Apple and Pear Orchards In The Rogue River Valley Pay $1,000 Per Acre Annually

ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES

Medford Daily Tribune.

THE WEATHER. Fair tonight and Tuesday; light frost tonight; northwesterly winds.

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DEFALCATION DISCOVERED AT COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FORMER SUPERINTENDENT DAILY HAS SHORTAGE OF NEARLY $1000

SHORTAGE SECRETED BY OFFICIALS FROM PUBLIC

Two School Districts Near Trail Out Amounts Entrusted to Superintendent and Institute Funds Gone---Gus Newbury, one of Bondsmen, Drew His Own Bond---Need of Experting Books Apparent.

Investigation of the accounts of the county superintendent of schools office at Jacksonville show that P. H. Daily, who last January resigned as county superintendent, was a defaulter in school funds to the extent of nearly $1000. Part of this shortage was discovered recently by J. Percy Wells, Daily's successor. Part of it has been known of by county officials for months, but carefully concealed from the public. It is reported that further investigation will reveal more discrepancies. Daily left the country months ago, and his exact whereabouts are not known, the answer to inquiries regarding him being that he is in a sanitarium somewhere in the north recovering his health. Although several months have passed, his bondsmen have not paid the county a cent, and no proceedings have been taken to prosecute Daily.

Details of Shortage.

School district No. 78, near Trail, is out $452, intrusted to Daily by John Nelson, then clerk of the district, who upon resigning to go east, turned the money on hand over to the county school superintendent.

Another school district, also adjoining Trail, is short $450, the shortage being reported recently by Superintendent Wells. A year or so ago Daily, as agent of the Northwest Supply House, contracted with the district for the purchase of $450 worth of furniture and supplies. The district paid the money to Daily, but never received the materials ordered.

In addition to these defalcations, it is reported that all the money in the institute fund which should have been accounted for is missing. This is a special fund formed from money paid in by teachers for certificates, and is used to pay expenses of teachers' institutes. Mr. Wells reported that there was no money in the fund, though during Daily's incumbency he should have received $480. He kept no books, yet he held his institute, so the actual shortage is unknown.

Newbury a Bondsman.

Daily's bondsmen are Attorney Gus Newbury of Jacksonville and A. O. Freel of Gold Hill. It is reported that a demand was made on them for the money due school district No. 78 by the trustees. Mr. Newbury refused payment, stating that the county cannot recover from the bondsmen, as the money belonging to the school district should not have been turned over to the superintendent, who was not the proper person to take charge of it. Mr. Newbury stated, though, that Mrs. Daily will eventually refund the shortage. It is believed, however, that the bond is broad enough to protect the losers. Superintendent Wells states that Mr. Newbury told him that Mrs. Daily had paid Newbury $380 to pay back any amount that might be due the county from the institute fund, though the county has not received any of it.

A peculiar feature about the bond is that it was drawn by Mr. Newbury, one of the bondsmen. He is himself a candidate for district attorney, and if elected will be in the position of having to sue himself to recover money from himself which he don't want to pay and won't pay, unless compelled to. Another singular thing is that the county court approved the bond which was drawn by one of the bondsmen. Another singular feature is the appointment of J. Percy Wells as successor to Daily. Mr. Wells, in addition to being county superintendent, is also principal of the Jacksonville schools, the appointment of whose teachers have for many years been controlled by Mr. Newbury, the school clerk. Another noticeable irregularity about the bond, according to the county clerk's certified copy, is that it was never signed by Daily as principal.

Others Lost Through Daily.

How the various defalcations were discovered has not been made known to the public. Neither has it been given out why the county court relieved Daily from his duties, and whether the action was prompted by the court or by the bondsmen. An interesting speculation is as to what secret arrangement the county court had with Daily's bondsmen as to the payment of the shortage and whether it was agreed that the bondsmen were not to be disturbed.

The school districts were not the only ones which suffered losses through Mr. Daily. Various individuals were also losers, and it is reported that Joe Miller, an old Butte creek settler, sold his place about eight months ago for $700. He gave the money to Daily to keep for him. In small amounts Daily returned less than $100.

Mr. Daily, in addition to being county superintendent, engaged in the real estate business under the firm name of Briggs & Daily. It is reported that he turned over all of his property to some of the individuals to whom he was indebted, but according to the best information obtainable, the county court failed to take advantage of any of these transactions to protect the official losers.

Copy of Daily's Bond.

The following is a copy of the bond as certified to by the county clerk:

"BOND OF P. H. DAILY AS SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

Know all men by these presents, that we P. H. Daily, as principal, and Gus Newbury and A. O. Freel of Jackson county, Oregon, as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the state of Oregon in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, in which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated the fifth day of July, 1904. The condition of this obligation is such that: Whereas, at an election held on the 6th day of June, 1904, P. H. Daily was duly elected county school superintendent for the county of Jackson, in the state of Oregon, we, Gus Newbury and A. O. Freel, hereby undertake that if the said P. H. Daily shall not faithfully and lawfully perform all the duties of his office and pay over, according to law, all moneys that shall come into his hands by virtue of the law governing his office, and otherwise well and faithfully perform the duties of such office, then we, or either of us, will pay the state of Oregon the sum of $1000.

(Signed) GUS NEWBURY (Seal)
(Signed) A. O. FREEL (Seal)

We, Gus Newbury and A. O. Freel, do hereby depose that we, each and severally, own property to the value of $2000 above all debts and incumbrances and any exemptions from law, and are residences and householders of Jackson county, in the state of Oregon.

(Signed) GUS NEWBURY
(Signed) A. O. FREEL.

Sworn and filed the 5th day of July, 1904.

Approved July 7, 1904.
GEO. W. DUNN, Judge."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

The Nash.

B. R. Cockland and wife, Junction City; Frank Reese, Los Angeles; G. A. McEdward, New York; J. A. Robin, Rogue River; G. L. Crows, Bellingham, Wash.; S. D. Fox, J. W. Holmes, D. J. Pinkay, F. Hill, Mr. Wiler, J. Pray, Portland; W. F. Fraser, G. L. McNulty, S. L. Barger, San Francisco; H. M. Hale, Roseburg; C. P. Champlin, Fred L. Champlin, Gold Hill; J. D. Heard, Sterling Mine; H. B. Cole, Celestin; W. C. Thomas, C. F. Merry, Oakland; E. Moreney, Chicago. Woodmen of the World: I. I. Boak, Denver, Colo.; John Pattison, Colfax, Wash.; T. C. Veale, Pasadena, Cal.; P. E. Sandgrass, Eugene; Mr. Tuttle, Denver, Colo.

OWENS QUERIED REGARDING ACTIONS ON JURY IN TRIAL

Candidate for Commissoner is Quizzed by Neighbor---Was Brought out by Patterson to Make Run---Death of Young Man Shot by Ashland Chief of Police and Prosecution of Assailant---Visit During Trial of Prominent Ashland Capitalists at Jacksonville.

To the Editor: I wish to have the right to say a few words to the public regarding the candidacy of my neighbor, James S. Owens, for county commissioner. While the proper place to bring out these matters would be in an Ashland paper, would say that the publishers there are too timid to print the information for fear that it would shock some sensitive subscriber.

While the people of Jackson county are considering the candidates for the county court geographically, it appears to them, innocently, that Big Sticky is about the proper locality to place the candidate, since the present county judge is a resident of Ashland and the present hold-over county commissioner, Mr. Patterson, whose postoffice address is Talent, resides near Ashland. Naturally, Big Sticky and Jim Owens look all right to the great big innocent public who can see nothing but the square deal in the picture.

"Nigger in the Woodpile."

But Jim Owens' neighbors know where "the nigger in the woodpile" is, although the public be innocent and blind.

Everybody knows the big political boss of Southern Oregon, Banker Carter of Ashland. Mr. Carter and County Judge Dunn run an auxiliary bank in Medford. Our neighbor, Jim Owens, was brought out as a candidate by the present county court, and all the neighbors saw County Commissioner Patterson come over and see him, and soon after the news got out. The people of Ashland don't know that Mr. Owens is a stockholder in the Carter bank at Medford.

The people remember the trial of Chief of Police Simons of Ashland, for the killing of an innocent Swede whose name I just now forget. People who attended the trial will remember the arrival of a large delegation of Ashland capitalists when the trial was about half way through. The jury was not locked up and these capitalists mixed with the jury freely.

When Jim Owens visits Ashland, I wish he would make known a few facts:

That he was one of the members of the jury that tried Simons, and then answer questions like this:

Was you, Jim Owens, one of the three that voted for Simons from the start? Was you the man on the jury that made the motion that none of the jurors tell how the other jurors voted?

Are you the juror that told your neighbors that the reason that you voted for Simons was because he "begged so hard to get free"?

Also will you tell the people up at Ashland—all the people—that you will regard your oath of office and examination as a juror in the Simons killing affair, a case which meant a square deal to the memory of the dead, as a sample of your oath of office if acting as a county commissioner?

If you think you can't give a square deal to the dead, do you think that you can give it to the living?

Will You Release Jury?

Will you release the 12 members of the jury from the bond of telling how they stood and do you know the reasons that made the other two that voted as you did, vote that way? Will you tell the people of Ashland why the jury, after being out a long time, reported that the first ballot stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal? Is that a fact? Is it not true that the first ballot stood nine for conviction, two for acquittal and one blank?

After you get through answering these questions to the satisfaction of the people of Ashland, your neighbors will give you a few more questions to answer, that may be of some benefit to the people of Ashland and may help them to discover you as the third member of the board—or the entire county board—getting its orders from one firm, centered in one end of the county.

One of your neighbors, the name of whom can be secured from the editor of the paper publishing this article.

A SQUARE DEAL.

FULTON CALLS HENEY A LIAR AND A VIPER

BAKER CITY, Or., April 13.—A large audience greeted Senator Fulton Saturday night and listened attentively to his defense to the several attacks made upon him. He reiterated that Heney is a liar and a viper, spending considerable time in showing that Heney's attack is malicious, due to the fact that he opposed the prosecutor's appointment.

Fulton praised Mitchell, Williamson and Hermann, and excused Mitchell's errors, attributing them to the infirmities of old age.

This evening's edition of the Baker City Herald contained Collier's "Senate Undesirables" in full, which is a direct attack on Senator Fulton. In his speech the senator excoriated the Herald severely and stated that it is the only paper in Oregon that has been mean enough to publish the story.

The senatorial fight in Baker City is growing very bitter. The Herald stands for Statement No. 1 and the nomination of H. M. Cole for senator. Mr. Fulton has several enthusiastic friends who have done all in their power to contest the Statement No. 1 delegates.

CALIFORNIA REPUBLICANS WILL HOLD PRIMARIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 13.—The regular republican state central committee has changed its programme once more and now announces that it will hold primary elections in every district in the state on June 2. A week ago Chairman George Stone stated that the primaries would be limited to those districts where the law compelled the holding of the elections. The plan was to support the delegates from the other districts. This would have given the central committee control of the convention.

The Lincoln-Roosevelt league, which charges that Mr. Stone and the central committee are but part of the Southern Pacific machine, fought for primaries in every district, and regard the ruling as a victory. The league had decided to hold primaries on its own account, and then take the matter into the national convention at Chicago. As the call for the national convention provides for the primaries, the leaders of the league believed that their delegates would have been seated in Chicago.

TAFT CLAIMS MAJORITY OF ELECTED DELEGATES

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Claims of the rival presidential camps, based on the delegate returns for the past week, show a wider divergence than at any other time since the republican presidential race began. To date, 120 delegates have been chosen to the Chicago convention, being 70 less than half the convention. Of those chosen, the Taft managers today laid claim to 234, without taking into consideration the support they expect their candidate to receive from among the uninstructed delegates. Of these, 224, 190 are claimed uncontested. The allied forces concede Mr. Taft only 181 delegates, and give to the remainder of the field 238 votes, including the instructed, uninstructed and contested delegates.

RAISE SALARIES OF COMMERCIAL CLUB MEN

The Ashland Commercial club members are conducting a sort of a revival and new members are being enlisted every day. It is hoped soon to double the membership. The club has also employed a paid secretary, at a salary of $100 per month, F. M. Dufloss filling the position. The heavy correspondence and other work devolving upon the secretary requires the devotion of one man's time entirely.

Grants Pass has also followed Medford's lead and given their Commercial club secretary a salary of $100 per month.

THOUSANDS DROWNED BY FLOOD

Disastrous Deluge Sinks Seven Hundred Chinese Junks at Hankow--Freshet Came at Night.

SHANGHAI, April 13.—Disastrous floods are reported in Hankow. It is stated that 2000 have been drowned. Seven hundred junks were sunk. The floods are due to an unexpected freshet in the middle of the night.

JOHNSON'S BODY MAY HAVE FLOATED TO SEA

Though searchers have been constantly at work, the body of Archie Johnson, the wealthy miner of Santa Monica, Cal., who was drowned in the Illinois river two weeks ago, has not been recovered. The river has been patrolled from Pine Flat mines, where the accident occurred, to its confluence with the Rogue. It is now feared that the body was carried down the Rogue and possibly out to sea. A reward has been offered for the body and a constant watch is being kept at Gold Beach.

FIND OIL WATER IN BORING KLAMATH WELL

J. W. Holmes, the well-known commercial traveler, is in Medford and reports the company he recently organized to bore for oil in the Klamath country has struck at a comparatively shallow depth water so strongly impregnated with petroleum that it is undrinkable. He is very sanguine that success will crown the concern's efforts.

HELENA BUSINESS MAN PLEASED WITH MEDFORD

F. S. Sanders of Helena, Mont., who has been engaged there in the general merchandise business for the past 20 years, is a new arrival in Medford and is looking for a location, having disposed of his business in Helena. Mr. Sanders is well pleased with the outlook in Medford and may conclude to engage in business here.

ROOSEVELT OFFERS AID TO STRICKEN CITY

WASHINGTON, April 13.—President Roosevelt sent a telegraphic message of sympathy to the mayor of Chelsea, Mass., at the same time offering any necessary assistance from the army or navy for the stricken city.

BLIND PIANIST TO PLAY AT MEDFORD TONIGHT

Professor E. R. Perry, the blind pianist of Chicago, arrived in Medford Sunday. Professor Perry has been blind since two years of age, but is able to travel alone, having made two trips abroad with no attendant. He will give a concert at the Medford Opera House tonight.

PIERCE IS ENLARGING HIS LARGE GREENHOUSE

C. H. Pierce will erect two more wings to his large greenhouse on the east side. The new addition will be 50x100 feet in dimensions and will be heated by the same heating plant used for house heating.

MAN ARRESTED FOR MURDER COMMITTED LAST JUNE

NEW YORK, April 13.—Frank Mecato has been arrested at Huntington, Ind., for the murder of Julius Rosenheimer at Pelham Manor, N. Y., June 18 last. It is thought robbery was the motive.

PAPER CAPS EXPLODE, SETTING CLOTHES AFLAME

Merrill Mackey, who was carrying paper caps containing powder in his pocket, had the misfortune to have them explode Sunday evening, tearing his clothes and setting them on fire and frightening the family badly. Fortunately no serious damage was done.

His Downfall.

"Poor man! How did you get to be a tramp?"

"Picking cherries, mum."

"Picking cherries?"

"Yes, mum. Out of cocktails."

FIRE SWEEPS BOSTON THOUSANDS HOMELESS LOSS IS $12,000,000

Militia and Marinds Armed to Keep Order and Prevent Looting---So-Far Loss of Lief is not Great but Property Loss Heavy--Fifteen Thousand Persons Walk the Streets Shelterless.

BOSTON, April 13.—An area of 350 acres, representing nearly a quarter of the total area of the city, marks the scene of a great fire which swept through the business section of Chelsea last night, turning 10,000 out of their homes and causing a property damage estimated at $8,000,000. Today the total burned area was guarded by militiamen and marines to prevent any looting. Military regulations prevail throughout the city. There are only three known lost lives, but it is feared the number will be increased when a search of the ruins is made. There are over 50 injured. Concerted efforts towards providing relief for the thousands of sufferers was fairly started today. Various committees in several cities are acting. It is reported also that the legislature will be called during the day to take measures for the stricken. Many charitable organizations found a plac for a number of the sufferers. The schoolhouses and other public buildings of Boston and places near the stricken city were thrown open to provide for temporary lodgings, and hundreds of military tents were brought from the state camp grounds at South Framingham.

THOUSANDS HOMELESS IN STREETS.

Thousands of homeless passed the night wandering the streets or shivered in the parks and squares. Scores of babies and young children were picked up in the streets and turned over to the police. Some were claimed by relatives, but many of the youngsters are still unclaimed today. The bodies of two women and one man were found burned in the street last night, and remained unidentified this morning. The burned district included a large number of manufacturing concerns, stores, business houses, many handsome residences, tenement blocks, churches, public buildings. The liquor licenses in East Boston and that part of Charleston adjoining Chelsea were suspended today.

CITY RECORDS FOUND INTACT.

A chilly wind and light fall of snow which later turned to rain, was a mercy to the homeless who shivered in the shelter of the camps and public squares and playgrounds. Announcement was made that the city records, which were in the city hall vaults, are intact. Examination of the vaults of the Chelsea Trust company and County Savings bank and Chelsea Savings bank indicated that the contents were uninjured. Following this announcement, the directors of the three institutions voted to consolidate temporarily. Mayor Beck and William E. McClintock, chairman of the relief committee, have issued an appeal for assistance in which the estimated damage is placed at $12,000,000, and the number of homeless at 15,000.

DEMOCRATS ASK FOR BEAN'S NOMINATION

Democrats are calling on their brethren to elect Judge R. S. Bean, republican, to the supreme court next June—this in order to secure places on the bench for two democrats in the election next November—Will R. King and W. P. Slater. These men are now associates of the supreme court, with the title of commissioners, but after the expected adoption of a constitutional amendment in June, increasing the number of supreme court judges from three to five, two additional judgeships will be filled in the November election.

The call for democratic support of Bean has been issued by a committee—W. H. Holmes of Salem, W. K. Weatherford of Albany and S. A. Peery of Portland—appointed by Alex. Sweek, chairman of the democratic state central committee, by authority of the state committee, at its last meeting, January 18, declared for a "nonpartisan" judiciary.

MRS. MARY BAKER EDDY DECLARES FOR BIGGER NAVY

The Christian Science Sentinel has published the following statement:

WAR.

MARY BAKER G. EDDY.

For many years I have prayed daily that there be no more war, no more barbarous slaughtering of our fellow-beings, proved that all the peoples on earth and the islands of the sea have one God, one mind, love God supremely and love their neighbor as themselves.

National disagreements can be and should be arbitrated wisely, fairly and justly settled. It is impossible, however, that at this hour the armament of navies is necessary for the purpose of preventing war and preserving peace among nations.

FULTON RESOLUTION STILL HELD UP BY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, April 13.—No definite arrangement has yet been made for the consideration of the Fulton land grant resolution in the house. While a privileged matter, it is not as highly privileged as appropriation bills, and as long as there are appropriation bills waiting to be considered there will apparently be no time to take up the resolution.

Chairman Mondell of the house public lands committee, who has charge of the resolution, said today that he would call it up at the first opportunity, but he did not deem it wise to endeavor to crowd it in ahead of any appropriation bill, for by so doing he would arouse those members interested in appropriations, and furthermore, probably be overruled by the speaker, who would consistently give preference to appropriation measures. Before long, however, the appropriation bills will have passed the house and then, if not before, Mr. Mondell thinks the resolution can be called up and passed.

DEPORT INSANE FOREIGNERS FROM ASYLUM AT SALEM

Under the provisions of the constitution of the state and the naturalization laws of the government, no patients will be committed to the insane asylum from foreign countries unless they shall have been residents of this state for three years and have complied with the laws of citizenship, and a number of aliens, who have been committed from Portland and Astoria, who are classed as "undesirable subjects," will be deported to their native lands in the near future.

This is in accordance with the decision of the board of trustees of the insane asylum, backed up by the department of commerce and labor of Washington, D. C.

RAILROAD OPEN TO DORRIS BY THE FIRST

Opening of the new railroad extension by the Southern Pacific between Weed and Klamath Falls is promised as far north as Doris, near the Oregon state line, for May 1. When this line is in operation to that point a level stage road and freight wagon route will be available to Klamath Falls, and this route will be substituted for the present route of freighters from Pokegama to Klamath Falls. By the new route transportation rates will be readjusted so that Portland jobbers will have an equal footing with San Francisco for doing business in the Klamath basin.

WILL ESTABLISH WHOLESALE MACHINERY HOUSE

Julius Beeman of Michigan, western manager for Atomo gas engines and machinery, has been making an extended visit to Medford and announced before his departure Sunday to B. F. Clark, local agent, that he will establish a large wholesale machinery supply house in Medford, to supply all sections of Southern Oregon with gas engines, hoists, lifts and machinery needed for mining and manufacturing purposes. He was greatly impressed with the future of Medford.

Sunday Baseball Games.

Medford second baseball team defeated Eagle Point at Medford Sunday by a score of 9 to 6.

Grants Pass Sunday defeated Jacksonville in a closely contested game at Grants Pass by a score of 4 to 3.