2 non-partisan. South Grants Pass has 1 republican 4 democrats 5 socialists and 2 non-partisan. West Grants Pass has 14 republicans 4 democrats 5 socialists and 1 prohibitionist. This makes a total of 134 registrations for the first two weeks of the new year. Of course as the candidates begin to come up in the not very far distant

future the interest will become much more marked.

How to Get New School District.

Elsewhere in today's Courier is to be found a communication from a resident of Speaker relative to the establishing of a public school in that locality. The Courier reporter interviewed County Superintendent Savage regarding the said matter and found Mr. Savage conversant with the conditions as they exist out that way. He remarked that if the people in the vicinity of Speaker desired to have a school and could satisfy the school boundary board that they had at least 12 children of school age who were not transients but were there to reside permanently, then there would doubtless be no hitch in the matter. He remarked that he had been consulted by some of the Speaker folks, along this line and that he had advised them to proceed after this fashion. He took occasion to also say that some school districts were having to be consolidated with others, because they did not succeed in keeping enough children in the neighborhood, to allow the board to continue the said schools. This was done, he said, to various causes. In some instances a few parties had bought up large tracts of land, for grazing and like purposes, which kept the people from settling in that neighborhood. He assured the Courier that he and the district boundary committee were always ready to co-operate for the best interests of each and every locality in the county.

Miscellaneous Mentions.

A marriage license has been issued to Edward Strong, aged 33, native of Oregon, a miner and Delia Valen, aged 17, whose parents gave their written consent, native of Nebraska, both residents of Takilma.

Governor Geo. E. Chamberlain has appointed the following notaries public in Josephine county, recently: Attorney Marous W Robbins and Joseph Moss, of Grants Pass and G. W. Elder, the Waldo merchant.

Miss Fannie Jewell is engaged in copying off a list of the names of all registered voters, which are sent, each week, to Secretary of State, Frank W. Benson.

The Graham-Brewster Creamery Co., has placed a mortgage on its newly installed plant, for \$550, in favor of the First National Bank.

Judge Jewell and County Surveyor Perkins spent the fore part of the week out in the Williams Creek country, looking after some bridge and county road matters.

The following hunter's licenses have been taken out the past week: L A Here, Wm Eusted of Merlin; S Hammill and Eelus Pollock, of Grants Pass; J A Rush, of Josephine county.

Judge H K Hanna spent Sunday in Jacksonville, with his family, returning to continue court, Monday noon.

The estate of the late John G Schallhorn has been filed for probate and the same is given as worth about \$2000. The widow, Minnie Schallhorn has been named by the court as administratrix, the bond being fixed at \$4000. She was directed to publish the customary notice to the creditors of said estate, in the Courier.

Deputy Sheriff Walt Smith and David Duncan, Saturday escorted Messrs. Irvin Medley and Ed Wetzel to the state penitentiary, where they will do service for the next year, for having "rolled" a mining man for a goodly sum of money, on Christmas day.

There seems to be no clue as to who broke into the Merlin Mercantile Co., the other night and the general impression seems to be that it was done by professionals. Sheriff Russell will go to Merlin, as soon as circuit court adjourns, to see if anything more can be done in the matter.

County Treasurer J T Taylor is in receipt of a warrant from FW Benson, Secretary of State, for the sum of \$545.15, covering Josephine county's portion of the 10 per cent of amounts received by the state of Oregon, from the U. S. Government, from forest reserve rentals during the year 1907.

Yesterday Superintendent Savage began the holding of eighth grade examinations for four outside districts, as follows: Merlin, 20 applicants; Kerby, 7; Selma, 2 and Provolet 6. These examinations are being held at Superintendent Savage's office. He stated to the Courier that the law allowed him the choice of three dates, when such examinations have to be held and this seemed to be the best time for these districts.

Superintendent Savage has an inquiry, asking about a rumor to the effect that the directors of every dis-

trict were compelled to hold school during the month of January and he declared that there was no such provisions in school laws of Oregon.

Last week Superintendent Savage visited the various schools of the city and he found everything moving along nicely, the grade work being kept exceptionally well.

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SIRES AND SONS.

Judge Kenesaw Landis declines to have the prefix "Hon." attached to his name.

The Duke of Marlborough dislikes American newspapers because they once said of him that he was hollow chested and wore red neckties.

Judge John W. McKim, now retired from the bench of the Massachusetts probate court, over which he presided for many years, recently passed his eighty-fifth birthday.

Senator Stephenson, the new solon from Wisconsin, despite the fact that he is many times over a millionaire, is in habits and mode of thought a plain American of the type that is becoming less common every year.

Most of the cartoonists picture Speaker Cannon as swinging his gavel with his right hand, when it is notorious that the speaker is left handed and does not swing his gavel with his right hand once in a thousand times.

Senor de Seguroia, basso of the San Carlo Grand Opera company, is a Spanish noble who was decorated by the king of Portugal with the cross of the Order of St. James, of which there have been but three others conferred.

Alvarez's famous silver mine has yielded him \$18,000,000. Pedro Alvarez, the Mexican Croesus, has been so extravagant that he has run into debt and has been constrained to lease his property for fifteen years to an American syndicate.

President Roosevelt has appointed General William C. Oates to succeed Colonel Elliott as a commissioner to mark Confederate graves. General Oates was former governor of the state of Alabama, a colonel in the Confederate army, a brigadier general in the Spanish war and also a former member of the house of representatives.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston, chancellor of Oxford university and ex-viceroy of India, is about to re-enter public life. He has decided to contest the seat in the house of commons for West Hull, England, made vacant by the elevation of Charles Henry Wellesley Wilson to the peerage on the death of his father, Lord Nunburnholme.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

For ordinary use and if you have a good laundress and a place to sun your wash, it is found economical to buy unbleached linen and whiten it yourself.

Every kitchen outfit should have a measuring glass that is marked to measure teaspoonfuls, tablespoonfuls and gills, as well as halves, thirds and quarts.

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