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The Dalles Times-Mountain says in a few days threshing machines will begin running and will start to hauling out the biggest crop of wheat ever harvested in Wasco county. Farmers say the wheat will generally be number one and the yield will be above the average.

Two railroads are in prospect in Jackson county, one along Butte creek joining the Southern Pacific at near Medford, the other from Jacksonville to the Blue Ledge mines. Jackson county was settled early in Oregon's history and its people are prosperous, but it is not one quarter developed yet.

Some people are going out of the cattle business now because they think there is more money in other lines. This is a grave mistake, as there is no line of business but has its ups and downs, and the periods of depression in the live stock business are less in number and shorter in duration than in most any other business. We have pointed out many times that there is no over-production in the live stock business, but certain conditions have had a tendency to lower the price of beef, that cannot exist any longer. The country is needing more beef each year, and somebody must supply it. The time to stay with a business is when everybody else is quitting it—Rural Spirit.

The Pullman Tribune has well said that your home paper never loses interest in you. This possibly you have not given a passing thought. No matter whether you like the newspaper man or whether he likes you, if he is true to his profession and publishes a paper for the people, he allows no personal matter or petty spite to interfere with his newsgathering. He may meet you as a stranger, yet along with his best friends chronicle your successes and sorrows wherever you may be, and those who would otherwise forget you are ever and anon reminded of your existence by an item in your home paper. Others may deceive and defraud you, but the home paper never forgets you. Possibly you do not deserve decent treatment by the paper, but you get it just the same, and if it should at any time say things to cause you fur to turn the wrong way, study a moment and see if it has not at various times said many nice things for which you fail to give it credit.

The Oregonian of August 6th has the following to say in regard to the proposed wagon road to Eastern Oregon: "Linn county is considering the proposition of building a wagon road through the mountains to Central Oregon. Officials of the Corvallis & Eastern road, assisted by John Minto, have discovered a short cut through the mountains which will enable mail to be handled to and from Central Oregon points in much less time than by the present routes. In the opinion of a great many people, the natural route from Portland and other Willamette Valley points to Central Oregon is by way of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, and if the construction of a good wagon road with easy grades is followed by an improvement in the development of the country, it is not improbable that the Hammond road will be pushed on through the mountains to the destination for which it originally headed. With Central Oregon in as close touch with Portland as Albany, Eugene, and Roseburg, there would be some great possibilities for trade development, and the extension of such a road would not interfere with the prospects of the Columbia Southern. An east and west road through Oregon would tap much territory that could not be reached by a north and south line."

The post office has at last decided to take steps to eliminate objectionable and fake medical advertisements from the newspapers. This will be done by excluding from the mails papers carrying matter that has been condemned by the department. It is strange that this wholesome action has not been taken before. Perhaps the department has been waiting to find out how tough the stomach of the public is. It is tough all right. Americans are hardened where obscene literature is concerned, but there is a limit even to their endurance. Parents want their children to read the papers, but they object to putting

into childish hands mephitic and erotic patent medicine advertisements so lurid that they would make Labelias blush and Balzac destroy "Droll Stories" out of sheer chagrin. A few papers are far sighted enough to refuse such advertising, and they are building up an enormous home circulation and wielding a wholesome influence, but the average paper can't deny itself the money the vile stuff brings in. If it chooses to do so the post office department can choke off the business in a week.

County Court. Roads and highways— H B Moyer \$111 25 J T McNeill 2 00 Clarence Hoover 3 00 Truman Robbette 3 00 J M Beator 4 50 Elmer Taylor 3 00 W A Gibson 1 75 Sawyer Bros 14 86 John Bresler 2 00 Guy Thompson 2 00 Charles Kirk 3 00 Calapous Lumber Co 203 03 C E Tyler 16 50 A Ayers 9 34 A F McCully & Son 7 86 L Brock 2 00 S W Ross 2 00 Pearl & Weber 1 43 Mrs A O Fegley 4 50 Glen McFarland 7 00 M C Carroll 4 50 P F Stone 1 59 T C Isom 33 00 Henry Blakeley 5 00 D D Hackleman 76 60 G V Standish 3 00 J P Rounds 5 75 M Harrington 1 50 James Dean 1 75 O Benson 3 00 C Simmons 8 25 E Knapp 3 00 John Schultz 3 00 C Swinec 5 00 W S Tate 6 00 Louis Schulte 19 50 George Sillers 3 00 I N Newlands 3 00 G A Willson 6 50 N Rading 3 00 C Weber 5 50 Henry Blakeley 8 25 Charles Kirk 9 00 K Marquis 8 00 G Thompson 7 50 Elmer Tyler 6 00 Luther Brock 21 00 C Pugh 5 25 R Arnel 19 50 Delbert Ager 2 00 J Hartlet 2 50 L A Tucker 7 50 C Stane 2 00 G A Hoflich 13 50 Ed Burkhardt 2 00 R E Houston 9 00 A Banken 5 25 C W Houston 7 50 W C Stellmacher 10 50 William Black 3 00 Ed School 3 00 Mona Jenkins 4 50 H Gaines 6 25 C Cox 3 00 W B Powell 1 50 J B Wirts 3 00 W A Long 6 00 Percy Palmer 3 00 J N Milligan 3 00 George C Davis 10 60 F G Smith 1 00 Charles Clark 6 04 W A Spencer 80 80 Star Mill and Flume Co 151 14 P W Spink 34 48 William Marks 10 00 Ira Cox 3 00 C W Houston 3 00 R E Houston 3 00 F R Hearst 40 09 Banner Mill Co 24 52 J M Wiley 14 97 J N Brandberry 37 53 Hughes & Knox 4 25 F R Duncan 1 75 B T George 6 40 Marion County 15 13 Ed Logston 54 00 C A Creel 45 00 William Gearhart 36 00 J W Morgan 10 40 POOR ACCOUNT. N C Newman 40 Bach & Buhl 12 80 Millst & Son 7 00 Albany Canal & Water Co 3 00 H F Merrill, agent 5 00 Parker Bros 5 25 C M Ream 6 75 Wesley Bros 25 00 Laselle Bros & Co 20 25 Hoflich Bros 20 98 Holtra & Rumbaugh 2 00 House Furnishing Co 31 45 CORONER'S ACCOUNT. William Fortmiller 11 00 William Fortmiller 5 40 C B Davis 1 00 H A Leininger 1 00 Dr J P Wallace 5 20 William Fortmiller 5 20 Fred Dawson 1 00 C P Fortmiller 1 00 A Anstin 1 00 J A Cronch 1 00 D Bussard 1 00 F B Wire 1 00 CURRENT EXPENSES. Glass & Prudhomme 5 00 Coast Agency Co 4 50 F K Churehill 7 00 R L White 7 53 Foshay & Mason 8 85 R A Brodie & Co 48 00 Westgate & Winn 10 50 P M Payne 21 10 MISCELLANEOUS. W A Kinsey 21 00

IT IS A MATTER OF HEALTH ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

Better Than Our Best. Looking back we show us where we have failed to do as well as we could, for it may remind us that we have done better than we are now doing. Looking forward we suggest to us that we can do better than we have done in the past, or it may encourage us to see possibilities of our doing in the future beyond anything we have thought of until now. Looking up we may indicate what God would have us do, and that may be better for us than either regret for shortcomings or encouragement to better doing. Our duty as God shows it to us, that should be our aim, rather than an improvement on our past, or our highest conceivable attainment in time to come. Better than our best, as shown up to this time, or as hoped for in time to come, is well in its way; but there can be nothing better for us than God's purpose in our behalf as he holds up the standard and the ideal.—S. S. Times.

STEVENS EVERY BOY SHOULD LEARN TO SHOOT! It is sure to be properly equipped—contains the "STEVENS" rifle and two loads of Wadsworth. We make every boy learn to shoot! Ask your dealer for our products and enjoy our STEVENS rifle. Four cents in stamps will obtain this attractive and interesting novelty by return mail. J. STEVENS ARMS & TOOL CO. Chicopee Falls, Mass., U. S. A.

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Try for Health 222 South Peoria St., Chicago, Ill., Oct. 7, 1902. Eight months ago I was so ill that I was compelled to lie or sit down nearly all the time. My stomach was so weak and upset that I could keep nothing on it and I vomited frequently. I could not urinate without great pain and I coughed so much that my throat and lungs were raw and sore. The doctors pronounced it Bright's disease and others said it was consumption. It mattered little to me what they called it and I had no desire to live. A sister visited me from St. Louis and asked me if I had ever tried Wine of Cardui. I told her I had not and she bought a bottle. I believe that it saved my life. I believe many women could save much suffering if they but knew of its value. Sargent Quaker

Violent Attack of Diarrhoea Cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, and Perhaps a Life Saved. "A short time ago I was taken with a violent attack of diarrhoea and believe me I would have died if I had not gotten relief."—J. J. Patton, a leading citizen of Patton, Ala. "A friend recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy. I bought a twenty-five cent bottle and after taking three doses it was entirely cured. I consider it the best remedy in the world for bowel complaints."—for sale by all dealers.

The DENVER & RIO GRANDE RAILROAD

HOT FOR ST. LOUIS AND THE WORLD'S FAIR! WILL YOU BE THERE SEE Nature's Art Gallery of the Rockies in addition to the attractions at St. Louis. This can only be done by going or returning via the "Scenic Line of the World." Unrivaled Scenic Attractions. Unparalleled Dining Car Service. Unsurpassed in Efforts to Please. Write for illustrated booklet of Colorado's famous sights and resorts W. C. McBRIDE, General Agent Third Street FORTLAND, OREGON

Marriage and divorce laws vary widely. Marriage relations forbidden in one state may be entered into under the more lax laws of another, and the parties to them may resume their residence in the state from which they came. A husband may desert his wife, and after living a short time in another state procure a divorce, and sometimes it is possible to conceal knowledge of the proceedings from her until the decree of divorce has been granted. There are no means of reconciling these conflicting and contradictory provisions of law except by agreement among the states. An attempt has been made in this direction through the appointment by the several states of commissioners who meet in annual conference to consider measures for promoting uniform laws. New York took the initiative in 1890, and other states have followed its example. Probably thirty states will be represented at the conference in Saratoga this month.

The native inhabitants of the Fiji islands believe thunder to be the belching of the great air whale, a mythical creature which, according to their folk lore stories, inhabits the opposite side of all thunder clouds. If the regulation thunder cloud appears unaccompanied by the ominous rumblings peculiar to such phenomena, they take it as a token that the Great Spirit is pleased with their past doing. If, however, on the other hand, the detonations be frequent and violent, they are sure that the God of the elements is displeased and immediately engage themselves in all sorts of ludicrous incantations for the purpose of arming matters. Lightning is to them the result of the air whale gnashing his teeth together and thus striking fire. Another peculiarity of this primitive people lies in the fact that they will not partake of food while a thunder cloud is in sight, fearing that the air whale will pounce upon and devour them for such irreverence.

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MINE HAS FABULOUS RICHES. Arizona Property That Will Probably Make Senator Clark Wealthiest Man in the World. The American Mining News contains the following article about the great United Verde mine, the property of Senator W. A. Clark, which, if correct, would indicate that it is probably the richest mine and he the richest man in the world: "It has only lately come to light that the average value of the ore taken from the United Verde is 375 per ton in all values—gold, silver and copper. This value, so far as has been developed, including explorations and diamond drilling below the present workings, shows an immense ore chimney, 400,000 feet across, that has been explored by shafts, tunnels and drill holes to a depth of 1,400 feet. "Just how far it will be possible to work this mine down before the heat limit is reached is hard to say, but a reasonable estimate would be 3,000 feet. An estimate by one of the best mining engineers in this country shows that the mine to the depth of 1,400 feet contains 325,000,000 cubic feet of ore, and estimating 11 cubic feet to the ton there is practically 325,000,000 tons in sight. "If we carry these figures a little further on the present four values of the United Verde we have the average value of the ore equaling \$2,500,000,000. The present owner of the property has refused \$400,000,000 for the mine."

NO ROMANCE IN IT. The Letter Came at Last, But It Did Not Contain What He Had Expected. "It must have been quite a year ago," said the general delivery clerk at the post office, relates the Detroit Free Press, "that a man came in one day and inquired for a letter in his name, and he looked much disappointed when I could find none to hand out. Since that day, up to a week ago, he has been coming twice a week, most always when I was on duty, and as no letter for him ever arrived I had considerable curiosity regarding his case. In fact, I built up a romance around him. I took it that he might have separated from his wife in some distant town and was hoping to hear from her and make up the quarrel, and I actually came to feel hard toward her because she refused to write. It seemed to me that the man was falling in health as he lost hope, and now and then I gave him a cheerful word to brace him up. A week ago I saw his name on a letter, and next time he called I passed it out with the remark: "Here is your long expected letter at last, and I hope it contains good news." "He stepped away from the window to read it, and after a few minutes he came back to say: "I didn't get it." "What was it?" "Why, I sent to my brother-in-law in Pittsburg almost a year ago to borrow a dollar to buy some porous plaster, and he writes me that he can't get well spare it, and that I'd better use mustard instead!"

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ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of John M. Bilyeu, deceased, in pursuance of an order of the County Court for Linn County, Oregon, made in the matter of said estate on the 1st day of August, 1904, will from and after the 12th day of September, 1904, sell at private sale for cash in hand the following described real estate, to-wit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of Sec. 26 in Tp. 10 S., R. 2 W. of Will. Mer., Oregon, thence W. 20 chains to the N. W. corner of the N. E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 35 in Tp. and R., thence S. 11 7/8 chains, thence W. 7.50 chains, thence S. 8.25 chains, thence 12.50 chains, thence N. to the N. E. corner of G. W. Howell's D. L. C., thence W. to the S. E. corner of Stephen Stewart's D. L. C., thence N. to the N. boundary line of Sec. 35, thence E. to a point 9.25 chains W. of the 1/2 Sec. corner between Sections 26 and 35 in said Tp., thence in a north-easterly course to the center of said Sec. 26, thence N. 27 1/2 chains in the south boundary line of R. H. Pollard's D. L. C., thence E. 20.40 chains to the S. E. corner of said claim, thence N. 11.83 chains, thence E. 19.80 chains to the E. line of said Sec. 26, thence S. 7.9 chains to the place of beginning, in Linn County, Oregon. Also beginning in the center of a county road at a point 30 feet E. from the N. E. corner of Block No. 9 in South Addition to the City of Seio, Linn County, Oregon, and running thence S. 1 degree E. along the center of said county road 395 feet, thence N. 89 degrees E. 246.50 feet, thence N. 1 degree W. 396 feet, thence W. 246.50 to the place of beginning in Linn County, Oregon. Dated this 10th day of August, 1904. HANNAH J. BILYEU, Administratrix. H. Bryant & Son, attorneys for administratrix.

PUBLIC LAND SALE. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority vested in him by section 2455, U. S. Rev. Stat., as amended, by the act of Congress approved February 25, 1865, we will proceed to offer at public sale at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 6th day of September next, at this office, the following tract of land, to-wit: The lot 1, section 10, township 10 s., r. 2 w. of the Will. Mer. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of the sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited. U. S. Land Office at Oregon City, this 15th day of July, 1904. ALGERNON E. DRESSER, Register; GEO. W. BLUES, Receiver.

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Suicide Prevented. The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system or dependency invariably precedes suicide and something has been found that will prevent the condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It brings a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's all a great stomach, liver, and kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by E. C. Peery, druggist.

CITATION. In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Linn County. In the matter of the estate of John M. Bilyeu, deceased. Citation. To Hannah J. Bilyeu, William Bilyeu, J. C. Bilyeu, Dianah Willifong, Lydia Curi, G. M. Bilyeu, J. M. V. Bilyeu, Lee Bilyeu, the children of Sarah Jane Burkholder, namely—Maggie Currier, Keelber, Ruth Burkhardt, the children of Elizabeth Calavan, namely—John M. Calavan, J. L. Calavan, Ivy J. Page, Richard Calavan, and Elizabeth M. Calavan, 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 Monday the 1st day of August, 1904, at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day, then and there to show cause if any there be why an order should not be made authorizing and directing Hannah J. Bilyeu, as administratrix of the estate of John M. Bilyeu, deceased, to sell the following described real property at either public or private sale, for cash in hand, said real property being described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of section 26 in township 10, south range 2 west of the Willamette Meridian, Oregon, thence west 20 chains to the north west corner of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 35 in said Tp. and range, thence south 11.75 chains, thence west 7.50 chains, thence south 8.25 chains, thence west 12.50 chains, thence north to the northeast corner of G. W. Howell's D. L. C., thence west to the southeast corner of Stephen Stewart's D. L. C., thence north to the north boundary line of section 35, thence east a point 9.25 chains west of the quarter section corner between sections 26 and 35 in said Tp., thence in a north-easterly course to the center of said section 26, thence N. 27 1/2 chains to the south boundary line of R. H. Pollard's D. L. C., thence east 20.40 chains to the S. E. corner of said claim, thence N. 11.83 chains, thence east 19.80 chains to the E. line of said section 26, thence S. 7.9 chains to the place of beginning, all in Linn County, Oregon, also beginning in the center of a county road at a point 30 feet east from the northeast corner of block No. 9 in south addition to the city of Seio in Linn County, Oregon, and running thence south 1 degree east along the center of said road 395 feet, thence north 89 degrees east 246.50 feet, thence north 1 degree west 396 feet, thence west 246.50 feet to the place of beginning, all in Linn County, Oregon. WITNESS, the Hon. H. M. Palmer, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Linn, with the seal of said court affixed, this 2nd day of August, 1904. Attest: B. M. Payne, Clerk. By F. C. Stelmacher, deputy. (SEAL)

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