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SHOOTING THE EDITOR

A Kelso editor has been shot to death because of a foolish town row. Probably there were a dozen or more men who were just as deeply interested in the Kelso row as the editor, but, because the things they do and say are not emblazoned to the world every day, they escape the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune that fall upon the devoted head of the editor. His job is a peculiar one. He often finds himself in a town row that he cannot escape if he has any convictions and is not afraid to express them. He has a choice. He can give his views on the situation or he can be a jackrabbit. If he tries to carry water on both shoulders he is pretty sure to spill some of it down his neck. If he takes sides, he is bound to offend the other half of his constituency. If he doesn't take sides he is maligned as a coward. If he is a philosopher he will go into the fight with the confident knowledge that many of those who can think of nothing mean enough to say about him will in the next important battle be arrayed on his side of whatever controversy may be involved. It is the wheel of fortune. He makes enemies and expects to. Being human he is sorry for it, but knows it is inevitable. The worth while enemies that he makes recognize his peculiar position and respect it. The two by fours show their twobyfourness by nursing their grudges, slandering him when possible or shooting him in the dark. The Kelso editor was shot in the dark. He might have lived longer if he had been a straddle bug, but he wouldn't have had any fun or self-respect.

Water Users to Intervene in Rail Case

Ask Common User for Northern Lines

That common user privileges should be granted Northern lines over the proposed Klamath Falls-Cornell route of the Southern Pacific was the expressed opinion of directors of the Klamath Irrigation district at a meeting held late yesterday afternoon.

The district directors decided to back up their views with a statement to the interstate commerce commission and issued the following statement relative to their stand:

Will Intervene

"In view of the announcement made recently that the Northern lines are considering the extension of the Oregon Trunk Railway to California, the directors of the district believe that the district should intervene in the matter of the application of the Southern Pacific for permission to construct the Modoc Northern to Cornell, California.

"The district's position is that if this application is granted it should carry the common user proviso.

Reasons Given

"There are several reasons why this proviso should be included, one of the outstanding ones being the probable increased cost of district maintenance should two lines be built through the valley.

"Another reason is that if two lines are built the district will lose a large amount of irrigated land by reason of the territory taken up by rights of way.

No Exclusive Rights

"A third reason, and a very important one, is that the water users of the project do not want a permit granted giving exclusive rights of way to any line that might be continued indefinitely as a branch line with branch line traffic rates.

"The water users desire that the irrigation project territory be open to competitive traffic lines in order that they may have some assurance of railroad development that will have southern and eastern connections."

FOR GRANTS PASS

To Visit With Son and Daughter in Law Over Holidays

Mrs. Bertha Coverstone will leave tomorrow morning for Grants Pass where she will spend the holidays with her son and daughter-in-law.

Have your hair marcelled in a delightfully cool and comfortable Beauty Shoppe, Moe's. Adv. 29-6

SUPREME COURT RULES AGAINST STATE ELECTION

Governor Pierce Upheld in His Veto of Special Election Measure

MEASURES MUST WAIT

Referendum of Legislature Bills Now Postponed Until Nov. 1926

SALEM, Ore., July 1.—Oregon will not have a special election in September. This was settled by the supreme court yesterday in a verbal opinion in the case of L. L. Swan against Secretary of State Kozler, an original proceeding in mandamus to compel Kozler to call a special election notwithstanding Governor Pierce's veto of the special election bill of the 1925 legislature.

With possibly one exception the court was unanimous in the opinion and a written decree will come down a week from today. The reason for a verbal opinion was to meet the necessity for quick action because of various state duties that would be immediately necessary should the election have been called, such as certifications to county officers and the filing of arguments for voters pamphlets.

Nearly Unanimous

Chief Justice McBride said there was a possibility that one justice would dissent, but that all the others six were very decided in their opinion that the governor had a constitutional right to veto the special election bill, inasmuch as it was a simple legislative act with no legal status different from any other legislative act.

The special election bill was passed by the legislature and provided that the election be called in event the referendum were invoked against any of the revenue producing acts of the legislature, in which event all measures referred to the people by the legislature itself also would be voted on except the eastern Oregon normal school bill. The referendum was invoked on the tobacco tax bill, the bus bill and the lithing bill, but the governor had vetoed the special election act, so that operation of all these measures is now held up pending the general election in November 1926.

Politics Charged

The governor was charged with having vetoed the bill for the reason that he wanted the Dennis resolution, proposing an inhibition against income and inheritance taxes in Oregon for 15 years, and a state income tax bill both to go before the people in November, 1926, so he could set them over against each other as a gubernatorial campaign

Bull-Dogging Will Be Rodeo Feature



Bull-dogging is always an exciting sport. Sometimes the rider misses when he hurls himself from his horse for the head of the running

steer, and then there's a breathless moment for the spectators until they learn whether or not he is injured. A late change in the program calls for bull-dogging events on each of

the three days, and the Bly association has rounded up a lot of big rangey steers for the big rodeo which starts here tomorrow afternoon.

issue. The governor is strongly opposed to the Dennis resolution and as strongly in favor of a state income tax act. Had the special election been called the Dennis resolution would have been before the people the coming September.

Brown Resigns On Account Of Health

Due to failing health, W. H. Brown, clerk at the hotel White Pelican resigned his position today and will leave in a few days to spend a month or more in the moun-

tains recuperating. For some time past Mr. Brown's health has been failing and for this reason he was forced to give up work which confines him in doors. After resting Mr. Brown will again return to the city planning to enter into business here.

F. E. Hopkins will succeed Mr. Brown as clerk taking up his new duties today.

The man who kicks about the food at home usually is afraid of the waiters in restaurants.

Promptness and efficiency are Madame Panario's watchwords. Moe's Beauty Shoppe.—Adv. 29-6

THE WEATHER

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy shows the pressure to be falling, slightly, this afternoon. Conditions are favorable for showers.

Forecast for next 24 hours:

Fair and warm.

The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows: High—53 Low—53.

U. S. Weather Report

Oregon: Fair tonight and Thursday. Warmer in west portion Thursday light north and north-east winds.

Estimate Badger Estate at \$500

Value of the estate of Charles E. Badger, proprietor of the Pastime Barber Shop, was estimated at \$500, according to the statement filed here for probate. The property consists of the barber shop and personal property, including diamond rings and a diamond stickpin. Appointment of Florence B. Harding, an only daughter, is asked as executor.

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