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There is one serious objection to buying on the instalment plan; that is paying the instalments.

By the way, isn't it about time some one was making remarks about a sane Fourth?

Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill appropriating $75,000 for a site and public building at Oregon City.

There has been plenty of people to write satisfactory poetry about spring flowers, but who has ever written satisfactory poetry about spring strawberries?

It can be guessed that both sides in Mexico were well pleased to resume railroad connections with the United States if only for an armistice of five days.

One of these busy statisticians has discovered the interesting fact that the United States produces enough oil to float the entire navy; and enough water presumably to float Wall street.

Bangor, Me., was visited by a $6,000,000 fire Sunday night; three lives lost. The conflagration started in a hay shed, and spread thro' the city nearly two miles before it was checked.

Secretary Roach, in justification of the Bourbon gerrymander, attributes it, in large part, to the crooked rivers which make crooked county lines. This attempt to make the Lord a party to a Bourbon gerrymander should be resented even by the Bourbons themselves.

Former United States Senator Albert J. Hopkins of Illinois, recently "admitted" before the state senate bribery investigating committee at Springfield, that his private secretary, John N. Peffers, had told him that Senator McCormick of Madison county had admitted being "approached" with an offer of $2,500 for voting for Lorimer. Who "admitted" to Peffers? and what's the color of the fellows hair who "approached" McCormick. Rather too thin; that investigation.

James J. Hill continues to give good advice to Washington and Oregon about the need of agriculture to bring about a balance between city and country population. In accepting an invitation to address the Northwestern Development congress, which meets in September, he says: "It would seem to me that it is proper for the congress to give its first attention to the development of local resources. This is the final reliance of prosperity for any community, especially where large cities have experienced an unusually rapid growth, as is the case in western Washington and Oregon, and balance must be restored and held by encouraging a corresponding extension of rural development. Eventually, country and city must exactly complement each other or both will suffer. The forests of the Pacific coast are disappearing, but the soil beneath them is an unfailing source of prosperity."

Public Spirit Revival.

The planting of trees in Moro this spring may be considered the revival of a public spirit; and we hope to see the good work spread to every avenue of the city; it reminds one of history a century ago, in Elkanah Watson's day.

The fascinating idea of fruit trees along the sides of public highways, which has been fluttering before the imaginations of apple loving Americans for years, was brought home from France in revolutionary war times, by Elkanah Watson, who was a protege of George Washington and the originator in this country of agricultural fairs, as well as the pioneer projector of American canals. It was a dream of the late Dr. Gorgon of Wisconsin; it is now to become a reality in Kansas city.

"Within a few years, fruit and nuts will be easily obtained in Wyandotte county, Kansas, if plans of the county commissioners are carried out, for it has been decided to plant fruit and nut trees along all of the highways of the county. The office of commissioner of parks is to be created, and that official will have charge of cultivating the trees; the fruit is to be given to the farmers."

Watson, it will be remembered by those who have read his delightful journals and correspondence, went on a sailing vessel to Bordeaux on a mission to Ambassador Franklin, during the Revolutionary war, and proceeded on foot to Paris, finding fruit trees planted by the wayside, from which he refreshed himself as he went along. He found that there was a public spirit among the people that protected these trees. No one ravaged them. Each traveler carefully plucked what fruit he required for his immediate need, and no more, remembering that there would be others to come after him whose urgency would be as great as his and whose rights were entitled to respect.

It would be an idyllic thing if the planting of fruit trees on American highways could bring about in this country such a sentiment as this in the breasts of boys and tramps and all frequenters of the rural roads. It is to be hoped that the Kansas experiment will succeed and that its prosperity will inspire other similar undertakings.

A movement has been started to require congressmen to deliver their speeches in the house instead of obtaining leave to print; this is not only a safeguard to the public, but will compel congress to take a little of its own medicine.

Pilot Rock farmers are planning on handling their own grain this summer and fall through their own warehouse. The Pilot Rock local of the Farmers' educational and cooperative union of America has taken an option on the building owned by the Interior warehouse company at this point. The Pilot Rock local is now conducting a $10,000 general merchandise store; this establishment was taken over more than a year ago and the venture has proven successful.

When The O. Man established The Astorian in 1873, but one horse was owned in the city of Astoria; the streets were planks laid lengthways and short narrow bridges from one to the other. Job Ross kept a wheelbarrow which he loaned to people who didn't want to soil their clothes carrying a sack of flour home. Now Astoria has horses, taxicabs, autos, streets, street cars, etc., and has just secured rural delivery over a 25 mile route where was but recently only the primeval forests, too dense for exploitation by any but the lone fisherman in quest of the lair of speckled beauties in the omnipresent stream.

If any one doubts the mercenary spirit of the age let him take a religious census. There is one in progress in Spokane and the experience of the solicitors read like a book agent's nightmare. One of the ministers was greeted by a little girl who said: "Mama does not want to buy anything today." Another had the door slammed in his face, and still another was informed that he was on a diabolical political mission of some sort, and better beat it. Still, when one is cleaning house the particular brand of one's religion probably doesn't seem particularly important.

Morgan's Monetary Power Increases.

The gradual extension of J P Morgan's power over one financial institution after another is conspicuous among the phenomena of our day which future historians will investigate with profound attention. The Equitable Life Assurance Society, concerning which so much has been heard in recent years, has just become one of his conquests. His man is made president of the company in place of the late Paul Morton, and its immense funds will go to increase Mr Morgan's financial resources, which are already sufficiently large to satisfy most men.

The imagination curiously inquires where Mr Morgan's financial conquests will end. If he lives ten years longer and continues the enterprises which he has been carrying on lately, will any independent concerns be left in the country, or will he be master of them all? Should all or most of them fall under his sway the results might be interesting. To the modern world money is the breath of life. Our personal liberty, means of earning a livelihood, self-respect and the welfare of our families all depend intimately upon the manner in which it is issued and manipulated.

Were it possible for one man to control the money of the country he would be its ruler far more absolutely than the Czar rules Russia. The power of Nicholas is in large part a mere show which would lose its substance were the priesthood to desert him, or were the army to become disloyal. But the man who has the money of the Nation in his grasp need invoke the aid of no priest or army. Power flows to him as rivers seek the sea. The monetary sovereign is a new kind of despot whose emergence is an instructive development of democracy.

The ancient democracies had their demagogues who gained authority by eloquence or personal magnetism. In modern democracies it sometimes seems as if the place of the demagogue were to be assumed by the money-gogue. Whether he will prove to be a power for good or merely another instrumentality of evil is a question which only the future can answer.

Spokane is getting its supply of spuds from Wisconsin, at $2.50 per 100 lbs.

Wheat shot another point upward in Chicago Saturday on reports that Europeans were big buyers at Winnepeg.

Parts of Nebraska and South Dakota got all the rain the people had prayed for: 24 inches in 24 hours, with some snow mixed in. The temperature dropped from 64° to 39°.

The June rise appears to be coming down this early, and at Portland the Willamette is not only getting it's back up about the Columbia torrent, but is actually debouching considerable snow water from the mountains "up south."

The outcry against putting the picture of Brigham Young on the silver service given by Utah to the battle ship of the same name makes us shudder to think of the approaching day when Utah will send a Brigham statue to the hall of fame.

Attorney-Gen. Crawford has decided that the hunting and fishing laws is a grab-all funds affair; the county is not even allowed to keep any part of the amount collected for licenses with which to defray the cost of printing and clerk hire. It is time to call a halt on this notorious graft.

Discounting the case of Typhoid Mary, the New York woman who has been in quarantine for years because she spreads that disease, Hulu, a physically perfect Sandwich Islander, now in close detention at Honolulu as cholera carrier, is believed to be partly responsible for the epidemic which is just being stamped out in that port. Physicians who are fighting the cholera there say that Hulu's body breeds millions of cholera bacilli; his own health is perfect, and despite the fact that every day millions of bacilli are detected upon him, Hulu has not felt a qualm.

What Other Papers Say.

Prineville Review: Think of it. Bend but a trifle more than 12 hours, and Madras 10 hours. Surely the interior is being attached to Portland before we have had time to awaken to the fact.

Chronicle: B. S. Huntington, of Portland, spent yesterday in The Dalles, having as his guests, H. L. Ward and E. C. Mower of Burlington, Vermont, whom he escorted about the city and surrounding country.

Review: The Oregon delegation has been requested to work for the creation of another land office, either at Prineville, Bend or Madras. The members desire that a general canvass be made to bring to them a reflection of sentiment regarding the section affected, thus enabling them to act in accordance with popular will.

Pendleton Live Wire: "For the first time in my life," said Mark Sturtevant this morning. "I saw yesterday an Indian carrying a hoe; if it had been a squaw doing the job I would not have thought so much about it; but to see an Indian doing the job; why, it made me ponder on the way the great have fallen."

Bend Bulletin: At present the mail from Bend to Madras goes first to Shaniko, then to Portland and then to Madras. Undoubtedly the postal department has its troubles in adjusting service to the rapidly changing conditions fn Central Oregon, but assuredly not even the most ardent admirer of red tape can congratulate it on any present efficiency.

Astoria Budget: One of the finest pieces of lumber seen in this city for many a day, but not an unusual thing in this land of big timber, was received today by C. G. Palmbery and will be used by him for the top of the counter in the Imperial restaurant, which he is remodeling; the plank is cut from a spruce log and two inches thick, 26 inches wide and 36 feet in length and is without a knot or a flaw.

Dufur Dispatch: Did you ever think what your ad in the newspaper is doing for you? When you close your store in the evening and go home to your family and fireside, not thinking about your business at all, then it is that the paper is read over in hundreds of homes from which your trade is drawn. And there is your ad doing its work silently, but surely, and if you have taken the pains to make it attractive its work will be all the more attractive. This is repeated over and over; and is no doubt what inspired some writer to call newspaper advertising a silent drummer.

New Potatoes Every Day.

In Portland several years ago lived an old man whose daily round, with a sack of nice, fresh new potatoes, summer and winter alike, netted him a comfortable income. The secret of production was lost, when the old man died 15 years ago, but the Spokesman-Review comes to the front with the announcement that the city housewife can garden in her cellar and have new potatoes every month in the year. The trick is to keep the potatoe absolutely in the dark. Such, at least, are the claims of a French farmer. The basis for the claim is that potatoes buried in dry dirt or any other pulverized stuff that conducts heat badly will not sprout. Take big, 2-year-old potatoes that are perfectly sound. Hie to an absolutely dark cellar or closet. Spread fine, dry dirt two or three inches evenly on a table. Dampen the potatoes, bury them half way in the soil and plant them in rows spaced about four inches apart. A fortnight or three weeks later the potatoes will have become covered with tiny white points. These change, several days later, into little potatoes that grow rapidly. When they have become reasonably large they are removed and cooked or sold. But the old potatoes bear another crop several weeks later, or even a third. In fact, it is alleged, budding continues until the exhaustion of the parent potato leaves it nothing but skin. Thus do accident, for this new farming is an accidental discovery, and science conspire to reduce the cost of living.

Birthday Postal Cards at The Observer Book Store.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

May Term, 1911.

Petition of S N Millard asking for change in road, rejected.

Petition of John F Carroll for liquor license at Rufus, granted for one year.

Petition of F A Sayrs for change in road granted and survey ordered by the official viewers and E F Sharp, special surveyor.

Resignation of C A Buckley as director of the Sherman County Fair Association was accepted and D E Vintin was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Application of the Sherman County Fair Association for $1,500 with which to improve the fair ground, granted.

The semi-annual reports of the county clerk and treasurer were examined and approved.

Warrants were ordered in payment of claims as follows:

On account of salaries.	
Wm Henrichs, county judge	75.00
A J Holt, commissioner	14.40
W. H. Andrews, commissioner	12.00
J C Freeman, sheriff	300.00
J C McKean, deputy sheriff	150.00
J C McKean, janitor	40.00
K A McPherson, clerk	250.00
P H Buxton, deputy clerk	150.00
Otto Peetz, assessor	250.00
James Stewart, stock inspector	50.00
W C Bryant, school superintendent	166.66
W D Wallan, treasurer	66.67
BE Taylor, marshal fees	2.50
J H McCune, fees	5.00
On account of supplies.	
J C Freeman, sheriffs office	38.75
K A McPherson	1.25
Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co phone rent	7.90
Bushong & Co	64.32
Hudson Land Co	2.40
M M Hosmer	5.85
Tumalum Lumber Co	6.75
L J Gates	4 10
J M Parry, stamps	119.32
Moro Hardware & Imp. Co	17.75
W A Raymond	24.00
O B Messinger	9.25
W C Bryant	25.60
Dr O J Goffin	7.00
City of Moro, light and water	35.45
Farmers' Union at Grass Valley, tax rebate	12.08
On account of bounties.	
L W Amick	27.00
F C Mathias	8.50
P H Robinson	25.50
T J Miller	4.50
W B Wilcox	9.00
L W Rust	1.50
E W Knapp	3.00
Fred Hennagin	6.00
R E Jones	2.00
H H Brackett	7.50
George Lanlescher	2.00
Fred Justesen	2.00

BARNES BIG CIRCUS.

Two Performances in the One Day, Grass Valley, Saturday, May 13th.

The Barnes show is the only real wild animal circus on earth and required a train of twenty railway cars, sixty and seventy feet in length, especially constructed for Mr Barnes to transport the monster collection of wild animals, horses, ponies, paraphernalia and the army of people employed with the show. Over 200 marvelously trained jungle and forest bred animals are included in the collection. There is a lion that rides a horse, also bears, monkeys dogs, and goats that give exhibitions of horsemanship, riding ponies dashing around the ring; seals that juggle balls, batons, and lighted torches on horseback, elephants that act as barbers, operate a laundry, stand on their heads, play musical instruments and perform a score of tricks; ponies that drill, waltz, cake walk, add, multiply and tell the time of day; bears that juggles, turn summersaults and imitate drunken men and other funny antics.

Mr Barnes is exhibiting this year for the first time ever presented in America a troupe of trained Royal Bengal tigers. The tiger is the most ferocious of all the wild beasts and is the only animal that kills for the pure delight of killing. The only other troupe in the world is owned by the Maharajah of Ceylon, and he has never permitted them to leave the island.

Mr Barnes prides himself in presenting a good, big, clean show. Every courtesy is extended to ladies and children they can attend any performance without an escort and be sure of polite attention. Mr Barnes personally supervises every exhibition.

A big feature of the Barnes circus is the zebras. For beauty and grace nothing could excel the group that Mr Barnes presents, most of them captured from the African wilds by himself, for he is an intrepid hunter and most of the wild creatures that appear in the big three ring show were taken by him during his various trips to the interior of Africa and the remote regions or Asia.

DeMoss Correspondence.

Lucille Rees is on the sick list.

Douglas Evans is now on the sick list.

Miss Ida Hardin entertained company last week.

Mrs Hendricson is getting her house cleaning done.

Our school is in rapid progress with Mr Curfman as teacher.

H S DeMoss is enjoying a visit with a friend from The Dalles.

Miss Edna Evans spent Wednesday evening with Grace Larkin.

Misses Olieva and Marguerite Hunter were Wasco visitors Saturday.

Mr Gleason is away doing work for John Tonkins on his John Day farm.

Mr and Mrs Larkin and family spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs W C Rees.

M K Evans called on I P Hardin Sunday and enjoyed a very social visit.

Miss Taylor and Miss Rieden, of the Moro schools, visited our Park on the 23d.

The 5th annual Pioneers Picnic and Celebration at DeMoss springs July 4th, 1911, promises to be the best ever given in the county. People of the northern part are all making preparations to be with us, and very encouraging news comes from the southern part that people are now actually getting ready.

New shoes and Oxfords for men, ladies, and children. Something snappy and up to date. Good quality and moderate prices at the Moro Commercial Co.

Hon. John Fulton, Commissioners Holt and Andrews, and Attorney's Bright and Huddleston were in Moro this week attending to matters of business before Hon. Wm. Henrichs, Judge of the county court.

Removal Notice: Huntington & Wilson, of The Dalles, have opened offices in Portland, Oregon, rooms 805-807 Lewis building. Business sent to them from Sherman county through their offices in The Dalles or direct to their Portland address, will receive prompt attention. Portland phone, Main 7536.

Estray Notice--Sale.

Came to my place, in the Monkland settlement, Sherman county, Oregon, on or about March 12th, 1911, one brown mare, about 5 or six years old, white spot in forhead, weight about 1050 lbs. No brands visible.

The owner or owners of the above described animal is hereby notified to call for it, prove property, pay charges and take it away, otherwise it will be sold as provided by law, at the farm named in this advertisement, to the highest bidder for cash, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of Saturday May 13th, 1911.

L W RUST
Monkland, Or.

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Semi-Annual Statement of County Treasurer of Sherman county, Oregon for the six months ending on 6th day of April, 1911, of money received and paid out, from whom received, and from what source, and on what account paid out.

Date 1910	Source received	Genrl fund	School fund
Oct. 6,	amount on hand last report	14,017.07	3,690.62
Nov 26	H S McDanel fees	686.20	
Dec 6,	do	249.50	
"	State treasurer ½ scalp bounty	75.50	
"24,	J C Freeman taxes	2,277.02	391.76
Jan 4,	H S McDanel fees	253.45	
"16,	state treasurer ½ scalp bounty	53.75	
Feb 1,	K A McPherson fees	188.75	
"11,	state treasurer ½ scalp bounty	34.50	
Mch 3,	K A McPherson fees	194.45	
"6,	John Venable saloon license	200.00	
"17,	state treasurer 5 prct. land sales	113.94	
"22,	J C Freeman taxes	40,072.19	5,091.85
"25,	state treasurer ½ scalp bounty	37.75	
Apr 3,	K A McPherson fees	163.25	
"4,	J C Freeman taxes	5,660.33	591.50
	Total	64,277.65	9,765.73

Date	Amounts Paid out	Gen. Fund	School Fund
	By amounts paid out on county warrants	12,784 78	
	Interest on do	338.74	
	By amount paid out on school Supt. warrants		3,690.62
	State treas state tax	7,733.71	
	do on Miss Chastien	20.00	
	WmHenrichs, rd tax	13,627.67	
	Estate W C Fields	147.41	
	By balance General Fund on hand	23,312.29	
	By balance School Fund on hand		6,075.11
	State treasurer state tax	6,313.05	
	Total	64,277.65	9,765.73

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss

I, W D Wallan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amounts received, paid out and remaining on hand, in the county treasury of the said county, for the six months ending on the 6th day of April, A D 1911 Witness my hand this 6th day of April, A D 1911.

W. D. Wallan, County Treasurer.

Semi-Annual Report of the County Clerk of Sherman County, Oregon, showing the amount and number of claims allowed by county court of said county, for what allowed, amount of warrants drawn and amount of warrants out standing and unpaid, from October 1st, 1910, to April 6th, 1911, both inclusive.

On what account allowed	Amount warrant
County judge, salary	225.00
Sheriff and deputy	1445.05
Clerk and deputy	1207.45
County treasurer	234.00
Stock inspector	150.00
School superintendnt	676.14
Assessor	751.80
County comissioners	93.90
School examiners	63.20
Drawing jury list	7.00
Pauper account	196.25
Justice court cases	50.25
Circuit court criminal cases	
Office supplies	774.88
Court house expense	172.03
Roads and bridges	542.35
Printing and advrtng	54.15
Telephone rent, etc	37.90
Election account	720.60
Boarding prisoners	102.50
Bailiffs fees	14.00
Jurors, circuit court	208.80
Witnesses, "	11.70
Fuel	121.80
Water rent	60.00
Drayage	7.25
Scalp bounty	366.50
Court reporter	30.00
Miscellaneous items	22 63
Janitor	120.00
Library fund	110 40
E.O.Dry Farm	78.13
Total amount	8654.66

Amount unpaid warrants outstanding	Principal due	Interest due
	7113 63	360 00

State of Oregon
County of Sherman } ss.

I, K. A. McPherson, county clerk of the county of Sherman, state of Oregon, do hereby certify that the fore going is a true and correct statement of the number and amount of claims allowed by the county court of said county for the six months ending on April 6th, 1911, on what account the same were allowed, and the amount of warrants drawn, and the amount of warrants out standing and unpaid as same appear upon the records of my office and in my official custody. Witness my hand and the seal of the county court of said county this 8th day of April, A.D. 1911.

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K. A. McPherson, County Clerk,

Semi-Annual Summary Statement of the financial condition of the county of Sherman, in the state of Oregon, April 6th, AD 1911.

Liabilities	Amount	Resources	Amount
To warrants drawn on the county treasurer, and outstanding and unpaid	7113.63	By funds in hand of County Treasurer appliable to the payment of County Warrants	16999.29
Estimated accrued interest	360.00		
Excess of Resources over Liabilities	9525.66		
Total	$16999.29	Total	$16999.29