

INSURANCE POLICIES CAUSE SHOOTING

Cottage Grove, March 10.—John Fletcher, a young man of this city, was found about two miles in the country yesterday, with a bullet hole in his head. He is in an unconscious condition and may die.

It was at first supposed that he had attempted to commit suicide, as a letter was received by City Marshal Underwood through the postoffice yesterday morning, stating that he was tired of life, and intended to shuffle off. The letter was signed by Fletcher, and was supposed to be genuine.

Investigation, however, proved that circumstances surrounded the case that clearly indicated an attempt to foully

murder Fletcher, and cover up the crime. The officers are strongly of the opinion that Fletcher was a-tired to the place by a certain party, and did not inflict the wound upon himself.

According to the theory advanced Fletcher had life insurance policies, and had been working for a man with not overly good family connections. It is said that the policies were assigned to the employer several weeks ago, and it is thought that the latter intended to secure the benefit of the insurance. District Attorney Brown will make a thorough investigation of the affair, and interesting developments are promised.

MOTHERS' CONGRESS DISCUSSES SUBJECTS

Washington, March 10.—The triennial convention of the National Congress of Mothers meets this evening for a week's session at the Metropolitan Methodist church. More than 500 delegates have arrived, and entertainment has been arranged for 1000. The pres-

ident, Frederick Schaff, of Philadelphia, and practically all the officers and advisory council arrived in the city this morning. At the formal opening this evening the visitors will be welcomed by Hon. H. B. McFarland, commissioner of the District of Columbia.

RUSSIA DISCREDITS RUMOR OF CAPTURE

St. Petersburg, March 10.—The war office is not inclined to credit the report of the capture of a large Russian force near Tieling by General Nogi.

Fifteen political prisoners have escaped from the prison at Irkutsk, by

an underground passage, which took them three months to dig. Six were recaptured.

The disturbances in Southwestern Russia are increasing, and troops have been dispatched to suppress the outbreaks.

STRIKE WENT TO PIECES

New York, March 10.—The interborough strike is thoroughly broken, and scores of strikers today applied for work at their old places. Three thousand will probably not be taken back. The reputation by labor leaders knocked the strike on the head.

ANSWER IN HOP CASE.

Jones Says That Catlin & Linn Sold Their Contract With Him to Rosenwald.

Answer has been filed by defendant in the case of Catlin & Linn vs. S. W. Jones.

Plaintiffs allege in their complaint that they had a contract with defendant for 15,000 pounds of hops, to be delivered at Brooks October 10, 1904, and that defendant refused their tender of 17½ cents per pound, as provided by the contract, also refused to deliver the hops. Plaintiffs claim to be damaged to the extent of \$2025.

Defendant in his answer alleges that he did not have 15,000, but only had 14086 pounds in 1904 and does not deny the contract which he entered into, but claims that plaintiffs sold it to T. Rosenwald & Co. and that although he had the hops ready to deliver to said T. Rosenwald, he did not appear to claim them upon the date specified. Defendant asks that the action be dismissed and that he be reimbursed for his costs and expenses of this action.

Attacked by a Mob

and beaten, in a labor riot, until covered with sores, a Chicago street car conductor applied Bucklin's Arnica Salve, and was soon sound and well. "I used it in my family," writes G. J. Welch, of Tekonsha, Mich., "and find it perfect." Simply great for cuts and burns. Only 25c at J. C. Perry's drug store.

On Promissory Note.

Amy Scott has filed complaint against J. J. Davis in Department No. 1 of the circuit court for the sum of \$90 on a promissory note for \$100, which plaintiff alleges defendant executed to plaintiff before she was married, being given to her as Amy Taylor. She also asks for \$25 attorney's fees. Frank Holmes is attorney for plaintiff.

INSPECT MILITIA TONIGHT

At the inspection of Company M., which will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock by Col. James Jackson, U. S. army, retired, on duty with the organized militia of this state, it has been learned that Adjutant-General Finzer and Colonel C. U. Gantenbein, commanding the Third regiment, Oregon National Guards, will be in attendance, and will probably make the presentation of the trophy which this company won at the rifle shoot at Portland last year.

This event, in addition to the regular inspection and drill, will be a pretty and imposing sight, and a large crowd is expected to be in attendance, the general public being invited by Captain Murphy.

Intercollegiate Debate.

Ithaca, N. Y., March 1.—The first debates between Cornell university, the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia university under the Triangular League agreement take place tonight. The plan is a novel one that has never been tried before. It provides for three simultaneous debates tonight, one at each of the three universities. The subject of debate is the same in all three contests and is embraced in the following:

"Resolved, That the Interstate Commerce commission should be vested with authority, after full hearing of any formal complaint, to prescribe the maximum reasonable and equitable railroad rates to be substituted for those found unreasonable or discriminatory; the order of the commission, unless suspended by writ of injunction of a United States circuit court, to become operative at the expiration of thirty days' notice to the carrier, and to continue in force thereafter unless suspended by order of a federal court."

Cornell supports the negative side of the argument in the debate here tonight with Pennsylvania, while a second Cornell team upholds the affirmative in a debate with Columbia at New York. At Philadelphia a second Columbia team supports the negative side in a debate with a second team representing the University of Pennsylvania.

Much interest is manifested in the debate here. The judges are General Horatio C. King, John Brisson Walker and W. W. Goodrich, ex-justice of the New York supreme court.

NEEDS MORE HELP

St. Petersburg, March 10.—General Kuropatkin telegraphed an intimate friend at Moscow today: "Pray for me." This is taken as a sign that he is sorely pressed by the enemy.

Are You Engaged?

Engaged people should remember, that, after marriage, many quarrels can be avoided by keeping their digestions in good condition with Electric Bitters. S. A. Brown, of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "For years my wife suffered intensely from dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and vigor, and became a mere wreck of her former self. Then she tried Electric Bitters, which helped her at once, and finally made her entirely well. She is now strong and healthy." J. C. Perry, druggist, sells and guarantees them, at 50c a bottle.

STUDENTS TAKE POMONA.

Willamette Collegians Accompany Marker to Newberg.

About 25 happy students from Willamette University boarded the steamer Pomona this morning bound for Newberg to attend the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical contest to be held there tonight. All seemed confident that Marker would win, and many more than the fortunate ones who were able to accompany the delegates were on the dock to give them a few cheers, college yells and songs upon their departure. The following delegates were elected to attend the contest for the school officially:

Seniors—Paul Beach, Lila Swafford. Juniors—Ruth Field, B. C. Glover. Sophomores—A. G. Nace, Alma Hales. Freshmen—E. R. Matthews, Myrtle Duncan. Professors Drew, Keller, Mahaffy and Savage were with the party also.

Mrs. E. A. Pierce and Mrs. F. E. Slater were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. S. White, the first of the week—Gervais Star.

ITCHING ECZEMA

In July, 1883, I began to break out with Eczema on my head, legs and arms, and began treatment with local doctors, but did not get much relief. They said the disease had become chronic. I then quit them and tried various ointments and soaps for another two years, but as soon as cold weather came I was as bad off as ever, so I finally decided to let medicine alone, and for twelve or thirteen years did nothing towards curing the Eczema, except bathing. This seemed to do about as much good as anything I had tried.

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The head, feet and hands are usually the parts affected, though the disease appears on other parts of the body. While external applications allay the itching and burning temporarily, it is the acids thrown off by the blood that cause the irritation and eruptions upon the skin. The acids must be neutralized and the system cleansed of all humors and poisons before the cure is permanent.

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AN EASY WAY

To Keep Well.

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The all important thing is to keep the stomach right and to do this it is not necessary to diet or to follow a set rule or bill of fare. Such pampering simply makes a capricious appetite and a feeling that certain favorite articles of food must be avoided.

Prof. Fiechold gives pretty good advice on this subject; he says: "I am 68 years old and have never had a serious illness, and at the same time my life has been largely an indoor one, but I early discovered that the way to keep healthy was to keep a healthy stomach, not by eating bran crackers or dieting of any sort; on the contrary I always eat what my appetite craves, but daily for the past eight years I have made it a practice to take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after each meal and I attribute my robust health for a man of my years to the regular daily use of Stuart's Tablets."

My physician first advised me to use them because he said they were perfectly harmless and were not a secret patent medicine, but contained only the natural digestives, pepsines and diastase, and after using them a few weeks I have never ceased to thank him for his advice.

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All druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, full size packages at 50 cents, and for a weak stomach a fifty-cent package will often do fifty dollars' worth of good.

Alfalfa is being raised extensively in Jackson county and along the Rogue river valley. It does not require irrigation, and is a close second in importance to the fruit industry of that valley.

To the Public.

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Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given to the public that the co-partnership between E. L. Irvin and M. C. Pettys, under the firm name of Irvin & Pettys, has this day been mutually dissolved. All bills heretofore contracted by the firm of Irvin & Pettys will be settled by their successors, and all accounts due the old firm are payable to E. L. Irvin & Co.

Dated this 23d day of February, 1905.

E. L. IRVIN,

M. C. PETTEYS.

Spray Your Fruit Trees.

Persons having fruit trees and ornamental trees that, under the state law, are required to be sprayed at this season of the year, are requested to leave their orders at F. A. Wiggins' implement house or with the Oregon Nursery Company. The expense is very small, and the increase in fruit and quality will more than repay all cost to the owner. Or apply to E. C. Armstrong, manager of the city spraying outfit, who will at once attend to the matter.

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