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Sherman County Courts.

Circuit Court, Hon. W. L. Bradshaw, J.,—3d Monday in March, and 1st Monday in October, annually.

Probate Court, Hon. G. B. Bourhill, J.,—1st Monday in each month.

County Court, G. B. Bourhill, J., A. M. Wright, Wm. Walker Commissioners, —1st Wednesday in January, April and October.

To Patrons and Correspondents.

All locals will be run till ordered out, unless otherwise specified.

Don't send us for free publication anything of an advertising character.

Don't ask us to send you names and addresses of correspondents. That is a private matter between them and us.

Copy for ads, changes, etc., must be in the office before 2 o'clock p. m. Wednesday to insure proper care and attention.

Church and Society notices FREE, except when for money making purposes. Such notices at regular rates at the option of the publishers.

Don't send us articles on politics, temperance or religion. Discussion of such topics only leads to violent and abusive language in the end.

Avoid personalities. Compliments delicately given are always acceptable, but even they must not be overdone, as the charge of incincerity is apt to follow a shower of pretty nothings spread broadcast.

Before coming to the city to trade readers are requested to examine The Observer advertising columns. Its active, wide-awake business man who advertises, consequently he is the most accommodating, sells the cheapest, and deals the most liberally in every way.

If Uncle Sam desires to maintain peaceful relations with Japan he'd better let Corea fight its own battles.

Why can not all the professors who talk through their hats be gathered into one great university for teaching things that are not so?

American goods are rising rapidly in favor in Japan, with our dry goods, groceries, shoes, etc., selling in preference to all others throughout the Empire.

Official notice has been given of the joint meeting to be held in Portland January 12th and 13th, of the Oregon Press Association and the Oregon Development League. The affair will wind up with a run of six days through California.

A Big Daily or two says, "John M. Genrin, has been appointed U.S. senator by Gov. Chamberlain, 'to complete the unexpired term of the late Senator Mitchell.'" The appointment of Genrin lasts only until the legislature convenes and a senator will have to be elected from January to March, besides a senator for the full term of six years. Two candidates will have to be put up at the coming primary election next April, for each party.

The syndicate came pretty near to tapping Capt. A. M. Simpson for about \$6,000,000 worth of his Coos and Douglas county holdings, on an option expiring last month. The last day they failed to come to time with the cash and Capt. Simpson closed the deal in his own favor. Aged as he is we believe he derives greater pleasure in the personal management of his financial affairs.

Covered with snow, sitting bolt upright in a spring wagon, G. C. Sears was discovered last week frozen to death, 30 miles from the Humboldt house, in Humboldt co., Nevada. Though dead perhaps 24 hours, the horses, mindful of the hands on the reins, were standing knee deep in the snow waiting the word to go. Soon after Sears left the Humboldt house a blizzard, followed by a blinding snow storm, swept the country. After the storm subsided a party started in search of the man with the result as above outlined. He perhaps became bewildered, and while resting his team froze to death. He was a driver for the Copper Mill Co., and started on his regular trip to the mine.

The birth of a new Russia is near at hand. Present events prove the truth of the saying that revolutions never go backward. Russia's readjustment to new conditions will be one of the most interesting national transformations of modern times. It has been said that the vast empire, with its many races and differing stages of civilization, could not be held together except as an absolute. But it could no longer be maintained in that form, as the czar practically admits. As a constitutional government Russia will be greeted with the friendly sympathy of the enlightened world. Its people have won their first claim to liberty, and all the better elements of mankind will wish them well.

WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN.

The rate making power that it is sought to grant the Interstate Commerce Commission, to make rates after hearing upon complaint, said William Sprout in an address before the California Commonwealth Club, would carry a still greater power, for anyone can bring complaint. That complaint can be made sufficiently broad to include hundreds of articles or thousands of rates. Upon hearing by the commission these rates could all be fixed, and the readjustment of all the rates of the country could readily depend on an arbitrary number of hearings or investigations determined or perhaps pretermed, by the commission. Under our political system it is not hard to conceive political questions arising, under which the commission might become a controlling factor in political campaign through the exercise, by a forceful President, of his own convictions in general rate reduction or adjustment by executive pressure upon the commission. This effort might be conceived and the pressure exerted alike in the spirit of altruistic patriotism, or of patriotic political necessity, but in either case would amount to seizure of the railroad revenues, and impairment of their value, to meet political ends. In the case of the Panama canal commission, summarily removed by a President impatient of delays, and anxious for results, we have seen what may be done by exercising Presidential prerogatives, and what has happened with the canal commission might happen with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"Senator Fulton suits us," says the Pendleton Tribune. "We hear no complaint against him in this part of Oregon. We haven't found him weak, nor negligent of our affairs, nor lacking in influence. We are pretty well satisfied with the powers now vested in one senator. May he be as successful for the rest of the state as he has been for this county. May some one give him a wand to charm the fishes of the Pacific, to dig deeper the channel of the Columbia river and Coos bay harbor, and may he be given a silver tongue to ally the carpings that arise in Portland on occasion that may be interpreted against him. He may not be dictating appointments to small federal jobs, but he is pulling hard for the good of the state, notwithstanding."

The Big Papers are making much of the case of William H. Elliott, of Richmond, Ind., who has refused to accept an accumulated pension of \$15,000 which was granted him on his hospital record. He says it is a matter of conscience with him not to accept the money, because he was never in a skirmish or battle. The singular feature is that a man who had so little conscience during the war as to go to hospital and keep out of the duties in which his company was engaged should seem to have so much conscience now.

The man who is doing the head work of the Russian revolt cannot be located—maybe he is also doing some of the foot work.

SEED TIME

The experienced farmer has learned that some grains require far different soil than others; some crops need different handling than others. He knows that a great deal depends upon right planting at the right time, and that the soil must be kept enriched. No use of complaining in summer about a mistake made in the spring. Decide before the seed is planted.

The best time to remedy wasting conditions in the human body is before the evil is too deep rooted. At the first evidence of loss of flesh Scott's Emulsion should be taken immediately. There is nothing that will repair wasted tissue more quickly or replace lost flesh more abundantly than Scott's Emulsion. It nourishes and builds up the body when ordinary foods are absolutely fail.



The paper started by ex-Senator Marion Butler, at Greensboro, N.C., seems to be a decided success. Liberal suits for \$40,000 have been brought against it already.

Petitions are being circulated in Ohio asking the assembly to pass a referendum law at its coming session. It is to be hoped that they will succeed. The botched and clumsy humbug will then be all the sooner found out, on that side of the continent. They have a noisy lot of theorists over there who insist upon having it tried, as was the case in Oregon, and there is not a better state in the east than Ohio in which to make the experiment. Let them have it, and give the people their belly full of it.

The ORN is the first railway on the Pacific slope to install the block signal system, a great safety appliance for the protection of the public and its employes. The signals are so arranged that they protect trains from collisions. The night lamps on the signals burn for eight days and nights and are attended by employes whose duty it is to keep the apparatus in working order. As long as a train is in either block another train approaching from either direction, cannot enter that block, thus preventing collisions of any kind. When the train leaves the block the pressure of the wheels on the apparatus releases the arm, it falls down to the safety position, when it is then known that no other train is nearer than two miles.

FORFATHERS' DAY.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the landing of The Pilgrims on the coast of America. A day notable amongst all days for Christian observance in the United States, because they were the first and only colonists who ever made a landing upon this continent without some mercenary motive. Other colonists came to this New World in the pursuit of material things. Cortes came for gold. Drake came for adventure. Ponce de Leon for eternal youth. DeSoto for conquest, etc. But the Pilgrim Fathers forsook gold, lands, honors, ancestral halls, and went forth as exiles, in the name of liberty and fidelity to the Great Beneficent. Standing before the Lord Chief Justice, their leader said, "If my blood were an ocean sea, and every drop thereof were a life to me, I would give it up for the maintenance of my convictions."

Macaulay shows us how they climbed the hill of difficulty and won the approval of God. Taught us how to live for duty, and not for pleasure; for justice and not selfishness; for liberty and intelligence and integrity, that are the watchwords of the republic. If their names were not found in the registries of heralds, they were recorded in the book of life. If their steps were not accompanied by a splendid train of menials, legions of ministering angels had charge over them. Their palaces were not made with hands; their diadems were crowns of glory that should never fade away!

FOR MORE EFFICIENT WORK Organization of The Sherman County School Association. Through the efforts of Brothers Merritt and Condon, International Sunday school workers, a thorough organization of the Sunday school forces of Sherman county, was effected at Moro last week. The object of the organization is to place the Sunday school work on a higher plane than heretofore, to train the officers and teachers in their work that they may be better able to reach the boys and girls who are rapidly becoming men and women, drifting away from the fold. The plan is to divide the county into three districts, 1st Wasco; 2d, Moro, including Monkland and Spaulding chapel; 3d, Grass Valley, including Rutledge and Kent, giving each a vice-president, who has general charge of the work.

A constitution was adopted and the following officers unanimously elected: President, G. M. Frost; Vice-President, A. S. Porter; Sec., R. O. Lyon; Treasurer, Mrs. Tonkins. Following are district vice-presidents: Wasco, Mr. Currie, of the Christian church; Moro, A. M. Wright, of the M. E. church; Spaulding chapel; Grass Valley, C. A. Heath, of the Baptist church. It is hoped that teachers of the different schools will organize a regular teachers meeting, to meet once a week for the purpose of preparing the lesson and discussing plans of work. Those wishing to take up regular training work may do so, or by writing the President, Mr. Frost, can secure materials and a course of study along these lines.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

Saturday Evening, December 23d. Committees.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

General—G. W. Brook, G. M. Frost, Mrs. Hadley, Miss Blair. Program—Mrs. Adams, Miss Rose Mrs. Frost, Edyth Brook, G. M. Frost. Finance—June Brook, Beulah Hayes, Grace Sells, Nannie Axtell, Bernice Moore.

Decorating—Mrs. Ireland, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. McDanel, Mrs. Hayes Mrs. Foss, Mrs. Henrichs, Mr. Henrichs, Mr. Adams, Dolf Heydt, and Emmitt Sells.

Distributing—Julia Frost, Louise Walton, Eva Norcross, Bertie Henrichs.

Purchase candy and decorations, Mrs. E. H. Moore, Mrs. J. O. Elrod.

METHODIST CHURCH.

At a recent meeting of the officers of Moro M. E. Sunday school the following committees were appointed to arrange for a Christmas tree and program in the church Saturday evening, Dec. 23d. Mr. Lyon, Supt. of S. S. general manager—Committee on music, Mrs. Lyon, Mrs. Wheat, Miss Lillian Stanley.

Program, Prof. Bryant, Mrs. Dunahoo, Mrs. Ramsey.

Tree, Mr. Lyon.

Soliciting, Lillian Stanley, Via Sayres, Laura Johnson.

Decorations, Mrs. Marie Johnson, Mrs. Strahl, Mrs. Stapley.

Purchasing, Mrs. Dunahoo, Mrs. Stanley.

Placing tree, Mr. Strahl, Mr. Shugart.

Popcorn, Hazel Dunahoo, Letha Johnston, Emma Sayres.

The following named persons were chosen as a committee on distribution: Prof. Bryant, Messrs. Dunahoo, Wilcox, Shugart, Lloyd Dunahoo, Leonard Blue, Walter Stanley, Nora Elcock, Eva Landry, Allie Huls.

CITY AND COUNTY.

Good Jewelry makes the most acceptable Christmas present. Get it at Hescock's.

W. M. Barnett, at Wasco, is selling your choice of either spuds or potatoes, at \$1.00 per 100 pounds, in the warehouse. Better hurry.

Weigand & Co. have the most elegant assortment of silverware and glassware ever displayed in this county. All splendid for Christmas presents.

You are to get an option on the W. M. Barnett store to be closed away December 1906. An option with every \$10 purchase at the Barnett Emporium, Wasco.

Now is the opportune time to exchange your wheat for flour and feed at the Wasco Flour Mills. We don't do a regular exchange business, but we buy your wheat and sell you feed and flour right. W. M. Barnett, Wasco.

It is said that the Adams sisters present a most interesting and clean program. Every number has been selected with care and is a gem. They excel in histrionic ability and their charming personality lends delight to all their performance. Moro Opera Hall, Friday Dec. 29.

We shall only order Word and Works for people who pay for and order them in advance. We cannot afford to carry such stock over time.

Meet me at the new and elegant Sherman Trading Companies store.

Ayer's

Bald? Scalp shiny and thin? Then it's probably too late. You neglected dandruff. If you had only taken our advice, you would have cured

Hair Vigor

the dandruff, saved your hair, and added much to it. If not entirely bald, now is your opportunity. Improve it.

Good Hair

There is an estray filly at my place on the McIntire farm 5 miles due east of Moro, which I am caring for since about the first of August, 1905, and I want the owner to call and prove property and take her away. She is a bay, 2 year old, with no brand visible, one white hind ankle. Unless claimed will be sold according to law, at my place as above mentioned, in Sherman county, Oregon, at 10 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, January 9th, 1906. L. OWEN THOMPSON, 1961 Monkland, Or.

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Sherman County Notes

GRASS VALLEY.

Carl Williams and family have moved to their new home, where several hundred dollars have been spent in building new additions, putting on fresh paint, new wall paper and new carpets, and they now have one of the coziest homes in Grass Valley.

Mr. Ireland, who has been visiting for a few days with A. S. Johnson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Donley, returned to his home at Corvallis Thursday.

O. P. King and family are now located at Ventura, Cal., having bought property there. They had, according to Mr. Kings letter, a delightful trip, on their sea voyage, the weather being delightful. One part of his letter made mention of his feeding the fish for about eight hours, his tribute to Neptune. In speaking of his ranch, Ob. says he never expects to see the top of it, for it's straight up. We are now sitting without a fire, and the windows are all up, December 7th.

Information is wanted concerning the whereabouts of one, Harmon S. Ensey, who is about 35 years old, 54 feet in height, weight about 160 lbs., has dark hair, sandy mustache, small twinkling eyes deep sunken in his head. When last seen he wore a black soft hat, dark wool coat, overalls and heavy shoes. He was last seen driving a four-horse team, from the Dalles, Oregon, about November 15, 1904. His team consisted of one bay horse with star in forehead, one bay mare small strip in face, fine horses, weight about 1200 pounds. The leaders were a flea-bitten grey mare branded "A-H" connected on the right shoulder and "B" on the left side and a small black mare brand not known. His wagon was a Studebaker make, 3 1/2 inch skein, with side-boards, extension bed, wagon bows and covered with canvas and had the name "Huddleston & Johnson, Cambridge, Idaho," painted on the side-board. His wagon was loaded with bedstead, chairs, washing machine, bedding, pictures, canned fruit, one man's saddle, one lady's saddle, two tables and other merchandise and a small tin box or safe, in which he kept valuable papers.

Anyone giving information concerning the whereabouts of this man or the location of the said animals or property will be liberally rewarded. Address all communication to LOT L. FELTHAN, Weiser, Idaho.

NEW TODAY.

Milk For Sale

A good article, delivered night and morning. Warranted pure lactical, apply to P. P. DeMoss, Moro, Or.

Estray Horses Sale.

One horse and one mare came to our farm sometime in June 1905. The mare is three years old, light bay, bald face with no visible brands. The horse is a light bay or sorrel, aged 7 years or over, branded on left hip with an oak-lock brand. Owner can have the property on proof of ownership and payment of expenses, by calling at our farm 5 miles south of Moro, by the road, or the animals will be sold at the above farm according to law at 10 o'clock a. m. Tuesday December 26th, 1905. BARNUM BROS., Moro, Oregon.

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City Property, And two ranches for sale. I have several residences in Moro for sale. Also two ranches in Gilliam county. One of 640 acres, and one of 982 acres. On this there is between 800 and 900 acres in cultivation. Good buildings, and an abundance of water, supplied by wind mill from a well. Any or all of this property can be bought on easy terms, or I am open to consider trade for other property. J. M. PARRY, Moro, Or.

Moro Property for Sale. One vacant lot, 25x100, in the busy part of the city. One store building and one lot Main street. Two lots and building, suitable for residence. Main street. This is all good paying property, and I want to sell it. For particulars apply to L. B. HULL, Moro, Or.

Grain and Stock Farm For Sale. 1040 acres, deeded. Over 700 acres plow land, 600 now in cultivation, water, windmill, wells and springs. If you want a good place come and see me four miles east of Rutledge. Everything I can man. No middle man. Address: FRANK PAYNE, Rutledge, Or.

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