

LAST NIGHT'S LECTURE.

The Provisional Government of Oregon.

One of the most interesting lectures delivered during this course of the University of Oregon, was that given by Prof. C. B. Bellinger, at Villard Hall, last evening. His subject was "The Provisional Government of Oregon," and his discourse was a careful review of the provisions for self-government which were made by the early Oregon settlers up to the time a territorial government was established by the United States congress.

MONEY RECOVERED.

The Dunham Suit—Arrested For Larceny.

In the Dunham case, of which an account was given in yesterday's GUARD, a search warrant was issued from Justice Kinsey's court and Deputy Sheriff Croner recovered about \$400 of the money in dispute. The money was found in Mrs. Bangert's purse. The farmer, Henry Bangert, her husband, could not be found, and the woman claimed she knows nothing of his whereabouts.

A warrant was issued this morning for her arrest, and she was brought here by Mr. Croner and given an examination before Justice Kinsey this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The charge is larceny, it being alleged that she assisted her husband in the retention of the money.

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney E. O. Potter assisted by L. Bilyeu appeared for the prosecution and Geo. B. Dorris conducted the defense. When the case was called the attorneys stated the case. On behalf of the defense Mr. Dorris stated that these Germans lived below the city on a homestead when Mr. Dunham went to their place some months since and wanted to buy the place. The man Bangert could not sell as he had not yet proven up. Dunham arranged to furnish money to prove up and was then to have a deed to the land. The amount was to be \$470 and in the meantime Dunham sold a two-thirds interest in the land for 600 odd dollars. When the deed was made out the consideration was placed at \$1000. The instrument conveyed title from Bangert to Dunham and his two partners. The Germans could not read and did not know until afterward that the amount was so much. The \$470 was paid at the time the deed was made. Afterwards Dunham's partners learned all this and threatened him with prosecution for fraud. In order to shield himself he went to the farmer's home and wanted to make a tender of the \$485 so the farmer and his wife could say they had received the \$1000. When they kept the money they only kept a part of the consideration for their land.

Mr. Dunham was the first witness called and as we go to press his testimony is being taken.

BOND ISSUE DEFEATED.

Very Little Interest Manifested—A Light Vote Cast.

Yesterday afternoon between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock a vote was taken by the taxpayers of school district No. 4, on the proposition to authorize the directors of said district to issue \$10,000 in bonds to fund the present indebtedness. The greatest objection seemed to lie in the fact that the bonds must be issued for a period of ten years, and that the example of bonded indebtedness was a bad one, and might lead to extravagance in the future.

The vote was 221, about one-fourth of the legal voters in the district. It stood:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Against bonds: 189. For bonds: 32. Majority against: 157.

Junction City Items.

A dance is announced for February 10, at the opera house.

A religious discussion at the opera house the fore part of the week, attracted a good deal of attention, and has been discussed quite liberally on the street.

The revival at the Methodist church closed Wednesday night. There were 61 conversions and 92 accessions to the Methodist church during the meetings.

Marshal McClure has recently placed in position six new street lamps at much needed places. This makes a total of 19 lamps for the town. There are yet several street corners in darkness.

Cottage Grove Items.

Rev. VanTyne, of Eugene, preached in the C. P. church Sunday.

Dr. Geo. Wall, after a very severe and extended illness with rheumatism, is around among his friends again, and improving quite rapidly.

We were very much surprised to wake up Friday morning to find about six inches of snow had fallen during the night.

Mrs. Adams, of Missouri, arrived here Thursday and is visiting with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Smith, of this city.

FIRE AT LORANE.—A correspondent writing from Lorane says: Our usually very quiet neighborhood was painfully startled over the destruction by fire of the fine residence of Elder W. H. Witte, Sunday night. The fire commenced in the kitchen part of the house, when the family were all in bed sleeping, and were just able to escape in their night clothes, from the burning building. Elder Witte, a prominent and honored citizen, and an earnest Christian worker, was at Yoncalla, holding revival services in the interest of the Christian church. Himself and family have the sincere sympathy of numerous friends.

SCHOOL ELECTION.

The school election for the purpose of deciding the question whether or not to issue \$10,000 bonds, was being held as we went to press. The judges of election were, W. H. Abrams, J. W. Cherry and D. H. Coleman; clerk, G. W. Kinsey. The talk seemed to be against the proposition.

More Improvements.—Washburne & Sons are putting in considerable new machinery in their flouring mill at Springfield. They will also place in the mill an electric dynamo, to light the mill with. The dynamo will be a 30-light one.

Full of Mistakenments.

The Register today publishes the following: "The case of H. C. Perkins et al vs. J. E. Noland has been on trial before Referee Watson at the court house this week. The plaintiffs completed their testimony Thursday and the case has rested indefinitely. It is understood that it will be resumed as soon as the stenographer reduces his notes to type written matter. It is not probable the defense will introduce any testimony. The sheriff has practically pleaded guilty to all the charges, in refusing to appear as a witness. When wanted for this purpose he was not to be found, but was in hiding about the city, and, it is said, went to Portland Thursday morning. A special deputy was employed to search for him, and, though he continued the search three or four days, was unable to find him and serve the subpoena. His actions have occasioned a great deal of unfavorable comment."

As is well known by all the testimony in the case was completed Thursday afternoon, and both sides have rested, therefore no further evidence can be taken.

The charge that the sheriff has practically pleaded guilty to the charge is the worst kind of rot. Mr. Noland was sued for over \$11,000 and was charged by the complaint with having "performed no services whatever," and the warrants were obtained by Mr. Noland colluding with Judge Fisk and Commissioner Parker. Therefore it devolved upon the plaintiffs to prove the said allegations, which they signally failed in so doing. It was not Sheriff Noland's duty to appear as a witness for the plaintiffs, and they should have been fully prepared to substantiate their charges without having to resort to such methods. For months the investigating committee has claimed that it could prove that Sheriff Noland was, in plain words, guilty of stealing from the county, and attempted to have him indicted. When the case came to trial every witness, virtually exonerated the sheriff, and the judge and Commissioner Parker; and now the Register claims that the sheriff should have come forward and subjected himself to the wishes of the men who had accused him of being a criminal. The defendant in a case, is not supposed to furnish the prosecutors with evidence. Sheriff Noland has always been ready and willing to push this case forward, and a judgment in his favor will be the final result.

Mr. Noland was on the streets all day Monday and Tuesday and went to Portland on business matters. Will the Register state what persons are making the "unfavorable comments"?

Lane County People's Party Convention.

In accordance with the recommendation of the state executive committee, the people's party of Lane county are hereby called upon to meet in their respective precincts, on Saturday the 31 day of March, 1894, at 1 o'clock p. m., and elect delegates to attend the county convention for the purpose of putting a full county ticket in the field to be voted for at the coming June election, and for the election of eight delegates to attend the state convention of the people's party.

The county convention is hereby called to meet at the court house in Eugene, on Saturday, March 10, 1894, at 10 o'clock a. m. All precincts are requested to take the initiatory vote at their primary meeting for all candidates to be elected at the coming June election.

Precincts are entitled to representation in the county convention as follows:

Table listing precincts and delegates: S. Eugene, No. 1 (2), S. Eugene, No. 2 (4), S. Eugene, No. 3 (2), S. Eugene, No. 4 (2), S. Eugene, No. 5 (2), S. Eugene, No. 6 (2), S. Eugene, No. 7 (2), S. Eugene, No. 8 (2), S. Eugene, No. 9 (2), S. Eugene, No. 10 (2), S. Eugene, No. 11 (2), S. Eugene, No. 12 (2), S. Eugene, No. 13 (2), S. Eugene, No. 14 (2), S. Eugene, No. 15 (2), S. Eugene, No. 16 (2), S. Eugene, No. 17 (2), S. Eugene, No. 18 (2), S. Eugene, No. 19 (2), S. Eugene, No. 20 (2), S. Eugene, No. 21 (2), S. Eugene, No. 22 (2), S. Eugene, No. 23 (2), S. Eugene, No. 24 (2), S. Eugene, No. 25 (2), S. Eugene, No. 26 (2), S. Eugene, No. 27 (2), S. Eugene, No. 28 (2), S. Eugene, No. 29 (2), S. Eugene, No. 30 (2).

Where no clubs or legions are organized in any precinct the voters may organize by signing the Omaha platform and electing a president and secretary. Only those who have subscribed to the Omaha platform are eligible to act as delegates to a people's party convention.

W. H. SPATGH, Chairman County Central Com.

QUITE A CURIOSITY.—Salem Independent.

One of the chief attractions at the depot a few evenings ago when the south-bound freight pulled in was four buffaloes which were being taken from North Dakota to the midwinter fair. There were three full bloods and one half-breed calf with its domestic cow mother. They were a great curiosity to many and were fine specimens of these animals. There is a buffalo farm in North Dakota, as a matter of fact there are several of them, which make the growing of the animals a special feature.

LENT.—It is now lent, and you must be careful what you eat and do. The use of fresh meat, eggs and white meats are allowed at every meal on Sundays, as well as the principal meal on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Saturdays of the Ember days and Holy week excepted. The use of white meats and eggs is tolerated on all days of lent at the evening collation, and at the principal meals on those days on which the use of fresh meat is forbidden.

DISOWNS HIS IDENTITY.—Orville H. B. Simmons, the notorious "expert" who is in jail at Portland on the charge of forgery, disowns his identity. Sheriff Noland writes that he visited the man yesterday, and that Simmons claims that he was never in Eugene or Oregon before. Notwithstanding the "claim" Mr. Noland is positive that he is "Simmons the expert," just the same and is amazed at the individual's nerve in denying his identity.

BORN.—At Lost Valley Thursday, February 8, to the wife of Andy Titus, a son. A child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gartin at Trent Monday.

THE BOHEMIA MINES.

The Bonanza Gold Mining Camp of the Pacific Coast. Roseburg Plaindealer: All signs fail in dry weather, so it is said, but that does not prevent an abiding faith that the signs and prospects as developed during the past two years at Bohemia district are a true indication of the character of the mines, and it would be hard to convince those who have prospected in the district that Bohemia is not the coming gold mining camp of the Pacific coast. Sufficient development work has been done to show beyond a doubt the permanent character of the rock, and as the quantity is practically unlimited there is bound to be a grand rush for Bohemia in the near future.

The Annie during the past two years has taken out upwards of \$70,000, and is now turning out one ton of concentrates per day, and will have ready for shipment, as soon as the snow blockade is raised, from 150 to 200 tons of concentrates. This, from the workings of a 5-stamp mill and a small force of men.

Matt G. Wilkins, mine host of the McClallen, has just received a letter from his son Chester, who is at work for Lewis, Clay & Co., contractors, who are tunneling for the Bohemia Gold Mining & Milling Co. He says: "There is being a tunnel run on the Triumph mine 525 feet, which will tap the ledge 225 feet below the surface, and another tunnel of 200 feet to tap ledge 70 feet below surface. The company have 600 or 700 feet of rich ore on dump which assays from \$50 to \$60 per ton and is getting richer all the time. The company will start up their mill (5-stamp) early in May."

It is expected that a great deal of prospecting will be done in the district as soon as the snow melts, so miners can get in.

SUBDUE ENDING.

The Testimony in the Sheriff's Case Submitted. Daily Guard, Feb. 9.

It was generally supposed when the taking of testimony in the sheriff's case was commenced last Monday afternoon before Referee Watson that the time of the court would be occupied for several weeks. After introducing about fifteen witnesses the complainants rested yesterday afternoon. This morning the defense rested their case, without calling a single witness. This caused no surprise, as the plaintiffs had not proven fraud or collusion, even remotely. About the only thing that was proven was that the defendant, Noland, had performed a large amount of services, notwithstanding that the complaint alleged that he "performed no services whatever."

The stenographer will transcribe the testimony at the earliest possible date, when the referee will hear the arguments of the attorneys in the case, sitting in Eugene. Then he will find the law and facts in the case and report the same to Judge Fullerton at the term of circuit court which convenes in Eugene, Monday, March 5, and he will order the judgment entered up.

Explanation.

There is a rumor in the town I had robbed the Catholic church. Here with I publicly declare, that such an assertion is totally false, deserving to be called a lie as big as a fist; for I took nothing out of the church but my own, what I clearly can prove. Whosoever dares to demonstrate that the questionable objects belong to the congregation, is invited to see me in my house, Eleventh street.

The Archbishop appointed me for the rectorship of South Cornelius, Washington County, Ore. That's the reason I resigned from the rectorship of Eugene, and do not intend to leave this place so soon, where I came six years ago for the benefit of my health.

Rev. F. S. Beck.

State Taxes All Paid.

The following is self-explanatory: SALEM, Feb. 3, 1894. Frank Reinsner, Esq., County Treasurer, Eugene, Oregon:

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the 31st ult., enclosing bank exchange in my favor in the sum of \$823, with instructions to apply the same on account of state taxes due from Lane county, which amount pays all arrearages on account of taxes due at the present time. I thank you very sincerely for the same as well as for the uniform courtesy shown this department in our business details. I only wish that all counties were in the same condition upon our books. I remain Yours truly,

PHIL METSCHAN, State Treasurer.

No Flouring Mill.—The GUARD,

and probably nearly every one of its readers, supposed that Eugene was going to have a first-class flouring mill right away. It now seems that we are going to be subjected to disappointment in this regard, for a time at least. It appears that Mr. Butler, the projector of the enterprise, after considerable talk, left for his home in the east by this morning's overland train. He claims that it was impossible to make the contract wanted for the water-power and the location for the proposed mill. The owners of the power, and others interested in the same, inform us that they offered to make nearly any kind of a contract wanted, and they are satisfied that he did not want business from the start. We will remark right here that Eugene must labor until she gets a first-class flouring mill.

MADE AN ASSIGNMENT.—Albany Herald.

Louis Bierck has made assignments to E. W. Langdon for the benefit of his creditors. The assignment includes his real estate in Viueck's addition to Albany and his residence property on Broadballin street. The inventory has not yet been filed, but it is known that the assets will be between \$5000 and \$6000 and the liabilities about the same. His barber shop is exempt from execution, and will remain open.

VACANCY FILLED.—Prof. George H. Wilkes has been appointed School Superintendent of Lane county, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Russell, the defunct. Mr. Wilkes was a teacher in the Geary school for about one year.

A Curious Deal.

Daily Guard, Feb. 9. A warrant was sworn out last evening by J. B. Dunham for the arrest of a German living down the river. Mr. Dunham states that he was acting as agent for the man in the sale of some land. As such agent he was to receive all over a certain price as commission. When the land was sold the purchase price, something over \$400, was paid over, and the deed made.

It seeming, that, in case an investigation was made by the purchasers, there might be some suspicion of irregularity he went down to the farm and made a tender of the balance, or commission, amounting to \$495. This was to pass through the hands of the farmer and his wife, just for technical effect, and then be returned.

It seems that the scheme worked smoothly until it came to the return of the money, which was not done. Mr. Dunham attempted to secure it with force but the two were more than his match and he came to town and commenced action for the man's arrest.

The farmer has not been found although it is said he came to town and drew a deposit from one of the banks last evening. A strange transaction surely, if all the statements regarding the affair can be verified.

No Debt Created This Month.

Corvallis Times: This morning's mail carried to Judge Fullerton a document of interest to O. P. employes. It was a petition from Receiver Clark asking for an order to pay salaries of employes in the service of the O. P. It informs the judge that the receiver has now on hand sufficient funds to pay all claims for labor that have been incurred since January 6, the day from which Receiver Clark's administration dates. Whether or not there will be a balance after salaries are paid is not yet known as the accounts up in the general office have not yet been balanced, but it is not likely there will be anything to spare. The fact, however, that there is enough money to pay salaries does not signify that the road has paid expenses. Business has been so poor that a deficit has only been avoided by the fact that no material has been bought, and the quarterly payment of the mail contract, amounting to \$300, fell due in time to help out. Receiver Clark does not hope to make so favorable a showing next month.

Vote Taken.

The Ashland populist club this week voted for state officers with the following result:

For governor, Nathan Pierce received almost the entire vote.

For supreme judge, J. Gaston is preferred.

For state treasurer, little interest was shown, W. H. Spangh receiving 2 votes, Capt. Teel 2 and A. S. Barnes 3 votes.

For state printer, Geo. Alexander.

For secretary of state, W. H. Spangh.

For U. S. senator, Gen. E. L. Applegate had no opposition.

For congress, 1st dist., Rev. Ira Whitefield.

Isabel Items.

Isabel is looming.

We had a few pretty days last week. The sawmill is expected to commence running in the spring.

Mrs. Elder is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duryee, in this vicinity, but will return to her home in California in a few weeks.

Why does Billie look so pleasant on mail days, waiting for her to come.

Mr. Tommy Whitmore has lost one of his work horses, but has secured another in its place.

Mr. Will Duryee and Mr. Chas. Lewton are in the valley working.

Miss Ella Hayden is visiting with her sister Mrs. Chapman, on Cedar flat.

Rain! Rain! Rain!!! Isabel is clear out of sight.

WHY TIMES ARE HARD.

Americus Times: There is being much said in the country about hard times and the scarcity of money, and as everybody has a cause and knows a remedy, I thought I would write to tell your readers what I think is the cause: We buy more than we produce. There is too much flour and bacon shipped here every year. The things we ought to raise at home we are buying.

We let our timber rot and buy our plow stock, singletrees, axe handles, hoe handles and fencing.

We throw away our ashes and buy soap and axle grease.

We give away our beef hides and buy hamestrings and shoestrings.

We waste our manure and buy guano.

We buy garden seed in the spring and cabbage in the winter.

We let our lands grow up in weeds and buy our brooms.

We waste the wax out of our pine and gum trees and buy chewing gum for our children.

We build school houses and hire teachers and send our children off to be educated.

We land a five-cent fish with a four-dollar fishing rod.

We send a fifteen-cent boy out with a twenty-dollar gun and a four-dollar dog to kill birds.

We raise dogs and buy wool.

And about the only things in this country that there is an over production of are politics and dog-tics.

DESTROYING COIN DIES AT THE MINTS.

In accordance with the revised statutes, the 773 dies used in the coinage at the mint last year were destroyed at the Philadelphia mint on the morning of January 2nd, under the supervision of Colner Steel, in the presence of Superintendent Boshysell and Assayer Eckfeldt. The dies destroyed were as follows: Double eagles 13, eagles 81, half eagles 28, quarter eagles 8, silver dollars 14, half dollars 21, quarter dollars 68, souvenir quarters 4, dimes 45, nickles 143 and cents 310. This destruction of mint dies occurs on January 1st of every year, and if one happens to get a coin now dated 1893 he will know that it is a holdover coin and not a new one. New coins will bear the date of this year.

A COMPARISON.

It is the same thing all over the country. Democratic stagnation, blight and decay are very evenly and impartially distributed. The people voted "the change" and they have it.—Sunday Oregonian.

The Wilson bill wrecked another institution in Anderson. Emma Nixon's dance house in Hazelwood has been forced to the wall on account of the stringency of the times, and she will move her concern to Indianapolis. Threatened competition from the "pauper labor of Europe" is the assigned cause of the failure.—Anderson, Ind., Democrat.

Portland Tomahawk: When Geo. W. Childs died there was one less true and real man alive. There are few such, though there are many whose pretensions are great. Mr. Childs was an honest man. No taint of corruption ever touched him. In a world of dishonesty and selfishness, he stands out as one of the beacon lights of history. He was not great in intellect, but that is of much less importance than true manhood. When one of that nobility whose warrant is character, passes away, the world loses more than it gains by the work of hundreds and thousands of ordinarily honest men.

The great desideratum in the matter of electrical appliances is storage battery which will fill the place that is called for in that line. Inventors have been at work but have failed so far. It is said that evidently that no satisfactory storage system for propelling street railway cars by electricity has yet been devised, for the Metropolitan Railway Company of New York city is out with an offer of \$50,000 reward to the inventor who will devise a plan which will permit the safe and economical use of electricity on the lines it controls.

Fossil Journal: F. D. Smith, formerly of Wagner, who drew the big Examiner prize last year, died recently at Lakeview from the effects of amputation of a broken limb. The broken leg was received in a runaway, and from exposure gangrene set in. Smith never lived on his orange farm, but sold it soon after he won it for \$6000. This he managed to get rid of by dissipation in a few months, and he died penniless. He was in his cups when the accident happened which resulted in his death, and what he thought his great good fortune proved to be his undoing.