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SOCIAL WELFARE IN A SMALL TOWN.

In the August American Magazine, George Fitch, the Peoria, Illinois, humorist, writes a comical piece entitled "Homeburg's Two Four-Hundredths."

It is a sketch of the Smart Set of a small town, and reports the warfare between the Payleys and the Singers, the two families in the town which "put on the most airs." Following is an extract:

"Mrs. Payley having been on the ground a long time, had fortified it, of course, and was president of all the clubs. But inside of a month Mrs. Singer flanked her position. She declined to join most of the clubs on the plea of being a busy woman, and organized a flower mission. Its object was to distribute flowers to the old and needy, who generally consisted of Pat Ryan. Pat was nearly smothered in flowers that year, being good natured, and as the work of collecting said flowers involved a great deal of meeting in the Singer home and dancing in the Singer attic, which was floored with hard maple that winter, Mrs. Singer had the girls of the town organized into a Roman phalanx before spring.

MURPHY AS A WITNESS.

Charles F. Murphy of Tammany Hall has appeared as a witness in the court of public opinion against the character of Governor Sulzer of New York. The curtains of the past have been drawn aside by the Tammany leader and the flash light of scandal turned upon the private life of the progressive Democratic executive of the Empire state.

UNDERPAID OFFICIALS

Because he is wholly unable to meet his financial obligations from his salary as secretary of state, William J. Bryan recently declared that he proposes to accept a series of engagements on the lecture platform during the time allotted to him for his vacation.

The announcement caused a stir in official circles of Washington and raised a question of more than passing importance. Can the government of the United States, any state or territory thereof, or any municipality, afford to have underpaid men in its employ? The Democrat does not believe that it can.

From the standpoint of efficiency the same rules apply to the government service that apply to a mere private corporation. Underpaid, poorly fed, or poorly clothed men will not produce the same amount of labor as those who receive good wages, live in decent homes and are able to enjoy some of the little luxuries of life. The same rule that applies to manual labor, applies to intellectual labor.

For an income-producing man to accept a position in the federal service is always a financial sacrifice. Honest men don't expect to get rich from a government salary, but they have a right to expect a decent living during their tenure of office. The government has no moral right to expect them to draw upon their private resources for the necessary funds to maintain themselves and their families while employed in a public capacity. A rich and powerful nation should be able to pay its employees what they are worth, but it is morally bound to pay them enough to meet ordinary living expenses. To pay a man less than it costs him to live, is to place a premium on dishonesty and invite him to convert a public trust into a public graft.

To ask a poor man to accept a position as a member of the Oregon state legislature at the present salary is an insult. The same is true in many other states. Yet we complain about the intellectual standard of our state lawmakers. We demand the services of a ten thousand dollar a year man and would pay him the magnificent sum of three dollars per diem. Until the salaries of many of our public officials are placed upon a livable basis, it will always be difficult to secure the services of able, honest and thoroughly competent men. True it is that there is a certain amount of honor in serving the people in an official capacity, but the grocer or the butcher will not accept a check on a man's honor when he presents his bill.

A little more common sense and a little less short sighted and business-like economy, will do much to solve this perplexing problem.

FUTURE OF THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY.

In a special article written for the New York Sun, Walter Wellman takes a pessimistic view of the future of the Progressive party.

"Is the Progressive Party to Live?" asks the great correspondent, "or will it amalgamate with the old Republican organization on some terms of compromise?" Wellman himself has answered the first question in the negative and the Democrat undertakes to answer the second.

Assuming that the members of the Progressive party were sincere when they left the Chicago convention, that they really stand for anything more than just for office; that Colonel Roosevelt and his small army of platform speakers told the truth during the recent campaign; that the Progressive party platform was not written by a committee of brazen hypocrites; and that the members of the organization have the courage of their convictions, the Progressive party can never, under any terms, or under any conditions, again work in harmony with the old line Republican organization.

The two organizations are as far apart as the two seas, and a complete sacrifice of principle, or an open and undisguised admission that the leaders of the progressive movement were inspired solely by a desire to further their own sordid political ambition, must first be made if any progressive would ever cross the Bull Moose for Elephant.

CORVALLIS SHIPS THOUSANDS OF POUNDS OF WOOL

Three Thousand Pounds of Mohair Are Included in Big Pool.

Two hundred thousand pounds of wool and about 3,000 pounds of mohair shipped from Corvallis by one firm this season is a splendid showing. J. H. Harris says that he has shipped that quantity and that the season is practically ended. His records show that he secured about 20,000 pounds from Halsey, 40,000 from C. & E. points to the westward and practically all of the Monroe and Bellfountain clip, as well as a goodly quantity from Junction and Saver. He bought ninety-five different batches, the largest of which was that secured from McFadden & Barclay, 15,000 pounds. An average clip was in the vicinity of 5,000 or 6,000 pounds.

The highest price paid this season was 20 cents, this for the best Marino wool, the cheapest being Costwood. The price this season averaged almost four cents less per pound than that of last year, though the wool was fully up to standard.

Besides the wool clip, Mr. Harris bought very near \$2,000 worth of mohair. This brought about 33 1/2 cents. The heaviest batches did not weigh more than 1,000 pounds and most of them were of less than 100 pounds. Mohair was bought from 75 different people this year, as compared with 53 last year. The mohair offered this year was very fine.

There are very few batches of either wool or mohair to be brought in. Mr. Harris says his buy represents the best of the wool and mohair raised in this section and he counts this season's business a good one—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

Notice of Appointment of Administrator.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of George M. Hill, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are required to present said claims with proper vouchers within six months from this date at the office of Gale S. Hill, Cusick Bank Building, Albany, Linn County, Oregon.

Dated July 22, 1913. MARY ELIZABETH ROBINSON, Administratrix. GALE S. HILL and HEWITT & SOX, Attorneys for Administratrix. W-15-22-29

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Henry Muehlenhoff, deceased, and the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, has fixed Monday, the 11th day of August, 1913, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. for the settlement of said account and the hearing of objections thereto.

Any and all persons having objections to said account are hereby notified and required to be present in the above entitled Court at said time and present such objections as they may have to said account. Dated July 13, 1913. LLOYD G. ANDERSON, Administrator of the Estate of Henry Muehlenhoff, Deceased. GALE S. HILL, Attorney for Administrator. JS-15-22-29

NOTICE.

Registration of Land Title. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County.

DRAMATIC READER AT CHAUTAUQUA

Miss Maude Willis Will Be Feature of This Evening's Program.

REPERTOIRE COMPRISES ABOUT 300 SELECTIONS

Maude Stevens Concert Company Made Initial Appearance This Afternoon.

Miss Maude Willis, dramatic reader will be the feature attraction at the Chautauqua this afternoon and tonight, making her last appearance at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. The Maude Stevens Concert Company appeared in full concert at 2 o'clock and will give a full concert this evening at 8 o'clock.

Miss Willis is a genius. Her great natural gifts of voice and temperament, coupled with exhaustive study, tireless preparation and country-wide experience, have gained for her the very highest point of excellence in her chosen profession. Miss Willis's repertoire comprises more than three hundred different selections, including the full text of over twenty plays, all of which are rendered entirely from memory. Her readings range from the simple little tales of a child life to the great life of drama.

The Maude Stevens Concert company will be one of the chief attractions upon the program. Maude Stevens has no superior in impersonations and costume monologues. She is an artist of rare ability and delightful personality with a record of unusual success upon the Chautauqua platform. She has a charming and vivacious appearance upon the stage, and her readings are not artificial, but natural and true to life.

Miss Charlotte Chamberlain is a pianist and whistler. Her whistling, like the finest of instrumental music, is a song without words, but having all of a song's sweetness and expression.

SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. Department No. 2. Chas. Kolb, Plaintiff, vs. Elizabeth Kolb, Defendant.

In the Name of the State of Oregon, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled court and cause, now on file in the office of the clerk of the said court, on or before the 26th day of August, 1913, the same being the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication thereof; and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as herein required, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint, viz: a decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable.

This summons is served on you by publication in the Semi-Weekly Democrat by order of the Honorable D. R. McKnight, county judge of Linn County, made the 10th day of July, 1913. ELMER RICHARDSON, Attorney for Plaintiff. W-15-22-29

Administrator's Notice. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Ella Alexander, deceased, and the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, has fixed Wednesday, the 8th day of July, 1913, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. for the settlement of said account and the hearing of objections thereto.

Any and all persons having objections to said account are hereby notified and required to be present in the above entitled Court at said time and present such objections as they may have to said account. Dated July 26, 1913. MARION ALEXANDER, Administrator of the Estate of Ella Alexander, Deceased. GALE S. HILL, Attorney for Administrator. Jul 1-8-15-22-29

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned executor of the last will and testament of Mathew Acheson, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, his final account as such executor, and said Court has fixed Monday, the 4th day of August, 1913, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon as the time for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE PAID TO LATE E. W. LANGDON

Editor of the Portland Journal Honors Memory of Former Albany Banker.

The following appeared on the editorial page of the Oregon Journal last evening: "Many friends in Albany, Corvallis, Portland, Yaquina Bay and other points in Oregon regret the passing of E. W. Langdon, whose death was announced in Albany yesterday. For years, he was the head of the First National Bank in Albany, where his ability as a financier was demonstrated in the panic of 1893 and again in 1907. His knowledge of banking was profound, and his view of affairs as broad as real manhood. He was the recipient of general confidence, a confidence with which his whole career was beautifully squared and plumbed.

LIGHTED CIGARETTE CAUSES SLIGHT FIRE ON THE BRIDGE

Leo Ryland Discovered Smoke Fire and Notified Fire Chief Horskys.

A lighted cigarette thrown in a crack between two boards on the north end of the steel bridge, caused a smoldering fire this afternoon but it was extinguished before any damage was done. While on his way to town, after working on a job across the river, Leo Ryland, of the Ludwig Plumbing Shop, saw smoke coming up between the boards. He discovered the cause and hurried to town, notifying Fire Chief Horskys, who accompanied by a fireman went to the scene on a motorcycle. They succeeded in scraping the fire out. The damage is a scorched board.

R. S. Parker and wife and C. G. Brown and wife, all of Portland, composed an auto touring party passing through the city last night. They spent the night at the St. Francis.

Registration of Land Title.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. In the matter of the application of Willamette Land Company, an Oregon corporation, to register the title to the land in said application described, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the West boundary line of said North 1 degree 39 minutes West 56.29 chains distant from the S. W. corner of the Donation Land Claim of Anderson Cox and wife, Not. No. 696, Claim No. 49, in Tp. 11 S. R. 3 W. Will. Mer., Linn County, Oregon, thence N. 88 degrees 45 minutes E. 41.00 chains to the East boundary line of said Claim No. 49; thence N. 1 degree 37 minutes West 21.07 chains to the center of the County Road; thence N. 70 degrees 25 minutes W. 44.00 chains along center of said Road to the West boundary line of said Claim No. 49; thence S. 1 degree 39 minutes East 39.75 chains to the point of beginning, containing 118.5 acres, more or less.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Circuit Court this 19th day of June A. D. 1913. W. L. MARKS, County Clerk and ex-officio clerk of the Circuit Court of Linn County, Oregon. HEWITT & SOX, Attorneys for Applicant. Jun 24-Jul 1-8-15-22

CITATION.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Linn County. In the matter of the estate of the estate and guardianship of D. C. Flint, an incompetent. To D. C. Flint, Herbert Barber, Mrs. Alma Cummings, Rolla A. White, Lillian H. White, Mrs. L. M. Howe, Mrs. C. F. Bailey, and Mrs. J. H. O'Brien, and all others interested in said estate, greeting. In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby cited and required to appear in the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Linn, at the court room thereof, at Albany, in said county, on Wednesday the 9th day of July, 1913, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, then and there to show cause, if any, why an order of sale should not be made by this court in the above entitled matter authorizing and empowering A. G. Knapp, as guardian of the person and estate of D. C. Flint, an incompetent, to sell all of the real

KANSAN PRAISES FARM AT ASYLUM

State Institutions of Oregon Are Near the Top, Avers Investigators.

PROMINENT BOARD OF CONTROL VISITED HERE

H. C. Bowman, of Topeka, Kan., Visited with Brother-in-Law C. G. Rawlings.

The Oregon state institutions, from the standpoint of efficient management and manner of being kept, will stand in the front rank with those of any other state in the union, is the declaration of H. C. Bowman, of Topeka, a member of the board of control of Kansas, and a brother-in-law of C. G. Rawlings of this city. Mr. Bowman visited here Sunday at the home of Mr. Rawlings, leaving for Salem Monday morning, accompanied by Mr. Rawlings.

Mr. Bowman was particularly struck with the state insane asylum farm. He said he was out visiting the institutions of various states to get ideas for conducting a 900-acre farm belonging to the institutions in his state, and that nowhere had he found a farm to compare with the one here. "At first we went East to get ideas, as that has been the custom in the past," said Mr. Bowman, "but I now find the best kept state institutions are in the west."

In Kansas there are three boards of control, besides the regular state of affairs. In Kansas one board of control, comprised of three members who receive \$3600 a year and expenses, has supervision of the state educational institutions, including the schools for deaf and blind. Another board of three members, whose salaries are only \$1200 a year each, has charge of the penal and reformatory institutions. The members of this board are not expected to give all their time to the work.

RAILROAD COMPANY FILED ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

Denies Allegations Made Against Them by B. J. Tanton and Wife.

In answer to the complaint filed against them sometime ago by B. J. Tanton and wife, to recover damages to household goods alleged to have incurred in shipment, the Corvallis & Eastern Railway company is protected by the rules and regulations, which their claim have been posted conspicuously for the information of their patrons. According to the answer it is cited that under these circumstances the railroad company is not liable for the damage to the Tanton consignment. They pray the court to dismiss the case. Attorneys Weatherford and Weatherford represent the defendant railroad company.

NEW EIGHT HOUR LAW BECAME EFFECTIVE JULY 1

The law which went into effect July 1 makes it illegal to labor more than eight hours in twenty-four on all works, such as state, county, city or school contracts. The law also controls private contracts, making it illegal for contractors to work their men more than eight hours a day, excepting on contracts taken prior to June 3, 1913. On such contracts a nine hour working day is allowed until contract is completed.

SUES TO RECOVER \$1000, AND ATTORNEYS FEES

A suit to recover \$1000 was filed this morning in the district court, by Attorneys Hewitt & Sox, in behalf of Peter Widmer, against George Edelman and wife. In the complaint the plaintiff alleges that the defendants executed a promissory note in his favor, for the above named sum, December 13, 1911. The plaintiff asks the court for judgment in that sum with interest to date and for \$100 attorneys fees.