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The rail combine seems to work all right and prices have advanced \$2 per ton.

A man who says that times are not better today than they were a year ago either forsakes the truth or is too lazy to work.—Canby Independent.

Westward the star of republicanism takes its way, especially in congressional gains. These happen to be particularly important.—Dallas Observer.

An island at the mouth of the Elbe river is gradually disappearing. Disappearing islands are no novelty, however. Spain has 1400 of them in the Pacific.—Carson Tocsin.

Spain should now be happy. She gets well paid for being licked, and is relieved of a great deal of trouble in governing an unruly and thankless set of islanders, in both hemispheres.

Now that the treaty of peace between Spain and the United States is in a fair way to be signed, about 30,000 volunteers will be sent home, but troops at the Philippines, will probably not be the lucky ones.

Articles of peace are now being formulated by the secretaries of the peace commissions at Paris and the treaty will doubtless be signed some time before Christmas, if the haughty dons cannot put it off any longer.

Spain, in the peace negotiations in Paris, seems to be endowed with the proclivity to jump out of the frying pan into the fire. But, in fact, that is what she has been doing all through the matter anyway.—Albany Herald.

Horace Greeley's advice to the South to "raise more cotton and less hell" is only half taken. It is, indeed, raising more cotton, but also it is also raising more hell, especially in the Carolina.—Vancouver Columbian.

It is rumored that Corbett and Sharkey may fight again soon, just for the fun of it, and the gate receipts, over and above the expenses of training, to be given to the poor as a Christmas gift. Let 'em fight. Nobody will get hurt.

One of the most destructive storms to both life and property, has been raging on the Atlantic coast, and was especially in the vicinity of Boston. Nearly a hundred vessels and more than that number of lives have already been reported and the end is not yet.

As shown by an article in the Salem Statesman, the state has money to the amount of \$30,000 to \$50,000 locked up in the state fair property, in addition to appropriating \$5000 annually for expenses. It would be a good idea to sell the property and put the money out to other use than scrub horseracing.—McMinville Reporter.

Blanco is reported to have left Cuba. He is so tender-hearted that he could not bear to turn the island over to the tender mercies of Uncle Sam, so he turns over the disagreeable job to another, donating \$500 from his private purse to the Kiema Mercedes hospital, to ease his conscience, as it were, and skips out.

Prosperity has struck Lebanon, that stronghold of men of populist faith despite the facts that Lebanon is the home of M. A. Miller, would-be-running mate of Billie Bryan, and that the country is still struggling along under the "accursed gold standard." Lebanon merchants report trade better this fall than ever before.—Oregonian.

The east is in the clutches of an immense storm peculiar to that section of country. Isolated as it is away from Oregon nothing else can be expected but cyclones and blizzards. It would be a great thing if they could secure our mountains as a hedge against great winds, and our Japan current with its tropical smell and soothing effects.—Albany Democrat.

The outlook for a pony republic in the Philippines, on the Central or South American plan, with Aguinaldo and Agoncillo as an Ezeta or a Barrios, is growing beautifully less. When the United States pays \$20,000,000 for the islands it will not be done to turn them over to anarchy or to a petty despotism, but as a permanent investment in something that, properly used, will make for the prosperity and higher civilization of all concerned.—Oregonian.

The peanut feud who sits in the gallery munching nuts and scattering shells on the heads of those below, one can endure because, in reality, no great harm is done, and the feud seem to enjoy it. The lady with the high-and-wide hat, who always sits just between you and the stage, can also be endured because one gets accustomed to it in time, but the giggly girl and the smart young man, who giggle and groan during the solemn or tragic scenes of a play, are an unbearable nuisance. There are quite a number of this class, we are sorry to say, among the Roseburg theater-goers, and they should be suppressed.

A deputy district attorney down about Hillsboro gives notice that he will prosecute all violations of the statute relative to minors using tobacco. He must be an exceedingly brave man to make such an announcement, and if he actually does it his name will be entitled to rank with that of Hobson and other heroes of the late war with Spain.

Claude M. Johnson, director of the bureau of engraving and printing, in his annual report shows that during the year there were 92,979,478 sheets of stamps and government securities printed and delivered at a cost of \$1,570,598. This sum however includes \$12,500 increase of stock, \$30,000 paid for machinery and \$6416 paid to outside employes. Deducting these extra amounts the cost per thousand sheets this year was 47 cents less than last, making a total saving of \$45,700.

The average number of sheets handled by each employe was 57,290 which is the best record ever made by the bureau, and an increase of 56 per cent. over the year 1897.

A remarkable record was made by the bureau in supplying adhesive stamps to the internal revenue bureau. In 17 days after the passage of the act, the bureau had delivered 185,890,926 stamps. This work was done in addition to and in connection with the new bond issue, and in addition to supplying increased demands for United States notes, silver certificates and treasury notes, as well as the issue of a new series of postage stamps for the Omaha Trans-Mississippi exposition.

The director recommends that the appropriations for printing postage stamps be made direct to the bureau and so settle the point that the government and not private establishments shall do this work.

State Press Comment.

Dallas Observer: What the democrats most objected to in the recent election was its remarkable monotony.

Baker City Democrat: What are the Spaniards howling about, anyway? The man that gets licked is never up against the easy side of the game.

Albany Herald: That very taking sarcasm about the appearance of General Prosperity does not come into use as much as it formerly did. It seems to have gone a gloaming with Bryanism.

Salem Statesman: The enemy's county is nearer home to Bryan than it was in 1896. It is north, south, east and west of him. It is in his own state, for the most important office to be filled by the Nebraska election, that for the United States senator, was carried by the republicans.

Pendleton East Oregonian: Ex-President Grover Cleveland, with a party of boon companions, is in Porto Rico on a hunting expedition. The ex-president's anti-expansion views will be somewhat modified upon his return. Wider association will broaden even an ex-president's mind.

FRUIT GROWERS ASSOCIATION.

Not to market the fruit, for it is well grown and properly prepared for market competition among buyers will raise the price to whatever the seasons market will bear. Spot cash, F. O. B., the only sure and safe way for growers. If growers would meet two or three times a year and exchange experiences of successes and failures, for there is always something to be learned by failures, each one might learn something or at least be prompted and strengthened in their determination to do well what they did know how to do. If each one would take an interest in an effort of this kind, and all pull together for the general good, so that the vast amount of prunes especially that are grown in this country would appear in the great and fast increasing market of this and other countries, as tempting as they might. Oregon prunes would be sought after on their own merits and in a very few years buyers would be looking to this country for dried prunes to supply the demand for the best. This would insure better prices than can be commanded for the crop as it goes out of here now.

If some one would take the lead in an enterprise of this kind and all take an interest in it, it could not help effecting great good to the growers of the country. This season I took some good sized French prunes from a young orchard and had extra pains taken in drying them, and sent a couple of boxes to parties in Nebraska that have dealt in groceries and fruits for years and they acknowledged that they had never seen their equal before in the prune line.

This is only one item, but straw show which way the wind blows. A live enterprising party could take samples of that kind and go into the different markets of the United States and take orders for train loads of such at one or two cents better price, spot cash F. O. B., but alas the crop must be improved upon first.

As to dryers, only a small per cent. of growers can afford steam dryers, but others that will do just as good work can be built at vastly less first cost and run at less expense, with less machinery to get out of order, with no danger of explosions.

As to pruning a tree, it should be trimmed some every year in order to keep in shape.

GOOD ORCHARD HARROW.

A double winged A harrow without a joint cutting seven feet wide with 30, 5/8 steel teeth, two handles, a 20 inch wheel, cushioned with sack or other cloth, on the right hand, out corner, projecting about 3 inches past the wood to prevent barking the tree in case it run close enough to touch the tree, is the kind I have made and used. They are much handier and safer than a square or disc harrow. A draft of one can be seen at the PLAINEALER office.

WILSON HILDEBRATH,
Myrtle Creek, Ore.

NO POCKET COUNTRY.

Southern Oregon Rock Has Fissure Veins Which "Reach to China."

Much has been said about the alleged "pocket" character of the mineral belt in Southern Oregon. The fact that the country has been given that name has retarded quartz mining. By the most primitive methods millions of dollars have been picked from these pockets near the surface in decomposed quartz.

But when depth was obtained the former crude methods failed to reveal gold enough to make mining pay, and prospectors became afraid to go below the surface. As the geological formation of the country indicates fissure veins, it is an assured fact that gold will be found to the greatest depths man can go.

James W. Abbott, after explaining the origin of fissure veins, shows why Southern Oregon will become a great quartz mining country. He says:

"Surface influences have a tendency to decompose all mineral combinations and particularly to leave gold isolated and therefore free to combine with quicksilver, or to separate out by action of gravity. It is for this reason that near the surface the miner is able to recover his values so cheaply. After he reaches water he finds the ore less changed by the oxygen of the air. The gold contained is intimately associated with other minerals, and more complicated methods are required to separate and segregate it. Instead of rotten quartz, ochre and free gold, he finds sulphides and calls the ore 'base.' But the gold is still there. Some of it is still free. The rest can be secured by proper treatment. The avenues through which it has come are the paths along which it has been deposited. In other parts of the world fissure veins of precisely similar character have been followed to great depths, but no evidence has ever been secured that values do not persist far below any attempted workings. We know that gold-bearing veins are never uniform in their various parts. That both in length and depth they have their rich spots and poor spots; their barren and so-called pay-shoots, which come in and with more or less irregularity. It is where these rich spots have been found near the surface that the veins of Southern Oregon have been worked. It has been popular to refer to them as 'pocket country.' It was the same way with many sections in California for more than a generation.

"There are in Southern Oregon plenty of strong veins with fairly regular walls, and a good gouge on one, or both. Many of them can be traced on the surface for thousands of feet. In places they have been very rich, in others poor, as elsewhere. Some are about to be equipped for deep working. That some of the great mines of the United States will result from the developments then made is the confident prediction of all who have studied the veins of this section in the light of an adequate experience."—Telegram.

Heavy Order for Rails.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—Five railroads entering in this city, the Illinois Central, Chicago & Northwestern, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, have placed orders with the Federal Steel Company for new rails. The material will be manufactured by the Illinois Steel Company, one of the concerns in the new Federal Company. Millions of dollars are involved in the deal. The aggregate of the contracts which have been definitely figured up is \$3,250,000. The rails are to be used for extensions and repairs. The material will be put in place next summer.

The amounts of the orders which have been definitely ascertained are as follows: Chicago & Northwestern, 75,000 tons; Illinois Central, 50,000 tons; St. Paul, 55,000 tons; Illinois Steel Company, also has an order on which it is now working for 500 tons of rails for a railroad 18 miles long to be built in Hawaii.

Will Try to Enforce the Law.

HILLSBORO, Ore., Nov.—Deputy District Attorney H. T. Bagley has given notice that after December 10 he will prosecute all violations of the statute relative to minors using tobacco. He makes this statement so that all offenders may have due warning prior to prosecution. The fact that young boys are constantly smoking cigarettes and chewing tobacco, has led to this action. The law reads:

"It shall be unlawful for any minor under the age of 18 years to smoke or in any manner use any cigar, cigarette or tobacco in any form whatsoever in any public highway, street, place, square or resort. Any minor violating the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction, be fined in any sum not less than \$1 nor more than \$10, or by imprisonment at the option of the court, two days for each offense."

A Tribute to the Mule.

While we are carrying on about the heroes of the war let us not forget the army mule. He may not be as kensible as Hobson, but we owe him just as much recognition. Gen. Shafter says he could not have supplied his army at all if it had not been for the mule, and Gen. Blanco knew what he was about when he rushed to the cable office and telegraphed to Madrid how the Americans had killed that mule at Matanzas.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Mean whiskey and a pistol" was the cause of the killing of Private Lindsay P. Holt's best friend, for which Holt is now under sentence of death in Alabama.

The widow of P. T. Barnum, the great showman, who married a Greek, is about to wed again, a French nobleman having fallen victim to her charms or "sack."

State News.

R. H. Wood, of Marshfield, has shipped 8000 boxes of apples this season.

Several Klamath county cattlemen have recently sold cattle in San Francisco receiving from 6 to 7 1/2 cents, or \$8 to \$40 per head.

Warren Andrews, of Florence, will out a boat, caught a log 112 feet long that was floating in the river, and pushed it ashore, where he sold it for \$6.

About 1800 tons of coal was shipped from the Newport mine last week. The owners are still short-handed, and 40 more men could be used to good advantage.

Klamath county is now agitated over the irrigation proposition. Irrigation, says the Lakeview Examiner, will make Klamath one of the richest and grandest counties in the state.

C. C. Loftis, of Crane Lake, about 10 days ago fired some fuses, when a whirlwind struck the flames, carrying them to a large stack of hay some distance away. The stack held about 100 tons, and was a total loss.

W. H. Noble has 22 men employed at his logging camp, near Beaverton, Coos county. His camp buildings are completed, and when he gets everything in working order he expects to put in about 75,000 feet of logs per day.

White Robert Woods, of Huntington, was dragging telephone poles behind his wagon, the king-bolt, broke and he was thrown out onto the rocks, cutting a large gash in the back of his head, and severely injuring his back and shoulder.

A new wheatbuyer appeared in town today, says Saturday's Dalles Times-Mountaineer, and gave the wheat market a boost, paying (slave) Bros. 54 1/2 cents a bushel for their crop. This is the best price that has been offered for several weeks, the ruling price having been 51 cents.

The Phoenix mine, at Robinsonville, recently coming into the possession of Mr. Al Geiser, manager of the Bohemia Mining Company, is to be at once placed under development. Mr. Geiser is now sending miners to the Phoenix, and in a few days this property will be the scene of mining activity, says the Telegram.

The Coos county Mercantile & Shipping Association has elected the following officers: Walter Drake, pres; E. Pannenberg, sec. Mr. W. Hite, treasurer; Mike Kroll, Clinton Randleman, W. Drake, E. Pannenberg and Mrs. W. Hite directors. The affairs of the association were reported in excellent condition.

A heavy slide was reported last week on the Coos Bay wagon road and in consequence the contractors will devote their entire attention to getting the mail through, and will not carry passengers. This, says the Marshfield Sun, is a commendable move. It doesn't say whether it meant that the slide was a commendable move.

If any person imagines that there is no money to be made in Tillamook county, he should be undeceived by the statement for August of the secretary of the Tillamook Creamery Company, which has just been issued. This report shows that the receipts of the creamery for that month aggregated \$3114.86, the butter sold bringing \$1291.21 and the cheese \$1723.65.

Relates the Astoria Budget: Two Chinese, Sam and Lee, went into a local store, one intending to buy a hat. Lee having tried on a "lid," Sam remarked, "He fits you (although) Lee!" whereupon Lee replied, "Dewey!" The keeper of the store promptly presented each of the Chinese with a new hat and a chromo besides, for being such patriotic punsters.

The Prineville Telephone Company has assigned all its stock to the Oregon Telephone & Telegraph Company. When the company was formed there were those who said it would never pay. It has been in existence less than six months, and the shareholders will realize about 50 per cent. on their investment and the stock was sold for 50 per cent. in advance of its face value.

The rain of last week caused quite a rise in the waters of Coos river, especially in the north fork, where it reached a point higher than for several years past. The loggers who had their logs in above Alleghany are happy, as the high waters brought them all out and they are now secured in booms, where they can be brought to the mill on short notice. The name is the case in the Coquille river.

Doe Creek Items.

An abundance of rain and water. Harve Smith, the saw mill man, is having some trouble in getting his boiler and engine over the Salt creek hill.

F. L. Belieu has returned from Canas Valley to commence cutting wood.

The Doe creek cash store has received a large shipment of goods, so you see they mean business on Doe creek.

The Russell Boiler & Engine Co's agent was a pleasant caller on Doe Flat last week.

A. G. Adams is improving rapidly. Sam Belieu made a trip from Doe Flat to Camp Joe the other day.

REPORTER.

Notice For Publication.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE.
Roseburg, Oregon, November 20, 1898.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, January 26th, 1899, viz:

JOHN SMITH
on his Homestead Entry No. 8924, for the lots 2, 3, 4, and 5 of Sec. 34, Twp. 23 N., R. 5 W., It is claimed the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Rhodes, James Bush, M. B. Blunhart, B. E. Sutton, all of Elkton, Oregon.

J. T. BRIDGES,
Register.

Glendale.

Mrs. H. A. Woodford is seriously ill, and Dr. Murphy is attending her.

W. P. Totten, our postmaster, has removed the office to M. T. Chase's store. Mrs. C. P. Totten and Miss Clara Beals of Glendale, made us a pleasant call today.

L. L. Hurd, of Roseburg, has a large force of men at work on his contract of R. R. wood at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Plotner entertained a number of their friends at an elegant Thanksgiving dinner.

Mrs. J. W. Wilson, of Grants Pass, and Miss Cunningham were visiting friends at Glendale. They were entertained by Mrs. A. Ramey.

H. F. Niday and family are at Glendale visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ellis. They have bought some lots and will build a residence at once.

J. L. Roberts and Harmon Swank will give a masquerade ball on Christmas eve. The supper will be served at Hotel Glendale by Mrs. M. E. Hodson.

Bentzen & Ulam are commencing to build an addition to their saloon, which will be used as a restaurant, also a barber shop will be connected with the business.

P. F. Roberts has taken a contract from the S. P. R. R. Co. for 300 cords of locomotive wood to be cut above Tunnel 8. He purchased the timber from the K. R. Co.

Deputy Sheriff J. L. Dewey was at Glendale last week on official business. Mr. Dewey is an efficient officer, yet the numerous friends of himself and family will be glad to welcome him back to Glendale.

W. R. Jones, manager of the Mt. Reuben mines, was in town on Sunday looking after the shipping of a large amount of machinery for their quartz mill, which will arrive at Glendale soon. Mr. Jones' family are now comfortably domiciled at their new home at the Gold Bug mine.

J. C. Flook finished his contract in the building he constructed for M. T. Chase & Co. While he was at Glendale he and his workmen set a good example for Coos Creek valley by not working on Sunday, which is worthy of notice and reflects great credit upon Mr. Flook and his men.

Mrs. Ida Van Order is superintending the furnishing and decorating the rooms at hotel Glendale, which is to be opened next week. The former patrons of this hotel will be pleased to hear that it will soon be ready for guests. It is newly furnished and the table will be supplied with every luxury of the season, prepared by up-to-date cooks.

There will be some important and surprising changes made in our village soon. Also, there will be a wedding during the holidays, to which we acknowledge a kind invitation to be present. There are four new houses under construction at this place and more are to be built soon. Glendale is the banner town of Southern Oregon just now.

The battleship Wisconsin is stuck fast in the mudbank into which she ran when launched on Saturday morning. All efforts to pull her into deep water have proved unsuccessful. Predictors will now be used, and in a few days it is expected that the war vessel will be towed to her temporary dock at the Union Iron works.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, Oregon.

In re estate of John Kuykendall, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account in said matter and an order has been made and entered, of record in said court, setting Tuesday, the 1st day of January, 1899, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. for the hearing of objections to said account and the final settlement of said estate.

W. KUYKENDALL,
Administrator of the estate of John Kuykendall, deceased.

E. O. POTTER,
Attorney for Estate.

December Weather.

The following data for the month of December covering a period of 21 years, have been compiled from the weather bureau records at Roseburg, Oregon, and is furnished by Observer Gibson:

TEMPERATURE.

Mean or normal temperature, 42. The warmest month was that of 1886, with an average of 47. The coldest month was that of 1891, with an average of 37. The highest temperature was 60 on 12th 1888. The lowest temperature was 7, on 21st, 1879. Average date on which first killing frost occurred in autumn, October 14th. Average date on which last killing frost occurred in spring, May 3rd.

PRECIPITATION (rain and melted snow). Average for the month, 6.38 inches. Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 18. The greatest monthly precipitation was 12.02 inches in 1891. The least monthly precipitation was 2.73 inches in 1878. The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 2.86 inches on 4th, 1879.

The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours record extending to winter of 1884-5 only was 0.7

CLOUDS AND WEATHER.

Average number of clear days, 3; partly cloudy days, 10; cloudy days, 18.

WINDS.

The prevailing winds have been from the south. The highest velocity of the wind was 48 miles from the south west on 9th, 1879.

Roseburg School Notes.

Edgar Long, of Coles Valley, entered school Monday.

We submit the following questions, which may be answered through the columns of this paper, by having it put in the rich old column:

When was Hawaii annexed? Who was president of the Hawaii republic before annexation? Which one of the Ladrone Islands does the United States want?

What celebrated novelist died in Europe recently, by adopting the Christian Science Faith, and refusing the attendance of physicians?

There was no school Thursday, 29th being Thanksgiving day, when we delight in attending to the wants of the inner man, but we all assembled Friday morning discussing our adventures with a big Thanksgiving dinner.

Miss Vera Byars entered school last Monday.

Russel Harness entered school last Monday.

Howard Hess entered school Tuesday.

Santa Claus

in at the Novelty Store with an elegant line, of presents as ever were brought to town for the holidays. You'll have to hurry if you have one of these for they will be included in the Novelty Store's closing out sale, and prices are made so low that no one can resist carrying home one of these fine presents.

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