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"The shootin' gallery hereafter will keep open past 7 p. m. This is all that was needed to provide Medford with a night life."

LAUGHS

Saddened Him: Sir Archibald Gelkie tells a story of a Scotsman who, much against his own will, was persuaded to take a long holiday.

He went to Egypt and visited the Pyramids. After gazing for some time at the Great Pyramid he muttered: "Man, what a lot of mason work not to be bringing in any rent!"

Drastic: Chairman—Ladies and gentlemen, Miss Brown will now sing "Only Once More."

Sarcastic Critic—Thank goodness for that! Chairman (coming forward again)—Ladies and gentlemen, instead of singing "Only Once More," Miss Brown will sing "For Ever and Ever!"

Times Change: "What is the principal difference between modern and ancient times?" "One of the main points was that the modern earn their living, while the ancient owned their land."

Limited Results: Blink (the wholesaler)—Well, how many orders did you get yesterday? Gink (the salesman)—I got two orders in one shop.

Hedged Gracefully: A visitor mentioned to Voltaire that he had recently spent some time with Albrecht von Haller, the distinguished Swiss physiologist.

Respite Wanted: In a Scottish college it was the custom for each student in turn to say the grace after meals, and one day a youth took advantage of the opportunity to convey a complaint no one had had the courage to make.

Cleanliness Favored: Old Fraud—And after floating about on the spar for three whole days, I was finally washed ashore, sir.

Lingering Doubt: "Your legal department must be very expensive?" "It is," sighed the eminent trust magnate.

"Still, I suppose you have to maintain it?" "Well, I don't know. Sometimes I think it would be cheaper to obey the law."

REFERENDING THE VAWTER BILL

IN an article discussing legislative measures upon which there is probability of a referendum, the Portland Oregonian says:

Another measure that might be put on the ballot along with the others is that empowering the State Highway Commission to spend "not to exceed" 20 per cent of the state highway funds on the Pacific Highway in Jackson County. This measure was introduced and supported by the Jackson County delegation who pointed out that Jackson County had expended large sums of money on the Pacific Highway and that the state should show its good faith and encourage those counties that have taken the lead in this direction.

Here we have the true Oregon spirit. Jackson county has spent more than any other county upon highways. It is spending half a million dollars on the state highway alone, which provides entrance into Oregon from California, yet because the Vawter bill diverts twenty per cent of the state highway fund, an amount approximating \$45,000 a year, towards the highway's completion, referendum talk is heard.

This highway is the principal trunk line of the state, and traverses its most populous centers. This particular section replaces a tortuous mountain toll road. Its grading alone has cost \$190,000. Its construction is of benefit to the entire state and it should have been constructed in its entirety by the state, as the California connection is being constructed. But to wait until Oregon becomes progressive enough to build its own highways, put such a road out of reach for the present generation, hence the county has taken the initiative, spent its money and asked modest co-operation from the state in its completion.

The legislative appropriations and the continuing appropriations total nearly eight billions of dollars for state expenses the coming biennium. Of this amount, the \$90,000 asked in the Vawter bill is all that is spent in southern Oregon—a little over one per cent, and about a third of what Jackson county contributes annually to support the state. The balance, except a few hundred thousand for eastern Oregon lunatics, is spent in the Willamette valley. Yet because the one per cent goes to another part of the state, in permanent development of the state, we hear talk of referendum.

Southern Oregon had a concrete demonstration of visionless Oregon when the Crater lake road appropriation, making accessible its greatest natural wonder, was enjoined and invalidated by the supreme court, which rules one way for southern Oregon and another way for the rest of the state. To spend \$100,000 in making accessible a national park, where the federal government is spending a million, is a "local affair," and therefore unconstitutional, says the court, but to spend \$450,000 in building an irrigation system that benefits directly only a few thousand acres is, according to the same court, a statewide affair and perfectly constitutional.

"Why," asks the Portland Oregonian, "do the southern Oregon papers talk of the southern Oregon counties seceding from Oregon to join California? Is it to rob Oregon or to enrich California?"

Neither. It is to benefit themselves. It is to get out of a state, where they are evidently not wanted, a state without a development program, a state that denies a square deal, a state where co-operation is denied, a state where the knocker is always swinging the hammer against progress, into a state that does things, that co-operates, constructs and upbuilds.

It has been frequently said that it would be worth millions for southern Oregon to be in California, where its climate places it, to escape the blight of Oregon. This is true, in a measure, for Oregon does little or nothing, and that begrudgingly, for southern Oregon's development, while the California policy is a broad and comprehensive one. But better than joining California would be the creation out of northern California and southern Oregon of a new state—the proposed state of Siskiyou.

A referendum on the Vawter highway bill is to be expected. The only obstacle is the expense entailed, although Willamette valley reactionaries are usually ready to spend a dollar to check development if it will save a cent in taxes. The mere talk of referendum on such a project shows what a progressive community can expect in a visionless state.

When Is Your Soil Ready for Planting?

(Bulletin U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 15.—"When is the proper time for preparing to plant one's garden?"

The United States department of agriculture's specialist says that in the spring as soon as the soil has dried so that a handful when grasped in the hand and gripped by the fingers will slowly fall apart upon being released, it is in a fit mechanical condition to prepare for planting. Clay or heavy soils should never be worked while wet. More injury may be done by doing this than can be overcome in several years of careful culture.

When the soil is found dry, as described above, the upper three inches should be made fine by the use of the hoe and steel-tooth rake; all rubbish, stones and clods should be removed and the surface made even, somewhat compact, and as level as the contour of the area will permit. It may then be marked off for planting in conformity to the general plan of the garden.

Much of the soil in the average back yard is not only poor in plant food and deficient in decaying vegetable matter, but it is hard and unyielding. However, such is the basis which many a housewife or child has to use for the making of a garden. Teachers who plan school gardens for their pupils also have similar condi-

LOVE IN EGYPT TURNED TO MUTUAL HATE IN CALIFORNIA



Mr. and Mrs. Frank de Storey.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 15.—From the pyramids to the Golden Gate, across seas and continents, the tangle of their love and hate has been dragged by Frank de Raimas Storey and his wife, and now both are suing for divorce here on similar grounds of desertion.

First gaining international notoriety for her criticism of Roosevelt's Guild Hall speech on the Egyptians, Mrs. Sarina F. Storey, not long after her marriage in Cairo, Egypt, followed her husband to New York, where he had filed allegations of abandonment. Meantime he had disappeared.

The wife followed Storey west across the continent, and a few nights ago she found him here in the role of an actor in a sketch he had written. It was called "A Bachelor's Dream," and as Mrs. Storey sat in the audience she saw the woman in the play with her husband imprint a "stage kiss" upon his lips. After the curtain had fallen the police were notified and Storey was arrested.

When he was arraigned, however, sandy, a much of manure may be spread over it in the fall and the spading delayed until spring.

In localities where the soil does not freeze, the manure may be applied in the autumn and the soil repeatedly spaded during the winter whenever it is dry enough to be worked. The value of freezing at the north can to an extent be attained by repeated spadings at the south. The one general precaution which should always be observed is never stir the soil while it is wet.

KLAMATH INDIANS SEEK APPROPRIATION

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 16.—The tribal council of the Klamath Indian reservation has appealed to the commissioner of Indian affairs to urge a congressional appropriation of \$1,000,000 to finance the tribe in farming its land allotments. The council suggested that the government be reimbursed by the sale of timber owned by the Klamath Indians, which is valued at \$20,000,000. It is proposed that the money asked be spent under the supervision of the government.

It is said that an average value of a Klamath Indian's property is about \$25,000.

SARAH BERNHARDT RAPIDLY RECOVERING

BORDEAUX, via Paris, March 16.—A bulletin issued by Drs. Denace and Arnoz, after visiting Sarah Bernhardt, who recently left the hospital, where her right leg was amputated, says she is recovering rapidly.

HAIR COMING OUT?

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 25-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp. After a few applications the hair stops coming out and you can't find any dandruff.

RUSSIANS CLAIM PROGRESS ALONG ENTIRE FRONT

PETROGRAD, via London, March 16.—The following official dispatch has been received from Osovets:

"The enemy has brought some of his batteries closer to the fortress because of their obvious ineffectiveness at the longer range. The artillery of the fortress effectively shelled a column of the enemy consisting of a motor drawn artillery, provisions and ammunition.

"Fighting at moderate distances continued throughout Sunday and Monday with advantage constantly with the defenders. Two German companies endeavored to approach the frozen River Bobr, but retired after being shelled from a distance of a mile.

"Close to Osovets our scouts carried some of the enemy's positions and at nightfall sent prisoners back into the fortress."

Official reports from other fronts follow: "Prasnyez: The Germans continue a violent artillery fire, but their infantry is unable to resist our attacks. We are holding the enemy on almost the entire front with par-

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one divided disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer three hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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"Haura region: The enemy is active at night possibly reinforcing his artillery. The Carvathians: Conditions are extremely difficult for an offensive. Owing to the deep snow, troops can be moved only slowly. The men use beaten paths moving in Indian file, which involves heavy losses. Troops on both sides are using skis. In spite of the conditions which exist the Austrians continue their vain attempts to relieve Przemysl, where our heavy batteries are active."

Ponce de Leon Failed; His Prize Is Found

Ponce de Leon, the daring explorer, searched among the swamps of Florida for the Fountain of Youth, which the Indians said would restore power and make people young. He did not find it.

Thousands of chronic intestinal, bowel and stomach sufferers have written to Geo. H. Mayr, 154 Whiting St., Chicago, in quest of health. They have found it. His remedy, composed of healing vegetable oils from France, has indeed given them back the health of youth.

Why suffer from indigestion, gases on the stomach, fainting spells, torpid liver, constipation and all the evils of a disordered stomach when there is permanent relief here? Mayr's Wonderful Remedy is sold by leading druggists everywhere with the positive understanding that your money will be refunded without question or quibble if ONE bottle fails to give you absolute satisfaction.

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