The Observer

MORO, OREGON.

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SUMMARY OF THE OREGON NEWS

The Rapid Reader's Review of Recent Reports Rewritten

Hillsboro's saloons must close at 10 o'clock hereafter, instead of at midnight.

The Oregon supreme court holds that workmen's compensation law will not become operative until June 30 of next year, owing to restrictions of the constitution.

The Booth-Kelly Lumber company's machine shops at Wendling, said to be the largest of the kind in the state, were destroyed by fire at a loss of perhaps $15,000.

At a meeting of stockholders at Dallas it was decided to erect a $10,000 hospital. Frank J. Coad was elected president of the association, and Miss Edith Starbuck secretary.

Ashland citizens are considering the plan of installing water meters throughout the city. A dozen of the meters have been ordered from the Westinghouse company for trial.

Completion of preliminary surveys for the development of 45,000 horsepower within the next five years at Clear Lake, in the Cascade mountains, 75 miles east of Eugene, is announced.

The state water board has extended the time for the completion of Portland's reservoirs and canals at Clear Fork, on the Sandy river, from which water supply is assured, to June 1, 1930.

State Engineer Lewis will not recommend that approximately 20,000 acres of land in the central Oregon irrigation project be patented until he is convinced that the land can be reclaimed.

Ten thousand turkeys have been shipped from Douglas county to San Francisco, the farmers receiving about $20,000 for the birds. The birds were sent to San Francisco because of the higher prices prevailing there.

As a result of movements by commercial clubs of the county and inhabitants of rural districts for better roads, many miles of public highways in Polk county are ready for winter use by automobiles.

A plant for the pasteurizing of milk, the first in Eugene, will be opened about the first of the month by a corporation formed by five men, four of them Danes, and the project backed by over 40 Danes of the colony west of Eugene.

Secretary Lane has ordered a public sale at Hermiston, December 27, of several hundred acres of Maxwell land on the Umatilla irrigation project. All the lands to be sold are centrally situated and each tract has an adequate water supply.

The committee working for prohibition in the election at Albany expended $46.65, according to a campaign statement filed by Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson, secretary of the committee. The prohibitionists won by a majority of 41 votes, but saloonmen may bring a contest.

Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of war to turn over the Sand Island revenues to the Oregon fish commission. Also resolutions from the Pendleton commercial association advocating flood control and reclamation of swamp lands in the south.

Although he has held various public offices in Marion county for more than 40 yaers, has served on juries and otherwise acted in public capacities, J. R. Landon was unseated as mayor of Woodburn by Circuit Judge Kelly on the ground that he is not an American citizen.

The Oregon State Sunday School association probably will meet in Albany in annual convention in April. The meeting place has not been decided upon definitely, but many of the members of the committee which will make the selection have indicated a willingness to come to that city.

Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill appropriating $10,000 to aid the agricultural department in importing sheep for breeding purposes. The department desires to aid farmers and rangemen in obtaining types most suitable to their particular requirements.

With a reserve of 34.8 per cent, which is almost 10 per cent more than required by law; with nearly $5,000,000 more loans outstanding, and yet over $3,000,000 more cash on hand or due from other banks than this time last year, the 170 state and 86 national banks of Oregon reflect the prosperity of this state.

Sunday performances at the moving picture shows in the Coquille valley cities will be a thing of the past if the wishes of some are granted. At Myrtle Point one faction made so much objection to the Sunday performances that the city council has passed an ordinance which prohibits the opening of the show house on Sunday.

Grading on the Siskiyou mountain section of the Pacific highway through Jackson county was started Friday under the provisions of the first contract to be let under the new bonding highway laws. The section of road covers 13 miles, and the contract price for the grading was $107,540, which is the largest contract for highway construction ever let on the Pacific coast.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Mother in Tears Sees Girl.

Salem.—The tears of a mother pleading that she be permitted to see her daughter, whom she had not seen for four years, won the hearts of the state board of control and Mrs. Emma Thompson was given an interview with her eldest child, Lillian Larkin, an inmate of the state industrial school for girls.

The board, however, denied a parole, after a session of almost two hours, in which a committee of four, headed by Mrs. Jean Bennett, of Portland, pleaded that the girl be released.

Maids Want to Return to Homes.

Albany.—Cecile Diethelman and Hulda Kraner, who came from Lucerne, Switzerland, to marry, after an exchange of photographs and letters with Kasper Kirtz and Herman Young, newcomers, changed their minds after seeing the men in the case. The young women now want to return to their mountain home. They have no money, and a public subscription may be started for them.

Roseburg Couple Wed; Secret Held.

Roseburg.—To be married in their own home, situated on one of Roseburg's busiest residence streets, and to live together for seven days without even the immediate members of their families having knowledge of the event, was the unusual secrecy attached to the wedding of B. F. Shields and Mrs. Carrie Thompson, of this city.

Hop Growers Plan Union.

Salem, Or.—Without a dissenting voice, 76 hop growers of the Willamette valley met here and took steps to effect a permanent organization of similar nature to the big fruit unions that are now uniting the strength of the fruit growers of the northwest.

ORGANIZATION IS FAVORED

Co-operation to be Urged During Farmers' Week.

Corvallis.—Farmers' week at the agricultural college this year is December 8 to 13. While it is designed to make the regular courses in farm production as streng and practical as possible within the five days of instruction and demonstration, the keynote of the course will be rural organization and co-operation. This subject will be presented in lectures and lantern courses by Dr. Hector Macpherson, who returned this fall from a tour of 11 European countries as a member of the American commission. Dr. Macpherson procured an instructive collection of photographs while in Europe, and these will be used to illustrate industrial and economic methods among the rural people of the old world.

Economical production, co-operative marketing, close systems of accounting and cheaper credit are the cardinal points in his doctrine of rural economics.

Hogs Have Cholera.

Pendleton.—Hog cholera has made its appearance in the east end of Umatilla county, and Dr. C. W. Lassen, county veterinary, has placed the infected animals in quarantine. He estimates that already 100 hogs have died of the disease, and says that the farmers are somewhat alarmed over the epidemic. Serum is being used to prevent any further spread.

Socialist Teacher Cleared.

Quincy.—Mrs. Flora I. Foreman, principal of the Quincy school, received from the school board a vote of vindication of the charges of having taught in her school doctrines of socialism, sedition and atheism. An appeal will be taken to the state board of education for further hearing.

Pender Found Guilty of Murder.

St. Helens.—"Guilty as charged in the indictment" was the verdict of the jury in the case against John A. Pender, charged with murder in the first degree for the killing of Daisy Wehrman on Labor day, 1911, near Scappoose, Columbia county, Oregon.

Grants Pass Asks Cut in Rate.

Grants Pass.—The city has served papers upon the Southern Pacific officials bringing action before the state railroad commission in seeking a reduction of the freight rates on steel rails and structural iron from Portland to this city.

Rewards for Homicides.

Salem.—Governor West in a proclamation has offered a reward of $2500 for the arrest and conviction of any person who has committed homicide in the state and in another proclamation he revoked all unearned rewards offered heretofore.

Value of Character.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan emphasized character as a banker's most important asset, and recently Lord Cromer spoke of character as a government official's indispensable qualification, using these words: "I have always held that 75 per cent of the influence of British officials for good depends on character and only 25 per cent on brains. Mistakes arising from defective intelligence will generally admit of being rectified. Those which are due to defects of character are more often irremediable."

Won Their Pardons.

From the time of the story of Damon and Pythias various reasons for temporary release from jail have been given. It is related that in the Napoleonic era a soldier confined in a military prison for a minor offense against the service during a brief time of peace was released in order that he might be present at the christening of his infant son, born during his imprisonment. But Napoleon, in order to test the intensity of the man's desire, made him agree to serve a year longer for the privilege of a three day furlough. The soldier gladly did it and when he returned found a pardon and a corporal's warrant for his infant son, to be valid when the son had "served with credit six months in the emperor's army of the future." Frederick the Great released an audacious captain under sentence of death so that the captain might "tell him a few beneficial things about himself." The things told face to face influenced the great king to pardon the blunt death defying soldier.—New York Sun.

Beecher Found Them.

Henry Ward Beecher used to visit his old friends once a year for many years, but in the latter part of his life he was not able to do this. In his very last year, however, he was able to spend a day in Indianapolis and went round the place. That evening he was received by the ministers, and the chairman in welcoming him said:

"Doubtless you find few of your old friends here in Indianapolis after so many years of absence, but we who are here welcome you just as warmly."

Mr. Beecher in reply said:

"Your chairman has said that I have found few of my old friends here in the city. It is true. I found only Mr. —, Mr. — and Mr. —" (naming four or five of the old men of the city). "But this afternoon we drove out to Cedar Hill" (the cemetery), "and I found them. They are all there, sleeping just as peacefully as they used to do under my sermons."

Speed of Animals.

According to the naturalists, no animal is known to have exceeded the speed attained by the famous race horse Sysonby. Instantaneous photographs show the full length of one complete stride of about twenty-six feet. In the stride of the fastest racers the hind quarters and limbs are raised considerably higher than the shoulders and from this relatively great height is brought downward and forward, widely separating from each other, as a sportsman says, "to avoid striking the fore legs." The hare which is hunted with fast dogs has not in reality the speed of the dog. The dog, on the other hand, does not attain the speed of the horse. The giraffe is said to run at the rate of fifteen yards per second under the most favorable conditions. The elephant, going at a rate of two yards a second, carries a weight approximating that carried by six horses.

Perpetual Silence.

A curious mourning custom obtains among central Australians, who, although representing perhaps the lowest and most degraded type of human beings, have managed to evolve a most complex system of rites and ceremonies which governs almost every action of their lives. When a husband dies the widow paints herself all over with white pigment and for the space of a year must not exhibit herself to a male member of the tribe on pain of death. For the rest of her life, unless she marries again, which is sometimes allowed, she must not speak, but communicate with the other women by means of a sign language, consisting of movements of the hands and fingers, which has been developed by these savages to a marvelous extent and by which their limited stock of ideas can be fully expressed.

Fancy Mice.

That the rearing of fancy mice can be made not merely an interesting hobby, but also a source of substantial profit, is illustrated by the experience of a Scarborough (England) man, hundreds of whose tiny pets find their way annually into the hands of the British admiralty. Tame mice are required principally for use in submarines. They are exceedingly prone to suffocation. The Scarborough fancier, Mr. Beanland, illustrated this by covering the palm of his hand with ordinary liquid paint and placing a tame mouse on it. The tiny creature was at once overcome by the smell of the paint and suffocated in an incredibly short time.

Byron's Habits.

While Byron was in Ravenna, Italy, he adopted strange habits. It was his custom to rise at 2 in the afternoon, breakfast and ride and dine at 6. Then he would sit and talk until 5 or 6 in the morning, or, if no company were there, he would write a bit of "Don Juan." But his life was like that of Aubrey Beardsley—upside down—the day was the night.

In Training.

"Have you been to sea in the last six or eight years?"

"Not exactly," replied the mariner, "but I'm not out of practice. Every evening I go to the club and spend hours in a rocking chair whose motion has given many men seasickness."—Washington Star.

Eugenics.

The self made man was speaking. He said: "My father was a raiser of hogs. There was a large family of us." And then his voice was drowned by the applause.—Life.

We can do what we ought to do, and when we say we cannot, why, we simply will not.

Her Bad Accident.

"Did you ever have a bad accident?"

The lady chauffeur bit her lip.

"I met my husband by accident," she admitted.—Exchange.

Just Too Late.

"When did you learn that he was one of the bank's most trusted employees?"

"The day after he absconded with the funds."—Detroit Free Press.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors and let every new year find you a better man.—Franklin.

SEEKING TO SAVE DOOMED WOMAN

Mrs. Wakefield Sentenced to Be Hanged.

MAY ESCAPE THE GALLOWS.

Various Organizations and Prominent Women in Connecticut Protest Against Extreme Penalty—She, With Aid of a Man, Brought About the Death of Her Husband.

Hartford, Conn.—Aroused as they never have been before, Connecticut women of every walk in life are shouldering the burden of preventing the state from inflicting the death punishment upon Mrs. Bessie J. Wakefield, convicted as an accomplice in the murder of her husband.

From every conceivable vantage point wives and daughters of prominent men, suffragists and women opposed to their sex exercising the right of franchise are attacking as disgraceful and unwarranted the carrying out of the court edict that Mrs. Wakefield shall be hanged.

Photo by American Press Association.
MRS. BESSIE WAKEFIELD.

From every corner of the state the protests of the women are being voiced in the form of publicly circulated petitions to which many thousands of names are being signed daily, in publicity campaigns and in personal demands being made upon members of the state board of pardons, legislators and jurists. Although Mrs. Wakefield still is in a cell in the prison death house, no word yet has been received by her indicating what will be the result of the unique crusade.

If Mrs. Wakefield dies for the murder of her husband, in the actual commission of which she was not accused of having taken a hand, she will be the first woman put to death in the state since 1786.

Connecticut's leniency toward women who have been convicted of murder is explained in part by its efforts to atone for its unsavory record in Colonial days, when six women were burned or hanged as witches. In 1745 Elizabeth Shaw, a feeble minded girl, was hanged on her father's testimony that she had killed her infant child. She was executed after she had ridden a mile to the scaffold seated on her coffin and crying aloud to be saved. But since Connecticut became a state only one woman has been legally put to death within its limits.

Mrs. Wakefield is twenty-four years old and is one of six children of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Webster of Middlebury, an uncultured, but honest, couple, who for years have eked a bare living out of a rocky farm.

The daughter received practically no education, and she was only seventeen when she was married to Wakefield, a Bristol farm hand. She became housekeeper for James Plew, a Middlebury farmer.

Plew and Wakefield soon quarreled about her. Wakefield was found slain last June. Plew confessed the deed, but he and Mrs. Wakefield blamed each other for plotting the murder so that they could be married. Plew, who has a wife and child, and Mrs. Wakefield, who has two children, have been sentenced to be hanged on March 4, 1914.

It has been stated in the Connecticut press that the vote of the board must be unanimous to commute a sentence, but the law was changed four years ago to make a favorable vote of five members effective.

Mrs. Wakefield's children are with her parents. The boy, who is six years old, and the girl, who is four, know nothing of their parents' fate, and they daily say to their grandmother, "Mamma will be home today."

The fact that many women have been convicted of single handed and premeditated murder in Connecticut in the last half century, and that all have escaped the death penalty, and that Mrs. Wakefield is not even charged with a part in the actual killing of her husband, has incited a widespread revolt against the decree of the extreme penalty in her case.

Natural Death.

"Did he die a natural death?"

"Yes. A beer bottle from an airship fell on his head."—Satire.

Chronic Dyspepsia.

The following unsolicited testimonial should certainly be sufficient to give hope and courage to persons afflicted with chronic dyspepsia: "I have been a chronic dyspeptic for years, and of all the medicine I have taken, Chamberlain's Tablets have done me more good than anything else," says W. G. Mattison, No. 7 Sherman St., Hornellsville, N. Y. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

A Three Headed Town.

When the town of Tolono, Ill., was settled the question of a name arose. The site chosen for the town was at a point where three farms "cornered." These farms were owned by three of the early settlers of the region, by the names of Todd, Logan and Noyes.

After considerable discussion it was proposed that the town be named after the three men who originally owned the site. How to manage the name was a problem at first, but finally some genius suggested that only the first two letters of each name be used. This was agreed to, and the name Tolono came into existence.—Ladies' Home Journal.

"See Naples and Die."

The famous expression "See Naples and die" is founded on a play on words. The saying "All quiet on the Potomac" is known only in the United States. "See Naples and die" is international. But it does not mean what it appears to mean. In the bay of Naples there is an island called Morreal, which in Italian means something connected with death. The original saying was, "See Naples and Morreal," but in a spirit of levity the English translated the saying, "See Naples and die."—Ed W. Howe in "Travel Notes."

They Make You Feel Good.

The pleasant purgative effect produced by Chamberlain's Tablets and the healthy condition of body and mind which they create make one feel joyful. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Feminine Economy.

"I understand, Harry," remarked the acquaintance, "that your wife has started to practice economy."

"Yes," replied Harry; "she is practicing economy, all right, and if your wife is thinking of taking a turn in the same direction you had better get busy and head her off before it is too late."

"I don't understand you, Harry," said the acquaintance, with a perplexed expression. "I should regard economy as something to commend."

"Yes," was the smiling rejoinder of Harry, "but not when your wife is buying your shirts at three for a dollar so that she can get herself a twenty dollar hat."—Chicago News.

Avoid Sedative Cough Medicines.

If you want to contribute directly to the occurrence of capillary bronchitis and pneumonia, use cough medicines that contain codine, morphine, heroin and other sedatives when you have a cough or cold. An expectorant like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is what is needed. It cleans out the culture beds or breeding places for the germs of pneumonia and other germ diseases. That is why pneumonia never results from a cold when Chamberlain's Cough remedy is used. It has a world wide reputation for its cures. It contains no morphine or other sedative. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

The Composer of "Faust."

Gounod was one of the most fascinating men I have ever spoken with. His manner had a charm that was irresistible, and his kindly eyes, soft and melting as a woman's, would light up with a smile, now tender, now humorous, that fixed itself ineffaceably upon the memory. He could speak English fairly well, but preferred his own language, in which he was a brilliant conversationalist, and he could use to advantage a fund of keen, ready wit.—Klein in "Thirty Years of Musical Life in London."

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says: "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effectual and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Sherman County.

C. E. Johnson, Plaintiff.
vs
L. R. French and —— French, husband and wife; Geo. E. Quiggle; S. Schupback and Sarah Schupback, husband and wife; W. C. Repass and Florence Repass, husband and wife; Emil Theilhorn; H. G. Kemp, Defendants.

By virtue of an execution, judgment, order, decree, and order of sale issued out of the above entitled Court in the above entitled cause, to me directed and dated the 29th day of October, 1913, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said Court on the 22nd day of July, 1913, in favor of C. E. Johnson and against L. R. French and —— French, husband and wife; Geo. E. Quiggle; S. Schupback and Sarah Schupback, husband and wife; W. C. Repass and Florence Repass, husband and wife; Emil Theilhorn; and H. G. Kemp, the above named defendants, for the sum of five hundred ($500) dollars with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the first day of November, 1911, and the further sum of one hundred and fifty ($150) dollars as attorneys' fee, and the further sum of thirty one and 25-100ths ($31.25) dollars costs, which above said judgment was enrolled and docketed in the clerks office of said court in Sherman county, Oregon, on the above said 22d day of July, 1913, and which was satisfied to the amount of four hundred and thirty three ($433) dollars upon the 6th day of October, 1913, and thereafter assigned by the said C. E. Johnson to W. L. Cooper upon the 25th day of October, 1913, and the further costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, to wit:

All of the south one half and northeast quarter of section thirty (s½ & ne¼ sec 30) the southwest quarter of section twenty (sw¼ sec 20); the west one half of the north west quarter and the south east quarter of the northwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty nine (w½nw¼ & se¼nw¼ & nw¼sw¼ sec 29); all in township two (2) south of range eighteen (18) east of the Willamette meridian, county of Sherman state of Oregon, containing eight hundred (800) acres more or less according to the United States government survey thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment, order, decree and order of sale and in compliance with the commands of said writ, I will on

Saturday, December 20th, 1913,

at 9 o'clock a. m. at the front door of the County Court House at Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, sell at public auction (subject to redemption) to the highest bidder for cash in hand all the right, title, and interest which the within named defendants (or either of them) had on or after the 22nd day of July, 1913, the date of the judgment herein received or since that date had in and to the above described property or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment, order and decree, interest, costs and accruing costs.

J. C. McKean, Sheriff.

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