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A TANGLED LEGAL SKEIN

J. C. Fraley, of Sacramento, was last week arrested on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, and pending trial was released on \$250 cash bond, to secure his appearance in court Wednesday. Then Fraley, without perhaps intending it, started a whole bunch of legal troubles and handed the judge several tangled hunks of red tape, all with the ends inside.

Fraley, without regard to the feelings of judges or attorneys, and unheeding of the law, hanged himself by the neck until he was dead, defunct, devoid of life and as many more terms as legal lore might affix to his condition.

Naturally it might be inferred that his lack of life and volition, would excuse his not walking into court as his cash bond required, but natural inferences and legal ones are as widely divergent as, a newly divorced couple, the antipodes, T. R. and the G. O. P., or any little things like those.

It is not supposed the court or attorneys were especially anxious to have Mr. Fraley come into court—his money was there anyway, so the rest didn't matter—that is it would not have mattered had Fraley not departed for a country from which there are no return tickets on sale—and so could not respond to the call of "Oyez!"

That was where Fraley put one over on the court and bar. Had he lived and failed to show up the proceedings would have been very simple. The court would have raked in the \$250 "pro bono publico," what ever that is, and issued a bench warrant for the tardy one.

As Fraley, however, was in the remote elsewhere, the puzzled judge was forced to tackle the legal tangle.

Could the bond be forfeited? The attorney for the only party in interest, the fellow who put up the cash, held it could not; for, premising the court might insist on forfeiture if Fraley was not present, he thoughtfully had the coroner bring the body of the deceased to the court house and informed the judge of the fact, saying if the court insisted on Fraley appearing he would have the body brought in. The district attorney asked that it be left where it was and said he would stipulate that the body of Fraley was in court as plaintiff's exhibit "A."

Now with all there was of Fraley in court, it would seem the matter could be easily settled. The bond called for his appearance and he was there. The law however is sometimes unseemly, and was so in this case. There was a fine legal point and \$250 pending. The court was puzzled and frankly admitted it would have to take a day off and "look up the law"—\$250 worth of it.

Was the body of Fraley, from which the spirit had flown, Fraley? or was the real Fraley, the part that had removed itself into the elsewhere? On this decision rests the declaration of "Who's Who, and What's What"—also the ultimate destiny of the "two-fifty." It's a safe bet, though, that the bondsman never again sees that bunch of coin. It is not eat-like. It will not "come back."

The real after effects of prohibition are becoming evident in Portland in increased number of arrests for drunkenness, and the number of blind pigs being discovered. This is accounted for by the fact that most of those who used liquors, provided a supply that has tided them along, but which is evidently becoming exhausted. It can be expected that bootlegging will increase, and so will the arrests for drunkenness. However a strict enforcement of the law will finally put an end to it. Old man Booze is a tough one and dies hard.

There seems to be unusual activity in the mining industry of the state and many valuable discoveries have been reported since the year began. Oregon has been handicapped in her mining business by the idea getting abroad years ago that her mines were small and did not "go down." There never was a greater mistake, and the next few years will see the state well towards the head of the list. The Siskiyou and southern Oregon comprise the greatest unprospected, and indications are, one of the richest mining districts on the coast.

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The Oregon Voter is shocked at the idea of using Chinese eggs because, as it says, they are "an indescribably filthy product." It adds "Chinese poultry is grown principally in the dirty narrow streets of unsewered cities and towns and lives on reeking filth." Not a pleasant picture truly, yet does that imply the inside of the eggs is filthy? A hog eats any old thing there is to eat and is far from cranky on the subject of cleanliness, yet bacon and ham are considered the best and most appetizing of breakfast foods, in the meat line.

The American hen will eat anything she can get, from slops to fishworms, and most of them do. The eggs are a clean product kept from contamination by the bird no matter what the diet, in a nice stone shell.

The crisp radish, so delightful to the palate in the spring, is grown perhaps in soil intermingled with refuse from the stables and so are the over-fragrant onions. Both of these come in direct contact with the fertilizer, yet who draws the line at and refuses to eat them? The hen's egg might be classed, so far as cleanliness is concerned, with the pea, which having its roots in fertilizer presents its food material done up in a package after it has been strained through its stem. It does not absorb the filth of the fertilizer but takes up its nitrates, carbons proteins and what ever goes to make up its food qualities.

It is frankly admitted that Chinese eggs if one keeps their origin and make up in mind are not appetizing; and it is further frankly admitted that most of us would turn them down unhesitatingly, but after all is it not prejudice?

Mrs. Patrick J. Carey, of New York, has sued Mrs. Minerva B. Tolera for alienating the affections of her husband. She not only makes the charge but tells in detail how it was done. She charges Minerva accomplished her fell purpose "with a chiffon heart stuffed with lavender and crushed roses, 149 letters and 32 telegrams." Had Mrs. Patrick been a true daughter of the "Old Sod" there would have been no suit. Instead Mrs. Tolera would have been in the dry dock for repairs, with the map of Ireland vividly impressed on her memory.

A clothing firm, Hart, Schaffner & Marx, according to their financial statement, have an equipment valued at \$254,854. They also put in their statement assets "good will, trademarks, etc., \$15,000,000." They have \$15,000,000 common stock on which they paid last year 4 per cent and \$3,886,500 preferred stock on which they paid 7 per cent. When a company can water its stock so as to pay dividends on 75 times the value of its invested capital, and four times its capital in dividends it certainly understands the science of hydraulics.

The millers of California, objecting to competition from the east, have put the public wise to something it was not aware of before. It seems as one miller puts it, that all sacks of flour look alike and it is therefore easy to sell short weight without it being discovered, and that this is being done. A sack of flour, standard, should weigh 49 pounds. If yours does not weigh that, a complaint to the proper officials will make the miller get busy, also, de facto, honest.

Arthur C. Spencer, of Portland, announces his candidacy for delegate at large to the republican national convention. After reading his statement as to the kind of man he wants for president we feel constrained to say it would be useless to send Mr. Spencer to Chicago as a delegate. Nothing short of an angel would get his vote, and as it is politicians he must choose between, it is unnecessary to add that his candidate would not be found.

Ed Kelly, a glass blower of Los Angeles, had a hundred dollar bill when he was held up by bandits. He stuffed the bill in his mouth and pretended to be mute. He was left unconscious but saved his money—which shows how profitable it is sometimes to "keep your mouth shut."



MOODS

"I cannot write a poem today, I am not in the mood," I heard a long-haired poet say, a poet short of food. "Unless the inspiration comes, I can produce no spiel; I sit here twiddling of my thumbs, and longing for a meal. And oft I feel privation's lash upon my person fall; O, for a plate of corn-beef hash, O, for a codfish ball!" "I can't afford such things as moods," the short-haired poet said; "and I must write the platitudes that fester in my head. Perhaps my song is not inspired, perhaps it's lacking Art, perchance it makes the highbrow tired, and breaks the purist's heart; but all the merchants in the grad are pleased to get my trade; they know that when I owe a scad, that scad is promptly paid. Each day I buckle down to work, regardless of my mood, just like a tinsmith or a clerk, with earnest zeal imbued; and then, until my muscles tire, throughout my eight-hour day, I punch the stuffing from my lyre, and make that punching pay. Should I for inspiration wait, I could not turn the trick; I could not keep my credit straight, or get my meals on tick."



The literary society met in the school house last Friday evening. There was a large turnout and regret is expressed that the session finishes Friday. Taking part in an enjoyable program were the following: "When I Am a Man," Floyd Query, Lester Taylor, Harry Jensen, Guy Asher, Kermit Sharp; duet, "Emeline," Mrs. Pettyjohn and Mr. Shelton; recitation, "What We Owe to Washington," John Cook; music, Pious Orchestra; song, Sharp, Brothers; recitation, Arthur Zielke; song, Melba Davenport; banjo

Boyce Explains Economy and Efficiency of His Army Training Plan

(By United Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 2.—An outline of how his proposed Vocational Army training school plan, endorsed by President Wilson, may be economically, efficiently and quickly started throughout the country, has been written by W. D. Boyce of the Boyce publications. In brief, Mr. Boyce suggests that a vocational and army training school be added to each state college under federal aid and guidance. Concerning the plan, President Wilson, in his recent western trip, said in part: "We ought to have in this country a great system of industrial and vocational education, under federal guidance and it will be perfectly feasible and highly desirable to add to that and to combine with it such training in the mechanism and use and care of arms, in the sanitation of the camp, in the simpler forms of maneuver and organization, as will make these same men industrially and individually serviceable for national defense."

"The point about such a system will be that its emphasis will be on the industrial and civil side of life, so that men will think first of their families and daily work and their services in the economic fields of the country, and only last of all to their perniciability to the nation as soldiers and men at arms. That is the ideal of America," Mr. Boyce in part says.

"To start the Army Vocational schools, all that is necessary is for United States army training barracks (for drilling and living purposes) to be added to the state colleges, with a corps of military instructors, equipment, etc., all of which can easily be provided by the federal government. All the expenses of this addition must be borne by the United States, which furnishes board, lodging and clothing for the young men who take the course. The government does this in exchange for the student's services while he is being trained to be a fit soldier. The state furnishes the instruction in the trade, profession or occupation which the student elects to take. He is put to no expense and he remains in the Vocational Army school two years or more, going to his classes like any student in a college, but being under regular army discipline and living in barracks. After his graduation he is subject to the call of the United States government for military service, but he goes into the trade, profession or occupation in which he has been instructed and in which he is a finished producer."

"We have frequently called attention to the fact that 85 per cent of the boys of the United States are obliged to go to work to support themselves at the finish of their common school education, going without the vocational training which they want and need. The Vocational Army schools would give every boy, whether his parents are poor, well-to-do or rich, an equal chance to get a practical education and at the same time fit himself to help defend his country."

"The federal government would be doing only what it now does, in furnishing military instruction, board and lodging, clothing and equipment to its regular soldiers, and at half expense, for it would not pay salaries to the students. The states would be doing only what they should do, in furnishing educational facilities for their citizens. The young men attending the Vocational Army schools would not be kept out of productive work, as the regular soldiers are. When the soldier goes back to civilian life, his productive capacity is not increased, but when the graduates of the Vocational Army schools go into their trades, occupations and professions, their productive capacity and earning ability will be increased many fold."

"Under the Vocational Army school plan, 90 per cent of the youths of the United States would become fit men to defend their country in time of need."

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Livesley News

(Capital Journal Special Service.)
Livesley, Ore., March 2.—A pleasant afternoon was spent with Mrs. N. Knute Thursday when she entertained the members of the G. S. club. Mrs. G. W. Coolidge captured the prize for the contest after which dainty refreshments were served. Those present were: Mrs. G. Higgins, Mrs. S. Davenport, Mrs. C. D. Query, Mrs. G. W. Coolidge, Mrs. J. Fiddler, Mrs. J. Watson, Mrs. L. Johnston, Mrs. W. Meier, Mrs. B. Fiddler, Mrs. N. Kagle, Mrs. B. Fiddler will entertain the club next Thursday.

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OUR HENRY



L. C. HUDDLESTON.

Music in Salem whether it is Band music or Orchestra, or Singe music, it cannot be called music if our well known leader, Henry Studemeyer, does not lead. Mr. Studemeyer will lead the orchestra tonight for the Big Moose Vaudeville show, and knowing he will lead the audience can expect real melody. Mr. Studemeyer will open the ball with two pieces, and these two selections alone are worth featuring.

L. C. Huddleston, the last but not least feature, will entertain the Moose audience tonight with xlephone solos, that will ring true with melodies that we all like to hear, the xlephone is a hard instrument to master, however, Mr. Huddleston surely has mastered it for he is always in demand when a big show is produced. Mr. Huddleston has a big following, and has secured for this season seven re-engagements to play at the Oregon theatre in the past.

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Mr. Bert Roland; dialogue, "How They Kept a Secret," violin solo, Mrs. Thomas. The debate "Resolved, That more practical knowledge is gained through reading than observation" was well discussed. Louis Salchenberg led for the affirmative and Claude Sharp for the negative. The affirmative side won. Friday sees the finish of the library for this winter and will be the occasion for a suitable time. All are invited to come and enjoy themselves. Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson, of Salem, and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. H.

Lyons, of Woodlake, Nelraskan, visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Query Wednesday afternoon of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Johnston and family, of Bethel, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnston. Mr. A. Huddleston, of Salem, visited the J. Watson home Monday. There is more than one sort of unpreparedness. Take the case of the man who has neglected to provide himself with an automobile these fine automobile glays.

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