

**THE OLD RELIABLE**

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**BAKING POWDER**

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**PERSONAL AND LOCAL**

From Thursday's Daily.

M. G. Pohl, the Myrtle Point optician, came over yesterday on a business trip.

The Bangor people now have a telephone in their office at the townsite.

The A. N. W. Club meet today at the home of Mrs. J. H. Taylor, instead of Mrs. Paterson as was intended.

School Supt. Bunch will return to his home at Coquille today, having finished his visiting of the schools of the bay.

The framework of the second story of the new woolen mill at North Bend is now up. The work is somewhat delayed by the scarcity of lumber.

H. Sengstack visited his champion Pony slough yesterday, and came back with moss on his back, in the literal sense. There isn't any in the figurative sense.

It should be an easy matter to tell a business message to a person who is anxious to get it, and it is necessary to make message attractive in order to get the attention of those whom you would have buy.

We stop the press to say that the ladies who managed the coffee club yesterday are right up to the top notch on clam chowder; also on coffee and salad and lemon pie. We know because we had the pleasure of testing samples.

John Porter of Allegany was in town yesterday on business. Mr. Porter had the misfortune to lose a good work horse by drowning. Two of his horses tried to swim across the river, but were carried down stream by the swift current and only one got out.

Commenting upon the announcement that William Jennings Bryan aspires to the chairmanship of the Democratic National committee, a leading Republican paper of the West remarks that "the spectacle of a corpse at two funerals acting as hearse-driver at the succeeding obsequies would be somewhat new."

J. A. Matson is enlarging the scope of his operations. He was running a cabinet maker business on the wharf under the Coast Main windows yesterday, and with a plant consisting of a hatchet and pocket knife was turning out some very creditable work.

Wife (with a determined air)—"I want to see that letter." Husband—"What letter?" Wife—"that one you just opened. I know by the handwriting that it is from a woman, and you turn pale when you read it. I will see it. Give it to me, sir." Husband—"Here it is; it's your milliner's bill."—Fun.

**Travel by Sea**

Outgoing Passengers on Arcata, Apr. 9: I Hymen, C. Daiton, Mrs. Boswick, J. Morrison, Geo. Lawlor, P. H. Greenough, H. Nelson, D. C. Rammon, A. F. Allen, Mrs. L. Hanson and 2 children, R. Hancock, Jas. Marsh, Capt. A. M. Simpson,

Madge Allen, Mrs. Allen, J. K. Bangs, W. J. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy, W. A. Ardith, Miss Francis Dinon, Mrs. A. S. Dinon, E. H. Southron, N. Clark, R. Hermann, Mr. and Mrs. Stratton.

**Presidential Timber**

William H. Taft is being pressed forward as a Republican Presidential possibility. His patriotic services in the Philippines are cited in his behalf. Opposition to Roosevelt seems to come in great part from New York State. A Presidential candidate from that state might lose control of state affairs to the Republicans.

The New York Herald figures out a liberal majority for him in the electoral college, with New York in the doubtful column.

**Joe is Dead**

The above announcement, fraught with tragedy, was fired into this office over the telephone last evening, like something out of a clear sky.

Joe was the old gray horse, who for 10 or 12 years has worked about the mill and shipyard at North Bend. He was one of the valued employees of the Simpson Lumber Co., and by his long and faithful service, kind and obliging disposition and thorough reliability he had endeared himself not only to his employers but to his fellowworkmen, and universal gloom shrouded the place at the announcement of his demise, which occurred Tuesday evening.

The cause of his death was not revealed to us, our informant being too much over-come by emotion to go into particulars.

It is understood that the remains were given decent burial, with appropriate obsequies.

From Friday's Daily.

Coquille Herald—Several head of cattle belonging to Yoakam were killed by the train last Friday.

A man who buys wisely can not disappoint nor cause criticism by those who respond to his announcements.

Major Kinney arrived yesterday from Roseburg over the Coos Bay wagon road to stir up the Bangor proposition.

County Treasurer Dulley has called in all warrants endorsed prior to Jan. 1, 1902, indicating that Coos county is only about 15 months behind.

Mr. McDonald, the architect, has drawn some very neat plans for the new cottage to be built for one of our business men.

Mrs. Hansen and Mrs. Langworthy had charge of the Coffee Club yesterday, and they remembered this office substantially.

The Womans Club will meet at the home of Mrs. P. C. Levar Saturday 3 p. m. Program consists of current topics.

Mrs. J. L. Barker, of Fairview arrived yesterday to see her son, Fred Barker, who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

D. A. Curry, the barber, a former resident of Marshfield, who has been hunting health wealth, etc in California returned yesterday. He is convinced that there is no place like Coos Bay.

John G. Coke, Geo. Ferry and W. H. Short, piloted by Al Smith, left on horseback yesterday morning for the tall timber in the McKinley neighborhood where they expect to locate timber claims.

At the oratorical contest of the Southern Oregon State Normal School, held at Ashland Friday evening, the second prize, a scholarship valued at \$25, was won by Chalmers Strange, the 18 year old son of Rev. F. G. Strange, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Marshfield. His subject was "The Trust Problem."

The steam schooner Ruth will sail from San Francisco today or tomorrow in place of the Alliance, and bringing the freight with which the latter boat started, she having returned to the city, where she will be repaired.

Louis Saunders and family have arrived on the Bay from Mill City, Oregon, and will reside at either Marshfield or North Bend. They came in by stage from Roseburg to Myrtle Point, and report an extremely hard trip.

The brass band has been engaged by Coos Bay Camp, W of W to assist at the observance of Decoration day, for which the lodge is making elaborate preparations. Both the Woodmen and the Women of Woodcraft will have unveiling ceremonies, of monuments erected to deceased members.

Coquille Herald—Mrs. Elliott has sold her fine residence property to T. A. King, of Marshfield. The sale was made through the agency of O. C. Sanford, the real estate man. Mr. King, who has recently purchased other property here, will move over soon and make this place his home.

**Delegates Elected**

At their regular meeting Wednesday evening, the Robakhs elected Mrs. Jennie Bennett and Mrs. Nan Noble as delegates to the Grand Assembly which meets in Portland in May.

**Reception to Mrs Hirst**

Mrs. Thos. Hirst was given a reception Wednesday by her fellow-members of the Rrbekah lodge, after the regular session. Mrs. Hirst is one of the honored members of the order, aside from the high personal esteem in which she is held, and she was given the warmest of heartfelt welcomes.

**Small Boys Excluded**

The board of managers of the Coffee Club have determined to exclude boys under 16 years of age from the rooms. They argue that the club is established and maintained for a specific purpose, to furnish a place of harmless recreation and entertainment for young men, and this purpose is partially defeated by allowing the rooms to be appropriated by small boys.

Any one having magazines which they have read would confer a favor by contributing them to the reading room of the club.

From Saturday's Daily.

H. N. Black was down from his Catching slough farm yesterday.

Frank Smith, superintendent of the Coos river hatchery, was in town last night.

Father Donnelly has returned from his extended visit to the East in the interest of the hospital.

The little schooner Del Norte arrived Thursday and is loading coal at the Newport bunker, for Bogue river.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Gallier came over on yesterday train, on the hunt for jay-men for the coming session of circuit court.

There is nothing like having good neighbors. Between the Robakhs, the Coffee Club and Winner's Ice Cream Parlor this office is in clover.

Since good comes from telling honest things about honest articles more good would come from telling these honest things to a wide circle of people.

Gray & Co. wire their agent here that the Ruth will sail at 11 a. m. today calling at all ports north only, and the Alliance will probably sail Monday.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League was held Wednesday evening at the home of J. O. Langworthy.

Miss Engle and Miss McCormac will have charge of the Coffee Club today breakfast 8 to 11, lunch 11 to 5, chicken dinner 5 to 8, ice cream in the evening. Mrs. Milo Sumner and Miss Bessie Brown managed the rooms yesterday.

The sailors on the Chilkat and her tow came ashore and filled up on bug-juice, with the result that considerable scrapping was done between the two crews, and one of the Chilkat's men got into Marshal Carter's clutches.

There has been some anxiety about George Wulff who has been outside with his gasoline fishing boat longer than usual, but the by Mail is informed Captain Nelson of the Cape Arago L. S. Station that the boat is all right and was fishing off the cape yesterday.

**B Y P U Meeting**

Attend the Young People's meeting tomorrow evening at 6:30 at the Baptist church. Special music and singing for this occasion. Come out and help the young people along. All are welcome.

**Presbyterian Church**

EASTER SUNDAY.

- 1 Sunrise Prayer service at 6a. m. led by Miss Annie Fisher, all the young people uniting.
- 2 Sunday School at 10 a. m. Singing and recitations.
- 3 Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon: A Larger Faith.
- 4 C E Meeting at 7 p. m.
- 5 Evening worship at 8 p. m. Mrs. Dr. Tower will sing: "Consider the Lilies of the Field." Subject of sermon: "The Risen Savior." You are invited.

**Baptist Church**

- Sunday School 10 a. m.
- Morning Service, topic—The Resurrection 11 a. m.
- Young People's Service 7 a. m.
- Evening service—Service of Song 8 p. m.
- Opening Hymn, "Coronation," Congregation
- Short Address, Praise Pastor.
- Anthem, "Great is the Lord" Choir Trio "Night" Mrs. Ayre, Mrs. German, Miss Mauzey.
- Anthem, "Watchman, What of the Night" Choir.
- Duet, "In the Cross of Christ I Glory," Prof. and Mrs. Ayer.
- Quartette "Low in the Grave he Lay" Messers German, Lintaloom, Ayre, and Pratt.
- Anthem, "Rejoice in the Lord," Choir.
- Closing hymn, "The Lamb is the Light Thereof" Congregation.
- A freewill offering for the purpose of completing payment on the new organ, will be taken up.

**Methodist Church**

Sunday school at 10 o'clock. An Easter Missionary sermon will be preached at 11, subject "The Hindrance to the Conversion of the World." Epworth League 7 p. m. Preaching at 8. A full attendance of the memberships desired at these services, and especially are the members requested to be present at the night service, as there are some who seem to be much incensed at the action of the pastor two weeks ago, and believing this has largely grown out of some false statements, he will, on Sunday night, give a statement of the whole matter and the causes which led to his course. Those who seem to become, at once, so interested in the church are especially requested to be present and hear the reasons that will be given in justification of the pastor's course. After this statement is made you are left to your own conclusion and to ask yourself what you would have done under the existing circumstances.

**Insane Asylum**

The report of Superintendent J. F. Calbreath, of the Oregon Insane Asylum for the month of March, shows a total enrollment of 1297. The number of patients February 23 were 1298, and

during March 31 were admitted and two escapes returned. Twenty were discharged, 13 died and one eloped, leaving 1297 at the end of the month. There are 167 officers and employes. The cost of maintenance per capita was \$9.90 and per day, 32 cents. There are 24 Alaskan patients in charge, for whom the state receives \$20 per month each.

**Threw Them Overboard**

A letter has been received from J. Porter Wilson, of Sumner, who went to San Francisco recently for the removal of a small growth on the side of his nose, which he feared might be a cancer. He writes that the growth has been removed, and he will be home soon. He was suffering some mental perturbation, from the fact that he had to live on soft victuals, not, however, by the doctors' orders. On the trip down he was lean-over the side one day, as people sometimes do at sea and making remarks about New York, as is customary, when the usual result eventuated, and now some mermaid is wearing a new breast-pin, of which an illustration may be seen in Dr. Prentiss's ad in this issue.

**CALLED FOR FUEL**

**Tug Bound for Alaska With a Tow Visits the Bay**

The tug Chilkat, from San Francisco bound for Prince William Sound, Alaska with the new stern-wheel river steamer Chingega in tow, came in yesterday for fuel, having been bucking a strong northerly wind for seven days from the city.

The Chingega is built for a river steamer and is of light draught. The Chilkat commanded by Capt. J. Hyerene is a powerful and handsome craft.

They arrived off the bar this morning, but were obliged to wait several hours, as the bar was extremely rough. Capt. Hyerene had never been in here before, but he is an experienced bar man, and waiting until high water, he chose just the right time and crossed in without mishap, though his tow made some wild runs on the racing swells.

The lifesaving crew from the Cape Arago station went down with their boat as it became apparent that the tug was making for the entrance. They lay by just inside the bar, and Captain Nelson assisted the Chilkat by signs to find a safe course. By request of Capt. Hyerene, Capt. Nelson went aboard and piloted the Chilkat up the bay, and she landed at the Beaver Hill bunker, for coal.

She will go out this morning and resume her trip.

**INSURANCE BUSINESS IN OREGON**

**Secretary Dunbar's Annual Report Shows a 15 per cent Increase**

The annual report of Secretary of State Dunbar concerning the insurance business transacted in the state in the year 1902 shows an increase of 15 per cent over the preceding year. The 2 per cent tax on net premiums produced a revenue of \$38,507 as compared with \$33,998 in 1901. The risks written in fire insurance increased from \$74,000,000 to \$86,000,000, the property owners paying out as premiums the sum of \$1,913,392. Losses were paid to the amount of \$659,148 and premiums returned \$411,511, leaving net premiums amounting to \$847,973.

The gross premiums on life insurance amounted to \$1,321,000, and the net premiums to \$987,621. The total amount paid for all kinds of insurance, after deducting losses paid and premiums returned is over \$1,977,000, or double the annual expense of maintaining the state government. The people of Oregon carry life insurance in what are known as the "old line" companies to the amount of \$40,000,000, or more than one fourth of the total assessed valuation of all the property in the state. There is no record of the amount of fraternal life insurance. The net premiums on fire insurance were only \$847,000, as compared with \$865,000 for the preceding year, but the net premiums on life insurance grew from \$714,000 to \$987,000 in the same time.

The number of fire, and marine companies doing business has decreased four, while the number of life and accident companies increased three.

**DALY GIVES BONDS**

**As Surveyor General of Oregon**

Washington, April 10—The bond of John D. Daly, recently appointed Surveyor General of Oregon was received at the General Land Office today, and approved by the acting commissioner. It did not reach Secretary Hitchcock, however, hence Mr. Meldrum's tenure of office is prolonged one day. Mr. Daly's bond is for \$30,000, furnished by the American Bonding Company of Baltimore. When the bond is finally approved by Secretary Hitchcock, Daly will be advised by wire to relieve Meldrum of the cares of office.

**RAILROAD HAS LOST**

**Patents to Disputed Oregon Land Set Aside.**

Oregonian News Bureau, Washington, April 6.—The Supreme Court today affirmed the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit which affirmed the judgment of District Judge Charles B. Bellinger, setting aside the patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior to the Oregon & California Railroad Company on February 29, 1893, covering a large area of land within the indemnity limits of its grant, and in effect upholding the title of settlers now upon these lands or establishing the rights of settlers to hereafter acquire title to the same.

All of the land affected by this decision are more than 20 and within 30 miles west of the railroad, between Jefferson in Marion County and Roseburg in Douglas County.

At the time the road was completed the lands within the indemnity limits were insufficient to make good the losses within the primary limits of the grant. The company maintained that upon the acceptance by the President of the last portion of the constructed road, it was the duty of the land officers to immediately issue patents to the company for all lands within the place and indemnity limits of the grant.

When in 1892 plats of survey of the lands in dispute were filed in the Roseburg Land Office the railroad company filed lists selecting the same as indemnity lands. Later in that year, so the company alleged, numerous settlers filed applications for homesteads on these lands. Lists filed by the company August 15 and October 15, 1892, were approved by the Commissioner of the Land Office and Secretary of the Interior and patent issued the following February to the railroad company for all lands now in dispute.

In October, 1893, the Secretary of the Interior changed his mind and declared that the patents issued in February had been erroneously made, and accordingly demanded a reconveyance of said land to the Government. This demand was then refused by the railroad company and has ever since been refused. The decision today is final, and under its terms title to all disputed lands again rests with the Government.

**BORN**

WILLIAMS—In Marshfield, Or., April 8, 1903 to the wife of R. W. Williams a girl.