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CRATER LAKE IS WINTRY GRAVE

BAKER PHOTOGRAPHER COMES TO GRIEF AT THE RIM.

Searching Parties Believe Man is Buried Under Many Feet of Snow.

Baker, Feb. 23 (Special)—E. B. Bakowski of this city is reported to have perished while making an attempt to reach the Crater Lake country through the heavy snows. According to the word received here a searching party is now out looking for the missing man, with very little hopes of finding him alive, as terrible snow storms have been raging in that vicinity for the past few days, in which it is believed to have been impossible for him to survive.

Bakowski was a photographer by occupation and came to Baker about two years ago with J. W. Stephenson, the real estate dealer and for some time followed his business in this city. He was an expert in his line and a short time ago he left here and started on a trip through Central Oregon.

That was a month ago, and the last seen of him, so every indication is that he must have perished of hunger if not from the fury of the storms. The searching party from Fort Klamath had reported no trace of him up to yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Bakowski was well known in Baker, as he had made many friends during his stay here. He came to America from Poland several years ago and has been an intimate friend of Mr. Stephenson for the past six years.

It is thought he got to the rim of the lake and not realizing that the snow had drifted over the rim, but thinking that the snow bank was on solid ground, he fell through and if he did not lodge before reaching the bottom and perish in the snow that he tumbled on down into the lake, 3,000 feet, almost perpendicular into the water.

Burns and Gibson report from 25 to 30 feet of snow at the rim of the lake where the wind had not blown it off.

Left His Instructions

Fort Kalamath, Ore., Feb. 22 (Special)—That E. B. Bakowski is now buried under several feet of snow somewhere down the precipice that drops down into Crater Lake, the belief of residents of this place. Bakowski left here a month ago for the rim of the lake to secure some views of that inland wonder. Not returning last Saturday Frank Burns and Albert Gibson started out to see if they could locate him but they have returned and report finding Bakowski's sled and shovel but no other signs of him.

Bakowski told these men in case he did not return to look for him, and if a searching party was sent out he would leave notes tacked on the building at the rim of the lake, to give them a clue as to his future intentions. The searching party went on to these buildings, but there was nothing to indicate that he had been there.

INQUIRIES ABOUT ELGIN

Observer Reaches Interested Citizen in Far Away Illinois.

The Observer's writup of Elgin, published serially a few weeks ago has had the unexpected result of bringing inquiries from far away Illinois, indicating the extent and width of the Observer's regular circulation. A man named T. H. Hall, interested in the dry goods, carpets and ladies' furnishing store at Morris, Illinois, writes the Observer for further information about Elgin in the way of booklets or similarly literature, his attention having been called to that enterprising town by a descriptive writup in the Evening Observer which reached him.

DEBATING IS POPULAR

University of Oregon Finds Good Support There this Winter.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Feb. 24 (Special)—The University of Oregon this year participates in four debates with sister institutions. The debate which probably holds the most interest on the Pacific Coast is the triangular debate between Oregon, Washington and Stanford universities which is held simultaneously at Eugene, Seattle and Stanford, March 31. Each institution is represented by an affirmative and a negative team, the

negative team debating away from home and the affirmative team remaining at home. The question for debate is "Resolved, that the United States should establish a system of shipping subsidy."

The second debate is with the University of Utah, which will be held about the middle of March in Salt Lake City, upon the same question of shipping subsidies.

The other debate is a Woman's dual debate with the University of Washington, which will be upon the Federal Income Tax.

The present triangular league between Stanford, Oregon and Washington was effected during the present year, upon the withdrawal of the University of Idaho from the old Northwest Triangular League last fall.

EXPECT STANDING ROOM ONLY

"Man of the Hour" Will Likely Fill the Steward to the Doors

"The Man of the Hour" will be presented at the Steward March 1st, and as the theatregoers have heard and read so much of this great play there is no doubt standing room will be at a premium. While George Broadhurst, the playwright has taken for his theme certain conditions which exist in every large city, still there is said to be interwoven in "The Man of the Hour" a delightful love story. The plot in it concerns a young millionaire who has been refused by his sweetheart because he has "done nothing worthy." He then enters politics and is elected mayor of his city. After assuming the duties of the office he manfully refuses to bow to the political boss. One of the first bills brought to him for his signature has to do with a franchise grab, and is prompted by the uncle of the girl with whom he is in love. It looks to the new mayor as if this refusal would cost him all the friends of his family, but after pursuing the rough road, in the end he wins his sweetheart and demonstrates that honesty always pays. The company to be seen here is said to be exceptionally strong while the production is complete in every detail.

HIGH SCHOOLS INCREASE

Last Few Years Has Seen Marvelous Expansion of School System.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Feb. 24 (Special)—The state high school system of Oregon has shown a marvelous growth within the last ten years. There are now close to one hundred and fifty schools with work above the eighth grade, against six in 1900. Of the present number, eighty-eight have the full four years' state high school course. These schools are accredited at the university, their graduates being admitted without examination.

In 1888 there was but one high school in the state, which was at Portland. A second one was established at Astoria in 1892, and a third at Medford in 1895. Eugene, Baker City and Salem rapidly followed with high schools. The period of greatest growth began with the university abolished its preparatory academy in 1904. In the succeeding four years the total number of high schools jumped to about seventy, with thirty-one schools offering the four years' course. Since 1908 the list of accredited schools has trebled.

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Notice of Street Improvement

To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of La Grande, Oregon, on the 1st day of February, 1911, creating Improvement District No. 31, and designating "S" avenue, as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said Common Council on the 1st day of February, 1911, whereby said Council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of "S" Avenue, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon the south side, a board sidewalk, the Council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows.

All that portion of "S" avenue, from the east side of Monroe avenue to the west side of Spruce street.

(A) And the property affected

or benefited by said improvement is as follows: The north half of blocks 148 and 149 Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the Council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$180. That the Council will on the 15th day of March, 1911, meet at the Council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, February 20th, 1911.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON

By C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon.

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