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SWORN CIRCULATION. Daily average for six months ending December 31, 1910, 2721.

PESTS

Our Daily Disconnected Story.

In order to secure more concerted action, the Society for the Abatement of Public Nuisances, the Anvil Chorus and the Society for the Suppression of Unclean-for-Mirth decided last night to combine and will hereafter be known as the Southern Oregon Association for the Poutieing of Civic Caners.

The joint meeting was called to order by Willie Monday, the great successor to Carrie Nation, and Lekick, the eminent French detective, was unanimously nailed on the advisory board.

The first business taken up was a communication from a prominent citizen relative to the usage being made of the Southern Pacific right of way by express wagons and automobiles.

Following the example set a few days ago by a pair of runaway buzzard-heads hitched to an express wagon, it read, "fashionable Medford now motors right up to the steps of the Pullman cars when desirous of taking a little journey. Yesterday afternoon, when the evening train for the north pulled in, a number of pedestrians and others of the common herd endeavored to place a few farewell smacks upon the cheeks of departing loved ones, but were rudely prevented by the nerve-racking honk of a chug wagon, which at the moment was preparing to leave to alongside of the chocolate soldier in charge of the sleeper "Miserere."

Then followed a clipping from the minutes of the last session of the American Railroad's association for Keeping in Check of Paid Passengers, which read: "Don't No. 2354—Never allow any wheeled vehicle larger than a dollar watch to be brought onto the depot platforms."

After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to enclose the communication in a piskin and to forward it to the local agent of the railroad for his edification.

Five-cent beer was laid on the table until the next meeting.

HOLD ON THERE, JUAREZ

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with money which, in the eyes of members of the thirst quenchers fraternity, that stuff was originally invented for.

In the words of the immortal bard, their "thought grew light as the froth on beer" after numerous trips had been made to the base of supplies, and more talk becoming too tame, Gardena proceeded to extract from the drawer in the kitchen table a knife built much after the massive proportions of the beloved machete of his native land.

His womanly institution, inherited from his mother, telling him that something slightly out of the ordinary was about to be pulled off, Cietum also gathered for himself several munitions of war.

Then the battle began. Luckily for both the attempted duel was accompanied by a large amount of vocal effort with the result that neighbors were attracted and the police notified.

Neither remembered anything of the fray this morning when lured before Justice of the Peace Glenn O. Taylor so he remanded them back to the city jail and this afternoon brought them out again, sentenced each to thirty days, and suspended the same pending their future good behavior.

Sheriff Killed.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Feb. 9.—While Sheriff Noah Hendley was serving ejection proceedings today upon John Sweitzer, he was shot and killed by the latter. Deputy Sheriff Clay, as he saw his chief fall, opened fire and Sweitzer was killed.

THE ANCIENT WAR.

SINCE the earliest dawn of civilization the world has watched the struggle between two great classes of minds—conservative and progressive.

The first of these, the conservative, is content to drift along, clinging to old institutions, dead laws, obsolete customs, hiding from the light, anxious to be let alone, content to remain hidden unless someone disturbs the refuse to which they cling. Then they rush forth shrieking against the disturbers, the dissatisfied, hurling fierce maledictions at these restless spirits, who no sooner get a roadway into the wilderness than they must clear up lands for homes; who no sooner find their little cosmos crowded than they begin the search for other worlds to conquer.

The conservatives are ever in slavery, ever in bondage, ever the barnacles clinging to the vessel, retarding its progress, dragging it down to destruction. They are typified by swamps, stagnant pools, pestilential holes, where all forms of filth find lodgment, where all disease safely breeds and emerges to scourge humanity. They are, as they ever have been—lovers of darkness, fit companions for owls and bats and for weeds, noxious. They are, as they ever have been, forcing backward into the blackness, dreading the phantoms that shrieked among the reeds of the morass. They lay hidden in, or roared amidst the storms that lashed the trees or caves, about the hollows they call home—dreading the things they could not understand, yet warring upon all promptings for better, until the morass spewed them forth, until the tree fell and the caves closed.

No conservative ever blazed a trail, built a road, cleared or plowed a field, crossed a stream, fashioned a loom, carved a work of art, crossed the ocean or performed one useful stroke to uplift humanity, until the progressive ones made plain the way repeatedly or the crossing became easy.

The conservatives would yet be using rocks and clubs hammering frogs, snakes and lizards to death for food along the Nile if some restless progressive had not fashioned a hoe or sickle. They even crucified the Savior of mankind. They have sought ever to crush those who cry "forward." The lives they have taken if gathered would be as the sands of the sea. The agony they have caused in the upward climb is beyond the realm of thought to ever touch the borderland of. We gather an atom of it only from the days since written history began—just a breath of all the torture, just a feeble cry here and there from the multitude, of the awful tide of woe that swept the earth, drenching it in blood again and again. We learn but little, though even that is too frightful to dwell upon.

With all the enlightenment of the present age, these monsters of darkness yet drive the thorns into the brow of truth.

From Japan has just come word of the death of a little band of progressives. In the Congo thousands of armless natives salute the memory of a cruel European ruler. Not long ago Ferrar's body dangled in full view of the multitude. Thousands fester today in foul prisons in Mexico. Whole villages—men, women and children—volleyed to death by Diaz's lurid assassins. The dead lay in heaps in Russia and Turkey, these later years, whilst thousands moan in chains.

In America we have recently had our Idaho bullpens, our Colorado horrors, our shambles in Pennsylvania. We had a president calling seekers of light "undesirables." One hundred thousand Americans are annually mangled and killed upon the rails, as many more in mines and mills, thrice that number of mothers and fathers are gaunt and haggard, slowly dying in the sweat helms. Hundreds of thousands of earth's brightest blossoms are driven upon the streets, bruised and mangled beyond almost all semblance of God's image. Millions of babes, stunted, distorted, twisted, destroyed yearly. Ten millions of our men, women and children underfed, existing in rented pens they call home, unable to escape the death about them.

No wonder the bands of tramps sway with the sun in its oscillations north and south. No wonder divorcees are so common and marriage almost impossible among the toilers. No wonder millions seek to drown all care, to forget their troubles, in intoxicants.

When men seek to find a way to escape, then uplifts the serpent's head upon the very waters the pioneers must cross to reach the flowers and the healing springs, hissing them back, shaking its rattles and exposing its poisoned fangs.

Yet the onward march is begun. Those upon the summit behold the fertile valleys of peace and plenty and shout the gladness to the swaying millions. And they believe and press forward as they pressed forward over the barriers of feudalism and slavery. Triumphant, ever victorious, the seekers for truth will pass beyond unto better things, where they will gather from the infinite a clearer vision of truth and refining power, and walk on broader highways into ever and ever more perfect knowledge, and ever and ever more perfect blossoms, fragrant with love and goodness.

ANOTHER CONTEST THREATENS EDDY WILL

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 9.—Another contest is threatened today over the disposal of the \$2,000,000 residue of the estate of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy founder of the Christian Science Church. George W. Baker, a nephew of Mrs. Eddy, has instructed his attorneys to bring suit for a share of the estate.

Honeymoon on Horseback.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Feb. 9.—Winona L. Allen and Gay E. Sharp, a cowboy, married on horseback today announced their honeymoon will be a saddle tour of the west.

KAISER THOUGHT TO BE SERIOUSLY ILL

BERLIN, Feb. 9.—Cancellation of the elaborate military ceremony arranged for today at Potsdam in connection with the installation of Prince Joachim as an officer of the first foot guards, announced today because of the ill health of the Kaiser, has caused the suspicion that the emperor is seriously ill. He had cancelled all his engagements for the present. Announcement was also made that the imperial yacht Hohenzollern is fitting out for a Mediterranean cruise early in March and it is believed the Kaiser will go to a milder climate.

Haskins for health.

FARMERS LINE UP FOR ROADS

Strength Gained By Advocates of Good Road Measure in Legislature—Delegations Call on Solons for Their Support.

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 9.—With consideration of the senate good roads bills postponed in the house until Friday, prospects of their passage are bright. Sentiment among many representatives previously opposed to them is changing as a better understanding of the bills is obtained in the house and in the rural districts.

Many of the house members presumed that all the farmers and residents of outlying counties were fighting the bills, but two concrete evidences of the fallacy of this belief reached Salem yesterday. One was a delegation of leading citizens of Pendleton, members of the Umatilla County Good Roads association, which has a large number of farmers enrolled in it; the other was two petitions containing hundreds of names, forwarded to Representative A. J. Derby of Hood River from his county and favoring the senate bills.

The Pendleton committee is composed of T. C. Taylor, former president of the state senate; E. J. Murphy, mayor of Pendleton; W. L. Thompson, president of the Pendleton Commercial club and of the American National bank; H. J. Taylor, president of the Umatilla County Good Roads association and a farmer; Thomas Thompson, a farmer; S. R. Thompson, secretary of the County Good Roads association; R. Alexander, merchant; C. E. Roosevelt, merchant and president of the Eastern Oregon Fair association, and E. B. Aldrich, editor of the East Oregonian. The members talked to members of the Umatilla county delegation in the house yesterday and will appear before the roads and highways committee tonight. Chairman Mann of the house committee on roads has never definitely committed himself on the vote, but it is probable he will cast his vote in the committee and the house for the senate measures.

VOTING IN ARIZONA ON CONSTITUTION

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 9.—Voting is in progress today throughout Arizona on the new state constitution. There is hardly a doubt that the people will approve the document and its friends say it will have at least 90 per cent of the vote.

Those opposed to the constitution, while admitting that it will be adopted, predict that President Taft will veto it on account of its so-called radical provisions, particularly that providing for the "recall" against which the president has expressed himself.

WILL REACH ALEUTIAN ISLANDS BY WIRELESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9.—The Aleutian Islands, along the Alaskan Coast, will be included in the coast wireless system which the navy department is establishing.

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