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And Remember to Get a Stop-Over for Springfield.

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## A TIME FOR PUBLICITY

A week ago one of the detectives for the Southern Pacific company was in Springfield to investigate the matter of car windows being broken by small boys.

A few days ago the city and school authorities were grappling with the problem of the small boys who were going into other people's yards and stealing strawberries.

Last week a number of young women—women old enough to know better—were brought into the recorder's court because they had persisted in breaking down shrubbery in other people's yards while helping themselves to flowers that did not belong to them. A gentle hint had been conveyed through the paper a little time before that, but they did not heed.

Warnings and gentle hints have not sufficed. Plain publicity is a cure that is remarkably efficacious at times, and the News hereby announces its intention to publish all cases that get into the local courts. The News never has, and never expects to publish gossip and scandal, but court records are public property, and the transactions of the courts are the business of the whole people. A kindly feeling for the erring often impels silence when publicity was due. The individual, however, is not supreme in the state or city. The common good is the thing to be sought. Disregard of private rights is against the common good, and therefore measures should be taken that will instill a respect for the proper rights of each citizen. If publicity will do it, the News is ready to join with the officers of the law.

The one sure way to keep mention of an unpleasant event out of The News is to avoid doing that which would get one into the clutches of the law.

## RUSSIA'S STRUGGLE SOUTHWARD.

(North American Review.)

Great Britain, which in 1877 had cleared decks for action in a determined effort to prevent Russia from approaching one step farther toward the forbidden strait, is hurling its sea forces at the forts which Turkey has erected in its endeavors to conserve its existence and carry out the mandates of England in the past. France, which precipitated the Crimean War because she could not tolerate even the prospect of Russian mastery in the Near East suggested by Russia's claim to the right of protectorate over the Christians of the Ottoman Empire, is backing the British ally in the terrific bombardment, with the obsolete Russian cruiser in the role ascribed in Scripture to the "little child." Verily, an almost unbelievable contradiction, which might well cause Disraeli to lie uneasy in the peaceful shadows of Westminster Abbey and break the repose of Alexander I. in the Kremlin.

And these operations have been undertaken at this stage of the general war because of a commercial necessity, the same necessity which has been the real motive beneath all the sentiment, religious and political, that has actuated the perpetual southward pressure of the Colossus of the North. The guns of the allied fleet are beating down the barrier that is keeping the Russian wheat crop of last year cooped up in the Black Sea. It is the argument of bread, the most powerful of all arguments, that is directing the fire of the gunners and the policies of their governments in the great assault upon the Dardanelles. It is precisely the same motive—the motive of self-preservation—that has vitalized and perpetuated Russia's ambition to unfurl her flag over the towers of Constantinople.

## DEBT TENDENCY MUST BE CHECKED

The tendency throughout the country is clear. The American people are inclined to plunge deeper and deeper into debt. This trait, made conspicuous from the report of the census bureau, is sure to be reflected in higher taxes. The quicker the people as a whole, come to realize what they are doing, the better for the present generation and for posterity.

The Washington legislature has submitted a constitutional amendment to limit debt and to limit the franchise at elections to those paying taxes.

In Oregon a law has been enacted limiting annual increase in tax levies to six per cent, except by special vote of the people.

A special bulletin of the U. S. census bureau shows that in 1913 the cities, villages, towns, townships, school districts, drainage, irrigation and levee districts, fire districts, poor districts, road districts and all other minor divisions having power to incur debt, reported a net indebtedness of \$3,475,954,353—an increase of \$1,845,884,743 or 113.2 per cent, over the total for 1902. A small part of the increase is doubtless due to a more complete canvass in the later year.

## OREGON RAILROADS SPEND TWELVE MILLIONS.

Labor would have had but little employment last year in Oregon but for the railroads.

Twelve million dollars was spent in Oregon last year by railroads in making extensions and betterments, according to the annual report of the railroad commission.

Among the more important items was the building of 58 miles of track of the Willamette-Pacific Railroad to Siuslaw.

The Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co.'s construction of eighty miles of track from Vale to Riverton; elec-

trification of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway, 100 miles from Portland to Whiteson; the building of a double track line on the Oregon Electric from Portland to Garden Home, and the practical reconstruction of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, also are notable railway improvements.

The Oregon-Washington Railroad leads all other lines in the amount expended; the figures submitted showing the company to have spent \$5,444,797. Construction of the eighty miles from Vale to Riverton cost \$4,300,000.

Eugene business men are explaining to themselves through the public press how great is the demand of the county as a whole that Eugene conduct a big celebration this Fourth of July. It used to be that Eugene celebrated at home in alternate years, and in the off years went visiting in the smaller communities. This would seem to be a very satisfactory way and one that was eminently fair to all concerned.

All the new laws passed by the last legislature went into effect a Saturday.

## CHILDREN TELL VACATION PLANS

[From Mrs. Bartlett's room at the Lincoln School.]

### My Vacation.

During vacation I wish to go to the farm.

I think we will pack and go up there.

I think the cherries are ripe but I don't know, Inga said they are but I don't know if they are or not, do you think so?

I like school but I like vacation too.

I think I will have a nice ride up to the farm.

My papa is splitting shake up there now.

But when I have been there I am going to Toledo I think. I will have a good time at Toledo and the farm.

My father will catch fish and I eat the fish. Good-by Inga.  
CLARA OLSEN.

### My Vacation.

Vacation we expect to go to the springs, but we don't know what springs we go to. We'll go to the folly springs or the bell nap springs. I'm going to wear my Indian suit if we go. I expect we will meet a lot of Indians. Last year when we went to the bell nap springs we met a lot of Indians. Have you been to the springs?  
VIRGIL M'PHERSON.

### My Vacation.

I am going to Washington during vacation.

I am going where wheat grows and work on a farm. I like to live on a farm.

I will have a good time.

I am going to read and study my lessons some during vacation, too.

FLOYD TEMPLE.

3B, age 9.

### My Vacation.

I am going to spend my vacation on my grandpa's farm.

I can drive the cows and learn to milk.

My grandpa lets me ride horseback and it is great fun.

I can drive the horse too, and hoe corn, and pick berries.

RALPH CLINE.

3B, age 9.

### My Vacation.

When school is out my mama and sister and brother and my sister's baby and I are going to the coast.

I am going to have a little pail and shovel.

I have to go before.

And I want to go very badly.

My little cousin is going with me to. Have you ever been there?  
NAOMI D. HARBIT.

3-B, age 8.

### My Vacation.

I would like to go to my grandpa's this vacation.

I would like to go to see my uncle and my cousin My.

I could have a good time riding horseback on my uncle's horse.

NEIL NELSON.

3-B, age 9.

### My Vacation

When school is out guess where I am going. I am going to Marcola where my friends are. I will have lots of fun with the goats when they are going to be taken from the fields. We are going to visit Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Don't you wish you could go?  
Inga Soleim  
Grade 3 B. Age 8.

### My Vacation

During my vacation I would like to go to see my papa. If I could go I would have lots of

fun. We would go on picnics, and I would ride a bicycle.

Marnil Newman  
Grade 3 B. Age 8.

### My Vacation

I would like to go Canada during my vacation to visit my grandma she is eightyfour years old. I write a letter to her once a week. I can't go to see this grandma because she is so far away, but I expect to go to see my other grandma not far from Springfield. I will have lot of fun there clymng tree and mountain and running races and picking flowers and killing snakes and picking fruit.

Carl Lewis  
Grade 3 B. Age 8.

### My Vacation

I would like to go to Portland and see my grandma in vacation and I would like to stay all vacation with her. I will have a good time if I go.

Chester Myers.  
Grade 3 B. Age 9.

### My Vacation

During my vacation I would like to go back to Ohio and visit my dear old grandmother. I haven't seen her for six years. I would like to stay all summer, but I want to come back when school begins.

Vernon Jones  
Grade 3 B. Age 10.

### My Vacation

When vacation comes I am going Junction City and visit my uncle John. He has two horses. Their name are Bock and Dick. I will drive the horses. He has five cows too. Their name are Jersey.

Grade 3 B.

### My Vacation.

I am going out in the country when vacation. And I'm going to see the traps in the woods. And I will kill squirrels and then I'm going to the coast and play. And I will get in the big rocks. And then I will get hold of a big rock and let the big waves go over me. And I will catch fish and go in bathing.

Verl Fegles.  
Grade 3

### My Vacation

During my vacation I expect to go to New port with my cousin Naomi is going too. We will have lots of fun. We will go in bathing in the ocean every day and pick up stones and shells. When I come home I will help mama.

Stella Harbit.  
Grade 3 B. Age 8.

### My Vacation.

I expect to go to Junction City to visit my uncle Ed. I will hoe corn and help cut hay and take care of the horses. I expect to have a good time.

Elsie Knighten  
Grade 3 B.

### My Vacation

I want to go to Helen McCornik and ride the shetland pony. I would like to go around the world on water. I would like to get a airplane and go to England.

Earl Roberts  
Grade 3 B. Age 7

### My Vacation

I would like to go back east and visit my grandpa. I would like to stay about three months. I am going to study my lessons in vacation. I expect to have a good time.

Lawrence Bruce  
Grade 3 B.

### Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that I will pay all outstanding General Fund warrants against the Town of Springfield up to and including number 6260. Interest will cease after May 13, 1915. By order of the Town Council.  
LILLIAN GORRIE,  
Treasurer.

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Notice of Eighth Grade Final Examination.

Notice is hereby given that Eighth Grade Examinations will be held in school districts where there are pupils to take them, on Thursday and Friday, June 3 and 4, 1915, as per the following schedule:

THURSDAY—Arithmetic, Writing, Grammar, Agriculture and Spelling.  
FRIDAY, Physiology, History, Geography, Civil Government, and Reading.

E. J. MOORE,  
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