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NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There

Some Stolen, Others Not

Cullings From Our Exchanges—
News Notes of the Week—
Timely Topics.

Frank McKee, a young man 26 years old, thinking he had been mistreated, wrecked the Golden Eagle Hotel at Washington with dynamite, and then blew his own brains out with a pistol. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt.

Mayor Humes, of Seattle, while out hunting last week sprained his ankle and was lost for two days. A search party sent out found him in a log house unable to move. He had lived on huckleberries. It is thought that he will soon recover from the exposure, being a man of robust constitution.

William Baldwin and his son George Baldwin were convicted of man slaughter at Portland Friday. George Baldwin in a fight killed young Carlson and the evidence brought out the fact that his father had bet \$1.00 with Carlson's father on the fight. The son was recommended to the mercy of the court, while the father was recommended for the fullest punishment.

It is reported that a Salem man has placed a large amount of money in the Albany banks for the purchase of Albany city warrants, drawing 6 per cent, at par. Already several warrants have been taken at this figure, among others the \$520 warrant for hose. This is said to have been secured by the city officials in order to save the monthly discounting of their warrants.—Democrat.

The State Prison Board, after a long session today, demanded the resignation of Warden C. E. Arney, of the State penitentiary. It first passed a resolution holding he had not been dishonest in the administration of his trust, and then adopted a resolution dismissing him because he permitted trustees to work on his brother's ranch and permitted prison teams and other state property to be used on the ranch.

Governor Geer today remitted \$100 from each of the \$200 fines imposed upon Charles Wooley and Andrew Olsen, who were convicted of selling liquor without a license in Curry county. The remission was granted upon the recommendation of Circuit Judge J. W. Hamilton, who tried the case and imposed the minimum fines upon defendants. Judge Hamilton made his recommendation after a consultation with the District Attorney.

The Dalles land office is being over run with business, mostly of the nature of timber purchases. The number of the latter applications has already reached in the neighborhood of one thousand since the first of the year, and new applications are coming in daily. Eastern people comprise a large part of the buyers, though the State of Washington is well represented. The shipments for this month will reach almost \$100,000, and the proving up is scarcely beginning.

The grand jury of the Court of Criminal Assize will probably indict the Mayor and Alderman of the city of Vancouver for maintaining the city jail in an unsanitary and dangerous quarters. The jail is old and constantly overcrowded, and repeated representations of former grand juries having failed to effect an improvement, the new grand jury will force the issue.

On Sunday night, about 11 p. m. fire destroyed the large stock barn of O. E. Hyland near Willamina. The building contained over 520 tons of hay, other grain, wagons, chickens etc. One horse was also burned. Mr. Hyland knows nothing of the origin of the fire, but the presumption is that it must have been incendiary. It is understood that there was no insurance.

Not the Right Word.

He was making final proof on a homestead in the clerk's office. In the process, it became necessary for him to take an oath. He had never done that sort of thing before, and didn't have the hang of things. He held up his right hand when told to, and then stood dazed-like while the clerk rattled per unactorily through the oath. Finally the official closed with the well known words, "So help me God," and then paused for the reply.

But the youth didn't reply. The truth was, he didn't know just what was wanted. With a perturbed countenance, and his fingers working nervously at his pantaloons, he stood, dumb as an oyster. Suddenly, however, his face brightened. He remembered the words, "So help me God," and feeling sure that he had the right answer, sung out boldly, "Amen."

The young man hailed from Western Benton.—Corvallis Times.

Levi Strauss Dead.

Levi Strauss, one of the last of the old-time merchants of San Francisco, and one of the best known men from the most southerly mines of California to Puget Sound, died at his home Friday evening of heart disease.

Mr. Strauss was born in Bavaria in 1829, and settled in this city in the early fifties. He founded the Levi Strauss & Co., one of the largest enterprises on the Pacific Coast, with a branch in New York City. Mr. Strauss was interested in many other enterprises, and leaves an immense estate. Mr. Strauss was a bachelor.

STOLEN OR STRAYED.

One brown mare, age 5 years, weight about 1300 lbs., broke is very gentle, star in forehead, right hind foot white, branded H-Z on left shoulder, has a yearling colt with her. One dark bay mare, weight about 1000 lbs., broke, very gentle, white hind feet, star in forehead, branded A G on left shoulder. Left Sisters one year ago. \$5.00 reward will be paid for return of, or information to discovery of either of said animals.

H. E. GLAZIER, or SAM WIEHL,
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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Grade Cattle Sale.

During the County Fair I will have on exhibition and for sale a number of high grade young Hereford heifers which I will dispose of at private or public sale. I will also dispose of my entire band of grades at the ranch on Crooked river.
J. H. GRAY.

Marked Fish Turned Out.

Another installment of marked salmon have been turned into the Columbia, and in 1905 and 1906 should reappear in the river. The latest batch of marked fry was hatched at the Chinook plant by Superintendent Hansen, and a V-shaped piece has been cut out of the tail of each. Four thousand of the little fish were thus marked.

The turning out of this installment of marked salmon will show some interesting results. It is estimated that the number of hatchery fish to be turned out this year in the plants located on the Columbia and its tributaries will exceed 50,000,000. This estimate includes the fish propagated artificially by the states of Oregon and Washington, and by the United States Fish Commission, which operates three hatcheries in the Columbia River district. It has been impossible as yet to get accurate statements from the various hatchery superintendents, but there is no reason to believe that the output of the plants this year will be below that of last year, when more than 50,000,000 little fish were brought into life at the hatcheries.

If 50,000,000 salmon are turned out in all, there will be one marked fish in every 12,500. However, some millions of the fry will be steelheads and silverheads, as well as bluebacks, so allowance must be made for these varieties. When the hatchery superintendents all file accurate reports, the exact number of each variety turned out will be available, and then it will be possible to estimate to a certainty the number of chinook fish placed in the water. Doubtless the number will be in the neighborhood of 15,000,000, which would mean that one salmon out of every 3750 was marked. By this method of computation it will be possible to estimate the number of hatchery fish taken, as marked are not any more likely to return in greater proportion than unmarked fry.

In past years, when marked fish returned to the river estimates of the number of hatchery fish returning were thus arrived at, and the showing was a wonderful one. It was evident from this figuring practically the entire catch was hatchery salmon. The result of the present experiment will be awaited with interest.

Losses Smaller Than Reported.

E. G. Wason an Everett lumber man, connected with Clough Bros. Company, is in the city. He has been on an extended trip through Southern Washington, and also to the Rogue River country since the recent big fires. He had this to say about the extent of timber losses:

"I do not think there has been any where near as great loss to timber as has been reported in the press. Up home we thought every body had been cleaned out, and that timber operators were greatly crippled. I have seen most of the country west of the Cascades, as far south as Rogue River, and especially in the Olympic region, and I do not think there has been any great loss to standing timber, unless it is up in the Cowlitz. I went well over several miles of ground in the Cowlitz region and did not see the losses that have

been described there. I am talking about the standing timber. There have been large losses of cut timber where the logs were exposed to dry material in the logging works, without a doubt. The fact is that there is mighty little good standing timber but what the undergrowth is so dense and green that it is impossible for fires to get going enough to kill timber. It has no doubt occurred that fires have burnt dead timber in among the green trees, and the appearances, from smoke and flames running up such trees, would be that the whole tract was doomed. I have seen miles and miles of that kind of timber right in the sections reported as having been swept over. In such cases the fire has really been a benefit, for it has cleaned out the dead stuff, lessening the likelihood for worse fires.

"I think you will find, when the whole situation is known, that green timber losses, on the west side of the mountains, have been comparatively small. On the other side they amount to nothing in my opinion. The woods there are too open and clear for fires to run. Immediately on the Columbia river there has been considerable standing timber ruined, and immense lumber losses. But in general I am sure that our Washington and your Oregon standing timber is comparatively safe.—Journal.

Griffin Not Guilty.

The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" Saturday afternoon, at Grant's Pass, in the case of State of Oregon vs. Calvin Griffin, for killing Edwin Johnson, at Waldo. The jury was out about three hours. Every one acquainted with the facts in the case feels that the jury did right. Griffin was modestly receiving the congratulations of his friends this afternoon.

The evidence in the case that weighed heavily in favor of Griffin was the fact that he was backing away from Johnson when the latter was dealing him the blows in the face that blackened Griffin's eyes and broke his nose. The character of the two men also carried much weight in the rendering of the verdict. Johnson had the reputation of being a bully and an all-around bad man, and, as some of the witnesses testified, was the acknowledged "terror of the community."

Apples for Sale.

I will sell apples at my orchard from the first till the 15th, for 50 cts and \$1.00 per bushel. All winter apples.

T. F. McCALLISTER.

TELESCOPE FOUND.

If Walter Nee will call at this office and pay for this notice he will receive information that will result in the recovery of his personal effects that were lost a few days ago.

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Additional Locals.

A good milch cow for sale. Inquire of S. B. Slayton.

See those beautiful Carbon Finish photos at Kooley's studio, Prineville.

Misses Florence and Grace Parrish and their brother Charles were visitors in the city Tuesday.

The following clipping is from The Dalles Chronicle. It is expected that within thirty days the Columbia Southern will have located their southern terminus at Bend, in Crook county.

And now someone has found Mrs. Waggoner and she was "all alone" in Seattle. She is said to have repented having anything to do with either the quick or dead Merrill and is extremely sorry for her action. She cries constantly for her children and is anxious to return at once. Her tears are a little bit delayed, but will no doubt succeed in quenching the fiery wrath of an injured husband and the final ending of the Tracy-Merrill episode will allow the curtain to fall on a happy family reunion.

"That's the way I like a wagon, high in front," said a young real estate dealer the other day when he drove into town accompanied by a party of young ladies, with the hind wheels of his carriage where the front ones ought to be, though the presumption is that he was so enraptured with his lady company that he never discovered the wheels had been changed while he and the ladies were visiting Seufert's orchard three miles above town, and drove all the way in before discovering that the front of the carriage was a foot too high.—Morning Star.

Card of Thanks.

We, the undersigned, tender our sincere thanks to our kind friends for their sympathy and assistance during our late bereavement.

MRS. C. C. MALING and family.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the friends who so kindly aided us in our late bereavement and in the sickness of our wife and daughter.

THEO. F. CADLE.

J. F. CADLE.

Spur Lost.

George Ray came down from his ranch on Lost creek, Tuesday, and informed this office that he had lost a very valuable spur on the road near the Zell ranch. Any one finding such a spur will receive a suitable reward by leaving the same at the JOURNAL office.

Deputy Sheriff Champ Smith, of Prineville, arrived in Portland last evening with a warrant of arrest for J. A. Boggs of that place charged with larceny by bailie.

Mr. Boggs has been in the city for several weeks on business connected with the State Land Department at Salem. He is a lumber and timber land man of large experience in the East and has been operating in Eastern Oregon for nearly a year past. Sheriff Smith served the papers this morning, and they were to return to Prineville, but are delayed by the wash-outs on the road. Sheriff Smith said that he was satisfied that the action has been taken under a misapprehension and mistake.—Oregon Journal.

Deputy sheriff Smith arrived with Mr. Boggs Monday evening and the latter was released on his own recognizance. Up to the time of going to press no disposition had been made of the case.

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