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DR. BLALOCK DEAD AT WALLA WALLA

PIONEER SURGEON SUCCEUMS TO PARALYTIC STROKE.

His Early Wheat Growing Stimulated Farming in the Northwest Territory.

Dr. Nelson G. Blalock, the pioneer surgeon of the Inland Empire, died Friday afternoon of paralysis, following a stroke the day previous in his office at Walla Walla. He did not recover consciousness. The funeral was held Monday afternoon and was largely attended.

Seventy-seven years of age, Dr. Blalock for 55 years practiced medicine. He was born in North Carolina in 1836 on a farm, and was educated in the common schools, except one year in Tusculum college, Tenn., paying by laboring nights and mornings for his tuition. He entered Jefferson Medical college in 1859, graduating in 1861. He was commissioned assistant surgeon of the One Hundred and Fifteenth Illinois volunteers in 1863, and was discharged on account of ill health in 1864.

He came to Washington in 1873, and invested in dry foothill lands reputed to be worthless for agriculture, but which proved most productive. In 1878 he raised on 2300 acres of land 90,000 bushels of wheat. In 1878 and 1879 he built a flume from the mountains down into the valley, 28 miles, costing \$50,000, for the purpose of conveying lumber, wood and rails. His improvements greatly stimulated farming in Walla Walla valley.

He planted Blalock orchards west of Walla Walla, was engaged in the lumber business on Blalock mountain, owned Blalock island in the Columbia and was a member of the constitutional convention in 1889.

He served two terms as mayor of Walla Walla and for 30 years was a member and for 12 years president of the board of trustees of Whitman college.

He was a director for the state in the National Rivers and Harbors congress and was a prominent worker in the open river movement, and was president of the Inland Empire pioneers' association.

Dr. Blalock leaves three children—Dr. Yancy C. Blalock, Miss May Blalock and Mrs. P. M. Winans, all of Walla Walla.

Drive Elk Like Cattle.
Members of the Wenaha Game Protective association have performed a feat never before recorded in driving 30 head of elk from the stock yards in Pomeroy, Wash., to the Wenaha forest reserve. The elk were captured at the Yellowstone national park February 3, unloaded at the stock yards in Pomeroy February 8, fed on alfalfa hay for 24 days, released on March 13 and driven like a band of cattle into the forest reserve in the following two days. The men reported no difficulty in driving the animals, saying that if given plenty of time they can be easily handled. The roads were avoided, the elk being brought through fields. When necessary they were taken along the highest ridges. In most instances the fences were let down, although at times the elk leaped the fences easily.

Easter Program.
The following program will be rendered at the M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7:30:
Selection, Prof. Gordon's Orchestra
Scripture lesson, Invocation,
Rev. Helmick
Song, Primary class
Address, Easter, Rev. Helmick
Song, Quartet
Recitation, Emory Worthington
Selection, Orchestra
Recitation, Bessie Mathers
Solo, Miss Buraker
Character Sketch,
Liviugston, H. W. Drew
Selection, Orchestra
Distribution of Eggs
Song, Choir.

C. O. D. Parcels Ordered.
The collect-on-delivery will be added to the parcel post department of the postal service of the country on July 1 next. Under the approved regulations a parcel bearing the required amount of parcel post stamps may be sent anywhere in the country, and the amount due from the purchaser collected and remitted by the Postoffice department. The regulations provide that the parcel must bear the amount due from the addressee and the collection will be made, provided the amount is not in excess of \$100. The fee is 10 cents, to be affixed by the sender in parcel post stamps. This will also insure the parcel to the amount not to exceed \$10.

Neil-Jack told me last night he had given me his new. Belle-Well, it's damaged goods. He told me last week I had broken it. Boston Transcript.

He Was Out.
Tightwad was out when he came to borrow the car. Easy-mark—No but I was when he left—California Petican

ENDEAVORED TO PASS CHECK

James Barnes Relieved of Forged Papers in Time.

East Oregonian: James Barnes, a young man who says he came here from Athens, enjoyed a very short career as a bad check artist and is now occupying a cell in the city jail awaiting the action of the law. He appeared in the saloon of Henry Latour elle shortly after 9 o'clock Monday morning and presented a check for \$16 in favor of Jim Ross and signed with what purported to be the signature of John Crow. The check was cashed but Mr. Latour elle took it to the bank immediately and upon learning it was spurious commenced a search for the forger.

He located him in the Olympia Bar, in the act of cashing a \$60 check. Upon the demand of Latour elle for his money Barnes handed it to him and, snatching the check from his hands, dashed out of the saloon and up the street. An officer chased to the neighborhood and gave chase, finally overtaking the man at the Cottage lodging house on the corner of Cottonwood and Webb streets.

Upon being searched, the check which Latour elle had cashed and two more exactly like it and another for \$60 and bearing the signature of Lewis La Dow were found upon his person. He carried only 50 cents in cash.

ARE INTERESTED IN POULTRY

Pupils of School District No. 4 Adopt Plans for Exhibits.

The little district No. 4, three miles north of Freewater on the Tum-a-Lum river, is the first school district in the county to endorse and adopt the plan of interesting the pupils in the poultry industry, says the East Oregonian. According to reports received in the office of County School Superintendent Young, the head of every family in the district has donated a setting of standard bred eggs to a pupil in the school and the birds hatched from these eggs will be exhibited at a show to be held in the district next fall. The winners at this show are to be sent to the annual fair in Pendleton.

Prof. W. W. Green, who has charge of the school, is responsible for the



lead which District No. 4, has taken. He aroused interest first in the pupils and then in the parents and results soon followed. It has been decided that the pupils shall experiment this year with White Orpingtons, White Wyandottes and White Plymouth Rocks.

Prof. Green also has the distinction of being the first instructor to institute the plan of giving school credits for home work. This is a pet plan of State Superintendent Alderman and one which he has been trying to introduce in all of the schools of the state. By it, a pupil received limited credits for attention to household and home duties, and it is said that it has had great results upon the department of children wherever tried.

Punishment For Smokers.
Tobacco was first carried into Turkey by English sailors, and its use was quickly prohibited, chiefly on religious grounds. As in Russia, a tradition was discovered prohibiting its use by the faithful Mohammed, it was said, had prophesied that in future ages some of his followers would smoke an herb called tobacco, but these would be unbelievers. Sultan Amurath IV, strictly prohibited its use. Search was made for smokers, and when they were found tobacco pipes were driven through their cheeks and rolls of tobacco hung as collars round their necks. Thus arrayed, they were mounted on asses, facing the wall, and driven through the streets to be hanged as a warning to lusters after tobacco.

Some Consolation.
Patient (gloomily)—I don't seem to be gaining very fast, doctor. Doctor (cheerfully)—You can't expect to get well at one jump. You will have to regain your health gradually day by day sort of on the installment plan, as it were. Patient (brightening up)—Well, doctor, if this thing keeps on much longer I'm afraid you'll have to collect your bill in the same way.—New York Journal

Expressed the Wrong Way.
The lecturer arose and said impressively: "Every time I see a young man coming out of a saloon I want to go right up to that young man and say, 'Turn right around young man; you're going the wrong way.'"—New York Mat

HOG CHOLERA ON VALLEY RANCHES

UNION STOCK YARDS COMPANY SOUNDS WARNING.

Disease Threatens to Become a Menace to Livestock Interests of Northwest.

Hog cholera has been prevalent in the Willamette valley for some time and it is feared that the swine plague will extend to other parts of the state. A warning has been issued by the Union Stock yards company of Portland and is as follows:

This disease threatens to become a menace to the livestock interests of the Pacific northwest. It is now quite common in some sections and if left unchecked will surely demoralize an industry that is getting a good foothold. The first symptoms are usually of such a nature that the inexperienced will pass up unobserved. Depending on the nature of the onset, the hog may be constipated or may have a profuse diarrhoea, will appear sluggish, disinclined to move about, appear weak, loss of appetite, inflammation of the eyes and a high temperature, or in rare cases an abnormally low temperature. The temperature can easily be determined by the clinical thermometer. Red or yellow blotches over the surface of the abdomen, on the inside of the legs and about the ears are quite characteristic.

The first thing to be done when cholera is suspected is to take away to healthy quarters the apparently healthy hogs. As the infective element is the urine or manure, do not move the sick hogs. Call in a reputable veterinarian, preferably the state veterinarian, and have the herd vaccinated with hog cholera serum. This, if done by a careful, skilled practitioner, will reduce the loss to a minimum.

All hogs dying from cholera should be buried at great depth or turned if convenient.

Hogs should at all times have clean, dry sleeping places, feed lots and troughs be kept clean and fresh, pure water accessible at all times.

These few pointed facts, if taken in mind, may save many dollars in outbreaks of this dreaded disease.

Edmund Kean as Richard.

It is impossible to form a higher conception of Richard III. than that given by Kean. Never was character represented by greater distinctness and precision and perfectly articulated in every part. If Kean did not succeed in concentrating all the lines of the character he gave a vigor and relief to the part which we have never seen surpassed. He was more refined than Cooke, bolder and more original than Kemble. The scene with Lady Anne was an admirable specimen of bold and smiling duplicity. Willy adulation was firmly marked by his eye, and he appeared like the first tempter in the garden. Kean's attitude in leaning against the pillar was one of the most graceful and striking positions ever witnessed. It would serve as a model for Titian, Raphael or Salvator Rosa. Tone was a quality which Kean possessed over every other actor that ever appeared. Many have attempted his style, and all have most egregiously failed.—William Hazlitt.

Real Nice Neighbors.
A strange couple had moved in the first floor flat and soon proved themselves undesirable, thereby marring what had been a perfectly respectable atmosphere. The woman across the hall reported to the owner of the property that she had listened at the court window and heard a very odd conversation going on between the man and woman.

The woman's shrill voice accused the man: "You stole them portieres, you know you did, and you stole that goat for the baby, too; you know you did."

"Yes, I did," replied the man's voice complacently. "I stole the portieres because you had been wishing for some, and your mother liked them so well when she saw them that she asked me to steal a pair for her too."

"They moved out the next day by request."—Kansas City Star.

The Story of the Pearls.
Nearly everybody in a social set composed of elderly people who live in the upper part of New York has heard the story of the pearls. It is a true story without a moral. The men of the dinner party were smoking and the women were in the drawing room. "I have always admired your pearls," said Mrs. A. who was seated next to Mrs. B. "And I think yours are just lovely," retorted Mrs. B. politely. "Yes, but I would gladly give mine for yours." "You would be sorry if you did." "I should be perfectly willing to take the risk." Mrs. B. smiled and, leaning over, whispered: "They are not real. The only genuine thing about the piece is the clasp. The diamonds are real ones." "Is that so?" said Mrs. A. "Well, even the clasp of mine is a make believe." And then the men came in.—New York Tribune.

PRESTON MAKES FINE GIFT

Pioneer Miller Gives \$30,000 Building to Watsburg.

In order to express to the citizens of the little city of Watsburg, with whom he has lived for 50 years, a testimonial of his good will and esteem W. G. Preston has just announced his gift of a "community building," costing \$30,000.

Incidentally, Mr. Preston has offered an excellent example for the prosperous citizens of other cities who wish to do real service.

The building is to serve as the recreation and training ground for all the citizens, and besides special laboratories for domestic science and manual training classes of the high school there will be bowling alleys, swimming tanks and gymnasium for any who care to take advantage of the opportunities.

Mr. Preston is president of the Preston-Shaffer Milling company of Athena and Watsburg. He has always been public-spirited and has made many laudable donations to his home city. The building will be finished by the coming fall and the plans are being drawn by Walla Walla architects.

The building is the climax of a series of benefactions Mr. Preston has made to his community. A short time ago he provided a scheme for the improvement of the cemetery by giving as much as the citizens would raise by voluntary contribution for that purpose. This new structure will probably be called the Preston Memorial building.

The building will be devoted to the advancement of the general social spirit and kindly feeling of the whole community. The gymnasium is made the largest single feature of this building in recognition of the fact that only in a sound body can there exist a sound mind. Therefore, one of the first objects for which the building will be used is the creation of good, sound, healthy, servicable bodies in the growing youth.

Then, as he says, since man must live by bread, even though he may not live by it alone, the building is to do its part in equipping the youth of the community to supply themselves with their daily bread. The splendid facilities for manual training and domestic science will doubtless be given a vocational trend, once the building is in operation, and the dominant interest of a boy for any particular trade can then be fostered and developed. Likewise the girls will be able to see just what is involved in preparing the daily food, and will be able to meet the ever-increasing requirements of modern living.

Waterways Convention at Pendleton.

The official call for the fourth annual convention of the Columbia & Snake River Waterways association, to be held at Pendleton, Monday and Tuesday, April 14-15, 1913, has just been issued by President W. D. Lyman of Walla Walla, and Secretary Wallace R. Struble, of Lewiston, Idaho. The initial session of the convention will be held at 2 p. m. April 14th, and the deliberations will continue probably until the evening of the 15th. The annual meeting of the board of directors will be held at 2 p. m. of the 14th. The program now in preparation will cover a number of topics related to the waterways and transportation problems of the Columbia-Snake basin and several speakers of prominence will give addresses. The entertainment of the convention will be in the hands of Pendleton.

WILSON DECLINES TO BE COLLECTOR

WOULD NOT SANCTION CHINESE LOAN NOR MORGAN.

While He is President, This Government Will Not Be An Adjustment Bureau.

The United States government as long as President Wilson remains as its active head will not act as a collection agent in South and Central American republics for big business, or guarantee any Wall street loans to any foreign power.

Although official announcement of this effect may not be forthcoming for several days, it has been learned from a private source that President Wilson is determined that his administration shall adopt this course from the outset.

President Wilson and his cabinet discussed a request by J. P. Morgan & Co., Kahn, Loeb & Co. and other financiers participating in the Six Power loan proposed to be made to China. They wanted the state department to sanction the loan so the security may be unquestioned and the return of the loan guaranteed by Chinese customs collections.

President Wilson, however, is determined, it is learned from an authoritative source, that this government shall not collect private debts or guarantee any loans and it is understood Secretary of State Bryan strongly favors such an attitude. Immediately after Wilson's inauguration, representatives of certain financiers tried to secure Bryan's indorsement of the loan plan, saying it was favored by former Secretary of State Knox. Bryan gave these emissaries no set answer.

It is understood the cabinet discussed the advisability of recognizing the new Chinese republic headed by President Yuan Shi Kai.

Gold Enough to Stampede.

Gold from Canyon mountain is almost a daily thing for this place, says the Canyon City Eagle. Nearly every day some one is down from the hill with a tunch of free, virgin gold, taken from a pocket or a seam where it has touched. During the first few days L. E. Hazeltine took out a pocket that had \$100 in it. The story told last week of Dan O'Shea taking out \$205 has grown until the amount is \$2000, which is quite a nice little sum to be taken from the earth within a day or two. And so it goes and no one pays attention to it. Similar conditions anywhere else would be followed by a stampede. Many thousands of dollars have been taken from the mountain and nothing said about it. Prospectors who open up a pocket and a rich seam where the gold has touched nothing said about it and keep still. It is only the hard rock miner who always wants to talk. The prospector on Canyon mountain gets his gold ready for the mint, but how much he gets he keeps to himself.

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