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In No Hurry.

"Too many people," said a clergyman, "regard their religion as did the little boy in the jam closet. His mother pounced on him suddenly. He stood on tiptoe, lading jam with both hands from the jam pot to his mouth."

"Oh, Jacky!" his mother cried. "And only last night you prayed to be made a saint!"

"His face, an expressionless mask of jam, turned toward her."

"Yes, but not till after I'm dead," he explained.

The Word "Belfry."

The word "belfry" had originally no connection with "bell," an idea which is now intimately associated with the term. The first meaning given is "watchtower," from the middle English "berfry," a watchtower. The first part of this word is connected with "borough," the second with "free." As the practice grew of hanging "bells" in such towers people reminded themselves of the fact by changing the word "berfry" into the modern "belfry."

Rescuing Napoleon by Submarine.

In his book on submarines Frederick A. Talbot tells us that the submarine is "practically as old as the sailing ship," though he passes the fact over with the statement that the majority of these efforts were fantastic in conception and crude in design.

The most daring expedition ever suggested in the early days of the submarine was that proposed for kidnapping Napoleon from St. Helena. It was suggested to a British mariner, Captain Johnson, who was to get \$40,000. The construction of the boat was begun, but on the day when the work on the outer shell of copper was to be started Napoleon died.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

The Dalles may build a municipal lighting plant. The Oregon Chiropractic association held its ninth annual convention in Portland.

The fourth annual Buyers' Week to be held in Portland has been fixed for August 7 to 12.

Ground for the new \$125,000 Baker high school has been broken by Contractor G. H. Wasie.

Plans to revive the Albany Apple Fair are being developed by the Albany commercial club.

This promises to be the banner year for Josephine county in the matter of hay and grain production.

The annual convention of the Church of Christ in Oregon is being held this week at Turner.

Members of the state desert land board are inspecting reclamation projects in eastern and central Oregon.

Arrangements to rebuild that fire-torn of Lakeview destroyed by fire two weeks ago are being rapidly made.

Plans are maturing for the annual Josephine county fair, to be held at Grants Pass September 19, 20 and 21.

Lou J. Wilford, of Silverton, has applied to Representative Hawley to obtain appointment to the aviation corps of the army.

Six persons were killed and 187 injured by traffic accidents in the city of Portland in the six months ended June 20, 1916.

La Grande's 1916 Chautauqua has come to an end, and already plans are under way for a more successful endeavor next year.

With a view to preserving Klamath county's historic relics, the Klamath Historical association has been formed in Klamath Falls.

Clark Kendall & Co., Portland, were highest bidders for the Coos county road bond issue of \$382,000 and will pay a premium of \$13,915.61.

The improvement of the old military road across the Cascade mountains from Eugene to Klamath county is being discussed at Klamath Falls.

H. Chandler Egan, former amateur golf champion, won the tennis championship of southern Oregon by defeating Ernest Adams at Medford.

The census bureau's estimate of the number of able bodied men of military age, between 18 and 46, gives the number for the state of Oregon as 196,165.

The desert land board has extended the contract of the state with the Deschutes Land company on the Moron project in central Oregon to October 21, 1920.

The Eugene Fruitgrowers' association cannery in Eugene is manufacturing 1000 gallons of loganberry juice every day, according to J. O. Holt, manager.

Gleiblich & Joplin of Portland have been awarded the contract for the erection of the jetty at the mouth of the Umpqua at Gardiner on their bid of \$151,698.

Between 30,000 and 40,000 pounds of wool has been pooled by the farmers of Lane county and is stored in warehouses in Eugene, Cottage Grove and Junction City.

Editors of the state will enjoy a trip to Crater Lake, as the special feature of the annual convention of the Oregon State Editorial association at Medford August 4-7.

The United States forest service has begun the permanent survey of the improvement of the McKenzie pass road between the summit of the Cascades and Sisters.

Petitions asking for a rabbit and rat bounty for Crook county were filed at Prineville. This measure provides for a bounty of 5 cents on rabbits and 2 1/2 cents on rats.

Governor Withycombe has granted conditional pardons to E. C. Herlow and Clay Trites, committed to the penitentiary respectively from Multnomah and Wasco counties.

The discovery on Canyon mountain of a 50 foot ledge of what is said to be a very high grade of chrome iron ore is causing considerable mining excitement in John Day and Canyon City.

The Hood River Apple Growers' association has shipped approximately 70 carloads of strawberries and it is expected that fully 15 cars more will be shipped before the close of the season.

During the week ending July 6, a total of 244 accidents was reported to the state industrial accident commission and one of these proved fatal, that of Claud Hall, who was killed at St. Helens.

The output of gold in Oregon in the first five months of this year showed an increase of \$107,000, while the silver output increased 14,000 ounces in the same period, according to Charles G. Yale, of the United States geological survey, whose statement is compiled from the receipts of the mint and smelters at San Francisco.

Twenty tons of asbestos has been shipped east during the last few days from the Grant county mines through Baker. The shipment is said to have been worth \$3600.

The La Grande Motor Club will hold its fourth annual motor meet in La Grande July 22 and 23. The meet will consist of two days' racing for motorcycles and \$1000 in cash prizes has been offered.

Several hundred dollars' worth of liquor was poured out the ground by officers at North Bend. It was part of a large amount of liquor seized when Chris Grohs was arrested for selling whiskey, beer and wines.

To prevent the big forest fires of former years, the Clackamas county court will send to every road supervisor in a timbered district instructions to clean up his roads, remove rubbish and clean out dry underbrush.

The Grants Pass commercial club has asked Senator Lane to obtain the appointment of \$40,000 from the road fund provided by the Shackelford bill, to build a road to the Oregon caves monument in the Siskiyou forest.

Judging from the claims just filed with the Klamath county court, the work of keeping the demon run-out of Klamath county is quite expensive. Claims aggregating \$1010.95 have just been filed, to be acted upon by the court.

Oregon reports 50 forest fires during the short hot spell in June. These resulted from ranchers burning slashings and from carelessness around logging works. No loss of green timber was sustained and only slight loss of logs.

Superintendents from the counties of Oregon met in Salem Monday to grade the examination papers turned in by about 1000 teachers recently in efforts to get certificates or to get higher grade certificates than they now hold.

R. B. Murdock, assistant engineer in the state highway department, who was acting as county roadmaster of Coos county, was named by State Engineer Lewis, to take charge of the survey and construction of roads in Coos county.

Lieutenant Commander G. F. Blair of the Oregon naval militia has received from Washington notification that the proposed summer cruise of the naval militia will be extended until August 1, in order to give time for a visit to Puget sound.

It is reported that an eastern concern has announced intentions of developing the iron deposits of Coos county, in the vicinity of Powers, a logging town in the southern part of the county, there are large deposits of iron ore, it is claimed.

Meeting at the dividing line of Grant and Baker counties at Austin, 57 miles west of Baker, members of the county courts of the two counties decided to push the work on the Dixie mountain that will give a thoroughfare connecting the counties.

To lighten the menace of infantile paralysis, now prevalent in New York, State Health Officer Rogers has recently prepared a statement calling attention to the symptoms of the disease and warning parents and physicians against risks of neglect.

Representative Hawley, as a result of a competitive examination held recently at Salem, appointed James W. Overton, of Astoria, to the Annapolis naval academy and named Adolph Greenbaum, of Salem, and Daniel L. Woods of Cottage Grove as alternates.

Quality of the shoes made at the Oregon penitentiary for inmates of the state institutions is so poor and the cost of their manufacture is so great that John W. Minto, superintendent of the prison, has urged upon members of the state board of control either abolishment of the shoe shop or installation of more modern equipment and employment of an experienced shoemaker to direct the manufacture.

Eight state-wide measures bearing a total of 227,328 signatures, five proposed county laws, and three measures submitted by the last legislature, will be on the official ballot at the general election next November. Of the state-wide measures, which will appear on the ballot, the constitutional amendment advocated by the "equal rights for home industry" committee proposing to allow the manufacture of light beer in Oregon, leads in the number of signatures, with a total of 42,044. The proposed constitutional amendment to prohibit the importation of liquor into the state for beverage purposes bore 30,740 signatures. Other state-wide measures for which petitions were filed with the number of signatures are: People's land and loan law amendment, 34,653 signatures; providing normal for Penitentiary amendment, 28,000 signatures; state-wide tax limitation amendment, 25,253; rural credits amendment, 27,250 signatures; prohibition of compulsory vaccination and medical treatment law, 25,136 signatures; law to repeal and abolish the Sunday closing law, 24,500 signatures. State-wide measures referred by the last legislature are: Single item veto amendment; exemption of pipe amendment; and amendment repealing constitutional provision forbidding suffrage to negroes, Chinamen and mulattoes.

CONTRASTS IN ICELAND.

A Curious Land of Fire and Ice, of Volcanoes and Glaciers.

Iceland is known as a "land of contrasts." The land of Iceland boasts in comparatively small compass fire and ice, volcanoes, glaciers and geysers.

There is magnificent scenery in its desolate plateaus. It has more than 100 volcanoes, of which the largest is Hecia, 6,100 feet high. There are thousands of craters in Iceland, the chief among them being Askja, with an area of thirty-four square miles.

Of glaciers there are more than 120, with aggregate areas of about 5,200 square miles. The largest is Vatna. Not far from Hecia is the so-called geyser region, where there are many hot springs. The Great Geyser is sixty feet in diameter. One geyser was found to have water at a temperature of 262 degrees F., which makes it possibly the hottest spring in the world.

One-eighth of Iceland is glacier hidden, and there are ice clad mountain domes, of which the highest is Ortnafjall, 6,424 feet.

There are not many settlements in Iceland. The capital is Reykjavik, with a population of 11,000, and after that the two chief towns are Akureyri, 2,050, and Isafjord, 1,550 inhabitants. The people of Iceland are described as unusually intelligent, and one authority states that "perhaps in no other country of Europe are so many books in proportion to the population printed and sold as in Iceland."

Myth of the Doones.

How largely Mr. Blackmore drew upon his imagination for the story of "Lorna Doone" is made clear by F. W. Hackwood in his book, "The Good Old Times." There were, in fact, no Doones. The word was simply a local bogey, a modified form of "Dane," a memory of the faroff times when the viking invaders harried the land. "The only vestige of actuality discoverable is a faint tradition that a fugitive from the battle of Sedgemoor, to escape the hangings of Judge Jeffreys, appropriated the ruins of some wrecked house in recesses of the Beagworthy glen, now 'the Doon valley,' finding there a safe retreat in which he reared a considerable family, which managed to eke out a living by committing petty depredations in the district. The last of the Doones, an old man and his granddaughter, are said to have perished in the snow during the winter of 1800."

Some Job.

The man in the next flat was pounding on the wall.

"Look here," he cried, "I can't sleep with that rattle going like that. If you don't make him stop I will."

"Come right in," said the baby's father. "You'll be as welcome as the Sowers in spring."—Pittsburgh Press.

The Artichoke.

The artichoke has nothing to do with art or the closing of it. The artichoke is an innocent vegetable known to the Arabians as the artichaut, or earth thorn. The Jerusalem artichoke was never seen near Jerusalem. Its first name is a corruption of the Italian granaio, which means granary to the sun. It is a species of sunflower, bearing a tuber like that of a potato.

Scarc.

"Has he a sense of humor?" "Yes, indeed. He can see a joke on the other fellow right off the bat."

"That isn't sufficient. What I'm looking for is a man who can see the humor of a joke on himself."

"You've got a long search. If there are any such men in this town I haven't run across them."—Detroit Free Press.

No. 216. Report of the Condition of

The Bank of Moro, at Moro, in the state of Oregon.

As of the close of business June 30, 1916.

Resources—

Loans and discounts..... \$114,941.12

Overdrafts, secured and unsecured..... 21.70

Real estate and fixtures..... 1,132.50

Due from banks (not reserve banks)..... 11.86

Due from approved reserve banks..... 19,332.52

Checks and other cash items..... 430.95

Cash on hand..... 3,234.51

Expenses..... 1,544.59

Total..... \$144,569.35

Liabilities—

Capital paid in..... \$25,000.00

Surplus fund..... 12,000.00

Undivided profits..... 2,872.51

Due to banks and bankers..... 1,082.51

Individual deposits subject to check..... 75,125.33

Time and savings deposits..... 28,539.00

Total..... \$144,569.35

State of Oregon

County of Sherman

I, F. E. Fortner, ass. cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. E. Fortner, ass. cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of June, 1916.

John M. Ferry, Notary Public.

My commission expires Sept. 25, 1916.

Correct, attests:

E. O. McCoy, R. C. Atwood, L. Barman, Directors.

Notice of Administration.

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

In the matter of the Estate of Saides A. White, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Saides A. White, deceased, by order of the above entitled court, and that all persons having claims against said deceased, or her estate, are hereby required to present the same duly verified, with the proper vouchers, in the manner provided by law, to said administrator, at his office in Moro, in said county, and state within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated at Moro, Ore., this 6th day of July, A. D. 1916. J. M. PARRY.

Administrator of said Estate.

Bright & Bryant, Attorneys for Estate.

Notice of Executor.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Sherman County, executor for the estate of John Johnson, deceased, and has qualified. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased are hereby notified to present the same to me at the law office of Bright & Bryant in the city of Moro, Ore., verified as by law required, within six months from the date of first publication of this notice.

Dated and first published at Moro, Ore., July 7, 1916.

GERHARDINE JOHNSON,

Executor of the estate of John Johnson, deceased.

Bright & Bryant, Attorneys for Estate.

Notice of Executors' Sale of Real Property.

In the county court of the state of Oregon / for Sherman county.

In the matter of the estate of Frank G. Barton, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as executor of the estate of Frank G. Barton, will sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash and under the conditions hereinafter set forth the following described real property belonging to said estate, and more particularly described as follows: The sex of section 32, in township 1 n of range 16 e of the Willamette meridian; and fractional lots 1 and 2 in section 5 in township 1 s of range 16 east; and all of section 3 and the sex of the sex of section 4 in township 1 south of range 16 east of the Willamette meridian, all of said property being situated in Sherman county, State of Oregon.

The undersigned will receive bids in writing for the purchase of said property at 312 Platt building in the city of Portland, Oregon, and bids can also be sent to the undersigned in care of the County Clerk of Sherman county at Moro, Oregon. The following described portion of said property, to-wit: Section 3 and the sex of the sex of section 4 in township 1 south of range 16 east of Willamette meridian, in Sherman county, Oregon, subject to a mortgage of \$2000 with interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from April 13th 1916; and the executors will sell the property to the person who offers the largest sum in cash for all of the real property hereinbefore described, subject to the said \$2000 mortgage and interest as above mentioned, the purchaser of said property to assume the payment of the \$2000 mortgage and the interest thereon from April 13th, 1916. The sale of said real property is made by order of the county court of Sherman county, Oregon, which order is dated June 5th, 1916.

The date of the first publication of this notice is June 16, 1916, and the last date of publication is July 14, 1916.

Maggie S. Barton,

G. L. Barton, Executors of the Estate of Frank G. Barton, deceased.

Schlegel & Dennison, attorneys for executors.

Address all bids to the executors in care of the County Clerk of Sherman county, Moro, Oregon, or to the executors in care of Schlegel & Dennison, 312 Platt building, Portland, Oregon.

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No. 3. 640 acres west of Grass Valley, good buildings, lots of water, close to school. Price, \$25 per acre, part cash with balance on term.

No. 4. 960 acre ranch, fair buildings, close to town, running water the year round, about 600 acres in crop. Price, with crop, \$30 per acre.

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