

**HALSEY ENTERPRISE**  
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**THE LIGHT WE ENJOY**

For years the constancy of the service of the Mountain States Power company has been a cause for surprise. Then, in the last few months, there came many breaks in the service and much inconvenience both to users of light and to those who use electric power. We understand that all or nearly all these interruptions in the service have resulted from the extension of the lines to a connection with the system which covers California from Oregon to Mexico. More current has been thrown into the Oregon lines than they had been designed to carry, resulting in the burning out of connections. The company has been making every effort to meet the trouble, shutting off the light usually in the latter part of the night, when the smallest number of patrons would be inconvenienced, while work was being done on the lines.

The expansion of the business has made an increase of current necessary. This same expansion has called for more capital for investment and the company is offering another issue of stock to local buyers in small sums, as it has done with previous ones. By this policy the dividends are kept at home, instead of going to "bloated stockholders" in New York or elsewhere.

Miles Poindexter in congress has been as good as a whole circus and the regulars spent years in training him. Just when they had got him tamed the kantankerous voters of Washington elected him to stay at home. Now Mrs. Poindexter is proving that "the female of the species is more deadly than the male" by the way she has stirred up the animals at Washington city with an expose of the use of government automobiles, water craft, naval bands, etc., for private purposes by officials. Allee samese Pierce and the state autos. Whoop la! "Ain't we got fun?"

**NICE LITTLE GRAFTS**

When the state put a stop to the publication of the delinquent tax list in the newspapers it ended one graft which, no matter how much the newspaper treasuries needed it, was an unjust imposition upon the taxpayers. For its advocacy of the abolition of this graft the Portland Journal has been lambasted and lampooned by the press throughout the state. The newspaper lobby has been better organized since then and has gone to the sessions of the legislature and brought home more or less bacon.

A case in point was when it added to the price of 5 cents per line per insertion for legal advertising another 5 cents, making 10 cents a line, for the first insertion. A measure is before the legislature to do away with the publication of the voters' pamphlets. This would save a sum well along in the five-figure class as expressed in dollars and would cut out an item which we can very well spare. Oregon got along quite comfortably when there were no such pamphlets. The voter who does not know his mind on public issues without them will know no more with them. Their issuance is a dead waste of public money.

But the darkey can very easily be discovered in the woodpile in this case. The newspaper lobby has an alternative measure providing that the matter now contained in the voters' pamphlet be published twice in every newspaper in the state, and estimates that this would cost the state only about \$29000. That would be a quite healthy little graft, but the publishers of the Enterprise would be reminded of the reflections of a thief if they should have the luck to get a slice of it.

We pay our lawmakers \$8 a day

and refused, by vote at an election, to raise the amount. But they turn around and, without our consent, employ a raft of clerks and secretaries and what not at \$5 a day and pay the bill out of our pockets.

The legislature talks of saving us a lot of expense by abolishing a lot of useless commissions, but in the same act establishes a lot of officers to take over the work these commissions are supposed to perform, at greater salaries and expenses than ever.

A petition is in circulation asking the legislature to pass a pending bill cutting down official salaries all along the line, and is being signed by a great many voters.

We are burdened with a heavier debt, in proportion to the value of our taxable property, than any other state in the union, yet Mr. Pierce was ridiculed when during his campaign he asserted that our expenditures could be reduced. Look at the graphic exhibit of our debt, as compared to that of other states, published on this page.

If the French are short of men to mine coal in the Ruhr they might perhaps get Bill Hohenzollern to work. We haven't heard of him sawing any wood lately and Herziene says she has no further use for him.

High or low, nobody is safe who flirts with alcohol or narcotics is pretty sure to fall. Just now Wallace Reid, movie idol, is the outstanding example. He dallied with narcotics without fear of danger, and when he took the alarm it was too late. After a brave struggle he died the other day. And cigarets, which the tobacco trust encouraged people to send to the boys in France, thereby winning over many in the ranks who had been non-users, and making them slaves of the trusts for life, and which the children of our country are being induced to use, are but stepping-stones, in many cases, to the use of more powerful drugs.

The best bill yet introduced in the legislature is by Representative Pierce of Curry county. It would forever bar from receiving a hunter's license any person who shoots another by mistake for game.

Senator Eddy of Roseburg is author of a bill to require in the public schools more attention to reading, writing, spelling and speaking the English language. He says: "Our high school graduates cannot write nor spell, nor can they speak the English language correctly." If he could see the copy they send to newspaper offices he would be confirmed in his opinion.

The Germans and some of our exchanges seem to think the French government cannot run railroads nor mine coal in case of strikes. The Enterprise thinks that they can, and that Uncle Sam could also, if need be.

**FOUR WONDERFUL MEETING DAYS**

**Crowds Gathered at the Church and in Private Homes**

Rev. E. B. Parrott, who took part in the Methodist revival meetings here last year and who has had such wonderful success at Brownsville recently, was here with Mrs. Parrott and Miss Helen Gulliford of Eugene, the pianist, when the opening of the revival meetings at the Methodist church, postponed from Monday, occurred last Thursday evening.

The minister and his wife and the pianist do perfect team work together. Mrs. Parrott, who has charge of the singing, not only leads in that department of the services at the opening but offers the opening prayer and addresses an introductory talk to the audience paving the way for the sermon her husband delivers.

The main floor of the church was practically filled the first evening, and about twenty persons went forward and knelt at the altar rail. Four or five individuals were prostrated by the power and lay for some time apparently unconscious on the seats where their friends laid them.

Mr. Parrott told of divine healing and requested any persons desiring prayers for it to give their names to his wife, but that was as far as the orders from overhead church officials would permit him to go in the building. Such orders were read in the church Sunday.

He referred to the healings at Brownsville and asked if a young lady living a few miles out of Halsey, who had been relieved of goiter, was in the house. The girl referred to arose and turned to the audience with bared throat and there certainly was no evidence of the troublesome ailment.

Friday evening there were not quite as many present and the minister complained that obstructing influences were at work in the gathering.

Saturday night there was a fair attendance and Sunday afternoon and evening the church was packed. Thirty-four were present from Albany and about twenty-five from Brownsville. A large part of the afternoon was occupied with testimonies by Brownsville people of healings they had received.

Prayer and healing meetings were held at the O. W. Frum home mornings and there also were forenoon meetings at the D. S. McWilliams, M. E. Gardner and W. H. Beene homes.

Saturday afternoon Mr. Frum took the evangelists to Crawfordsville, where a meeting was held. Mr. Parrott and wife made

home at A. W. Foote's while here, and Miss Gulliford stopped with the O. W. Frum family.

A prayer-meeting was held at a private residence Monday morning and the evangelistic trio went to their home in Eugene in the Foote garage automobile.

A collection for Mr. Parrott was taken up at the last evening meeting and about \$100 resulted. Of course the minister has the salary of the pianist and some other expenses to pay out of this.

Miss Gulliford, the talented pianist, is one of eight children whose mother died in Eugene last year and left them on their own resources.

Henry Yeager was placed in the county jail Saturday in default of \$200 bail on a charge of refusing to support his wife and children.

How about your **FIRE INSURANCE?**  
For a safe and sane policy see **JAY W. MOORE**  
Real estate, loans and insurance, Halsey, Oregon



**The Arrival of That Box of Candy**  
is always quite an event; but how the enthusiasm dampens if the confection falls short of what the appreciative one has a right to expect! If you send a box of our delicious confections they'll be everything she dreamed of and more. Of course our confectionery is pure, and it surely cannot be called high in price.

**Clark's Confectionery**

**RATIOS OF NET STATE DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUATION**

COMPILED FROM AUTHORITATIVE PUBLISHED STATEMENTS

1 OREGON	4.18 %
2 LOUISIANA	2.51 %
3 DELAWARE	2.18 %
4 SOUTH CAROLINA	2.14 %
5 MAINE	1.71 %
6 WEST VIRGINIA	1.67 %
7 CALIFORNIA	1.40 %
8 UTAH	1.35 %
9 NEW YORK	1.29 %
10 MARYLAND	1.24 %
11 MASSACHUSETTS	1.16 %
12 RHODE ISLAND	1.09 %
13 VIRGINIA	1.08 %
14 NORTH CAROLINA	1.07 %
15 WASHINGTON	1.06 %
16 NEW MEXICO	1.06 %
17 WYOMING	0.94 %
18 MINNESOTA	0.93 %
19 TENNESSEE	0.92 %
20 MISSISSIPPI	0.91 %
21 ALABAMA	0.89 %
22 MICHIGAN	0.86 %
23 NEVADA	0.78 %
24 SOUTH DAKOTA	0.71 %
25 VERMONT	0.64 %
26 NEW JERSEY	0.53 %
27 NEW HAMPSHIRE	0.49 %
28 PENNSYLVANIA	0.47 %
29 ARKANSAS	0.45 %
30 COLORADO	0.42 %
31 MISSOURI	0.42 %
32 ARIZONA	0.41 %
33 GEORGIA	0.41 %
34 CONNECTICUT	0.35 %
35 NORTH DAKOTA	0.34 %
36 OKLAHOMA	0.27 %
37 ILLINOIS	0.26 %
38 MONTANA	0.26 %
39 KENTUCKY	0.22 %
40 OHIO	0.19 %
41 FLORIDA	0.15 %
42 TEXAS	0.12 %
43 IDAHO	0.10 %
44 WISCONSIN	0.05 %
45 IOWA	0.02 %
46 INDIANA	NO DEBT
47 KANSAS	NO DEBT
48 NEBRASKA	NO DEBT

**Barber Shop & Baths**

Back at the old stand. This time I have purchased outright the equipment and good will of the Bramwell barber shop and intend to spare no effort to give satisfactory service to patrons.

**J. W. STEPHENS**

**WANTED**

**Goat or Sheep Hides** From \$2 down. As to value, I will pay the freight or express. **RUBIN NORWOOD, Junction City, Or.**

**WRIGHT & POOL**

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**HARRISBURG LEBANO**  
Phone 35 Phone 15

Branches at Brownsville, Phone 37C15. Halsey Phone 166, Frank Kirk, Mgr.

**"Won't Have Him, Nohow."**

County Commissioner Sharp and Roney, who early this month discharged the Lane county agricultural agent, the county health nurse, assistant county school superintendent, county bridge superintendent and county roadmaster, have refused to certify to a fund donated by the Eugene Chamber of Commerce and the granges of the county for the support of the county agent, thereby preventing the state and government from matching the sum. The commissioners also refused to allow the agent to occupy an office in the courthouse if by some means the state and federal funds should be obtained.

Looks as if there was a nigger in that woodpile.

An early opening in the lumber industry at Klamath Falls is promised this year, one sawmill, the Ewauna having opened with a shift of 35 men. This is two months earlier than any mill resumed last year.

High water during the recent storm and flood is believed to have uncovered a large sized vein of coal at the G. Debernardi place on the North Umpqua river near Roseburg, opposite the state salmon hatchery.

The Southern Pacific workman wanted to replace a telegraph line, during the recent flood, where it had gone out across the Srantiam, near Jefferson. The stream was too boisterous for a boat. The shot was removed from a shot gun shell and a wooden arrow, to which several hundred feet of carpenter's twine was attached, was placed in the barrel and sealed on the charge. The twine was carefully placed in a box so that it would slip out easily and not retard the flight of the arrow. The gun was fired and the arrow was shot 300 feet across the river. The twine was then attached to a fine wire,

which was drawn over and this in turn was used to draw the telegraph wire across.

**E. L. STIFF Furniture Exchnge**

We have lots of good **USED FURNITURE** on hand and are getting more every day. **9x12 Pabcolin Rugs, \$12.50** **Beauty Banquet Ranges \$70** to \$92. Come in and see our 10, 15, 20 and 25 cent counter. 422 West First st., Albany, Oregon.

**ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of W. G. Carter, deceased, by the county court of Linn county, Oregon, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present same to the undersigned at her residence in Halsey, Oregon, duly verified and with proper vouchers as by law required, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published this 1st day of February, 1923. **MARY I. CARTER, L. L. SWAN, Administratrix, Attorney for Administratrix.**

**NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT**

Notice is hereby given that the final account of Ralph H. Reeves as administrator of the estate of A. M. Reeves, deceased, has been filed in the county court of Linn county, Oregon, and that the 5th day of February, 1923, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., and the court appointed as the time and place for hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement suggested in such time any person in objection thereto as to the same. **RALPH H. REEVES, Administrator of the above named estate, Lebas, Oregon.**