

BROTHERS IN DEADLY BATTLE

Nelson Bebee Murders His Brother.

NO WITNESSES TO STRUGGLE.

The Awful Struggle Fought With Ax and Club.

A battle to death occurred at Clackamas Heights Wednesday afternoon when the two aged brothers, Hiram and Nelson Bebee, engaged in a death struggle. The affair took place in the front yard of Mary Roberts, who lives two miles east of the city. There were no witnesses to the tragedy, and the story of Nelson Bebee, who was drunk when arrested, is all the information obtainable. It appears that Nelson Bebee, who received a pension of \$60 Wednesday morning, spent the most of the day in an Oregon City saloon, and about four o'clock left for his home. As soon as he opened the door of his house he was met by his brother with an ax in his hand, and a death struggle was then commenced, and how long it lasted is not known. According to Nelson his brother slashed him with an ax and in self defense, he used a big club. The ax and club were both found in the yard Wednesday night. When the body of Hiram was found the nose was smashed in and the body terribly bruised, indicating that the encounter was long and severe. After Hiram had breathed his last, Nelson went to the home of Mrs. George Mackines, who lives near and requested, that his bleeding wounds be dressed. An Oregon City doctor was immediately called into consultation. Charles Gray and George Mackines were the first ones to visit the scene of the tragedy, and they found the body warm.

There was blood all over the front yard, indicating a terrible struggle between the two brothers, and no one appears to know the cause. At the county jail Wednesday night Nelson said that his brother started the trouble when he met him at the door, with an ax in his hand, and on his attempting to cross the threshold dealt him a terrific blow. Nelson told several conflicting stories at the county jail before going to sleep. When Gray and Mackines examined the house they found nothing disturbed, even the cat and dog quietly sleeping in the corner.

The two men have lived in the vicinity for many years and no one ever knew but that their relations were very friendly. They were both widowers, Hiram having been twice married. Nelson has a daughter now living in California, but Hiram had no children. On the way to jail Nelson asked why Hiram had not been

GIVE RECTOR A WARM RECEPTION

Gavels From Ancient Apple Tree Presented Bishop and Clergy.

The wardens and vestrymen of St. Paul's Episcopal church of this city, together with the members of St. Andrew's Brotherhood, met Wednesday evening at the home of E. T. Barlow to formally receive the new rector of the church, the Rev. Charles Robinson, at which was also present Bishop Charles Scadding.

A several course dinner was served by the host through the efforts of Mrs. Barlow, and this was no mean affair, being served in several courses, and included salad, clam chowder, turkey with attending dishes, English pudding, etc., etc. At the conclusion of the dinner a very unique affair was sprung as a surprise, when the new rector was presented with a small gavel made from the famous old apple tree which once grew and flourished in this city and was the first tree of the kind ever planted west of the Rockies. A second surprise was the presentation of an exact duplicate of this gavel made from the same old tree, to the bishop, the presentation speech being made by William Hammond.

Alvin F. Waller started this tree from seed taken from dried apples that were shipped around the Horn about 1839. In the early forties he gave the tree to Gustavus Hines, who planted it in the yard of the Methodist church in Oregon City. This tree probably was the first apple tree that bore fruit west of the Rocky mountains. When the tree was cut down, Mr. Barlow saved a piece of it and it was from this piece that the gavels were made.

After dinner the regular bi-weekly meeting of the brotherhood was held, after which Rev. Robinson presided over the first regular meeting of the vestry that has been held since his arrival in the parish.

Those present were The Right Reverend Charles Scadding, the Reverend Charles W. Robinson, John R. Humphreys, E. A. Chapman, C. W. Evans, Dr. L. A. Morris, W. A. Shewman, Carl Joehneke and William Hammond.

Willamette Bonds Sold

The City of Willamette have sold their municipal bonds to the First National Bank at a premium of 100 percent. The bonds were very well pleased at the outcome and the city's business is in a very flourishing condition.

arrested, as he started the trouble. It is said by the neighbors that Hiram suffered from a weak heart, but that his wounds were sufficient to have killed him. Hiram was a pioneer Oregonian of 1862, having crossed the plains with an ox team. Nelson is a veteran of the Civil war and came to Oregon in 1870.

The coroner's jury impaneled to ascertain how Bebee met with death brought in a verdict to the effect that the man was killed by a blunt instrument.

NEW CITY OFFICIALS IN THE HARNESS

Mayor Brownell Proposes to Enforce the Law---The New City Officials.

Mayor Brownell assumed the duties of his office on Monday and the new council met for the first time on Wednesday afternoon. In the mayor's address to the council he calls attention to the fact that Oregon City is one of the most beautiful localities in the state and it will continue to be more beautiful when the improvements now under way are completed. The Mayor thinks the engineering department should be held responsible for all street improvements and that the superintendent of streets and contractor should make a report to the city engineer and the city engineer in turn should report to the city council. The Mayor calls attention to the fact that people living in the vicinity of Mountain View are without police and fire protection, and he recommends that a night policeman be appointed for that district and also that section be supplied with a chemical engine. A foot bridge across the river near the woolen mills is suggested by the Mayor, as the present

bridge will soon have to be rebuilt and there will be no means of crossing the river unless early action is taken. Regarding the enforcement of existing laws, the Mayor says: "I desire to call your attention to the fact that under the law that governs the city the mayor is largely responsible for the enforcement of the ordinances and the laws governing all its citizens and if these laws are not enforced and if favoritism is shown between any individuals or persons the blame and criticism will justly fall upon the mayor. I have taken an oath, and when I qualified as mayor of this city I swore to enforce the laws of this city. Now there is only one way I can live up to that oath and obligation, and that is to see that I am chief of police and the police officers of this city fairly and justly do their duty. I shall insist that no gambling of any character or nature be done in this city during my term of office. I will also insist that no officer who permits a violation of

the law in this respect will be instantly removed. I also want it understood that retail liquor dealers must be protected in all their legal rights, but not more than this will be permitted. I also wish it understood that retail liquor dealers must close their places in accordance with the time designated by law, and any violation of these orders will result in their license being revoked."

At the conclusion of the mayor's address the following appointments were announced: Chief of police, Ed Shaw; night watchman, Henry Cook and Steve Green; city attorney, Geo. L. Story; recorder, Livy Stipp; city engineer, S. C. Noble; street commissioner, C. O. Babcock. Council committees: Finance, Anderson, Myers and Holman; Streets, Burke, Hall and Roake; Health, Strickland, Pope and Michels; Cemetery, Michels, Holman and Strickland; Fire and Water, Michels, Holman and Strickland.

STATE'S NEEDS WELL DEFINED

Brotherhood Discusses Important Changes in Law.

The meeting of the Congregational Brotherhood, which was held in the parlors of the First Congregational church in this city last Tuesday evening, turned out to be a very unusual affair, much to the enjoyment and surprise of all present. About sixty gentlemen were present and after the usual excellent supper which was provided by the ladies of the church, and the music which was given by the Gladstone Duclmer Club, the president of the brotherhood introduced the vice president of the society, Bert Roake, who called upon various ones to sing, or speak, or pray a line.

It was his pleasure to call upon William McLarty, who responded with a Scotch verse "Bonnie Cuddle Down," given in true dialect and much enjoyed. Mr. Miller, L. Adams, O. E. Freytag and others responded, and Mr. Himes, of the Oregon Historical Society, talked very interestingly on the earlier days of Oregon, and gave some interesting facts about Oregon City and the starting of the Masonic lodge west of the Rockies. At this juncture E. P. Carter was asked for a short talk and desired to get the expression of those present upon the great questions of the day, which might enlighten him as to his actions in the coming legislature, along the lines of the states prison, the advisability of securing criminals, and the white slave traffic. This brought out a flood of opinions from many present, and proved to be most enlightening and interesting. Prominent speakers on these great questions were Hon. Grant B. Dimick, Mr. Noble, Mr. Dye, Superintendent Toose, Rev. Freytag and others. It was the desire of the members of the brotherhood that it as a body and each man individually give to Representative Carter their hearty support in his work to assist in the proper regulation of laws in this respect. Criminal life was various standpoints, and the systems of parole as followed in many states were explained and the degrees of crimes with attending punishment were given excellent consideration.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion shortly after ten o'clock and as stated proved to be one of the most eductive and generally interesting the brotherhood has held.

NEW ERA GRANGE HOLD MEETING

Joint Debate Between M. J. Lazelle and Geo. Randall.

Warner Grange held its largest and most enthusiastic meeting of the year on last Saturday, at New Era.

Four candidates were indicated and the regular business transacted in the morning session. At noon a good dinner was prepared by Chief Cook Geo. Lazelle and assistants. The dining room was crowded to its utmost capacity.

In the afternoon the land roller which was won at the county fair for the best Grange exhibit was sold to the highest bidder, which was the Mountain Ash Stock Farm.

During the open meeting in the afternoon, many visitors were in attendance. The program which was in charge of the lecturer, M. J. Lazelle, was by far the most entertaining of any for a long time.

Among the special features of the program was the Warner Grange Orchestra, which furnished music during the banquet as well as during the program. The Randall-Lazelle joint debate was one of our best young women, honest and reliable, and had won the highest esteem of all, and her taking away in a manner so sudden was a shock to the entire community.

Christina Moehke was born in Clackamas county, July 23, 1889, being 21 years, 6 months of age, having lived all her life at Shubel, until a few months ago, after her marriage, May 29, 1910, she moved to Logan, Oregon, where she resided until death. She was confirmed in the Lutheran church at the age of 18 and still remained in that faith.

The unfortunate young woman leaves a sorrowing family circle to mourn her loss, including her young husband, father and step-mother, three brothers, five sisters and one half brother.

The funeral services were held at the Lutheran church at Shubel, Ore., and a large concourse of friends followed the remains to their last resting place and remained until the grave was covered with the beautiful floral tributes prepared for it.

Mrs. Fred Moehke Dead

Mrs. T. A. McBride Entertains

DIPHTHERIA CAUSES DEATH.

The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rothe, who reside on the plank road, are both dead, the cause being a case of diphtheria. Carl Rothe was 15 years of age and his brother Rudolph but 7 years old. Both had been ailing for about two weeks, but prior to the day before the older child died a physician had not been summoned, as their condition was not considered serious. In their sad trouble Mr. and Mrs. Rothe have the sympathy of their friends and the community at large.

There have been and are a number of cases of diphtheria in Oregon City and vicinity and proper attention has not been given this matter. All kinds of preventions should be taken. Sufferers from the disease have not been quarantined, as physicians had not been called in a number of instances until the children had been allowed to mingle with others, thus spreading this and other contagious diseases.

ANOTHER OLD SETTLER DIES

Capt. J. M. Graham Dies After Long Illness.

27 YEARS IN THIS CITY

One of the Most Highly Esteemed Citizens of Oregon City.

The death of Capt. James M. Graham occurred Wednesday morning at his home on Main Street near Eighth, at 6 a. m. Capt. Graham has been a sufferer for the past two years but was confined to the house the last few weeks. He was 78 years of age at the time of his death.

Captain Graham was born in Liverpool, England, following the sea as his occupation for a number of years, after which time he was one of the owners of the Oregon City Transportation Co., having lived in Oregon City for the past twenty-six years, retiring from active business about two years ago. In this connection Capt. Graham was well respected and highly esteemed by all who had dealings with him and by all who knew him. The continuance of this business is carried on by his three sons.

The deceased is survived by three sons, Alton B., Arthur W., and Newton Graham, all of Portland; three daughters, Mrs. Jessie Fox, Mrs. Anna Morrill, of Portland, and Mrs. Winnie Andressen of this city.

The funeral of the late Capt. J. M. Graham will be held this afternoon at 2 p. m. from the late residence on Main Street, and the interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery. Rev. Sol. A. Hayworth, pastor of the First Baptist church, will conduct the services.

HOME INDUSTRY LOOMING UP

Work at the Oregon City Foundry, which is owned and operated by Bert Roake in this city, has been increasing to such a degree that it has been found necessary to take on more hands, until there are today fifteen men employed in the shop. At the present time the extra work consists partly in the making of a large number of sets of screens for the Willamette Pulp and Paper Company, who have the third largest mill in the world located in this city and for whom Mr. Roake does a very large amount of work. The shop is equipped for all kinds of job casting and considering tonnage does more brass work than any other shop in the Willamette valley including the city of Portland. Mr. Roake has followed this business here for many years and has watched his business grow from a small concern to its present size, and enjoys the distinction of having the best equipped shop for this line of work in the western part of the state.

MAKES GREAT PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The Oregon City Publicity Club Accomplishes Good Results.

The Publicity Department of the Oregon City Commercial Club, which has accomplished more within the past six months than ever before, is making great plans for the new year. This committee, which is composed of H. E. Cross, O. D. Eby, B. T. McBain, L. E. Jones and Frank Busch, is determined upon exploiting the city and county more than ever. Many advertising schemes have been advanced in the way of agricultural exhibits. A portion of the Portland Apple Show has been displayed in the Wehland building in this city through the efforts of the committee and the kindness of Mr. Chris Hartman, manager of the building.

Although a great deal has been accomplished and many newcomers are now residing in the county through the publicity given the county, the committee has been hampered to some extent by an insufficient amount of funds. Now this difficulty has been overcome and the new year of 1911 will start with a new list of ardent supporters of their county.

It is planned to have the publicity office moved from the Masonic building to a location on Main street. This will allow the visitors to the city to see the good exhibit of agricultural products that is maintained by the secretary of the department. This will also place the secretary in direct touch with many who are seeking advice and information as to the lands of this county. An office of this kind would naturally be the general headquarters of all the progress of the county. It is with this in mind that the committee is asking more loyal citizens to contribute to the fund.

Those who have been supporting the department for the past six months are: The First National Bank, Hawley Pulp & Paper Co., Oregon City Mfg. Co., Bank of Oregon City, Oregon Columbia Pulp & Paper Co., Willamette Pulp & Paper Co., Geo. C. Brownell, Burmeister & Andressen, Huntley Bros. Co., Geo. A. Harding, H. E. Cross, O. D. Eby, Jones Drug Co., Thos. F. Ryan, Pope & Co., H. P. Brightbill, W. A. Holmes, Char-mah & Co., T. E. Randall, F. T. Barlow, W. E. Edly & Son, J. J. Tobitt, W. H. Silcox, Frank Busch, John W. Leder, Portland Flouring Mills.

funeral will be held in Oregon City, as the deceased was a member of the Maccabees of this city.

Mr. Hyatt was for several years principal of the Willamette school, where he was well known and held in high esteem. He married Miss Jessie Waldron of this city sixteen years ago, who with their two children, Waldron and Una Hyatt, and numerous friends, is left to mourn his loss.

Death of Millard Hyatt.

The death of Millard Hyatt occurred at his home Thursday morning at 6 a. m. The late residence was in Portland at 513 Blackstone street. Mr. Hyatt was about 42 years of age and is survived by his wife and two children. It is probable that the

REVIVAL MEETINGS AT GLADSTONE

Christian Church Has Fine Audience and Good Music.

The revival meetings which are nightly being held in the Gladstone Christian church are unusually well attended, a most enthusiastic crowd being present every evening. One of the interesting parts of each evening's service are the illustrated songs. Tuesday evening the "Ninety and Nine" song was well sung by John and Jay Mattley. Mrs. Stewart sang Wednesday evening. Thursday evening the male quartet of Woodlawn sang, and on Friday night Mrs. C. A. Hagemann, of Gladstone, will be the soloist. One of the principal features of the evening service is the children's choir, in which a great many children sang.

Rev. Samuel Gregg, state evangelist, gives splendid interesting, helpful talks which are greatly enjoyed by the assembled audience.

OPPORTUNITY FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Sons of Revolution Offer Prizes to Oregon School Children.

The Oregon Society of the Sons of the American Revolution offers prizes totaling \$100 to the pupils of the public schools of the state of Oregon, for essays on subjects connected with our war for independence.

One prize of \$10.00, and three of \$5.00 each will be awarded for the first, second, third and fourth best essays, respectively, written by high school pupils on one of the following subjects:

1. The Finances of the Revolution.
2. Foreign Officers in the Continental Army.

The committee has divided up the state, exclusive of the high school, into three districts comprised of the following counties:

- District No. 1--Multnomah county.
- District No. 2--All counties lying east of the Cascade mountains except Multnomah.
- District No. 3--All counties lying west of the Cascade mountains except Multnomah.

One prize of \$10.00 and three of \$5.00 each will be awarded in each district for the first, second, third and fourth best essays, respectively, written by grade pupils on any one of the following subjects:

1. The British in Philadelphia.
2. The Battle of Kings Mountain.

The essays are limited to three thousand words each, must be written in the student's own hand-writing on one side only of the paper and accompanied by a certificate from the writer's teacher, stating that the writer is a pupil in a designated class, and that the teacher believes the essay to be the pupil's own unaided work.

The essays must be signed by the writer, giving his or her post-office address (including county). They should be forwarded to John K. Kollook, Chairman of Committee, 813 Corbett building, Portland, Oregon, and should reach their destination not later than February 15, 1911.

In awarding these prizes the committee will be governed by considerations of:

1. Originality.
2. Accuracy of statement.
3. Manner of treatment.
4. Orthography, syntax and punctuation.
5. Neatness and legibility.

These prizes are offered to encourage love of our country and the study of its history.

Any additional information which may be desired will be cheerfully furnished on application to the chairman of the committee:

H. L. BATES,
J. GADDIS NICHOLS,
JOHN K. KOLLOOK,
Committee.

PRIZE JELLY IS ON EXHIBITION

Through the intercession of her many friends, Mrs. Cecelia VanDettor Warner, wife of Robert Warner of this city, has decided to place on exhibit in several of the prominent business house windows a display of her prize winning jelly which is made of Oregon fruit. Mrs. Warner took first prize at the state fair at Salem, where she had twenty-six glasses exhibited, also the honors at the Clackamas county fair at Canby. At the latter place she had fifty glasses displayed. This lady has spent ten years giving this a thorough study and is most proficient in this art. Her jelly is of seventy-five different shades, from three to five different colors in a single glass, all being perfectly transparent, which makes it most beautiful to look at, and is temptingly palatable. The Jewel Jelly has gained renown for its unusually beautiful appearance and quality.

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