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they follow it, his example it was hard to follow, and even the bread was paper made. Of course, the really city dinner was all that a good dinner should be.

The "mystery" proved to be cream sauce, and the "chocolate" was a cream sauce with carbonated water. As a matter of fact, no liquor whatever was served.

At the close of the dinner the waters put before the guests' vanity also date covered balls. A footpick was stuck in each. Mr. Treckman used the footpick and ate his pills, after slipping it in the accompanying sauce. The guests thought this a part of the entertainment, but not the case. One or two barely stopped biting in time for the dainty reduction chocolate. Let's get a good night's sleep—Oregon Journal.

A Disgraceful Affair.

Wednesday evening an affair occurred in this city that makes one blush to have to acknowledge that he lives in a town where such an occurrence is possible. Jack at the North end of the bridge, J. E. Warkick struck or stepped upon a woman in the late afternoon. Whether it was her to suggest to several feet. What the provocation was, no way the flow was given, and we are prepared to state. The affair should be investigated by the proper authorities. Warkick voluntarily went before Recorder McDonald and paid a fine. Whether this case matters, remains yet to be seen.

Read Points.

The News is in receipt of a small magazine published occasionally by W. S. Steele, of Portland, who we believe is the author of the "magazine" mountain climber. This number is volume 1, No. 2, of the publication and is filled with well written in attractive matter relative to Crater Lake, and the creation of Crater Lake National Park. The number is most interesting and is very readable.

DIED.

MILLER—On Tuesday night shortly after eleven o'clock, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Miller, aged about four months.

The sympathy of all the friends and acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. Miller is extended in this, to them, a great affliction. The little fellow had suffered from an ailment for several weeks and when pneumonia set in, his vitality was insufficient to withstand the attack.

Some Coins.

The Albany Democrat of Tuesday, states that Knox Burtel hunter had killed eleven coins (of 10, four-legged variety). Well, his hunters can equal this number and go them 24 better. Eight of the 35 captured by our boys are alive and unharmed. The hunting is still going on with the prospect of increasing the number considerably.

Over Two Hundred Tons of Sarcophagi Wasted. PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 15.—A peculiar accident, undoubtedly arising from the intense cold prevailing in this city, entailing great damage by water to 5,000 sacks of sugar, valued approximately at \$25,000, occurred last night in the warehouse of Washburn & Co., wholesale grocers, at Fifth and Oak streets.

Through some unknown cause one of the patent sprinkler tops of the automatic fire-extinguishing system, with which the building is equipped, blew off, and before the main gate could be closed the water supply was shut. 7,000 sacks of sugar stacked directly below the sprinkler were drenched. It is the opinion of the managers of the concern that about 5,000 sacks of the saccharine matter have been considerably damaged. They are unable, however, to determine the extent of the monetary loss until as the sacks have been examined.

Camp No. 17, I. O. O. F. War veterans met in Albany last Friday and elected the following officers: S. H. Chapman, captain; H. R. Pugh, 1st lieutenant; C. H. Bogard, 2nd lieutenant; C. H. Walker, orderly sergeant; W. J. Smith, commissary sergeant; E. C. McClain, physician; Knuch Sloan, corporal of the guard; S. W. Crocker, messenger. The veterans memorialize Congress through the legislature to increase their pensions from \$8 to \$12 per month.

Harry Ernest, an Albany young man almost perished with cold, when in his room at his boarding house in that city this week. He is an electric line man, and received quite a heavy shock which rendered the electric wires in Corvallis last Saturday evening. He returned to Albany the same evening. When partially undressed that night, he supposed to have fainted and fell at the side of his bed. He laid in this condition until Sunday afternoon, when found to be dead. He was removed to the hospital, where he is in a precarious condition.

ASK GOVERNMENT TO ACQUIRE TOLL LOCKS

Oregon Legislators Favor Memorializing Congress of The Advantage of Public Ownership.

WESTERN OREGON WILL HELP VALLEY PEOPLE

Representatives of That Section Declare Barrier to Acre as Willamette So Long as the Electrical Interests Control the Situation

That the locks at Oregon City should be acquired by the government, thereby relieving river shipping of the tolls exacted by the Portland General Electric company, owners of the locks, is a practically a unanimous sentiment of legislators from East of the Cascade mountains.

The senators and representatives from Eastern Oregon are also in favor of the legislature's memorializing Congress at the present session to take steps to acquire the Oregon City locks. Speaking on the subject last night, Senator Wheelon of Wasco said:

"All Eastern Oregon people firmly believe in open rivers. The tolls now collected at the Oregon City locks are unquestionably a burden on river shipping, and we are in favor of making the locks free.

"I believe I am expressing the sentiment of the entire Eastern Oregon delegation when I say this. While the most direct benefit from the purchase by the government of the Oregon City locks would accrue to the people of the Willamette Valley, we remember that they have been very generous in providing for our needs at Celilo, and certainly will be favorably inclined to this project.

"We think that it is the province of the national government to acquire these locks, but if this should not be done, we would favor their purchase by the state, or the adoption of any other measure to secure a free open river."

A plan to pay for a commission to learn the cost of purchasing the locks and to survey the eastern side of the falls to ascertain the cost of building new locks in case it proves impracticable to buy the old locks, has been suggested. Another plan was to make a provisional appropriation of several hundred dollars to be expended only in event Congress makes a like appropriation.

None of the Eastern Oregon legislators were found who opposed either of these plans. All believed it to be the province of the federal government to provide free locks, since the government controls shipping on the river, but this was not held to be a reason why the state should not act.

Senator J. Bowman of Gilliam-sherman-Wheeler, is among the Eastern Oregon legislators who favor an open Willamette river, as are also representatives C. A. Barrett and C. W. Steen of Umatilla.

"Open rivers is the religion of the Eastern Oregon people," said Barrett last night. "Of course, they are in favor of it. Free locks at Oregon City would be a great benefit, not only to the Willamette Valley, but to the entire state."

HOST OF THE MEAL WAS A SAD JOKER

Apple Kuche Bread and Cutta Percha Chocolate Served at Treckman Dinner.

A Jack-in-the-box instead of a Frankfurter and a golf ball instead of a chocolate collection were among the surprises received by the guests at a stay dinner given by Ben Treckman at his home on Portland Heights last evening. The guests were D. Hono, J. H. Williams, Archie Parrott, William E. Rothman and Dr. J. Cline, U. S. N. The real dinner was good, but it is the surprises that will be remembered.

What looked like frankforters were served on plates without knives or forks. The host picked up his frankfurter, one of the genuine article, and bit into it with evident pleasure. Messrs. Williams and Rothman took theirs in their fingers, bit, and out jumped a jack-in-the-box contrivance.

What passed for consommé was in fact always the host was served with what looked exactly like the article placed before his guests, but which

The "Pie hat" has had the misfortune of getting two of his cows foundered, lately, through eating two bushels of chop and one of hot vetch seed. One of them is now all right; the other is still in a critical condition. She only measures 17 feet in circumference.

Clifford Griffin has been visiting some of the fairer sex on Roseburg mountain. The present cold snap admonishes him that a bed fellow would add much to his comfort, those cold nights.

(Mistakes are sometimes unavoidable, especially when manuscript is not quite plain. Editor.)

PIE EATER.

CRABTREE CULLINGS.

Hello! Crab tree is on deck again. Coon hunting is the big event here this week.

Miss Lizell Kirzer has gone to Roseburg for the winter.

Crabtree is destined to be the metropolis of the F. R. of the Santiam.

Otto Blyen and John Kirzer have taken contract of grubbing for West Kinzer.

Marion Arnold, of Scio, was here visiting relatives, recently.

Cland Calavan made his usual visit to Scio, Friday and returned Sunday.

Citizens of Crabtree are not losing any sleep over the much talked about change in the railroad.

The river at Sandersons bridge is very low at present, a person can now cross on the rocks.

A great many places are suffering for want of fuel. Not so with Crabtree. Mr. Turndage has several hundred cords stacked along the track, that he cannot dispose of on account of the car shortage.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Small and son Lyman were at Scio several days last week.

Mr. J. W. Crabtree made a visit to the county seat last Saturday.

Uncle Billy Gregory is much improved in health, and has been moved across the river to the home of Alex. Snimper.

Crabtree new gets a potato car, occasionally. It certainly helps the congested state of affairs.

The Southern Pacific are putting in a new turn table at this place.

Miss Ella and Walter Meyer and Miss Myrtle Turndage went to Albany one day last week.

Clay Compton had business in Scio Saturday.

Nearly all the subscribers of the Bell Telephone Company went to Albany Saturday, to discuss whether they should join the Independence Company. We did not learn what action was taken.

Johnie Bryant, of Albany, was over Friday on business.

Grace the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Turndage is quite ill of fever. The Crabtree school is in a flourishing condition. There are now 35 names on the register.

Mr. Searis is again able to be out. We believe that Crabtree ships more cream than any other small town in the county. All about the freight house is a perfect jumble of cream cans.

Two crews of railroad surveyors have been at Crabtree for two weeks. The company has two or three routes under consideration, but according to reports, have not decided which one will be taken.

MEMORIS.

A Statement of County Expenses.

The annual statement of county expenses made out by the county clerk and filed with the secretary of state, shows the following for Linn county:	
Roads and highways.....	\$25,006.52
County courts.....	1,734.48
Justice courts.....	318.25
Circuit court.....	2,243.45
Sheriff's office.....	2,160.87
Clerk's office.....	3,420.66
Recorder's.....	2,185.90
Treasurer.....	1,000.20
Coroner.....	217.46
School superintendent.....	1,338.25
Assessor.....	3,000.00
Assessment and taxation.....	1,232.00
tax rebate.....	294.27
Surrogate fees.....	2,819.98
Court house.....	1,587.61
Fair.....	277.36
Le count poor.....	2,152.49
Indigent soldiers.....	636.60
insane.....	183.85
Commitments reform school.....	9.50
Deaf.....	982.60
Wasp bounties.....	4,308.50
Wasp surveyor.....	29.90
Disciplinary.....	805.00
miscellaneous.....	3,344.00
Total.....	\$6,798.06

NEGRO QUESTION HOTLY DEBATED

Tillman Accuses Roosevelt of Arousing Negro Hopes.

PATTERSON ON THE OTHER SIDE

Colorado Senator Defends Discharge of Negro Troops and Has Wordy Combat With Tillman, Which Makes Galleries Applaud.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Senate listened to a debate on the race question today in which Tillman was the principal participant and Patterson of Colorado his opponent. They brought into striking contrast the ideas of the South and North. President Roosevelt's action in the Brownsville matter was the subject of discussion.

Tillman held that nothing was involved in it except the race question, and that the Administration was responsible for the growing acute condition of the race question in the South. The President, he maintained, had encouraged the negro to assert his equality and thus had wrought vengeance on a whole battalion for following that encouragement. He condemned the President's action in some respects.

Patterson defended the President's right to dismiss the troops, but said it might be some ground to question its policy. He condemned in strong terms what he regarded as the radical position of Tillman, and predicted the extinction of the Democratic party in the North would follow a continuance of such tactics.

The debate occupied four hours and was listened to with great interest by the throngs which filled the galleries, by many members of the House or Representatives who lined the Senate chamber, and by many Senators. On several occasions the galleries had to be warned against applause by the Vice-president, who finally threatened to clear them.

No action was taken on the resolution for an investigation of the Brownsville fray, but Foraker gave notice that on Monday he would endeavor to have it disposed of.

MUNKERS ITEMS.

Dick Derrick, of Albany, is visiting friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooley's youngest child is sick with pneumonia fever.

Mrs. Wm. Arnold, of Albany, is visiting at the home of John Cooley.

Bethel Blyen is much better after her few days of sickness.

Mr. Ed Buchanan, of Jefferson, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Everyone is hunting for coons in this locality, this week, but so far, there has been only two killed.

Chas. Shillings is visiting at Sarycuse, this week.

The whist players met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Munkers, last Saturday evening, everyone enjoyed themselves playing cards, until a late hour, when lunch was served and all returned to their homes reporting a good time.

Jim Blyen is visiting at the home of F. J. Penny, this week.

BARE.

SANTIAM FARM.

Hello, Mr. Editor, what is wrong with you? Do you keep a bottle sitting near by? I see you make a lot of mistakes in my items.

C. C. and G. A. Griffin when returning from a visit to their best girls at a late hour, captured a fair sized coon for a pet.

Our telephone line, No. 16, has been quite a bother of late by being twisted up. So a committee consisting of J. H. Pindexter, Lee Blyen and D. H. Horgan were appointed to go over the line and straighten matters up.

Elber May, of Scio, was visiting Lib uncle, J. H. Pindexter, last week.

J. P. Crabtree expects to start up his saw mill the first of the coming week. We hope it will prove a success so that his neighbors can be supplied with fresh lumber right at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilford, of Callonia, who are visiting relatives in the vicinity, are old time friends of the writer, of 1870. They paid us a lovely visit over Sunday at our Santiam Farm.

and have his orders relative to preserving health and preventing the spread of diseases, obeyed.

NEUBAUSEN SENT TO A NEW FIELD

Inspector of the Interior Department is in Charge of Fraud Cases in California.

Thomas B. Neuhansen special inspector of the interior department, who has been stationed at Portland for the past three years, has been suddenly transferred to California with his entire office force, leaving United States Attorney Bristol to handle the land fraud business alone in the Oregon district.

No information can be gleaned from government sources for the sudden transfer of Mr. Neuhansen and his force. It is supposed, however, that the interior department is about to commence extensive investigations in California growing out of the disclosure of the Hyde-Benson cases in that state.

Mr. Neuhansen took with him when he left Secret Service Agents Douglas Warts, Horace Jones, M. Mendon, Horace Stevens, Harry Rigby and B. F. Franklin. His departure leaves Mr. Bristol alone in the land fraud investigations and piles upon him a mass of work which will in all probability necessitate an increase in the office force of the district attorney in a short time or at least before the land cases are again taken up in Oregon. It would appear from the move in taking Mr. Neuhansen away from this district that there will be no more land fraud investigations in Oregon for some little time.

New R. R. Bridge to be at Lebanon.

The Portland Journal has a dispatch from Lebanon stating that the new 1.5 mile road bridge had been located near county wagon bridge across the Santiam, at that place. This is the road expected by anyone who is acquainted with the banks of the river from Lebanon North. Any where North of Lebanon the banks are so low that the channel of the river is liable to change whenever the river reaches a flood stage.

This bridge location at Lebanon is very favorable to the prospect for the time to pass through Scio. In addition to the committee appointed last week in this city to confer with the railroad authorities concerning the matter, Lebanon has appointed a like committee consisting of Messrs N. M. Newport, Geo. Cronson and B. A. Milson, to join the Scio committee in the near view.

Mr. Geo. L. Davis, of Hoquiam, Wash., who bought the Landon saw mill, will also join the committee in Portland.

Want a Balance Sheet.

What the people of Linn county would like to see rendered by the County court, is a balance sheet. On one side should be the amount of money received from all sources, including money received on the tax rolls for the current year and upon the delinquent rolls of past years, the amount received from the irreducible school fund, the amount received from fees in the county offices, fines, and money received from any other source not here enumerated. On the other side will appear all public expenditures for which public moneys were laid out. Then the public can judge whether grafting is going on, whether the county is paying too dearly for what it buys or whether the Court is extravagant in its expenditures. This is but just to the people and just to the court. We have been told that an extra line is being employed in the Clerk's office continually; whereas under Clerk Payne's administration the extra hand was employed only occasionally. This is not the fault of the clerk, but the fault of the court for allowing the bill. We mention this fact to show that the present court is not looking after matters of economy as closely as former courts have done.

Relative to the firing of John Melke 4 Stayton, for driving his team fast—has a walk over the bridge in this City recently. Editor Alexander of the Time has this to say: "If every Scio-ite who has trotted or even galloped his team across the Stayton bridge during the last few years had been mulcted to the tune of \$15, Marion county's treasury would have contained more funds."

Why did not the Stayton authorities arrest and fine Scio hoodlums for violating well known State law? Bridges cost money, and a fine or two will cause all these reckless drivers to think twice before violating the law against fast driving. Stayton will do Scio a kindness by using young men and boys to obey the law whenever they go to that—well, we can't say hamlet, as Bro. Alexander did in trying to belittle Scio,—but City.

OREGON LEGISLATURE CONVENES AT SALEM.

Frank Davey, of Marion County, Speaker, E. W. Haines, of Washington County, President of Senate.

LOOK FOR IMPORTANT LEGISLATION GOOD

Jones of Polk Among the First to Introduce a Bill to Construct Locks at Oregon City, or to Buy Locks Now in Operation.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 14.—The Oregon legislature was organized today on schedule time with Frank Davey of Marion county speaker of the House and E. W. Haines, of Washington County, President of the Senate.

Both bodies met at 10 a. m. and after appointing credential committees, adjourned until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Members of each house held a caucus in the meantime. In the caucus vote of the house members, Davey received 14 votes against 14 for Vawter.

Only 14 answered the caucus call for the senate. Miller of Linn and Marion, Laycock and Smith were appointed a committee to wait on the members that failed to come in. The mission of the committee was unsuccessful and when Dan J. Maloney, temporary president, brought down his gavel in the afternoon there was no caucus nominee.

The Haines followers were prepared for the floor fight. They needed two Democrats to elect and they had four.

In the house when nominations were called for Mr. Vawter, who was unsuccessful in the caucus, arose and nominated Mr. Davey. No other nomination was made except that of Herman Gotthardt, the lone Democrat, who arose and nominated himself. When roll was called Rothchild voted for Davey and the latter returned the compliment by voting for Rothchild. Upon being escorted to the chair, Mr. Davey delivered a feeling speech of gratitude or the unanimous vote received and assured the members of his purpose to treat every one fairly.

Permanent organization effected, each house notified the other of being in readiness to transact business. No other business was done with the exception of electing clerical help.

The clerks and helpers for the house are W. Lair Thompson, chief clerk; W. C. Drager, assistant clerk; John Withycombe, reading clerk; W. H. Barry, calendar clerk; T. E. Hill, sergeant-at-arms; H. B. Ford, door-keeper; E. L. King, mauling clerk.

For the senate: Frank Grant, chief clerk; Frank Hunt, assistant clerk; Frank Lovell, calendar clerk; W. S. Meyers, sergeant-at-arms; Geo. Gans, door-keeper.

B. F. Jones, of Independence was made temporary speaker and Mr. Jones will be among the first to introduce a bill tomorrow. It will be for the building of locks on the east side of the Willamette river at Oregon City or the purchase of the present locks. Mr. Jones' bill is carefully drawn and sets out in the preamble:

"An act to create a board of commissioners of the Willamette locks, and to authorize it and its successors in office for, on and in the name of the state of Oregon to build, contract, operate and maintain locks on the east bank of the Willamette river at Willamette Falls, at or near Oregon City, Oregon; and to erect and maintain the necessary buildings, appurtenances and appliances necessary or convenient for the construction and operation of the same and to equip, operate and maintain the same; and for that purpose to purchase and pay for, or to sue for and condemn private property and a right of way for said locks and the land that may be necessary to be used in connection with the construction and operation thereof, and to authorize the said board, in its discretion, to purchase and pay for the locks now existing on the east bank of the said Willamette river at the said Willamette Falls, if the same can be purchased for a less sum than is required to construct the locks on the east bank of the Willamette river at said point, and to appropriate money for the said construction or purchase, and to levy a tax for a fund to carry out the purpose aforesaid and to declare an emergency."

Senator Miller of Albany also has a bill prepared authorizing school boards and boards of regents of all state schools to appoint a physician who shall be empowered to examine teachers, pupils, janitors, look after sanitary conditions