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OREGON KING IS AGAIN IN TROUBLE

Suit Will Be Brought by Man Who Grub-staked the Discoverer.

It is rumored that the Oregon King mine at Ashwood is about to become involved in more litigation over the title to that famous property. Last week an attorney from Walla Walla was in Ashwood in the interest of his client, Victor Wilson, who is reported to be the plaintiff in the new case against the Oregon King. Although nothing definite can be learned of the suit, as no papers have yet been filed, it is surmised that this new litigation arises out of Victor Wilson's claim that he "grub-staked" G. M. Wilson who located the Silver King claim, and through which location the Oregon King people claim title by purchase.

Whatever the nature of the present claim against the famous mine, one fact stands out clear and distinct above all others, and that is, but for the fact that the Oregon King people opened up a great mine, after spending thousands of dollars on development work, there would not have been all this troublesome litigation. The litigation instituted by Tom Brown would never have been begun had not the information leaked out that a great body of extremely rich ore was being uncovered at the Oregon King mine. Brown got the information in a letter from relatives in the Ashwood camp, and within thirty-six hours he was on his way back to the camp to lay claim to the property. Brown himself does not believe that he would ever have returned to the camp had the Oregon King people not opened up a mine. Victor Wilson stands in much the same light. The King people spent fifty thousand dollars defending their title to the mine, and they have spent fully that much more converting a prospect in an unproved camp into a great mining property. Does anyone believe that Wilson would have fought the Brown claims for years in the federal courts, and finally have won out, or that the mine would ever have been developed under his ownership? We have no prejudice in this matter, but there is surely occasion for a protest when the development of a section of country is being retarded by such methods as these. To the men who have spent their capital in opening up a mine, and then spent thousands of dollars more in defending the title to that mine, there certainly must accrue some rights.—Antelope Herald.

GET ACTIVE IN CASCADES

Corvallis & Eastern Is Showing Signs of Moving Across the Mountains into Crook Co.

James A. Boyd and William Davis returned Sunday from a week's trip over to the terminus of the Corvallis & Eastern railroad at Detroit. While they got no decisive information relative to the expected extension of that line into Eastern Oregon, they obtained a number of straws which are believed to indicate the direction the railroad wind is blowing. That direction is towards Bend, and it is rather a fresh breeze, says the Bend Bulletin.

"Some hundreds of tons of steel rails are buried along the railroad survey in the mountains," said Mr. Boyd. "Many thousands of these are piled along the right of way, railroad officials are buying land along the route of the railway east of the range, new steel is now arriving on the line and at least three new locomotives and 50 new steel flat cars have been added to the rolling stock in the past few weeks. The general shops of the company have just been moved over from Yaguins to Albany.

The operatives are impressed with the idea that an advance into Eastern Oregon is imminent.

"The present completed track reaches to the mill of the Stuart Lumber Company, a short distance east of Detroit station. But the old grade is still in good condition 15 miles or more this side of the terminus. Up at the summit is about 600 feet of completed track with a flat car upon it. That was put there back in 1888, when the construction was done, in order to hold the pass.

"The altitude of Hogg pass is 810 feet above the sea level. The maximum grade is said to be but 2 per cent, coming up the west side of the range.

Mr. Boyd, judge from all the signs he was able to observe that Corvallis & Eastern is contemplating an advance into this country. It would build entirely in the Cascade reserve until reaching a point only six miles from Sisters. From there the right of way would be mostly over private lands. But there is room for 25 to 30 miles of building before it is necessary to worry over right of way, and if actual construction once gets under way there will be no difficulty about right of way this side the range.

NEWSPAPER AT MADRAS

Madras Pioneer Is the Name of a New Sheet Which Will Be Started There This Month.

The Madras Pioneer is the name of a new paper which will be started at Madras sometime this month. Timothy Brownhill of the firm of Brownhill & Hudson, of The Dalles, is the one who will launch the paper and a new plant has been sent from The Dalles to Madras where it will soon be put to use.

Madras is in the heart of the district of the Agency Plains which has been rapidly settled and cultivated during the past two years and the new sheet will be used to advance the interests of that section. It is understood that Don P. Res will be the editor of the paper. Mr. Brownhill, who has been engaged in the law, real estate and insurance business in The Dalles during the past six years, will continue to practice law at Madras, and Mr. Hudson will conduct the business at the former place under the old firm name.

BRIGGS MINE STILL GOOD

Latest Production Is a Chunk of Ore Taken to Grants Pass Which Contains \$7000 in Gold.

Another big pile of gold, the greater part of which is in the monster chunks, have been brought into the Pass from the Briggs mine, on Upper Thompson Creek. There is over \$7000 in this pile. It arrived in town at about 4 o'clock Saturday morning, the parties who brought it having been on the road all Saturday night, says a dispatch from Grants Pass. The gold now reposes in the First National Bank here, and will be held as a portion of the Southern Oregon mineral exhibit at the Mining Congress.

One of the parties who brought in the gold stated to The Telegram correspondent that David Briggs and his boys are doing nothing more than holding their claim down, working it but a very little each day. There are thousands of dollars in the rich rock of the dump alone, and many thousands more in sight in the hole, but to obviate heaping up a great pile of tempting treasure in camp, they work only a little while each day mortgaging a part of the ore.

There seems but little likelihood that the men who talked of buying the property for a consideration of \$100,000, will do so. At least, they have not yet appeared on the ground, and Briggs and his boys remain in possession of the property.

There are about 100 men scattered over the district at present.

SHOOTS HIMSELF WITH REVOLVER

Son of Jesse Yancey Is Killed by Accidental Discharge of a Pistol.

Cecil Yancey, the son of Jesse Yancey, was shot and killed last Saturday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a revolver which he was twirling in his hand. The bullet entered the right groin and death resulted inside of four hours, the unfortunate young man bleeding to death from internal hemorrhages.

The fatal accident happened about four o'clock in the afternoon at the Yancey ranch on Comb flat about eight miles east of town. Young Yancey in company with Frank Wright was in the kitchen of the house where they were inspecting the revolver which had been secured in a trade a short while before. The chamber of the revolver had been emptied of all its bullets save one and Cecil, twirling the revolver on his finger, accidentally pulled the trigger while the muzzle was pointing down. He was sitting on a chair at the time and the bullet entering the groin struck a bone, it is believed and took an upward course, entering his vitals.

Dr. Belknap and Edwards were hastily summoned from town, arriving at the stricken home some two hours after the accident. The young man then was steadily growing weaker from loss of blood. An anesthetic was administered so an examination could be made, but from that time he did not regain consciousness, dying at eight o'clock.

The funeral services were held at the Union church under the auspices of the Prineville Fire Department, of which he was a member, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Rev. H. C. Clark officiating.

DIXIE STOCKHOLDERS MEET

T. M. Baldwin Elected One of the Directors at Annual Meeting Held in Prairie City.

At the annual stockholder's meeting of the Dixie Meadows Gold Mining Company held in Prairie City on the 20th the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year. Geo. Kight, president; E. A. Belknap, vice-president; S. I. Belknap, secretary; Dr. V. C. Belknap, treasurer and R. C. Reese general superintendent. The following were elected directors: R. B. Reese, Geo. Kight, T. M. Baldwin, A. E. Belknap, and V. C. Belknap. It was stated several weeks ago that the company would put in a twenty stamp mill and Mr. Reese who went east some time ago to purchase the machinery is expected back in a few days. The Company also decided to put in a cyanide plant and this will also be placed this season.

MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL

I. H. Taffe not Satisfied with \$15,000 Awarded Him for Celilo Canal Damage.

I. H. Taffe, who was awarded \$15,000 damages because the terminus of the canal at Celilo would be on his land, and would occupy ground where now stands buildings connected with his salmon cannery, has filed a motion in Judge Bradshaw's court for a new trial. The matter has been allowed to drop for the summer, and it is confidently believed that that Mr. Taffe is now prepared to withdraw his motion and settle with the state on the basis named. It is not likely in any event that Judge Bradshaw will grant a new

trial, without better cause than has so far been presented. Mr. Taffe felt that he should have \$100,000 damages, but engineers who have figured on the matter saw the change in his plan could be made for \$3,000. There are also other damages, such as cutting off his water supply, and cutting off his communication from the river to the cannery. Those who have investigated, say the price named by the jury is ample to cover all damages, and at the same time it is very reasonable to the state.

BIG SALE OF STOCK SHEEP

Ten Thousand Head Leave Vicinity of Pendleton This Week for the Eastern Markets.

Today there are being loaded at Meacham 6000 head of sheep, the larger portion of which were purchased of the J. E. Smith Livestock Company. All were bought by Redman, the buyer, for Montana dealers, for the Eastern markets. They are a mixed lot of yearlings, dry ewes and one carload of bucks, says the East Oregonian.

They will be shipped via Pendleton and Umatilla over the Northern Pacific, which will take them to the Montana ranges for summer feeding and fattening. These sheep represent in the neighborhood of \$12,000, as the average price paid for them was about \$2 per head.

Another train load of sheep, 4000 of which were sold by Wm. Slusher, will be loaded at Meacham as soon as the first shipment mentioned is out of the yards. There are 1000 or more in this lot, which were picked up from other parties in small bunches.

This train load is paid for by the Frye-Bruhn Company, and while most of the animals will probably be disposed of eventually in the Sound markets, yet its immediate destination is not known. The probabilities are that these sheep will be summer fed in the Cascade ranges.

HORSE THIEVES AT WORK

Band of 23 Horses Stolen Near Pendleton Have Been Traced Through Crook County.

Within the past three weeks twenty three head of horses have been stolen from the vicinity of Pendleton, two of them having been untied from a hitching rack in that city and ridden out of town. "Jack" Sparks and Earl Rockwell, Birch creek farmers, tied their horses to a rack on Main street and went to the court house on business. When they returned their horses, saddles, schapps, spurs and overcoats were gone. Search resulted in finding no trace, and at last they decided that it was a case of theft, and three days after notified the authorities of the occurrence.

Monday evening their horses, returned home from the direction of Pilot Rock, minus saddles, bridles and all other accoutrements, and also showing signs of hard riding. The thieves evidently rode the horses away to get the saddles. No clew has been found.

Thomas Kerr, a farmer of the Cold Springs country, northwest of Pendleton, has lost twenty-two head, which he trailed by clever detective work through Crook county, across the Cascade range and into the Willamette valley, where they were sold to farmers near Hubbard. The thieves left little clew behind them, but officers are now scouring the county for some evidence that will prove their identity. John Thorn, a farmer of the Holdman district, lost two good horses Saturday, and it is believed they were stolen.