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The first gold mill ever installed on the DesChutes river was recently completed at Redmond.

The application of a bunch of chickens to the plague of visiting grass hoppers has a tendency to decrease the pests.

Mrs. Ada Schilling, of San Jose Cal., expert shotgun shot, recently broke more than 90 clay birds out of a 100, at the three days shooting tournament held at Venice.

When the rains come and the dust is not so bad as now, auto parties can have an enjoyable trip to Kent and back. One way by Grass Valley and return by Rutledge.

Miss Veronica Day, who has been elected high school teacher for the Moro district, is a graduate of the University of Washington and comes highly recommended. Miss Day resigns a position with the Spokane, Wash., high school to come to Moro.

In order that municipalities may not turn to largely increased general tax levies to increase their revenue and thus offset loss of liquor license money and create a popular resentment against the prohibiting law, which becomes effective January first, the last legislature passed a law forbidding more than a six per cent increase in the taxes of any city, annually, for the next two years.

### OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

#### Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

##### Irrigation to Be Taught.

La Grande.—George T. Cochran, water superintendent for the second district, has returned from a trip over the state with the water board. After visiting water masters and many marshes, looking toward solution of the marsh problems, Mr. Cochran said:

"As soon as the water masters have made sufficient study in irrigation it is the intention of the water board to have them do a certain amount of demonstration work in irrigation. Thus, where a water master sees that the system of irrigation upon any farm can be improved, it will be part of his business to instruct the farmer."

##### Easterners See Profits in Timber.

Portland.—Investments in Oregon timber lands is reviving. Several deals for change of ownership of timber tracts are pending and a few have been closed recently, the purchasers being men from Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota who have made fortunes in timber. Many of these already have investments in Pacific northwest timber lands and are but increasing their holdings by taking advantage of prevailing low valuations.

##### Tax Collectors Receive Instructions.

Salem.—Sections 2 and 3 of chapter 156, laws of 1915, amending sections 2683 and 2687, Lord's Oregon Laws, are now in effect, and, therefore, the tax collector is to make his annual statement and tax return and also proceed to collect delinquent taxes on or immediately after October 5, 1915, instead of September 1, as heretofore, according to instructions issued by the state tax commission to every tax collector and sheriff in Oregon.

##### COURTS WILL DECIDE

##### Highway Engineer Controversy Settlement is Sought.

Salem.—The courts will be called upon to settle the controversy as to whether John H. Lewis, state engineer, or E. I. Cantine, chief deputy highway engineer, shall have active charge of state road construction. Mr. Lewis has contended that under the amended law he is the active highway engineer, and Governor Withycombe and State Treasurer Kay, of the state highway commission, have insisted that Mr. Cantine have active charge.

##### Pride of the Japanese.

The Japs are a jolly people and fond of a joke, and they are generous and trustful to a marked degree. They also have a strong sense of pride, and travelers relate a peculiar instance of this trait. If a traveler is annoyed by being followed by a crowd—which, however, is always quiet and respectful—he can cause it to melt away like snowflakes on a hot stove by simply halting and holding out a coin. The Japs feel hurt at being taken for mendicants. Fancy what the result would be if a traveler adopted this expedient in the fee taking cities of Europe. He would be almost torn to pieces by the crowd trying to get the coin.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

##### Perhaps.

"Sir, I came from a long line of ancestors." "Indeed! Were many of them hanging on it?"—Exchange.

##### Twenty Fifth Annual Wasco County Fair

The Dalles, Oregon  
Sept. 28, 29, 30, Oct. 1, 1915  
T. B. Philips, Secy and Treasurer

### OUR PUBLIC FORUM

#### R. P. SCHWERIN, On the Seaman's Bill.

The American plowmen are later-erected in sea commerce. It is expensive and likewise humiliating to have to salute a foreign flag every time a farmer wants to ship a bushel of wheat, a bale of cotton or a pound of farm products across the ocean. The American farmer is entitled to the protection of his flag in sending his products across the sea, and congress should give such encouragement to shipping interests as is necessary to meet foreign competition in ocean commerce. A recent bill known as the seaman's bill became a law under the president's signature and Mr. R. P. Schwerin, vice-president of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, when asked to define this law and outline its effect upon American steamship lines, said in part:

"The bill provides that no ship of any nationality shall be permitted to depart from any port of the United States unless she has on board a crew not less than seventy-five per centum of which, in each department thereof, is able to understand any order given by the officers of such vessel, nor unless forty per centum in the first year, forty-five per centum in the second year, fifty-five per centum in the fourth year after the passage of this act, and thereafter, sixty-five per centum of her deck crew, exclusive of licensed officers and apprentices, are of a rating not less than able seaman."

"The overseas trade of the world is competitive; therefore, the original cost of the ship and the operation of the ship have to be reckoned with in the keen competition of these rival nations with one another. The Oriental sailor is obedient and competent and is the cheapest sailor in the world. It is, therefore, manifestly clear that if this law applied to all nationalities in the transpacific traffic, all would be on the same economic basis, but it works a single hardship to all the ships of the world, except the Japanese and American ships, and with the latter it works two hardships. With the European, the cost of constructing a ship is no higher than the cost of constructing a Japanese ship, but if they had to provide European crews, while the Japanese operated with Japanese crews, the condition of competition would be such that they could not overcome the handicap and they would be driven off. But the American ship would have to contend not only with the tremendous increase of cost of wage in the substitution of the European crew for the Chinese crew, but also the greater initial cost of the ship. As the Japanese have now done away with their European officers and Japanese crews, all of whom speak a common language, there is no difficulty for them to comply with all the conditions of the bill and continue their Japanese crews with Oriental wages."

"The law, therefore, instead of assisting the American ship, adds another heavy burden, while it places none whatever upon the Japanese ship, but, on the contrary, turns over to the Japanese the traffic of the Pacific ocean, which the American ship is forced to forego by act of congress of the United States."

### THE CORNCOB PIPE.

At Times It's Risky, and It Doesn't Go Well With a Silk Hat.

The corncob pipe is a democratic institution. One evidence of the fact that this country is not so democratic as foreigners believe is that, according to the code of an American gentleman, the corncob pipe must not be smoked while wearing a silk hat. On the other hand, it may be for this reason that Americans so seldom affect the silk hat.

But some men find difficulty in adapting themselves to the "Missouri mercantile." They contend that the first puff from a new corncob pipe is like a breath from the nether regions. This aversion arises from the circumstance that, like a sponge, a new cob pipe should be dipped in water before it is used. After the first pipeful of tobacco has been smoked it will be found that a liberal coat of ashes has attached itself to the walls of the pipe, rendering it therefore much less likely to burn the tongue than if it were initiated without the formality of baptism.

There is one place, however, where the cob pipe is distinctly dangerous, and that is in the mouth of a beginner in the mellow art of smoking. Mothers who dread the day when their sons shall feel obliged to assert their entrance into man's estate by acquiring a taste of tobacco will do well to buy a corncob pipe and leave it carelessly about the house. In time it will be missed. So will the boy's appetite. But the appetite will come back.—Indianapolis News.

### FRIENDSHIPS.

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### WILLAMETTE SOUTHERN TO BUILD TO SALEM

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### A Curious Fruit.

A fruit that is in season all the year round in India is the papaw. This grows on a short, pulpy looking tree with leaves like the castor oil plant in shape, but woody on the surface, and the green pumpkin shaped fruit grows in a cluster at the top. When cut open it has a purple colored flesh and a number of black seeds in the center. Its flavor, which resembles nutmeg and nutmeg, and though not generally liked, it is said to be excellent as a digestive and to lengthen the lives of those who partake of it regularly.

### Crew Blamed for Train Wreck.

Portland.—Conductor F. H. Orschild and Engineer P. J. Kothoff were held responsible for the collision of two Southern Pacific trains on the Oswego branch, resulting in the death of two men and the injury of another.

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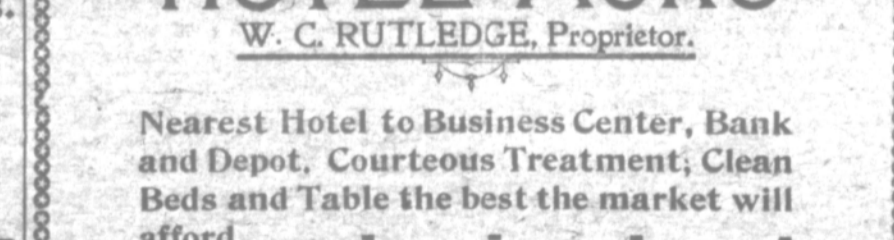
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