

OREGON MINERS AIM AT PINCHOT

Forestry Department Is Still Ruled by ex-Forester's Methods, They Say.

OPEN REBELLION ON WAY

Plan for Special Meeting Next Week of State Branch of American Mining Congress to Put Matter Up to National Congress.

Rebellion against present conservation methods, which they declare are retarding prospecting and mineral development in Oregon, as well as other states, was discussed tonight at a special meeting of the Oregon Branch of the American Mining Congress...

Department Rules Detrimental. C. W. Riddell, a local mining engineer, asserted that the rules of the Forestry Department were a detriment to the mining development of Oregon...

Cost Defense to Be Scanned. VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Brigadier-General Marion P. Mason, Department of the Columbia, Major Archibald Campbell, chief ordnance officer, Coast Artillery Corps, and Captain Elliott J. Dent, Corps of Engineers, chief engineer officer, Department of the Columbia, left this post today on duty in connection with the defenses of the coast in this department...

PORTLAND IS WATCHED

CHICAGO GLORIES IN ROSE CITY'S SUCCESS, SAYS WILDER.

Windy City Manufacturer Expects to See Merchandise Carried From Chicago to Portland by Water.

"Portland is very much like Chicago," said T. Edward Wilder, a prominent Chicago manufacturer, who is in Portland, the guest of his brother-in-law, Colonel W. F. Tucker, 262 Park street. "The situation here now commercially is very much the same as it was in Chicago at the present time, when we awoke to our possibilities."

Just now the big thing among Chicago business men is water transportation, and with Mr. Wilder that subject is a conversational favorite. He knows all about it and on any and all occasions, where a listening ear can be found, pours forth an interesting tale about the possibilities of water transportation. He also has a word or two to say about and to the railroad, though not professing to be a railroad man, incidentally it is a fact that he is a leather manufacturer, owning one of the world's largest tanneries, which of necessity makes his knowledge of railroads intimate.

RUNAWAY YOUTH CAPTURED

Portland Military Academy Boys Arrested in Spokane. SPOKANE, Wash., April 6.—(Special.)—Clyde Rust, a 15-year-old boy whose home is in Pendleton, Or., and who ran away from Portland Military School at Portland a few days ago,

was arrested in Spokane this afternoon by Detective Lister. Immediately on the boy leaving school the principal telegraphed to Chief Sullivan in this city, who was held in the juvenile court until word can be received from the principal, said that the principal of the school had accused him of stealing \$100. He then left school to avoid further trouble, he said.

TOWNSITE LOTS.

A small party of people interested in Central Oregon realty will leave on Saturday morning at 7:40 A. M. for the Deschutes country. They will investigate the possibilities for investments in this much-talked-of country. This party will be under the leadership of the Commercial Bank (ground floor Henry building), who have the exclusive handling of the townsites of Madras and Bend. Any application to the office of the company.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, April 6.—Maximum temperature, 53 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees. River reading, 2.00. Wind, S.W. 10. Rain, 0.10. Total rainfall, 0.10. Barometer, 30.00. Direction of sun, S.W. 10. Direction of wind, S.W. 10. Direction of rain, S.W. 10. Direction of snow, S.W. 10.

Table with columns: Station, Maximum Temp., Minimum Temp., Wind, Direction, State of Weather. Includes stations like Boston, Chicago, New York, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The North Pacific low-pressure area has moved to Alberta, and a new high-pressure area is approaching the California coast. The barometer has fallen slightly over Oregon and Western Washington during the last 24 hours and continues to fall along the coast and in the Willamette Valley and lower country. It is much cooler east of the Cascade Mountains.

FORECAST. Portland and vicinity—Showers; southwesterly wind. Oregon—Fair, except showers northwest portion; southwesterly wind. Washington—Fair, except showers west portion; southwesterly wind.

GEORGE A DE BEST STORY-TELLER SAYS W. CRESSY

Famous Writer of "Fables in Slang" Leads All, According to Modest Sketch Artist, Who Tells of Struggles in Early Days for Theatrical Fame.

WILL CRESSY sat in his private office of the Orpheum Theater yesterday afternoon when the "show was over," and told stories as fast as his tongue could wag. Incidentally, he said George A. De Best is the "best story-teller I ever met."

"Ade," said Mr. Cressy, "has the worst make-up for the sort of stuff he writes. I never look at him again, but you'll see him up for a reuben, but if you take a little more time you'll see that he's another kind. Then he doesn't say a bit of slang, though he has built up his fame on it. He has a shy, diffident, anxious way of telling a story, as if he were afraid it wasn't going to turn out right. Then, when the end comes, it comes as the funnier. Now, I'm just the other kind of fellow. When I am handing out what I consider a good one I begin to laugh before it is half repeated and I discount the fun many a time."

"When I started out," he began in an autobiographical manner, "cooking his head partly on one side and eating in a near-sighted way at the rings of smoke from his cigar. 'I was to get \$6 a week. We were out 32 weeks and I got just \$16, and were all the time getting from Albany to Boston. We played towns so small that they weren't on the map, and hills that had nothing but a stage and a rope and a curtain. I've traveled that country many a time since then and I never even heard of the places we used to visit."

"Our was a repertoire troupe, six men and two women, and we tackled anything on that stage. One day I used to play a policeman in one play and arrest myself. Couldn't do it? Why, it was as easy as eating pie. I was dressed in my uniform and had a super sitting opposite me, playing cards. There would be a scuffle at the other end of the room. I would slip on my policeman's hat and proceed to arrest myself, or at least my overcoat. 'I don't mind telling you that I used

WAGON ROAD LANDS WED AT \$7,000,000

Prospective Buyers to Confer Today With Agent of Paris Bankers.

HILL INTEREST IS DENIED

Inspection Made of Eastern Portion of Tract—Party Leaves Three Wrecked Automobiles on Trail When Coming Home.

At a conference to be held either today or tomorrow, W. P. Davidson and John E. Burchard hope to decide whether they will buy the landed interests of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company, which is now owned by Lazard Freres, bankers, of Paris. No examination has yet been made of the western part of the tract. Mr. Burchard and Mr. Davidson reached Portland last night after an inspection under the guidance of William Hanley and H. L. Ford, of Yale, of the lands lying east of the wagon road. The price fixed upon the Lazard Freres, acting under the advice of C. E. S. Wood, is approximately \$7,000,000, according to the statement made last night by the prospective purchasers. As a guarantee of good faith, a deposit of \$100,000 has been made in the Bank of Ontario. This is not an option payment, but a sum which is to become a first payment on the property if the deal goes through. Should the deal not be closed, Messrs. Burchard and Davidson are to have the privilege of withdrawing the \$100,000.

Hill Not in Deal. The property consist of 308,000 acres, of which it is estimated there are 190,000 acres in timber, 280,000 acres of wheat lands, 30,000 acres of farm land subject to irrigation and 18,000 acres of land suitable only for grazing. The land lies in Malheur, Harney, Crook and Linn counties.

It was officially denied last night that James J. Hill had any interest in the project. No statement could be elicited as to what the intentions of the prospective purchasers were regarding the property. The purchase is completed and they declined to say when a definite decision would be reached.

"You can say absolutely, though, that this is a \$2,000,000 deal," said Mr. Burchard at the Portland Hotel last night. "Lazard Freres are going to make us say all they can, and the price at which the property is offered to us is very close to \$7,000,000. That is the figure at which we are considering the deal."

"We have made an inspection of the land lying to the east, but have not looked at all of that on the west. As to whether we shall require to look at the western tract before making the purchase, I can not say until after we have had a consultation with Colonel Wood."

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tributing to the delay. Telephonic communication between the farm houses and the excellent automobiles in the towns along the route enabled the travelers to resume the journey each time with little delay. Should the property be obtained by Mr. Burchard and Mr. Davidson, they will be confronted with several lawsuits, brought by settlers who have squatted on tracts. In addition it is expected that lawsuits will result from some of the leases at present being held on the property. It is understood the purchasers take the property assuming all these restrictions. Several well-known capitalists in St. Paul, Mr. Burchard being a member of the Burchard-Huribart real estate firm, of that city.

SUICIDE SEEMS CERTAIN

MURDER THEORY IS SCOUTED IN LAUZHIC CASE. Note Left in Man's Own Handwriting Told of His Intention to Take His Life, Say Officials.

T. J. Uhlman, a Portland hotelkeeper who was a friend of the late John Lauzhic, believes Lauzhic's death by drowning near Stevenson, Wash., last Tuesday, may have been a case of murder rather than suicide.

Uhlman's theory is not shared by officers at Cascade Locks, who have investigated the case. The coroner says there can be no doubt Lauzhic committed suicide. Previous to his drowning he sent all his valuable papers to a friend near Stevenson, Wash. He also left a note stating that he purposed to kill himself. The handwriting in the note is beyond question that of Lauzhic, according to those who know him and were familiar with his chirography. Uhlman yesterday consulted Sheriff Stevens and requested that the case be investigated further. His statement to the Sheriff follows: Lauzhic had been stopping at my hotel until Monday morning when he came to me and asked for his money. I took it from the safe and handed it to him. He accounted to about \$100. This man seemed to be in excellent spirits, and said he was going to Stevenson. He did not give the slightest intimation that he intended to commit suicide, and did not seem despondent.

Peter Moore, one of his best friends, owed him \$1000, but the note purporting to have been written by Lauzhic makes no mention of this money. Had Lauzhic intended to commit suicide it is not likely that he would have owed a friend in a hotel \$1000. I don't think that story about Lauzhic being in love with Koch's sister is correct. We talked over the matter, and he didn't seem to care for her. He wouldn't answer the letters she sent him. He did care for her at one time all right, but he gave up on her. Koch was Lauzhic's partner, and is also a fisherman. Lauzhic made Portland his home for the last 13 years. He was once married but his wife died.

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MEETING NOTICES. PORTLAND CHAPTER No. 2. R. A. M.—Called convention this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Work in the R. A. M. Visiting companions are welcome. A. M. KNAPP, Secretary. COLUMBIA LODGE No. 114. A. F. and A. M.—Special communication this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Masonic Temple. Work in the M. M. degree. Visiting brethren welcome. By order of the lodge, FRED L. OLSON, Sec.

MINNEHAHA TRIBE No. 2. IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN.—The members are requested to attend the funeral of our late brother, T. E. Paulsen, today (Thursday), at 2 o'clock P. M. from residence No. 112, 50th st., near E. Lincoln. Mount Scott car. L. CARLSEN, Sec. of Records. EDW. L. GALE, Sachem.

DIED. McILROY—In this city, April 6, 814 E. 4th street, at residence of Mr. and Mrs. William C. McIlroy. FUNERAL NOTICES. SANDERCOCK—At residence 586 East 19th street, April 6, William Sandercock, aged 60 years, beloved husband of Roseanna and father of Thomas and Marie. Deceased was a member of Industrial Lodge, No. 99, C. P. R. Lodge, No. 23, and Local. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend the funeral services at late residence, Friday, April 8, at 2 P. M. Interment Lone Elm Cemetery, Rainier, Ore.

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