

OREGON CITY ENTERPRISE

DIGS CELLAR FINDS GOLD

CAN OF NUGGETS UNEARTHED BY MR. CONNET AT MILWAUKEE.

WORTH 2000 DOLLARS

Left There By Old Prospector Who Occupied the Spot in Log Cabin Forty Years Ago.

A few days ago, while digging a cellar in block one, Quincy addition to Milwaukee, a Mr. Connet unearthed an old tin can full of gold nuggets.

The property from whence the gold-treasure was dug was formerly owned by T. R. A. Sellwood and is located in the northern part of the town.

Some forty years ago an old miner, eccentric of habits, and supposed to have been possessed of a large quantity of the precious metal, occupied a log cabin on this piece of ground, and it has been rumored for many years past that gold was buried there. Some had searched for it, while others had scoffed at the idea as a foolish superstition arising solely from the fact that this miner was known to have once occupied the spot.

While Mr. Connet was making the excavation he did not dream of gold other than the small sum he would get for his labor and he was greatly surprised when the old can was revealed with its precious treasure.

The nuggets range in size from a grain of wheat to as large as a pea, and are worth about two thousand dollars.

DEATH OF MRS. STAFFORD.

Woman is Found Dead in Bed Tuesday Morning.

Mrs. Margaret Stafford, of this city, died at the family home on Ninth and Taylor streets Tuesday morning, Mrs. Stafford, who was sleeping with her daughter, Miss Kathryn, was found dead by the latter, the cause of her death being apoplexy. Mrs. Stafford was born July, 1846, and at the time of her death was 62 years of age. She leaves a husband and one daughter, Miss Kathryn.

The family came to this city about one and one-half years ago from Los Angeles, California, where the remains were taken Tuesday night by the bereaved husband and daughter, the interment to be in the Mount Calvary cemetery.

Mr. Stafford will return to this city after the funeral, but Miss Stafford will make her home with friends in Los Angeles, for the present.

CHICKEN THIEVES AT WORK.

Heads are Cut Off and Thrown on Chicken House Floor.

County Treasurer J. C. Paddock had a caller at his home in Gladstone Sunday night, and if the party returns there will be trouble. Mr. Paddock prides himself on raising some of the finest thoroughbred Plymouth Rocks in the county, and upon visiting his hen house Monday morning found that a chicken thief had entered and taken seven of his finest fowls, leaving the heads on the floor. It is reported that several farmers residing near Clackamas have been bothered with chicken thieves. After cutting the heads off and throwing them on the floor, the thieves left, leaving no trace behind.

Forger Arrested.

Fred Hoffman, the baker employed at the Schrader baker on Third and Monroe streets, who was arrested on Wednesday evening by Chief of Police Burns, has confessed in Portland to forging eight checks. When the man was arrested he denied the charge against him, but after being taken to Portland by Detective Price, he confessed after a man presented a check that Hoffman had passed on him. The man has been going by the names of Fred Miller, August Mundenthal and gave the name of Fred Hoffman. The man forged all of the checks in Portland.

Funeral of Reese Daugherty.

The funeral of Reese Daugherty took place Saturday morning, and the interment was in the Adams cemetery, Rev. Longbottom officiating. Mr. Daugherty died at the family home at Molalla on Thursday morning, after a brief illness of hemorrhage of the lungs.

Mr. Daugherty was born in Pike county, Missouri, October 7, 1840, and came across the plains in 1852. He had been a resident of Molalla since coming to Oregon.

TAX VALUES TOO HIGH

IS THE OPINION OF AN OLD OREGON CITY RESIDENT.

Editor Enterprise:— There seems to be a diversity of opinion in regard to the assessment of property for general taxation, and a wonderful mistake in much of the assessor's estimates of tax valuations. I have handled property in Oregon City and vicinity that was assessed for considerable more than it could have been sold for at private sale. It seems to me that tax valuations never ought to be greater than the price it would bring under the hammer. This may be really owing to a neglect in sending competent men to view and judge property values before making up the tax rolls—men that are capable of judging, from experience in constructing or handling property, of actual values.

Property old and run down is always in a condition of depreciation and should be estimated and regulated accordingly. The practice of guessing at values of taxable property creates in every instance great injury to the owners thereof. There are many pieces of property in Oregon City and vicinity together with outside lots that are assessed for nearly twice what they are really worth.

The board of supervisors should try to seek a remedy for the injustice of wild estimates.

O. A. CHENEY.

Gladstone Ladies Give Unique Entertainment.

The "Festival of Nations," given at the Christian church in Gladstone last Saturday evening, was one of the most successful entertainments ever given by the people of that place. The ladies in charge of the affair, spared no pains in arranging the programme. The booths of nations, where refreshments were served according to the custom of the nations represented, were among the main attractions of the evening.

St. Patrick's Entertainment.

The committee in charge of the programme to be given at the Shively opera house on St. Patrick's night by the Irish-American Friendly Club, is preparing an attractive programme. The participants are all well known musical, literary and dramatic talent of the city. Among them being Mrs. B. T. McEath, Mrs. Edward Sheahan, Miss Martha Frances Draper, Miss Marie Fredrichs, Miss Kathryn Sinnott, Miss Veta Kelley; Messers. B. T. McEath, Phillip J. Sinnott, F. J. Lonergan.

SCHOOL DISTRICT SUED

TROUBLE OVER BUILDING OF NEW SCHOOL HOUSE AT GLADSTONE.

F. M. Parsons of Monday filed a suit against School District No. 115, Gladstone, for the sum of \$378.57. Plaintiff claims that on or about June 11, 1908, said defendant made and entered into a contract with F. M. Parsons and Varney, a partnership doing business under the firm name of Parsons and Varney, wherein and whereby said Parsons & Varney agreed to furnish certain materials and perform certain labor for the erection and completion of a schoolhouse at Gladstone. In the contract defendant agreed to pay for such alterations and additions as should be made in the construction of the building. The contract further provides that in case the defendant should not agree as to the amount to be paid and allowed for alterations and additions, the determination of said amount should be referred to a board of arbitrators to consist of one person to be selected by the defendant, one person to be selected by the contractor and the two to select the third, the decision of any two to be final.

Parsons and Varney completed said school building, and the alterations made therein by the above parties. The amount paid for materials, work, and services amounted to \$378.57, and this amount is due the contractors, no part of which has been paid. The contractors offered to submit the matter of payment for the alterations to a board of arbitration in accordance with the terms of said contract and offered to select an arbitrator to act upon the said board, the latter to also furnish an arbitrator, but the school board refused to select an arbitrator or submit the matter of payment of such alterations and additions to a board of arbitration.

Varney has sold, transferred and assigned to the plaintiff all of the right, title and interest in said contract and above described claim. Parsons demands judgment against defendant for \$300, with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 15, 1908, together with costs and disbursements.

TAKEN BACK TO PRISON

PICTURE AGENT OUT ON PAROLE APPROPRIATES MONEY OF CHILDREN.

HIS PARDON REVOKED

J. S. Stevens was in Act of Boarding Car For Portland When Taken in By The Sheriff

J. S. Stevens, who was taken into custody by Sheriff Beale last week, on the charge of embezzlement, was taken to the Oregon penitentiary on Saturday evening. Stevens, who was sentenced to serve a term of 10 years on a previous charge, had served four years of his term, when he was given a conditional pardon. After being liberated from prison he appropriated to his own use property belonging to the children of the man now serving time in the penitentiary at Salem. The children are living in Cottage Grove, their mother being dead. Stevens upon being found guilty of this charge was taken to Salem by an officer, and his pardon revoked. He will be obliged to spend the remainder of his term, six years, in the penitentiary.

Stevens was working for a picture company at the time he was arrested, and was in the act of boarding a car for Portland when arrested by Sheriff Beale.

BARCLAY WINS AGAIN.

Takes Second Game From Eastham in Series of Three.

The basket ball game played by the girls of the Barclay High School and of the Eastham School was one of the most exciting games played by the girls of this city. The Riverbriek rink was filled with the enthusiastic friends of the girls. The Oregon City band furnished the music and enlivened the game. The girls have improved in playing since their last game. A. K. Hill was manager of the Eastham school team, and this team was coached by Lloyd Riches; Robert Goets managed the High school team. The referees were Will Telford of the first half, and Carl Nehren of the second half, and gave satisfaction to all.

The lineup was as follows: Barclay, Martha Myers, Ruby Frances Lillie Long, Pearl Frances Maud Farr, L.G., Ethel Jackson Xarria Owenby, R.F., Floy Stewart Anna Jones, L.F., Lillian Gillett. The first half of the game was close. Eastham made the first point but lost in the last half, and Barclay came out ahead. The score at the close of the game stood 15 to 27 in favor of Barclay.

PETITION IS MODIFIED

BOUNDARY BOARD MEETS AT COURT HOUSE AND SCHOOL DISTRICT CREATED.

The District Boundary Board met in the county court room Saturday, and matter of granting the people of Wichita a new school district was taken up for consideration. The board is composed of County Judge Dimick, William Mattoon, John Lewellen and T. J. Gary. A very enthusiastic meeting was held, Milwaukie, Harmony, Willsburg and Wichita being well represented. The school district composed of portions of Willsburg, Milwaukie and Harmony districts was granted. The lines of the original petition were modified so as to satisfy all persons concerned.

George Atwood, of Wichita, spoke in favor of the new district and called attention to the fact that 46 children in that section were not attending school on account of the distance they would have to travel to the nearest schoolhouse.

Phil Streib, school director of the Milwaukie district, stated that under the circumstances he believed that the Wichita people were justified in their request, as he favored bringing the schoolhouse to the children.

Are Fined \$20 Each By Recorder Dimick.

E. R. Case, D. J. Lewis and Lewis Glass, of Parkplace, became involved in a fight Tuesday afternoon in a saloon on Main Street, and the trio was escorted to jail by chief of Police Burns. The men were each fined \$20 and given their liberty by Recorder W. A. Dimick.

ORATORS AT PARKPLACE

BROWNELL AND ACKERMAN TALK ON EDUCATION AT PARKPLACE.

The Parkplace Educational Club held a very instructive meeting in the schoolhouse at Parkplace on Wednesday evening. The hall was filled with people eager to hear the excellent addresses made by Hon. George C. Brownell and State School Superintendent Ackerman.

Mr. Brownell's able address was on the line of the history of education, and closed with a strong inspirational talk to the boys and girls. Superintendent Ackerman complimented the High School on its excellent reputation and also complimented Otto Purcell and other winners of the prizes of the Parkplace school in the contest of the Sons of Revolution. Purcell's subject being "George Washington." Superintendent Ackerman explained the House Bill No. 77 and other school legislation. He spoke very highly of the stand the legislature took on the educational subject, and especially the stand of the Clackamas county delegation, saying they voted as a unit for the upbuilding of the public school system. Both Mr. Brownell and Mr. Ackerman were well received.

The Parkplace band was present and played several selections, and a male choir composed of some of the leading vocalists of Parkplace, sang several songs. Following the speaking the ladies of the club gave an oyster supper.

Among those going from this city were County School Superintendent T. J. Gary, Mr. Dun, A. M. Sinnott, W. C. Wilson.

DEATH OF CHAS. MOORE

WELL KNOWN YOUNG MAN OF BOLTON, DIED LAST SATURDAY.

The sudden death of Charles Moore, a well known man of this city, was a shock to his family and his many friends. Mr. Moore had been in poor health for the past two years, and last year he left for California for the benefit of his health. After remaining there for two months, he returned to his home at Bolton, on the west side. About six weeks ago he went to Sellwood to visit his brother, H. B. Moore, where he remained until his death on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Moore was born in Kansas January 27, 1874, and at the age of five years came to Oregon City with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Moore. He has made his home here ever since except three years when he was in business in Baker City. Mr. Moore attended the Oregon City schools, and many of his old schoolmates attended the funeral services, which were held at the Baptist church Monday afternoon at two o'clock. The funeral services were conducted at the church by Rev. John M. Linden, and at the Mountain View cemetery by the Eagles, of which he was a member. Deceased was an exempt fireman of the Hook and Ladder Company, and the members of this fire-department acted as pallbearers, who were Ed Rechner, George Brown, Harry Trombath, Charles Pope, Joe Beaulieu, L. Ruconich. The remains of the young man were laid to rest by the side of his father, who died in this city about three years ago.

Many handsome floral tributes were sent by the Firemen, Eagles, and friends as an evidence of high esteem in which Mr. Moore was held.

He leaves a mother, Mrs. Laura Moore, one sister, Mrs. J. W. Draper, of this city; and one brother, H. B. Moore, of Sellwood.

PARKPLACE VICTORIOUS

STUDENTS ACCOMPANIED BY TEACHERS TO WOODBURN WHERE DEBATE IS GIVEN.

The students of the Parkplace High School, accompanied by the principal of the school, Prof. Wilkinson, left Friday morning for Woodburn, where Otto Purcell, Miss Fay French and Miss Olga Hansen, students of the school, took part in a debate with the Woodburn High School. Miss Anna Smith, Miss Effie Morris, Miss Hilda Wyvel, Miss Mack, the instructress of the school, left on the evening train for Woodburn, returning very jubilant Saturday morning.

The subject for debate was, "Resolved, That Further Immigration was Undesirable." The Parkplace students had the negative and won out. Otto Purcell, one of the debaters, was recently awarded the first prize given by the Sons and Daughters of American Revolution of the states of Washington and Oregon, for the best essay. The Woodburn High will come to Parkplace in about a month to have another debate.

ATTEMPTS MURDER

JOHN CARLISLE SHOTS EX-WIFE WHO REFUSES TO RETURN TO HIM.

WOMAN WILL RECOVER

Man Had Threatened Life of Woman if She Secured a Divorce—Threat is Carried into Effect.

Jack Carlisle, who committed suicide in Portland, Tuesday morning, after making an unsuccessful attempt to murder his wife, Mrs. Ida May Carlisle, was known in this city, the family having resided here for the past six years. Mrs. Carlisle has been conducting the New England Home, opposite the Oregon City women mills until November, when she left for Portland, where she opened a boarding house at 246 Jefferson street. During the time Mrs. Carlisle conducted the New England Home here, her husband was in the habit of coming home in a drunken condition and refused to work. Growing tired of this Mrs. Carlisle instituted proceedings for a divorce. Shortly after filing the suit, Mrs. Carlisle moved to Portland and transferred it to the Multnomah Courts. The man often threatened his wife if she secured the divorce and begged to have her withdrawn the suit, but this Mrs. Carlisle refused to do, and the divorce was granted in January. After his wife had left for Portland, Carlisle worked at odd jobs about the city, and at the time he committed the deed, he was employed at the paper mills here.

Before coming to Oregon City, about six years ago, the family lived at Mulino, Clackamas county, where Carlisle was employed as night millwright at the Howard Flouring Mills, and at that time was a capable workman. He was employed by Mr. Howard about five years. His daughter, Mrs. Ethel Davis, is still living here.

Before leaving here Tuesday morning, Carlisle went to a barber shop for a shave and hair cut, and went to his room, where he made preparations to go to Portland. He packed his grip, and taking a violin belonging to his sister, of East Portland, left on the 9:30 car, and the deed was committed at 10:15.

Mrs. Carlisle has a sister in Canada and one in California. There are three children: Mrs. Ethel Davis, of Mulino; Mrs. Beatrice Taylor, of West Virginia, and Ruth, six years of age, who was with her mother at the time she was shot.

Mrs. Carlisle, although suffering much from her injuries, will be able to leave the hospital in a short time.

DIES FROM INJURIES

CLACKAMAS WOMEN IN FATAL RUNAWAY ACCIDENT NEAR GLADSTONE.

Mrs. D. Croyle and daughter, Miss Croyle, and a Miss Morris, a professional nurse of St. Louis, Mo., who has been a guest of the Croyle family, met with a runaway accident Saturday morning, which resulted in the death of Mrs. Croyle at the hospital in Portland on the following day.

The women were on their way to Gladstone station, where Miss Croyle was to board the car for Portland, and were near Gladstone Park, when the horse became unmanageable, and ran into a clump of oak trees, throwing Mrs. Croyle and Miss Morris out of the vehicle. Miss Croyle was thrown over the dash board before the horse ran into the brush, and escaped with a few bruises. Mrs. Croyle's hip was broken, and besides received painful injuries in the abdomen and on the head. Miss Morris received several bruises and contusions on the head and arms.

The horse has been in the family for years, and was always considered safe for a woman to drive. Soon after the accident the women were taken to a nearby house, and Dr. Strickland of this city, summoned, who dressed the wounds of the injured. Mrs. Croyle was taken to a hospital in Portland, but her injuries proved fatal.

The accident was a great shock to the friends of the family at Clackamas, where they are well known. Mrs. Croyle is a teacher in the Portland schools. Mrs. Croyle leaves a husband, one son and one daughter, besides many friends to mourn her demise.

The funeral services were conducted at the Holman chapel in Portland on Tuesday, and the remains interred in Multnomah cemetery.

CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

NEW CONSTITUTION ADOPTED BY MOUNT PLEASANT CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CLUB.

The Mount Pleasant Civic Improvement Club held a very enthusiastic meeting on Tuesday evening in the Mount Pleasant school house. A new constitution similar to the Oak Grove Improvement club constitution was adopted.

Election of officers took place, and are: President, T. Gilbert Clark; vice-president, Samuel O. Dilman; secretary, J. J. Davis; treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Warner. The president at the next meeting of the organization will select the committees.

An advisory board of three members was chosen: J. A. Roman, R. H. Tabor, J. M. Warnock.

Master Fish Warden Issues Notice To Fishermen

H. C. McAllister, master fish warden, was in Oregon City Wednesday on business in connection with the department of fisheries. He has issued for publication notices closing the Clackamas and Willamette rivers to the taking, catching and fishing for salmon fish and sturgeon, except with hook and line, between 12 o'clock noon, April 15, and 12 o'clock noon, May 1st, 1909, for the purpose of creating an additional closed season on said rivers, and to comply and correspond with the spring closed season established on the Columbia River.

Divorce Suit is Filed.

J. J. Seely has filed suit for divorce from Nellie M. Seely, in the circuit court of Clackamas county. The defendant and plaintiff were married in Portland, where they are making their home. Plaintiff states that his wife deserted him on September 1st, 1909.

Son Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cadell.

Mr. and Mrs. Cadell of Fourteenth Street are the proud parents of an eight-pound boy, who arrived at the home on Saturday morning, February 27. Mr. and Mrs. Cadell came to Oregon City from Lake County, Fla. in September. Mrs. Cadell is the niece of George J. Hall, of this city.

CLOSE BROS. RELEASED

JUDGE DIMICK DECIDES THEY WERE UNLAWFULLY RESTRAINED.

The Close Brothers, of Estacada, were released from the custody of the Sheriff Friday by decision rendered by County Judge Grant B. Dimick. Ed and Al Close, were arrested at Estacada recently on the charge of selling intoxicating liquors within the corporate limits of that city in violation of the local option law. They were tried before Justice Gill, who found them guilty as charged and imposed a heavy penalty and short jail sentence. Each of the defendants sued out a writ of habeas corpus and were brought before County Judge Grant B. Dimick. The case was tried and argued Thursday afternoon, and the decision rendered Friday. After a thorough review of the indictment in which the Court finds many technical errors, the Judge says:

"I do not wish to be considered technical in construing this instrument, but as the case is liable to be appealed to the higher courts, I am compelled to follow the rules of law governing such cases.

"I am of the opinion that all of that territory lying within the corporate limits of the city of Estacada, Clackamas County, Oregon, is exempt from the operation of the local option liquor law and that the license and sale of malt, spirituous and vinous liquors is governed solely by the city government of said city under and by virtue of its charter.

"That the defendants and each of them are unlawfully restrained of their liberty and that an order should be entered discharging the defendants from the custody of the Sheriff and it is so ordered."

Deserter Captured.

George Corlett, a deserter from a French ship in port at Portland, was taken into custody Tuesday by Chief of Police Burns, and a United States deputy marshal came to Oregon City and took the man back to Portland. At the time Corlett was arrested he was working in the Willamette Pulp & Paper mills, where he had been employed since last Wednesday, the day he deserted from his ship.

LOW RATES IN EFFECT

VISITORS FROM EAST FLOOD OREGON THIS YEAR SEEKING HOMES.

NEW RAILROAD ASSURED

Rates Are Now in Effect, and Everyone Should Spread the Knowledge of these Low Rates at Every Opportunity.

March 1st was an extremely important day in the growth and advancement of the state of Oregon. It was the opening day of the lowest priced one-way tickets to the state sold for years, and calculated on the basis of rate per mile, Oregon has the advantage of every other state in the Union. Tickets for Oregon points were on sale Monday and will continue until April 30th, at every ticket office in the United States and Canada, and if the buyer of the ticket is posted in advance he can get a ride from Winnipeg, Canada, to the farthest rail point in Oregon for \$25. This same fare applies from St. Paul, Omaha and Kansas City, while from St. Louis it is \$30, Chicago \$33, New York, \$50, and proportionate rates from every other place.

To spread the knowledge of these rates the people of Portland are doing everything in their power, and leaflets are going out in almost every letter that leaves the city, advising that people can buy their tickets to any point in Oregon just as cheaply as to Portland. Every city, town and village in the state should get busy in its own behalf to tell Eastern people of this fact. There is every indication now that the travel will be very heavy—it should be enormous. Every reader of this paper should take this article as a personal appeal and do his full share toward adding to the population of the state.

All the doubt about the new rail road through Central Oregon has been removed by the definite promise of Secretary of the Interior Garfield that proposed construction maps will be approved by March 4th. Forty million dollars will be expended by the Harriman system in building this line, but its benefits to the people of Oregon will be many times that great sum.

A series of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held in Eastern Oregon and Washington are now being held under the auspices of the various commercial bodies. Addresses by manager Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial Club on the advantages to be derived from publicity work have resulted in the raising of generous sums. In but thirty minutes, Walla Walla subscribed \$8,000, and her citizens are determined to increase this to \$20,000 before undertaking a great advertising campaign. Milton, Oregon got \$1,000 in a quarter hour, with \$500 more in sight. Freewater and Milton will co-operate in their campaign. The most spirited meeting held by the Pendleton Commercial Association in six months—and they have been actively at work during the past year—outlined plans along even broader and more vigorous lines. W. A. Moore was elected president.

Announcement comes that Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans is to lecture in Portland and other Pacific Northwest cities late in March. "The Fleet from Hampton Roads to San Francisco" will be his subject.

Firemen Elect Chief.

The firemen's election passed off quietly in this city Monday. The polls were open for voting from 10 A. M. until 4 P. M., and the result was as follows: Chief, John Gleason, of the Greenpoint Hose Company; assistant chief, Thomas Trembath, of the Hook & Ladder Company. Ed McFarland, of Cataract Hose Company No. 2, and Al Cannon, of the Fountain Hose Company, were Gleason's opponents. McFarland received 40 votes; Cannon, 17, but Gleason won out by 30 votes. Trembath had no opposition.

Marriage License Granted.

A marriage license was granted by County Clerk Greenman Tuesday to Helene Lehman and Fred Stoll. The young people are residents of Clackamas, and the marriage ceremony was performed by Recorder W. A. Dimick.

Marriage license was granted Saturday to Rachel M. Edgcomb and J. D. Lowry. The groom was under age and the consent of father was given. Alice Hamot and C. P. Boothby were also granted a marriage license.