

NORTH BANK HAS EXTENSION IN VIEW

Road Secures Right of Way
Down Columbia and Up
Washington Coast.

MAY GO TO GRAYS HARBOR

Farmers Along Route From Van-
couver Through South Bend, Wil-
lapa Harbor, North River Dis-
trict, Cosmopolis, Sell Land.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—The Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, or "North Bank" joint property of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, has quietly acquired, it is said today, title to an almost complete right of way from Vancouver on the Columbia, through South Bend, the Willapa Harbor country and the North River district to Cosmopolis. It is intimated plans are now under way to begin actual construction work in the spring.

The work of securing the property has been going on for some time. Several North River farmers have exhibited checks in Aberdeen which they received for the sale of right of way, and it is said only a few gaps remain now to be closed.

Today's report follows the visit to Grays Harbor of passenger officials of the Great Northern. The possibility contingent on their visit of the installation of Grays Harbor is discussed. No definite information on the subject is obtainable, however, except the positive declaration made by those who are in a position to know that the work of acquiring the right of way has been in progress all summer and that it is now about completed.

The possibility of North Bank construction came out last night at the meeting of the Town Council of Cosmopolis, when the Grays Harbor & Puget Sound Railway (Union Pacific) asked for the vacation of certain streets.

COURT HELD AT MEDFORD

United States Tribunal Opens Its
Sessions for First Time.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Today, for the first time in the city's history, a United States Court was in session in Medford. Judge Charles B. Wolverton opened court this morning in the Commercial Club rooms which had been arranged for the court's use. The rooms were crowded with spectators.

The first case called was that of George W. Light, of Merion, who seeks \$20,000 damages for personal injury. The complaint was filed in 1908 and a new trial granted. The morning was devoted to securing a jury. W. D. Fenton, of Portland, and Judge Colvig appear for the Southern Pacific and Senator Joseph, the other in La Motte Lumber & Trading Company against Sibley, a suit over lumber wherein the plaintiff seeks \$16,835 and costs. The suits against the Southern Pacific, aside from the Light case, are the D. W. Hazle case and the suit filed by Mrs. H. C. Colby in Jackson County, wherein \$2500 is sought for the death of her husband in a railway accident.

TOWN VOTES WATER BONDS

Cottage Grove to Spend \$100,000
on Improved System.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—A special election was held here Wednesday to vote on the question of creating additional water bonds to the amount of \$100,000. The bonds were voted by an overwhelming majority, there being very few expressions of disapproval. The object of creating such a large fund is to run a large main up Row River, some 20 miles and tap Long Creek, which is conceded to be one of the purest and coldest streams in Oregon, and carries sufficient water to supply a population of 100,000. The city council will have a permanent survey made at once and secure right of way as rapidly as possible.

The revenues from the present municipal water system here are increasing at a rapid rate, and from the present consumption will pay interest on this enormous sum. The water supply during the summer and fall months is entirely inadequate.

M'NARY IS TO FILE BRIEF

Defense of Disputed Justices to Be
Heard at Salem.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Acting as a friend of the court, District Attorney John H. McNary has requested and been granted the privilege of filing a brief in reply to the motion of Attorney-General Crawford in the Sam Cochran case.

The Attorney-General's motion included an extended argument tending to show that Justices King and Slater are illegally acting as Justices, inasmuch as it is claimed there is no constitutional authority for more than three Justices.

DOES GASOLINE KILL HER?

Woman Cleans Rug With Fluid, Is
Poisoned and Dies.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. S. S. Jennings, wife of a dry goods merchant of North Bend, is dead after a short illness, apparently due to poisoning. Mrs. Jennings cleaned rugs with gasoline and bran, and it is thought possibly the fumes of the gasoline may have poisoned her. Doctors say no case like it has been known to the profession.

Mrs. Jennings was 26 years old and well known in this vicinity.

BAPTIST BUSINESS TALKED

Convention Being Held at Roseburg
Puts in Busy Day.

ings. After being called to order by the president, Rev. A. C. Wright, of Eugene, the reports of committees were read. H. F. Merrill, Arthur Conklin and E. M. Runyan were appointed for the ensuing term for service on the executive board. The committee on arrangements appointed was A. E. Smith, of Arleta; O. P. Coshaw, of Roseburg; and M. M. Hildesoe, of Klamath Falls. The general topic for this morning's session was "The Business of Baptists." The first address was made on "The Foreign Mission Society," by Rev. A. W. Rider, of Oakland, Cal., who is secretary of the foreign mission work on the Pacific Coast. The next speaker was Rev. Alonzo M. Petty, D.D., of Los Angeles, representative of the Home Mission Society.

Reports from the various associations were given. Rev. R. Schwedler, of Portland, was appointed a committee on special problems and Rev. McKee, of Medford, as a committee on Bible scholars. At 5:30 a banquet was given with Dr. Brougher, of Portland, as toastmaster. This evening a discussion

PREACHER GETS LIFE COMMISSION AS CHAPLAIN OF OREGON NATIONAL GUARD.



Rev. W. A. Elkins.
COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Rev. W. A. Elkins has recently received a life commission from Governor Benson appointing him chaplain of the Fourth Infantry of the U. S. A., consisting of eight companies. Rev. Mr. Elkins was among the first to respond to the call for volunteers when the Spanish-American war broke out. Joining Company C, of Eugene, he was sent to the Philippine Islands and was in active service. An expert rifleman, he was assigned to the sharpshooters' brigade. Upon his return from the Philippine Islands he was ordained a minister in the Christian Church, and has had a charge at Stayton and Hood River, and was assigned to this church two years ago. Although only 34 years old, he ranks among the best preachers in the state. He is zealous in his church work and forceful in the pulpit. He is one of Oregon's native sons.

CLUB HOLDS HIGH JINKS

Medford Commercial Body Has Good
Time and Gets New Members.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—With addresses by prominent men, musical selections and jibes at various individuals and enterprises of Medford and the territory adjacent, the Medford Commercial Club last night enjoyed its annual high jinks. The attendance was large; men in every walk of life were present and all lent themselves to the spirit of the occasion. The affair was also a success from the viewpoint of the club, for over 60 new members were enrolled and several subscriptions to the publicity fund were received among them a check for \$100 from John R. Allen, of New York, president of the Pacific & Eastern. The president of the Commercial Club introduced Willis C. Hawley, Congressman, who pledged his aid toward securing a Federal building for Medford, a weather station, an increased appropriation for the Crater Lake National Park and other matters of importance to this section. He was followed by Charles E. Wolverton, Judge of the Federal Court, now in session for the first time in Medford. Judge Wolverton told of the factors in the upbuilding of a great state and urged co-operation. Oregon, like Gaul, he said, was divided into three parts: the Willamette Valley, Eastern Oregon and this section. Each, he said, should contain a great metropolis and hinted that Medford should be the biggest city in the South.

GATEMEN NOT TO BE TRIED

Alleged Graft at A-Y-P. Fair Is
Not Ferreted Out.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 21.—Unless there is a marked change of sentiment, the special committee named to investigate the alleged thefts among gatekeepers and employees of the department of admissions at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition will recommend that the matter be dropped. The accused gatekeepers were heard behind closed doors, and the committee's investigations were secret, but there is reason to believe that the scandal will be closed without prosecution. When one gatekeeper was arrested several weeks ago, he admitted that he stole 25 cents and said that the other gatekeepers were in the habit of pocketing money also. This led to an investigation and rumors filled the air for a few days. One was to the effect that all the gatekeepers at the fair were in on the game, and that the investigating committee would be called in to investigate. The matter was dropped.

Woodburn Ticket Named.

WOODBURN, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—At a caucus of citizens last night the following men were placed in nomination for the city election November 1: C. F. Whitman, Mayor; F. O. Roberts, Francis Feller and O. A. Nendel, Councilmen; J. A. Knight, Recorder; Lyman Shorey, Treasurer.

Deserter Is Captured.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—A man named Withanack, deserter from the Army, is in jail here and in a day or two will be taken to Vancouver, Wash., by Sheriff Minto.

TOWN VERY GOOD

Prineville Having Busiest Week
in Its History.

COUNTY FAIR MAIN EVENT

Beside This, Teachers' Institute,
Grand Jury, Circuit Court and
Enthusiastic Revival Are in
Progress, Near-Beer Taboo.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Crook County's annual fair is on at the county seat, Prineville, and great crowds from Central Oregon are in attendance. Tuesday afternoon, after the formal opening, whose culminating ceremony was a speech by J. H. Ackerman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the week of funmaking got under way with a couple of races, attended by probably 400 people. While the chilly and showery weather doubtless kept many away, it is hinted that the new rules regarding betting, this year put into execution for the first time, have even more effectively dampened the enthusiasm of horse lovers. These new regulations forbid poolselling or bookmaking at the track, and even go so far as to put official taboo upon the dispensing of "near-beer."

The fair, which is the most important event of its kind held in the central portion of the state, is this year of particular interest in that it displays the resources of the richest of the huge Central Oregon districts, soon to be tapped by railroads. During the entire initial day exhibits of agricultural products and of stock continued to come in. Probably the finest of the many exhibits was that of grain threshed and in the shock, although Crook County as a fruit producer was exploited by the showing made by apples and plums, while the presence of walnuts and peanuts created new impressions concerning the diversity of Central Oregon climatic conditions. Another great economic possibility, hitherto apparently little considered, is hinted at by a exhibit of specimens of bituminous coal. The owners declare they possess some 2500 acres with coal seams 25 miles north of Prineville.

The big fair, however, is only one of the several attractions which have been crowded into the overflowing week at the county seat. In addition is an all-week teachers' institute, attended by teachers of the entire county. Circuit Court and grand jury are in session, and an enthusiastic series of evangelistic services is in progress. Altogether, despite the fact that the fairgoers have been deprived of even their near-beer, Prineville comes near being the busiest city in all Central Oregon.

According to State Superintendent Ackerman, the teachers' institute, now in session is the most important educational event yet held in Central Oregon. Mr. Ackerman outlined the purposes of the annual institution, in conjunction with County Superintendent Ord, to the 30 or more teachers assembled on the first day, and in the evening Professor Alderman, of the University of Oregon, addressed the meeting. Professor Alderman, who has accompanied Superintendent Ackerman throughout his tour of the eastern part of the state, is working in behalf of the correspondence courses offered by the State University, and announces a large enrollment of educators from the several places visited.

This recent trip of the two educational authorities has afforded its participants some strenuous experiences. From the Dalles the party went through Walla Walla County south to Burns, there attending the Harney County Institute. They left Burns last Sunday, bound for Prineville, 100 miles distant. But the automobile balked stubbornly from the outset, and threatened to leave the travelers stranded with some degree of permanency in the brush and rank vegetation.

Coal oil was finally secured, and formed such a passable substitute for the gasoline that the party managed to reach Prineville on Monday night.

In his address at the opening of the county fair, Superintendent Ackerman said: "I believe the greatest opportunities for young men to be found anywhere in the West exist right here in Crook County. Remember, however, that farming is fast becoming a highly scientific occupation, and that the young men of the East, highly educated in this science, are rushing into your country. The only way for you to succeed against this competition is to become specialists yourselves. Educate yourselves, above everything."

Yesterday morning's attraction at the fair was a wild broncho race. In this unique contest several hitherto unriden animals were entered, and the horsemanship exhibition involving in their riding called out the best skill of the riders.

JANCIGAJ TO HANG TODAY

Slayer of Oregon City Girl to Meet
Death Without Tremor.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Matt Jancigaj, convicted on November 23, 1908, of the murder of Mary Snareker at Oregon City, will be executed at the State Penitentiary at 12:30 tomorrow afternoon. The condemned man was visited this afternoon by the Rev. Father A. A. Moore, of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of this city, and Rev. A. Hillebrand, from Oregon City. Jancigaj has so far shown no emotion or evidence of fear and it is believed he will meet death without a tremor.

MAIL SERVICE TO IMPROVE

Marshfield to Get Pouches by Train
Instead of Stage.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—The Postmaster at Marshfield has been notified that the mail route will be changed after November 1. Heretofore the mail has come in over the Coos Bay wagon road, and has always been late in winter time, owing to the bad roads. The contract for carrying the mail has been let to Leonard Masters and it will be brought in over the stage road from Roseburg to Myrtle Point and thence to Marshfield by train. It is expected this will give a decided improvement in the mail service to this place.

WEATHER RAISES HAVOC

Rain Cuts Off Coos Bay Country
From Rest of World.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Coos Bay has been entirely cut off from the outside for several days. Telegraph and telephone wires have been down, the mail has been a day late, two automobiles are stuck in the mud 20 miles from Marshfield, and those who ride over

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BONES OF LOST BOY FOUND

Child Perished Three Years Ago in
Marsh Near Klamath Fort.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—C. C. Jackson, of Fort Klamath, a telegraphed to Coroner Whitlock, of this county, Monday, that the skeleton of a boy had been found near the Indian campground about two miles from Fort Klamath. Though nothing was found but the skeleton and a few shreds of clothing, Mr. Jackson said he was confident that the bones were those of his son, who was lost in a snow storm about three years ago.

The remains were found in a swamp where, on account of the brush and rank vegetation, they had remained hidden though a diligent search was made for many days by both the white people and the Indians at the time the boy was lost. The boy left his home in the evening to bring in the cows and had not been gone long when his absence was noticed and search was made but night came on soon and it was impossible to trace him in the swamp.

Asotin Fruit Good.

ASOTIN, Wash., Oct. 21.—(Special.)—Picking and packing of apples is now in progress and packers and pickers are in great demand, with good prices. The fact that the best of scientific care has been administered to all the orchards is showing in the excellent quality of the fruit that is being picked this year.

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