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EM-TEES

Regular Steady Guy

Triplets, two girls and a boy, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson, who live a short distance north of Neosho, on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Johnson is a miner and works at Granby coming home every night.—The Neosho (Mo.) Times.

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Interests Dead Ones

Has anybody got a typewriter to exchange for a monument or headstone, or have work done in the meters? N. E. Austin's monumental works, 238 White street.—The Danbury (Conn.) News.

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Gathering of the Colors

At the M. E. parsonage Tuesday the Rev. Edwin White united in marriage Miss Vera Green and John Winston Black.—The Wakefield (Kan.) Record.

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Technical Stuff

Mr. Lawson and a party of engineers came down on the small gasoline car Tuesday on a trip of inspection.—The Gadsden (Ariz.) Clarion.

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"ON A FROSTY NIGHT"

I

Come all you smudgery and I'll sing to you
A story about the Bear Creek smudging crew.
On a frosty night with a torch in your hand
You've got to go some to be a smudging man.
The thermometer hangs on an old year tree,
Everything safe while at thirty-three.
But when it drops down just ten degrees lower
You'll hear Lowry call at the bunk house door:

"Come on, boys, you've got to hurry,
Come on, boys, we cannot wait
Come on, boys, you've got to hurry,
The thermometer is now at 25."

II

Turn on your light with an awful groan.
You can tell there's something do-ing, by Lowry's tone
Put on clothes that you wished not wore
'Cause you've got to get ready for sure that oil
"Look at your thermometer as you go,
Light every other pot on every other row."
And when you've made your round, shivering a-way to 3
You'll not feel like turning back to some hay.

"Come on, boys, you'll have to hurry
Come on, boys, we can't wait long
Come on, boys, you've got to hurry,
The thermometer is now at 25."

III

Some pots are right so it is said
They want all the smoke to smudge with wood.
Some frost pots must keep the thermometer in line
What they going to do when the wood won't go?
Put on your wood and then kindling too
If it comes up a rain, what you going to do?
The smoke pot is a success without a doubt,
It's quick to light and pull to put out.
We are very busy, if some folks are tortured,
But we've got to save the fruit in Bear Creek Orchard.

—FRANK LONGWIRE.
(One of the crew.)

BATTLE OF VERDUN

AN interesting glimpse of the great battle of Verdun is given in the May Review of Reviews by Frank H. Simonds, a visitor at the scene. The reason why the Germans are so persistent in the effort to capture the former fortress and why the French are so valiently defending it is for the moral effect that its fall would have, for in the popular mind of both nations Verdun is still a main gateway of France.

Verdun long ago ceased to be a fortress. Its great defenses were dismantled months ago. It is but a part of the French line—a dangerous salient, difficult to defend. Hence the French general staff fully intended its evacuation, figuring the cost of holding it was not commensurate with its value.

The plans of Joffre, however, were overturned by the French civil government, which fully recognized the sentimental value of its retention. The gradual retreat ceased. The lines held firm and three months of hammering by the greatest collection of artillery the world ever saw, and three months of attack by the flower of the kaiser's army have failed to break the defense.

The difficulties of defense were increased by the isolation of Verdun through destruction of its main railroad connections. This, however, was made good by the construction of a military highway and the mobilization of tens of thousands of auto trucks, which form an unending procession bringing men and supplies for its relief.

Germany figured that a success at Verdun would break the French spirit and that France, discouraged and dispirited, would sign an independent treaty of peace. Knowing the plans for the abandonment of the dangerous salient, Germany confidently predicted its fall. For this 250,000 men have been sacrificed. The place was even picked out where the kaiser was to review the successful entry of the crown prince and his army. And the effect on Germany would have been electrical. Mr. Simonds says:

I believe that the moral effect of the German failure at Verdun, if the failure remains absolute, will be almost beyond exaggeration. There was no lack of courage, of determination, of constance, but there was wonder. Was the enemy, after all, too strong and could he win, at the last, by sheer weight of strength and numbers? Having done all that a man or a nation could do, France waited for the shock, met it and—broke it, drew from success a confidence that it is almost impossible to describe because it was hardly expressed in words and found no revelation in any kind of celebration.

This battle of Verdun was a battle for moral values, fought over a town which had acquired a wholly fictitious value in the minds of the German and French people alike, in the minds of the observers the world over. Germany fought to break the spirit of France. Perhaps—I do not think so—but, perhaps, she estimated her expected success at a true value, but this success she did not obtain. Unless she shall obtain it hereafter, she has lost all she hoped to gain. She has not broken, but reinvigorated, the spirit of France. This, I think, is the true meaning of the Battle of Verdun, and it is the meaning that the map will not disclose, that the commentator on merely military operations cannot estimate or value.

Perhaps one might say it this way: Verdun was a battle-flag. Of itself nothing is of less value in conflict. It is a thing without use to the man fighting for his life, and yet it is a thing that soldiers value most highly and die for most readily. And at the close of the contest, if it be closed, France holds the flag. What this means to the regiment Verdun means to France.

THE SNEAK RECALL

AFTER having publicly advocated the recall of the county court for some days, Benton Bowers, candidate for the republican nomination for representative, either ashamed of the part he has taken or lacking courage to stand by his convictions, denies his part in the affair.

It is not to be wondered at. No one seems to be willing to father the sneak recall or to make public the petty spite, malicious envy, disappointed greed and embittered prejudice in which it was conceived—no one except a disgruntled contractor.

Mr. Bowers intimates that the sorehead recall was launched by members of the tax league. Not avowedly, at any rate, or with the approval of its officers and members. The tax league was organized for the laudable purpose of co-operating with public officials in reducing taxation. To this end, its committee approved the county court's budget for the present year.

There are indications, however, that a clique of members of the tax league are destroying its usefulness by perverting it into a political machine for selfish ends and to boost themselves into office. Three of its most active members are seeking public office. Hence Mr. Bowers' endeavor to hide behind the league.

An Ashland editor's driveling idiotisness indicates that he is rapidly progressing from the class of the feeble-minded, crack brained into a fully developed nut.

What Became of Joe Dies?

A True Story of Pioneer Days of Southern Oregon by O. A. Stearns.

In the year 1851 there lived in the village of [illegible] in the Willamette valley a remarkable medical man in the person of Joseph Dies. He was about [illegible] years of age and had been [illegible] and children of his own color. He was [illegible] and was [illegible] time. He had been a resident of the village for several years, and for some [illegible] had been a leading citizen and never a local outlaw. But [illegible] there was a local outlaw, [illegible] and every other known remedy were tried in vain to eradicate the disease, but the outlaw, aided by the climate of his race, and the fatalistic nature of his kind, showed absolutely [illegible] that he was [illegible].

At last the local doctors, having exhausted his stock of drugs and [illegible] had to go out in the mountains drink pure water and live on wild game in the hope of ridding themselves of the disease.

According to [illegible] arrangement to go [illegible] with a [illegible] of bedding and [illegible] [illegible] with a light mountain wagon as well as a packing outfit, he came up the canyon of the Cascade mountains to the stock ranch of two German friends, Kimball and Hoxie [illegible] who had recently located [illegible] Dead Indian [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible].

The "Dead Indian" is the name [illegible] of the eastern slope [illegible] that [illegible] Dead Indian [illegible] It was so called from the [illegible] of a severely tabbed Indian [illegible] evidently a victim of the [illegible] of Indians on the [illegible] and resulted in the [illegible] of all the surveyors [illegible] a number of dead Indians in a [illegible] of the battle. This [illegible] where [illegible] the entire [illegible] region which embraces several hundred thousand acres [illegible] and is a drinking [illegible] some of the feeders of the Klamath and Rogue rivers flow in opposite directions. It's altitude is about [illegible] feet to the east of north Mt. Pitt rears it's white crest, some twenty or twenty-five miles distant, while far to the south is seen the snow-crowned peak of Mt. Shasta, the giant of the Siskiyous. The basin is bordered on the east by high mountain peaks that overlook the Klamath lakes and the river flowing westward that cleaves the Cascade range towards the ocean. To the west the crests of the Cascade range that separate it from the Rogue river valley, and which is only broken by the cleft or canyon through which a portion of the waters of the basin are diverted through Little Butte to the Rogue river.

Nearly the entire plateaus region is densely forested with different species of fir, pine, cedar and ewe, with fringes of Lodge Pole Pine and quaking asp along the few streams, and prairies that penetrate at places from the borders of the plateau towards the interior. Nearly all these small prairies are in the vicinity of springs, of small streams running out of the surrounding rim, and most of them end in swampy thickets where the waters sink.

The general character of the ground is level or nearly so except where the waters break away from either side, and so dense is the timber that even an expert woodsman would find it hard to follow any given direction when the sun was obscured, unless possessed of a compass.

At the date of this story there were but four ranches occupied, and they by stock men, in this country. The Frank Rector place (the original Dead Indian spring), the Grubb ranch some three miles south of the former, also on a spring, and the Wells place, about three miles east of the Grubb place. The waters of the two last named ranches flowed into Grizzly prairie, from whence they ran towards the Klamath; the waters of the two first named springs flowed northward into Little Butte.

(To be Continued.)

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AMERICANS TAKEN PRISONERS BY BANDIT ESCAPE

EL PASO, Tex., May 9.—A private message received here today says that Dr. Powers and seven American employes of the Porto Rico de Boquillas mine, near Boquilla, Mex., who were captured by Big Bend bandit raiders, overpowered their guards and have escaped to the border, bringing three of the Mexicans with them as prisoners.

MARATHON, Tex., May 9.—Seven American employes at the Porto Rico de Boquillas mine, near Boquilla, on the Mexican side, and Dr. Homer Powers of San Angelo, Tex., are captives in the hands of the Villista band that raided Glenn Springs and Boquillas.

The eight captives are: R. R. Hasbrouck, assayer; Dr. Homer Powers of San Angelo, Tex.; C. B. Haber, mine superintendent; —, Butler, engineer; —, Scott, truck driver; —, McKnight, truck driver; truck driver, name unknown; —, Coy, water pumper.

CHICAGO CLOTHIERS DECLARE A STRIKE

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 9.—The Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America in biennial convention here this morning, declared a strike in the Chicago clothing market, affecting 40,000 workers.

AMERICA'S LATEST NOTE HOLDS KAISER AS RESPONSIBLE

WASHINGTON, May 9.—America's latest note to Germany on the submarine controversy had gone forward to Berlin today and administration officials were interested in knowing whether Germany would make any reply.

The text of the note, made public last night, shows that the United States accepts the German promises that submarine warfare in the future will be altered to conform with recognized rules of international law. It insists, however, that Germany must not consider her respect for rights of American citizens on the high seas contingent upon the conduct of any other belligerent with whom the United States may be negotiating.

"Responsibility in such matters is single, not joint; absolute, not relative," says the note.

Secretary Lansing gave out a statement explaining that a large part of the latest German reply dealt with questions concerning the conduct of other belligerents which the American government could not discuss with the Berlin government. He stated, however, he considered Germany had yielded to our representations, "and we can have no reason to quarrel with her," as long as the altered submarine policy is not violated.

Not So Eugenic

In our last issue we had an article headed, "A Mother Factory." We beg pardon; it should have read "Another Factory."—The Millville (Ala.) Times.

THE BECKONING FLAME AT PAGE THEATRE

Thomas H. Ince has offered a novelty for the Triangle bill at the Page theater in "The Beckoning Flame," which served as a vehicle for Tsuru Aoki, a Japanese actress, and Henry Woodruff. The play is handsomely mounted and some of the scenes are of great beauty.

Perhaps no play has ever been produced in which such pains were taken to preserve the atmosphere and the real representation of typical Oriental streets and interiors as in "The Beckoning Flame." Joe Jackson, the tramp comedian, does some startling stunts in his familiar make-up of a knight of the open road in the Keystone "A Modern Enoch Arden." What adds much to the interest is the thrilling plot, which develops logically from the first and continues to a strong climax. Joe has opportunities to display all his marvelous tumbling and acrobatic skill when he gets into a hurricane at sea.

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RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	$425,030.01
Overdrafts secured and unsecured	1,850.52
Bonds, bid warrants	25,908.00
Stocks and other securities	15,950.00
Banking house	20,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	None
Other real estate owned	17,788.12
Due from banks (not reserve banks)	2,872.16
Due from approved reserve banks	142,397.16
Checks and other cash items	22,208.63
Exchanges for clearing house	4,620.76
Cash on hand	10,716.[illegible]
Other resources (overdraft)	[illegible]
Total	$728,973.[illegible]

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	8,[illegible]
Dividends unpaid	None
Due to banks and bankers	26,218.[illegible]
Postal savings bank deposits	None
Individual deposits subject to check	566,[illegible]
Demand certificates of deposit	1,497.55
Cashier checks outstanding	None
Certified checks	[illegible]
Time and Savings Deposits	104,[illegible]
Notes and bills rediscounted	7,000.00
Bills payable for money borrowed	None
Reserved for taxes	[illegible]
Total	$728,973.[illegible]

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, ss.

I, V. H. Vawter, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

V. H. VAWTER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of May, 1916.

C. M. THOMAS, Notary Public.

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