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TEN THOUSAND WILL BE EXPENDED ON NEW CONCRETE WORK IMPROVEMENTS ON THE CAPITOL GROUNDS AND IN PUTTING A NEW FLOOR IN THE BASEMENT

The state of Oregon will expend about \$10,000 in concrete improvements around the capitol, and in placing a concrete floor in the basement. New concrete walks and driveways are to be built all over the beautiful capitol grounds, similar to those on the postoffice grounds. What is left of the appropriation from the outside improvements will be spent on the basement, and the engineer is now preparing the plans for the improvement. The parking of the grounds is proceeding, and, it can be said with

pride, that no Western capitol will have more beautiful state house surroundings than Salem will be able to show. Paving with bituminous will be extended up Court street past the state house, across to Twelfth, and probably to the Southern Pacific passenger depot. This will complete the hard-surface paving around the capitol grounds, and, with the cement walks and drives, will make it a perfect environment of our state departments, and ought to enable any man to do good work in any of the offices.

JAMES C. DUNPHY DITCHES EDITH

[United Press Leased Wire.]
San Francisco, May 8.—On the grounds that his wife was not divorced legally from a former husband, James C. Dunphy, millionaire ranch owner of Oregon and Washington, today secured annulment of his marriage to Edith M. Dunphy in 1898.

Mrs. Dunphy was granted an interlocutory decree some time ago. She charged cruelty and was given \$50,000 alimony. Upon her testimony that she was divorced from Julius

Silverstone in Oregon before she had lived in that state the requisite length of time, Judge Graham based his decision.

The decision given by the court today leaves Mrs. Dunphy in a peculiar position. The \$50,000 the court ordered Dunphy to pay her up on the granting of the interlocutory decree now reverts to the millionaire and unless she wishes to return to Silverstone she must institute a suit for divorce.

Willamette University glee club gave a successful concert at the Silverstone opera house Friday evening.

PRIVATE NORMAL SCHOOLS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED

There were six members of the state board of regents of normal schools in attendance at the meeting held at the state house today.

Frank Carter stated that the people of his city had made arrangements to keep the contracts with the faculty of Ashland as a moral obligation, but that no effort would be made to run the school after this year.

Mr. Richmond of Weston made an argument in favor of keeping the school open. He would donate \$500 to keep the school running and others would do as much. They would raise \$4000.

Mr. Ayer and Mr. Spence were in favor of allowing the schools to be conducted as private normal schools. Governor Benson, Supt. Ackerman and Col. Hofer were opposed to allowing the schools to be conducted as private schools with contributions. In accordance with former resolutions of the board of regents all disposition of the schools was left to the executive committee.

THINKS FREE TICKETS WOULD TEMPT THEM

[United Press Leased Wire.]

Vancouver, Wash., May 8.—That the clergy would go to baseball games, and enjoy them, if they had complimentary tickets, is the conclusion reached by Judge W. W. McCredie, owner of the Portland team of the Pacific Coast League, after giving the question much thought.

"I have decided to present passes to the preachers," said the judge today.

"When the idea first presented itself I paid little attention to it, thinking the clergy might turn me down. I am inclined to think that the passes would be accepted, so I shall offer one to every minister in Portland."

PAROLED CONVICT IN JAIL CHARGED WITH FORGERY

San Francisco, May 8.—Charged with forging the name of his former wife's suitor to checks in an attempt to cause his arrest, Jasper B. Kefford, a paroled convict, is in jail here today. W. F. Woodward, an Alaska mining man, is Kefford's accuser.

After Kefford was sent to San Quentin by a Los Angeles court in 1906 on a charge of passing fictitious checks, his wife, who is a trained nurse, secured a divorce from him. Kefford said that she promised to remarry him if he reformed and led a better life after his release from prison.

Recently Kefford was offered parole and his former wife showed her good will by posting the required bond. But Kefford found that she did not love him any longer and that Woodward had apparently gained her favor.

It is alleged that he then tore two checks from his wife's check book and filled them in with Woodward's signature. Both checks were drawn on a San Diego bank. Taking the checks to a clothing store he is alleged to have purchased clothing with them. This clothing he had sent to Woodward's room, and a few hours later the Alaskan was arrested on a charge of passing fictitious checks. He secured his release as soon as the clerk in the clothing store informed the police that they had arrested the wrong man.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT IS GIVEN A TITLE

(By Warrington Dawson, Staff Correspondent of the United Press.)
Nairobi, British East Africa, May 8.—Having been tagged with an African title, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, also known as "Bwana Tumboko," the portly master, is being sought today by native chiefs, who wish him to accept the office of high priest of the "Jungle Medicine Men and Miracle Workers' Union."

Medicine men of the Masai tribe have warned their people that they have seen an evil star presaging drought, famine and pestilence. The superstitions of these medicine men are law to the natives, and this dire prediction has stricken terror to the hearts of the entire tribe.

After a council today the natives decided to await several days for the return of Colonel Roosevelt, who will be asked to banish the evil spirit, which they believe is hovering over them. If the colonel does not return within a short time natives will be sent into the jungle to implore him to come to the aid of the terror-stricken people.

Reports from Roosevelt's camp say that the colonel and his son are in excellent health, and having great sport. They were last reported to be trailing several giraffe, which were going southwesterly.

Two new cases of smallpox were reported to have broken out among natives living 40 miles from the Roosevelt camp. The American party is thought not to be in any danger.

CONTRACTS ARE CLOSED FOR THE BIG BANK BUILDING

The contractors who will have charge of the big five-story steel building to be erected on the corner of State and Commercial streets by the United States National Bank have arranged for the tearing down of the old building, it being decided that it would be so damaged in handling that it would not be worth the price. Today material was being assembled for carrying on the work of destruction necessary before the big, modern building can be erected. It speaks volumes for Salem, when two-story brick buildings, once the city's pride, can be put in the discard, destroyed and forgotten.

CALIFORNIA TO HAVE A GREAT PEACH CROP

[United Press Leased Wire.]
Sacramento, Cal., May 8.—The June peach crop in this state will be one of the heaviest in the history of California orchards, according to the belief of the California Fruit Distributors' Association. Apricots and cherries will be unusually scarce, owing to the unfavorable weather of the early season.

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THE PRESIDENT STANDS BY WILSON-- BALLINGER DOWN

TAFT SAYS HE WANTS ROOSEVELT'S IDEA ABOUT PUBLIC LANDS CARRIED OUT, AND WANTS NOTHING MORE

[United Press Leased Wire.]

Washington, May 8.—Secretary Wilson won the first round in his fight with Secretary Ballinger to uphold the conservation policies of the Roosevelt administration. It was learned from an authoritative source today, President Taft, it is learned, told the cabinet at the meeting yesterday, when the differences between the secretaries were up for discussion that he favored the Roosevelt conservative idea, and that he desired every member to work with that in view. The cabinet is also reported to have upheld Secretary Wilson's contention that the withdrawals of land from the entry made by President Roosevelt were legal and proper. Ballinger contended that they were illegal.

Ballinger is reported to have stated

at the meeting that he favored conservation, but he believed it could not be accomplished in the manner attempted by Secretary Garfield under the Roosevelt administration. He stated he would withdraw from entry the forest ranger tracts, which were the basis for the row in the cabinet, again as soon as he had information that they contained water-power. He added that he also intended to recommend that congress enact special laws providing for the conservation of water power.

President Taft then told Ballinger, it is understood that he did not want him to make any more restorations of land to entry until congress had time to act upon the matter of conservation. Ballinger told the President that he would gladly follow the suggestion.

PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING DRAWS AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE AT GRAND

The first professional wrestling match ever seen in Salem occurred last night at the Grand opera house, when Eddie O'Connell, the champion lightweight threw Joe La Salle, the big French-Canadian, the best two out of three in straight pin falls, using the hammer-lock at each fall. The large crowd of spectators were all keenly interested in the bout, and cheering was almost continual.

In the preliminaries, Harden, of Chemawa, and Arndt, of Portland, wrestled. This was a handicap match, in which Harden was to throw Arndt twice in 30 minutes, which he did, one time in three minutes and once in six minutes.

Next came Clarke and Abernathy, two Portland tusslers. Abernathy weighing 120 pounds and Clarke 125. This was a go to the finish, with the best two out of three falls the winner, strange holds barred. The lightweight put up a beautiful exhibition of clever and quick wrestling, the smaller of the two squirming out of some bad places, but Abernathy won the two necessary falls, which took him five minutes for the first fall and 2½ minutes for the second bout.

This being the last of the preliminaries, the two champions were introduced to the audience. O'Connell made a short speech to the crowd regarding the much-talked-of match between himself and Sullivan. He said he did not want to belittle Mr. Sullivan any, but it did not look very good to see Sullivan going about talking to the effect that he (Sullivan) could not get a match with O'Connell, when O'Connell had made offers to him containing every possible favor.

The two expert mat artists then went to it. The match was to be the best two out of three falls, no strange holds, and pin falls, meaning a man must be put on the mat two shoulders on the floor, and held there. After sparring for some time La Salle got the tricky toe-hold on O'Connell, and it was thought for a time La Salle would get the first fall, but O'Connell brought the crowd to their feet shouting when he made a strong effort and broke La Salle's hold. O'Connell then got the scissor-hold on La Salle, and the big fellow was in the smaller one's power for a time, but he managed to break the hold, and after doing so attempted to get another toe-hold on O'Connell when O'Connell got a half-Nelson hold in front and made La Salle strain and use all kinds of quick devices to free himself. After three minutes of fast wrestling and sparring for holds, O'Connell got what is called the hammer-lock on the big man, and it took him just one-half minute to put his shoulders to the mat. La Salle did not give up to the fatal hammer-lock by no means, and tried hard to save the throw by turning himself over. O'Connell threw him in three and a half minutes.

In the second bout some very clever work was done by the man from Eugene. He succeeded in getting several hard holds on O'Connell, but the first fall had evidently rendered one of his arms a little weak, as O'Connell would get away from him in good shape, and at one time La Salle showed signs of tiring. After several minutes had been taken up with the go, O'Connell got another hammer-lock over La Salle's back, and put an end to all further chances of La Salle winning the second bout, and placed another victory on his record. It took just 10 minutes flat for O'Connell to throw La Salle this time, and the bout was so exciting people were standing up and pulling at seats all over the house.

La Salle addressed the audience after his defeat and told them he thought O'Connell had won the match fair and square, and that he was surely a powerful and active man. He also explained that his condition was not what he desired before the match, and that one of his arms was somewhat lame. The crowd gave La Salle a rousing cheer, which showed their appreciation of the big fellow's gameness. O'Connell was not intending to speak, but, after repeated requests from the audience, he addressed them in a few words by saying he was not floating about the country claiming to be something more than he was, but he was willing to show what he could do any time, and would like the chance to have Mr. Sullivan on the mat opposite him in this city before long.

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his baggage checked through to Gold Creek, and can find a modern hotel where he can get a bath without taking the primitive plan of going to the creek.

The development work in the Gold Creek, Freeland and Electric is making some remarkable showings. Crews are working in ten tunnels on these mines, and every day adds to the confidence in the properties. The Freeland is uncovering some great bodies of ore, the Electric last week cut into an entirely new and unsuspected body of ore in its cross-cut, and big Gold Creek cross-cut is making new discoveries every week.

During the week a large number of visitors have been at the mines.

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