

M. C. ROBBINS ENDS ALL IN MOSBY CREEK

Despondency Over Ill Health Believed to Have Led to Rash Deed.

Plainly a case of suicide, the body of Morton Calvin Robbins, who had been absent from his home here since 4 o'clock a. m. Wednesday, was found Friday forenoon in a deep hole in Mosby creek near Rawlings' ford along what is known as the Whippis road.

When Robbins left home early in the morning, it was at once feared that he would do away with himself. He had suffered a nervous breakdown while recovering from a severe attack of influenza and seemed to be slightly unbalanced.

The first trace of Robbins after he left home for the last time was when he appeared Thursday at the Kirk store at Dorena, purchased some lunch goods and inquired whether he could purchase chloroform.

The funeral was held at 2:30 this afternoon from the Mills chapel, J. R. Patterson officiating. Interment was in the Blue Mountain cemetery.

Mr. Robbins was born in Le Sueur county, Minnesota, March 9, 1874, and was aged 51 years, one month, 22 days. He was married September 2, 1896, at Waterville, Minn., to Miss Lucy Hill, who survives.

There are 12 surviving children as follows: Elmer Robbins, Vernonia; Fred and Calvin Robbins, Bend; George, Chester, Clayton, Harold, Robert, Emma and Mildred Robbins, who are at home; Mrs. Violet Duerst, Mosby creek and Mrs. Grace Sandun, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. Robbins was the first of a family of 10 children to die. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Robbins, for many years resident here, both of whom were past 80 years of age at time of death.

Mrs. Eliza McCall and Mrs. Finley Whippis, sisters, are the only members of the family who live here.

Tax Turnover Made. A tax turnover has been made by the sheriff's office which totals \$86,529.87 and is segregated as follows:

State and county \$41,872.25
Cities 13,735.05
Schools 20,041.37
Union high schools 8,183.05
Road districts 2,298.53
Port of Siuslaw 341.34
Forest fire patrol 58.28

Marriage License Business Dull. Only 20 marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk's office during April, the smallest number issued during the month of April since 1922.

Correct styles always in wedding and social stationery at the live wire print shop.

SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY MAY HAVE TO PAY TAX

Assessor Keeney After Real Estate Which He Believes Should Be on Tax Rolls.

Assessor Keeney is determined that property owned by cities, school districts, churches and societies, but not actually used by them in the conduct of their activities, shall go onto the tax rolls.

Keeney will also make a test case of taxes assessed against property now owned by the Cottage Grove school district. The taxes were assessed last year provided to the purchase of the property by the school district and are payable this year.

In a case in Eugene where the Knights of Pythias lodge owns property which it has not yet occupied, the attorney general holds that it is assessable.

BETTER HOMES WEEK AIM IS TO RAISE STANDARD

Eighteen Million American Homes Are the Nation's Largest Single Industry.

The purpose of Better Homes week, which starts next Sunday, is to raise the standard of American home life.

America is growing rapidly in people, in power, in health, in science and in wealth. The most significant phase of her growth is in her homes. It was estimated at the close of the war that only 51 per cent of American families owned their homes.

This important educational work, which is now sponsored by the best thinking men and women of the nation, begun in 1921 in a woman's club. President Harding, who was visiting an exhibition of a labor-saving kitchen, expressed a desire to see such a work carried on in every town in the union.

Herbert Hoover, president of the better homes organization, has said: "There are eighteen million homes in America—the largest single industry in the world, and it is worth the thought of the best minds in the land to increase its efficiency, its satisfaction, and therefore its sacred product."

Springfield Wins Game Here. Cottage Grove high was defeated in a baseball game played here Friday afternoon with Springfield high, the score being 13 to 8. The score was close up to the eighth inning. The local line-up was as follows: C. Adams, p; D. McCargar, c; L. Arnes, 1b; D. Miller, 2b; P. Gordon, ss; M. Alstott, 3b; J. Bircher, lf; Earl Ballew, cf; H. Dunn, rf. G. White substituted for Ballew and C. Swanson for Alstott.

C. L. Wilhelm Resigns. C. L. Wilhelm, who has had charge of the Union Oil company's local plant ever since its establishment here two years ago, has tendered his resignation, to become effective May 15. He has accepted the appointment as local representative for the Missouri State Life Insurance company and will work under A. Ralph Spearow, special agent for southern Oregon. Mr. Wilhelm will go to the Portland office of the company to spend some time equipping himself for the position.

Mr. Wilhelm's successor with the Union Oil company has not been named.

Filing cabinets. The Sentinel.

CITY CARRIER DELIVERY NOW HINGES ON WALKS

Postoffice Department Names Conditions for Advancement From Village Class.

The postoffice department takes the view that to be treated as a city a community must put on the airs of a city. Postmaster Elbert Smith has learned this during the several weeks he has been working to secure city carrier delivery for the community, to replace the present village delivery.

The business of the local office is sufficient to warrant a change from village to city delivery, but the number of patrons to be served should be larger and to reach additional patrons the sidewalks must be better.

Postmaster Smith, after several weeks of effort, has made about as much progress as he can until the conditions exacted by the government are met. He is securing the cooperation of the city council for the improvement of sidewalks and will have the support of the commercial club and the Lions club.

ART EXHIBIT NETS \$105

Receipts Go to Purchase Pictures for the Schools.

The art exhibit sponsored by the grade schools of the city was concluded Thursday night with a splendid program by the east side grades which included a group of primary songs, playlets, instrumental numbers, a hoop drill and a song, "Voices of the Woods."

The net receipts will be about \$105, but Superintendent Hays has stated that the greatest profit came from the educational value of the pictures which included reproductions of nearly 300 masterpieces.

The receipts are to go into the purchase of pictures for the schools. The east side grades won the prize picture offered for selling the larger number of tickets. The fifth grade led in the returns and will be the first to have the prize picture.

The pictures were left on exhibit Friday and Saturday.

J. H. Bennett Is Injured. J. H. Bennett, a member of the construction crew on the J. H. Chambers railway, sustained a painful laceration of the face Friday afternoon when struck by a limb of a vine maple tree which was being felled by the crew.

Spearow's Resignation Accepted. The resignation of A. Ralph Spearow as pastor of the Presbyterian church was accepted at a recent congregational meeting and a pulpit committee was appointed. A vote of appreciation was given Mr. Spearow for his services as pastor for several years.

The following were selected members of the pulpit committee: Richard Hanna, M. M. Wheeler, Fred Wright, Herbert Eakin, B. R. Job, R. A. Trask, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. G. B. Pitcher, Mrs. R. E. Short, F. E. Mendenhall and George Knowles.

Hebron Union Builds Hall. Hebron, May 2.—(Special.)—The Hebron local of the Farmers' union have completed their hall. The men of the local spent Friday and Saturday of last week putting it up and completed everything except the chimney. On Saturday the women of the local furnished dinner to the men, the meal being served in the school house.

Forest Ranger Speaks. Albert K. Wiesendanger, forest ranger, spoke Thursday forenoon before the schools of the city upon forest work and forest protection, his address being a part of the program of forest protection week.

Sentinel Is Welcomed in Far Land

The Sentinel is a welcome visitor in far-off Colombia, South America, writes Mrs. Grover Birtchett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Beatty, who is there with her husband in missionary work.

Monster Egg Weighs 8 1-4 Ounces

An egg which wins the prize for being the largest ever produced in this famous chicken center of the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette, is the product of a hen owned by Mrs. Robert Mosby, probably a Black Minorca. The monster egg measures 10 1/2 inches in circumference one way and 8 1/4 inches the other and weighs 8 1/4 ounces.

OIL LEASES ARE FILED

Documents Cover Lands in Several Sections of County.

Sage & Olson Brothers have filed with the county clerk 49 gas and oil leases covering lands in the Eugene, Lorane, Crow and Pleasant Hill districts, the lessees being as follows:

John H. Seavey, J. P. Frady, Walter B. Gillespie, Fred G. Knox, H. B. Sutherland, Jerusha Rucker, Frank Snyder, E. W. Drew, Guy B. Knox, Wm. S. Roberts, W. W. Jackson, Scott F. Jackson, G. O. Hadley, Clay Owen, W. J. Holland, Mrs. Luey L. McCulloch, Nella Bennett, Louis Lucke, Dora E. Halligus, E. P. Latin, Samuel M. Baughman, Rebecca C. Roberson, Anton Olson, William Wooten, S. Overholser, Clinton B. Manning, I. F. Cireue, Jerira J. Swift, F. F. Cooper, Samuel H. Callison, B. H. Williams, Eugene B. Tinker, Elmer R. Crowe, Geo. W. Sanderson, A. H. Addison, Walter C. Ivins, Andrew Allen, E. E. Farman, Edmund S. Addison, Pearne Crowe, Georgia E. Farman, Frank Hemenway, Albert R. King, Orville A. Crowe, S. J. Crow, J. Hardy Crow, Sallie E. Scaife, Cal Hileman.

Library Report for April

The report of the city library for April is as follows: Fiction read, 644; non-fiction, 67; juvenile, 375; new books, 1,086; new cards issued, 15; new books received, 30. Four books were donated to the library by Mrs. William Stennett.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 36

Grid for crossword puzzle No. 36 with numbers 1-43 indicating starting points for words.

- Horizontal: 1—Kind of lily, 2—Ingenious, 3—Hall, 4—Long, narrow inlet, 5—March, 6—Point of compass, 7—Course, 8—Another point of compass, 9—Initials of famous President, 10—Not at home, 11—Prefix meaning not, 12—Prick painfully, 13—Exorbitant rate of interest, 14—Indian hea, 15—Flower, 16—Large hill (abbr.), 17—Toward, 18—Like, 19—\$14159, 20—Pronoun, 21—Preposition, 22—Prefix meaning disease, 23—Encroach, 24—Greek letter, 25—Soak up, 26—City notorious for divorce cases, 27—Gentlewoman. Vertical: 1—Throws, 2—Avoids, 3—French article, 4—Usurpation, 5—Flower, 6—Providing, 7—Judicial writ summoning one for jury service, 8—Fee, 9—Informal note, 10—Maiden loved by Zeus (myth), 11—Beautiful girl (poetic), 12—Blacks up, 13—You and I, 14—Frolic, 15—Flower cultivated for its drug, 16—Satisfy (poetic), 17—Walked on, 18—Brows, 19—Our country. Solution will appear in next issue.

W. E. MAYES IS ATTACKED BY VICIOUS HOUND

But for Help of Children Who Were Dog's Playmates, Mayes Might Have Been Killed.

W. E. Mayes, of this city, traveling representative for a medicine company, narrowly escaped death Thursday when attacked by a dog while he was on a trip up the McKenzie highway from Eugene. The dog, a mixed Airedale and wolf hound, was playing on the porch with the children of the house as Mayes approached and, apparently, was paying little attention to the visitor.

RODENTS QUIT CHATTER

Law May Be Invoked to Compel Some to Set Poison.

The rodent extermination campaign in this end of the county is progressing satisfactorily, according to G. W. McFarland, who is in charge for south Lane. A large amount of poison has been purchased by farmers and the dry weather of the past two weeks has been ideal for the work.

EVERYONE MUST WORK FOR CIVIC PROGRESS

Local Business Interests Assert that United Action Alone Can Bring Prosperity.

An automobile with its motor hitting on only one cylinder is not apt to get very far. Neither will a wagon drawn by a team of horses make any progress if one horse insists upon backing up while the other does all the pulling.

HEBRON ATTENDS 100 PER CENT

The Hebron Christian Endeavor society had a 100 per cent attendance at the recent county convention held at Springfield and brought home the attendance banner, to be kept 10 weeks. The local society also won a wall pledge for promptness in presenting their registration cards.

BANK TALKS AT LORANE COMPLETED

The series of bank talks which has been given in the local high school and in several of the surrounding communities by N. E. Glass, president of the Bank of Cottage Grove and Worth Harvey, assistant cashier of the First National, was completed Friday evening at Lorane school. Readings were given by Millicent and Jerrene Barrows, of this city.

CHEMIST DID NOT SAY OIL WOULD'NT BE FOUND

Chemist at University of Oregon Says Nothing Proved by Gas At Eugene.

David E. Olson, president of the Guaranty Oil company, which is conducting drilling operations here and at Eugene, and the geologists and chemists of the University of Oregon are not able to agree as to whether or not there is likelihood of getting oil as the result of the drilling operations being conducted by the company.

A report was current to the effect that Professor Shinn, of the chemistry department, had made a test of the gas struck at the Eugene well and had made the statement that oil is never found with the kind of gas which had been struck.

President Olson has published a signed statement in which he quotes Professor Shinn as denying that he had made such a statement, the exact words of the statement being as follows:

"The results of the examination of the gas do not justify us in making any statement one way or the other as regards the probability or improbability of striking oil in this well. The analysis does not prove that oil may not be found by further drilling."

This is the nearest that a chemist or geologist from the university has come to agreeing with Dr. Olson. In the same signed statement Dr. Olson publishes an affidavit by his lead driller, Carlos J. Reeves, in which the driller states that he personally brought in a good well following the striking of exactly the same kind of gas as that struck at Eugene. President Olson promises further proof that oil often is found under the kind of gas which has been struck at Eugene.

Meanwhile operations continue at both the Cottage Grove and Eugene wells and a stockholders' meeting is to be held in Eugene Wednesday.

TYPOTHETAE HOLDS MEET HERE

The Lane County Typothetae, organization of employing printers, held their weekly meeting here Thursday evening, dinner being served at the Gray Goose. A business meeting followed. Proceeding the dinner, the visitors inspected the Sentinel's printing plant and had the Ludlow system of typesetting demonstrated to them.

The meeting was one of the best attended ever held by the organization, plates being laid for 11.

ALFRED E. MILLER, OF STANDISH, MICH., RECENTLY LEARNED THROUGH A WANTAD IN HIS HOME PAPER THAT A \$100,000 LEGACY WAS COMING TO HIM.

—this is only further proof of the fact that it pays to read the wantads.

FOUR CARS ARE STOLEN AND ALL ARE RECOVERED

Deputy Sheriff McFarland Kept Busy Two Nights Looking for Thieves.

"Has your car been stolen?" has been the common query here during the past few days, the query being suggested by the number of cars stolen recently.

On Tuesday night Deputy Sheriff McFarland received word to be on the watch for a large Hupmobile which had been stolen at Springfield by someone who had left a Nash car in its place. A few minutes after the receipt of the message the car arrived from the north and the deputy sheriff gave pursuit. The driver evidently was unfamiliar with the roads of this section and instead of following the highway through the city turned and speeded out the Row river highway, the deputy giving pursuit, as he thought, for a number of miles. Not being able to "overtake" the car, and "knowing" that it was in a pocket from which there was no exit except by coming back through the city, he returned to watch for it. The car did not appear during the night and the next morning it was found a short distance outside the city in the field at the corner where the road swings around Knox hill.

The driver had been unable to make the turn, had jumped a ditch and had piloted the car safely to a parking place and had then abandoned it. The deputy, following close behind, his vision of the road obscured by the dust of the speeding car, did not see what had happened. Evidently the driver of the stolen car did not see that his pursuer had been misled or he would have tried to sneak back through the city with the car and make a getaway.

The car was owned by Frank Starmer, of Springfield, who came up Friday and took his property home. Late Friday evening the theft from the streets of the city of a Studebaker owned by Theodore Sturdevant and of an Overland sedan owned by George Knowles was reported. The Studebaker was taken from near the Cottage hotel and the Knowles car from near the Frost home on south Sixth street, where Mrs. Knowles was visiting. The Sturdevant car was found near where the Knowles car had been stolen, the supposition being that both cars were stolen by the same person, one being abandoned when the second one was stolen. Several hours later the Knowles car was found on south Sixth street but no car had been taken in its place.

The fact that the thief had abandoned one car to take another, as had been the case in the thefts the night before, and the fact that the thefts here occurred on the night following the other theft, at first led Deputy Sheriff McFarland to believe that all thefts had been committed by the same person. A clue was found, however, to indicate that the thefts Friday night were by local talent. The fact that the Knowles car was not taken from the city strengthened that belief.

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