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## Corvallis Times.

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### STEAM ROAD ROLLER

Talk of Purchasing one—Adjourned Meeting of County Court

There was adjourned session of the commissioners court last Wednesday. All the members of the court were present. John Gilman submitted a proposition to build, for the sum of \$250 an eight foot grade around Oliver mountain on the Alsea-Dusty road. He is to make proper fills, build suitable bridges and construct safe places for teams to pass, all for the satisfaction of the court, and is to complete the work by June 15 1903.

The court also agrees to purchase two wheel scrapers and a road plow. There was also informal consideration of a proposition to purchase a steam roller for use on county roads. It is understood that some action may be taken with reference to the latter at next week's term of court.

### GOOD ROADS THERE

And Good Cows, too—Also Rich Farmers—Corvallis Man's Return.

After an absence of three years, A L McFadden arrived Saturday from California. For several months past, Mr McFadden, who was formerly a Corvallis lawyer, has been in Humboldt county. The chief industry there is dairying. Before it was undertaken some years ago, the farmers of the section were poverty stricken and the country roads almost impassable; in winter time.

The introduction of dairying was followed by an immediate betterment of farm conditions. Herds have been so improved that dairymen realize as high as \$75 and \$80 per cow a season. To facilitate delivery of milk and cream, and as a consequence of the betterment in conditions roads have been so improved that now the dairy section is a system of turnpikes that make traveling in winter as easy as in summer. These facts were the basis of an article by Mr McFadden published in the TIMES last spring and widely copied by the newspapers of the state.

Mr McFadden left Monday for Lincoln county for a brief visit with his sister.

bearing orchards, mostly apples. Woodland.

Mrs. C. W. Adams,  
Warren, Columbia Co,  
Oregon.

### Wanted

A position to do general housework by an experienced girl. Inquire at TIMES office.

### Lost

Between Corvallis and Monroe last Saturday a big black shawl. Please leave at TIMES office.

### For Sale.

A choice residence at a greatly reduced rate if sold within 30 days. Enquire of

G. A. Robinson:  
Corvallis.

### Teams Wanted

Unlimited number, to haul lumber. Fifty cents and \$1 per thousand over former prices.  
Benton County Lumber Company.

### Cotswold Rams

Persons wishing to purchase will find a few at J E Wyatt's

### Estray Notice.

From the undersigned at Corvallis Oregon, one bay mare, 6 years old, branded with Roman cross on left shoulder; weight about 1000 pounds; rope on when last seen, near Inavale. Reward for return.

A. R. Norwood.

### THE BOLD BURGLAR

How He Kept the Household Awake all Night—And Who He Was.

A Corvallis housewife was alone in the house, the other night. Suddenly she was awakened by a noise. It was at the lone hour of 2-30 a m, and she was sure there was a burglar. She hurried over to a near neighbor's, and with a big pistol each, she and a young man returned to give the villainian battle. They searched the house from cellar to garret but found nothing. Then the other folks went home, and again the housewife retired. But, it was no time for sleep. The thoughts of the murderous burglar, and of what he might do, kept her awake. Nothing blood curdling happened however, and by and by the precious daylight came. It was then that the lady learned that the cause of all her woe, was only the churn dasher, which had fallen from its accustomed place.

### THEY WAITED THE NEWS

And Crowded the Streets and News Offices—Students and Citizens

Main street presented an animated appearance Saturday afternoon. College students by the hundred were in the vicinity of the telegraph and telephone offices, waiting for the results of the football games. Chief interest of course centered in the Seattle game, though not a little was manifest in the contest of the OAC second team, with the first team of the McMinnville College eleven at McMinnville. There was also interest in the outcome of the game of Albany College and Willamette University at Salem, as indicative in a measure of the relative strength of the OAC and Albany teams and incidentally of the OAC and Eugene teams. Albany having played Eugene, and OAC, Willamette the week preceding. In the wait citizens, farmers and others joined the students, and the pavements for a block on each side of the street were crowded with an expectant throng.

The first news to arrive was the announcement that the plucky second team had only been defeated by McMinnville's first eleven by a score of five to nothing, and shortly afterward came the statement that Albany had only won out over Willamette by 27 to nothing as compared to OAC's 67 to nothing, a week before. Neither was disappointing, and both served to intensify interest in the Seattle game, from which news was not received until half past five. The Seattle score of 16 to OAC's six, though generally regretted was regarded as an excellent showing for a new team, and later when it became known that Seattle only won by place kicks, instead of superior team work on the field, satisfaction was generally expressed.

### A Boy's Wild Ride for Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W H Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip proves its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Graham & Wortham's drug store.

Get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets at Graham & Wells' drug store. They are easy to take and more pleasant in effect than pills. Then their use is not followed by constipation as is often the case with pills. Regular size, 25c per box.

### To Homeseekers.

I am now offering some genuine bargains in city properties in Corvallis and Philomath. Also some of the very best farms and stock ranches in the county, with or without stock, very low. Have a few choice small acre properties near town. Come and see me before you buy. I am alone in the business.  
F. P. MORGAN.

### To Rent

Five miles of Corvallis, large stock ranch, hay in three barns cheap for cash address, C H Hall.  
Corvallis.

## E. R. Bryson,

Attorney-At-Law.  
—POSTOFFICE BUILDING—

### TIMBERLESS TIMBER LANDS

What Frank Seites Says About The Portlanders Location.

The late effort of 36 Portlanders to secure timber claims in this section of country, and their filings on timber lands that are well nigh barren of commercial timber, continue to be the subject of much comment in Corvallis and Benton county. But few developments have appeared in the case since Saturday's issue of the TIMES, but all these have served to show how lamentable was the failure of the timber hunters in their errand. Frank Seites, who lives within half a mile of some of the lands filed on, and who has been over every foot of all of the country contiguous, returned yesterday from Port where he has been serving on the United States petit jury. He says there are not fifty old growth fir trees in the sections filed on, and there is not a million feet of commercial timber in the region claimed. He says that what the Portlanders got for all their pains and cash, is hazel brush, elder bushes, salal and "a magnificent crop of fern hay." In some places, he says, there is second growth fir timber ranging from six inches to twenty inches in diameter, but of commercial timber there is practically none. Wherever there are old growth trees they are tunted and limby, so that they are of little value for commercial uses. Of the second growth, there is an occasional tree two feet in diameter, but it will be many a long year before any of it is fit for lumbering purposes. Mr Seites says that Monday four members of the party, in his presence, got rid of their claims by letting others have them.

It has been definitely ascertained that the party never got within twenty miles or more by wagon road of the lands on which they filed. Their nearest point was in Alsea Valley, when they took the south road that leads eastward to Monroe and Dusty instead of going westward over Digger mountain and into the Five Rivers country. The timber that they looked at, and on which they supposed they were filing lies in township 14 ranges six and seven. That on which they actually filed is in the same township, but in ranges nine and ten. As every range extends six miles, the actual distance between where they thought they were getting timber and where they really got it is from 12 to 18 miles.

As the victims explain it, the timber they looked at is on the east slope of a big mountain. The timber locator led the way and the 36 men and women in the party followed, on foot. As they passed along the trail the locator saw surveyors marks on the side of a tree. "Here's our timber," he shouted, and the process of selecting then began. While he traveled through the woods with some of the victims the others finished climbing the mountain to get a view of the country. It was from the top of this peak that Dr Gillespie, whose statement appeared in Saturday's TIMES, saw Alsea store to the westward, and somewhat northerly. As a matter of fact, standing on the lands on which the party actually located, they could have not seen Alsea store without looking eastward, and then only by boring a hole through Digger mountain, or some of its neighbors.

Some people believe that it was Prairie mountain, on the slopes of which the members of the party examined timber. This is the belief of Frank Seites. From the top of it, they declared they could see the ocean. If as some suspect, it was Prairie mountain that they climbed their supposed locations would have been in township 15, range about seven, and the air line distance from their actual location not less and probably greater than if in township 14. Even if there were timber on the lands on which the party actually

located, their claims would all be subject to contest. The fact that they failed to go on the lands would itself invalidate their titles. A further fact is that it places each of them in a most delicate position, for in filing, all had to take oath to the effect that they had been on the land. The wording of one oath is as follows:

"That I have personally examined certain lands and from my personal knowledge, state that said land is unfit for cultivation and valuable chiefly for its timber; that it is uninhabited; that it contains no improvements whatever."

In another affidavit the applicant says: "That I am well acquainted with the character of the described land and every legal subdivision thereof having frequently passed over the same; that my personal knowledge of said land is such as to enable me to testify understandingly with regard thereto; that there is not to my knowledge within the limits thereof any vein or lode of quartz or other rock in place."

Each member of the party subscribed to the above language under oath. The fact that none had been on the land, leaves them in a delicate position, though of course, all relied upon the statement of the locator, and supposed they had actually been there.

The name of the timber locator who piloted the Portlanders into their troubles, is Stone. It is said that he formerly operated in the timber business in Idaho. The account is that the majority of the claimants paid him \$100 each for his services, giving him a goodly sum as his pay for the work. Each of the party, including filing fee, is out somewhere between \$125 and \$150, and hasn't any timber either. Whether or not Stone will refund the money to them remains to be seen.

Stone has been absent from Portland, but returned there Monday. When they interviewed him on the subject, Stone declared to some of the claimants that he had taken them on the land on which they had actually located, and that there was fine timber there. They called in Frank Seites, and the latter in the presence of the locator made statements concerning the lack of timber on the lands similar to those quoted from him above. A stormy scene ensued, in which Stone reiterated his statements, offering to bet \$5000 to \$1000 that the lands filed on, were all covered with good timber. Mr Seites of course stuck to his truthful statement, and there they were.

As to what the claimants will ultimately do, remains to be seen. Any of their claims are subject to protest, on the ground that the claimants were never on the land and if there were timber there to justify contests would be filed. As nobody however, familiar with the country wants the timber, no contests will be forth coming.

### Administratrix Sale.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of an order and decree of the County Court of the County of Polk and state of Oregon, made and entered of record in the matter of the administration of the estate of James L Gwin, deceased, I will on and after the 9th day of December, 1902, offer for sale at private sale to the highest bidder the following described premises in Benton County, Oregon to wit:

The north half of the north west quarter of section sixteen, in township fourteen south of range eight west of the Willamette meridian. Terms of sale, cash in hand. Bids therefor will be received by me at Monmouth, Polk County, Oregon.

MARY E. GWIN,  
Administratrix.

Dr. Lowe, the optician will be in Corvallis again Nov 17, 18 and 19th.

### Just Arrived

Hyacinth, crocus and tulip bulbs, all imported stock, and to be sold at catalogue prices at Horning's.

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When you buy business clothes you want em business like in price, but it isn't good business to have clothes that are not stylish, nor to pay to much are to little for them.

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The best play Local Amateurs have undertaken.

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