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During the coming year the terms of 10 of the land officers of Oregon will expire by limitation, and successors to these officials will have to be named by the present delegation. This item in itself is quite an important one, and will call for the best efforts of the Oregon Senators and Representatives in order that they may agree upon men in every way suited for these important positions. It is the policy of the Roosevelt administration to select the very best men available for Registers and receivers of land offices, as well as for other places. In the natural course of events, the recommendations of Representative Tongue, should they meet with the approval of our Senators, would govern in appointments at Oregon City, Roseburg and Lake view while the wishes of Representative Moody at The Dalles, LaGrande and Burns would be respected under similar conditions. However, viewed in the light of past experience, there is little hope that all will be harmony when it comes to filling this aggregation of offices. Nevertheless much interest will be manifested in the prolonged fight, which will continue from early in January to late in December, to see what members, or combination of members, of the delegation will be strongest with the Administration. There has already been an intimation as to what the result will be, but the working of the Oregon delegation are strange indeed, and no one can foretell the outcome. Judging from present indications and the popularity and efficiency of the present incumbents in the Roseburg land office, their reappointment is assured and will meet with general satisfaction. At all events there are 10 plums hanging high, and there will be an abundance of anxious applicants for most of the 10 places.

People will still debate whether Schley is guilty, even technically. They are at a loss to know whether the court of inquiry has declared for or against. Dewey is a minority in numbers, but a big majority in public influence. Dewey's judgment would be accepted by a multitude of good citizens, if opposed by a score of other officers of the navy. The findings of the two rear admirals is a surprise to the Nation, but the fact that Admiral Dewey signed, "as a matter of form," the findings of the other two admirals, lends color to the suspicion that there is at least slight grounds for the findings of the court, notwithstanding Dewey's actions in submitting, also, a minority report, indicating a slight infirmity of purpose, indecision, if not a small degree of recreancy on his part. It was unfortunate for Dewey to become involved in this controversy. He has troubles of his own.

Hon. D. P. Thompson, capitalist and politician of Portland, died Friday morning. He was born in Ohio in 1834. He came to Oregon in 1852, walking every step of the way across the continent. In 1874 he was appointed governor of Idaho territory, and during the latter part of Harrison's administration, he served as United States minister to Turkey. He was also a member of the Oregon legislature and mayor of Portland several times. In 1890 he was defeated for governor by Sylvester Pennoyer. He had been afflicted for some time with stomach troubles.

"A former Oregon farmer who went to Kansas a year or two ago to engage in farming in that state wrote back to Oregon friends recently as follows: "I believe in diversified agriculture. An exhibit of my crop report for 1901 is as follows: I have raised one acre of baked potatoes, 50 bushels of dried peaches, 25 acres of parched corn, one acre of roasted peanuts, and I had about two acres of melon preserves. The balance of my crop consisted of climtz bugs, grasshoppers and jack rabbits."

The accident at Salem resulting in the death of the engineer and fireman has been traced to a ten year old boy, the son of a Salem lawyer. The real blame, though lies with the person who left the switch unlocked. The boy didn't know any better. The man who failed to lock the switch did, says an Albany Exchange.

A lawyer in a court room may call a man a liar, a scoundrel, villain or a thief, and no one will make a complaint when court adjourns. If a newspaper prints such reflections on a man's character, there is a libel suit or a dead editor. This is owing to the fact that the people believe what an editor says.

What a pity! The editors of the Chicago yellow journal, who were sentenced to prison by one judge for contempt of court, were released by another, on the ground that harsh criticism of a judicial decision is not contempt of court. That last judge is likely to have that decision come home to roost.

There is a young matron in Iowa Falls, who is a grandmother at the age of 29. By the time she reaches the age of 90 she will be the mother of her country. The old woman who lived in a shoe is not a circumstance to the American heroine.

There is one way to break the railroad trust. The government should condemn and buy one of the transcontinental routes; then establish equitable freight and passenger rates. The Morgan-Hill combine would have to follow suit.

The merchant who would give twenty cents worth of goods for a dollar received would soon loose his business, but that is what the Dewey gambling machine does.—Albany Democrat.

The Albany Democrat is becoming a first-class prohi paper. We suggest that Bro. Nutting change the name of his paper to the "Albany Prohibitionist."

The wheat market has jumped for the first time in years as a result of the vigorous tone of Roosevelt's message.

The party that is American first, last and all the time is the party that has built up this country.

Political Gossip.

Capital Journal.—J. C. Fullerton of Roseburg is named for Governor. He will be used as will other candidates to carry the state convention against Geer and then round it up for the slate. That is good politics if there is nothing to politics but personal strife for places.

Hon. J. C. Fullerton, it is true has been mentioned as a logical candidate for Governor, and his name may probably be before the next state convention for nomination; but it is not true that "He will be used," to further the interests of any one. We do not understand exactly what the Journal means by the "slate," but Judge Fullerton is too well known for such insinuations to injure his candidacy which, if conducted at all, will be in an honorable manner, and his acts, or the acts of his friends in that matter, will not be to the injury of any one intentionally, nor for "slate" benefit. Governor Geer has friends in this county, and it would be unfortunate for him if they thought the Journal was voicing his sentiments in the above.

Dalles Chronicle—Eugene is putting forward too many candidates for Governor. She will in all probability be ignored in that respect. The people are of the opinion that with a state university drawing biennially $125,000 of the taxpayers, money, the city should go way back and sit down.

The Eugene Register says in reply to the above that Eugene is putting no candidates forward but one or two prominent men of the town have been urged from the outside to enter the race for the governorship.

EX.—Still the republican gubernatorial boquets are being passed around. The Hon. H. W. Corbett, of Portland, is the latest Oregonian to be announced as a candidate to succeed Governor Geer. If any one has been overlooked in the distribution of these boquets they will please hold up their hand.

Jacksonville Times.—Jas. Hansbrough, the genial S. P. Company conductor, made his many friends in Jacksonville a visit Friday. He is a candidate for the republican nomination for joint representative.

Weather Report.

U. S. Weather Bureau Office,
Roseburg, Oregon, Dec. 81, 1901.

Week ending 5 p. m., Dec. 81, 1901.
Maximum temperature, 39 on 14th.
Minimum temperature, 24 on 13th.
Rainfall for the week, 0.00
Total rainfall since 1st of month 4 53.
Average rainfall for that month for 24 years 6.19.
Total rainfall from Sept 1 1900 to date, 13.12.
Average rainfall from Sept. 1, to date 11 47.
Total deficiency from Sept. 1, 1900, to date 1..65
Average precipitation for 24 wet seasons 33 25.

THOS. GIBSON,
Observer.

D. B. Grant was elected Mayor at Ashland by 41 majority over J. K. Van Sant the anti-saloon candidate. The new council will stand four to two against saloon license if there be no change in the attitude of any of the members.

See Salzmans upto date line of watches and jewelery.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.—Considerable local news of interest will be found on the first page of this issue.

The high school is progressing nicely—a common labor enterprise.

Gold pens, optical goods and Souvenir spoons at Salzman's.

DRILLING FOR OIL,

Active Operations Commenced at Myrtle Creek.

MACHINERY WORKS SMOOTHLY.

President of the Umpqua Valley Oil Co., Started the Big Drill Downward.

Wednesday was an eventful day and one full of interest and promise of a rich reward to Myrtle Creek and the whole of Douglas county, as far as that is concerned, in fact if the hopes of the Umpqua Valley Oil Co. are realized and their energy and enterprise rewarded with success, a new industry will spring up in our midst which will be felt throughout Southern Oregon and greatly stimulate every branch of business activity. The location or site of the new oil drilling plant is on the farm of C. O White just outside the city limits of Myrtle Creek. The plant is large, complete and up-to date and is working most satisfactorly, the drill making good progress through the first bed rock or shale formation. It is the belief of oil experts that nowhere in Oregon is the conditions more favorable for striking oil in paying quantities than at this place, therefore the progress of the drilling operations at Myrtle Creek will be noted with great interest. The local oil company, President M. McCoy and Secretary H. L. Marsters in particular, are entitled to much credit for the energy and public-spirit manifested in promoting this great enterprise, the ultimate success of which seems assured.

Real Estate Transfers.

A J Huddleson to Chas Binder W½ of NW¼, SE¼ of NW ¼ and SW ¼ of NE ¼ sec 34 tp 22 r 7, w	$ 800 00
Roland H. Ward to Peter F Meecher 140 acres, in sec 19 and 30, tp 21 s, r 4 w	600 00
Z L Dimmick and wife to E Ralson 160 acres in sec 24, tp 26 s, r 5 w	450 00
Caswell W Grubbe to J A Black 160 acres sec 10, tp 22, r 5 w	100 00
John Andrews and wife to Frank Andrews, 5½ acres sec 5, tp 23, r 5 w	75 00
I F Rice admr to W H Rose 40 ft lot blk 88 in Southern addition to Roseburg	124 00
Thos. Lange and wife to State Land Board 185 acres, beginning at NW cor of Jas Cox D L C 2.9 chains E of the quarter sec cor between sec 17 and 20, tp 27, s r 4 w	2650 00
Lucinda Ward to John Mumpower 282 acres sec 17 and 20, tp 21 s r 4 w	1 00
Samuel Ward to R H Ward D L C No. 37 of Samuel Hall in sec 19 and 20 tp 21 s, r 4 w	600 00
I F Rice admr to Mrs Hannah Josephson Lots 1 and 2 blk 75 2nd southern addition to Roseburg	250 00
Lucinda E Ward, et al, to Wm Skidmore quitclaim deed to SE ¼ of SW¼ of sec 19, tp 21 s, r 4 w	200 00
Roland H Ward, et al, to Lucinda E Ward land in secs 19 and 20, tp 21 s, r 4 w 140 acres	1 00
Lucinda E Ward, et al, to Roland H Ward S½ of SE¼ of sec 19 and N½ of NE¼ and S W¼ of the same, NE¼ and N ½ of SE¼ of sec 30, tp 21 s r 4 w 280 acres	1 00
Caroline C Applegate to Elizabeth Watson. 149.31 acres in tp 22 s, r 6 w	1300 00
Wm Dahlberg and wife to Annie Davis Lots 9 and 10 blk 91 3rd Southern addition to Roseburg	300 00
John T Miller and wife to Edward H. Meyers 80 acres, sec 7, tp 23 s, r 5 w	800 00
A J Bellows and wife to J F Clements, Lot 12, blk 2, West Roseburg	50 00
Paul Seifner and wife to Fred Hoerth SE¼ of Sec 32, tp 20 s r 9 w	7 50
E L Parrott sheriff to A Creason the undivided ⅓ Interest in and to lot No. 6, blk 15, Busbey's addition to Roseburg	100 00
Mollie Mack, et al, to F B White 320 acres in sec 26, tp 27 s, r 6 west	800 00
Maurice Abrahams to F B White 80 acres sec 27, tp 27 r 6 w	200 00

Probate Orders.

In the matter of the estate Henry A. Marcy, deceased, an order was granted the administrator B. J. Bovingdon, to sell certain real property the proceeds to be used to pay claims and charges existing against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of E. S. Applegate, deceased, the final account of administrator A. P. Applegate, was approved and said administrator discharged.

In the matter of the estate of Eliza A. Marcy, deceased, the administrator was granted an order to sell certain real property, proceeds to be used to pay claims and charges against said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Crawford Gaddis, deceased, an order was made fixing the 3rd day of February, 1902, as the time for settling said estate.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Armstrong, deceased, the final account of the administrator W. A. Smiley was approved and he and his bondsmen discharged from any further liabilities.

Childrens two wheel red carts 15cts, boys steel wagons from $1.00 to $5.00, Sled Propeller wagons etc., at Churchill & Woolleys.

Boys knives with chain. Make fine presents. Churchill & Woolley sell them.

You should see that elegant "Meridan" cut glass at Churchill & Woolleys.

Silver novelties of all designs at Salzman's.

Thoughts from a Mountain Top.

Poetry is the blossom and fragrance of all human knowledge, human thought, human passions, emotions, language.—COLERIDGE

O, glorious, beautious world of life below,
But tell me, child of heaven, dost thou know
Aught of thy birth, however cam'st thou here
In Nature's universe, thou wondrous sphere?
Ten thousands leagues my mind doth seem to soar
Far o'er thy rounded form, from shore to shore,
To view, to feel, to drink thine artful grace,
And catch one hurried glance at thy whole face.
A million times a million feet I hear,
While treading on thy side, thru' atmosphere
Which thou hast breathed from out thy gracious breast,
That all may live with thee and share thy rest.
Thy bounteous stores feed every hungry mouth;
Thy floods of waters drink away all drouth;
And givest thee from off thine own great form
Reflected rays, all living things to warm.
Thou dost clothe thyself in rich garments bright,
That man, beholding thee, may view thy sight
With approbation, and contented be,
That he's the child of thy sweet charity.
O, peaceful Earth, below, so calm, so sweet,
But give me power to write, and I'll repeat
To brother man the sacred thoughts I feel
This hour, yea, in truth to all reveal
Thy gen'rous motherhood to helpless men,
And strive to teach each one to comprehend
The blessings that thou has to kindly give
To every one that on thy bosom lives.
I'd tell of seas, encircling thee around,
Upon whose breasts ten thousand ships are found,
How scenic rivers, clear and deep and wide,
Like happy children, play on every side;
Of mountain realms, whose glistening, snowy peaks,
Are but a chain of pearls to grace thy neck;
And giant woods, thro' which thy pure breath blows,
Are but as tiny grass, where water flows;
Of cities, thronged with works of living art,
Where millions feel the beatings of thy heart,
And treasures, far more priceless yet than gold,
That in thy bosom thou dorest amply hold.
I'd write of that proud journey round the sun,
Full thirty billion miles of space to run,
And bending that great head, with charming grace,
To give four beauteous seasons on thy face;
Yet never wand'ring from that chosen tract,
Nor for one moment, e'er thy speed to slack;
How turnest thou for e'er to east from west,
Providing time for labor and for rest.
I stand, entranced, great form, to gaze on thee,
My soul is filled with thy sublimity.
I pause, altho' I summon all my might,
My pen doth fail; I can no further write.

Roseburg, Ore., Dec. 18, 1901. OLIVER L. MOORE.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Sarah J. Cornelison, nee Adams was born in the state of Tennessee Feb. 15, 1833, crossed the plains with her parents to Oregon in 1350. She was married to Joseph Cornelison in Benton county in May 1851. They moved to Douglas county during the same year, and to her last home over 40 years ago, where she resided until her death.

She became a member of the Christian church over 30 years ago, and has lived a devoted Christian since.

She leaves a family of nine children three boys and six girls to mourn her loss. Three children preceded her to the grave.

Her age at the time of her death was 68 years, 9 months and 29 days. She died very suddenly at her home near Myrtle Creek last Saturday evening, Dec. 14, 1901. Funeral services were conducted from the home Tuesday by Rev. W. A. Wood, of Roseburg.