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MAY 15, 1899.

When Fenston returns Kansas will also have a presidential candidate for 1900.

Several strangers are in Roseburg looking around. This city is attracting a good deal of attention as a business point.

Admiral Dewey will sail for New York by way of Sue Canal on board the United States cruiser Olympia in about 10 days.

The day of prosperity has dawned in this part of the country, but some people refused to get up when the alarm went off.—Baker City Democrat.

It is proposed to have a regular old-time celebration and the eagle will scream as it never did before in Roseburg on our coming national birthday.

The Filipino forces which were entrenched behind strong fortifications at San Ildefonso, north of Balingas, have been driven from their position by Lawton. One American was wounded.

Recent cablegrams relative to the return of the volunteers indicate that they are making no clamor to be sent home, but see the necessity of remaining until they can be relieved by the regulars now on their way to the islands.

The salmon-canning trust shows signs of waging war on the cannery outside. This will have the effect of forming the outside canners into a combine and in the battle that will follow some one's boat will be upset.—Portland Telegram.

President McKinley proposes to make a tour of the west during his summer vacation. It is understood that he will include San Francisco and Portland in his visit. About six weeks will be occupied in visiting Yellowstone Park and other western points of interest.

An examination of prune orchards during the past few days reveal that the prune crop is practically ruined. The effect of the freeze is now shown in most orchards where the fruit is not forming, but turning yellow and dropping off. Fruit men say the prune crop in the Willamette valley this year will be almost a total failure, says an Alzano Exchange.

All the news from the front indicates that the Filipino insurrection has gone to pieces. The American commanders are now sending in reports which recall the telegrams forwarded by the Union Generals to Washington toward the close of the civil war in this country. It now appears to be only a question of convincing the scattering bands that the war is over.

Trusts in the industries have been reorganized with aversion if not alarm. But the passion of humanity, love of gain may be the solution of the problem. It was announced a few days ago that an opposition steel fence wire trust is forming with a capital of many millions. The men in the original combination are not the only selfish ones anxious for gain. Thus men will be pitted against men, and this diversity of interest may regulate what otherwise might become an intolerable evil.—Engene Guard, Dem.

Special Agent Max Pracht accepted an invitation to address the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress which is to meet at Wichita, Kansas, May 31, upon the subject of "Forest preservation, its influence upon the health and wealth of the community." But he has rescinded the agreement, as a leave of absence from the field of duties to attend the congress would interfere with a desire to help welcome home the boys of the gallant Second Oregon volunteers, of which regiment his son is yet a live but not kicking member. Private Max Pracht says he would rather see his son than to attend any congress whatever.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Referring to the prosecution of the Branton case the Eugene Guard said: "The officers diligently worked on the case, and were prepared to act when the October term of court met. It is a credit to justice and to Lane county that such men as District Attorney Geo. M. Brown, and his deputy, L. T. Hartman, and Sheriff W. W. Withers had charge of the matters for the state. Their able work has scarcely been equalled in the criminal jurisprudence of the West. Thorough and systematic research for evidence was made and their presentation of the state's case bears no flaw. Equally industrious and able was the defense made by Attorneys Bielen, Norton and Hale, particularly the latter, who displayed the shrewdness and judicial knowledge of a matured mind in every effort in behalf of his client."

County Treasurer's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Douglas County warrants issued prior to February 6, 1898, to present the same at the treasurer's office at the Douglas County bank for payment, as interest will cease thenceforth after the date of this notice.

Dated this the 24th day of April, 1899, at the City of Roseburg, Oregon.
Geo. W. DUNNICK,
County Treasurer, Douglas County, Or.

Wanted.

Will type pianos, organs or bicycles for lumber or wood.

T. K. RICHARDSON
Roseburg, Ore.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER

10:25 a.m. we were running about on time.

E. R. McDALELY, BRAKEMAN:

I was in the caboose with the conductor and we came to a sudden stop and I supposed that the train had broken in two and we stepped out of the caboose and started for the head end, and we met Mr. Tynan and he said that the engine was clear in the river and we run up there as fast as we could and found the wreck in the condition that it is now, and we found the engineer at his post of duty and the fireman near by, and we took them out of the wreck as soon as we could and while we were working with the engineer I heard a man screaming up in the wreck and I went and looked and located him by the means and he was under a lot of heavy timbers and Mr. Tynan and I could do anything alone. His moans finally ceased, and as soon as he came we told them where he was and they went to work and got him out. I have no idea who the man was. The wreck occurred at 10:25 and Mr. McCally lived until 11:03. After we got Mr. McCally out he asked if we had got the fireman out and we told him we had. He said if he had not got caught on the reverse lever that he could have got himself out, but his clothes caught on the reverse lever and he could not get out. When Mr. Evertson and I first got there we could scarcely see anything at all the steam was so dense. He said that the engine simply left the rail. I asked him if he struck anything and he said no that she just left the rail, he said that it was all off with him. We were about 14 or 15 miles from town.

YESTERDAY'S JURY.

We, the coroner's jury, duly empaneled to hold an inquest, and inquire into the cause of the death of James McCally and an unknown person, did:

That James McCally was a locomotive engineer running on the freight from Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, to Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon, on May 13, 1899, and was hauling a train of freight cars with Locomotive Engine No. 18, A. & C., and C. L. Minkler and Engineer Fitch. Dr. Twichell, the company's surgeon being absent, the train pulled out and picked up Dr. Faquin at Myrtle Creek, who had previously been notified and was awaiting the arrival of the relief train. At Riddle this train was met and passed by an improvised train consisting of a caboose and engine in charge of Conductor Gregory and Engineer Hendricks, conveying the dead body of Engineer McCally and the injured fireman to this city. On the arrival of the train the body of the unfortunate engineer was conveyed to the undertaker's and Fireman Merriman was taken to the boarding house of Mrs. Carter and placed under the care of Dr. Twichell. Of the eighteen heavily loaded cars composing the train only five left the track, and but little time was required to clear and repair the track, little damage being done in this respect. It appears to be the prevailing opinion that the disaster was caused by the rails spreading under the tremendous weight of the big engine which is said to be too heavy for the track.

That we, the jury, find the cause of the wreck to have been on account of the culpable negligence of the management of the Southern Pacific Railway Company in causing a locomotive engine of this size and weight of the said engine No. 18, to perform services upon its road bed. The rails of the road bed being greatly worn and of light weight making the use of a heavy locomotive engine like the said engine No. 18, exceedingly dangerous.

That the management of the Southern Pacific Railway Company, by the use of such locomotive engines as the said engine No. 18 upon its present track, imperils the lives of its employees with a recklessness that is almost, if not criminal.

Dated at Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, this the 14th day of May, 1899.

C. L. HADLEY, Foreman.

B. BROCKWAY.

H. J. WILKINS.

C. L. HAMILTON.

FRED FISHER.

GEO. BYRON.

James A. McCally was one of the best and most popular engineers on the road, having been at the throttles on the Southern Pacific since 1883, beginning his railroad career as a bridge carpenter. He was about 38 years of age and unmarried. He was held in the highest esteem by his associates and fellow-trainmen; was trustworthy and faithful and stood high in the estimation of his employer. He was born and raised at Lebanon, Oregon, and left the city of Roseburg Wednesday evening.

Mr. D. R. HANAN of Roseburg was buying cattle in this vicinity Wednesday. We understand that he purchased several head.

Rev. Hansen and family came up from Myrtle Creek Thursday, and spent the remaining part of the week visiting with relatives here.

N. O. DAAN, our road supervisor, is getting his force of men at work and we may expect to see some excellent roads soon.

State Game Warden Quinby made an official visit to this place Thursday.

Mr. Q. R. DAAN, proprietor of the Quinby Inn, a hotel in Portland.

J. S. Wintemute, a traveling photographer, arrived at this place from Gladstone Friday and has his tent stretched ready for business. He does some excellent work.

We are sorry that there is an occasion for us to record the sickness of Raymond Vose, who is ill with pneumonia. Dr. Cole is in attendance and reports some improvement.

The graphophone and flashlight entertainment Wednesday night was very creditable affair. A large crowd was present and was well pleased with what they saw and heard.

J. B. Riddle came down from the Cracker Jack Inn Wednesday and spent a few days at this place. The mine has been closed for the season as the water supply is about exhausted.

Who is the happiest man in town? Why Jim E. Love, of course; and it's all because he bears that coveted title "papa." Yes, a bouncing baby boy arrived Monday, May 8th, and now there's more love in that home than ever before.

The train that was wrecked was the through freight No. 222, we had one of the large A. & C. engines. I think the train left the track about

(m27) \$40.

Fancy Fowls.

Pure breed S. C. Leghorns for sale, apply to Gaddis Bros., Roseburg, Or.

The most durable wheel—Rambler.

REGULAR.

CO. OF AMERICAN BREEDERS, Assignee.

CO. SHOW & SHERIDAN, Attorney for Assignee.

GRAND Fourth of July CELEBRATION

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ROSEBURG,

Tuesday, July 4th, 1899,

Under Auspices Roseburg Fire Department.

Grand Parade In Forenoon.

Various Amusements In Afternoon.

GRAND BALL AT NIGHT.

Fire Display of Fire Works.

COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE—W. H. Jamieson, Hiram Marks, J. A. Buchanan, W. H. Carroll and E. L. Parrott.

FINANCIAL—M. F. Rapp, E. L. Parrott and B. W. Strong.

Music—Prof. L. R. Traver, J. A. Buchanan, Miss. E. C. Flint, Miss Maggie Bagdonado and Miss Nora Bolingers.

STAGE—F. W. Benson, Judge Joe Lyons, and Herman Marks.

A subscription of over \$700 has already been raised.

A full program to be given later.

Riddle Items.

Saturday about noon the people of this place were startled by the news of an appalling train wreck at Klamath point near the mouth of Cox Creek canyon, which was brought in by Conductor Evertson. At the extent of the disaster became known crowds of people gathered on the street corners discussing the affair and the death of Engineer Jan. McCally was the sad subject in everyone's mind. We have heard Mr. McCally spoke of as a bold and fearless engineer, a man who never deserts his post. A worse place for a train wreck than Klamath point could hardly be conceived, and it seems a miracle that the loss of life was so great. The train is being cleared away with all possible haste.

Geo. Ledgerwood was in town Tuesday morning. R. L. Scott returned from Roseburg Thursday.

Geo. W. Catling left for Eugene Thursday night.

C. N. Howard and D. Young left for California Wednesday.

S. M. Pardoe came down from the wood camp Tuesday to remain.

Geo. R. Riddle made a business trip to Grants Pass a few days ago.

Mr. Raymond of Days Creek was doing business in town Thursday.

Joseph Clough and wife of Canyonville were visitors in our city Thursday.

H. W. Householder the Rosedale merchant, was doing business in town Friday.

Mrs. McMurry of Eugene is here visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Jim. F. Love.

Mrs. Conner and Mrs. Hall of Canyonville were visiting at this place Wednesday.

There is a rumor abroad that we will have a change of postmaster soon. Many regrets.

Geo. Puckett, Mrs. Gilliam, G. W. Goodrich and Prof. J. B. Ford were in town from Canyonville Sunday.

Jno. M. Jackson, one of our hustling merchants, went up to G. W. Riddle's wood camp at Cox creek Thursday.

A. G. Lyons, Judge, M. D. Thompson, J. R. Wilson, Commissioners.

Wanted: Agents for Monarch Book Company.

N. A. Richards, Dillard, Ore.

Smoke the "Artie," the best cigar of the year.

Jno. Lyons, Judge, M. D. Thompson, J. R. Wilson, Commissioners.

Notice to Taxpayers.

We find that a prairie of 3 per cent be added to all taxes on the assessment roll of the year 1898, due paid before June 1, 1899. Further ordered that a rebate of two per cent be given on all taxes paid in June, and a rebate of one per cent on all taxes paid in July.

Jno. Lyons, Judge, M. D. Thompson, J. R. Wilson, Commissioners.

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