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FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1910.

SAYS WOMEN ARE UNCIVILIZED.

Dr. Max Baff, who is connected with an eastern college and who, according to his own estimation, is a great man, though no one ever heard of him before, tells us that women are not nearly ready for suffrage because, as he claims, they have not yet passed the savage stage. He likens women generally to the American Indian brave. They have a desire to wear feathers and gaudy colors, to adorn their ears and fingers with jewels, wear their hair long, dress in wraps, hang beads about their necks and paint their faces. He points out that the noble white man has grown out of all these characteristics and keeps himself in the van of civilization while women has remained stationary, even if she has not retrograded. This same doctor has evidently forgotten to mention that the noble white man has some Indian traits, such as drinking fire-water, and he can get as drunk as an Indian, shoot up the town and raise hades generally. He degrades himself to the level of the Indian brave in the use of tobacco in all its disgusting forms. He can steal horses equal to the best untutored savage and run a close second to the noble red man in all degrading conditions.

IT LOOKS RIGHT.

The public work which is going on in connection with street paving is a source of satisfaction to every patriotic citizen of Grants Pass. From all appearances paving will continue all summer and this city will take its place in the near future with a full quota of the best hard pavement yet discovered.

AIMING AT UNIVERSAL PEACE.

The Lake Mohank peace conference which has just closed has adopted resolutions commending the announcement of Secretary of State Knox that he believes an international court of arbitral justice will be in operation before the Third Hague In-

ternational Peace conference. The conference also urged the negotiation of general treaties of arbitration of unlimited scope, and suggested the renewed consideration by the nations of some mutual plan for opposing further increase in armament. This latter proposition will be the all important point upon which will be concentrated the work of future conferences. It begins to look as if the nations of the world will take a deep interest in the arbitration of all questions which may arise between nations so as to avoid the necessity of over taxing the people in the cause of war.

THE DEADLY CANNON CRACKER.

As our national natal day is fast approaching, it will be well for the city of Grants Pass to take up one important feature which is always present in this and most other cities on such an occasion, and that is the deadly cannon cracker and other explosives equally dangerous to life and limb. The city government can with small effort prevent the killing or maiming of some luckless boy who has a desire to outdo in the way of loud explosives. A revision of the police regulations will be in order during the next four weeks.

UNFORTUNATE QUEEN LIL.

The irrepressible ex-Queen Liloukalani has been defeated in her little suit for \$450,000 against the United States for the loss of her "crown lands." The queen should remember that it is an old saying that republics are ungrateful, but she should not become discouraged, for when Pinchotism becomes the settled policy of the government the supreme court will be taught that there is such a thing as "crown lands" as well as "crown forests." Pinchot brought to this country from Germany the doctrine that the forests belong to the emperor and that the pioneers who build up states and develop empires are nothing but trespassers. When this doctrine is fully understood and approved the good queen will come to her own.

THE LIBRARY QUESTION.

The Courier having given a regular space in its pages to the discussion of the library question, it in fairness feels obliged to give opportunity for a full investigation of the subject, be it for a Carnegie or other kind of library. In this issue will be found a communication by W. A. Warren against the acceptance of a public library building at the hands of Andrew Carnegie. The communication is an able denunciation of the man who is disposing of a large fortune by founding libraries. It can be truthfully said that our correspondent prefers to appeal to the prejudices of his readers rather than to

discuss the broad subject. There is certainly room for such a discussion and it may be that some one will take up the challenge which is offered. Fault finders as a rule delight in destroying what we have, but never give anything in its place.

IT IS UNDERESTIMATED.

The Medford Mail Tribune says that the placers of Southern Oregon have produced \$100,000,000 in gold and that the ground has only been scratched and mining is still in its infancy. This estimate of the gold production of Southern Oregon falls far short of the amount secured by the miners since the country was settled. The single camp of Galice, in Josephine county, has produced between thirty-five and forty-five million dollars alone, and there are many other camps in this section which have been abundant producers. While we have not the figures to verify the statement, we think it conservative to say that the Rogue River valley and its tributaries have furnished not less than \$200,000,000 in gold since the days of '49." The pioneers in the mining business in Southern Oregon, we believe, will sustain this estimate.

We can, for the consolation of those who have been in an agony of suspense kept awake nights fearing that the comet would bring the world to an end, say that they can now sleep in peace until the day of judgment, or at least until the comet comes around again 75 years hence.

Rose Carnival at Ashland.

The ladies of the Ashland Civic Improvement society will give a rose carnival and strawberry festival on June 2 and 3. There will be a parade and all sorts of things doing generally, and the occasion will be a good time for Grants Pass people to visit Ashland.

Mrs. A. E. Kinney, one of the prominent ladies of Ashland, has been in Grants Pass representing the big festival during this week and extends a cordial invitation to everybody to participate in the festival.

ROSE CARNIVAL WAS A SUCCESS

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Best collection, 6 varieties—pruning shears from Portland Seed Co., T. P. Cramer.

Second best collection—Garden spray from Rogue River Hardware, Mrs. H. C. Kinney.

Best individual rose—Bath rug from A. U. Bannard furniture store, Mrs. W. C. Hale.

Best general exhibit—\$5 order for roses from Portland Seed Co., T. P. Cramer.

Best 5 blooms, one variety—Salad dish from O'Neill's furniture store, Mrs. H. D. Norton.

Baby Show Awards.

Three prizes were awarded for pretty girl babies—Baby Stricker, bonnet from Kinney & Truax; Fern Jolek, toilet case from Sabin's; Marjorie Bobsten, jacket from Golden Rule store.

Two prizes for pretty boy babies—Baby Buell, spoon from Letcher's; Ralph Scovill, toilet set from Demaray's.

Biggest boy baby in proportion to age—Peter P. Proctor, ring from Barnes.

Biggest girl baby—Katherine Pook, bonnet from Mrs. Rehkopf.

Tiniest baby in proportion to age, Violet Bruner, spoon from Curtis; Pearl Helms Jones, pins from a friend.

Youngest baby at the show, Lloyd Halley Ruud, 1 month old, baby book from Clemens.

Best decorated carriage—Beverly Ingles, parasol from Coe's; Fern Jolek, pins from Smith Racket store.

CLASS OF FOURTEEN IS GRADUATED

The closing week of the public schools marks an event in the lives of all scholars, whether high school students or in the lower grades, for promotions are the order of the day. The week in Grants Pass has been a busy one, commencing Sunday with the baccalaureate sermon, Monday night the class day exercises in which the members of the graduating class appeared in program, and Friday night the address by Bishop Scadding and presentation of diplomas by chairman of the board, Dr. J. C. Smith.

The class of 1910 numbers 14, only two of whom are young men. The members of the class are: Misses Gladys Archer, Louise Birdsall, Electa Chapman, Emma Loughridge, LaCosta Mangum, Geneva Myers, Genevieve Pattillo, Zora Perry, Winnifred Paddock, DeEtte Tetherow, Alma Wolke, Lolita Woodcock; Messrs. Roy Cheshire and Errol Gilkey.

MARRIED.

DAY-LOUGHRIDGE—At Grants Pass, Oregon, Sunday, May 22, 1910, Chas. Day, of Portland, and Miss Kitty Loughridge, of this city.

This pretty church wedding was solemnized in the presence of friends and acquaintances at the Newman M. E. church Sunday morning, immediately after the morning service. The church building was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate the large crowd which had gathered to witness the ceremony, performed by Rev. D. H. Leech, assisted by Father Loughridge, grandfather of the bride.

The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion, all the work being under the direction of Mrs. Oro Hood, with whom the bride has been closely associated in primary Sunday school work for the past five years, and the tribute of love and esteem displayed by this beautiful floral work on her bridal day will always be a source of grateful remembrance to the bride. The choir was a bank of evergreens and white roses, while over the altar was erected a floral arch made from evergreens intertwined with white roses, the center tied with a large bunch of white ribbons, with streamers reaching to the sides, the whole combination showing an artistic touch most pleasing to the large admiring throng. Promptly at the close of the church service the little ribbon bearers, Allene Dunbar and Helen Hair, formed a ribbon aisle down the center of the church, through which the wedding party passed to the altar. As the sweet strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, played by Prof. Fields, floated through the church, the wedding party entered. First came the little cushion bearers, Doris Condit and Helen Lister, followed by petal and rose bearers, Margaret Paxton, Florence Hartman, Genevieve Findley and Dora Herman. The bride's sister, Miss Emma Loughridge, was ring bearer, carrying the ring in a small white basket. Last in the procession came the bride on the arm of her father, Dr. Loughridge, and they were met at the altar by the groom and Rev. D. H. Leech. While the young people stood before the altar Prof. McMurray sang beautifully the touching and appropriate anthem, "Sweet Is Thy Mercy," after which Rev. Leech pronounced the words which joined the two trusting hearts in the holy bonds of matrimony, while the subdued tones of the organ, played throughout the ceremony by Prof. Fields, added a charm to the beauty and sublimity of the impressive ceremony. As the last words of the wedding ceremony sounded through the church, the bridal pair knelt before the altar under the floral arch, while Father Loughridge, grandfather of the bride, closed the ceremony with prayer. The ceremony throughout was beautiful, the wedding being one of the prettiest ever held in this city. The bride was beautifully gowned in white satin, draped with chiffon caught up with clusters of orange blossoms, while she carried a shower bouquet of Bride roses. The groom wore the conventional black. The bride, who is the eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Loughridge, has resided in this city for the past five years and is beloved by all who know her for her purity, sweetness and loyalty to all that is best and true in life. She is an accomplished young lady of refined taste and a popular favorite in the social circles in which she moved. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Day, of this city, and was formerly a resident of Grants Pass, but is now holding a prominent position in Portland. He is a young man of great capabilities and has all the qualifications which go to make a gentleman of sterling worth. Mr. and Mrs. Day left on the evening train for Portland, where a beautiful home awaits them, one recently completed and furnished ready for the occupancy of the newly wedded pair and to which they were followed by the hearty good wishes and congratulations of a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

DECHER-WEAVER—At Leland, Oregon, Tuesday, May 24, 1910, James O. Decher and Minnie Maud Weaver; Rev. W. C. Long officiating.

BUCK-KENT—At Grants Pass, Oregon, May 23, 1910, Guy Dillon Buck and Miss Ethel T. Kent, both of Grants Pass; Judge Stephen Jewell officiating.

BRATTON-SARTAIN—At Evergreen Cottage, Penn-Oregon Orchards, Wednesday, May 18, 1910, Miss Grace Irene Sartain, of Mifflintown, Pa., and Ray Bratton, of Huntington, Pa.; Rev. Clemo, of Wilderville, officiating.

The pretty ceremony was performed at 6 p. m. in the midst of immediate relatives of the contracting parties and a few friends. The young people have been residents of Oregon but a short time, the bride coming from Pennsylvania one month ago, she being preceded a short time before by the groom. They will reside at Evergreen cottage, Penn-Oregon Orchards.

Short Talks on Opportunities

THE greatest fallacy ever inflicted upon the public is that pernicious saying "Opportunity knocks but once at each man's door." There is not a person in the State of Oregon who can not hark back and hear the echo of the loud knockings that Opportunity has been making every day in the years that have passed. They have become so accustomed to the distant roar that they fail to realize that there is a present pounding nearer, clearer and more persistent than ever before. Two years ago I advertised in these columns a tract of land, and finally sold it to S. A. Reynolds, of Portland at \$15 per acre—a year later I sold it again, at \$30 per acre, assuring the new buyer it was a bargain. It soon sold again at a good profit, and last week two prominent men of Grants Pass paid \$250 per acre for small pieces of the original tract—and they made good buys. Today the fellows who turned it down are walling over the lost chance, they can not hear the sledge-hammer blows Opportunity is delivering while she is standing with her left hand pointing to the Three Pines Fruit Tracts that I am offering for sale—they live in the past—there is no hope for them. But to the young man and the young woman I would say, pay no attention to past visits of Opportunity, but look closely into what she has TODAY. I am her advance agent in the Three Pines district just as I was at Merlin three years ago. Have a talk with me and let me show you the land, its location, its soil, its productiveness—tell you of its low prices and easy terms, and how I know it is the best buy in the way of small tracts that will ever be offered in Josephine County. Let me help you open the door.

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COMING EVENTS.

May 29, Sunday—Memorial Day.
May 30, Monday—Decoration Day.
June 1, Wednesday—"Esmeralda," at the Grants Pass Opera House.
June 8, Wednesday—Edith Coburn Noyes in a recital under auspices of Ladies' Auxiliary.

TWO IRRIGATION PROPOSITIONS UP

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large holdings to cut them into smaller tracts. Young men from the east will come in and purchase, as soon as they have been here a short time they will be enchanted with a climate that can not be surpassed in this broad land. The magnificent scenery and all your other conditions will appeal to them and in turn they will write to their friends. They will come, and before you realize it, your valley will be populated with people of this kind. Who built up the Medford valley? It was not the large land owners, but the young blood that came in there and they have brought their friends from all sections.

"As to my proposition, I have nothing to say. It is with the people to judge. If in their opinion there are others which are better, they owe it to themselves to take them. But what I do wish to impress upon all is that that which will do the greatest good to the greatest number is the proposition that the people in this valley should have."

Carl Williams and P. A. DeGault have purchased the barber shop formerly owned by M. Santor, near Grants Pass hotel.

DIED.
SPENCER—At the family home, 406 Fourth street, Grants Pass, Oregon, Friday, May 30, 1910, Isaiah C. Spencer, aged 78 years, 5 months and 19 days, of cancer of the stomach.
The death of Mr. Spencer removes from the scene of action another of those sturdy pioneers who came to Oregon, crossing the plains in the '50s, and has lived an honored life. He was born at Hoosic Falls, N. Y., December 1, 1831. In 1853 he married Miss Allen, who has been his constant companion for 52 years. In 1859 they left Wisconsin for the west, traveling with a party of which Mrs. Spencer's father, David Allen, was captain. They have been respected residents of Grants Pass for the past 17 years. There survives his wife and three children, Wm. Spencer, of Watsonville; Mrs. Emma Webb, of Mercedes, Tex., and Mrs. J. R. Gunning, of Grants Pass, all of whom were with him in his last days and when death came to relieve his suffering of 19 months. The funeral was held at the family home on Saturday afternoon, with interment at the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

HOLCOMB—At Grants Pass, Oregon, Sunday, May 22, 1910, Mrs. R. A. Holcomb, aged 72 years.
The deceased, though poor in health for some months past, was seriously ill for only a short time prior to her demise. She was the mother of Mrs. John Lance, of this city, at whose home the funeral services were held Tuesday, May 24, with interment at I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Flower Mission day will be observed June 10, with appropriate program and sale of potted plants.

DECORATION DAY

OVER the narrow homes that hold the dust of the Blue and the Gray fond memory lingers, while loving hands place upon the sacred mounds a Chaplet of Flowers.

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Waiting the Judgment Day;
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