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WOULD CREATE MORE INTEREST

WANTS BETTER ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING.

State Superintendent Alderman Sets Forth Importance of Large Attendance.

In order to create more interest in the annual school meetings a state wide movement is under way to increase attendance at the meetings. In many districts picnics will be held in connection with which appropriate programs will be rendered. Relative to the movement State Superintendent Alderman sends the following to the Press for publication:
"To the Patrons of Oregon Schools: We do not attach sufficient importance to our annual school meeting. This year our annual meeting occurs June 17. On this day one director and the clerk are to be elected in every school district in Oregon, a matter of much importance to each community. I should be very glad indeed to find that many of the Oregon school districts were making the day of the annual school meeting an important occasion, and at the same time taking advantage of being together to talk over the problems of the schools.
"The votes for director and clerk will take place at the school house. It should be remembered that women already have the privilege of suffrage in school elections. If all the women of the community will pack their lunch baskets and assemble at the school house on the morning of June 17, I am confident that the men will be there also when the sun reaches the meridian. Of course, the members of the family under voting age will have to have dinner. So all will spread out their lunches under some pleasant shade and enjoy dinner together.
"After a good dinner all will be in the right frame of mind for selecting officers and discussing school affairs. The patrons will have this opportunity to investigate the conditions of the school house and grounds, and see what repairs are needed; whether the school house is properly heated, lighted and ventilated, and what books and pictures are most needed. Let us make June 17 a red letter day for our district.
"Yours for better schools,
"L. R. Alderman,
"Supt. Public Instruction."

that this debt figured in the desire of Garey to get Christiansen, his former friend, out of the way.

Rubber Factory.
Stanfield is to be a manufacturing city, says the East Oregonian. It is to be the center of western rubber industry. At least this is the vision which some of her most substantial citizens are now having as a result of the completion of negotiations by which it practically certain that the Oregon Rubber company will establish a factory in the thriving little west end city. The City Realty company, the Townsite company and individual citizens have offered as a bonus \$40,000 worth of land upon the agreement of the company to expend a like amount in buildings and equipment. According to G. L. Hard, president of the Stanfield Commercial club, who is here the terms have been met and it will be but a short time before the building operations are actually commenced.

Absence Noted.
Currao and his merry go-round was one of the attractions in Athena circus day. Colonel Wood's absence was conspicuous, for the reason doubtless that the Weston editor was surfeited with the merry dizens accumulated at the Weston picnic, for Currao never was known to pass up the pioneers and their reunion.

Bids Wanted.
Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, June 15th, 1912 for supplying 40 cords of 4-foot number one fir wood, to be delivered at the Athena railroad depot on or before September 1, 1912. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. By order of the Board of Directors of School District, No. 29, of Umatilla County, Oregon. Chas. Betts, Clerk.

TALK TO YOUR HORSE.

It Will Make the Animal More Intelligent and More Friendly.
Talk to your horse and teach him to obey your voice as well as the reins. This may prove valuable if, as sometimes happens, the lines break or become unhooked. Besides, the horse likes the sociability of it. He easily learns a dozen or more words, but be careful to use them only for exactly what you mean. For instance, "whoa" means to stop at once and stand perfectly still, "get up" to go straight ahead and at once, "back" to step backward, "easy" or "steady" to slow up.
These words the horse readily learns and takes kindly to. "Walk" means to change at once to a walk, and "all right," spoken in a calm, reassuring tone, means "don't be afraid—that won't hurt you," and it is wonderful to see what a calming effect it has. Speak firmly, but not sharply, to the horses, for they are nervous creatures. Talking to your horse will make him more intelligent and more friendly.—Spirit of the West.

CONTRACTOR KILLS BANKER

A Blade of Grass.
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Garey was arrested Monday on a warrant charging him with the murder of Henry E. Christensen, cashier of the Bank of Pasco, and a member of the Pasco city council, by poison. Christensen died on a Spokane & Seattle train June 1, after drinking from a flask of whiskey containing strychnine. Garey was taken to Ritzville where he will be held pending examination. He went to Pasco from Walla Walla two years ago and has been prominent in business affairs. He has a wife and children in Walla Walla.
The information against Garey was sworn out by Prosecuting Attorney O'Brien of Franklin county. Garey is said to have owed Christensen several thousand dollars and it is charged

CHICAGO IN ITS YOUTH.

It Got One Weekly Mail, by Horseback, From the East in 1832.
Extracts from the first city directory of Chicago reprinted in the Record-Herald show, for the most part, a feeling of satisfaction in the compiler. The directory appeared in 1844. "Our common schools," he writes, "are worthy of special notice." Regarding entertainment for the stranger within the gates, he is able to note definite improvement. Whereas, "In early times our inns were miserable in the extreme," now "we have eighteen hotels and houses of public entertainment, many of them large and splendid establishments, not inferior to any in the west."
He hazards a prophecy which has been more than fulfilled when he says: "We have four large packing houses, and all of them have done a heavy business thus far. The pork packing is only just commencing, but well, it is thought, be extensive."
The progress that had been made in postal facilities is shown by this record: "A weekly mail from the east was received here on horseback in 1832. The next year it was received in a one horse wagon weekly. In 1833 a two horse wagon was substituted. In 1834 a four horse stage line was established semi-weekly; tri-weekly in 1835. In 1837 there was a daily eastern mail. There are now received and made up at this office forty-eight mails weekly, and the receipts of the office amount to about \$10,000."
In one or two respects the narrator cannot speak so cheerfully. He is compelled to acknowledge a debt of \$8,977.23. He adds, however, that "The credit of the city is now established upon a permanent foundation and cannot easily be shaken." But for the stage he sees no immediate hope. This is his plaint: "Our theater—a very pretty one—has been in operation the past season and met with some encouragement, but it must be confessed that at present the prospects of the drama are not flattering."

Heredity Among Musicians.
Hereditarily gifted never better exemplified than in the case of the famous composer Beethoven, the son of a tenor, who was the son of a bass. Bach came of a family of humble musicians, beginning, it is said, with a miller. Haydn's father was an amateur harpist in humble life. Mozart was the son of an ordinary capelmaster and teacher of the violin. The father of Rossini was a horn player in a strolling company.

Their Relationship.
Grandma—Well, Charley, you're an uncle now, and I suppose you are proud of it. Small Charley—you are mistaken, grandma. I'm not an uncle. Grandma (in surprise)—Why not? Small Charley—Cause sister's baby is a girl. So I must be an aunt.—Chicago News.

Competent.
Garey—Women ought not to be allowed to vote. Could a woman sit on a jury?
Hiltside—Could she? A woman like my wife could sit on the jury and the judge and the lawyers and the whole department of justice if she took the notion.—Newark News.

He Knew a Thing or Two.
Mrs. Exe—It isn't right to charge Willie with taking that money out of your pocket. Why don't you accuse me?
Mr. Exe—Because it wasn't all taken.—Boston Transcript.

Getting the Particulars.
Nellie—Hasn't Mr. Felewalley proposed yet?
Nora—No, but he has gone as far as to ask what time we save breakfast and whether mother is a good cook.—Exchange.

A Penguin Wedding.
Dr. Charcot in a lecture on antarctic experiences referred to the amusing antics of the penguins, which, he said, were very much like human beings in their behavior. Sometimes a couple of betrothed penguins could be seen seated close together in loverlike fashion in a recess formed by blocks of ice and observation had shown that subsequently the same couple attended before a third penguin, who might be called the clergyman or the registrar, for the positions of all three were similar to those occupied by the minister and the bride and the bridegroom at a wedding.—London News.

First Mail Coach in 1784.
A theater owner was responsible for the first mail coach in 1784. John Palmer, Bath, England, saw that it took four days to get his actors from London. He went to the government authorities and persuaded them to start a number of coaches to carry the mails and that these coaches should be built for speed and drawn by the fastest animals in England. In a little while a revolution was worked.

A Gossipy Mother.
"A gossiping woman makes me tired," observed small Donald.
"What's a gossiping woman?" asked his younger brother.
"One who tells everything she knows," explained Donald. "Mamma is one. Every time we misbehave she runs and tells papa."—Chicago News.

A Mean Retort.
"If you don't stop talking," cautioned the husband, "I'll not be able to catch any fish."
"That's funny," answered the wife. "When a girl angles for a husband she has to talk a great deal."
"I know. But there's a difference between fish and lobsters."

Why He Escaped.
Agnes—Why didn't you arrest the burglar who was found under your bed?
Gladys—He said that if I would not have him arrested he'd never tell how dusty he got.—Harper's Bazar.

You will never "find" time for anything. If you want time you must make it.—Charles Buxton.

AN ENGINE OF TORTURE.

The Pillory Was Not Abolished in England Until 1837.
The pillory was done away with by act of parliament in the year 1837, and it is amazing that it should have endured until that date, for it was a mode of punishment which could be made so extremely barbarous as to be a crying scandal to any nation. This engine of torture seems to have been known before the conquest under the name of "stretch neck," which is pleasantly suggestive of its functions.
Edward I. enacted that all stretch necks should be made of a proper size so that the life of the occupant should not be endangered, and a print of the reign of Henry III. shows very clearly what the pillory was like in those days. The culprit was mounted upon a stool, at one side of which was fixed a pole, supporting a pair of boards hinged together and with holes cut in them large enough to admit the wrists and neck.
The hands and arms were thus held on a level with the face, and the appalling stiffness which this must have caused can well be imagined. Thus confined and powerless, the offender was placed in some public spot, where the ruffian employed themselves hurling dirt, sticks and stones at him until they were tired or until the object of their sport succumbed, as not infrequently came to pass.
It would seem that primarily the pillory was intended for cheats of all kinds, such as mountebanks, fraudulent dealers in horses, coal, corn, etc., and we read in Fabian that the mayor of London in 1287 "did sharp correction upon bakers for making bread of light weight. He caused divers of them to be put in the pillory, as also one Agnes Daintie for selling of mingled butter." Soothsaying and other magic arts were also punished with the pillory.
It would appear that famous men did not appear in the pillory until after 1537, when a star chamber decree forbade the printing of any book or pamphlet without permission from the archbishop of Canterbury, the bishop of London or the university authorities and also made an order that any printer who did not conform to this and set up a printing press should not only be pilloried, but also whipped through the city of London.
Stafford is told by Garrard the way in which three men underwent their pilloryings. "They stood two hours in the pillory. The place was full of people, who cried and howled terribly, especially when Barton was cropped. Dr. Baswick was very merry. His wife, Dr. Poe's daughter, got on a stool and kissed him."—London Globe.

Gave Him a Warm Tip.
"Yes, it's a lot of trouble to raise hens till you know how," said a poultry dealer. "I'll tell you a story about that very point. A man who looked as if he hadn't had anything to eat for a week or so leaned over the back fence of my park some time ago. I had my eye on him, and he saw I had my eye on him, so he started up a conversation.
"Must be a lot of expense to keep up such a lot of fowls," he said.
"Not such a much," says I.
"What's the principal items?" he wants to know.
"Powder an' shot," I tells him.
"An', do you know, he never come back to ask no more questions? Diplomacy is a good thing to raise hens with too."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Violin Recital by Bacon.
Columbia College Instructor Appears at Christian Church Tomorrow Eve.

What promises to be one of the musical events of the season takes place tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Christian church in this city, when Walter A. Bacon, of Columbia College, appears in a violin recital, assisted by Mrs. Baumsister Thompson, soprano, with Miss Lois Shangle of Milton at the piano.
Professor Bacon is a musician of sterling capabilities and has taken part in many of the principal musical events given of late years in the Northwestern cities. Mrs. Thompson is a singer of note and those who have heard her praise her singing very highly. No admission will be charged at the door. The program for the evening will be as follows:

1. Concerto, first and second parts Prof. Bacon.
2. Selected, Mrs. Thompson.
3. a. Souvenir Drida
- b. Minuetto Beethoven
- c. The Swan Saint Saens
- d. Air Lewis VIII
4. Selected, Mrs. Thompson.
5. a. Air Bach
- b. Humoresque Devorak
6. Mazurka de Concert Musin

Ice Cream Fete.
An ice cream fete will be given by the W. C. T. U. in the basement of the Christian church this evening. Everybody is invited and the program is entirely free. There is a pleasant surprise awaiting the people who attend. It is intimated that there are some special numbers on the program; come, see and hear, then you will say "the best ever." The basement will be converted into a Japanese tea garden. Seats for two and three will be placed, the whole scene lighted by charming little fairy lanterns, while speeches, declamations, recitations and music both vocal and instrumental will fill the hearts of young and old with real joy. The object of the fete is to raise money to equip our public schools with hygienic charts such as the law requires for the proper instruction of the pupils. All interested in the public schools and especially those officially connected will be at the fete to help make it a success. A small charge will be made for ice cream and cake.



Prof. W. A. Bacon, in Violin Recital at Christian Church, Saturday Evening. Admission Free.