

PROTEST OF NO AVAIL

MARION COUNTY COURT EMPLOYERS EXPERTS TO GO OVER BOOKS.

Officials May Refuse to Turn Over the Records—Court Coming in for Much Censure.

SALEM, Oct. 25.—In spite of the protests of the Marion County officials, including one of the County Commissioners, the County Commissioners' Court today made an order directing that the county books be turned over to the county clerk, and that the county clerk be permitted to employ experts to go over the books.

Though the court has made its final order in the matter, the incident is not yet closed, for the county clerk, whether the Clerk, Recorder, Treasurer and Sheriff will turn their books over to the experts when they are called for. None of the officials has yet decided what course he will finally pursue, but for the present the books will not be turned over. Sheriff Durbin is in consultation with the County Commissioners, who are expected to be called on to make a decision. The County Commissioners' Court today made an order directing that the county books be turned over to the county clerk, and that the county clerk be permitted to employ experts to go over the books.

The greater part of the controversy of the protesting question was had behind closed doors, and it was announced last evening that no decision had been arrived at. The record made today, however, is dated yesterday. The contract entered in a record dated yesterday bears an endorsement dated today. This irregularity, as well as the secret session of the court, has been the subject of adverse comment, and may be used to defeat the order of the court if the officials decide to continue their opposition to the experts. The public session of the County Court was a warm one, and Clerk Hall and Sheriff Durbin made a strong fight against the employment of experts upon the ground that it was not warranted by the law under which the court was acting, and that it was poor policy, even if it were legal. County Clerk Hall said if the court would leave the matter until the end of his term of office, which will be next July, he would agree to pay the expenses of the examination if any material errors were found in his books. Judge Scott inquired why this proposal had not been made before the experts were employed, and Hall promptly replied that the last testimony he had given was that the books were correct when the men came around to get the books. The court then proposed to suspend the examination of the Clerk's books for the present, but Hall refused to agree to this, as it would cast an additional reflection upon the administration of his office.

The contract which was entered into with Clark & Buchanan provides that they shall examine all the county books from July 1, 1898, to January 1, 1902, and make a full report of their findings. They are required to furnish a bond for the faithful performance of their duty, and are to be paid a rate of compensation to be fixed by the County Court, and Joseph Albert, a third man to be named by the County Court, the pay not to exceed \$5 per day each. The work is to be commenced as soon as the bond is filed, and to be completed as soon as possible.

HOW THE PUBLIC TAKES IT. Much Comment, and It is Almost Universally Adverse.

SALEM, Oct. 25.—Nearly every man one meets on the streets of Salem today has some comment to make on the action of the County Court in employing experts in the middle of the term of the County Court. The comment is almost universally adverse to the County Court, and there probably are not a half dozen men in the city who approve of the court's action. Many prominent business men, who are usually so friendly to the County Court, are at this time as an unnecessary expense and a reflection upon the integrity of the best set of officers in Marion county ever had. The county has just cleared itself of debt, and by economy will be able to keep out of debt until next year's taxes begin to come in. While the work of examining the books will be a burden to the county, it will probably necessitate the issuance of warrants, which will bear interest. The county officers have not yet decided what course to pursue, but the opinion has been frequently expressed by business men, among them prominent attorneys, that the books should not be turned over to the experts. Judge Scott's warmest political friends criticize his course in this transaction, which, though small itself, has suddenly become the foremost topic of public discussion.

TO STOP ANY LOSS OF PRUNES. Agricultural College Using Cracked Fruit for Vinegar.

CORVALLIS, Oct. 25.—Experiments at the Oregon Agricultural College promise to open a way for turning to profitable account prunes that are unfit for curing and that have been allowed to go to waste in the past. It is the plan to make these prunes into vinegar. It is believed that when the fruit is used for vinegar, about 60 cents per bushel will be realized.

The experiments are conducted by Professor Pernot, bacteriologist at the station. During the season just closed, an experimental fruit-drier was operated in connection with an orchard leased by the college. Quantities of the prunes were cracked by the rains and were unfit for drying. Of these waste prunes, Professor Pernot converted 10,452 pounds into 60 gallons of juice, and with germs of ferment and acid added, he has the juice fairly well on the way to becoming first-class commercial vinegar. The acetic acid developed in the juice is already 5 per cent, and Professor Pernot is confident that in three or four months it will develop the 4 per cent of acetic acid necessary to standard vinegar.

The method applied in the test is simple, inexpensive and available for use in any orchard. With a rough-made machine the cracked prunes were first reduced to pulp, and then the juice was squeezed out, because it is only by fermentation that the prunes can be liberated freely from the cells of the fruit. The pulp was put into a huge vat, and germs of fermentation were introduced. As fermentation proceeded, the liberated juice was drawn from the vat into barrels. After fermentation ceased, the juice was found to contain 10 per cent alcohol. The conversion of the fermented juice into vinegar is accomplished by inoculation with acetic acid germs. The process is simple and easy to bring about. That 4 per cent acetic acid will ultimately be secured, Professor Pernot has no doubt. The vinegar in the market retails at about 25 cents per gallon. The experiment indicates that a bushel of prunes will make fully and probably more than three gallons of prime vinegar.

Hops Sold at North Yamhill. FOREST GROVE, Oct. 25.—Joseph Williams, of North Yamhill, a large hop grower, said today that about one-half

the hops in his district had been sold. The top price paid was 11 cents per pound, but some had been sold at 10 cents. He said he had been offered 11 cents but was holding for a higher figure. Ed Hutchcroft has just sold at 11 cents.

Frutidrying at Union. UNION, Or., Oct. 25.—The Allen fruit-drier is here using 15 tons of green prunes a day, which are being received as fast as needed. Fourteen men are employed in the drier. On the ground floor packers are at work putting up the green fruit in baskets for shipment. There is employed in this work a force of from 30 to 50 women and from seven to 10 men.

UNION INDISPENSABLE. Fruitgrowers of Salem to Join With Those of Hood River.

Commenting on the Oregonian's report of the recent meeting of strawberry growers at Salem and their proposed organization in the same manner as the Hood River growers have organized, the Salem Journal says: A fruitgrowers' union at Salem is indispensable to protect the berry trade at both places. For instance, the Hood River berry is grown on the sandy bottom land about Salem, and is even a good crop on the heavier lands of Salem in its favorable locations. The so-called Hood River berry is Clark's seedling, and grows to the greatest perfection for the home market and canneries at Salem, and quite a number of crates were shipped from here last year. They were so large and fine in color and quality that they brought orders for more. One small shipment from Salem to a California town brought an order for a carload. The Clark's seedling grown at Salem is probably not as good a shipping berry for distant markets as when grown at Hood River. But both places can produce fruit of such excellence and superiority that they have no need to fear of holding markets. The difference in price received by growers at the two places is so great that as Salem shipments increase they are bound to interfere with Hood River trade. A meeting of the fruitgrowers of Salem vicinity is to be held at Salem on Saturday, November 23, for the purpose of hearing a discussion of the benefits of forming a union of growers locally, and possibly of avoiding friction and competition with Hood River. Industrial Agent Judson, of the Southern Pacific Company, and other conversant with the men from Hood River at that meeting to tell the growers here how it is done.

SALEM MAN PUTS IN LOWEST BID. Estimates on Oregon Agricultural College Improvement.

ALBANY, Or., Oct. 25.—The building committee of the Oregon Agricultural College met this afternoon in the office of Architect C. H. Burgraf, and opened bids for the new Agricultural Hall, heretofore ordered by the regents of the college. The building is to be 30x125, three stories high, and modern in every way. Granite from the quarry on the Corvallis & Eastern and sandstone from Pioneer quarry are to be used. The bids were as follows: H. Snook, Salem—First grade, \$36,500; A grade, \$38,500; B grade, \$38,900; \$200 off for unfinished attic. F. A. Erickson, Salem—First grade, \$41,154; grade A, \$42,903; grade B, \$42,883; \$400 off for unfinished attic. W. E. Heckert, Corvallis—First grade, \$42,200; grade A, \$44,400; grade B, \$44,000; \$250 off for unfinished attic. H. R. Ely, Salem—First grade, \$40,038; grade A, \$38,883; grade B, \$42,535; \$600 off for unfinished attic. The contract will probably be let tomorrow.

SALEM MAY GET THE MEETING. Oregon Dairy Association Considering It as Place for Convention.

SALEM, Oct. 25.—Professor F. L. Kent, of Corvallis, secretary of the Oregon Dairy Association, has written to Salem to inquire whether this city will provide a hall for the annual meeting of the association this winter. There can be no doubt that this will be done, and if possible Salem will secure the next annual meeting of the association. George D. Goodhue, of the Salem Creamery Company, has taken the matter up and will see what arrangements can be made. Salem is one of the principal dairy centers of the Willamette Valley and has never been the meeting place of the Dairy Association. It is suggested in Professor Kent's letter that the association meeting be held directly after the farmers' congress, which usually meets just before or after the holidays.

New Oregon Postmasters. WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Oregon Postmasters were appointed today as follows: J. W. Pernot at Applegate, vice, O. E. Ross, removed; R. E. Porter, at Meacham, vice W. C. Betts, resigned.

Applications for Loans Approved. SALEM, Oct. 25.—The State Land Board today approved 35 applications for loans aggregating \$37,800, and rejected two applications, amounting to \$2200.

ARRESTS EXPECTED SOON

SEVERAL MEN SUSPECTED OF THE LATE TRAIN HOLD-UP.

Man on Whom Suspicion Rests Most Heavily is Not About Eugene as Usual.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 25.—It is confidently expected that one or more arrests will be made soon in connection with the hold-up of the Southern Pacific train between Cottage Grove and Eugene, Wednesday morning. Several suspects are under surveillance and can be arrested at any time, but it seems the man who is believed to have been the leader of the gang has eluded his pursuers. It is almost certain that he is in hiding in this vicinity, and his description is such that he will be easily detected anywhere should he succeed in getting away from Eugene. This supposed leader suddenly left his place of employment without giving any reason therefor, which has excited suspicion. He was seen in Eugene on Wednesday after the hold-up, but the officers have either not located him since, or are keeping him shadowed, until sufficient evidence can be accumulated to warrant his arrest.

The local officers are being assisted by four Postal Inspectors, one United States Marshal and two Pinkerton detectives, while a large number of men are out in various parts of the county, hoping to be the lucky ones to secure the reward. The officers are putting in most of their time in Eugene and vicinity. The general opinion prevails that the robbers are in Eugene, and that there is no possibility of their making their escape from the officers. Yesterday the officers were strongly of the opinion that only one man was implicated in the affair, but now they are almost certain that there were at least two.

The rewards offered for each train robber amount to \$500. Of this the Southern Pacific Company offers \$200, Wells-Fargo & Co. Express \$200, and the State of Oregon, under a statute passed 25 years ago, has a standing reward of \$500 for catching a train robber.

Reward for Assailant of Woman. SALEM, Oct. 25.—F. W. Strong, of Heppner, came to Salem today to assist in discovering, if possible, the identity of the man who attempted to murder his wife near her home in this city about 10 days ago. He denounces in unreserved language those persons who spread the story that it was he who committed the assault, and says he can prove that he was in Heppner on the day the crime was committed. He offers \$50 reward for the arrest of the person who assaulted his wife. The affair is a great mystery to the officers here.

DEATH OF MRS. GEORGE SNIPES. Pioneer and Among the First Women to Marry in Eastern Oregon.

THE DALLES, Or., Oct. 25.—Mrs. George Snipes, one of the best-known pioneers and most highly-respected residents of The Dalles, died yesterday at her home near the city, after an illness of ten days, of typhoid pneumonia. Martha Imbler Snipes was born February 23, 1855, in Lexington, Ky. She crossed the plains to The Dalles in the summer of 1853. In September of that year she was married to George Snipes, who had come West in the same company, their marriage ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. H. K. Hines, being the second on record in the history of Oregon east of the Cascade Mountains. From that time, her life has been spent at The Dalles. Mrs. Snipes was the mother of fourteen children, eleven of whom, with her husband, survive her. They are Leander and Frank Snipes, of North Yakima, Wash.; Mrs. E. E. Waterman, of Athena, Or.; Mrs. Susie Adams, of Mora, Ill.; James, Leicester, Henry, Charles, Fred and Miss Mary Snipes and Mrs. Frances McCown. The funeral will be from the family residence, west of town, tomorrow.

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His home here today, aged 83 years. Mr. Phillips crossed the plains to the Willamette Valley in 1851, and came to Jackson County in 1852. He engaged in mining for a time, and later in farming and stock-raising. He had accumulated quite a fortune, and was the owner of several publicans in Southern Oregon. He was a much-respected citizen and had many friends. He leaves a wife and a son and daughter, both married. Interment will be in Jacksonville cemetery tomorrow.

Superintendent Ackerman Ill. SALEM, Oct. 25.—Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman is confined to his bed with an attack of typhoid fever and will therefore be obliged to cancel all his engagements to attend teachers' institutes during the next few weeks. It is thought by the attending physician, Dr. J. N. Smith, that the attack will be a light one and that Superintendent Ackerman will not be confined to his room as long as typhoid patients usually are. There have been many cases of typhoid in Salem this season.

Logger Drowned. HOQUIAM, Wash., Oct. 25.—While attempting to walk a log across a pond at Davis & Dieren's camp yesterday, Peter Kammer fell into the water and was drowned. He was about 30 years of age, unmarried, and had worked about one year in this vicinity. His brother and sister in Minnesota have not yet been located.

Officers of W. C. T. U. ASTORIA, Oct. 25.—The local union of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has elected the following officers to serve during the ensuing year: Mrs. Gearhart, president; Mrs. Trumbull, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. McIntosh, vice-presidents; Mrs. Lemenweber, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Rutter, recording secretary; Mrs. Ross, treasurer.

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PROSECUTION IN CONTEMPT CASE CONCLUDES ITS TESTIMONY.

Accused Secured a Postponement of the Case Until Monday—Began His Defense.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Ex-Congressman Thomas K. Geary, one of the respondents in the Noyes contempt case, testified on the stand before Commissioner Heacock today that he never advised Alexander McKenzie to disregard the writs of supersedeas issued in the mining litigation by the United States Court of Appeals. Mr. Geary declared in positive terms that when he voiced the opinion that the writs were absolutely void, he was not aware of the passage by Congress of an amendment, whereby the Circuit Court of the Ninth district was given jurisdiction over Alaska. Samuel C. Dunham asked that he be permitted to modify a few of his answers given yesterday, and he was allowed to do so.

Immediately thereafter Attorney E. S. Pillsbury, amicus curiae, announced that he had concluded his testimony, and Attorney McLaughlin rose and said: "Before proceeding with the testimony of the habeas corpus to compel Katherine Thigley, of the Theosophical Brotherhood, to produce his two sons, said to be restrained of their liberty at the Universal Brotherhood Homestead at Point Loma."

To Make Theosophists Release Boys. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 25.—Superior Judge Conklin has granted the petition of John J. Bohn, of Chicago, for a writ of habeas corpus to compel Katherine Thigley, of the Theosophical Brotherhood, to produce his two sons, said to be restrained of their liberty at the Universal Brotherhood Homestead at Point Loma.

J. J. Valentine a Little Better. OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 25.—The condition of J. J. Valentine, president of Wells Fargo Express Company, is slightly improved, though he is not by any means out of danger. His condition is very serious, hopes are entertained for his ultimate recovery.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange. Yesterday's quotations on the Oregon Mining Stock Exchange were:

Stock	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Mountain	2	3
Astoria-Melbourne	10	12
Bufo	12	14
Copperopolis	10	12
Champion	10	12
Carlson	10	12
Huronian	10	12
Lost Horse	10	12
Oregon-Colorado	10	12
Riverside	10	12
Sumpter Consolidated	10	12
Mary Glory	10	12

SALE OF MINING STOCKS. Yesterday's closing quotations of mining stocks today were:

Stock	Bid.	Asked.
Amer. Boy	10	12
Blacktail	10	12
Crystal	10	12
Deer Trail	10	12
Gold Ledge	10	12
Iron Horse	10	12
Lost Horse	10	12
Mt. Lion	10	12
Mary Glory	10	12

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Official closing quotations of mining stocks:

Stock	Price
Alta	40 Mexican
Andes	40 Occidental
Belcher	30 Optic
Best & Belcher	30 Optic
Calaverita	20 Potol
Challenge	20 Potol
Chollar	10 Sep. Belcher
Confidence	20 Sierra Nevada
Crown Point	10 Standard
Con. Cal. & Va.	10 Silver Hill
Hale & Norcross	10 Utah Con
Justice	10 Yellow Jacket

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Stock	Price
Adams Con	10 Little Chief
Alta	40 Ontario
Breece	10 Optic
Brunswick Con	10 Phoenix
Comstock Tunnel	10 Potol
Con. Cal. & Va.	10 Savage
Deadwood Terr.	10 Sierra Nevada
Horn Silver	10 Small Hope
Iron Silver	10 Standard
Leadville Con	10

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Closing quotations:

Stock	Price
Adventure	20 250000
Sing. Min. Co.	30 100000
Amal. Copper	85 250000
Atlantic	10 100000
Cal. & Hecla	675 100000
Centennial	17 100000
Franklin	17 100000
Humboldt	50 100000

New Washington Postmaster. WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—M. L. McNelly was today appointed postmaster at Lamar, Wash.

GOLD AND SILVER OUTPUT

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT IN THE NORTHWEST.

Oregon Leads Washington on Gold, About the Same as Idaho-Alaska First of All.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—Director Roberts' report upon the production of gold and silver in the Pacific Northwest is as follows: Oregon—Gold, 31,350 ounces, value \$3,564,700; silver, 115,400 ounces, value \$7,545,700; Washington—Gold, 34,748 ounces, value \$3,950,200; silver, 234,500 ounces, value \$15,150,150. Idaho—Gold 33,433 ounces, value \$3,734,700; silver, 6,420,100 ounces, value \$42,936,000. Alaska—Gold 385,371 ounces, value \$4,371,000; silver 73,900 ounces, value \$48,440.

Anniversary of Discovery of Gold. BAKER CITY, Oct. 25.—Wednesday was the 40th anniversary of the discovery of gold in this county. In the Spring of 1851, a party of prospectors from Portland, headed by David Littlefield, Henry Griffin and W. S. Schriver, left the Willamette Valley for this district, and on the 23rd day of October discovered gold in paying quantities at Griffin's Gulch, now known as the town of Auburn. A part of the company went back as far as Walla Walla and purchased a supply of provisions for the winter, and the remainder returned to Portland, where they told the story of the wonderful find. The news spread rapidly, but it was too late in the season for any one to attempt to cross over the mountains. Early in the Spring of 1852, great crowds of prospectors began to flock into the county until the town of Auburn grew to be a city of about 5000 inhabitants. In a few weeks, and for several years Auburn was the largest and most important town in this part of the state. Today, according to the last census, the once prosperous city numbers 18 inhabitants.

Good Progress at the Brazos. BAKER CITY, Oct. 25.—The work of developing both the water supply and the ore bodies at the Brazos mine is progressing satisfactorily. A flow of water abundant for the mill has already been attained. It was the intention to commence putting ore through the mill this Fall, but it has recently been decided to continue sinking the shaft for the purpose of increasing the water supply, and to go ahead with the development of the ore bodies, until January, when the mill is to be started on full time and kept going steadily.

Colonel W. J. Fife Married. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Mrs. Mary Dubouché and Colonel W. J. Fife, of the State of Washington, were married in this city this afternoon. Mrs. Dubouché is the widow of the late Colonel Victor Dubouché, who saw service in the Philippines as Lieutenant-Colonel of the First California volunteers. Colonel Fife was Colonel of the Washington regiment.

AN INTERNAL REMEDY. A Pleasant-Tasting Tablet; Simple, Convenient; Cures Every Form of Catarrh.

The use of inhalers, douches, sprays, salves and powders for catarrh is a nuisance and inconvenience at the best, and cannot compare with antiseptic remedies in tablet form for internal use.

Internal remedies are the only ones which can really reach the seat of the disease, which is in the blood, and local applications can do no more cure catarrh than rheumatism or kidney trouble, the excessive secretion in nose and throat being local manifestations of a deep-seated poison in the blood.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, the most successful of the various internal remedies is composed principally of highly concentrated antiseptics, which destroy the catarrh germs in the blood and causes them to be eliminated through the natural channels.

Progressive physicians use and advise Stuart's Catarrh Tablets because they contain no cocaine, no opium, no snuff, no drug whatever, but are composed of Gualacal, Hydrastin, Red Gum and similar catarrh antiseptics, and are so safe and pleasant that even little children may use them with excellent results.

Catarrh sufferers who have wasted time and money on local applications should not despair of a radical cure until a trial of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets has been made.

A complete treatment may be purchased at any drug store for 50 cents.



"When I could do nothing I used one bottle of Wine of Cardui and a package of Thedford's Black-Draught. Now I feel better than I have in a great many years." Why will not every suffering woman who is discouraged in the fight for health do what Mrs. Rollins did? She did a very simple thing. She took Wine of Cardui at home and received the benefit that her family doctor or the most skilled specialist could not give her. Mrs. Rollins' letter shows women how dangerous it is to allow irregularities to run on. Her case continued so long that she became very weak—she felt she was developing quick consumption on account of the loss of blood. Then she took Wine of Cardui and was restored to health. This great home remedy seldom fails to cure disordered menses. It never fails to benefit. And in relieving the strain of irregular menstruation it drives out leucorrhoea and checks the terrible agony of falling of the womb. Thedford's Black-Draught, to regulate the bowels, liver and kidneys, and to stimulate digestion, aids materially in a cure. Don't give up, but try Wine of Cardui as thousands of other discouraged women have done. Your druggist sells \$1.00 bottles. Call for, and insist on receiving, Wine of Cardui.

I do believe that Wine of Cardui and Thedford's Black-Draught saved me from quick consumption for my periods were irregular for so long. I began to get alarmed and got weak. When I could do nothing I used one bottle of Wine of Cardui and a package of Thedford's Black-Draught and the first day's doses brought a change that I could tell. Before the bottle was gone my menses came on and a week after I felt like a new woman. I had run down so in flesh I could hardly keep my clothes on me, and now it has been three months since I began taking your medicines and now I am stout and hearty and feel better than I have in a great many years. My husband says I look better than I ever did. I expect to always keep supplied with your remedies, for I believe your medicines are the greatest boon for suffering women known to the science of medicine.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Company, Chattanooga, Tenn.

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