

Eugene City Guard.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The business department of the WEEKLY GUARD is caused considerable trouble by correspondents addressing the proprietors personally. Address all letters referring to the newspaper or business connected therewith to THE GUARD, Eugene, Oregon.

CARE OF THE INSANE.

Dr Joseph, state senator elect from Multnomah, has prepared a bill for better regulation of the insane asylum. A leading feature of the bill provides for a board of six trustees two of whom at least must visit the asylum not less than once each month. They shall be privileged to talk with any patient or visit any part of the asylum without being accompanied by any asylum employee. Letters to them from patients shall be delivered without inspection by the asylum authorities.

Dr Joseph had charge of the Oregon insane for many years and is aware that abuses can easily become fastened upon such an institution where employees run to the hundred mark, and patients to the thousand. Employees cannot but become callous in dealing with such a body of insane, and it is Dr Joseph's idea that a disinterested unbiased board shall hear and determine complaints. After all, though, they could but listen to the statements of the superintendent and his employees. Dr Joseph must know that the insane are unreliable, and crafty to the degree that it often requires the nicest discrimination to tell where reason ends and insanity begins.

COLD IS THE TREASURY.

The daily statement of the treasury for January 5th shows an available cash balance of \$290,727,045. Nearly \$5.00 for every man, woman and child in the country stowed away where it does no good! The retiring of that vast sum from circulation certainly does harm. It is the gold standard policy that claims that the treasury must have coin enough to meet possible demands by presentation of green-back, and treasury notes for redemption. Yet the paper money is preferred to gold, and no one demands gold for paper. That paper circulated at par without question before there was ever a dollar of reserve in the treasury.

Every action of the treasury is in the direction of riveting the gold standard more firmly on the people. The constant accumulation and accretion to this vast reserve, that comprises nearly one-fourth of our available circulating medium, of all kinds, cannot but be a menace to business and fix the control of the finances of the country in the grasp of financial magnates. The government is in partnership with them instead of representing the people.

ATLIN LAKE WON'T FREEZE.

Atlin City is a typical Alaska boom town. Some interesting notes about winter life there as well as the latest news is contained in the Skagway-Atlin Budget. It says:

"Atlin lake is the only unsolved problem here. The people have been waiting for it to freeze, but it has not frozen. The waves still revel seemingly in their last days of freedom from binding ice flows; and slush sometimes appears but the temperature of the water still remains at 35 deg. The mercury may drop to 10 below zero, but it only makes the lake smoke and steam off vapor in clouds, and the damp fog freezes on all the landscapes, making the hundred miles of Atlin's valley a crystal fairyland, but a beauty, though that is wasted unnoticed on this busy community; for every one here is bent on booming the country, building cabins, hauling supplies and digging for gold."

SHERIFF'S SALARIES.

Are Not Enough to Compensate for the Exposure of Their Lives.

When the sheriff goes out to make an arrest, or serve an execution which dispossesses a citizen of his liberty or property, he always takes his life in his hands. No salary can compensate for this hazard run by an officer of the law. Speaking on this subject the Corvallis Times says:

There is a vivid moral in the Astoria tragedy. Sheriff Williams and his deputy lost their lives in the discharge of official duty, and their duty is in kind the same that with more or less frequency falls to the lot of every sheriff to perform. The imminent risk at which the dead officers undertook the search of the premises of the man who slew them is the same risk that every sheriff encounters wherever and whenever the enforcement of warrants is attempted.

It is a hazard of personal safety that is ever present in the official life of peace officers, as is shown by the fact that within the three coast states no less than half a dozen sheriffs have met it with a forfeit of their lives within the past two years. It is a condition that appeals to the sober senses of men, and suggests to them that for this jeopardizing of his own life a sheriff is entitled to emolument. The dead faces of Sheriff Williams and his deputy are mute, but effective, petitioners to citizens not to be grudging in the salary allowance set aside for sheriffs. They protest with tremendous earnestness against the policy of those who in fits of economy demand sweeping reductions in sheriff's salaries proposing a denial of allowance for the hazard of life involved in the discharge of official duty. The memory of this tragedy and the moral that is vividly patent in its awful consequences should abide with every taxpayer to be considerate when ideas of retrenchment are abroad in the land.

THE BEST HOPS IN DEMAND.

At a late English hop-growers' conference it was stated that German hop-growers did not sulphur hops for home consumption, but did bleach for the English market to please customers there. Reports showed that the Russian crop was but little more than half that of last year. Much interest was shown in some chemical studies of hops which were being carried on, and some samples of the work were prepared from different grades of hops, which conclusively showed that brewers of good beer could not afford to use inferior hops at any price. The English hop market is very firm.

Real Estate Transactions.

Edward Jenkins to Frank D. Teachout, 50 acres in Tp 18 S R 3 W; \$700.
John H. Storms to Cary O. Smith, 100 acres in Tp 16 S R 6 W; \$800.
Maria McCormack to Janet M. Collier, 73 acres in Tp 17 S R 4 W; \$300.
A. C. Wood, administrator of estate of Sarah M. Meek to William Johnston, 51.77 acres in Tp 16 S R 4 W; \$1,035.40.
B. T. Curry to J. I. Jones, quit claim to Hazel and Halifax mining claims in Bohemia district; \$400.
Loretta D. Herrington to Marceau Brannan, 40 acres in Tp 18 S R 4 W; \$50.

Oregon's Dawson City.

The discovery of gold five miles south-west of Canyon City has caused a new town to spring up in a night, as it were, half the able-bodied men of Canyon City having gone to the place, and over 1000 claims already being staked. The new town has been named Dawson City, after B. A. Dawson, who located the mineral claim, from which he dug ore assaying \$10,000 in gold to the ton. The main vein has been traced 15 miles. Some parties claim that it is an extension of the famous Bassick vein at Silver City.

Hereafter, members of the Woodmen of the World will be required to pay one-half the amount of a regular monthly assessment, in January, May and September of each year, toward the accumulation of a reserve fund. In brief, the increase amounts to an extra assessment and a half per year.

The state tax levy has been placed at five and seven-tenths mills. Last year it was 9 1/2 mills.

From South Lane.

Edenville, Jan 4, 1899.
San Parks of Creswell visited relatives here last Sunday and Monday.

Miss Allie Whitney of Eugene, spent the holidays with her parents at this place.

Bernice and Blanche Warhinton who have been spending the holidays at home, returned to Eugene today.

Rev. Kellums who is conducting protracted meetings at Jasper, visited at Howard Baughmans one day last week.

Misses Beulah McGuire and Edythe Vincent of Eugene, were visitors in this neighborhood, several days of last week.

Forrest Drury who has been ill with malarial fever for several weeks, is improving fast and is now considered out of danger.

The recent cold weather is thought to have done some damage to winter wheat in this section, particularly that on wet ground.

Miss Pearl Bridges who has been staying with the family of Ed Edwards of High Banks for several months returned home last week.

John West has gone to Southern Oregon, and may possibly locate in that part of the state. His family are still here, but will probably leave in the spring.

The ferry between this place and Jasper, has been in great demand since the beginning of the protracted meeting at the latter place. Mr. Eaton the ferryman, reports seventy-five passengers at one trip.

Miss Alice Smith entertained a party of young people at the residence of Mrs. Caroline Branton, on the evening of Dec 30th. Literary games were played and refreshments served; and all agreed that Miss Smith was a capital hand at entertaining.

DORCAS.

Installations.

Junction City, Or, Jan 5.—Deputy Grand Chancellor W. W. Oglesby installed the officers of Knights of Pythias lodge, No. 51, here tonight. The installation was public and was followed by a short program, consisting of music and readings, after which the members and invited guests retired to the banquet room and partook of an elegant repast.

The A. O. U. W. Degree of Honor held a joint installation last night, closing with an elegant supper.

Eugene, Or, Jan 5.—Eugene Rebekah lodge, No. 55, last evening, installed the following officers, Mrs. Jack Willoughby, D. D. G. M., acting as installing officer:

Mrs. Margaret Brown, N. G.; Mrs. Etta Green, V. G.; Miss Esther Ball, secretary; Mrs. Anna Holden, treasurer; Mrs. Jessie Peter, financial secretary; Miss Bessie Day, warden; Miss Hattie Walton, conductor; Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson, I. G.; Miss Pearl Miller, O. G.; Mrs. Mary Gray, chaplain; Mrs. Alice Frazer, R. S. N. G.; Miss Edith Hoffman, L. S. N. G.; Miss Mary Lindley, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. Malissa Horn, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. Jennie Williams, L. A. S.; Miss Belle Chapman, R. A. S.

A Mining Venture.

The Junction City Times of January 7th says: "O. A. Phelps, who took an active part in the campaign in this county two years ago, arrived here some ten days ago fresh from the gold fields of old Mexico. His object was to interest capital to develop a mine supposed to be very rich, and if found to develop the richness assayed samples produced, then the mine will be improved and the very latest machinery introduced to secure the hidden gold. "Near \$1,000 worth of stock was subscribed and the company was incorporated under the name of the New York Mining Co., with R. P. Caldwell, Robt. C. Low and W. C. Washburn as incorporators. Object to mine and mill gold, silver, etc. Duration, indefinite. Capital stock, \$2,000. Amount of each share, \$1.00. Mr. Phelps, in company with Milt Cook and O. C. Taylor left for Mexico Sunday evening."

Albany Democrat: Fish Warden McGuire will ask the state legislature for an appropriation of \$25,000. McGuire is doing all he can to make this commission take the place of the railroad commission in the expenditure of money. It seems to be a Columbia river affair. Unless it is watched with a big glass it will become obnoxious like the railroad commission.

Brownsville Times of Jan 6: "Isaac Louden came home from the Blue River mines Friday. He reports the new road to the Lucky Roy mine finished to within about one mile of the mine. Good."

Dallas Observer: Rev. Abbott, of Eugene, is holding a series of meetings at the M. E. church in this city. He is a forcible talker.

HER SHARE.—Lane county will pay to the state this year on state taxes, \$35,063.81.

The value of the estate of the late Henry Failing is appraised at \$1,284,330.

Chinese Drugs.

The employees in the office of the appraiser of customs were busy examining a shipment of Chinese medicines, and the place smelled like a fertilizer factory.

There were the usual number of dried snakes, the looks of which would be certain to kill or cure any intelligent patient. There were also a number of plump lizards, spitted on rods and expanded with strips of bamboo till they resembled tennis rackets; a lot of "sea horses," a long, slender fish, with a head like a horse and a prehensile tail; bundles of centipeds flattened out and pasted on sticks; cans full of preserved polliwogs and anguiforms and many other curious panaceas, each of which were worse than the other. There were pills as large as prunes, handsomely decorated; roots and "yarns" of many kinds, which would paralyze a Quaker doctor, and boxes and bottles of unknown mixtures which would paralyze anybody.

The 40 separate and distinct smells of the town of Cologne are nothing as compared to the odors arising from about \$100 worth of Chinese medicine, which made some of the men handling the stuff sick. Foul smell seems to be a requisite in most medicines, and if the beneficial effects of medicine are proportionate to its odor the medicines of the Chinese should be the best in the world.—Portland Oregonian.

Indifferent as to the Kind.

He was a fragile youth and didn't dance all the dances.

"Let's sit it out," he said to his pretty partner.

"Where?" she asked.

"On the stairs,"

So they went up a little way and sat down.

"Wh-why, what's the matter, Mr. Stuckpole?" cried the fair young girl, for the young man had hastily risen and was gasping for breath. He could not reply. His face was livid. His eyes were rolled up, and with one shaking hand he clawed feebly at the skirts of his tuxedo.

"What kind of an attack is it?" she gasped.

At this question his voice came back to him.

"What difference does that make?" he burstly growled. Then, without a word of apology, he dashed up the stairs and flung himself into the men's coatroom.

And how was she to know that it was an ordinary carpet tack that the man who canvassed the stairs had carelessly left standing on its head?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Dickens and His Cat.

Charles Dickens was a lover of cats. He owned a large white one named Williamina, who selected a corner of his study for her kittens and brought them in from the kitchen one by one. Dickens had them taken away again, but Williamina persisted in bringing them back. The third time of their removal she did not leave them in the corner, but instead placed them at her master's feet and, taking her stand beside them, looked imploringly up at him. Most of the family were finally given away. Only one remained. The little creature followed Dickens about like a dog and sat beside him while he wrote.

One evening the author was reading at a small table upon which was a lighted candle. As usual the cat was at his elbow. Suddenly the light went out. Dickens was much interested in his book and relighted the candle. It was only when the light became dim again that he turned suddenly and found the kitten deliberately putting the light out with her paw. She was lonely, she wanted to be petted, and this was her device for bringing it about.

Overruled in Rhyme.

In a Georgia court not long since a case involving a jackass came on for trial. The attorneys after indulging in a fine frolic entered the following inspired motion on the docket:

"If the court will consent, we will take up a case."

It treats not of section, country or race; It is of no interest to any, be it ladies or lazzies; It begins and it ends with a humble jackass."

Thereupon the judge, hastily summoning his muse to his assistance, entered up the following order:

"This case coming on this day to be heard (Considered by the court to be quite absurd), And the motion herein the court doth decide To be hereby overruled and denied, And the movers thereof shall not be exempt From a fine of one dollar each for contempt. Wherein, until paid, the court further passes. As sentence, that they be deemed said jack ass."

—Law Notes.

Paying Through the Nose.

This is to be indirectly swindled in a transaction or to pay an exorbitant price for a thing in consideration of long credit. A variant is "to be bored through the nose," "bored" here having the meaning of cheated, deceived.

At this instant he borrows me with some trick. "Henry VIII," l. 1, 128.

One that hath gulled you, that hath bored you, sir.—"Life of T. Cromwell," 162, ll. 1, 30.

And Howell in his "Instructions For Forer Travellers" (1650), page 59, "had known divers Dutch gentlemen grossly gulled by this cheat (the selling of forged manuscripts to young travelers in Italy), and some English lords also through the nose this way, by paying excessive prices for them."—Notes and Queries.

Theaters in Spain.

Theaters in Spain have no programmes. A bill in the lobby sometimes gives the cast, but most of the actors remain unknown by name. The curtain is devoted to advertisements, and in Madrid theaters advertising cards are affixed with the numbers on the back of each seat.

Dainty Fruit.

First Proud Parent—I am a daddy, and it is a peach.

Second Proud Parent—I am a daddy, too, but it is a pair!—New York Tribune.

Commissioners Court.

Jenkins road in Tp 18 S R W; John Snigley, Jeff McCulloch and Samuel Schrimpf appointed viewers and C. M. Collier surveyor.

E. O. Potter county judge, \$60 70
A. S. Patterson treasurer, 41 70
W. W. Withers sheriff, 166 70
H. J. Day deputy sheriff, 75 00
E. C. Lee clerk, 166 70
F. L. Gibbs deputy clerk, 75 00
W. M. Miller school superintendent, 50 00
E. Boxen ferryman, 20 00
W. H. Eaton ferryman, 18 00
S. C. Dotson ferryman, 38 75
C. R. Doyle nightwatch, 40 00

Eugene Loan & Savings Bank rent, 6 00

Eugene Electric Light Co., services for December, 24 50

Henry Beck blacksmithing, 4 05

L. W. Brown medical examination, 5 00

T. W. Harris medical examination, 5 00

A. C. Mathews wood, 35 70

C. F. Cron r. hauling lumber and wood, 3 40

J. A. McMahan deputy supervisor road district No. 84, 16 70

W. T. Bailey commissioner, 33 00

M. S. Hubbe wood for paupers Mrs. Host, Mr. Body, Mrs. Madi-

son, 10 75

J. W. Starr nails, 3 50

Delos D. Neer architect, 275 00

W. H. Andrews watch at jail, 56 00

L. N. Roncy, court house, 3,150 00

At this time G. D. Shirley files his statement showing that land situated for taxes under certificate No. 10 and asks that said certificate be cancelled, inasmuch as he paid on the S. W. 1/4 of said section and range, when the same should have been the S. E. 1/4 of said section, the S. W. 1/4 being vacant land. It is therefore ordered by the court that said certificate be cancelled.

W. H. Eaton making jury list

Jasper precinct, 3 00

J. M. Keeney making jury list

Jasper precinct, 2 00

J. F. Smith making jury list

Jasper precinct, 2 00

W. H. Eaton scraping for ferry, 2 50

J. M. Williams acting deputy district attorney fee State vs. H. H. Drugg, 6 10

A. Livermore work on stockade at jail claimed \$1 allowed, 75

Guss Reams work on stockade at jail claimed 50 allowed, 38

W. W. Withers, sheriff, fees notice that he had appointed M. C. Davis special deputy sheriff to guard the Springfield bridge. Appointment dated Dec 16, 1898.

A. F. Summels gravel, 14 60

W. W. Scott making jury list

Creswell precinct, 3 00

B. F. Miller making jury list

Creswell precinct, 2 40

C. L. Weber making jury list

Creswell precinct, 2 40

E. A. Farrington, juror and mile-

age, 2 10

Mrs. Montague gravel, 16 05

Millern Bros nails, 3 50

Charles Williams work on Lost Creek bridge, 43 25

Perkenson, Mathers & Mode gravel, 12 00

T. P. Duckworth making jury list

Elmira precinct, 3 00

Robt. J. Moore making jury list

Elmira precinct, 2 00

J. T. Taylor making jury list

Elmira precinct, 2 00

W. T. Campbell superintendent construction court house, 81 00

M. B. McCann deputy clerk, 54 00

D. P. Burton county assessor, 81 25

S. J. Wilson deputy clerk, 54 00

M. F. Castled team hire on road, 8 00

R. M. Pratt nightwatch, 150 00

W. B. Yates making jury list

Irving precinct, 2 00

John Briggs making jury list

Irving precinct, 2 00

R. S. Gage J. P. making jury list

Irving precinct, 3 00

J. H. Ferguson J. P. making jury list

Long Tom precinct, 3 00

G. W. Turnbow making jury list

Long Tom precinct, 2 00

Craig Hays making jury list

Long Tom precinct, 2 00

C. M. Collier surveying, 7 50

Fogle & Caylor labor on Eugene bridge, 4 50

W. B. Andrews lumber, 15 30

Hanson Bros supplies for paupers, 1 75

Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Co services for January 1899, 2 50

C. J. McBee bounty on wolf, 2 00

W. B. Hawley bridge work, 60 00

A. V. Dariman cleaning and painting crusher outfit, 5 00

Griffin Hardware Co, hardware, 17 82

A. E. Wood candles, 2 00

J. J. Taylor road and bridge work, 35 50

T. E. Creede labor on crusher, 62 25

Williams & Parvin pauper supplies for Thos Gossage pauper claimed \$12 allowed, 11 80

E. Baags livery for pauper burial, 4 00

Henry Simmons two cougar scalps, 4 00

Horn & Paine, repairs on jail, 4 00

Starr & Aya labor, 4 00

John Higgins work on well at jail, claimed \$1.50 allowed, 1 13

E. Cummings work on well at jail claimed \$1 allowed, 75

Now at this time comes D. P. Bur on county assessor, and files his bond in the sum of \$5,000 with George T. Hall and William Preston as sureties, the same being in all things regular, the same is hereby approved.

W. S. Cheesman & Son livery, 5 50

W. C. Purkerson road work, 3 12

D. M. Purkerson road work, 5 00

J. Q. Fuller loading wagon, 7 20

A. V. Dariman labor on rock crusher, 17 75

Wiley & Burbach blacksmithing, 3 20

W. Hockstep work with rock crusher, 1 25

H. O. Shirley work with rock crusher, 7 15

J. Wood work on rock crusher, 14 35

A. C. Mathews work on rock crusher, 14 35

C. C. Croner work on rock crusher, 2 50

John Stewart work on rock crusher, 5 60

Frank Stewart work on rock crusher, 13 10

J. T. Brabham work on rock crusher, 1 25

J. S. Taylor work on rock crusher, 13 16

E. S. Brewster work on rock crusher, 13 10

A. Farrow work on rock crusher, 13 10

J. H. Gray sheriff of Crook county for serving subpoenas case of State vs. Branton, 9 55

C. D. Combs & Co supplies for pauper Mrs. Hort, 4 70

J. H. Friendly blankets and comfort, 2 00

Griffin & Veatch, hardware, 1 20

W. W. Withers sheriff, expenses conveying H. Van Buren to Reform School, \$6 95

Fred Fisk deputy sheriff, 50 00

Henry Smith lumber, 2 70

J. Abbott labor on rock crusher, 2 85

Starr & Ayeslop pall for jail, 2 00

R. E. Walker lumber, 4 19

W. W. Withers sheriff, board of prisoners etc., 75 05