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With Governor Johnson of Minnesota it is an other case of "Brkus is Willin."

One of the interesting scenes at Portland last Friday night was: Exit Fulton, enter Heney. Fulton wouldn't stand hitched to have his official record held up to public view.

To the casual observer the line of demarcation between a stab and a break may be regarded as almost indiscernible, but the fact that a New York surgeon has sewed up a man's heart after it had been punctured by the steleto of an assassin, gives but little encouragement to the broken-hearted.

Mayor Stahley of Gold Hill has set apart April 24th and 25th as street cleaning days when all residents of the town are expected to get out and rake off the back yard and clean up the rubbish about the street along their property, either business or residence. Not a bad idea—nothing like concerted action. Nothing attracts the attention of strangers coming to town like cleanliness of the streets.

PERMANENCY OF PROHIBITION.

According to a writer in the American Monthly Review of Reviews says the Oregon Journal, this is not the first time a prohibition wave has swept over the country or a considerable portion of it. He says that 54 years ago Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Delaware, Michigan, Indiana and Iowa, by acts of their legislatures, forbade the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. Nine northern states went "dry" in a single year, the year 1855.

These laws, however, were not well enforced, were, in fact, in most states nullities, after the short-lived "wave" had passed, and within a few years nearly all these states repealed these stringent laws, and adopted the license system. Will the present prohibition current which has passed from the south into several northern states, be equally evanescent, or will the position now being taken be permanently maintained?

This writer thinks that: "There is every reason to believe that it will be permanent. There were more elements of permanency in the earlier movement than appeared on the surface; for during all the years that the states were falling out of the prohibitory column, the people were steadily moving the saloon by local option, till at the time there were but three prohibition states left the liquor traffic had been abolished from two thirds of the territory occupied by one-half of the population of the United States. Of the 36,000,000 people who have expelled the saloon only 10,000,000 have done so by state prohibitory laws and 26,000,000 have effected the removal by local option."

These facts, and this estimate, if correct, fairly justify the prediction of temperance people that eventually, perhaps in another half century, perhaps in half or a quarter of that time, almost the entire country will be "dry." And we think that along with this movement, if it should continue, there will be increasingly strict and successful enforcement of the prohibitory law. This is already being more and more demanded and officials will be more and more required to enforce the laws. The people are properly taking matters more into their

own hands, and after a while no officer will dare permit the law to be violated within his jurisdiction.
Will increasing and finally almost county-wide prohibition, if it should be adopted and enforced, cripple industries now in business, deplete the revenues and impoverish the country, as claimed by the liquor interests? We think not; providing the movement is gradual. People who are directly or indirectly interested in and profit by the manufacture and sale of liquor, will adapt themselves to other businesses or employment and the diversion of the immense amount of money now squandered for liquor into more useful channels will insure the country's continued prosperity.

Grants Pass has one of the most energetic and up-to-date commercial clubs in the Rogue River Valley and its secretary, Mr. H. L. Andrews is certainly a "live wire." However, the club should have a larger membership. It now has 108 but it should be twice that. Every business and professional man in town should be an active member of the club. There is yet much to be done if the city of Grants Pass shall enjoy the full fruition of her splendid possibilities. The matter of good roads is ever a pertinent topic the club even though the public roads may be outside the city. The club can do much in the way of encouragement for better roads into the outside settlements and thus brings increased trade to Grants Pass. When all the business men get behind any enterprise for the good of the town or country, improvement is bound to be the result. Every business man should consider membership in the commercial club a coveted privilege as well as a duty. Everyone wants to see the town grow and the country develop and if every business man will line up as a member of the commercial club, the phalanx is bound to bring about the desired results. Join the commercial club! Do it now!

From present indications the democratic national convention to be held in Denver next June may be anything rather than harmonious. Though six months or a year ago, it seemed that Mr. Bryan would be the unanimous choice for president, an internal eruption has generated from the Roger Sullivan embroglio in Illinois which would seem to greatly menace Mr. Bryan's candidacy; in fact the Denver convention promises to be even a greater contest than the St. Louis meeting four years ago when the democrats selected Alton B. Parker against the ardent protest of Mr. Bryan. Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, it is already apparent, does not intend to flee the country in the event his name should be presented, and in fact National Committeeman Sullivan and the balance of the Anti-Bryan element in Illinois are expected to unvail the Johnson boom within a short time. Judging from the present outlook, its 16 to 1 that the nomination will not be tendered Mr. Bryan at Denver on a silver platter and without strenuous opposition.

COUNTY CLERK'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT.

Showing the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of Josephine County, Oregon, for what allowed, the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid from the first day of October, 1907 to the first day of April 1908.

Warrants outstanding October 1st, 1907.....	\$114,338 31
Warrants issued from October 1st, 1907 to April 1st, 1908:	
County Court and Commissioners per diem and mileage.....	606 40
Circuit Court, Jurors, witnesses, bailiff, etc.....	1,431 60
Justice Court, jurors, witnesses, constable and Justice fees.....	443 35
Sheriff's Office; Sheriff and Deputy.....	1,428 96
Clerk's Office; Clerk and Deputy.....	1,284 96
Treasurer's Office; salary.....	500 00
Coroner's Office; Coroner's fees, jurors, witnesses, etc.....	88 00
School Superintendent's Office; salary, assistants, etc.....	495 00
Stock Inspector; fees, per Diem, etc.....	37 50
Assessor's Office; Assessor and Deputies.....	717 96
Assessment and Collection of taxes.....	602 25
Tax Rebates.....	536 38
Current Expenses; printing, books, postage, etc, all offices.....	1,068 2
Court House; Janitor, water, lights, repair, fuel, etc.....	955 8
Jail; board of prisoners, medical attendance, supplies, etc.....	259 48
Care of poor; County physician, hospital charges, board, etc.....	9,162 48
Indigent Soldiers.....	200 00
Insane; Examination and expense.....	20 00
County Board of Health; Salary of Secretary, etc.....	90 00
Election Expense; Election supplies.....	53 15
Roads and Highways; Lumber, labor, supervisors, etc.....	6,948 15
Juvenile Court; Commitments, Conveyance, etc.....	45 00
County Fruit Inspector; per Diem and Expenses.....	174 35
Estimated accrued interest on outstanding warrants.....	9,000 00
	\$160,257 35

BORN.
SANBURG—Tuesday, April 14, 1908, to Mr and Mrs O E Sanburg, of Grants Pass, a son
YOUNG—Friday, April 10, 1908, to Mr and Mrs W. H. Young, Walnut street, an 8-pound girl.
SUMMERS—Monday morning, April 13, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. John Summers, on Sixth street, a girl.
VEATCH—Saturday, April 11, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Veatch, a son.
DARNEILLE—Thursday, April 16, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Darneille, Fourth street, a daughter.

MARRIED.
HAYNES—REYMERS—Wednesday, April 15, 1908, at 9 o'clock p. m., at the residence of the bride's parents in South Grants Pass, Chas. Haynes and Miss Mabel Reymers, the Rev. C. H. Cleaves officiating

DUE—GREEN—Wednesday, April 15, 1908, at 8:30 a. m., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Green, Henry Due and Miss Elsie Green, the Rev. F. C. Lovett officiating.
The newly married couple left shortly after the wedding ceremony for Chico, Cal., where the groom is engaged extensively in contracting and building and where they will make their permanent home. The bride is the daughter of one of the earliest settlers of the city. For some years past and up to a week ago, she was employed as a clerk in the post office, which position she assumed when her brother-in-law, Everett Harmon, was postmaster. She has many friends whose best wishes follow them to their California home.

HORNBUCKLE—EVERTON—Monday, April 13, 1908, Thos. E. Hornbuckle of Santa Rosa, Cal., and Miss Maude M. Everton of this city, at the county judge's office, Judge Jewell adjusting the nuptial tie.

DIED.

SANBURG—Wednesday, April 15, 1908, the infant son of Mr and Mrs Oscar E Sanburg interment at Granite Hill cemetery at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon

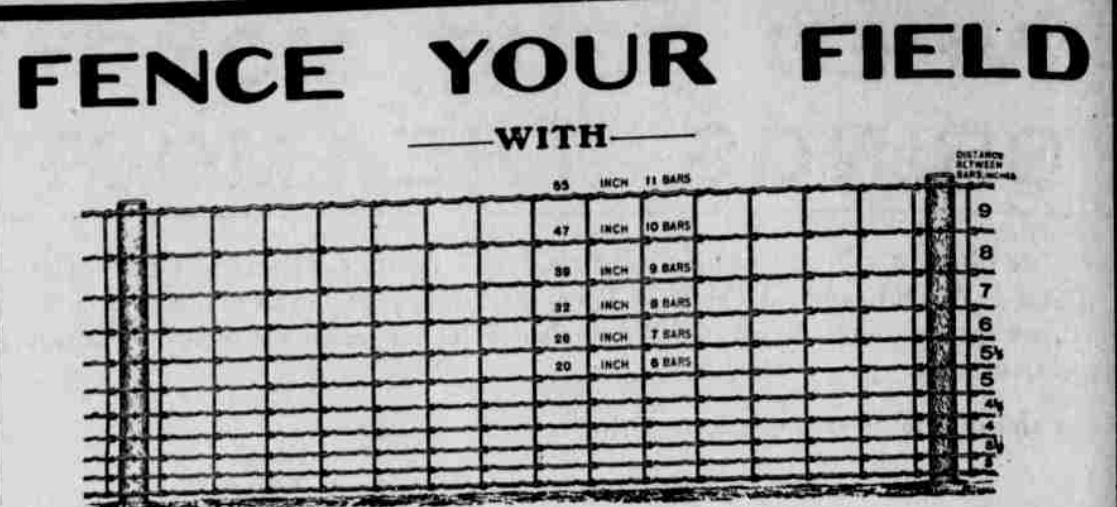
ANDREWS—Thursday, April 16, 1908, the month old twin son of Mr and Mrs Melvin Andrews. Interment at Odd Fellows cemetery this afternoon

LOGAN—Sunday, April 12, 1908, at Waldo Mrs. Ella, wife of J. T. Logan, after a lingering illness, aged 46 years.

The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Simmons of Waldo, who are among the oldest settlers of Josephine county. She was born at Waldo, October 20, 1861. Her father, who preceded her to the better world, was formerly owner of the famous Wimer mine in Butcher Gulch, near Waldo.

Mr. Logan, husband of the deceased, is one of the present members of the county court and in honor of her memory all the offices at the court house were closed and the county officers attended the funeral which was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Riddle, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment took place at the Masonic cemetery.

The fishing season opened Wednesday and a number of the old settlers are already busy!



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INFORMATION is wanted of the whereabouts of the heirs of Daniel F. Sellers, and particularly of the daughter of the said Sellers, who is supposed to have married a man by the name of Brase, Brass or Brase. Address information to H. D. Norton, attorney at law, Grants Pass, Oregon. 4-17 2t

HELP WANTED.
WANTED—An apprentice at Branch's Photo Studio, on-site post office.

FOR SALE
MAPLE Sugar—A few cans of genuine Vermont Maple Sugar still on hand. Willard Chase, Phone 1038. 3-27 4t

FOR SALE—One Pioneer Logging Engine 9x10, with full equipment. Has been in use four months. Lealand Lumber Co. 3-21 4t

FOR SALE—A sorrel horse Weight 1050 pounds good all around horse for farm work. Price \$45. Call on or address Ward J. Spencer, Woodville, Ore. 4-31t

BICYCLES—Two good wheels for sale cheap, by W. J. T. Taylor, at county treasurer's office. 4-10 2t

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FOR SALE—The fine residence property of H. A. ROTERMUND, two blocks from Masonic Hall. Enquire at Paddock's Marble Works. 3-10 1t

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

WANTED.
TEAM WANTED—Anyone having workable team, who wants it kept through winter months for light work, apply to Chas. Meserve for particulars. 12-30 1t

STRAYED.
STRAYED—There year-old brown and white heifer, no ear marks, branded "ain H on left hip, last seen near Miller ranch last September. Reward for recovery. Hayden Close, Wilderville, Ore. 3-13 1t

ESTRAY—One red cow with white markings, left ear tipped and slit. Has been in my possession for some months. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. P. H. Jewell, Secy, 10, Tp 36 S, R 6 W. 4-10 1t

MISCELLANEOUS.

F. A. PIERCE—Registered Angoras. Flock headed by one of the famous bucks of the "King Arthur" and other bucks of different strains of breeding. Does of the noted strains. Bucks for sale, Merlin, Ore. 3-27 1t

FOR EXCHANGE—Elegant new 4th room house with all modern conveniences, fully improved poplar cross town street. Near Oakland and S. F. car and ferry line. 40x135 feet lot. Small house in rear renting for \$10 per month. Total renting value about \$45 per month. Want Southern Oregon Agriculturist or timber lands of \$4500 value of cash difference; trade oak lands. Address owner, 1622 Ashby Ave. Berkeley, Cal. 4-3 1t

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