

WOMAN DEFENDS DOUKHOBORS

Mrs. W. F. Osburn. Writes a Letter to Democrat in Reply to Claims of Grangers.

ASSERTS THAT RUSSIANS ARE DESIRABLE SETTLERS

Doukhobors Coming to Oregon Not Identified With Object-ionable Religious Sect.

Continued from Tuesday, June 24.

Eugene, Ore., June 21.—1913.—Editor Albany Democrat, Albany Oregon.—Dear Sir:—Will you allow me, through the medium of your excellent paper, to reply to the objections made by the grangers of your community against the Doukhobors, as published in the Democrat a few days ago.

Knowing these people well, I feel in duty bound to defend them, and prevent a gross injustice being practiced, not only on the Russians, but to safeguard the interests of our Willamette valley lands.

I am sure the good sense of the publicity department of Albany will prevent such a calamity, and investigate the worth of these prospective settlers and not turn them aside on the snap judgment of a small part of its community.

The fact is these Doukhobors, seeking homes in Oregon, are not identified with that small sect of fanatic religionists in the Swan River settlements, whose "antics," by the way, were grossly exaggerated by the enterprising press correspondents some years ago. This sect, with their leader, Peter Verigin, has since left Manitoba and settled in British Columbia, where they are peacefully pursuing their ways of agriculture and fruit-growing, making a garden spot of the seemingly irreclaimable wilds of the foothills of the Selkirk.

The Doukhobors, under our consideration, have always, since their immigration to Canada lived in the province of Saskatchewan. These people, from the start, showed a progressive spirit; in due time proved up on their lands, and never followed the dictates of Verigin.

It is true that during the first two years of their settlement they lived according to the communal system and shared all things in common. This was done for economic reasons, and for the support and protection of the women and children whose husbands and fathers were still in exile in Siberia. These worked in the fields, while the small number of able-bodied men contributed their earnings gained by working on the railroads, which were opportunistly being built at that time. I have seen villages of 300 souls of which 80 per cent were old people, widows and children, and I wish I could tell you of the heroism and unselfish devotion of these people to each other in those first years of their settlement when sickness, hunger and starvation, and insufficient clothing to withstand the cold winters, seemed liable to exterminate them. In spite of their almost insurmountable hardships they daily sang praises of thankfulness for their deliverance in the land of freedom, as they termed Canada, where they could worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience, and where it was not compulsory to take up arms where-with to learn to kill their fellow men, nor to serve a cruel and despotic czar.

When the grangers referred to these Russian Quakers as an "exceedingly common class," they do not know whereof they speak, for of such stuff were made the Pilgrim fathers who founded our great nation.

In answer to the charge of their "undesirable citizenship," I wish to point to the progressive small towns with their public schools, founded by these people in the valley of the Saskatchewan.

Dumped upon those unbroken, virgin plains, 14 years ago, with their only belongings consisting of poor bedding, strangers to the country and its language, in spite of the unaccustomed, rigorous climate and countless hardships, these courageous exiles have built up a small empire upon whose prosperous lands of waving grain invading American farmers look with longing eyes.

However, in spite of their growing prosperity, the people have never been reconciled to the climate of the Canadian Northwest. They yearn for a milder climate like that of their home in the Caucasus, where they could raise fruits and vegetables, which is their principal diet, for they think it is a sin to kill any living creature.

And so their eyes are turning towards Oregon, fruitful, hospitable Oregon, and fortunate the community among whom they cast their lot. Time will prove my assertion. Like their Canadian neighbors our people will learn to admire and respect these colonists for their simple worth and honesty, their tireless industry, their Christian forbearance and endurance of wrong by turning the other cheek.

These people exemplify in their lovely lives the ideals toward which most of us are as yet blindly groping, and to the discussion of which plat-form reformers are losing much breath, when the solution lies simply in a developed conscience of love to man and the awakening of the Christ principle

CORVALLIS WILL NOT CELEBRATE THE FOURTH

However the Gun Club Is Planning a Shooting Tournament to Provide Jollity.

Corvallis will not celebrate the Fourth of July this year, but for the sport lovers the Corvallis Rod & Gun club is arranging for a shooting tournament. Just what the program is to be will be determined at a meeting to be held at the M. M. Long & Co.'s store this evening.

An effort is now being made to have the shoot transferred to the Corvallis ball park, where a ball game will be played and other sports indulged in. A greased pig will be turned loose, there will be foot races, and the effort now is to provide quite an afternoon for jollity.—Gazette-Times.

SHERIFF BODINE WILL BECOME A BENEDICT

Dame Rumor Will Perform Ceremony in Portland Today; Bride Native of Indiana.

Dame rumor has married Sheriff D. H. Bodine so many times during the past few months that the Democrat hesitates to again perform the ceremony, but circumstances surrounding the mysterious disappearance of the Linn county sheriff have led to many new rumors concerning his matrimonial intentions. Some of the more knowing have even gone so far as to describe the bride-to-be, who is said to be a charming young woman from the state of Indiana.

The bride is said to be now occupying a seat on "The Limited" and is bound for Portland, Oregon, where she will give herself up as a willing prisoner to the Linn county sheriff upon her arrival.

In support of this theory it became known that Mr. Bodine yesterday left for the Rose City and among his close friends it was hinted that he would not return to Albany a bachelor.

But be that as it may, the finger of suspicion points strongly unless he becomes a benedict within the next twenty-four hours, the cigars are on the Democrat.

W. K. TAYLOR ELECTED MAYOR OF CORVALLIS

Municipal Ownership Carries; Cooper, Howard and Johnson Lead for City Council.

Corvallis, June 24.—(Special to Democrat)—A heavy vote was polled here at the municipal election yesterday, the indications being that Cooper, Johnson and Howard have been elected as members of the city council.

W. K. Taylor was elected mayor, J. R. Wells, chief of police and F. W. Denman, police judge.

While the vote is not all counted it now seems certain the municipal ownership ordinance has carried by a safe majority. If the same carries a bond election will be necessary before putting the plans into operation.

The election judges did not complete the count at a late hour last night and adjourned until 2 p. m. today.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Wayne Stuart left on a business trip around the horn this morning, which will include Lebanon to Holley and to Brooksville.

H. M. Crooks, president of Albany College left this morning for Portland on a brief errand.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Meyer, Sr. left this morning for Portland to visit with relatives.

W. W. Ashby and M. J. Lynch, officials of the Warren Construction Co., went to Lebanon this noon in the interest of paying contracts which have been let by that city. Mr. Lynch is a resident of that city and came over this noon to accompany Mr. Ashby to Lebanon.

Miss Villa Daggett left this morning for Lewiston, Idaho, where she will spend a portion of the summer as the guest of friends.

Miss Flora Fisher of Tangent, arrived this morning to visit with friends here for several days.

Dr. Virginia Lewaux this noon returned from Corvallis where she made a professional call.

Rev. C. H. McKee, of Marshfield, arrived this noon to visit Rev. Elbert Hicks, of the Baptist church.

Mrs. J. E. Etout, after visiting relatives here, left for her home at Wendling this noon.

In the heart of the individuals like these untutored "worldly ignorant" Russians.

Thanking you kindly for the allotted space, I remain yours very truly,

MRS. ROSE G. OSBURN.

VETERANS LEAVE FOR GETTYSBURG

Four Survivors of Memorable Battle Left This Morning for Portland.

WILL JOIN SPECIAL TRAIN BOUND FOR BATTLEFIELD

Oregon Is Sending Between 85 and 95 of Its Heros to Big Reunion.

Leaving this morning for Portland, Andrew Crooks, W. P. Small, William Meyer and John Catlin, will join the special train which will convey between 85 and 95 Oregon survivors of the memorable battle of Gettysburg to the gigantic reunion of the old soldiers who wore the blue and the gray in the bloody conflict during the Civil war, to be held in the form of a huge encampment on the battlefield at Gettysburg, Pa., bringing the veterans together for the first time in 50 years, to celebrate the half century anniversary of that battle.

Oregon is sending its surviving heroes of that historic conflict back to Gettysburg to participate in the reunion which will bring many of these brave men—comrades then, but almost strangers now—together for the first time since the conflict.

Andrew Crooks enlisted August 22, 1862, in company D, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as the "Second Buck-tails." In September he went to Washington, D. C., and did guard duty there until February 14, 1863, when he was moved to Bell Plains. He was at Fredericksburg in all the fighting at Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He participated in all the fighting at Gettysburg, and lost a leg there.

W. P. Small, has a notable record. He was a member of the famous "Iron Brigade," being attached to the Nineteenth Indiana. He served three years and seven months, taking part in all the important battles of the Army of the Potomac, including the battle of Gettysburg. He was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness.

William Meyer, as a member of Company B, Forty-ninth Illinois infantry, took active part in the battle but was not seriously wounded.

John Catlin, who has been a resident of this city for over 30 years, was attached to the Fifth New York cavalry in troop A, and received several wounds during the engagement, in the legs and head.

George Nessling, of Dallas, transacted business here yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Phelps passed through the city this noon enroute from their home in Montana to Eugene where they will visit relatives of Mrs. Phelps. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps were recently married. Mr. Phelps was here last summer with a few of purchasing land, spending several weeks looking over the country.

'DIS SHO' WILL BE DE LAS' TIME JUDGE' SAYS NEGRO

George Mills, Colored, Was Fined \$10 and Costs in Police Court.

Charged with drunkenness, George Mills, colored, was arraigned this morning before Police Judge Van Tassel and pleaded guilty. He was fined \$10 and costs, which he paid and was released.

Mills is employed as a bootblack in a local barber shop and was arrested late last night by night officers. The officers gave Mills the benefit of the doubt and told him to go home but he was a little too full to take appreciative advantage of the warning. "Dis sho' will be de las' time," Judge, said Mills to the police judge when he was told not to partake of the joy water too freely again.

WILBERS DEPARTED FOR HOME AT PAYETTE TODAY

Leaving this morning for their home at Payette, Idaho, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wilber, nee Eulah Wright, were hidden bon voyage by 15 friends who assembled at the depot to bid them farewell. After visiting at the home of the groom's parents at Melrose, Ore., the couple returned here Saturday and spent until yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Wright. Enroute to Payette they will visit in Portland and other way points and will be at home after July 1.

News Beginning With This Head Is From Daily Issue of WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

CHAUTAUQUA BOARD MET LAST NIGHT

Plans for the Annual Sale of Season Tickets Were Discussed.

LUNCH TO BE HELD TUESDAY TO CHOSE COMMITTEE

Wednesday and Thursday of Next Week Designated as Dates for Canvass.

At a meeting of the official board of the Albany Chautauqua association held last night in the Commercial club parlors, it was decided on the adoption of a report of the chairman of the finance committee, F. M. French, that a lunch will be given Tuesday evening, July 1 at which time arrangements will be made for the annual sale of season tickets.

On the following Wednesday and Thursday pursuant to the organization of a proposed plan at the luncheon a large committee composed of leading members of the Chautauqua association will conduct a canvass throughout the city as has been the custom in former seasons for the sale of tickets.

The secretary was instructed to furnish each minister of the city with an announcement of the dates of the sale of tickets with the request that they should read them from their pulpits next Sunday. The secretary was also instructed to communicate with the Corvallis Commercial club calling their attention to Corvallis Day on the program and requesting them to advise the board as to the part they will take in the exercises of that day.

Several other matters of more or less importance were disposed of during the meeting aside from the allowing of numerous bills. Those present at the meeting were as follows: President M. H. Ellis, Secretary J. H. Ralston, and the following directors: I. S. Van Winkle, F. M. French, J. L. Tomlinson, Rev. D. H. Leech and C. H. Stewart.

Has Silo Agency.

W. C. Schultz has taken the local agency for the Crown silo, which is reputed to be one of the best of its kind on the market. The silo is manufactured in Tacoma, Wash., and has all of the advantages that one could have aside from being of the largest type of modern design.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter were among Albany people going to Newport yesterday. They will spend a portion of the summer at the resort.

Sheriff D. H. Bodine did not return to Albany last night and it is presumed by his friends he was married yesterday in the Rose City. Deputy Kendall has been unable to get into communication with the sheriff but shares the belief of other friends that the ceremony was performed upon the arrival of the bride from the East.

Mrs. J. A. Nimmo left this morning for Turner to attend the camp meeting now in progress there.

Miss Edna McKnight left this noon for Eugene to visit for a few days with friends.

Attorney Sam Garland returned to his home at Lebanon this noon after pending the morning here attending to legal business.

Mrs. Fred Blount left this noon for Turner to attend the camp meeting which is being held at that place.

FOR SALE—Steam hay balier, complete. B. M. Payne, Albany, Oregon. J19-d & w. it

THIS IS FOR BABY'S COUGH

Would you feed your baby Welsh Rarebit and mince pie?

You will say that this is a foolish question. But it is no more foolish than to give baby a medicine prepared for adults. That is why we recommend Rexall Baby Cough Syrup. You should use it for baby because it is specially designed for baby—for the undeveloped, tender organism—for the extremely delicate breathing mechanism.

It should appeal to you intelligence that a remedy designed for adults is not the best for an infant. When baby has a cough or cold, use Rexall Cough Syrup and you feel secure in the knowledge that it is the experience of more than five thousand druggists of the United States, to be most successful, most safe—most satisfactory in every way—in the treatment of baby's coughs and colds.

Highly agreeable in taste and safe, you don't have to coax the child to take it. We believe Rexall Baby Cough Syrup is the best remedy you can secure for relieving baby's cold and for providing against development into pneumonia or something equally serious. Price, 25 cents. Sold in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store—Fred Dawson, Albany, Oregon.

DEMOCRAT WILL BE HOST TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

Invitation to Gill's Travel Tours Extended to 100; Children to Receive Free Tickets.

The Democrat will give a theatre party at the Albany Opera House on Monday evening. A hundred school children of the city are invited to attend Gill's Travel Tours that night absolutely free as the guests of this paper. The first 100 children of school age who present themselves at the business office of the Democrat at 9 o'clock that morning will each be given a complimentary ticket to the show.

The show is said to be highly educational and on that account the Democrat has decided to give the children something that will benefit as well as entertain them. The pictures displayed by this company are absolutely the best ever put together in the moving picture field. They have the Alaska-Siberian and Paul Rainey pictures excelled so far that there is no comparison. The eruption of Mount Vesuvius is alone worth the price of admission. The camera was so close to the flowing lava, and to contiguous explosions that the escape of the camera men seems almost miraculous. The reel of bird life required four years to secure. There are comedy pictures, real comedy, and freak photographic effects. A reel on the "Land of the Midnight Sun" is one of the very interesting pictures shown. Whaling in the North, showing the shooting of the harpoon gun, the capture of the whale, and disposal of same. Also the great slate quarries in Wales show the working of this industry from start to finish, illustrating how the large blocks of slate are manipulated in the making of roofing slate, as well as billiard tables.

The Democrat cordially invites the children to attend the show and will give absolutely free to each of the first 100 applicants. Monday morning at 9 o'clock a ticket to the performance that night. There are no strings at all to this offer. The children will be given good seats and will be treated as if they paid the full price of admission.

H. N. Conkerline left this morning on a brief business trip to Portland.

EDNA MERRILL IS OUSTED FROM TOWN BY POLICE

Woman Has Figured Conspicuously in Several Mix-Ups.

Yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, local police authorities entered a rooming house on East Second street and gave notice on Mrs. Edna Merrill, an inmate, to leave town. She left on the first train.

The Merrill woman has figured conspicuously in several mix-ups here during the past six months and considerable notoriety is attached to her name. She has been ordered to leave town previously but it appears that she returned and the police learning of the fact, located her in the rooming house and told her to "beat it." The proprietor of the rooming house knew nothing of the woman except that she applied there for a room and her request was granted.

Mrs. M. J. Cameron left this noon to attend a district convention of the Methodist church.

"The Progressive Republican Mergers" by Albert J. Beveridge, is a strong article in the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post. Get one from Riley Lobaugh, the boy in the wheel chair.

Miss Daisy Eden Savory, of Portland, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Doughton on Tenth street.

Ben Tharp of Tangent, transacted business here this morning.

The Crown Silo

One of the Best on the Market, Has All the Advantages a Silo Can Have

The Stave as Shown in the Cut Is Superior to Any Other

Simplest, strongest, most perfect door and ladder. The door opens in the least space of any swing door. Constructed so that swelling or shrinking cannot cause the door to bind or admit the air. And is guaranteed not to fall or collapse.

The cost of this silo is small, compared with others, and gives the farmer and dairyman the cheapest and best feed to be had. It makes winter feeding more profitable than summer.

Prices are better in winter, cows give as much as summer, when fed silage, stock fatten without grain, saves grain or feed bills. Better and cheaper feed than kale; always ready to feed; no hauling in wet weather and cutting up your farm.

Sold by **W. C. SCHULTZ** ALBANY, OREGON. MANUFACTURED TACOMA, WASH.

LIFE ENDANGERED WITH HUSBAND

Mrs. Carrie Erskine Brings Suit Against John M. Erskine for Divorce.

MANY ALLEGATIONS ARE MADE IN COMPLAINT

Asks Court That Defendant Be Required to Provide for Little Daughter.

Charging that her life would be greatly endangered if required to live much longer with her husband, because of his continuous neglect and cruel and inhuman treatment, which she alleges has broken her health Mrs. Carrie Erskine has filed suit for legal separation from John M. Erskine, a prosperous young farmer residing near Lebanon.

The couple were married in Tacoma, Wash., November 10, 1908 and moved to Linn county April 2, 1909. There is one child as the result of the union, Dorothy Lelah Mae, age 3, for whom the plaintiff prays for the custody, and asks that the court require the defendant to pay \$10 a month for the care of the child during her minority. Mrs. Erskine claims that she is able to gain a livelihood for herself by her own work.

In her complaint the plaintiff alleges that she has treated her husband at all times as a dutiful wife and that in turn he has treated her harshly and cruelly until her life has become burdensome. She charges that among other things, he became angry about some pasture land in March, 1912, which he thought his people should have given him. She reminded him that he had been promised the land, whereupon he became angered and struck her in the face with his hand. At one time according to the complaint he threatened to send her to her own people if she didn't have supper on time.

The plaintiff alleges that in August, 1912, she went out to gather wild blackberries in order that she might put up an abundance of the fruit that the defendant seemed to like the most. She lost her way in returning and arrived at home 20 minutes after the time set by the defendant for her return. Defendant thereupon became violently angry and cursed and abused plaintiff with great bitterness. He thereupon secured a plank from a packing box and beat plaintiff about her body, inflicting painful bruises.

Further allegation is made in the complaint that in 1912, the defendant brought suit for divorce against plaintiff and among other things, falsely, for purposes of defaming plaintiff, alleged that she was infatuated with another man. In order to protect her good name she preferred to refute charges, whereupon defendant dismissed the suit. Attorney E. M. Garland, of Lebanon, represents the plaintiff.

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