

MINERALS AT FAIR

They Will Form Important Exhibit There.

PROF. DAY TO HAVE CHARGE

Black Sands of Coast, Rich in Gold and Platinum, Will Constitute a Chief Feature of This Interesting Department.

A most comprehensive exhibit of the minerals of the Pacific Coast is to be made at the Lewis and Clark Fair by the United States Geological Survey with \$25,000 provided for in the sundry civil bill by Congress.

The making of this exhibit has been brought about by Senator Fulton in connection with investigations of the great black sands mineral deposits of the Coast.

There are on the Coast great quantities of metals which have never been mined, but are of great value. To show the usefulness of these and to experiment with methods of extracting the metals, particularly from the black sands, is the main purpose of the work to be carried on and of the exhibit which will be at the fair.

The heavy black sands referred to occur on all parts of the Coast, and contain principally gold and platinum. Professor Day in writing to the committee on appropriations in the House, advocating investigations into methods of extracting the metals from the sands, says:

Magnetic iron ores are scarce on the Coast, and since the need of them is felt, he wishes to discover how they can be obtained in the black sands by some means. The exhibit which he will install at the fair will be explanatory of the mineral resources of this country, particularly of the black sands. The best location in the mines building has been reserved for the exhibit, and it is not large enough a separate building will be erected to house this important exhibit.

EASTERN OREGON AROUSED

Takes Much Interest in the Coming Centennial Exposition.

President Jefferson Myers, of the State Commission of the Lewis and Clark Centennial, has returned from a trip through Eastern Oregon in behalf of the Exposition, and he brings before the people the interest being taken by the people of that section of the state.

While President Myers was at La Grande the County Court held an appropriation of \$100, which is to become available at once for the purpose of placing an exhibit of the fruits, grain and other products of Union County at the Centennial.

He visited Elgin, and is most enthusiastic over the wonderful crops and large output of lumber from the timber and farms in that section of the county. He says that every resident is planning to visit the Exposition, and that such is well able financially to do so, as a result of the splendid business transacted during the last year. The local bank at Elgin now has in deposits the sum of \$20,000, which is considered an unusually good for a town of less than 1000 people.

SITE FOR FRATERNAL TEMPLE

Structure Will Stand Between Utah and Illinois Buildings.

The committee appointed by the Lewis and Clark Centennial Association to select a site for the temple at the Exposition instead of the former site, which was given to the State of Washington, visited the grounds yesterday and finally settled upon a plot on Gray's boulevard, just east of the Music Store, between the Illinois and the Utah state buildings.

Plans for the temple are being drawn by the architects, and as soon as completed will be called for by the committee. The temple must be ready for occupancy before the opening day.

The following are members of the committee: J. L. Mitchell, president; Mrs. Robert Lutzke, chairman of the ways and means committee; J. W. Sberwood, state commander of the Knights of the Macco-bes; M. Moorhead and C. H. Freeman, representing the A. O. U. W.

In connection with the location of the new site it is interesting to note that the one selected occupies the same relative position between the Utah and the Illinois state buildings as the Fraternal Congress Hall at the St. Louis Exposition. The site is upon the crest of a small hill, overlooking the lagoon, and has been named Temple Hill.

Chairman Lutzke, of the ways and means committee, will open offices in the Lewis building, on Morrison street, Monday, from which all business of the Temple Association will be transacted until the completion of the temple. She will be assisted by G. M. Hyland in the work of the association.

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There is to be a musical and literary program as well as a series of five-minute talks by the representatives of the societies of other states. Mayor Williams, of the New York Society, and Governor Chamberlain, of the Dixie Society, are expected to respond to toasts.

PAY OF TEACHERS

Director Wittenberg Makes a Statement.

HE UPHOLDS THE BOARD

H. Wittenberg Asserts that the Teachers of Portland Are Given First-Class Salaries for the Services Rendered.

PORTLAND, Or., March 4.—To the Taxpayers, Citizens and Teachers of School District No. 1. Owing to the many conflicting and misleading articles that have been published in the press (possibly on account of their not understanding the subject sufficiently), I take this method of placing before you the exact situation as it now exists, and the reasons therefor.

The plan that we have adopted has given to 254 teachers \$50 per year, commencing as you will notice, \$13,200 of the \$30,000 (which distribution has already been placed in effect, commencing February 1), in accordance with the plan. You will see, therefore, that we have already used up more than one-half of the funds, and that the statement that "we have not granted any increase and that we are holding up the money of the teachers" is absolutely untrue. In September, when the new law will be in effect, I am positive that there will be nearly 350 teachers who have had the necessary experience and qualifications, as well as certificates, who will have an additional increase of \$50 which will use up more than the balance that we have on hand. In this is included the small increase which principals will receive, but not the increase voted to the superintendent, and which is not figured as being a part of the \$30,000.

While I am on the subject of superintendent, permit me to state that I am willing to assume the responsibility of having introduced the motion to increase the superintendent's salary to \$4000 per year, and, for your information, permit me to state that the Superintendent of Schools in our city is not now receiving as much as \$4000, a considerable amount as those in Seattle, Denver, Oakland, Cal., Los Angeles, Minneapolis, San Francisco and St. Paul. In Seattle the salary is \$3800, in Los Angeles \$4500, in San Francisco the superintendent receives \$4000 and the assistant superintendent \$2400. In Denver the superintendent and assistant superintendent receive \$3000 and \$1800, respectively. In Los Angeles the superintendent and assistant superintendent receive \$7000-\$4500 for the former and \$3500 for the latter. In Minneapolis the superintendent receives \$4200, in San Francisco the superintendent receives \$4000 and the assistant superintendent \$2400, making a total of \$6400. In St. Paul the superintendent receives \$4000 and the assistant superintendent \$2000. We have no assistant superintendent.

I leave it to the fair and unbiased taxpayers of Portland if they regard our superintendent as being overpaid when these figures are taken into consideration.

The fact of the matter is that the grade teachers are paid more salaries than any other city above mentioned in comparison with the salary of the superintendent. Our superintendent will not receive at the increased salary of \$750 to \$850 per year, and this, really, for nine calendar months, although the contract is for 12 months. I leave it to the good judgment of the taxpayers of this district if this is not a first-class salary for services rendered.

I will venture to state that a great many who have found fault with our action are not paying their people as high a rate as above mentioned. This will give the grade teachers from \$150 to \$200 per year greater salary than they received six years ago.

When it is taken into consideration that the writer made every effort up to the present time in favor of an increase in salary for teachers, he believes that the abuse and criticisms which have been heaped upon his head are unjust and uncalled for. If the taxpayers now desire to further increase this salary, we are willing to vote a sum for that purpose. I am sure that the Directors will distribute it for them.

In my opinion, labor is subject to the laws of supply and demand, and I can assure the taxpayers of this city that we are now paying a higher price than would be necessary were we to govern ourselves closely by the above-mentioned law. But we have tried to be as liberal as possible without affecting the greatly the rate of the taxpayer. So much for that subject.

Now for a word in regard to the position of the School Board: I can assure you that there is no wrangling or disagreement to any extent between the members of the board. Their relations are entirely pleasant. While there may be a dissent in opinion, all such matters are handled in a pleasant manner. There was more confusion at the last meeting than any other that has ever taken place during my membership of the board, and that was greatly caused by aggravating newspaper criticism, which I presume was made only with the best of intentions.

If the taxpayers of this district will bear with us a little while, I am willing to go on record as assuring them that they will find that the plan we have adopted will give to the schools of this district the most efficient corps of teachers that has ever been engaged in the schools of this city, and that none of them will endure any hardship or inconvenience or embarrassment, as indicated by a few nervous individuals, who, in their haste to make themselves heard, rushed into newspaper print. Give us an opportunity before condemning us to test our plan, and if found unjust or wrong, in principle no one will be more eager to assist in changing the system than the writer.

Regretting that this article is necessarily so long, but believing it best to explain as clearly as possible the position of the School Board, I beg to remain, respectfully yours,

H. WITTENBERG.

WEARING GLOVE CAUSED DEATH

Robert Huxtable Met Fatal Accident by Refusing to Obey Orders.

"Robert Graham," instantly killed in the mills of the Columbia Paper Company at Warrenton, last Wednesday, was in reality Robert Huxtable, a printer, who was in hard circumstances. This fact was brought to light yesterday by the investigation of Deputy Coroner A. H. Finley and State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff.

Huxtable's neck was broken while he was at work feeding a wet machine. Investigation proved he met death through his own carelessness, and because he disobeyed the orders of Foreman John Bamberg, who was giving orders on duty. One of them caught in the wheel rollers and drew him to his death, before the machinery could be stopped. His body was not mangled.

Huxtable had been working in the mill but four days. He went there from this city, where he attempted to secure work in various printing offices. He was not a member in good standing of the Typographical Union, but was given a special permit by Secretary DeFarrow, of Multnomah Union. He never could be found when wanted for duty, and about three weeks ago is said to have left here.

"I do not want any one to know where I am," Huxtable confided to a fellow workman at the paper mill, Wednesday. "My father is editor of one of the big newspapers in Canada, and I don't want him and the rest of the folks at home to know that I am working in this place."

It was hardly two hours after Huxtable had told this that he was killed. His body is now at the Finley undertaking parlors, and will be held, pending the outcome of an effort to locate his people.

Deputy Coroner Finley and Commissioner Hoff made a full investigation into the death, and will hold no inquest. They found that death was not due in any sense to any negligence of the company. In case Huxtable's parents are not found, burial will take place here.

Big American Eagle Shot

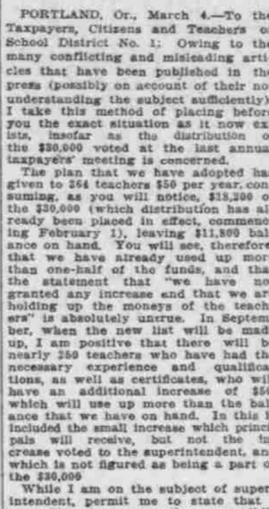
John Holtgrieve, a dairyman on Columbia Slough, driving to town yesterday morning shot a genuine American eagle. The emblematic bird of the United States is very scarce in this portion of the country. This one was a big fellow, weighing about ten pounds and measuring seven feet one inch from tip to tip. He has been in the neighborhood of the Columbia Slough for some time, and many have shot at him, but none was successful until Holtgrieve saw him yesterday morning, rising from the slough with a huge carp in his talons. The bird circled over Holtgrieve, who shot at him and killed

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Here's Our Range News for This Week

A FEW FACTS

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WORTH READING

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ADAMS ARRESTED ON SUSPICION

Peter Adams, regarded by the police as a dangerous man, was arrested by Patrolman Kay late yesterday afternoon at Park and Gilman streets on suspicion. Adams had a saw with him that might be used in perpetrating burglary. He has frequently been arrested.

Sold Firewater to Indians

NEWPORT, Or., March 4.—(Special.)—John Meeseck and Walter Kooyder, two Poles, were brought over from the Siletta agency today charged with having whiskey on the reservation and selling it to Indians. They were given a hearing before United States Commissioner S. G. Irvin, and were bound over to appear in the United States Court. Kooyder pleaded guilty. The bonds were fixed at \$200 each.

Mystery of Lake Michigan

CHICAGO, March 4.—Mystery surrounds the identity of a woman whose body has been found floating in the lake at the foot of Fifty-ninth street. Her clothing was of exceptionally good material and the presence of valuable jewelry and general appearance of the features indicated that she was a person of refinement. The body apparently had been in the water for 30 years or more and dressed in a blue suit and foxskin trim. A gold watch and three rings were found in a pocket and on the wedding ring was discovered the only clue to the woman's identity—the inscription, "L. W. H. to C. M. W., May 11, 1874."

Hunsaker Given Divorce

W. L. Hunsaker, a livery stable keeper, was granted a divorce from Mary A. Hunsaker by Judge Sears yesterday because of infidelity. The case was tried several days ago. A man named Scripps was mentioned as co-respondent. In passing upon the case the court said Mrs. Hunsaker's own testimony was sufficient to convince the court of her immoral nature.

Sells Record to Become Farmer

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 4.—(Special.)—The Walla Walla Saturday Record was today sold by John Frankland, editor and publisher, to E. D. Goodrich, of this city, and J. E. Meadows, of Lyons, Wis. The new proprietors will run an independent weekly in the Copeland building. Frankland has been in the

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