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How can there be a permanent depression for a country whose agricultural product alone for one year is valued at the full amount of all the metal money of all the world—eight billion dollars.

The people of Josephine county have no reason to be ashamed of the fact that there were only 21 divorces granted in this county, during the past year, as against 91 marriages for the corresponding period of time.

That "prohibition wave" has reached the postoffice department, which will insert a clause in all future contracts for carrying mail prohibiting the carrying of intoxicants from one point to another on the routes.

The Philadelphia Ledger is emphatic in demanding that the words "In God we trust," be restored to their place on our coins. It says: "Consulting art is well; consulting fitness is better; consulting the deeply founded convictions of a nation is best."

During Leap Year not even newspaper men seem to be immune, for here comes the well founded report that Editor Bliton, of the Medford Mail will soon become a "Benedict." Here's wishing that their little lark may glide safely and smoothly over the sea of connubial bliss.

Already the aspirants for office in Douglas county, at the approaching primaries are making formal announcements. What's the matter with Josephine county? Thus far there have been no such announcements made public. Can it be that these offices will go begging?

Next week Grants Pass will witness three very important gatherings in its midst. These will be the Horticultural Institute, the Poultry Show and the Angora Breeders' Association, all coming during the last three days of the week. Anyone of them would be enough to rouse much interest and the trio of meetings should cause us one and all to feel that "there's something doing" in this neck of the woods, and that too, along lines which mean much for the future growth and development of this favored spot.

A new order from the postoffice department which went into force January 1, is to the effect that second class postage rates will be refused to these publications, which continue to send their publications to subscribers longer than the time to which they have paid, except that time may be given such subscribers and opportunity to renew their subscriptions within the year, otherwise they will have to be discontinued. Postmasters are giving due notice to papers being mailed at their offices, and all delinquent subscribers more than a year in arrears April will have to be stricken from the list.

The idea of beautifying our homes by means of ornamental trees and shrubbery, is a most excellent one.

We sincerely trust that the plan will be promptly and uniformly acted upon by every property owner in Grants Pass. By so doing, they will not only add very materially to the attractiveness of the city as a whole, but they will certainly enhance the value of their own possessions not a little. But, here we may find an exemplification of the trite, old saying that "what's everybody's business is nobody's." Let us act and not merely talk about this good scheme.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

By Old Man Smith

PANAMA A PROPHECY.

Looking at a map of the world one can hardly help noticing the line that binds the continents together so that one can travel through the continents of Europe, Asia and Africa entirely by land except for the Suez canal. The same is true of North and South America which in time is to be cut by the Panama canal. These lines are both conjunctive and disjunctive. Before man learned to navigate the seas he obeyed the injunction to fill the earth and subdue it by wandering on foot. The various nations and languages have been formed by dispersion. But in the making of England and the United States of America the opposite process of amalgamation has been working for a return to original unity. It is too far between New York and San Francisco by water so we must cut the distance by cutting the continent. It is too far from the Pacific coast to London and the Panama canal will make us nearer neighbors to the six millions of people that bustle to and fro in that great metropolis. Mountains, Rivers and oceans that were formerly boundary lines are no longer barriers to free intercourse and the world is coming to nearer relationship. Judging the future by the past the Panama canal is the harbinger of the day when all barriers shall be overcome that stand in the way of the brotherhood of nations—the federation of the world. The star of empire travels westward and the United States is rising in moral grandeur as it is rising in its worldwide influence in the affairs of nations. It is an idle boast for "The Eastern nations sink, their glory ends. An Empire rises where the Sun descends."

GEMS OF LITERATURE.

On what a flimsy base of fortune The monument of human glory stands. What a shadow of a shade is human loyalty.
'Tis not in mortals to command success. But we'll do more, Sempronius, We'll deserve it.
Eschylus, who was bald was sitting on the seashore when an eagle let fall a tortoise on his head in order to break its shell, thinking the old man's head was a stone.

LITTLE NUGGETS.

The old man slipped a cog two weeks ago. A few words were omitted from the apple problem so he must state it again: Two boys went out one day to sell apples. Each had 30 apples. One sold two for one cent, the other sold three for one cent. The proceeds amounted to 25 cents. The next day the one boy being sick the other took out 60 apples and sold three for a cent, then 2 for a cent, till they were all gone and brought back 22 cents. What became of the other cent?

There is a man in our parts who lives like a snail in his shell. He sees nothing of the world except the little track he crawls over. No interest of a public nature would miss him for he never manifests any interest in anything outside his little house he carries on his back.
Don't be continually scolding and nagging.
It worries and frets but never corrects. A little girl got so used to the phrase "mum's the word" that it lost its force. One day being left alone she climbed upon a chair and tried to reach the little gold fish in the globe. She upset the globe when water and fish soon reached the floor. The little one exclaimed "I guess I tilled old mum's the word this time."

A question of ethics arising at this season has never been settled. Is it fair to accept a beautiful and expensive calendar from your grocer and then cut off the advertising or cover it up with a photograph? What is injurious to the community is wrong for the individual.
A little boy almost breathless with excitement the other day said: "Oh, our little calf has got a cow."

What a curious maze to a foreigner is the English language. A Frenchman was looking out the open window of his car when the conductor shouted—look out! His head was in danger of sudden contact with a post, hence the caution. It is a peculiar characteristic of the English said the Frenchman, that when they say look out they mean for you to look in.
Mark Twain was patriotic enough to be willing to sacrifice all his wife's relations on the altar of his country. Virtue by proxy is too often and too numerous. Too many men are brothers-in-law in moral and religious reform. There will be no crown wearing by proxy.

Anent the New Laundry
Editor Courier: In an article in your last issue, entitled "An Up-to-Date Laundry for Grants Pass," Mr. Geo. G. Peil says that the work at the laundry has fallen materially since he disposed of the laundry, some months ago. "We were not aware that he had disposed of it. At least he was willing to go on the stand and take an oath that he had not."
We note, also, that he tells the good people that he is going to have a new driver and completely renovate the business. We will state that when I went to work for Mr. Peil last March, he had a driver working for \$7 per week and five per cent commission and that said driver's wages and commission amounted to \$11 per week. So you see the delivery lot amounted to about \$80 per week.
Recently, the last few weeks I drove the wagon, the lot ran up to \$102 and \$109 per week. So you can see how the work has fallen off.
1-24 It HARRY A. COUGLE.

Special Rates From Grants Pass.

On account of the 5th annual convention Western Retail Lumbermen's Association at Tacoma, February 27th, 28th and 29th. Tickets will be sold at Grants Pass on the certificate plan, to Tacoma, entitling holders to return at one-third fare from Tacoma, having paid full fare going. Further particulars at the depot.
1-24 It R. K. MONTGOMERY, Agent.

Remember!

When you wish an easy shave, As good as barbers ever gave, Call at The Josephine Tonsorial Parlor.
We cut and dress the hair with grace, To suit the contour of the face. The place is neat, the towels are clean. The scissors sharp, the razor keen. And everything, I think you'll find To suit the taste and please the mind.
Ladies' and Gents' Shoe Shining.
1-19 It A. W. SCOTT, Propr.

Stock Ranch FOR SALE

ON account of poor health I must sell my place of 167 acres, with household goods, a few farming tools, Barn, New Small House, Orchard, 30 Acres Rich Bottom (partly cleared), Land, rest open bench land, fine outside range, 3 or 4 acres Alfalfa, off which I cut 3 crops, good Boat, also 75 head of Mixed Cattle. All goes for \$18 an acre. On Rogue River. Address—

M. LUCAS,

Agness, Curry Co. ORE.

CIRCUIT COURT

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testimony, the decree to be rendered during vacation.
Three Pines Timber Co vs Frank Montayne et al, order annulling judgment in Merlin Justice court vs plaintiff, in favor of depts, and plaintiff given judgment against defendants for costs. Lydia H Dean et al vs Henry Stake, order perpetually restraining defendant from entering upon or working the mining property involved.
George Porter et al, vs S P Pettengill et al, order referring case to F M Calkins for testimony, the decree to be rendered during the vacation.
E H White vs O S Brown, order directing Justice J C K McCann, of Slate Creek to restore the judgment heretofore rendered against defendant in his court, and afterwards annulled, making it now in full force and effect.
Mina Batty vs Ben Batty, decree of divorce and custody of five minor children granted plaintiff.
F S Austin et al, R F Garoutte et al, order granting writ of review.
Assignee JEPeterson, of the Southern Oregon General Hospital, made a final report and was discharged. His report showed unpreferred claims to the value of \$736.50 allowed and the residue was ordered paid out to the unpreferred creditors, pro rata, on a basis of 86 1-3 per cent.
August Beltrage vs F Downing et al, foreclosure of \$600 mortgage, secured on west half of SE 1/4 and east half of SE 1/4 sec 2, tp 38 s, r 5.
Mae Loar vs Charles Loar, decree of divorce granted.
Wm Bybee vs W H Flanagan, testimony heard and case taken under advisement, the decision to be rendered during the vacation.
Thos P Brown vs Oregon Pine Lumber Co., and L L Jewell, compromised out of court and ordered dismissed.
Ella Murtha vs James Murtha, testimony submitted, taken under advisement and decree to be rendered during vacation.
Williams Bros Door & Lumber Co, vs Sugar Pine Door & Lumber Co, defendant given 30 days in which to file amended answer.
W E Whitcomb vs Charles Sanders et al, order dismissing appeal from Grants Pass Justice Court and giving plaintiff judgment for costs.
Edna Elmore Rhinehart vs Ambrose Rhinehart and Emma Dunn, order granting plaintiff permission to file amended complaint.
Walter H Eastman vs Mary C Higgins, decree of foreclosure of lien on lot 7, block 11, Railroad add to Grants Pass, for \$15.84 and costs.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN LOCAL BUSINESS CIRCLES

This week an important change took place in local business circles, whereby J. F. Klein, an experienced tailor, of Rock Rapids, Iowa became the partner of F. G. Roper, the successful Grants Pass tailor. Mr. Roper has been enjoying a splendid run of business and the volume of trade was becoming so great that he felt the need of just such assistance as Mr. Klein will render. Mr. Klein is spoken of most highly by his home paper, the "Review" in regretting his leaving remarks that "He did a splendid business here, and leaves only for the reason that he believes that he will enjoy better health there, as he is afflicted with rheumatism. Personally he is a fine fellow and deserves a full measure of success." He brought with him letters of introduction from the banks, which indicate very plainly that he stood high in the estimation of the community and is a man of sterling worth and a desirable citizen for any community.
His wife and little son will soon follow him to their new home in this city.
Mr. Klein informed the Courier reporter that he was very much pleased with his new location and he believes that he will like the people and climate very much. He, like many others coming this way, sees a bright future for this entire locality and he is to be congratulated upon being able to step into a handsome business so well built up as the tailoring establishment which Mr. Roper has been conducting.
These gentlemen will make a team that will be hard to beat and the Courier does not hesitate to predict for them a large and constantly increasing business, which they will most certainly deserve.
1-24 It

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express to the many friends and neighbors our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy in word and deed, during our recent bereavement of in the death of our dear wife and mother.
RILEY SPRINGSTEAD,
MRS. A. M. LIVELY.

Change in Firm

The increase in business has necessitated our enlarging, and Mr. J. F. Klein, an experienced eastern tailor is now a partner in this Tailoring establishment. We make a specialty of

FASHIONABLE TAILORING

And are well prepared to please the most fastidious tastes, both in the manner of fashionable suiting and up-to-date styles.

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Done with neatness and dispatch. Our work is guaranteed to give entire satisfaction.

Come and see us if you need anything in our line

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CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE.
A BARGAIN—100 head of goats, about 60 nannies, registered, four fine bucks. Here's a chance to get something good, an extra choice lot. L. A. Dean, Riddles, Ore. 1-17 It

FOR SALE—Early Excelsior and Oregon Evergreen strawberry plants, best early rate market varieties, fine shippers and canners. \$3.50 per thousand. Best selected plants 75 cents per hundred. Inquire of J. Sams, R. F. D. No. 2, Grants Pass, Ore. 1-17 It

FOR SALE—Three Work Horses for sale at Moody's Wood Yard. 1-17 It

FOR SALE—Jersey Heifer Calves—Thoroughbred Stock—\$5 each Ask of R G Scott, The Dairyman. 1-17 It

HORSES and Wagons for sale. Inquire of J. M. Mason, Merlin. 1-17 It

FOR SALE—Six head full blood Hereford Bulls—R. P. George, Kerby, Ore. 11-1 It

JOE WHARTON—Guns, Rifles, Revolvers, Ammunition, Fishing Tackle, Sporting Goods and High Grade Cutlery. Front St., four doors east of 6th. 1-3 It

FOR SALE—J H Robinson & Son, R F D, No. 4, Grants Pass, Breeders and Sellers of Thoroughbred Short-horn Cattle, Poland-China Hogs, Bronze Turkeys and Brown Leg-horn Chickens. Fine Short-horn Bull, which cannot be used with herd, for sale at reasonable price. Will furnish pairs of Hogs—Boar and Sow that are of no kin. Turkey and Chicken Flock headed each season by Imported Birds and Eggs Guaranteed Fertile and just as represented. 1-10 It

WANTED.
TEAM WANTED—Anyone having workable team, who wants it kept through winter months for light work, apply to Chas. Meserve for particulars. 12-20 It

WANTED—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grown on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Toppensville, Washington.

MISCELLANEOUS.
BARGAIN IN WOOD—Two-thirds worth of 200 tiers of Dry Oak given for the cutting of same. Nine miles from Grants Pass. Ask at Courier Office for particulars. 1-17 It

FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.

BARGAIN in wood. Will give half for cutting 100 cords or more, oak principally. One mile from Woodville, down hill haul. Could furnish board. Rev. J. E. Day, Woodville.

Colonist Rates.
As has been the custom for several years past the Railroads leading to the coast have agreed on a colonist rate, a little higher than in years past, but still a very attractive rate, and it ought to have the effect of bringing a large number of immigrants to Oregon this spring. The rate is effective from March 1st to April 30th and is substantially as follows: from Chicago \$38; from Missouri river common points, Council Bluffs to Kansas City inclusive, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Denver, etc., \$30; St. Louis, \$35.50. Usual stopover privileges will be given on these tickets. 1-24 It

New Spring Sample just arrived, all latest weaves and patterns. Grants Pass Tailoring Co. 1-24 It

Remember that J. Taylor, the umbrella doctor can be found at Cramer Bros. 1-24 It

General repairing and all kinds of tinkering at Cramer Bros. Repair Shop.