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Advices from Lebanon state that the short grain crop in Linn County will prevent the paper mills from securing enough straw to keep them in operation for the usual period, unless the farmers are paid very high prices for it. Here is a condition of affairs which would seem to leave an opening for a paper mill east of the Cascade Mountains. The wheatgrowers of the Inland Empire have for the past two years sold considerable Eastern Oregon wheat to the Valley flour mills, and now the Valley papermakers might go over the mountains and buy the straw from which the wheat was threshed. In many localities in Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington there is a tendency to abandon the combined harvesters and return to the binders. This will insure plenty of straw in almost any locality in the wheat belt, and it will be much more valuable for paper making purposes than for feed or fertilizer after it is burned.—Oregonian.

Electric railways should be given all the franchises they want for rights of way to different parts of the valley. These lines are getting the east and transforming the country, and they should be welcomed to our valley, splendidly situated for their introduction. We are getting enough people to make them a paying investment. They certainly are a matter of twentieth century progress bound to play a great part in the development of country. Albany should be a splendid center for several lines, to Corvallis, Tangent, Lebanon and Cascade, and Seio. Some day we will have them. How soon?—Democrat.

An electric road to Seio will probably be completed about the time the S. P. changes its line so as to run through Seio.

Flax experts from Belgium, who have been conducting experiments at Salem for the last three years and have raised and stored away a large quantity of flax, will erect a linen mill at a cost of \$100,000, "without asking for a dollar of subsidy." It is this latter information that is reassuring. When men with capital, who understand their business, are willing to put their own money in an enterprise, there is reason to have confidence in its success. The linen mill will undoubtedly pay from the start, and in the course of a few years we shall count the growing of flax for the fiber among our valued resources, ranking with hop-growing as a distributor of wealth among a large number of people.—Oregonian.

An exchange gives the people the following bit of advice which is good solid wisdom for citizens of every town: "If you are not standing up for your home town, form the habit. Look around at the home industries and home dealers before going away from home for a single article. By this practice your town will be made to prosper and you will make a better citizen for the town. We must have home pride to cope with our neighbors and without a local pride which encourages and supports home enterprises they must of necessity fail. Show an interest in your home town to the greatest extent possible and the result will be a continued growth and prosperity."

This seasons' drowning accidents revive the old question whether persons who know how to swim are really safer than those who are not that accomplishment. The answer is simple. With an equal amount of prudence the swimmer is far more secure, and learning to swim should not result in unlearning any of the older precepts of caution.

It is now proposed to authorize postmasters and deputies to open letters on which no postal stamps have been placed, to learn the name of the writer and avoid sending it to the dead letter office. If all who write would have their name and address printed on their envelopes as the postoffice department requests no such trouble would arise.

The managers of the prohibition movement have decided to submit the prohibition movement by counties. This will catch the saloons both going and coming. If the county adopts prohibition, it carries the incorporated towns with it, but if the proposition fails in the county,

the incorporated towns favoring the measure will be prohibition anyhow.

From all points up and down the coast state as well as the interior the weather is reported unusually hot. The beach resorts seem to be the only places that have kept cool.

The Yamhill County Reporter and the McMinnville News have consolidated under the pleasing title of the News-Reporter with the usual homely typographical omitted.

We are indebted to Hon. J. R. Whitney, state printer, for a copy of the state game laws, official directory of the state and other useful documents.

With electric car lines and linen mill prospects in the air these days, it is to be hoped that some of them will materialize.

Help Oregon and Win a Prize

To the People of Oregon, Greeting: The Portland Commercial Club offers two gold medals and \$200 in cash prizes for articles on Oregon, under the following conditions:

For the best article appearing in the regular edition of any newspaper or other publication printed outside of the state of Oregon, to be completed for only by persons residing in Oregon and not living in the city of Portland, choice of a gold medal or \$50 in cash.

For the second best article, either the gold medal or \$50 in cash, depending upon selection made by the winner of first prize.

Article winning third prize will be given \$25.

Fourth prize will be \$15, the fifth prize \$10.

To residents of Portland a gold medal and \$100 will be distributed in prizes upon exactly the same basis as the gold medal and \$100 are to be distributed to residents of Oregon outside of Portland.

The reason for having these articles printed outside of the state is that we want the people away from home to know our advantages, and then we desire the Portland and Oregon papers to be relieved from any embarrassment that might arise through having to decline articles. Articles containing the expression "Webfoot" will not be allowed to compete.

The Governor of the state will be asked to appoint a committee to decide as to the winners in the state contest, while the Mayor of Portland will be requested to name the committee that will select the winners in this city.

One of the chief reasons for offering these prizes is to give the younger generation an opportunity to do some pleasant work during vacation. This is a busy age and no article is desired exceeding 5000 words—those of about 1000 words preferred.

No articles will be accepted in competition except where the newspaper or other publication is submitted complete. The articles submitted become the property of the Portland Commercial Club, to be used as desired.

The contest closes October 1, 1904. We believe that there will be an interesting competition for these prizes, and feel sure that many newspapers throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and other countries will be glad to secure interesting matter relative to the most fertile state in the Pacific Northwest. Articles in any language will be accepted.

Feeling certain that this effort will result in much good to Oregon, we are, very truly yours,

H. M. CAKE, President. THEO. B. WILCOX, Chairman Exec. Com. Portland Commercial Club, Portland, Oregon.

Special to Excursion the Worlds Fair

The Denver & Rio Grande, in connection with the Missouri Pacific, will run a series of Personally Conducted Excursions to the World's Fair during June. These excursions will run through to St. Louis without change of cars, making short stops at principal points en route. The first of these excursions leave Portland June 7th, and the second June 17th. The rate from Woodburn will be \$68.95 to St. Louis and return. Excursions going from the Denver & Rio Grande have the privilege of returning via a different route. This is the most pleasant way, as well as the most delightful route, to cross the continent. The stops arranged give an opportunity of visiting the various points of interest in and about Salt Lake City, Denver and Kansas City. If you wish to accompany one of these excursions write at once to W. C. McBride, 124 Third Street Portland for sleeping car reservation.

Sick Headache.

"For several years my wife was troubled with what physicians called sick headache of a very severe character. She doctored with several eminent physicians and at a great expense, only to grow worse until she was unable to do any kind of work. About a year ago she began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and today weighs more than she ever did before and is real well, says Mr. Geo. E. Wright of New London, New York. For sale by all dealers.

Moved to New Barn.

Irvine & Myer are busily engaged in moving to their new livery barn this week and expect to have everything in shape in a few days. Their new barn gives them a great deal more room, which their increasing business demands.

Ice Cream Social.

An ice cream and watermelon social will be given in this city next Saturday evening by the B. Y. P. U. Everybody invited.

Fire at Shelburna.

A timber fire at Shelburna this week threatened to do a great deal of damage but is now thought to be under control. It started in the timber on the Trullinger place where some time ago a logging crew burned out a hornets nest.

Blind Couple Entertain.

A blind couple by the name of Florinski, piano and violin players, gave an entertainment to a good sized audience Wednesday night. There was a good deal of good natured rivalry over a contest for voting for the most popular lady. Receipts were about \$37.

The English language of to-day is quite different in many respects from the English spoken only 100 years ago; on the other hand, the Dutch spoken by the Boers of South Africa does not differ greatly from the same language spoken 200 years ago. The Boers during that time having had very little intercourse with the mother country, and so their language remains almost fixed. Many languages are devoid of certain sounds quite familiar to us. The Chinese, for instance, has no sound equivalent to our "r." For America, a Chinaman says "Yamellika." The Society Islanders could not pronounce either "r" or "k," and the nearest approach they could make to the name of the celebrated navigator, Cook, who visited their shores, was "Tut."

Electrifying Water Power. Clear Lake, 75 miles north of San Francisco and 1,317 feet above the sea level, having its outlet at Cache creek, a stream supplying 37,000,000 gallons of water daily, is to have its force translated into electricity, sent on overhead copper wires, 20,000 horse-power and upward, to the motors at San Francisco, besides doing lots of work all around the region and on the line of transit. On the way the waste water is to irrigate hundreds of thousands of acres of land, making it bud and blossom like the rose. The water will be shot through Pelton wheels, which will be connected directly with the dynamos, the latter being among the largest and most powerful known. The transmission of electricity under the waters of the bay has been an intricate and difficult problem, but has found its solution, and now presents no obstacle of serious character.

WEALTH OF INDIANA FARMS.

State Makes Good Showing from an Agricultural Point of View According to Census Statistics.

The census bureau has issued a bulletin giving the final agricultural statistics of Indiana. It shows that the 221,897 farms enumerated in Indiana on June 1, 1900, were valued at \$841,735,340, of which 82 per cent. represents the land and improvements thereon other than buildings. The value of farm implements and machinery was \$27,330,370, and of live stock \$109,256,751.

These make the total value of farm property \$978,616,471. The total value of farm products in 1899 was \$204,450,196, of which 40 per cent. was in animal products and 60 per cent. in crops, including forest products. The total value of farm products exceeded the total for 1889 by 116 per cent. The gross farm income of Indiana for 1899 was \$115,390,796 and the gross income upon investment 16 per cent.

Puts an End to It All.

A grievous ailment which comes as a result of unbalanced pain from over-taxed organs. Dizziness, backache, liver complaint, and constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by E. C. Peery's drug store.

State Fair.

The 44th Annual State Fair will be given by the Board of Agriculture at Salem, beginning on Monday the 12th of September and continuing through the week.

Several counties are getting up representative exhibits of their product showing up their resources and it will thus be a splendid opportunity for them to advertise, for a large emigration is looked for and the country is steadily filling up with a desirable class of emigrants, and they are coming West to locate and will make good citizens, and even if only two or three settle in the county because of the showing the county as a whole is benefited. In cases of this nature it is not the actual cost of the exhibit that must be taken into consideration but the value the exhibit has as a standing advertisement so to speak of what that particular county is good for.

The live stock show will be fully up to the standard of excellence that has been given in the past and special inducements have been made by the Southern Pacific Railway Company in transporting exhibits including live stock free and too much credit cannot be given the Company for their liberality in that particular.

Stock breeding is only in its infancy in Oregon and should be encouraged, for it is the coming industry in this state, and it requires no more labor or feed to raise a thoroughbred than a scrub. Don't fail to make arrangements to spend a part of the week at least in Salem, or if you can do so go and camp, they have a fine camping ground full of oak groves and plenty of good water piped right into the grounds.

Essay on Newspapers. A little boy in a neighboring town was required to write an essay the other day, so says the Gillespie (Ill.) Herald. "The Newspaper," was his subject and here is the result: "I don't know how the newspapers came into this world. I don't think God does, for He didn't raise anything to say about them, and 'editors' is not in the Bible. I think the editor is one of the missing links you read about, and stayed in the brush till after the flood, then come out and wrote the thing up, and has been here ever since. I don't think he ever dies. I never saw one dead and never heard of one getting sick. Our paper is a mighty poor one; the editor goes without underclothes all winter, don't wear no socks, and Pa hasn't paid his subscription in five years."

The Big Circus Coming.

The announcement that Ringling Brothers' World's Greatest Shows will exhibit at Albany, Thursday, Sept. 1st, will be received with more than usual interest by the people of this neighborhood. The Ringling Brothers have a name that stands for all that is new, novel and entertaining in the circus line, and the management announces that this season the show has been enlarged to such an extent that a whole extra train is used in addition to the four trains of last season. The show is now transported from place to place in eighty-five seventy-foot cars, constructed especially for the Ringling Brothers. In connection with the circus proper, in which the arena performance is marvelous, the Ringling Brothers are this season presenting the beautiful and sublime spectacular production of Jerusalem and the Crusades. This pantomime play necessitates the use of 1,200 actors and actresses and of almost 300 horses. It is presented on the largest stage ever used for exhibitional purposes. Special excursion rates have been arranged for on all lines of travel by Ringling Brothers and those who desire to go to Albany where this great circus exhibit can do so at a comparatively small cost. This will be the only point in this vicinity where the circus will exhibit this season and no one should miss the opportunity to see it. Watch this paper for additional announcements.

Rate from Munkers to Newport \$4.50

Rate from Munkers to Yaguna \$4.00

Rate from Munkers to Detroit \$3.00

End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abscess on my right lung," writes J. F. Hughes of DuPont, Ga., "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery or Consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It cures all coughs, colds, and throat and lung troubles guaranteed by E. C. Peery's drug store. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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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 despondency 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 being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great stomach, liver, and kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by E. C. Peery, druggist.

Reduced Excursion Rates.

On and after June 1, 1904, the Southern Pacific, in connection with the Corvallis and Eastern railroads will have on sale round trip tickets from points on their lines to Newport, Yaguna and Detroit at very low rates, good for return until October 10, 1904.

Three day tickets to Newport and Yaguna, good going Saturdays and returning on Sundays, are also on sale from all East Side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all West Side points, are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates, with stopover privileges at Mill City or any point east, enabling tourists to visit the Santiam and Breitenbush hot springs in the cascade mountain which can be reached in one day.

Season tickets will be good for all points until October 10. Three day tickets will be good going on Saturdays and returning Mondays only. Tickets from and vicinity will be good for return via the East or West side at option of passenger. Tickets from Eugene and vicinity will be going via to Lebanon-Spring field branch if desired. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaguna tickets to Yaguna only.

Southern Pacific trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaguna and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit will leave Albany 7 a. m. enabling tourists to go the hot springs to reach there the same day.

Full information as to rates, with beautifully illustrated booklets of Yaguna bay and vicinity, timetables, etc., can be obtained on application to Edwin Stone, Manager C. & E. Railroad, Albany, W. E. Conner, Portland, or to any S. P. C. & E. agent.

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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 26, 1895, we will proceed to offer at public sale, at 11 o'clock a. m., on the 9th day of September next, at this office, the following tract of land, to-wit: The lot 1, section 10, township 10 n., 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.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that in six days from the date hereof it will be unlawful for anyone to run a large in the forks of the Santiam River in Linn County, Oregon, under penalty of five dollars for the first offense and ten dollars for each and every subsequent offense, to be recovered from the owner of the said property in action in the name of the State of Oregon, before a justice of the peace of the precinct in which such owner or keeper, or either of them, may reside; and such penalty shall be for the benefit of, and when collected paid into, the common school fund of the county in which such action is brought, within sixty days after such amount is received by the State. Dated this 22d day of June, 1904.

B. M. PAYNE, County Clerk, Linn County, Oregon.

ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of John M. Blyden, 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 T. 10 S., R. 2 W. of Will. Mer., Oregon, thence N. 20 chains to the N. W. corner of the N. E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 35 in said T. 10 S., R. 2 W., thence S. 11 1/2 chains, thence W. 7.50 chains, thence S. 8.25 chains, thence W. 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 20 and 35 in said T. 10 S., thence in a northeasterly course to the center of said Sec. 26, thence N. 27.17 chains to the south boundary line of R. H. Pollard's D. L. C., thence E. 29.40 chains to the S. E. corner of said claim, thence N. 11.83 chains, thence E. 19.00 chains to the E. line of said Sec. 26, thence S. 79 chains to the place of beginning, in Linn County, Oregon.

Also beginning in the center of a county road at a point 20 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 205 feet, thence N. 80 degrees E. 246.50 feet, thence S. 1 degree W. 308 feet, thence W. 246.50 to the place of beginning in Linn County, Oregon. Dated this 10th day of August, 1904.

HANSARD J. BLYDEN, Administratrix, H. Bryant & Son, attorneys for administratrix.

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