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## Driller at Eugene Believes Oil Near

### Drills Are Pounding Their Way Through Stratum Of White Shale.

Eugene Oregon, December 6.—Ninety feet through a stratum of white shale has convinced Carlos J. Reeves, head driller of the Guaranty Oil company, drilling in Eugene, that after more than two years of work he is close to oil.

Whether the stratum is 100 or 500 feet thick the head driller will not venture to say, but from all indications, comparing the findings in this well with those of California fields, it may be from 300 to 400 feet through.

The Guaranty well is more than 2800 feet deep at present and Mr. Reeves and his crews are working 24-hour shifts.

Work of bailing out the well was started shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and continued until 6. This is not an unusual procedure, as the well must be bailed out periodically to free it of fine sediment caused by the huge drill steels. The process aroused considerable interest yesterday, however, because of the formation of the shale that was revealed. Pure white when dry, the shale is said by geologists to have been made by a sea animal eons past. This shale, Mr. Reeves said, has been a positive indication of oil in California, Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming and other fields.

The material when brought to the surface is in a liquid form from the constant pounding of heavy steel and the mixture of water. On the surface is a foam that is claimed to be another positive indication. This foam shows peacock colors when distributed.

The drillers average about six feet through the white shale every 24 hours, casing the hole as they go. The entire well is cased for 2800 hundred feet.

Mr. Reeves and his companion workers are extremely enthusiastic because of the recent findings and the head driller, who has been in the oil well game for many years, is certain that the well will "blow in" shortly. Precautions have been exercised on all sides to prevent accidents, death or injury to workmen in case the expected oil shoots suddenly, as was the experience with gas and water about five months ago. While there were no casualties then, the water and gas shot nearly 100 feet above the derrick.

## FACTORY TO BE STARTED

### Atkinson and Brumfield Plan To Make Synthetic Granite Here.

A factory for the manufacture of synthetic granite for monuments is being installed in the west end of the building occupied by the steam laundry and work will begin within a few days, according to George Atkinson and I. T. Brumfield, owners of the new plant. Atkinson and Brumfield both are former residents of this city but have recently been engaged in business in North Bend.

The stones will be manufactured in the local plant from materials mostly of native origin. The elements used in making the stones are practically the same as those composing native granite, it is said. The process of manufacture is controlled by patents.

## MICKIE SAYS—

## COTTAGE GROVE HIGH REPRESENTED AT MEET

### Four Students Attend Conference At University of Oregon.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore., Dec. 5.—(Special.)—Four students from Cottage Grove attended the high school conference held at the University Friday and Saturday. They were Earl Ballew, Rachel Short, Thelma Kem and Harry Metcalf. Superintendent O. W. Hays accompanied the students.

The conference was divided into four divisions: Oregon High School Press association, Association of Student Body Officers, which included girls who are secretaries; and the faculty advisors. Approximately 500 delegates from over the state were present at the various meetings.

This was the largest and most successful conference held since its beginning six years ago, according to Carl Dahl, general chairman.

Prominent speakers were Miss Marion Brown, dean of girls at the University high, Oakland, Calif.; Marshall Dana, associate editor of the Oregon Journal, Portland, Ore.; Arne Rea, editor of the Tillamook Herald, Dr. H. D. Sheldon, of the University administrative committee, and other faculty members.

## *Nokes Recollects When Pigs Cost 25c Each*

The price of meat is the subject of more or less comment, facetious and serious, which recalls to the mind of John Nokes an incident of early days in this favored section of the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette. The incident happened 35 years ago. Of course few would believe that youthful John was supporting a family that long ago, but he says he was, and John always tells the truth, at least he has never been caught doing otherwise.

As the story goes, at least as John tells it, he was living in the Lynx Hollow country and had determined to buy one or more young pigs. Having made the decision, he sought out the place of B. B. Scott, pioneer of that section and owner of some fine young pigs, which he was glad to show Nokes. Nokes was satisfied with the squealers and asked the price.

"Well," said Scott half apologetically, "I'll have to have 25 cents for the large one, the others you can have for 20 cents each." John closed the bargain then and there and took the porkers home with him.

B. B. Scott will be remembered by old timers as a fifer for the G. A. R. post here when its members were many and the spirits of the old boys 35 years younger then than they now are.

## *Pennies Hidden In City Jail Found By Officer*

Chief of Police Pitcher made a find several days ago that might have years ago aided in the solution of some robbery mystery. While cleaning out one of the cages of the city jail he found hidden around the edge of the roof of the cage a number of pennies. The dust that had gathered on them indicated that they had been there for a number of years. Pitcher is of the opinion that they were cached there by some prisoner being held for robbery and that the pennies might have been good evidence if found on the prisoner.

Ben F. Keeney, county assessor, will be the principal speaker Wednesday night at the Farmers' union hall at Hebron. The meeting, which will be open to the public, will begin about 8 o'clock.

## HAND AND BURNS BOTH DETERMINED TO WIN

### Local Grappler Working Out Daily For Match Wednesday Night.

Ralph Hand, Cottage Grove wrestler, will have to use all his strength and knowledge of wrestling if he succeeds in putting away Frank Burns, middle western grappler, in their match at the Heilig theater, Eugene, next Wednesday night. Burns believes he will beat Hand and plans to make the match a stepping stone to a bout with Ted Thye.

Hand is equally confident of his ability to pin the Michigan man to the mat. He is working out every day in Eugene under the direction of W. B. Dodell, promoter, who recently signed a contract for one year with Hand.

Sharing honors with Hand and Burns on the card at the Heilig is the match between Robin Reed and Ed Brown. Reed holds the coast title in his weight.

## Mrs. T. O. Billings Is Injured by Auto

### Witnesses Relieve Driver Of Car of Blame For Near Fatal Accident.

Mrs. T. O. Billings of this city sustained severe injuries Friday forenoon when she was struck by an automibile driven by Alfred Green of Bellingham, Wash. Mrs. Billings was crossing Fifth street at the south side of the Main and Fifth streets intersection, while Green was approaching the intersection at what witnesses said was a moderate rate of speed. Few saw the car strike Mrs. Billings, but so far as Chief of Police Pitcher could learn Mrs. Billings, after starting to cross the street, became flustered and stepped back in front of the approaching car. Had the woman not been in a delicate condition of health, her injuries probably would not have proved serious, but on account of her condition she was ordered to a hospital by Dr. C. E. Frost, to whose office she had been taken following the accident. Green was allowed to go after an investigation by Chief of Police Pitcher.

The Billings have been residents here for only a short time. Mrs. Billings is a daughter of George M. Thomas.

A CHRISTMAS "WORD TO THE WISE."

How fast the leaves of the calendar do fall. Here it's time again to take a peek in our books and see if there's enough cash on hand to remember all our folks this Christmas.

Having decided that there is—let's all take the beautiful Helen Chadwick's advice from the above picture and "Shop Early!" Let's do it now and have it over with. We'll be much happier for it. We'll get better stock and better prices. And what's more, we'll be doing a kindness to those who serve us.

As Miss Chadwick's sign hints—avoid getting into the crowded traffic jam that tangles up our business centers the last week before Christmas. Avoid the elbowing, pushing, anything-but-happy last minute buyers that will crowd the stores. Make sure that your gifts will be delivered on time and don't take a chance on being disappointed!

Be wise and shop now.

BLIND—YET THEY "SEE" AND FIND DELIGHT IN THEIR CHRISTMAS TREE AND GIFTS.

As you are rushing along with plans for a Merry Christmas—pause for a moment and study the above picture. It contains a happy Yuletide thought of what wonderful things are being accomplished for those whose lives must be lived—minus the greatest of physical assets—eyesight!

Thanks to careful education, these boys and girls enjoy their Christmas tree, too—even as you and I. They are pupils of the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind and, in the course of their training, have had their sense of feeling developed to such a degree that the loss of their sight does not hinder them at all in finding joy in life.

As it happened, these youngsters of the lower grades in the New York institute were presented with a brilliantly decorated tree. They "saw" its beauty as well as that of the many gifts that came with it—their little hands lightly touching the pine needles, branches, tinsel ornaments, dolls, wagons and other toys.

And their faces reflected the happiness in their hearts.

## GIFTS OF VEGETABLES SOUGHT BY SOCIETY

### Farm Products Needed for Inmates Of Portland Institution.

An appeal for vegetables and other farm products for distribution among charitable institutions has been issued by the Pacific Protective society, with headquarters in Portland. W. G. McLaren, general superintendent of the society, states in a letter to The Sentinel that during the past year the organization provided for 189 girls, 234 babies and more han 500 men, women and boys.

The society has four institutions under its care: The Cottage hospital, the Louise home, the Albertina Kerr nursery and the Portland commons.

Vegetables of any kind are acceptable, it was stated, and transportation charges will be paid by the society. Sacks will be returned if desired. Gifts should be addressed to 195 Burnside street, Portland, Oregon.

### Juvenile Books Popular.

Juvenile books were in almost as great demand as books of fiction during November at the Cottage Grove public library, according to the monthly report of Mrs. William Baker, librarian. Out of the total of 1236 books loaned, 671 were fiction, 491 were juvenile and 74 were non-fiction. Fifty-seven new borrowers took books from the library during the month. The report shows eighteen notices were sent out, 100 books were mended and money received was $6.92. Books were presented by Miss Stella Adams, Mrs. M. J. Summers, Mrs. Emma Tompkins and Herbert Craig.

Give your home print shop first chance.

## INDISCRIMINATE USE OF TREES IS CONDEMNED

### Proper Use for Home Decorations Meets With Approval.

Opposition to the decoration of city streets with large young evergreen trees at Christmas time is expressed in a statement just issued by the United States forest service. The practice is declared to be useless, wasteful practice, which should be discontinued.

The cutting of the small seedling trees, which are usually used in homes where they are taken from thickets is approved by the foresters as beneficial to the forest. However, most of the trees used in street decorations are thrifty forest youngsters from 10 to 15 years old. These would make good lumber if left to grow. Their destruction means the destruction of the best timber of the future.

The forest service commends the idea of decorating fir trees in various parks as a civic Christmas tree. This carries out the spirit of the holiday season without the destruction of the forests.

## *Christmas Windows Are All Put In Same Day*

An innovation was tried here this year in regard to Christmas windows. At the suggestion of a commercial club committee all windows were put in Friday and were lighted Friday evening. So many pretty windows appearing at one time attracted more attention than if they they had been put in at different times.

A decision has not been reached as to whether the city shall have the usual Christmas tree at the Main and Sixth streets intersection. There is some talk of having a large number of small trees along the street, the holes now in the sidewalk for the American Legion flags to be used for supporting the trees.

## *Mysterious Oil Find Is Explained*

Rickreall, Ore., Dec. 3.—Oil, seeping out of a tile drainage pipe on the George Wait farm about a mile south of here, was discovered this morning by men who were clearing out the drainage ditch.

When first discovered it was thought that the oil might be seeping from the highway or railroad right of way, but investigation revealed that the flow had its source in a direction opposite to either the railroad or the highway.

Soon after the discovery a match was touched to the oil and it has been burning steadily now for several hours.

Considerable prospecting for oil has been done in this vicinity and several wells have been sunk in past years. Illuminating gas has been frequently discoverel in some cases of sufficient volume for use in lighting farm houses.

Rickreall, Ore., Dec. 5.—It has been learned that the oil found mysteriously seeping from a drain tile probably is oil deposited a year or more ago when an oil tank wagon was wrecked near the point.

### City to Issue Bonds.

An issue of $67,243.48 in street improvement bonds was authorized at an adjourned meting of the city council held Thursday night. December 21 was set as the date for their sale.

Nearly all the property owners affected by the improvements of the past year made application to pay in 10 annual installments under the Bancroft act and this issue will care for the unpaid balance on all improvements.

A bond issue is yet to be authorized to care for a number of sewer improvements.

## Timber Protection Asked by Secretary

### Discontinuance of Sale For Ten Years Is Held To Be Advisable.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Protection of government timber lands, a revision of its reclamation policy, and prompt and sympathetic study by congress of the Alaskan problem, are the chief recommendations contained in the annual report of the interior department submitted to congress today by Secretary Work.

Recommendations for measures to protect the timber reserves were based on the Secretary's prediction that at the present rate of consumption the country will soon be faced with a timber famine, and as a means of rehabilitating the government's reserves he urged congress to revise the timber and stone act, so that the present government acreage would remain intact for 10 years.

"I believe," said the secretary, "congress should authorize discontinuing the sale of government-owned standing timber for a ten-year period. In Oregon, this plan would defer temporarily the amount going to the railroad and wagon road companies and the counties from timber not yet sold. The increased receipts which would accrue from later handling of the timber nad resources would, however, more than compensate counties for this delay in disposition."

Calling attention to the fact that the reclamation fund, originally intended to revolve or be funded in 10 years, had not been funded in 20 years, and that there are large tracts of productive lands on irrigation projects for which there are no settlers, the secretary declared that "until measures have been put into effect to solve these problems of settlement and development and the old projects have become self-sustaining, the advisibility of undertaking new projects would seem to be conjectural and the entire matter should receive the most serious attention and consideration by congress if a basically sound and unassailable permanent policy is ever to be evolved."

### Ministers Have Meeting.

Problems of community welfare were discussed this forenoon at a meeting of the Cottage Grove Ministerial association in the Presbyterian church parlors. A paper on evangelism was read by Pastor Chester Smith. Members report the association has brought the ministers of the city into active cooperation. Attending were Pastors J. C. Orr, Chester Smith, Duncan P. Cameron, Harold Bottemiller and John A. Linn.

### Walker Farm Sold.

G. L. Berry of Bend has purchased the 80-acre farm of C. A. Olson near Walker and has taken charge of the property. Mr. Olson will take charge of a prune farm in Marion county and will move his family there.

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## THE FEATHERHEADS

By L. F. Van Zelm

But, Sometimes They Make a Killing