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A WISE COURSE

This nation indeed fortunate in having a man in the White House who possesses the wisdom and moral stamina to refuse to plunge us into a Mexican war simply at the behest of a pack of jingoes and to satisfy the desires of a few capitalists who are always ready and willing that somebody else's blood than their own be spilled in behalf of their precious dollars. Much of the demand that is heard for a more strenuous policy regarding the Mexican situation is merely the cunningly devised scheme of the "Big Business" interests to influence public opinion, and thereby force the result in intervention.

This eventually may be forced upon president into what ultimately would be, but President Wilson is displaying true patriotism and high statesmanship in exhausting first every resource of diplomacy in the endeavor to settle this most grievous question. Very few lives are being lost in Mexico aside from the unfortunate helligerants. What utter folly it then would be to engage this country in a long war with all the consequent blood-carnage, loss of the best of our young manhood, broken hearts and wrecked lives in order that some man's property may be preserved unto him. American manhood is too precious to be made cannon food. If it were customary for those who call so loudly for intervention to make the first charge on Mexican cannons and machine guns, one would hear much less of what little criticism there is of the president's endeavor to settle this question without involving us in war.

The leading nations of Europe are backing President Wilson and evidently agree with him in his Mexican policy. Americans should at least do as much, and should uphold a man who refuses to recognize a government whose most notable act has been the cold blooded midnight murder of its opponents, and should appreciate a president who considers men's lives of more value than dollars.

SUSTAINING HOME INDUSTRIES.

Commenting upon an advertisement which recently appeared in the Democrat, the Rural Oregonian says in part as follows:

The Daily Democrat printed in a recent issue an advertisement for the Albany Bakery which read, in part, as follows: "The Proper Spirit, Holder for More Factories, Yell for Home Industry, and then ship in bread made in Hong Kong, Shanghai, or elsewhere to the detriment of yourself and everybody who makes a living in Albany."

Not only bread should be bought of the home baker, but everything else that can be bought at home, or at least within the boundaries of the state. Before you buy your bread or anything else see to it that it is made at home and not, as the Albany Bakery advertisement says, shipped in from Hong Kong, Shanghai, or elsewhere.

JUST A WORD.

We wonder how many residents of Albany fully appreciate the high standard of the local stores. They are with us every day, we pass in and out of their doors frequently, we stop and admire the various window displays, yet how many of us really realize the high character of the town's retail institutions? "Familiarity breeds contempt," and while the old proverb is not wholly pat in this instance, inasmuch as contempt is not bred in the local mind, yet this same familiarity does have the tendency to dull appreciation of a most worthy phase of our city life.

The excellence of our local stores was recently expressed upon the Democrat recently when a lady from a neighboring city called our attention to it. She remarked that she was most agreeably surprised to find so many metropolitan appearing places of bus-

ness here—metropolitan in the excellence and variety of the stocks carried, in the modern and beautiful window displays, in the exterior as well as the interior appearance. And she also remarked that the prices were indeed very reasonable considering the high-grade of the merchandise carried. All of which is very true.

Now, this is just a word in behalf of Albany's business houses. The remarks of this lady visitor sets us to thinking and we hereby pass the thought along, trusting it will arouse your appreciation as it did ours.

And by the way, here's another thought. In a short time the mails will be swamped with advertising setting forth the claims of the mail order houses for your Christmas buying. Do not be misled by their misstatements. Why isn't it a much better and wiser policy to help support the town that supports you? That's fair.

EVERYBODY KNOWS IT.

According to the advices from Washington where they are supposed to know everything, retail food prices were higher throughout the country on the 15th of last August than at any other period during the past 23 years. Forty important cities of the country were taken to get a fair estimate, and fifteen articles of food were found to have increased in price, while only three showed a decline over the year 1912. The highest increase was bacon—18.8 per cent, with smoked ham second, at 17.6 per cent. The fact that during this period there has been no appreciable increase in the salaries of the toiling population, makes it apparent that the workingmen with families to look out for have anything but bright prospects in view.—Oregon Messenger.

Fire Loss \$1,000,000.
(By United Press Association)
Port Huron, Mich., Nov. 26.—The Grand Trunk Railroad shops were entirely destroyed by an early morning fire, the origin of which is unlearned. The loss is estimated at about \$1,000,000. Fifteen hundred workmen were employed.

\$250,000 Fire in Edmonton.
(By United Press Association)
Edmonton, Alberta, Nov. 25.—McKinley Block, in the heart of the wholesale house district, was destroyed by fire today. The loss is approximately a quarter of a million.

Barber Shaves Off Man's Nose.
San Jose, Cal., Nov. 26.—An unidentified barber attacked John Costello on the street and cut off his nose with a razor, escaping on a bicycle. Physicians who sewed Costello's nose in place said they thought it would grow fast again.

"Smell His Breath if in Doubt."
San Francisco, Nov. 26.—"Get up close and smell his breath if there is any doubt," was the instructions of Chief of Police Sebastian to his motorcycle squad regarding the arrest of intoxicated automobile drivers.

He Must Have Been Tough.
San Francisco, Nov. 26.—Trying to close a window, H. Ribeling, aged 80, fell through it onto a concrete pavement two stories below and only broke his leg.

PERSONALS OF SHEDD AND PEOPLE OF THAT VICINITY

Shedd, Nov. 26.—(Special to Democrat).—Mr. Wm. Porter had business calling him to Albany Tuesday.

Mr. Emerson True of Halsey brought his clover seed to Shedd Monday to have it cleaned.

Mr. C. J. White of the Valley Lumber & Supply Co. was in Shedd Monday.

Mr. W. E. Satchwell with his wife were Albany visitors Sunday.

The Messrs H. J. Furwell and L. B. Kent spent a pleasant evening at Halsey last week.

Mr. C. A. Pugh had business calling him to Brownsville Tuesday.

Mr. Mack Powers of Albany was a Shedd visitor Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. J. H. McConnell had business calling him to Albany Monday.

Mr. Alvin Sadaastrom is working for Mr. Chance at the Dairy Canteen-Livery stable at this place.

Prof. Graefwiler lectured on prohibition at the U. P. church Sunday evening.

Mr. James Kelly and son Clyde made a business trip to Cottage Grove Saturday.

James Misner and son of Hill City were in the city this morning.

E. D. Barrs, of Lebanon, transacted business here yesterday afternoon.

C. H. Bressler, of Detroit, is at the Vandran.

J. C. McElroy of Salem, was in the city this morning.

Leroy Woods, returned this noon from a business trip to Eugene.

Administratrix Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, as administratrix of the estate of Estella B. Skidmore, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned, at Albany, Oregon, with the proper vouchers therefor within six months from the date hereof.

Dated this 29th day of November, 1913.
L. M. CURI,
Administratrix.

INSTITUTE WILL CLOSE TODAY

Adoption of Strong Resolutions Will Mark Close of Three Days Session.

PROMINENT EDUCATORS SPOKE DURING MEETING

Movement Launched to Have a Huge Field Meet of School Children of Counties.

Following the carrying out of the scheduled program, including addresses by prominent men, with the regular departmental work, the three days' session of the Linn and Benton counties' teachers' institute will adjourn this afternoon after the report of the committee on resolutions is received. A movement was launched during today's session for the holding of a huge field meet, participated in by the school children of the two counties. The meet will take in all the athletic sports. It will probably be held here sometime in the spring. The matter is in the hands of a committee on arrangements.

The morning session was opened with an address by Prof. Edwin T. Leed, of the Oregon Agricultural College, on the subject of "The Four Forces of the Making of a Man." President Crooks of Albany college, followed Prof. Leed with an address, then the work of the departments was taken up.

This afternoon L. P. Harrington, state industrial field worker, spoke on the subject of "Industrial Education." Much of today's session was consumed by committee work. It was authoritatively stated that some strong resolutions are to be passed. They are to be submitted this afternoon and with their adoption, the session will be brought to a close.

The movement for a field meet has been received with great favor. It is to be a miscellaneous event, participated in by children of nearly every age. The committee in charge of the affair will announce the plans some time soon, if not before the convention is over.

Last night about 500 people attended the entertainment given in the auditorium of the high school by the various teachers. This number included the teachers as well as the people of Albany. Pleasing musical numbers and song solos, interesting readings and recitations were rendered by a number of teachers. Refreshments were served and a pleasant social session was passed.

B. A. Millsap, of Lebanon, was in the city this morning transacting business.

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In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County, Department No. 2.

In the matter of the application of John Henkel to register the title to the tract of land in his application herein described as follows: The south west quarter of the south east quarter and the south east quarter of the south west quarter of section four in township ten south of range one west of the Willamette Meridian, Oregon, containing eighty acres, more or less, all lying and being situate in Linn County, State of Oregon, Applicant.

vs.
All whom it may concern defendants.

Take Notice.
That on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1913, an application was filed by said John Henkel in the Circuit Court of Linn County, for initial registration of the title of the land above described. Now unless you appear on or before the 11th day of December, A. D. 1913 and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application, and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand and official seal this 10th day of November, 1913 (Seal) W. L. MARKS,
County Clerk.

T. J. STITES, n11-18-25- d2-9
Atty. for Applicant.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was on the Third day of November, 1913, duly appointed Executor of the estate of Wm. J. Obermeyer, deceased, by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon. Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at Tangent, Oregon, or to Weatherford & Weatherford, attorneys, Albany, Oregon, within six months from this date, duly verified as by law required.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1913.

WILLIAM C. OBERMEYER, Executor.
WEATHERFORD & WEATHERFORD, Attys. for Executor.
Semi-Weekly Nov. 24-28; Dec. 1-5-8-12-15-19.

BIG BOOSTER MEETING TO BE HELD AT ROSEBURG

To Create Universal Movement to Advertise Valley Is Prime Purpose.

To create a universal movement to have tourists enroute to and from the Panama Pacific Exposition at Frisco in 1915, stop off at valley points for the purpose of looking the country over, and thereby gaining for the Willamette valley and state just recognition and advertisement through the great crowds that visit the exposition, is the prime purpose of the big booster meeting in the "Strawberry City." Everybody is urged to attend the meeting and cooperate in any way towards bringing about this result.

A letter received this morning by the Commercial club from Tom Richardson, the well known Oregon booster, of Portland, conveys the meaning and proper spirit. The letter is in part: "Those connected with the organization work know that the state of Oregon is getting very little through travel except that which stops in Portland. With a view of having people stop in different places, a convention will be held in Roseburg, December 4. At the same time a number of other important questions will be discussed. Albany as the hub of the valley should have a strong delegation present at the meeting."

Special Road Tax Levies.—Special road tax levies have been made as follows: District 28, 3 mills and district 30, 5 mills.

CRABTREE NOTES

Miss Osia Condit who has acted as station agent here for several months sent in her resignation last Monday and after some deliberation it was accepted. Miss Condit has done very efficient work here and made many friends who are sorry to see her leave. She went to her home at West Station.

Mr. F. Foster, one of the sale clerks, left for Portland Saturday night.

Stanley Hoffman is now comfortably settled in his new store and the Crabtree barber is occupying the old confectionery store.

Miss Alta Stokes, the primary teacher, left for her home in Lebanon Friday night. She will attend the teachers' institute in Albany and afterward go to Portland to spend Thanksgiving with friends.

Mr. Albert Gallander, of Portland, is acting as station agent here. Mr. Gallander is a young man of education and has a winning personality and is making many friends.

D. Wm. Hatch, high school principal, is attending teachers' institute in Albany. When it is closed he will visit friends at the university at Eugene for a few days.

1455 Portland 168 List No. 03925. Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, September 30th, 1913. Notice is hereby given that the Northern Pacific Railway Company, whose postoffice address is St. Paul, Minnesota, has this 29th day of September, 1913, filed in this office its application to select under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1898, (30 Stat. 597, 620), Lot 7, Sec. 14, T. 10 S., R. 4 West, W. M.; Lot 1, Sec. 25, T. 7 S., R. 2 West, W. M.; Lot 5, Sec. 14, T. 10 S., R. 4 West, W. M.; Lot 10, Sec. 31, T. 4 N., R. 9 West, W. M.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office, on or before the 26th day of November, 1913.

H. F. HIGBY, Register.

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Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Executor of the estate of Frederick Hofer, deceased, has this day filed in Final Account in said estate matter, with the County Clerk of Linn County and the Judge of said court has fixed the 8th day of December, 1913, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. as the time for hearing objections to said account and the settlement of said estate.

GEO. CONNER, Executor of said Estate.
WEATHERFORD & WEATHERFORD, Attys. for Executor.
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Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of William M. Shearer, deceased, by the County Court of Linn County, Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at the office of L. G. Lewelling, in Albany, Linn County, Oregon, duly verified as by law required within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 11 day of November, 1913.
ABNER L. SHERER, Administrator.
L. G. LEWELLING, Attorney for Administrator.
n11-18-25- d2-9

WOULD LOCATE NEW P. O. ON SCHOOL SITE

J. O. Lee Writes a Letter to the Democrat Stating His Views.

Editor of Democrat.—Let the citizens and taxpayers of Albany stick a good long pin into themselves and wake up and demand that our post office be placed on the central school site and not the city hall. Could you imagine a more beautiful monument to our city for the next 50 years than a fine cut stone or pressed brick building costing \$75,000, placed upon this full block right in the very heart of our city. If we put the postoffice there the government will have to stand the cost of building and the maintenance of same. If we put the city hall there who stands the cost—the taxpayers. If the city buys the block for \$22,000 and puts up a city hall at a cost of \$40,000—would be \$66,000—and no doubt it would reach \$75,000 before completed. Interest on bonds and maintenance would cost the taxpayers not less than \$500 per month. Our taxes for 1913 is about 31 mills and for 1914 will be just 40 mills. Do you think it wise or good business judgment to increase our bonded indebtedness \$75,000 more? The city now owns two lots. Why don't they sell these two lots, purchase some good corner. The new sight for the post office would make an ideal place for a city hall, and build say, a \$20,000 or \$25,000 city hall which would be ample for the next 25 years. Someone has said advance the looks of our city at any cost; place the city hall on the school site and park the grounds. A park with the county jail on one side filled with criminals and bootleggers and the city jail on the other side filled with hoboes and tramps, would be a nice place to spend the afternoon with your wife and babies in a park like that. It don't look good to me. We should lay aside all selfish interest and greed and look to what means the best interest to uphold our city.

J. O. LEE.

CITY NEWS.

Services in Episcopal Church.—Thanksgiving services will be held tomorrow morning at St. Peter's Episcopal church, corner Lyon and Sixth streets. Rev. J. D. Cummins, will preach the sermon. The service will commence at 11 o'clock.

Crowds at Depot this Noon.—The Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric depots were crowded this noon with people going through to their homes to spend Thanksgiving. Hundreds of students from the university and agricultural college were included in the crowds. Scores arrived this noon to attend the K. C. ball at the armory tonight.

Will Not Effect Election.—According to State Representative Lewelling, the recent decision of the supreme court holding that the registration law is unconstitutional, will have no bearing upon the local election. Next year, however, all electors must register again.

Cooperation is Urged.—Urging cooperation of every public citizen to assist a universal movement to have tourists enroute to or from the 1915 exposition stop off at valley points, a letter was received this morning by the Commercial club from the Ashland Commercial club.

Died at Scio.—Mrs. Eva Bilyeu Wilson died last night at her home in Scio of bright disease at the age of 25. The deceased is survived by a husband. She was the daughter of J. A. Bilyeu and will known resident of Scio, and was well and favorably known in that section of the county. Mrs. Bilyeu was a niece of Mari Bilyeu of this city, who will go to Scio to attend the funeral, which will be held tomorrow.

Spend Thanksgiving at Cottage Grove.—Leaving this noon Mr. and Mrs. George Wright went to Cottage Grove where tomorrow they will attend a big family reunion in observance of Thanksgiving day. About 100 people will be present, all relatives of Mrs. Wright. A big party of Brownsville people will go also, boarding the train at Halsey. Mr. and Mrs. Wright will return Friday.

Handsome New Fountain Installed.—The Albany State Bank today installed a handsome new fountain at the corner of Ellsworth and First streets to take the place of the one smashed several days ago by a runaway team. The new fountain is made of the same material as the other, but is constructed somewhat different in shape and is much more stylish.

To the People of Oregon.—The Commercial club this morning received a circular from the Roseburg Commercial club, addressed to the people of Oregon, urging all who can to attend a convention of representative men of the state there on December 4, to organize a movement to have as many tourists enroute to the Frisco exposition stop off at valley points while enroute, as possible.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administratrix of the estate of Charles A. Coolidge, deceased, in the County Court of Linn County, Oregon, and that said court has fixed the 17th day of December, 1913, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. as the time for hearing objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

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MARY COOLIDGE, Administratrix.
L. G. LEWELLING, Atty. for Adminx.
n11-18-25-2-9

COUNTY ASKS THAT CASE BE DISMISSED

Answer Filed Today to Contes Suit of Harrisburg Local Option Election.

CITY COUNCIL FILED DEMUR-ER TO HOLMAN'S CHARGE

Case Was Brought Several Days Ago to Restrain Declaring City Dry.

Asking that the complaint be dismissed, Linn county through District Attorney Gale S. Hill, filed answer to the suit brought by W. B. Holman, a saloonkeeper of Harrisburg against the county and city of Harrisburg to restrain the issuing of an order declaring that city dry.

After admitting and denying various allegations in the complaint, for further answer and defense, it is set up in the answer, that a petition containing the necessary number of legal voters of the municipality was filed with the county clerk asking that an election be held to determine whether the sale of intoxicants will be prohibited in that city. This petition was filed on October 3 and went through all of the formalities of ascertaining its legality. Notices, it is set up, were properly posted by the proper authorities, and the ballot prepared as prescribed by law. The election was held in conjunction with the special state election on November 4 and the vote stood for prohibition, 176, and against, 135.

A demurrer in the same case has also been filed by the city council of Harrisburg, on the grounds that the suit does not constitute sufficient cause for suit against the defendant municipal corporation. It is alleged in the demurrer that the court in which it is to come up, has no jurisdiction of the subject matter set forth in the complaint but that the plaintiff has an adequate remedy at law for the alleged grievances set up in the complaint.

A. C. SCHMIDT EXPLAINS QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS

To the Editor of the Albany Democrat.—There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the qualifications of voters in school elections. I hereby quote part of the section in chapter 7, of the Oregon School Law for 1913, which section sets forth the qualifications of voters: "Any citizen of this state, male or female, who is twenty-one years of age and has resided in the district thirty days immediately preceding the meeting or election, and has property in the district, as shown by the last county assessment, and not assessed by the sheriff, on which he or she is liable or subject to pay a tax, shall be entitled to vote at any school meeting or election in said district."

Provided that any person shall be deemed to have complied with the property qualifications, imposed by section who presents to the directors or judges of election satisfactory evidence that he or she has stock, shares or ownership in any corporation, firm or co-partnership which has property in the district, as shown by the last county assessment, and not assessed by the sheriff, on which such corporation, firm or co-partnership pays a tax, even though his or her individual name does not appear upon the tax roll."

In districts of the third class the head of a family who is otherwise a qualified elector, and has children of school age, may vote at school elections without proper qualifications, but this last qualification does not pertain to any district, as this is a district of the first class.

ALFRED C. SCHMITT.

C. D. Ranch, of Salem, was in the city this morning transacting business. Ben James, of Roseburg, transacted business here this morning, returning home this afternoon.

Elmer Churchill, of Hill Military Academy of Portland is home to spend Thanksgiving.

Peter Neuschwander of Harrisburg was in the city this morning renewing his Democrat subscription.

A. M. Hammer went to Corvallis this morning on a brief business errand.

Miss Gertrude Nolan, of Corvallis, arrived in the city this noon. She will attend the Knights of Columbus dance tonight.

Chas. D. Alexander left on the evening motor for Kingston on a brief business errand.

C. L. Ranch, an attorney of Portland, was in the city this morning on business.

Miss Crystal Shank left on the evening motor for her home at Mt. Pleasant to spend Thanksgiving. She is a student of Albany College.

Pleasant, was in the city yesterday morning, coming down on the motor. He is road supervisor of Kingston precinct.

Railroad Officials Here.—E. T. Bassette, inspector for the Oregon State Railroad commission was here yesterday. He inspected the Oregon Power company plant and both telephone systems. He found them in good condition.