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PERSONAL AND LOCAL

From Thursday's Daily.

R. J. Coke is laid up with a lame foot.

Major Tower was up from Empira yesterday.

Salmites are shipping in slab wood from Eugene.

The free delivery of mail began in Any on June 7th.

The Salem Journal put out an 8 page two color Carnival edition Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Coffelt, of north Coos river, were in town yesterday.

Captain Andrew Olsen, of Tenmile, was in town yesterday on business.

Miss Stella Elrod has accepted a position as bookkeeper in F. A. Sacchi's store.

The Alliance is billed to leave San at 5 p. m. today, and is due to sail for Portland Sunday.

Mrs. T. G. Tolly committed suicide Monday in the Oregon insane asylum by setting fire to her clothing.

G. W. Claxton, of Claxton & Farady, has about finished packing, and will go north on the next Alliance, to make his headquarters in Portland.

J. H. Flanagan, H. Sengstack and E. L. C. Farrin went to North Bend last evening to attend a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Marshfield baseball team are practicing faithfully, and are also making great preparations for their ball Saturday night, which will undoubtedly be a great success.

Mrs. B. M. Rook, of this place, who is visiting in Salem, has donated 25 lots in Depot addition to that city to the debt fund of Willamette University, completing the amount necessary to cover the indebtedness of that institution.

Lawsuit 400 Years Old

A lawsuit which may probably be claimed as the oldest in the world is reported from the Trentina. The two communes of Gallie and Poza have been for four centuries in litigation for the possession of an extensive tract of woodland, which has assumed the character of a virgin forest, with trees of colossal size, which no man dares to touch. Spots are still pointed out where 200 years ago, the two communes fought pitched battles for the disputed wood. Apparently the Homeric struggle is as far from closing as ever.

From Sunday's Daily.

The Marshfield Shakespearean Club met Wednesday evening at the home of E. L. C. Farrin.

Noble Steinhers received yesterday from Henry Hornsby, of Myrtle Point, 75 head of fat mutton sheep.

The A. O. U. W. wish to announce that everybody is invited to attend the excursion to Coquille on May 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Steinson will take passage North on the Alliance en route to their old home in Wisconsin to visit friends and relatives.

Geo. Schroeder, butter maker at the Coos Bay Creamery, is suffering from a severe sprain of the knee, but is able to be on duty.

S. C. Brown is moving the two buildings from John S. Coke's property on Cedar street, and will place them on Mr. Coke's lots on the corner of Second and B streets.

E. A. Anderson is having his coal shed excavated so he can run a scow load of coal up to the street and back a truck right onto the scow, thus making his facilities for handling coal much better.

Ralph Green was in town yesterday, and sent supplies to the Belt Line surveyors by gasoline launch up Isthmus slough, they having worked from South slough over to this side of the divide.

John Grant and family returned yesterday to their home in South Marshfield after spending three weeks with Mrs. Grant's parents on Catching slough. Mr. Grant has about recovered from his recent injuries.

Three of Miss Beams' seventh grade pupils gained honorary promotion this term, viz: Kathleen Bennett, Maud Coke and Myra Campbell. This means that in each of their studies for nine months they have averaged 90 per cent or over.

Coquille Herald.—J. K. McLeod is at our water front with his pile-driver, putting in the piles preparing to complete job of repairing that portion of the wharf so badly disarranged by last winter's high water.

Quite a delegation will start out this morning over the Drain route to attend the grand lodge of Masons, Royal Arch Chapter and Rebekahs, including R. Walters, H. Lockhart, C. H. Merchant, W. J. Butler, C. F. McKnight and E. C. Lee; Messdames Chas. Dungan, Jas. Forty, Wm. Nasburg and J. W. Lanette.

Coquille Herald.—John Landers, who recently came in from Douglas county, has developed a standard-type case of small-pox. As a matter of course the patient has been isolated, and it is to be hoped no one has been exposed, and, it is also to be hoped that the people will use the good judgment to thoroughly vaccinate.

The hospitalities of Kittyville were extended to the ladies of the A. N. W. Club on Thursday afternoon by Miss O'Connell, who entertained the Club in honor of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Jones, of San Francisco. The afternoon was pleasantly spent and the ladies highly enjoyed the outing to the O'Connell suburban home. Luscious refreshments were served and the day was beautiful for the ride too and from Kittyville. The ladies congregated at Mrs. J. H. Taylor's and were taken to the O'Connell home and return by John Bear who tendered the ladies his tally-ho coach, and they all agree that Mr. Bear is the most generous and thoughtful man in town.

Japs as Domestic Servants

(New York Press)

The thrifty Japanese are crowding in rapidly, picking up some of the most desirable places. They generally seek positions as butlers, stewards, valets, cooks or handy men. The influx is due to our navy. Landmen visiting men of war are delighted with the service of the little Japs, who do all that men can do and are excellent maids as well. As a rule they are competent, honest, capable and industrious. A Japanese cook on a yacht gets \$80 a month and is contented.

Fortunate Carrier

(Marsailles, Ill., Plain Dealer) J. M. Carr, carrier on route No. 54, out of Sheridan, has recently been presented by patrons with the following: Four thoroughbred chickens, three sacks of oats, two gallons of bran, two bushels of oats, and 2 1-2 dozen of eggs.

WOOLEN MILL BUILDING ABOUT COMPLETED

C. T. Farris, the Superintendent of construction at the North Bend woolen mill was in town Thursday and reports everything progressing finely. The structure is now complete and ready to receive the new machinery. The boiler for the engine will arrive on the Signal, which is due now, and the same will be put in place, the engine being on dock. When the motive power for the factory is set up, then the erection of that part of the mill will be a short job. Mr. Farris is more than pleased with the new building and feels proud to say that it is the most substantial woolen mill in Oregon. He likes North Bend and says he is pleased with the change. The structure was completed and ready for the machinery according to his agreement. A consignment of new machinery is soon expected. The new machinery is to be the latest improved textile machines.

From Saturday's Daily.

The Caarina was to sail from San Francisco at 5 p. m. yesterday.

Thos. Talbot, superintendent of the South slough district, was in town yesterday. He reports the Empire-Bandon road now in good condition as far as Five mile.

Mrs. Wm. Lawhorn, was in town yesterday, on her way to her home at Sumner from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. A. Stenningmann, on Coos River.

Road supervisor Norton has been at work on the road from East Marshfield to Sumner for several days, and reports the road now in good shape for six miles out.

G. Carontie, of Brownville was struck on the head with a sharp rock Sunday night while stepping from an excursion train. Who threw the rock is a mystery. The rock split the scalp for a length of several inches.

No advertising can be made so good as to overcome business in the store itself. All the good things that can be said of a business will fall on barren ground unless the appearance of the store indicate the ability of the merchant to serve good things to customers.

A telegram received yesterday from James Keane notified his friends here that he will not be here on this trip of the Alliance, as intended, but will come later. It is surmised that his theatrical scenery was not completed in time by the contractors.

G. A. Gould was out near Allegany one day this week with his young hunting dog and introduced him to a large bear, which the dog promptly tamed. Mr. Gould had no firearm but a large navy revolver with which he pumped Brim so full of lead that he gave up the thought. Mr. Gould says it was the largest bear he has seen in the county.

F. P. Norton visited the brickyard on Caiding slough Friday, and expressed himself as surprised at the amount of work that is being done there. Nine men are employed in connection with the new brickmaking machinery, which is working in a highly satisfactory manner and turning out a fine quality of brick.

Presbyterian Church

Teaching morning and evening by Rev. Smith, S. S. Missionary of Southern Oregon. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Christian Endeavor 7 p. m.

Don't Worry

People have been wondering what would become of those Rebekahs whom we started out yesterday to attend the Masonic grand lodge. We don't believe anything very bad will happen to them, for they were not really Rebekahs you know; they were Eastern Stars.

Methodist Church

There will be regular services at the Methodist Church Sunday: Sunday school at 10 o'clock preaching at 11 a. m. Also preaching at 8 p. m. The subject for the night is, "The Pleasures of Religion." All invited to attend.

Baptist Church.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching Services at 11 a. m. Topic, Mankind's Sin bearer. Text—John 1:20. Behold the Lamb of God B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. Evening Services at 8 p. m. Topic, The Grandeur of Christian Character. Text—Heb. 1:9. Prayer Meeting, Thursday evening at 8 p. m. All are cordially invited.

Brush Fires at North Bend

The people at Porter and new North Bend had quite an exciting time yesterday fighting fire. Fires set to burn up the brush and trash at some of the clearing at the new town were fanned by the unusually strong wind into a conflagration that seriously threatened quite a number of houses. The whole population, including the mill crews turned out to combat the flames, and so far as heard from no serious damage was done.

Lots of Grading

J. J. Burns, the North Bend grading contractor, was in town yesterday. He has ten teams still at work on the ball grounds. Mr. Simpson having enlarged his plans for the grounds. They will be all ready for the game tomorrow. The ditch for the water main to North Bend is now completed to a point 700 below the stove mill, besides a large part of the trestle work for the pipe. This 8 inch steel water main will furnish a water system for the whole bay front from Marshfield to old North Bend.

ANOTHER SMALL FIRE

Department Again Gets Out in a Hurry.

The fire boys again made a quick run yesterday forenoon, when a fire started in the roof of one of John Golden's houses on A street, occupied by T. Hall. The blaze, which started from a defective flue, was extinguished without the use of the hose.

The fire boys are certainly entitled to great credit for the quickness with which they get out and bring their apparatus to the scene of the fire. Considering that each has to come from wherever he may happen to be, it is surprising to see the hook and ladder truck and hose carts in full career up the street before the ordinary citizen has time to get out to the edge of the sidewalk and wonder where the fire is.

Now that the fire season is coming on, wouldn't it be an excellent idea for the city council to put in force more stringent regulations in regard to chimneys and flues? It seems like a special providence that there are not more fires, when there are so many old firetraps which are a constant menace to themselves and all adjacent property.

MISS WARE ARRESTED

McKinley and the Ex-commissioners on Trial at Portland

A Portland dispatch says: "Miss Marie Ware, ex-commissioner of the land office at Eugene, was arrested this morning on a charge of fraud in office

on a warrant issued in the federal court Horace McKinley, her close friend, who is generally believed to have prospered over her speculations, was arrested also. They have been released on bonds of \$2000.

McKinley was released upon furnishing \$2000 bonds. He claimed that the whole thing was a put up job and a conspiracy against him, at the bottom of which was Clyde Lloyd, who is at present the defendant in a suit for \$20,000 brought by McKinley. Lloyd and McKinley have been at sword's points for months and it is known that the former has aided the government officials to obtain all the information possible against Miss Ware and McKinley.

The government officers who are running down land fraud in this state are of the opinion that Miss Ware has surrendered herself to the influence of designing speculators, who have found her a ready tool. Government officers do not desire to prosecute her, if she will become a witness for the government. They believe that speculators who have used her to further their designs should rather be brought to justice.

The charges are such that they might frighten a woman who was less gifted with temerity, or was not supported in her courage by others. If any of the charges against her can be substantiated, it will probably be manifest that she has not made herself liable by acts of her own initiative, but by the promptings of persons who have found her plastic in their hands.

Horace McKinley was arrested Tuesday afternoon in Portland on a charge of perjury, forgery and conspiracy to defraud the United States by fictitious and fraudulent entry papers. The specific charges against McKinley are that he "filed false affidavit papers in the office of the register of the land office of the United States in Eugene."

Special Agent Green, who discovered irregularities enough to force Binger Hermann out of the office of commissioner in Washington, has worked up this case and it is supposed that he has many others and is now ready to make the arrests of the offending parties. These arrests are supposed to have commenced with the arrest of McKinley.

SIRENS AND SONGS.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew now weighs over 200 pounds, but he is healthier looking than ever.

Congressman James D. Richardson, former Democratic leader of the house, says he has decided to quit politics and devote himself to the work of Scottish Rite Masonry.

Moses Ashby, a Peconoc (Conn.) wood chopper, celebrated the seventy-eighth anniversary of his birth the other day by buying his first hat in twenty-five years and his first suit of clothes in forty years.

Persons close to Stephen B. Elkins, United States senator from West Virginia, say that out of his many and varied interests he cleaned up between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000 last year, and his entire fortune is put at about \$50,000,000.

It is noted by the British press that Mr. Ritchie, who will be the man of the hour when parliament reassembles, although belonging to a nation famed for thrift and finance, is, oddly enough, the first Scotchman to hold the post of chancellor of the exchequer.

W. F. Hursey, an expert piano tuner of Janesville, Wis., has been blind from his infancy. He is one of the best judges of a piano in the west and is, besides, an accomplished musician. He has taught music to the blind in institutes in Ohio and Wisconsin.

Everybody knows that Admiral Dewey is as fine a sailor as ever paced the weather plank, but not many are aware that the hero of Manila is also a clever whip. The admiral owns a pair of the most spirited horses in Washington, and he handles them with the skill of a veteran stage driver.

A good many Frenchmen think that Paul Deschanel, ex-president of the chamber of deputies, is a coming president of the republic. It is said that he entertains that opinion himself. He is young, rich, clever, the most well groomed politician of his party, a favorite in society, a member of the academy and high in the favor of the

Asked and Answered. Diggs—Crunkleigh acts like a married woman. Diggs—How does a married woman act? Diggs—Like one possessed, of course. Chicago News.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Missh Trouble. Howdy, Mistah Trouble; Comin' ter destroy; Dis de place you lookin' for? Take a seat wid joy! Road was mighty scary; Lonesome was de night; Come in ter de laughter; Lose yo' self in light! Think de world is lonesome? Bleege ter take yo' chance! 'Tlow dat mo'ins' mantle off En line us in de dance! —Atlanta Constitution.

Merely a Guess. Teacher—Can you tell me why the place where a river ends is called its mouth? Little Johnny—I dunno, unless it's because their mouths is where so many people seem to go out of business. Chicago Record-Herald.

LAW POINTS.

The attorney for plaintiff in the writ is held in Douglas versus Blount (Tex.), 58 L. R. A. 909, to have the right to purchase at the execution sale with the consent of his client.

A husband's common law liability for his wife's torts is held in Henley versus Wilson (Cal.), 58 L. R. A. 941, not to be changed by statutes prescribing to her her separate estate and empowering her to manage it.

An employee is held in Monteth versus Kokomo Wood Enameling company (Ind.), 58 L. R. A. 944, to have a right of action for injuries caused by his master's failure to comply with his statutory duty to guard a circular saw, although the defect was obvious.

Inflamed Eyes From a Lamp. Eyes are sometimes inflamed by being held too near the heat of a lamp, and relief may be obtained by shading the eyes with any old scrap of green paper.

Armenian Maidens. A strange punishment is endured by Armenian maidens when they have attained their seventeenth year and are not engaged to be married. They are forced to fast three days; then for twenty-four hours their food is salt fish and they are not permitted to quench their thirst.

Women and Music. Few women have attained any distinction as composers, and yet in music halls or at the opera the women exceed the men in numbers and apparent appreciation of the music.

Rhubarb. Rhubarb is made more agreeable to the eye by preserving the crimson color of the raw stalks. Choose the reddest stalks and cook without peeling. Do not sweeten until it is taken from the fire. A tablespoonful of orange juice improves the flavor of rhubarb.

Sunflower Fuel. In Russia sunflower stalks gathered from the fields and dried in piles have entirely replaced firewood. In fact, those stalks are preferred even to pine wood, producing a quick and hot flame fire. About 2,000 pounds of such firewood are gathered from an acre of land, thus adding a great boon to a district where wood is scarce. Sunflower stalks are also used for heating purposes not only in private houses, but in large factories as well. They are burned in ovens specially prepared for their consumption.

A Town Under One Roof. What would the ordinary woman say to a family that used every day 20,000 napkins, 12,000 towels, 3,500 sheets, 20,000 plates and 18,000 knives and forks? This is what is required by one of the large hotels in New York, at which a man cannot live for much less than \$5 a day. The hotel will accommodate 3,000 people, besides 1,500 servants to wait on them.—Youth's Companion.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Its Future Depends on the Solution of the Road Problem.

The remarkable growth of the rural free mail delivery system and the willingness of congress to appropriate money for extensions faster than the extensions can be made have been surprising even to the most enthusiastic friends of the system. So far the system has sailed on smooth and open seas with favorable winds. But now it is rapidly approaching a region of rocks and snags and storms. The great obstacle to the general spread of the rural free delivery system is the miserably bad state of the country.

So far the system has only been extended to communities blessed with good roads. Among the many commu-

DIED

ROBERTS—At Allegany, Oregon, June 1, 1903, Mrs. D. Roberts, aged 63 years, 6 months and 3 days. Deceased has been falling for some time, and her death was not unexpected. She passed away at the home of her son-in-law, Capt. C. E. Edwards. The remains were brought to Marshfield yesterday and will be taken to Myrtle Point today for interment.