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The Salem City council are investigating the proposition of municipal ownership of light and water plants.

An Indiana man has discovered that a daily bath will cure the drink habit, it certainly will if you let the patient choose the liquid in which to swim.

Two more men have been seen keeping over the penitentiary wall at Salem, and the officials fear another jail break. They would be better take the political grafters off the walls for awhile and put some on men who know how to use a gun.

Now it seems that the state of Oregon is going to resist payment to Mrs. Waggoner who found Merrill's body, of the \$1500 reward offered for Merrill dead or alive. This is mighty small business. If some of the pet detectives had found the body the reward would have been paid without a murmur.

The hop growers of Oregon are this year contracting their '02 product for 20 cents and upwards per lb. This is a veritable Klondike and it is to be hoped that growers will keep their proper balance in this, their rich harvest, and not go speculating into the business, the sheep on which so many growers went to pieces in the past 10 years.

While Tracy and Merrill were in Oregon and slowly getting away from Marion county officials the Washington papers were busy poking fun at the officers. However these two bold murderers were not taken through the streets in motor cars or given launch rides in full view of the officers, as they were in Seattle.

The chase of Tracy is one of the greatest farces ever enacted on so large a scale. There are hundreds of men hunting the convict whose greatest anxiety is to keep out of his way. Why don't they go home where they will be safe, instead of making asses of themselves and the states of Oregon and Washington.

A Cripple Creek man has committed suicide because he couldn't pay his debts. If that was the practice in Oregon there would be a good many dead subscribers to the newspapers. Myrtle Point Enterprise. The COAST MAIL would lose but a very small per centage of its subscribers; so small we'd hardly miss 'em. And we're not talking through our hat either.

A Nebraska paper, the Sitten Register, mentioned a Swede farmer, who recently returned from the land of his birth. While absent his political faith received considerable of a jar. He found McCormick harvesters, of the class that

sell for \$125 here at his Nebraska home, selling for \$62, less than half over there. Wire nails, costing \$4 in Nebraska, cost \$3.75 over there. He is now convinced there is a steel trust, which prevents competition at home, and is protected by a prohibitive tariff.

Of course the big Oregonian has thrown out the hint that the legislators cannot do that which the Republican platform said must be done, and for failure to endorse which, Mr. Furness was defeated and the man who declared himself as for the measure, elected. The voters of Oregon know what they want and when they want it will get it at a party sacrifice, if need be.

The little daily doesn't give you a whole bushel basket full of dispatches every day but when the line is busted and you don't hear from Tracy you notice the difference, don't you.

Harry Tracey, late of Salem, Ore., is making an extended tour of the Sound country. He is the recipient of many attentions. At Seattle he was given the liberty of all the suburbs. At Olympia he was tendered the free use of a naphtha launch, at various private residences he has been received as a respected guest. Indeed his name has become a household word and every where men, women and children stand ready to do his slightest bidding.—Spokane Review.

As long as a Coyote's skin will make up into 50 scalps there will be a demand for a still larger appropriation. When the next legislature meets there will be an extra appropriation called for to make up a deficiency in the last one. The \$50,000 scalp bounty appropriation is already exhausted and \$14,000 more of claims filed and ready to absorb the next appropriation. It seems that the Coyotes are prosperous in their increase under this new law. Wonder what effect it would have if they were to be protected by law. This amount would buy a large number of sheep.

### NOT SO MUCH DIFFERENCE.

A friend says that there is this difference between an editor and a preacher: The people support the editor because they like what he gives them, while they support the preacher and he gives them what he likes. Since our attention is called to this as a self-evident truth, we will say that it is good generalization, but like all generalizations it sometimes fails to work in extreme cases.

The editor who tries to do what is right, to treat every one on the principle of the Golden Rule and to make his paper an influence for good, usually receives hearty appreciation from his constituency; but we occasionally find a paper which every one abuses but every one reads. There is a brilliant example of this in our own state.

On the other hand, the preacher is usually allowed a latitude not granted to the editor, and if the people have faith in his sincerity, they will contribute to his support though they may not agree with his utterances. But even the preacher sometimes finds a parallel between his case and the editor's; for if he transgress too flagrantly the rules of propriety and the principles of the Master he professes to serve, he finds an embarrassing decrease in the financial support accorded him.

### THE SHIP SUBSIDY STEAL.

The MAIL is in receipt of a pamphlet professing to be a "Reply" to the arguments made by the minority in the Senate in opposition to the Frye Ship Subsidy bill. The author is George J. Seabury, of New York City.

If a man had never heard of the bill and could take-up this pamphlet with an unbiased mind and read it with the sole purpose of getting at the truth of the matter, he would undoubtedly lay down the pamphlet with the conviction that the Frye Ship Subsidy Bill is a steal, pure and simple.

Here are eighteen pages of argument in support of the bill, with figures (un-supported) till you can't rest, and there isn't a single point made to show that there is any NECESSITY for the subsidy.

There is much expensive talk of an America Merchant Marine and what an immense benefit it would be to the country; and the hundreds of millions it would cost and the billions of profits it would bring, but nothing to show that a subsidy paid to a shipping trust would bring about such a delightful condition of affairs. In fact, if the pamphleteer, figures proved anything they would prove that the subsidy asked is so small in proportion to the immensity of the whole proposition that it would cut no figure, one way or the other.

Among the figures he uses to show how the wealth of the country would be increased as a result of the subsidy, it is stated that the shipowners would realize in 15 years, the term for which the subsidy is to run, the cost of their plant \$700,000,000 and \$1,050,000,000 in profits on operation. That is, Uncle Sam must offer our capitalists a bonus of \$75,000,000 in order to induce them to get in and take profits amounting to \$1,750,000,000 in 15 years.

The MAIL suggests that they do without the subsidy and try to content themselves with a profit of \$1,675,000,000.

Such attempts to try to gloss over this steal are absurd. It is a steal and nothing else. It is a proposal to take \$5,000,000 a year from the pockets of the people at large and give it as a generous gift to a few shipowners who do not need it and have no claim on it. There is not a single argument in favor of a subsidy to ships that will not apply with equal force to a subsidy for mills or mines or creameries or farms or daily newspapers.

If the Republican leaders are guilty of perpetrating this steal, the party will suffer for it, and it ought to.

### Married at Coquille.

James Rook Jr. and Miss Nellie Morgan went to Coquille City Wednesday morning, where the Rev. Wm Horsfall was to meet them and make them man and wife. They were accompanied by John Morgan and Miss Rose Rooke, brother and sister respectively of the bride and groom. The happy couple are among the most estimable young people on the bay, and have a legion of friends to wish them joy.

### Historical Document

Through the courtesy of Dr. Tower, we give below a copy of the discharge of Geo. Wasson from the service of the Territory of Oregon, at the time of the early Indian war. The document is nearly fifty years old and is of considerable historical and personal interest, especially to the old settlers. It runs as follows:

Oregon Territory Volunteers. To all whom it may concern. Know ye that private George Wasson of 1st Lieut. G. H. Abbott's Company K 2nd reg't of Oregon Mounted Volunteers is hereby honorably discharged the service of the Territory of Oregon in consequence of expiration of term of enlistment.

Said private George Wasson was enrolled at mouth of Rogue River on the first day of March 1854 for the term of 4 months or during the war.

Given under my hand at Port Orford

O. T. this 10th day of July 1856.  
G. H. Anson 1st Lieut.  
Commanding Company K,  
2nd Reg't, O. M. V.

### TRANSFERS

W E Baines to A Kingston, 50 by 100 ft in blk 23 r r add to Mfld, \$5.  
H Sengstacken & wife to S J Sleep, n2 of lots 1, 2, blk 13 8 Mfld, \$225.  
E F Hayden & wife to A Pierce, nw4, sec 12, t 26 r 10, \$3.50.  
B Mers & wife to O C Madsen, sw4, sec 12, t 26, r 10, \$8.50.  
A Parabaker & wife to D Morgan, sw4 of ne4, sec 10, sec 23, t 28, r 13, \$480.  
A Anderson to Mary Wickman, lot 8 blk 65, Empire City, \$10.  
Mattie Dobbs to J M Endicott, 3 acres in Myrtle Point, \$225.  
A L Buell to L A Roberts, e2 of sec 1, sec 17, ne4 of ne4, sec 30, nw4 of nw4, e2 of sw4, nw4 of sec 10, n2 of nw4, sec 15, t 30, r 13, \$2500.  
L A Roberts & wife to A L Buell, lot 4, sec 15, less 5 acres in ne corner, also 2 1/2 acres off e side of ne4 of ne4, sec 9, t 29, r 12, \$1500.  
Thos J Thrift and wt to W L Hayter Lot 5 Block 14, Bandon \$400.  
Emma Nasburg to Anna Wulf lot 4 block 6 Nasburg's add to Mld. \$50.  
Agness Hutchinson to Wm Humbert lots 6-7 block 1 Bay Cits. \$2.50  
E Dyer and wt to S W Stillwell sw 4 of nw4 of nw4 of sec 32 t 8 r 14  
Lots 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, block 17 Woolen mill add to Bandon, Elbert Dyer and wt to S W Stillwell.  
S W Stillwell to G B Cartwright \$350 The land in the last two deeds.  
Olive A. Goff and Frank Goff to H N Brown, lot 3 block 41 Woodland add to Bandon \$150.  
R D Sanford to Wm Shuck bond for lots 1, 12, block 21 Elliott's add to Coquille \$120.  
Chas Schnauffer and wt to John F Spies w 1/2 of ne 4 sec 1 of ne4, ne4 of sec 12 t 26 r 10 \$850.  
U S to H J Blake e2 of nw1 nw1 of sw4 sec 4 t 26 r 12, 140 acres.  
H J Blake to L J Simpson above described \$3500.

### Travel by Sea

Arrivals from the South by Alliance  
July 17: Mrs Klocker, Miss Knowles, Miss T Knowles, Miss P Hoover, Miss N Beattie, C F Covier, C F Hunt, Mrs C F Bovier, Dr G E Davis, A E Davis, Geo A Cummins, H Karm, J R Thomas, R Jacobs, G M Crow, Mr Bolderman, Mr J A Yoakam, Miss M Yoakam, E S Trumbell, J J Colling, H Blome, J P Danot, Mrs J E Bridges, Miss E Watson, Mrs J J Watson, A Damascus, H Deidrickson, Miss Elsa Wagner, J B Ryan, W Hunt, Wm Hill, A Karke.

Departures by Alliance for Portland,  
July 18: Miss I Glenn, Mrs D L Rood, Mrs K A Lund, C Holbert, Mrs Mike Flaherty, R Golden, Mrs A J Savage, Mrs Andrus, Miss H Andrus, Miss Savage, W R Shannon, J Keller, G M Patterson, Mrs Patterson, Mrs Hall, Jas Wall, Matt Stahl, Miss Gorille, A Landlee, A McRoberts, A Holcomb, Mrs Lando

### The Ice Plant

The Ice and Cold Storage plant is about completed. The man who is to set up the machinery has not yet arrived, although he has been due for some

time. It is understood that he is engaged in setting up a plant on the Sound and on completion of that job will come here, after which the plant will be ready for operation.

### Another Panther

When the Milkmaid came down Catching slough Friday morning, she was met at Alex Matson's place with the information there was no milk to be sent down as the cows hadn't been milked that morning, the men-folks being out after a panther. Whether they overtook him or not has not been reported.

### Marshfield vs. Libby

The Marshfield second nine met the Libby nine Friday on the Libby diamond and the game resulted in a victory for the Libby team by the close score of 3 to 7. The game was hotly contested and the Marshfield team put up a stiff game, losing only by a scratch run.

The line-up was as follows:

| Marshfield. | Libby            |
|-------------|------------------|
| Fenton      | P. Ringue        |
| Brown       | C.               |
| Smith       | 1st b. D Snedden |
| Tower       | 2nd b. Harrison  |
| Chandler    | 3d b. Dine       |
| Nasburg     | SS B Snedden     |
| Bridges     | CF Campbell      |
| Johnson     | RF Perino        |
| Snyder      | L F J Snedden    |

Score by innings:

|            | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Marshfield | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| Libby      | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 8 |

### BORN

GRANT—In Marshfield, Or., July 17, 1902, to the wife of Herman Grant, a daughter.  
PETERSON—At Bay City, Or. July 11, to the wife of Ols Peterson, a son.

### Merry-go-Round Arrives.

J. J. Collins arrived from San Francisco on the Alliance with a full-grown merry-go-round, which will be set up on the lot near the reboothouse, recently occupied by the Quaker doctors. This merry-go-round is an elaborate affair, and is run by steam power. There are a lot of little wooden horses, finely carved and painted for the children to ride on, and several chariots for the young fellows and their girls.

Mr. Collins was rather taken back on his arrival, by the newly enacted license ordinance requiring him to cough up \$5 a day, as this had been passed since he made enquiries, but he will keep the fare down to a nicker a ride, just the same. Now look out for excitement among the youngsters.

## Important to Consumers.

**B**UYING goods direct from the manufacturer makes it possible for us to give our customers High-Grade Values at a very low price. Nearly every steamer brings in addition to our already large stock. : : : : :

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