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### A MOST PROGRESSIVE COUNTY

Malheur county, Idaho, has voted in favor of making the fair a county undertaking, and that tends to prove that Malheur is a most progressive county.

The county fair is recognized as a means of not only advertising the resources of a county, but of bringing about a friendly rivalry in an attempt to produce the very best of everything exhibited.

Here in Weber county there should be a county fair, but the prospects are not encouraging, while there is talk of dividing the present fair grounds and selling the property by lots.

### A NURSE FOR THE CITY SCHOOLS

School innovations are many these days and not all of them are in the direction of good, but one that appeals to us is the new system of caring for the health of the children as applied in New York city, where school nurses are being employed. A bulletin has been issued on the duties of the nurse, from which the following is an extract:

"Without an effective follow-up service conducted by visiting nurses, medical inspection in schools is ineffective. Until 1908 New York city relied upon postal cards sent to parents of defective children, and was able to secure action in only 6 per cent of the

cases where treatment was recommended. Immediately upon placing the follow-up service in the hands of school nurses the percentage increased to 84.

"The nurse effects what no other agency could accomplish. She not only secures action in the case at hand, but she becomes a permanent advisory influence in the homes where she visits.

"By virtue of her room-to-room visitation and her opportunities for observation, the school nurse also becomes the ideal sanitary inspector. She notes temperatures, ventilation, seating, cleanliness of room, toilets, blackboards and the clothes of children. Her hospital standards of sanitation tend to follow her into the schools.

"The school nurse is first and last a social worker. She instructs ignorant but fond mothers in the best methods of feeding, clothing and caring for their children. She is received in their homes as no other official visitor could possibly be. Dr. Osler does not overstate the case when he says that the visiting nurse is 'a ministering angel everywhere.'

"The number of school nurses varies somewhat according to social conditions and according to the range of duties expected of them. We find all the way from 1000 to 10,000 children under the care of one nurse. In New York city each nurse has from two to seven schools, with a total attendance of about 4900 children. In Philadelphia five schools and about 5000 children are usually allotted to one nurse, while in Boston the proportion of nurses is about twice as great. It is not improbable that the ratio will be increased until it reaches an average of one nurse for each 1000 of the school enrollment. If there were one nurse for every 2000 pupils, about 10,000 nurses would be required in the entire United States. A nurse's room, completely equipped, is coming to be regarded as one of the essentials in every school building of eight or more rooms."

Here in Ogden a school nurse could

do much to control contagious diseases and might prove a great aid to the sanitary department of the city.

### RAILROAD MEN TO BE PROMOTED

W. A. Whitney, in charge of the coast division of the Southern Pacific, with headquarters at Sacramento, is spoken of as successor to J. M. Davis, as general superintendent with jurisdiction extending from San Francisco to Ogden, and Thomas E. Rowlands is mentioned as in line of promotion to relieve Mr. Whitney at Sacramento.

Both men are deserving of advancement. Mr. Whitney formerly was in charge of the Utah division of the Union Pacific, with headquarters in Ogden. The record that he made brought him to the attention of the general officers of the Harriman system and he was recognized as a man who knew how to obtain results. He increased train tonnage, cut down operating expenses per ton per mile and sent passenger trains over his division on time. He accomplished these changes with the smallest possible friction; in fact, left the Union Pacific with the regrets of the men under him. We understand he has maintained this excellent record while at Oakland and Sacramento.

Thomas E. Rowlands is popular with the men along his entire division and he is a tireless worker in the service of his company. He, too, is entitled to promotion.

### HAY CURED BY MACHINERY

A writer on agriculture tells how hay is being artificially cured. A special building is necessary for the curing. The hay is run back and forth the length of the building seven times on conveyors, entering at the top by an elevator and leaving at the bottom. Steam coils beneath the conveyors raise the temperature above 200 degrees F. The hay takes from twenty to forty minutes to pass through the building, and the high temperature cures it perfectly in that time. All kinds of stock prefer the artificially cured hay, and chemical tests show it has an unusually high protein content. In addition its excellent color makes it sell readily at the highest market price.

Our hay raisers in Ogden valley would have been saved a heavy loss in the last three seasons had they some such method of curing their alfalfa and timothy. The summer storms have destroyed hundreds of tons of hay and every year there is danger from this source. An investigation of this new method might prove profitable to our farmers.

### POOR QUALITY OF SUGAR

Housewives have been complaining that some of the beet sugar they have

purchased of late has not had the sweetening properties of cane sugar and they have been disposed to condemn the beet product.

This inferiority of the article sold as "beet" sugar has been called to the attention of the local officers of the Amalgamated Sugar company who have made an investigation and discovered that an adulterated sugar has been shipped in from California and is being sold in competition with the local product.

This is a fraud upon the people and should be corrected immediately. The deception practiced works a double injury on the community. The local beet sugar, which is an excellent article equal to the very best quality of cane sugar, is being discriminated against, and the consumers are being imposed upon by paying big prices for an inferior sweet.

The state officers, entrusted with the enforcing of the pure food laws, should inquire into this imposition and make a repetition of the fraud impossible.

### THE NEW DAY IN POLITICS

Mark Sullivan in Collier's Weekly, commenting on President Wilson's proposal in his recent message for nationwide primaries, says:

"If this proposal should be adopted during the next two years, it is probable that Roosevelt would get both the Republican and the Progressive nominations. The Progressives would not resent Roosevelt's getting the Republican nomination if it should come spontaneously from the rank and file through direct primaries. They would, however, resent it decidedly if it should come through a boss-managed convention in the old way. Indeed, the one sure thing in this connection is the futility of conferences, intrigues, agreements, and get-together movements. The forces which are determining the future of political parties in this country are beyond such control."

And that is the truth. Roosevelt would carry the popular primaries against all opposition. He is the idol of the American people. His high sense of right and wrong, his fearlessness and his power of intonation all appeal to the masses.

Collier's further is right in saying that the forces which are determining the future of political parties are incorruptible and are irresistibly demanding better conditions. The wave of reform is sweeping onward and the flotsam and jetsam of old politics is being carried away. A day of greater things politically is here.

### THEATERS

#### AT THE OGDEN

"The Night Before Christmas," Hal Reid's pastoral drama, was presented last night at the Ogden theater by the Arington-Greenwell players and gave a large audience some excellent entertainment. First of all, it was an ideal play for the Christmas season.

for it brought to all the thought that home is the only place to find satisfaction at Yuletide.

The play contains much interesting dialogue, a number of dramatic situations and enough comedy to make it thoroughly pleasing. The story runs as follows:

Jack Phillips, son of Judge John Phillips, has been away to college. He is a spendthrift and leads such a gay life that his father sends for him to come home. He is expected the night before Christmas. Marion Phillips is an adopted child of Jack's grandparents and when Jack comes home he falls in love with her, but is forbidden to marry her as there is a cloud over her parentage. Marion is really the child of Joe Miller, whose home has been broken up by Bud Means, a profligate, upon whom Miller vows to get revenge.

Marion goes to church on Christmas eve and is insulted by some of the women. Through stress of her feelings after the other people have left she faints and is picked up by Bud Means, who revives her and presses unwelcome attentions upon her. Jack Phillips comes in, has a struggle with Means, whom he throws out of the church. In the struggle Jack's knife falls from his pocket. Joe Miller, now a tramp, is in the church yard and sees Means as he sinks off down the path from the church. He gets Jack's knife and with it kills the man who has traduced his wife. He then makes his escape.

The knife is found near the dead man and Jack is accused of the murder. He is found guilty in the court of his father and sent to the penitentiary. Judge Phillips is later elected governor, but refuses to listen to all pleas for the pardon of his son. Joe Miller, sick unto death, comes to the office of the governor and confesses to the crime. Jack is set free and all ends happily.

The presentation of the drama last night was very acceptable and will doubtless improve each night.

#### AT THE ORPHEUM.

The tuneful melodies of "The Chocolate Soldier" last night pleased a fair sized audience at the Orpheum theater. "The Chocolate Soldier" is one of the few musical plays that can claim the title of comic opera, for its music is of a character that will last and continue to please for some time to come.

The three leading female characters, Nadina Popoff, Aurelia Popoff, her mother, and Mascha, her cousin, were played by Alma Stetsler, Lucille Saunders and Lottie Collins. All three displayed excellent talent and lost nothing by comparison with others who have been seen here before in the parts. Miss Stetsler possesses a splendid soprano voice and made a big hit with her rendition of the song "My Hero" and proved herself a charming actress as well as a singer in several scenes with "The Chocolate Soldier" and Major Spiritoff. Miss Collins, as the irrepressible cousin, was equal to the leading lady in the interpretation of her role. Her acting was refreshing and her rich contralto voice was displayed to good advantage in several numbers.

The men Sylvain Langlois carried off the honors in the role Colonel Casimir Popoff, that character being finely sustained in every respect by him.

George Tallman as Major Spiritoff acted better than he sang, and the role of Lieutenant Bummerl, "The Chocolate Soldier," was only played passably by Charles Purcell. Francis J. Boyle created much of the amusement of the evening by his facial contortions and big bass voice in the role of Captain Massakroff.

The many pretty musical numbers and the work of the three ladies made up for much of what was lacking in the others and kept the audience well entertained.

#### AT THE LYCEUM

Two packed houses greeted the Colonial musical comedy company under the direction of Ogden's popular comedian, Louis Loch, at the Lyceum theater last night. "Schooldays" is by

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### Mizpah.

The word Mizpah or Mizpeh, is Hebrew, and means "Watch Tower." For example, see Genesis 31:49, where we read, "And Mizpah, for he said, The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another." For additional light on the subject you may look at Judges 10:17; 11:11; 20:1. Also I Samuel, 7:5; 10:17.

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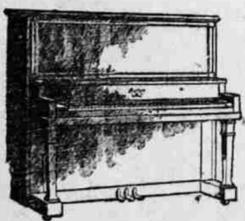
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