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## COURT HOUSE BIDS.

L. N. Roney, of Eugene, Is the Lowest Bidder for the Building.

SIX BIDS SUBMITTED.



This forenoon at 10:30 o'clock the commissioners' court of Lane county and Architect D D Neer, of Portland, opened the bids for the erection and furnishing the material for the completion of the new court house, excepting the heating apparatus, to be located in the basement of said building.

The following were the bids:

Pugh & Gray, Salem.....	\$53,000
L N Roney, Eugene.....	49,785
J B Bridges, Portland.....	52,489
W T Campbell, Eugene.....	55,700
E F Hutchins, Salem.....	54,940
Thomas Mann, Portland.....	50,990

The court took the matter under advisement.

TOTAL COST.

Foundation.....	\$ 9,000
Present bid.....	49,785
Heating, wiring, etc (estimated).....	5,000
Architect fees, 5 per cent (estimated).....	3,200
Superintendent (estimated).....	750
Total.....	\$67,735

The total cost of the new court house, estimated, will be, without furnishings, about as follows:

MEMORIAL EXERCISES.  
Program Last Night in Honor of Washington's Birthday Was First-Class.

Daily Guard February 23  
The First Christian church contained a large audience last evening who witnessed the exercises in honor of Washington's birthday anniversary.

The program was carried out as published yesterday, the addresses upon live topics by Hon E R Skipworth, Judge E O Potter, Rev W S Gilbert, Hon Geo B Dorris and Dr C H Chapman being highly spoken of. The other parts of the program, music and introductory by pupils, also were of a high order of merit.

J W Geary post and corps attended in a body, marching from their hall, and occupied a space in the auditorium reserved for them.

Does Mr Stevenson Injustice.  
The report is out down the valley that J G Stevenson, fusion organizer of Lane county, will be a candidate for state superintendent of public instruction. An office seeker is not without honor save in his own county.—Eugene Register.

The above does an injustice to Mr Stevenson and reflects unjustly upon his motives. Mr Stevenson served Lane county three years as county school superintendent. In the election for his first term his majority was a little over 100; for the second term his majority was over 300, and for his third term he received a majority of more than 800. By his own choice he refused to be a candidate for a fourth term.

We know that Mr Stevenson is not seeking any nomination, and believe that he has taken his present position in politics from pure patriotic motives.

Highwaymen on Wheels.  
A Wheelman of West 46th street, New York, was attacked, robbed and left senseless by two highwaymen, mounted on bicycles in Central Park. Repeated accounts of robberies by men mounted upon wheels have appeared in the papers in various parts of the country. Those depredators of the health, diseases of the kidneys and bladder, will likewise escape arrest, and pursue their atrocious career unchecked, unless they are arrested by the potent intervention of Hostetter's Stomach Bitter, the most diuretic, as well as tonic, known to modern times. It is at the start that disease is most easily overcome. The use of the Bitters is followed by the happiest results in dyspepsia, liver complaint and nervousness.

War Seems Inevitable.  
Washington, Feb 23.—Commanders of detachments of the marines at the navy-yards have been instructed to prepare their men for departure to distant points and for duty on ships at a moment's notice. Rates for transportation of these detachments have been secured, and estimates for furnishing supplies are to be furnished.

DELEGATES APPOINTED.—Governor Lord has appointed the following Lane Co. delegates to the Woolgrowers Convention to be held in The Dalles: Jasper Wilkins, Coburg; John Tait, Creswell; Walker Young, Eugene. Splendid selection.

## MAINE DIVERS AT WORK.

Attitudes of the Drowned Men Co. from the Account of a First Light Explosion.

NEW YORK, Feb 23.—Before the explosion the 10-inch magazine was located on the starboard side, forward and beneath the forward turret. What is left of the magazine seems to have been driven toward the port bow in a diagonal and upward direction.

The 6-inch magazine, which had its location in the port side forward, was hurled in a direction directly opposite to that taken by the 10-inch magazine. One of the copper cylindrical tanks of the 6-inch magazine was found by the divers in the wreck of that structure. It contained no powder charge.

The theory of the two explosions is borne out by the testimony of Kenor Antonio Cabalero, a tobacco-dealer of Havana. Senor Cabalero was crossing the bay in a ferry-boat at the time of the explosion. He was familiar with the Maine, had paid several visits to the craft, and was pointing out to a group of friends on the ferry-boat her peculiarities. There came just at that instant, he says, a dull report from the forward part of the ship, the upheaval of a geyser of water about the boat, followed almost instantly by a terrible roar and a blinding flash of light. He is positive about the first explosion, and says that it was noticed by his companions.

The further inquiry into the causes that led to the Maine disaster proceeds the more remote appear the chances that any evidence will be discovered to show that the disaster was due to an accident. Those divers who penetrated into the forward part of the wreck found that the whole forward end of the ship, from a point just abaft the forward turret, had been twisted 15 or 20 degrees to starboard. That part of the vessel was a wilderness of debris and curled and twisted plates. The sharp, jagged edges of some of the plates added danger to the difficulties of the divers. In one instance they almost cut through a rubber tube which supplied the diver with air.

One important discovery made was the position of the bodies found in the wreck, 100 of which were floating about in the torn compartments. A full score of these were examined by my informant. All of them were in hammocks and had their arms curled upward. They looked as if the men had been startled by some sudden shock of danger, and were in the act of reaching up for their hammock hooks to swing themselves on deck when death came. This seems to confirm all that has already been said about there having been two explosions—the first startling the men into the act of rising from their hammocks, the other dashing out their lives.

## Real Estate Transfers.

State of Oregon to John P Keating lot 4 sec 4 tp 17, 3 w 12.

Joshua McGee and wife to D A Conley 7 acres in sec 3 tp 17, 2 w 140.

Mary Leter and husband to Annie Ovenshiner undivided 1/2 lot 2 blk 7 Skinner's Original plat Eugene \$150.

Edward Farman and wife to I P Inman 1/2 acre at Lorane \$25.

J C Goodale and wife to James C Goodale Jr 1/2 acre on east side of Coburg \$600.

Reported daily from the Abstract office of A E Wheeler & Co.

L B Mitchell and wife to Geo W Crabtree, 56 acres of the J G Mitchell don land claim in tp 18 3 w; \$500.

Geo W Crabtree and wife to John L Morehouse, 16 acres of the J G Mitchell don land claim in tp 18 3 w; \$500.

Alfred Brattain and wife to Mollie Brattain Scott lot No 10 of the Paul Brattain don land claim in tp 17 3 w; \$720.

There were also filed yesterday four mortgages aggregating \$4135 and three satisfaction of mortgages aggregating \$2812.

## Union in Lincoln County.

The reform forces of Lincoln county have united, says the Bandon Recorder, in the following manner: The populists and democrats will call a county convention, composed of 46 delegates each; this being one delegate at large for each 20 voters, or major fraction thereof cast for W J Bryan for president. These two conventions will meet at Toledo on the same day and each will nominate their separate delegates to the state convention, and do the other preliminary work of an ordinary convention, then the two conventions will join into one convention, and nominate a county ticket composed of men of both parties.

## Buckle's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded.

## To Sell or Trade

One and one-half lots in Irving, store building and stock of merchandise, value \$3000. Will exchange for armproperty or stock ranch, or cheap for cash. Reason for selling, going to Alaska.

J W KITCHEN.

## Estray Notice.

Came to my place November 24, 89, a light red cow, crop off right ear, udder bit in left ear. About 6 years old. At Anderson place 4 miles above Waltersburg.

M G MASTERS.

## CONTRACT AWARDED.

L. N. Roney Today Signs Contract to Erect the New Court House.

Daily Guard February 23.

Is To Be Completed Jan. 1, 1899  
The Lane county board of commissioners today decided to accept the bid presented by L N Roney for the erection of the new court house, it being the lowest.

Mr Roney filed his bond with the commissioners in the sum of the bid, \$49,785, with S H Friendly, S B Eakin, W E Brown, F W Osburn, J H McClung, T G Hendricks and F L Chambers as sureties.

The builders' agreement stipulates that the contract shall be completed to the satisfaction of Architect Delos D Neer, who will act as superintendent for the board, by Jan 1, 1899. The number of payments shall not exceed 15, including the final payment of 10 per cent of contract price, which is to be made after the completion of the building and acceptance of same by the architect and board of commissioners; also that the building shall be enclosed not later than Oct 1, 1898.

## CUBAN RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Will Meet Friday Night and Act at Once.

Today Hon S B Eakin received official notification from Governor Wm P Lord that he was appointed a member of the Cuban relief committee for Eugene, to act in conjunction with the following named citizens: F W Osburn, H T Condon, M O Wilkins, G W Griffin, Rev R C Brooks, Dr W L Cheshire and Dr W Kuykendall. Governor Lord urged immediate action in the matter. Acting in accordance with the above Mr Eakin today notified each member of the committee of the first meeting by letter as follows:

Dear Sir:—You have been designated by Governor Lord as one of the Cuban relief committee for Eugene. Will you please meet with the committee Friday evening at 7 o'clock in the First National Bank to consult and arrange the work. We must act at once.

In conversation with a GUARD reporter today Mr Eakin stated that the committee would proceed with due diligence to discharge the trust imposed with them by the governor, as it was a matter that could not be delayed.

To Rev W S Gilbert.

EUGENE, Feb 24.

MR EDITOR:—I would like to ask Mr Gilbert, school director, if he thinks that Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence and president of the United States, was an "unpatriotic citizen"? It has been the general opinion for about 100 years that he was "a true American and an infidel." Shame upon such unpatriotic sentiments uttered by a school director to school children.

It does not tarnish the reputation of the writer of the Declaration of Independence in the least, but it does write down the narrowness of Mr Gilbert, who would call the motives of broad liberal men into question. Christianity is not responsible for the utterances of such pretended advocates of a grand religion. Such men as the Rev Briggs would spurn such impure statements.

A CITIZEN.

## Notice of Annual School Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No 4, of Lane county, State of Oregon, that the Annual School meeting for the said district will be held at the Court House in Eugene, Oregon, to begin at the hour of 7 o'clock p m, on the first Monday, being the 7th day of March, A D 1898.

This meeting is called for the purpose of hearing the annual report of the Directors and Clerk of said district, and for the transaction of business usual at such meeting.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1898.  
Attest: J L PAGE,  
Chairman Board of Directors.  
Geo F CRAW, District Clerk.

## Logs for Sale.

The undersigned will have for sale on or about June 1 a lot of first class yellow fir saw logs, about one and one-half million feet. Some are now being cut and banded ready to roll into the river at my farm near Elliston. Parties wishing to purchase saw logs are invited to call and inspect them on or about May 1 next. Also I will have about as many more for sale by next fall, and a further lot of from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 feet to be prepared for market during the season of '98 and '99. All of said logs will be banded at my place on the McKenzie river.

JOHN COGSWELL.

Elliston, Feb 1, 1898.

## Estray Notice.

Taken up by the undersigned, living 2 1/2 miles west of Eugene, 1 red and white spotted cow, no marks or brands, left horn udders, about 4 years old. Came to my place about the 20th day of December, 1897. Owner can recover cow by paying for my expenses.

WALTERS.

## Eugene City Guard

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 23.

SAURDAY,..... FEBRUARY 26.

## FREE SILVER FORCES.

Silver Republicans, Populists and Democrats of Lane County Will Unite for the June Campaign.

County Committee Meeting.

According to the call heretofore made the county central committees of the People's and Democratic parties met at the court house in Eugene at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

U G Stevenson was elected chairman and H D Norton secretary.

A roll call of the precinct committees showed a good attendance from the ranks of both parties. As the roll was called the several committees reported as to the political sentiment of their homes. Without exception it was very favorable to some plan for a union of all silver forces. In several precincts where meetings had been held there was practically no opposition to the union movement except from "McKinley d'epies," as one committee-man facetiously reported.

Silver clubs were reported from several precincts and among their members were reported former Republicans, silver Republicans, Populists and Democrats.

A resolution was agreed to calling separate primaries for county conventions to elect delegates to the state conventions which meet in Portland March 21st. It was the opinion that the Populist and Democratic county conventions at that time should make a nomination on the lower ticket, so as to get on the Republican ballot according to law, and unite the conventions and combine the ticket with union nomination.

The following noted school men will take part in the teachers institute Saturday at the Christian church: Supt. G W Jones, Prin. J H Ackerman, Pres P S Campbell, Pres. C H Chapman and Supt. E D Reeler.

Miss Beese Day, who has been in the East for several months, recently graduated at the Cincinnati school of embalming, and is at present visiting her brother in British Columbia. She will return to Eugene in a few days.

We have received from the Oregon State Agricultural College experiment station a bulletin on spraying. It is well prepared and is valuable to all raisers of fruits. The bulletin will be sent free to all residents of Oregon who will request them from the college.

Weekly Record: Mrs Snodgrass, who is spending the winter at Baker City, will likely remain there during the summer. Mrs Cleaver, her mother, will leave for that city in a few days. Mr Snodgrass will retain his position in the First National bank for the present.

A mile of wire netting purchased by the farmers of the Klamath Falls neighborhood is to be used for rabbit drives. The wire will be placed in a V-shape, with a slaughter-pen at the head. By the aid of a few whippers-in the bunnies will be expected to flock into the trap like sheep into the slaughter-pen.

The dog market in Seattle has experienced a fearful slump. The Alaska Dog Company, composed of Ashland parties, who recently took a lot of 80 canines there, are having great difficulty in disposing of them at any price. An auction sale of dogs was held last week and the highest price realized was \$2.50 per head.

Notice To Politicians.  
If you want five cockerels from prize winners, B F Rock, Buff or Brown Leghorns and S S Hamburgs, call on or address Amos Wilkins, Ash Grove Poultry Yard, Coburg, Or.

Money to Loan.  
Have a block of \$40,000 to loan in Lane county. If you need security and perfect title, furnish us the coin without charge. We make our own examinations. Call on us or write S. STEELE & Co., Albany, Oregon.

For Sale or Trade.  
Farm of 450 acres in Sherman Oregon, 20 miles south of all under fence; 200 acres in all; survey of Wasco branch of N runs near the place. Will trade for property in or near Albany town with good school property. Address, THOMAS F MILLER, Seilo, Oregon.

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