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INFLUENCE IS BAD

Americans Do Not Mix Well in Filipino Affairs, So States a Former Athena Teacher.

County Superintendent Welles is in receipt of an interesting letter from J. H. E. Scott, who left this city last fall for the Philippines, where he accepted a government position as teacher. Before leaving here, Mr. Scott was assistant principal of the Athena high school and Press readers will be interested to learn of his success in the islands. Mr. Scott says: 109 Calle Palacia, Intramuros, Manila, P. I.

Dear Mr. Welles: -
I was very glad to hear from you. You speak about the weather being warm there this summer. Well, most of those that have been reaching Manila or other parts of the Philippines, say they have felt much warmer weather in the far away United States of America. I can say for myself that one does not have so very hot weather here if one is able to take the thermometer as the judge of the matter. It has not reached 94 degrees since I came here during the last part of the hot season. It is said that the thermometer never gets any higher than 95 degrees here in Manila, but 95 degrees here is more conducive to discomfort than I think 100 degrees is in the Oregon country. Heat causes one to perspire very freely here. One does so when the thermometer does not reach more than 85 degrees.

We dress very thinly here, in white nearly altogether; everything is white including shoes, hats and all. Some few dress in khaki, but many avoid doing so on account of the heat.

Now for school work. We, in the cities of importance in the Philippines, begin work at 7:30 in the morning and continue to teach until 12:30 in the afternoon. We however, have two recesses of 15 minutes each during this period.

In the Philippine school of commerce where I am at present assigned, we have six periods of 45 minutes each. We have one of these periods in which to give our children individual instruction.

My students range in age from 14 to 50, at present. The students are very industrious as a rule. Our hardest work is to get them to think. I have given my youngsters notice that they must do their own thinking and not use the old method under which teachers did all the thinking and commanded the pupils what to think.

"It is said that the Tagalogs, the tribe of natives we have in this part of the Philippines are the hardest to deal with on account of their love for opposing the authorities in power. This might be true, but I have found the students all right. There is this however, about the Filipino people in general whom I have met, both in school and in the commercial world here in Manila, you can not rely upon them for the truth. It is also true that they steal all they can get their hands on, but this fault is now being eradicated as the laws here at present punish stealing very severely.

The influence of the majority of the Americans here in Manila is hardly for the best. I mean their influence on the natives here. I do not know that I ought to criticize the Americans here but it is a fact that the greater part of the Americans are here because they like a life of adventure. A life of adventure to many means a life that is anything but moral.

About 150 or 200 Americans have found their way to Bilibid, the national Philippine prison. That is if one is to believe those who ought to know.

The highest entrance salary that anyone can get in any department of the civil service in the Philippines is \$1200 per annum. Many do not get that. One gets an increase after one has been in the teaching service a year

if one "makes good." The increase the first year is \$100 per annum. I am now making more than my regular salary for I was fortunate enough to be appointed a teacher in the night school held in our school building. For this work I am getting three pesos a night. A peso is by law just one half of one U. S. A. dollar. We have night school, while it is in session, on the night of every school day.

I like it here quite well. I am perhaps different from most people for there are so many regretting that they came here. I may do so before my contract expires. One does not have to stay out the two years but it is to one's interest financially to do so.

If there is any special thing that you would like to have me write you about while here I should like to have you mention it. Shall be pleased to hear about my former schools and how the people are behaving in general.
James H. E. Scott.

SEVERAL CHANGES TAKE PLACE

Jumpabouts Chroniced in the City During the Week Past.

The leopard may never change his spots; but it's different in the vocation of men. Particularly has this been noticed in Athena during the past week. During this no less than 13 men were effected by business changes here.

The Mayville cigar factory and store discontinued business, as did J. H. Stone, proprietor of the "City Meat Market."

Mr. Colby, salesman for T. M. Taggart & Co., left for Walla Walla, and his position is now acceptably filled by affable "Pete" O'Harra.

An important change has been made in the clerical force employed at the First National Bank. Mr. Ernest Zerba, former employe of the Mosgrove Mercantile Co., succeeds to the position of bookkeeper in place of Walter G. Preston.

Cleve Myers, heretofore connected with the central telephone office in the capacity of night operator and city linesman, has opened a pastime resort at the "Cinder."

John Stanton has purchased the bowling alley and soft drink emporium, which for several months has been conducted by Clint Thomas.

Mr. Marshall O. Rose, late of Ione, has arrived in Athena and with his family, resides in a cottage on the West side. Mr. Rose is an experienced watch maker and jeweler, and has established himself in business at the well known stand in the Pioneer drug store, where he is prepared to do all kinds of watch and jewelry repairing. Mr. Rose will carry an up to date stock of jewelry.

Clifford Stone has purchased a half interest in Parker's barber shop and now locks after the wants of patrons in the first chair. Carl Christian, the popular tonsorialist has taken a position with Kidders, the Painters.

Jimmy Stewart comes from the Mosgrove store at Milton to take the place vacated by Ernest Zerba with the Mosgrove Mercantile Company.

All Records Broken.

With no outside assistance, says the East Oregonian. Recorder Hendley and Deputy Lewis during the last month broke all records of the recorder's office, doing about one-half more business than has ever been done in one month by the office before. The fees received during the month amounted to \$604.80, while other instruments received by late mail Saturday would have increased the total about \$7 had they been received in time for recording during the month. The largest previous month's business, amounted to about \$500, but was at a time when the instruments brought 25 cents per 100 words instead of 20 cents as at present.

Queer Tax Collection.

It has been discovered—after years of misapprehension—that Union county has been receiving taxes from the O. R. & N. on a stretch of road that rightfully belongs to Baker county. The mistake has been discovered, Baker officials have been advised and the Union county records expunged. It represents no great sum, though, as the track in question is .37 of a mile in length.

Mind Your Business!

If you don't nobody will. It is your business to keep out of all the trouble you can and you can and will keep out of liver and bowel trouble if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They keep biliousness, malaria and jaundice out of your system. 25c at Palace Drug Co's store.

Estray Notice.

Came to my place, a light red cow, about 3 years old, left horn drooped, crop and udderbit on right ear, crop and slit in left; with wattle or braud on left jaw. Owner pay for this notice.
W. P. Wallan.

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IT IS "BILL" TAFT

Republicans Gain Victory Over Bryan In Tuesday's Election— Athena Democratic.

North Athena—Bryan 76; Taft 68; Chaffin 9; Debs 3. South Athena—Bryan 40; Taft 3; Chaffin 3. The above is the home result of Tuesday's election. The new corrupt practices law was strictly observed here, and the result was that the election was an extremely quiet one. There was no hauling of voters to the polls; no pulling and bantering in the case of some favorite candidate—all was peaceful and so quiet and serene that one could scarcely realize that balloting was going on for the selection of a new president of the nation.

Returns were received Tuesday night at C. A. Barrett & Co's, hardware store where a telegraph instrument was installed and operators employed to flash associated Press bulletins. Extreme interest was manifested in the result by both republicans and democrats. Early in the evening republican hopes were set aglow by the reports received from the Eastern states. In nearly every early report Taft's success over his worthy opponent was emphatically in the ascendancy and it was not until after midnight, when the southern states reported, that any substantial gains for the Nebraskan came in.

The Taft victory is so overwhelmingly complete that it stupifies his own supporters. His votes in the electoral college number 311 to Mr. Bryan's 173.

BIG SHIPMENTS OF BALED HAY

Over 300 Tons Handled at Taylor's Independent Warehouse.

David Taylor, owner of the Independent Warehouse, has done an extensive business in baled hay this fall. Together with the amount shipped and the number of tons in storage Mr. Taylor will handle over 300 tons this year.

The product for the most part is taken by the markets on Puget Sound, where a great deal of it is rebaled and shipped by vessel to Alaska and the Philippine Islands. In the former territory it is consumed in the mining districts and Uncle Sam's horses and mules eat it in the islands.

The present price paid by Mr. Taylor is \$15 per ton. The hay, which is high grade in every respect, comes mostly from the mountain ranches east of town, and frequently as many as a dozen teams are engaged in hauling timothy from the mountains to this city for storage. It grades high, being clean and exceptionally well cured.

Joseph Line Completed.

In the presence of county and city officials, railroad officials and a large gathering of residents from many sections of the country, the last spike on the Elgin-Joseph line, known as the Wallowa extension, was driven Monday. Work was started on the line more than two years ago at Elgin, 70 miles distant, and the laying of the last rail marks the beginning of an era of unprecedented development now that the county is connected with the outside world through transportation facilities.

Thirty-two Years Ago.

Alvin Burrill and family of North Yakima, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Stewart. Mr. Burrill is a son of the Rev. S. L. Burrill, who 32 years ago held the Methodist church pastorate in this district, with headquarters at Weston. He will be remembered by many old timers. In those days Athena (then Centerville) was just beginning to appear on the map and religious services were held in the old school house.

Surprised the Pastor.

An event of much pleasure took place at the M. E. church last Friday evening, when about 60 members and friends of the church quietly congregated there for the purpose of tendering a reception to Rev. Geisler, the new pastor. Mr. Fred Koontz, on behalf of those present welcomed the new pastor. The evening was pleasantly spent socially, and refreshments were served.

Adulterated Oil.

Getz Bros. & Co. of San Francisco have just been indicted by the federal grand jury of that city for violating the pure food law by shipping a dozen bottles of adulterated olive oil to John G. Muntings of Walla Walla. The oil was mixed with cottonseed oil and was sent in October, 1907. Mr. Muntings took the matter up with the authorities immediately on discovering the fraud.

Yakima Fruit Story.

The big fruit stories at North Yakima this year are not apple, but pear stories. Four pears of the Bartlett variety, which aggregated a total of eight pounds and a half in weight,

made their appearance. They were grown in the Cowlitz valley and the largest tips the scales at two pounds and a half. The grower received \$1.25 apiece for them and Fred Cleveland, a real estate man, who bought them says he has already been offered \$25 for the four. Their glory was short-lived, however for later in the day H. B. Sebudder, another real estate man, produced a Jumbo pear weighing two pounds fourteen ounces and a half. This pear is challenging all comers.

Sues for Divorce.

Desertion as grounds for divorce is alleged in a complaint filed yesterday by Carter & Smythe, attorneys for Mrs. Anna Seikirk Norton, who seeks freedom from marriage ties existing between the complainant and Roy E. Norton, the well known magazine writer.

ON THE AMERICAN GROWLER

"It's An American Institution; the Poor Man's Champagne."

Alderman Donohue the Solomon of Wilkesbarre, Pa., has given his definition of the ever-popular but much-abused "growler" and has limited its use.

Said he: "The 'growler' is an American institution and the poor man's champagne. A single 'growler' is refreshing and two of them don't do any harm, but the man that weds the can makes a fatal mistake.

"It's no disgrace to 'chase the duck' or to sip the contents of a 'growler can,' but to hog the practice is demoralizing and spoils a good thing."

The definition was given in passing sentence on Peter M. Smith, charged by his wife with non-support.

The Purdys In Court.

Contending, say the Portland Journal, that she should not be held liable on a note given by herself and husband to cover the overdrafts of the husband Mrs. Lillian Purdy appeared to defend a suit brought by J. L. Elam's bank of Walla Walla, Wash. The husband in the case is T. A. Purdy, formerly a salesman for the Studebaker company, but he has vanished and left his wife to fight the battle alone. The note given by Purdy and his wife was for \$6,500. She admits \$1,798 of this sum, but says that the remainder of \$4,702 represent overdrafts on her husband's accounts. In her answer she alleged that she was forced to sign the note by threats of violence on the part of her husband, but the testimony failed to support this view, and this element was eliminated by Judge Brownough, before whom the evidence was taken. As to the overdrafts, she denies that she received any compensation. Judge Brownough took the case under advisement.

Scriber a Bankrupt.

The liabilities of J. W. Scriber, cashier of the Farmers & Traders National bank at La Grande, now in jail at Portland, on several charges of forgery, amount to \$93,405, according to a bankruptcy petition which has been filed in the United States district court in Portland by Scriber. His assets, an inventory of all property real and personal, amount to \$97,930. The petitioner has property amounting to \$42,200, most of which is in town lots in La Grande. His personal property, a part of which is exempt according to law, is valued at \$10,200. Claims in action, bill receivable, etc., reach a total of \$12,350. All told, the property, including household goods, which are exempt from execution, is valued at \$6,150.

In Receivers' Hands.

The Central Railway Company of Oregon operating between Hot Lake and La Grande, Oregon, by way of Union, and from Union to Elgin has passed into the hands of Chester V. Dolph and Henry N. Berrie as receivers. The receivership followed the complaint of the American Trust Company of Boston, which alleges that the interest on \$500,000 bonds has not been paid since January 1, 1907.

Jones and Potter.

In Washington, Monday the supreme court of the United States denied the petition of Willard N. Jones and Thaddeus S. Potter for a writ of review. Jones and Potter, who are residents of Oregon, were sentenced to imprisonment on a charge of having defrauded the government by illegal entry of lands in this state under the homestead law. The charge was a conspiracy but they pleaded the statute of limitations. The decision practically upheld the verdict of the lower court.

Supreme Court Session.

The semi-annual term of the supreme court is in session at Pendleton this week. Several important cases have been argued, among which is the Horseman murder case, appealed from this county.

Park for Milton.

A movement for a city park is being organized in Milton and it is expected that the improvement club will combine with the Women's Civic club to secure action by the council.

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