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COOS BAY-ROSEBURG WAGON ROAD.

The Times called attention some time ago to the Coos Bay-Roseburg wagon road. To say that it called attention to it is like asking a man in a mud hole to note how muddy it is or a man in the water to observe how wet his surroundings. Still people get used to their surroundings, no matter how bad they are, and forget their discomfort. So it is with the Coos Bay-Roseburg wagon road. But the people who come over it never forget again and the people who come in some other way have to hear about it with pain—for it invariably takes the point of their own hard luck story.

It is a pleasure to note that the Roseburg Spokesman is alive to the situation. Its last issue it quotes one of the Times' articles "calling attention" to that delectable turnpike and approves the worst which that article says and goes it several better. But even the Spokesman doesn't say the worst. Marshfield and possibly Coquille and perhaps Myrtle Point and maybe Bandon will find it worse yet, for it is said the mail which has to come into that country that way has become so bulky that the contractor wants to quit, and that the carriage of that mail over the road is impracticable. Douglas and Coos counties are, as the Spokesman very aptly says, very much at fault. The road should have been fixed some. Mind! We did not say fixed, but fixed some. We try to be conservative. By patching it in places at slight expense it would, perhaps, admit the mail once or twice and in the interest of economy it might be fixed some again when necessary. Patchwork judiciously applied would not, on the whole, cost more than four times as much as thorough work and gives more to talk about. Would it not be fine if the mail didn't come in from Christmas till April. How delightful would be the quiet solitude and sweet rest far removed from the turmoil and agitation of a letter writing and paper printing world. And the county court has adjourned.

Plant's Passengers.

The steamer Plant arrived in yesterday morning from San Francisco. She brought the following passengers: A. F. Medline, E. P. Sneidergar, M. Muldoon, Mrs. L. Collins, Mrs. J. G. Kennedy, Miss Edith Simpson, Miss Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Warner, G. McNeeley, Jim Rogers, J. M. Kent, J. Welner, A. Mosler, J. R. Wilkins, D. C. Becker, Mrs. W. J. Witworth, Mrs. J. O. Morris, Henrietta Bare, Mrs. M. Sharpe, C. Blair, Mrs. C. Blair. The boat will leave Marshfield today.

—Tinware at Prentiss & Co.'s.

Opens Fish Market.

T. H. Barry of Empire, has opened his fish market at the old Breakwater wharf, but will not be in full readiness for the trade until Monday. He intends keeping such a market as the city of Marshfield has long needed, and will carry, besides deep sea fish, crabs, clams, shrimps, etc. He has a fishing boat which will make regular trips to the ocean and patrons may expect to find what they want at Barry's.

—Crochery at Prentiss & Co.'s.

Old Resident Visiting Here.

Mr. Jay Tuttle, an old time resident of Marshfield is here from Astoria to renew friendships and see the progress which the country is making. Mr. Tuttle was at one time sheriff of Coos county, and since residing in Clatsop county has served in the state legislature as senator.

EXHAUSTS EFFORTS AND KILLS HIMSELF

Cle Elum, Wash., Woodman Cuts Throat When Struggle Proves in Vain.

Cle Elum, Wash., Oct. 10.—Pinned under a log and either unable to bear the terrible pain or fearing that even if rescued he would be a helpless cripple for life, Claude Harkness, 30 years old, pulled a knife from his pocket and cut his throat. Several hours later his lifeless body was found by his uncle, Marion Harkness, who was working in the timber with him. How long the unfortunate man cried for assistance will never be known. The ground was torn up on the spot where he was found and tells a mute story of the awful fight he made to free himself before he decided to take his life. Harkness was working on a big timber when it rolled over and pinned him. His limbs were crushed to the thighs and doctors assert it is doubtful if he would have lived had he been rescued alive. It is his opinion he struggled violently until he felt his strength leaving him then committed suicide.

—Cut price sale of underwear at Prentiss.

Preparing to Build.

Wreckers are busy tearing down the old building in the rear of the city hall, preparatory to commencing work on the new addition.

A New Racket Store.

The east half of the Gulovson building will be occupied about the first of January with a racket store. A friend of G. W. Carleton's will come from the east and install a full stock of goods, occupying the lower half of the building and the full room in the second story.

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Tucker Probably a Lambcomb Man.

Scio, Or., Oct. 11.—Frank Tucker, the man arrested in Granite in connection with the Brown murder, is probably a member of the Tucker family of Lambcomb, Or., J. F. Tucker, formerly of Scio, a brother, moved to St. John over a year ago. W. E. Savage, who also moved to St. John, is said to be a brother in law. The description of the Frank Tucker known here corresponds with that of the arrested man. Both Tuckers were laborers.

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COL. TUCKER REPORT SUBMITTED TO TAFT

Washington, Oct. 11.—Inspector General Gallington who went to the Philippines to investigate charges made by Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker against her husband, Col. W. F. Tucker, returned to Washington last night. General Gallington spent five weeks in Manila and prepared a report which he left for Secretary Taft to consider upon his arrival there. There is reason to believe that no action by the war department is recommended.

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