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"Better than ever," is the universal verdict we hear of the Pendleton Round-Up. Interest does not flag—as expected—in this great epic drama of the West. The usual big crowds were in attendance at the big show. Each recurring day's exhibition seemed more thrilling and entertaining. The Let'er Book slogan is already vibrating in spirit for the 1916 show and the thousands will come again next year just as they have come in past years. The diversion given by Walla Walla's Frontier Days by no means seems to lessen interest or detract one iota from the eagerness evinced by people to witness exhibitions of this character. The Walla Walla show this year was better than ever and indications are that it too, has come to stay. And it is well, for the reason that the people feel disposed to support both attractions.

The horse market is now passing into a boom. Unprecedented orders have been placed with American buyers and the demand for American horses for war purposes is far in excess of the available supply. Buyers continue to come here and this section is being combed for stock, for which fair prices are paid. The demand of the warring nations for horses and the utilization of gasoline motors would seem to have a tendency to put the American horse out of business.

We had a strange and startling dream the other night. In our slumbers we saw every fellow walking up and squaring his subscription account and paying a year in advance, and forthwith we were arranging to take up a large slice of that billion dollar loan. Just why is a dream, anyway? Wish that fellow who has been analyzing dreams in the magazines lately would do the Daniel act for us.

Speak a good word for the schools, and the churches, and the business and professional men, and the industries and your neighbors and friends and the people generally. Keep on speaking good words until others get the habit and begin speaking with you. It's a good thing for the town and in time others will be speaking well of you.

There are eighteen thousand regularly established libraries in the United States, containing more than 76 million volumes. The number of volumes is an increase of 20 millions since 1908. Of the 2849 libraries containing five thousand volumes or over, 1844 are classified as public and society libraries and 1005 are school and college libraries.

The English recruit is expected to put every rifle shot into an eight-inch ring at 100 yards. The territorials must put 80 per cent of all shots into a twelve-inch ring at that distance. The French soldier is required to put half of his shots into an eighteen-inch ring at the same range.

Tomorrow night, for the first time an Athena audience will be seated in the new chairs in the High school auditorium. The occasion will be the appearance of the Sequoia Male Quartette. The furnishings will be found to be in keeping with other splendid appointments of the auditorium.

The rush of people into Vera Cruz, Mexico, since United States soldiers evacuated it, has raised the population from 35,000 to more than 100,000. It is said that all traces of the cleanup our troops made have long since disappeared, and that the water and sanitation problems are acute.

There are twice as many people in the United States as in 1880, three times as many as at the outbreak of the Civil War, and five times as many as in '49. The increase between 1910 and 1915 is said to have been equal to the entire population at the time of the Revolution.

The English sparrow, thought to be a city bird, is found on the farms of the northeastern part of the United States to the extent of five pairs on each farm.

Burns, Harney county, has the lowest tax rate for city purposes of any incorporated city of Oregon having 1,000 or more population.

Russian peasant women have, on an average, from six to twelve children, of whom about half survive.

Don't worry over that billion dollar loan. It will not wear any holes in your pocket.

A Mulligan Stew

I heard a fellow ruminating out loud like this the other night, and I give it to you straight—"My auto, Lis of the, short out to party—of these I abant. I blew a pile of dough on the two years ago, and now you refuse to go, or won't or can't. Through town and countryside, you were my joy and pride, a happy day. I loved thy gaudy hue, thy nice white tires so new, but now you're down and out for trax in every way. To thee, old rattle box, come many bumps and knocks, for thee I grieve. Daddy thy top is torn, frayed are thy seats and worn; the whooping cough affects thy horn, I do believe. Thy perfumes swell the breeze, while good folks choke and wheeze, as we pass by. I paid for thee a price, 'twould buy a mansion twice, now everybody's yelling "ice"—I wonder why? Thy motor has the pip, and woe is thine; I, too, have suffered chills, ague and kindred ills, endeavoring to pay my bills since thou wert mine. Gosh is my bank roll now; no more 'twould choke a cow, as once before. Yet if I had the mon, so help me John, amen—I'd buy myself a car again, and speed some more."

The farm and a ford is far better than the great city and a free lunch. Stick to the farm.

The world's series between the Boston Red Sox and the National Phillies promises as many thrills as the last summer's affair of the East End and Blue Mountains. However, interest would be less here more hereabouts, I'm thinking, if Shlick were mixed up in it. Aw—yoo—Rusty!

Money makes the mare go, and it keeps a lot of people hot footing after the mare.

I sincerely believe that the opinion of the unprejudiced observer is that both Walla Walla and Pendleton gave good shows—and that neither has the edge on the other in giving you the opportunity to leave your shekels with 'em. The only difference lays in the fact that the 2-Ws has more streets to spend your spondulicks in, while the Roundup burg concentrates hers in one—resulting in a livelier punch, as it were.

Life is one long dream, with an occasional nightmare for a thriller.

I'll take for the story an ordinary white Stetson hat, lay the plot on the Let'er Book grounds at the county seat—characters, an Indian and Guy Jonas, horse-wrangler.
Act 1—Somebody soaks hat to Injun.
Act 2—Somebody buys a new hat.
Act 3—Jonas recovers hat from Injun, and on still hunt for owner.
Synopsis—Who the devil is the owner?

\$6000 at 2 bits a head, is the net receipts reported from Jolly Gulch down at Pendleton. If there's any joy coming from being packed like sardines in mustard, with everybody's elbow in everybody else's eye, 'show me.

By Feaver Radford
Lecturer National Farmers' Union

The farmer is the paymaster of industry and as such he must meet the nation's payroll. When industry pays its bill it must make a slight draft upon agriculture for the amount, which the farmer is compelled to honor without protest. This check drawn upon agriculture may travel to and fro over the highways of commerce; may build cities; girdle the globe with bands of steel; may search hidden treasures in the earth or traverse the skies, but in the end it will rest upon the soil. No dollar will remain suspended in midair; it is as certain to seek the earth's surface as an apple that falls from a tree.

When a farmer buys a plow he pays the man who mined the metal, the woodman who felled the tree, the manufacturer who assembled the raw material and shaped it into an article of usefulness, the railroad that transported it and the dealer who sold him the goods. He pays the wages of labor and capital employed in the transaction as well as pays for the tools, machinery, buildings, etc., used in the construction of the commodity of use and value to himself and those engaged in the subsidiary lines of industry.

There is no payroll in civilization that does not rest upon the back of the farmer. He must pay the bills—all of them.

The total value of the nation's annual agricultural products is around \$12,000,000,000, and it is safe to estimate that 95 cents on every dollar goes to meeting the expenses of subsidiary industries. The farmer does not work more than thirty minutes per day for himself; the remaining thirteen hours of the day's toll he devotes to meeting the payroll of the hired hands of agriculture, such as the manufacturer, railroad, commercial and other servants.

The Farmer's Payroll and How He Meets It.

The annual payroll of agriculture approximates \$12,000,000,000. A portion of the amount is shifted to foreign countries in exports, but the total payroll of industries working for the farmer divides substantially as follows: Railroads, \$1,252,000,000; manufacturers, \$4,365,000,000; mining, \$553,000,000; banks, \$209,000,000; mercantile \$2,500,000,000, and a heavy miscellaneous payroll constitutes the remainder.

It takes the corn crop, the most valuable in agriculture, which sold last year for \$1,632,000,000, to pay off the employees of the railroads; the money derived from our annual sales of livestock of approximately \$2,000,000,000, the yearly cotton crop, valued at \$929,000,000; the wheat crop, which is worth \$610,000,000, and the oat crop, that is worth \$440,000,000, are required to meet the annual payroll of the manufacturers. The money derived from the remaining staple crops is used in meeting the

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
Helen Hamilton Kieffer, Plaintiff,
vs.
De Walt F. Kieffer, Defendant.
To Do Walt F. Kieffer, defendant herein:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks of the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: Friday, October 29, 1915; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time, the plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for and demanded in her complaint on bill herein, namely for a decree of the Court forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant, and for such other relief as the Court may deem proper.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of Hon. Gilbert W. Phelps, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Oregon, duly made and filed in the matter herein on September 9th, 1915. The first publication hereof is made on Friday, Sept. 17, 1915, and the last publication will be made on Friday, Oct. 29, 1915, said publication to be in the Athena Press, a newspaper published at Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon.

Homer I. Watts,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice of Final Account.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Tokki, an Indian woman, deceased:
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Leo Sampson, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Tokki, an Indian woman, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge, by order duly made and entered, has appointed Monday the 18th day of October, A. D., 1915, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the county court house at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place where objections to the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made.

Dated this 18th day of September, A. D., 1915. Leo Sampson, Adm'r. c. t. a.
Will M. Peterson, Adm'r. c. t. a.
Attorney for Adm'r.

Executrix' Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of William Tompkins, deceased:
Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly and regularly appointed executrix of the estate of William Tompkins, deceased, by the Judge of the above entitled Court, and has qualified as such.
All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and requested to present said claims, with proper vouchers to me at Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon, or to my attorney, S. A. Newberry, at his office rooms 12-25 Smith-Crawford Building in Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 10th day of Sept., 1915.
Mary Tompkins, Executrix.

Notice of Final Account.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of W. W. Jacobs, deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that B. B. Richards, administrator of the estate of W. W. Jacobs, deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered has appointed Saturday, the 2nd day of October, A. D. 1915, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time, and the County Court House at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place where the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made.

Dated this 3rd day of September, A. D., 1915.
Homer I. Watts, B. B. Richards, Atty for Adm'r.

For Sale.

Grain and stock farm 708 acres, 229 under plow, 100 summer-fallow, 10 alfalfa, 5 orchard, 250 more or less cultivated and 238 pasture, horse, barn, outhouse, good well, windmill, water piped to house and barn lot, 20 horses and colts, 3 cows, pigs, chickens and farm implements included. Soil an ash loam. Railroad siding on the place; 3 miles to town; rural delivery; good county road and in the wheat belt in Whitman county, Wash. Price \$25 per acre, one-third cash, balance on time. Write Owner, care Athena Press, Athena.

payroll of the bankers, merchants, etc. After these obligations are paid, the farmer has only a few bunches of vegetables, some fruit and poultry which he can sell and call the proceeds his own.

When the farmer pays off his help he has very little left and to meet these tremendous payrolls he work been forced to mortgage homes, work women in the field and increase the hours of his labor. We are, therefore, compelled to call upon all industries dependent upon the farmers for subsistence to retrench in their expenditures and to cut off all unnecessary expenses. This course is absolutely necessary in order to avoid a reduction in wages, and we want, if possible, to retain the present wage scale paid railroad and all other industrial employees.

Notes About Birds.

A peculiar characteristic about birds is that the young of those that build nests in trees are blind when hatched, are naked, unable to walk and are fed by the parent bird. Among the wading birds the young can walk, swim and pick up food immediately upon leaving the egg. With birds, as with higher animals, the females seem to fancy bright colors and music; hence Mother Nature usually ornaments the head, neck and tails of the males that they may find mates more readily. The male birds usually excel in music also.—Exchange.

Crawford—1 bear it was a bad failure. Crabshaw—Very. Even the red-eyes didn't make anything out of it.

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