

Some satisfactory settlement of the difficulty between China and Japan must have been reached, as the emperor of the latter country has declared an unconditional armistice.

The convention of citizens last night to nominate a city ticket was well attended, indicating the interest our citizens take in municipal affairs. It is common talk that an opposition ticket will be nominated.

A Douglas county jury has decided that a man who murdered his wife and step-son was guilty only of murder in the second degree. If it had been his mother-in-law the jury probably would have acquitted him.

The richest man in the next congress will be Mr. Sora, of the third Ohio district, whose wealth is estimated at \$15,000,000 and income at \$1,000,000. He is one of the democrats elected from the Northern states to the next house. Mr. Sora will soon hand in his check for \$20,000 to meet the income tax required by a democratic law.

The assaults upon silver are made by the creditor class with the single purpose of appreciating the volume of their income. They receive the same number of dollars, but the dollars have a larger purchasing power by reason of their scarcity.

Attorney General Ideman has rendered an opinion that no vacancies exist in the commissions, which the legislature neglected to fill by election, and the old members will hold over. So the present railroad commission will continue to serve its railroad masters.

Another mass meeting this evening to place a ticket in the field for the Monday municipal contest. The voters must have a chance for choice. Then it makes things lively, and gives the local politicians something to do and talk about. More offices and elections are needed and less work.

The school board of St. Joseph, Missouri, have made a rule and are having it rigorously enforced, prohibiting the attendance at school of boys addicted to cigarette smoking. The argument is that the cigarette smoker is rendered incapable of keeping up with his classes, besides his bad habits are demoralizing to the other scholars. If such an order was made here a number of the boys of Eugene would be debarred from school.

The sale of cattle, now in fair demand, for Eastern Oregon and Montana ranges will scatter a considerable amount of money through the Willamette valley. There will always be a demand for cattle, and though low prices may rule occasionally, that kind of stock will always bring money. Besides, during this period of commercial depression cattle have commanded better proportionate prices than other stock and products.

Business is a bigger thing than ordinary politics, and the people are beginning to find it out. The great industrial and commercial movements that create new markets, give profitable employment to thousands, furnish business for our transportation lines and bring prosperity to the farmer, the mechanic and the professional man are of far more importance than party wrangles based upon sectional prejudice. Any community that is able to swap a politician for a saw mill will have the best of the bargain.

The position of Mr. E. Y. Judd, of Pendleton, who has just returned from Europe, on the all-important question of silver should prove an eye-opener to those who persistently cling to the single standard. Mr. Judd has always been a single standard man, but when he came face to face with hard facts, he began to realize what stupendous noodles the American people are making of themselves by persistently advocating a system of finance that reduces the value of everything but gold, by enhancing the purchasing power of the latter, and at the same time allowing the immense trade of silver-using countries to slip through our fingers.

The ultimatum of Great Britain to Nicaragua demanding a commission to assess damages for injuries to British subjects, is offensive and insulting to the United States, and doubtless will be promptly rejected by the administration, which is firm in adherence to the Monroe doctrine. The demand that no citizen of an American state shall be appointed third member of the commission, is a direct insult to the United States; and an intimation that Great Britain will seek to counteract the doctrine of foreign non-interference in American affairs, which has been the settled policy of our government almost since its foundation. The amount involved is trifling but a great principle is at stake.

J. A. Black, of Drain, was in Eugene today.

Thos. Fisher, of Clear Lake, is in the city today.

Cal Geo. O. Yoran returned home this afternoon.

Tommy Abrams went to Corvallis this morning.

Ray Frank arrived home from Corvallis this afternoon.

J. A. Hughes, of Creswell, was doing business in Eugene today.

James E. Lounigen, the Idaho cattle man, has returned to Portland.

William Kahler died at Jacksonville yesterday. He was an old pioneer.

Chas. Lauer and Miss Lauer returned from Portland on last night's train.

The Albany papers compliment Dr. Chapman's lecture at that place highly.

The first shovelful of dirt will be turned on the Astoria railroad next Monday.

Mrs. J. F. Starr and children went to Junction City today to visit relatives for a few days.

Mrs. Williams who resides on the corner of Eleventh and Pearl streets, is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Jas. Whiteaker and children, of Creswell, are visiting at the residence of Gov. Whiteaker in this city.

Attorney Jos. E. Young returned today from the Bohemia mines. He reports very little snow on the ground in that section.

The Sheriff's office has been filled to overflowing all day long with people paying their taxes.

Salem Journal: An Eugene woman has practically spelled down the whole state of Oregon and seeks more worlds to conquer.

The committee has finished work on the house journal. Each member will receive \$240 for his work.

The ladies are busy canvassing for the proposed circulating library. It should be liberally supported by our citizens.

Rev. T. G. Brownson, who has been here for several days working in the interests of McMinnville college, left on the overland last night.

Senator Alley returned from Roseburg this morning. He will remain in Eugene several days before returning to his home at Florence.

Word comes from Hazle Dell precinct that the health of Jas. Walker is poor. Mr. Walker is troubled with hemorrhage of the lungs.

Dr. Power, who recently bought Dr. McKenney's drug store on Willamette street, has arrived here with his family to take up his permanent residence.

The Albany saloon men are objecting to the druggists in that city selling whiskey without a prescription. They claim it cuts into their business badly.

Hon. Wm. Galloway, of McMinnville, and S. B. Ormsby, of Salem, were on the train this morning returning to their respective homes from Roseburg.

Rev. C. A. Woody, editor of the Pacific Baptist, Portland, and a graduate of the university, arrived in Eugene on the local this afternoon, and will remain over Sunday.

Roseburg Plaindealer: James Chaney and wife from Idaho spent Monday night in Roseburg, and left for Eugene on Tuesday. Mr. Chaney is in the missionary service of the M. E. church.

Floyd Vaughan, while in search of his runaway boy, drove from Eugene to Comstock and return, a distance of 67 miles, from 8:30 in the morning to 9:00 at night. This is good time for a single horse.

Miss Laura Farrow was a passenger to Roseburg on the local this afternoon. She will take the overland from there tonight for Steinman, on the summit of the Siskiyou mountains where she will teach school during the summer.

In speaking of the military inspection at that place, the Salem Statesman says: "Col. Yoran is a very young appearing man for his position, but he takes a great interest in his boys and his example will doubtless prove contagious all along the line."

The family of Mr. Geo. Petty, of Creswell, was afflicted with severe illness the past winter. Mr. Petty desires to return thanks for timely assistance rendered by kind neighbors. Dr. Scarborough successfully treated the cases.

Conductor Fred Wall has hauled 111 carloads of potatoes during the present month, on his train alone, and other conductors have each hauled about the same number. These potatoes are being shipped from Willamette valley towns to Arizona, showing that the growers seem to have discovered a big market in the South.

A petition is in circulation in Benton county asking that all deputies of county officials be cut off. The present allowances by the county court for deputies are, for recorder, \$20 per month; for clerk, \$70 per month; and for deputy sheriffs, \$100 per month; total, \$190 per month.

There was one immersion at the prayer meeting service at the Christian church last night.

The southbound freight train and the local passed at this point this morning. The freight train had several cars of potatoes for the Arizona and Texas markets.

Thursday's Salem Post: Manager Butler of the Theo. Kremer Co. left for Portland on the 1:40 local. That company will appear in Portland after finishing an engagement in this city.

A half column item in the Salem Post is headed: "Starving to Death."

A sad case within the Very Walls of Salem. A Mother and Seven Children Together With Two Old People Greatly in Need of Food."

Roseburg Plaindealer: It is remarkable on the streets that our efficient prosecuting attorney, Geo. M. Brown, made an able and earnest address to the jury in the Beckman murder case, High Courtroom George in the news very far distant town.

Salem Journal: Mrs. H. B. Miller, of Eugene, is an unusually good speller. She was not satisfied to spell down the whole town of Eugene, but extended her ravages to the state university and the whole institution had to give way before her.

A delightful day.

Representative Hillegas was in town today.

There are 1015 patients in the asylum at Salem.

John Stewart will visit Portland Monday.

Pres. Chapman went down the road this morning.

Miss Ella Smith, of Coyote precinct, is visiting in Eugene.

Chas. Van Vranken, of Junction City, visited Eugene today.

Ex-Commissioner Parker, of Pleasant Hill, was in Eugene today.

Some of the stores were paying 9 cents per dozen for eggs today.

Leigh Harnett, who works the miners, is in Josephine county.

N. P. Hammett, of Mohawk, was doing business in Eugene today.

Lester D. Jacoby, of Jasper, left for Conynville this afternoon on a visit.

The county fair meeting has been postponed to the call of the president.

The new Cottage Grove water works will be completed and dedicated next week.

The district Sunday school convention will be held at Irving April 12th and 13th.

J. E. Drueks, the Portland flouring mill man, arrived here on this afternoon's train.

B. F. Smith, of Franklin, was in town today and made the GUARD a pleasant call.

Dr. F. J. Bailey, of Hillsboro, is in the city, having arrived on the afternoon train.

Jacksonville Times: Ed Helms, of Eugene, is expected to pay Jacksonville a visit soon.

The official declaration of an unconditional armistice between Japan and China is announced.

County Clerk Jennings today issued a marriage license to T. J. Gibson and Jennie M. Brabham.

The Jacksonville Times says J. B. Rhinehart has gone to Gold Hill to look at some mines.

Mrs. Dell Brumley went to Junction this morning and will take charge of a school next Monday.

Miss Maggie Luckey left today for Hazel Dell, on Big Prairie, where she will teach a term of school.

The supreme court will hear the case of J. D. Matlock vs. A. E. Wheeler at 10 o'clock.

Miss Clara Pengra went to Walker station this afternoon, where she has been engaged to teach a term of school.

A large number of students left on the local this morning to spend the April vacation at their respective homes.

C. W. Starr is dangerously ill at Junction City. He is quite old and the chances for his recovery are doubtful.

The State Sunday School convention will be held in Portland from May 7 to 9. Lane county will be well represented.

James H. Cochran died in Wall-wa, March 25, 1895. He was the father of Mrs. Wm. Renshaw and Mrs. Joel Ware.

Frank Alexander leaves for Salem tomorrow morning to resume his position in the state printing office. He is a first class printer.

The passenger coaches on the local this morning were taken to their utmost to hold the large number of students who left for their homes.

The county convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Junction City April 15 and 16. Delegates from all parts of the county will be present.

The Harrisburg Review says there are 50 tons of freight at that place for Eugene. That paper says the steamer Eugene did not attempt to reach this city.

G. W. Miller and wife left this morning for Ping, Washington, where they will reside in future. Mr. Miller has a large peach orchard at Ping, which is a post office on the Snake river.

Petitions to the county commissioners are in circulation and being largely signed asking that court refuse to allow the McKenzie road company to collect tolls for the next year.

Sheriff Cathcart of Douglas county passed through on the local this morning with Beckman, the wife murderer, whom he was taking to the penitentiary.

The proclamation of the President opening up the Siletz Indian reservation will be made in a few days. The agreement with the Siletz provides for the cession of all their unallotted lands, the total ceded territory covering 178,000 acres. The compensation paid by the government was \$100,000.

A committee has been appointed at Silver Lake, consisting of Geo. L. Giffrey, chairman; J. M. Martin, treasurer; U. E. Abshier, secretary, and J. M. Small, J. H. Buick, C. L. Williams and W. B. Owsley to raise money for a monument to those who perished in the terrible Silver Lake fire last Christmas.

The Budget, of Astoria, has been taking a vote on the money question with the following result: Democrats for gold standard 36; for silver 162; republicans, for gold standard, 46; for free silver, 104; populists for gold standard 1; free silver 58. A total of 83 for gold standard to 364 for free silver, which is about the size of public sentiment in the northwest generally.

Grant's Pass Courier: "Rev. Robt. McLean has received a call from Portland and will tender his resignation as pastor of Bethany Presbyterian church this week. He has presided over the destinies of his charge in Grant's Pass for eight years and his place cannot be easily filled." Mr. McLean is an eloquent speaker and is well known in Eugene.

The Albany Democrat has received another copy of the Tribune of Galloway, Neb., asking for assistance for the editor and his seven children so that he can keep his paper running and his family alive. They have very sympathy. Oregon is much better off than Nebraska, but it may be remembered that the era of depression also struck Oregon and that it takes close figuring to keep business of all kinds running here while waiting for the good times that will surely come.

At his home, Saturday evening, March 29, 1895, four miles north of Eugene, with inflammation of the bowels, Robert M. Masterson.

The deceased was a native of Kentucky, and born in Lincoln county, April 30, 1829; in 1831 his parents took him to Lafayette county, in that state, and again moved, in 1835, to Johnson county. At that place Mr. Masterson joined a company coming overland to Oregon, and on the route, and before arriving at Snake river, the company divided, the portion to which Mr. M. was attached moving in advance.

When the party following arrived at Boise river, where Middleton, now stands, they were attacked by Indians, and all killed except two boys belonging to Mr. Ward. Mr. Masterson arrived in Oregon in 1854, and in the spring of that year he settled in Lane county. In the Rogue River Indian war of 1855-6 he was engaged and in 1862 settled on his farm in Springfield precinct where he died. He married Nellie T. Gillespie, and to them were born seven children all of whom are living.

The burial took place in the Gillespie cemetery this morning at 10 o'clock, and was largely attended. Rev. J. A. Longbottom conducting the services.

Mr. Masterson was a first class citizen and was highly respected by all, and therefore his death is mourned by the people.

POST MORTEM FIELD.

A post mortem on the body of Mr. Masterson was conducted by Dr. J. W. Harris, assisted by Dr. T. W. Harris, yesterday. They found that death was caused by an obstruction of the bowels, a fibrous band having slipped over a small intestine, which tied it. Above the obstruction the organ was in a state of mortification, while below, it was in a fairly healthy condition.

Another Convention.

Pursuant to a call a mass meeting of citizens was held at the court house Saturday evening and a second city ticket placed in nomination.

Judge Walton was selected for chairman, and R. E. Bristow for secretary.

J. D. Matlock was nominated for mayor by a unanimous vote. Mr. Matlock was called for, came forward and made a neat speech.

For recorder B. E. Dorris and S. R. Williams were placed in nomination, the former being nominated by a vote of 80 to 66 for Mr. Williams.

Geo. F. Crow was nominated for treasurer by a unanimous vote.

WARD NOMINATIONS.

First Ward—F. E. Dunn.

Second Ward—Geo. Fisher.

Third Ward—R. M. Day.

Real Estate Transfers.

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COUNTRY.

U. S. to William S. Grant, sec 28, 16 s r 1 e, 160 acres; patent.

U. S. to Benjamin Taylor, ne 1/4 of sec 10, sw 1/4 of nw 1/4 of sw 1/4 of sec 11, 16 s r 6 e, 160 acres; patent.

U. S. to James H. Dickson, e 1/4 of sec 21, 16 s r 5 e, 160 acres; patent.

State of Oregon to S. Y. Abbott, u 1/4 of sec 1, sec 10, 18 s r 5 w, 40 acres; \$50.

Wm. S. Grant to Ida T. Upham, sec 1 of sec 28, 16 s r 1 e, 160 acres.

EUGENE.

F. W. Parker and wife to I. D. Peters, lot 5, Huddleston add; \$10.

FAIRMOUNT.

R. M. and F. M. Day to Sarah G. Heslop, lots 6, 7, 8, blk 6; \$12.

Daily Guard, April 1.

A MEMENTO.—M. C. Fish, a jewelry drummer, is in town today and exhibited a memento of the recent Southern Pacific hold-up. When the robber appeared in the car he crouched down in his seat but one of his feet protruded and when the shooting commenced one of the bullets struck the heel of his shoe, entering quite a little distance. Some thought the bullet was the one that killed the brave sheriff, and therefore the bullet was left at Red Bluff. However, Mr. Fish was exhibiting the heel in town today among the curious.

MARRIED.—On Saturday, March 30, 1895, at 3 p. m., at the home of the bride in Eugene, Oregon, Miss Jennie May Brabham to Mr. T. J. Gibson, Rev. M. C. Wire officiating. Many friends were present to witness the ceremony, which was followed by an elaborate dinner. The happy couple received a number of beautiful and substantial presents. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson will live on a farm about 12 miles northwest of Eugene.

Daily Guard, April 1.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The Y. P. S. C. E. of the U. B. church gave a musical and literary program at the church last evening, which was successful in every respect. The house was crowded with people, every available seat being occupied. The program lasted about one hour and a half, and was quite interesting. The recitation by Miss Pearl Roper being especially well rendered.

WORSE AGAIN.—A private letter from Foley Springs brings the news that Mr. Peter Roney is again quite low from dropsy, and is not expected to recover. Mr. Roney's many friends hope that he may yet master the disease with which he is afflicted.

Port and Financier.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 27.—The Hawaiian minister of finance, Damon, and Joaquin Miller, the poet, were among the Australia's passengers. Mr. Damon has come on private business of his own, and goes back on the next steamer.

Ham Katakahi's Speed.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The ram Katakahi developed remarkable speed on the contractors' trial near Bath, Me., yesterday, running repeatedly over a measured mile at the rate of 17.82 knots per hour. No doubt is expressed but she will make at least 18 knots on her official trial next month.

Attorney Potter has been commissioned a notary public by Governor Lord.

Albany Herald, March 31: The present outlook is that the farmers who had wheat in the Red Crown mills will get nothing. It had been hoped that a re-organization would be effected, but now, on top of the fact that nearly all of the assets of the company have been assigned to creditors as security and that several attachments have been placed upon the mill property, John Conner, through Kelly & Curt, attorneys, has begun a suit in the circuit court to foreclose his mortgage upon the property for \$17,000. The interest and attorneys' fees will make the amount nearly \$20,000.

The suit is brought against John Isom and wife and the Red Crown Roller Mills Co. et al.

Farmers are justly indignant at losing the wheat they had stored in the mills, especially since several who had wheat in the mills and had drawn out flour and feed, have received notice from Wadhams & Co., in Portland, that their accounts have been turned over to them, and they are requested to pay for the amount due the mill forthwith. That kind of book-keeping is a little remarkable, to say the least. It is bad enough to have a mill grind up and sell one's wheat without paying for it, but to demand payment for the part that has been drawn out is adding insult to injury. It is doubtful now if any part of the shortage will be made good. By reference to a notice signed by a committee of farmers it will be seen a public meeting of farmers will be held at the court house in this city next Saturday afternoon to consider this matter.

Personal.

Daily Guard, April 1.

John Stewart went to Portland on this morning's train.

Harvey Sommerville made Harrisburg a short visit today.

Clarence Luckey has gone to Hazel Dell precinct on a visit.

H. C. and Wils Owen went out to their hop yard on the Coyote today.

County Surveyor W. B. Pengra and wife left for Sodusville this morning.

J. R. Hayes and J. K. Jones, of Harrisburg, are in Eugene this afternoon.

Frank Matteson returned from Fall Creek Saturday, walking the entire distance.

Attorney H. D. Norton went to Albany this morning on some legal business.

Prior Blair went to Portland on the overland last night in search of employment.

Miss Mary Thompson will teach a school on Spencer creek, commencing next Monday.

Hon. S. L. Moorhead, editor of the Junction City Times, came up on this afternoon's train.

Miss Nettie Stewart went to Sodusville this morning to spend a month or more for her health.

S. S. Spencer, who is running a flouring mill in the state of Washington, is in Eugene today.

Dr. Chapman filled the pulpit of the Unitarian church at Salem yesterday, morning and evening.

Dr. Wm. Oglesby spent Sunday in Lemati-Cottage Grove returning to Junction City this morning.

Mr. Spencer, of Independence, is now clerking for F. L. Chambers. He comes here well recommended.

Mrs. H. A. Reeler, who has been visiting relatives at Corvallis, returned to her home in this city Saturday.

W. V. Cornell resumed his position at the depot this morning, and Thos. Aubrey will now be on the night shift again.

Miss Ella Vandayne, who has been visiting at the residence of H. C. Owen, has returned to her home at Coburg.

C. E. Boyd, who was recently transferred from the Southern Pacific depot at this place to Glendale, is soon to be transferred to Junction.

Attorneys Bilyeu and Williams are at Salem today appearing in a case before the supreme court, which J. D. Matlock is respondent and A. E. Wheeler et al are appellants.

W. H. Lupton, of Astoria, a brother-in-law of County Treasurer Gray, is visiting with that gentleman, having arrived here on this afternoon's train. This is their first meeting for over thirty years.

A Treasury Deficit.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Contrary to the expectations of the officials of the treasury, the receipts for the month of March will again fall below the expenditures. The amount, however, is only about \$234,000. The excess of expenditures for the nine months of the present fiscal year are \$30,500,000 and this amount will almost certainly be increased by \$5,000,000 or more during April, which will leave a deficit of about \$42,000,000 on May 1st. During May and June, however, great things are expected from the income tax, but the most conservative estimates now place the deficit for the fiscal year at \$25,000,000. The outlook for heavy receipts from the two great sources of income, customs and internal revenue, are not encouraging, particularly from the latter.

An Imposter.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Mr. Matoli has been annoyed of late by reports from various parts of the country as to an alleged monk who goes about representing himself as a close confidante of the delegate. This has been sufficient to secure the imposter extended hospitality as a guest of the prelates throughout the country.

The Beckman Case.

ROSENBERG, Or., March 29.—The Beckman murder case was concluded yesterday after a five days' trial. The case has been the most interesting one tried in the county for many years.

Prosecuting Attorney Brown made the closing argument, which lasted four hours, on behalf of the state. Judge Fullerton's instructions to the jury were fair and forcible. Beckman admitted killing his wife, but claimed he was insane at the time. It is not believed that his plea of insanity will be accepted by the jury.

LATER.

The jury in the Beckman murder case returned a verdict of "guilty of murder in the second degree."

Census Bulletin No. 98 gives full and comprehensive information regarding farm mortgages, and updates many of the theories promulgated for political effect. Of 4,750,000 farms only 900,000 are mortgaged. And these mortgages in the main represent thrift and energy, the money having been used in improvements or purchasing homes. Less than 3 per cent represent borrowing for expenses or because of poverty.

This mortgage indebtedness lies almost wholly north of the Potomac and Ohio line. New York farms are mortgaged for \$138,960,903. Those of Iowa carry a burden of a little more than \$100,000,000; those of Illinois a trifle less. In Pennsylvania and Kansas the figures fall to about \$75,000,000, in Ohio \$70,000,000, in Michigan to \$64,000,000,