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City Council meets on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month.

HOW TO ENJOY HARD TIMES.

- The following from an exchange is handed us on account of its local significance:
- If you desire to become a successful man an esteemed member of society the following precautions, if heeded, are most certain to result with profit even in hard time—the harder, perhaps the better.
- If you possibly can, you must get on some active business street by 9 o'clock each morning. Business is usually well begun by this time. If you chance to see some storekeeper occupying a chair in front of his place of business, enjoying the open air, watch until he arises to wait upon a customer. Then jump for the seat and keep it as long as you can for the owner can stand as long as you are enjoying yourself. You must however, be provided with a good supply of tobacco, in order that you may spit about the doorway and sidewalk, so that ladies, in passing will be obliged to take to the street or wade.
- If you go home to dinner be sure and return during the afternoon so as to get the first chance to read the daily paper. The man who pays for it can read it the next day just as well, you know.
- If you ever tire of the chair in front of the building, or have exhausted



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4. If you find any leisure time from the above, take the liberty to occupy his office room in the store. If you please, look over all papers you find on the desk and in this manner you will be able to keep better posted on his business affairs.

5. If the merchant happens to be a bookseller or newsdealer, you can read the books on the "installment plan." No matter if you sell a new book so long as you leave it in the store. If there is a customer for any of them he can wait.

6. Be regular in these habits for the merchant will miss you when you are away and long for your appearance. Besides it takes constant application to become skilled in any art, especially that of a bore.

Big Corn in Oregon.

Oregon is generally considered an anti-corn state. The following from the Eugene Register, will therefore be of interest: A. W. Bond, of Irving, Thursday showed us some of the finest corn we have ever seen raised in Oregon. It was raised on prairie land. Two ears were shown, one of which had 630 kernels, and the other 600, all plump and uniform. He has eight acres of such corn, and he says it is ripening nicely. He will have some excellent feed. There is no doubt but good corn can be raised here if properly tended.

STATE AND COAST.

Taken From Our Exchanges Throughout the Northwest.

Gervais is figuring on an electric light system.

It cost Klamath county \$450 to have the books expeted.

Two girls at Gervais picked thirteen boxes of hops in one day.

Hood River is agitating the question of holding a horticultural fair this fall.

Springfield has organized a bucket brigade and hook and ladder company of 30 members.

The state reform school has 94 boys in the institution and 55 more under its supervision.

According to the Enterprise, Oregon City is manifesting considerable activity in the building line.

A nine-year-old boy in the East a few days ago rode a bicycle one mile in 1:14, beating the Salem time.

The cannery at Nestucca bay will be removed to Alaska, the run of fish this year being too light to keep it going.

It is said that John W. Minto will be appointed chief of police of Portland and that Chief Hunt will have to retire.

The Medford brewery will in future make its own malt and will construct a malthouse 20x50 feet, and two stories high.

The Adventist at Grants Pass will dedicate their church and begin a series of protracted meetings September 27.

Dayton is agitating the question of a water supply. A spring in the hills near by would supply the town by gravity.

"Don't expectorate on the floor if you expect to rate as a gentleman" is a notice posted in the Junction City post-office.

The run of salmon at The Dalles is reported very heavy. Twenty-five tons a day are handled, but 100 tons could be caught.

The increased attendance at the state fair does not indicate much poverty. The receipts were considerably more than last year.

The highest recorded price ever paid for a horse is \$150,000; for a cow \$30,000; for a ram \$8,000; for a dog \$4,000 and for a chicken \$150.

One or two more steamers are to be put on the Yaquina route at least temporarily to meet the increased demand for transportation.

Jack Parker, the survivor of the Burns shooting affair, has been bound over in the sum of \$1000. The evidence against him is weak.

The "Occasional Daily Star" has begun to clean upon the people of Eugene and aid the other papers there in fighting up the gloom.

The Polk County District Fair Association, will give three days of racing beginning Thursday, on the track between Independence and Monmouth.

A subscription for a bonus to have the new beet-sugar company establish its factory at Independence has been headed by W. P. Conoway with 50 acres of land.

The grand jury of Wallowa county is investigating the cattle-stealing, so common in that county. It is reported that several well-known men have been indicted.

A farmer living near Medford has traded his 180 acres for 200 acres in Missouri. He will move his family to the Madras state, and the Missouri man will come out here.

Oregon counties are now being bled profusely for bounties on the scalps of wild animals. This a waste of public money. As well pay a merchant for catching rats in his store basement.

Collector Buchanan figures out that there are 300,000 packs of playing cards in the Northwest that will have to be stamped. Deputies will go over the field to see that the law is enforced.

Two-thirds interest in the Molly Hill ledge on Mount Reuben was sold last week to Jacob Kamm, of Portland, for \$3,000. George Kearns, of Grant's Pass and Willis Kramer, of Myrtle Creek, own the other third.

There was a thief at the state fair who had enterprise. He stole a buggy at one place, a horse at another and a set of harness at a third. These three things he put together, and nothing has been heard of him since.

Mrs. Elizabeth H. L. Skinner, widow of the late Judge A. A. Skinner, died at Eugene, Friday, aged 80 years. She was a pioneer of 1847, coming in

the same train with ex-Governor Moody and Hon. S. R. Thurston.

The tax roll of Douglas county has only just been placed in the hands of the county clerk to make the delinquent roll. With only a few exceptions the counties of the state are being very reasonable and lenient this year.

The Tillamook Advocate tells of a farmer of that county who has made \$6,000 raising hens and selling in San Francisco. This farmer had no money at all to start with—only his industrious hands and good horse sense.

Samuel E. H. Spurling, 65 years of age, was found dead in his cabin in Wallowa valley Tuesday. He was a highly educated man, an old Nevada miner, and was living the life of a reclusive. He had wealthy relatives in Chicago.

Business is improving over in Albany. Within twenty four hours, beginning at 6 o'clock last Friday night, the clerk of Linn county issued six marriage licences, thus breaking all previous records made in the county. —Corvallis Gazette.

The water works of Arlington have been bought by the city. This is a step in the right direction. Mayor Edwards and the council are entitled to much credit for their careful and painstaking management of the city business, and indications are plenty that Arlington is reviving from her former lethargy. —Arlington Record.

Telegraphic news is to the effect that the yield of hops in the world had been overestimated and a great deal of the crop is not of a very good quality, therefore the price of fine grade hops is advancing slowly. Sherman Hayes, of this city, was offered seven cents a pound for his crop this morning and promptly refused the offer. —Eugene Guard.

The sun has now passed the three-quarter point in its track, and the days and nights Saturday were equal, and the equinoctial gale may be looked for at any time. The farmers have their harvest pretty generally secured, and people who have work on hand which is liable to be interrupted by rainy weather are rushing operations as vigorously as possible.

The Athena Press says that a young fellow came to town last week, and after putting up his horse at Froom's stable, went to one of the saloons and tucked the tiger \$20 worth, which was all the money he had. He went broke and put the horse up for \$6, lost that and went to the livery stable and went to bed. Some time during the night he took his horse and left for pastures new.

The Guard says: Two or three more hold-ups are reported from Springfield. Two wagon loads of hop pickers were held up near that place last Monday evening and robbed of their hard earnings. It is also reported that an attempt was made to hold up the mail carrier but failed on account of the gentleman reaching for his gun. It seems to us that these amateur highwaymen ought to be easily captured by the officers, if due vigilance was used.

The big barn belonging to the Indian institute at Chemawa was burned with all its contents, excepting the four horses, about 10 o'clock Friday night. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been the work of incendiaries. The structure was 50x150 and two stories. It contained 60 tons of hay, 600 bushels of oats and 1,000 pounds of bran. There is a good water service at the institution, but the hydrant and hose for protecting the barn were stationed inside and could not be reached owing to the fierceness of the flames. The loss is about \$1600, and there was no insurance.

A Kansas man writing to a Portland paper, says: To bring before the minds of the people east the resources of the Pacific coast, you must not take the statistics of a single year, for they have seen years that can beat it, but show them what you can raise year in and year, and they cannot help but be convinced of the resources and advantages of this country. But above all there is one thing you must do, and that is to divert the minds of those people of the false idea about the dreadful rains here, given by people who come here and expect to make a fortune in a single year, farming on a dry goods box, and telling about the big crops they raised, and how that as soon as they are able they will go back to "God's country." The class of people would not succeed in the Garden of Eden. Colorado may have her Garden of the gods, Kansas has soilless and long whiskered gods, but the valleys of Oregon are the Gardens of Eden in the honest and industrious.

SUICIDE IN ALBANY.

E. H. Burnham Found Dead Near the Presbyterian Church.

Monday night about 11:30 o'clock Carleton Sox and Clem Irylue were accompanying some young ladies home from a reception at the College, when they discovered the body of a man lying partly on the sidewalk and partly on the raised ground beside it at the southeast corner of the United Presbyterian church. Thinking it was a drunken man the young men notified Nightwatchman Jones, who, accompanied by Dr. Hill and son who were just returning home from a professional visit, went to the place and examined the man who was found to be dead. The body was taken to No. 1's engine house. Judge Powell, acting as coroner took it in charge and examined the man's pockets. The right pantalon pocket was turned out, some keys and a pocket knife were in the other pocket, a handkerchief and \$1.35 in a hip pocket, a pair of eye glasses, a small mirror and a watch key in his vest pocket. There was no watch. He wore a brown suit of clothes, and a Masonic pin was fastened to his vest. On his person were found papers showing his name to be E. H. Burnham, and that he formerly belonged to the Masonic lodge of Corvallis. A bullet hole passed through his vest, which was slightly powder burned, and his shirt, just below his heart, and ranging into his heart. About twelve feet back of where he was found was a revolver. About 11 o'clock several people in the vicinity heard a shot fired, and at least two think they heard some one cry for help. Mr. Walter Pencock, who returned home about that time from the College, heard a shot fired, and while after saw a couple of men run past the county jail. It is doubtful though if it had any connection with the shooting. Mr. Reed on returning home while before saw the man in the vicinity of the church. He had also been seen near there during the day and on Sunday.

Mr. Burnham came from Portland on Friday and registered at the St. Charles. He had formerly boarded with Mr. Giblin in Corvallis. There are two versions of the matter, one that the man was murdered, the other that he committed suicide. The latter is probably the correct one. Burnham had been despondent and had remarked in the morning that he was about broke and didn't know what he should do. Last year he worked in Chicago on the fair buildings, being a painter and paper hanger, and had contracted rheumatism, which was troubling him, as a chronic case of neuralgia.

Several circumstances indicated that he contemplated suicide, and it is a peculiar fact that just before being awakened and notified, Mr. Giblin had dreamed that he had done the act, the man's conduct evidently having made the impression on his mind. His position when found showed there had been no struggle; the revolver had evidently been thrown over his head as he fell back, on the ground, and he probably cried out as if for help. He probably had not been carrying a watch. The weight of evidence is decidedly on the side of suicide, and in fact there is little doubt on the subject.

Burnham was nearly fifty years of age. He was single, and is well spoken of by Corvallis men who knew him in that city.

The following is the verdict of the coroner's jury:

We, the coroner's jury, summoned to inquire into the cause of the death of E. H. Burnham, deceased, find that the deceased came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by his own hands on September 24, 1894, between 10 and 12 o'clock P. M. (Signed)

JAMES DANNAIS, Foreman,
W. W. BOWELL,
F. E. ALLEN,
F. W. BLUMBERG,
JOHN BRUSH,
D. B. MONTREITH,
—Albany Democrat.

A Tree Underground.

While deepening a well at Forest Grove last week, at the depth of eighty feet, in blue clay, a tree was struck and pieces of bark brought to the surface. One piece was charred and as the tree was supposed to have grown before the glacial period and the age of man, the only explanation of the existence of fire is that it was caused by the natural agency of lightning. The tree was a conifer and the twigs and bark looked like those of hemlock.

Begin early at the academy. Tuition is reasonable. If you have no money, don't stay away, but see the principal and make special arrangements.

FIRE AT PORTLAND.

One Million Dollars Worth of Property Destroyed.

Fire at the Albina terminal grounds Sunday afternoon destroyed the Pacific coast wheat elevator, warehouse and contents, the railroad coal handlers and contents, a vast stretch of wharves, 60 or more freight cars and wheat contents, a number of cars containing a part of the great plant of the Portland General Electric Company, about four miles of railroad trackage, and the steamer Willamette Chief. The conflagration consumed in round numbers \$1,000,000 worth of property. It was pretty fully covered by insurance. The department could do little or nothing to stay the flames, and they devoured everything in their path, and subsided only from the lack of material. The origin of the conflagration is not definitely known. The disaster was altogether the most serious that has visited Portland since the great fire of 1872.

The fire was discovered at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon in the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company's coal bunkers on the Albina water front. It quickly consumed the structure and its contents, and spread south along the river, and in less than two hours had destroyed three quarters of a mile of water front docks and warehouse. In addition to the buildings, tracks, trestles, docks and freight cars were destroyed. This with freight stored for shipment in the warehouses, grain in the elevator, coal in the bunkers, and part of an immense plant for the Portland General Electric Company standing on cars in the yards, was totally destroyed.

Three men named Anderson, Murray and Brown, workmen at the elevator, were seen on the roof early in the fire; they were not seen afterwards, and are thought to have perished.

The losses are: Pacific Coast elevator, \$450,000; Wheat in elevator, \$75,000; Warehouse and contents, \$40,000; 40 laden wheat cars, \$100,000; 20 empty cars \$40,000; Cars and electrical machinery, \$70,000; Coal bunkers, \$15,000; Coal, \$12,500; Tracks and platform, \$20,000; Steamer Willamette Chief, \$7,500; Wharves, \$150,000; Miscellaneous, \$14,000; Total loss, \$1,000,000.

A House Ransacked.

A. N. Locke lives four miles north of Corvallis and with his family spent last Thursday in Albany. When he arrived home a sealette sacking belonging to his wife, a pair of pants, hat, jumper and other things that ought to have been inside the house were gone, and about the rooms were evidences that someone had ransacked the premises. Search showed that the kitchen door that had been securely locked was unlocked. A watermelon was also missing from the kitchen table, and out on the railroad track the remains of it were found. The thief used a skeleton key to open the kitchen door and undoubtedly made his way north on the railroad. The value of the stolen property was about \$25. Mr. Locke was in town Friday morning, saw out a warrant and the sheriff went in pursuit, but the thief eluded capture. —Corvallis Times.

Law to be Tested.

Klamath Falls Express: County Clerk Leavitt is going to test the salary law enacted by the last legislature, and the result will be of interest to every county in the state. He collected \$57.75 for fees during July and August and declined to pay the same over to the treasurer, claiming he was entitled to allow him his salary. The matter will be carried to the supreme court. Reports from different parts of the state indicate that a batch of hogs were elected to office last June. Sheriffs and county clerks not only wait at the fat salaries; but are reaching out for the whole business. The law is undoubtedly a failure so far, and will continue to be unless county courts display great backbone.

Wood Wanted.

All who have taken subscriptions on wood or farm produce are requested to haul it in as soon as possible, for the roads will soon be in bad condition if the rains continue. Tell your neighbors that they can have the EXPRESS sent to them for wood, fruit or potatoes. Sample copies will be sent free on application.

Ladies' Coats and Jackets.

I am now receiving my fall and winter stock of ladies, misses and children's garments. These goods were bought for cash and include novelties and staples of the latest patterns. Call and see them.

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