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DOINGS IN THE OREGON COUNTRY

All Parts of State Show Much and Rapid Development

Portland, Ore., Dec. 27.—That Oregon will have a population of 1,200,000 when the next census rolls round is the prediction of R. B. Miller, traffic manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest. He bases his figures on the constant western trend of populations as disclosed by former census statistics.

He estimates that the United States will have a population of 113,000,000. This additional population, he believes, will pour westward to find an outlet in the vacant agricultural lands of the Coast states. Nowhere is there a greater area of unclaimed land than in Oregon, and the immigration will cover this area as it seeks new territory to occupy.

The Siuslaw River is due for further improvement and army engineers are preparing plans for a north jetty at the mouth of that stream. Bids will soon be asked for its construction. The south jetty at the mouth of the Siuslaw is already under construction, and the breakwater at the north side of the river's mouth will be built by Government appropriations, together with funds raised by the port.

Baker is the first city in Oregon to adopt the commission plan of government. It is working successfully and it is likely other communities in this state will follow the lead of the Eastern Oregon capital in revising the present method of administering affairs.

Eugene celebrated the conclusion recently of a whirlwind campaign for new members of the Commercial Club that brought 150 additional persons into the fold. A banquet marked the close of the contest and the club will enter upon the new year with a good deal of enthusiasm. Among the big plans now being considered is the erection of a Commercial Club building for permanent headquarters.

The Oregon National Guard Association will meet at Albany January 4 and 5 in the new armory building recently completed there. Business coming before the state organization will be transacted and a large attendance of O. N. G. officers is expected. Albany people will provide the visitors with special features and entertainment.

Klamath Falls will have the first Postal Savings Bank in Oregon. The Government is preparing to establish such an institution there and if this sort of bank is popular, other Oregon towns will have them.

The Mazamas, the mountain climbing club, of Portland, will probably make the ascent of Glacier Peak in the Chelan Lake region next summer. The club has about fixed upon Glacier Peak as the objective point of the next climb, it being the custom to scale a different mountain each year. Glacier Peak lies in the midst of a magnificent mountain scenery and is about 10,000 feet high.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

Under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court, of the state of Oregon, for the County of Lake, on the 16th day of December, 1910, to me directed and delivered, in a suit wherein Maurice Vallet, recovered judgment, against Steve Young, Defendant, on the 12th day of September, 1910, for the sum of Two hundred eighty and 77/100, (\$280.77) Dollars, and the costs of suit, I am commanded that out of the personal property of the said defendant or if sufficient cannot be found, then out of the real property, belonging to said defendant, in Lake County, Oregon, on or after the said 16th day of December, 1910, to satisfy the sum of Two hundred eighty and 77/100 (\$280.77) Dollars, now due on said judgment, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, from the 12th day of September, 1910, having failed to find any personal property, belonging to the said defendant, within Lake County, Oregon, I have levied upon the following described real property to-wit:

West half of Southwest quarter (W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) Section ten South half of Southeast quarter, (S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$) Section 9, Southeast quarter of south west quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) Section, 3 and East half of Northwest quarter and Northeast quarter of Southwest quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) Section 10, all in Township Thirtyfive (35) Range Twenty-six (26).

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 28th day of January, 1911, at 2 o'clock P. M. of said day, at the front and east side of the County Court House, of Lake County, Oregon, in Lakeview, I will sell all the right, title and interest which said defendant, had in and to the above mentioned and described premises on the said day, the 12th of September, 1910, or that said defendant has since said date acquired therein, or thereto, at public sale for cash, to the highest and best bidder, therefor to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs of making this sale.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1910.

ALBERT DENT, Sheriff of Lake County, Oregon. Jan. 5-12-19-26

A VOLCANIC BEACON.

Curious Lighthouse of the Republic of San Salvador.

The republic of San Salvador, on the Pacific side of Central America, is the only government on earth that collects lighthouse fees on account of a volcano that it owns.

The volcanic beacon is about eight miles inland from the port of Acajutla and its pillar of cloud by day and its fire sky night are visible for many miles out at sea. It erupts every seven minutes and is just as accurate as any revolving light that warns mariners in any part of the world. This volcano has been keeping up this seven minute series of eruptions ever since any one can remember. It is a favorite amusement of visiting gringos to sit by the hour during the lazy afternoons and, watch in hand, time the eruptions until they tire of the amusement and fall asleep.

Every vessel that puts in at Acajutla—and it is quite an important port of call along that part of the coast—has to pay its lighthouse fee. There is no other lighthouse than the volcano, but that is a sufficient excuse for the government of Salvador to make a charge for its services. The explosions that accompany the eruptions sound like detonations of heavy charges of dynamite, but are not sufficient to shake the ground perceptibly more than a mile or two from the summit of the crater. At night there is a spurt of fire, a muffled report and a cloud of steam. By day only the steam is visible. —New York Press.

CONAN DOYLE WAS LATE.

The Lonely Schwarenbach Inn and a Literary Coincidence.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle once walked over the Genial. He was much impressed by the desolate appearance of the lonely looking Schwarenbach Inn. Here, it seemed to him, was a field scene in which a novelist might weave a story of mystery and crime.

He proceeded to buy a copy of a mystery and crime article in the country environment. It was a story of murder—the murder of a lion that was just home from the wars by his own father, the lonely innkeeper, who did not recognize him until after the deed was done, but had resolved to kill and rob the first lonely stranger that passed that way with money in his pocket.

"The very thing," thought Sir Arthur, and he went down the hill cheerfully revolving the morbid conception in his mind. Then a strange thing happened.

After dinner, in the hotel at Leukerbad, he picked up a volume of Maupassant's short stories and he found that the French author had not only been to the Schwarenbach Inn before him, but had actually located there a story practically identical with the one which he himself had just devised.—Travel and Exploration.

Prompt Punishment of a Liar.

Years ago the courthouse in San Francisco fronted the old Plaza. A trial was in progress, and counsel for the defendant was cross examining the plaintiff. An earthquake shook the chandeliers and dislodged some of the ceiling. Judge, jurors, witnesses, and spectators rushed for the door, but, finding that the seismic disturbance was over, they returned.

"You can proceed with the cross examination of the witness," said the judge.

"Pardon me, your honor," said counsel for the defendant, "but after the late exhibition of the displeasure of the Almighty at the lies this witness was telling I do not care to further invoke divine wrath. I will ask him no more questions." —Los Angeles Times.

Horses in the Time of Homer.

The horses used in Homer's time were war horses. The warriors were drawn in chariots. The art of riding was known, but it is alluded to as something unusual. Ulysses at the time of his shipwreck "bestrode a plunk, like a horseman on a big steed." There are reasons for believing that the practice of riding was much later than that of driving, and the myth of the centaur, where, according to Shakespeare, "man is incorporated and dematerialized with the beast," probably originated at an early period when the appearance of a man on horseback was a novel sight.

A Long Wait.

At a Denver hotel a woman went into one of the telephone booths and sat down. It is not possible to get a telephone number from the booth—the girl at the board has to call it. The girl went to the booth. "Did you want a telephone number?" she asked of the woman.

"No," replied the woman. "I'm just waiting for this elevator to go up." —Argonaut.

Very Considerate.

George—Do you see that pretty girl in the hammock? Harold—Yes. What of her? George—I saved her life last summer. Harold—Indeed! At the seashore? George—No; on the front porch. I proposed to her and she said she'd die if she married me, so I rescued her. —Stray Stories.

Bogey.

Stranger—I say, my lad, what is considered a good score on these links? Caddy—Well, sir, most of the gents here tries to do it in as few strokes as they can, but it generally takes a few more. —Scottish American.

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