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NEWPORT

Senator Harry Lane, wife and daughter came in Saturday evening and registered at the Abbey. The Senator is on a tour of inspection of our harbors and rivers and the resources of the county, especially the big timber interests. On Sunday the Senator, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, took an auto trip to Siletz Agency. The Senator is much impressed with the possibilities of that country, especially the fine soil, the dairy and timber interests. On Monday the party started on a trip of inspection and pleasure, going to the Alsea bay, Waldport and Ocean View, where the Senator will learn something of the great body of timber that is in that section of the country. This will give him a good idea of the resources of that part of the country. On Friday a special meeting will be held at Marshfield at which time Senator Chamberlain will be present. This meeting is for the purpose of investigating the harbor improvements of that place. Representative Hawley will probably be there also. This personal inspection of our harbors, bays and resources of the country will be a great help to our Senators when they come to ask for appropriations to improve them. We must be persistent in asking for appropriations; keep knocking at the door and it will be opened after awhile. In 1849, in the Fall, General Joseph Lane, grandfather of Senator Lane, with an Indian in a canoe passed out over the bar and back, the first white man that ever crossed the Yaquina bar. General Lane thought this one of the most beautiful bays he ever saw, and it's a strange co-incidence that after a lapse of more than a half century his grandson should be here, a senator, looking over the harbor with a view to having it improved. Senator Lane has a warm place in his heart for Yaquina bay.

Dr. and Mrs. Bell are at Newport for a week's outing. Dr. Bell was at the great exposition and speaks in the highest terms of the fair but says the climate is nothing compared to Oregon. All around San Francisco is a barren waste and as hot as hades. He says there is nothing that will compare in beauty and grandeur of scenery as our own beautiful Columbia river and the city of Portland.

Fred Chambers has just returned from a two months' visit to California. He was at the great fair and says it is immense; no description can do justice to it. You must see the fair and go over the grounds in order to have an idea of its immensity. It is a credit to the United States and to the world. Fred says he had two months of unalloyed pleasure, but after all Oregon—the evergreen state—is the best and most pleasant place to live. He was glad to get back.

Mr. Barr Jones and Mrs. Jennie Kendall, both of Roseburg, were married on Thursday at 2 p. m. on the high seas, Captain Carner of the Olle S., performing the ceremony. This getting married on the high seas is becoming quite a fad, a romance that is greatly enjoyed by the newly married couple. There is something fascinating about the deep, blue sea and rolling waves that lovers enjoy. Cupid rock juts out into the ocean on Bay beach near the bar and here is a great place for lovers to sit and listen to the music of the sirens as they flit about on the waves and to listen to the low, sweet sound of the surf as it beats upon the shore.

The country was shocked by the horrible crime that was committed near Chitwood last week. Seldom has such a tragedy been committed and justice follow so quickly. Just 24 hours after the crime was reported by their victim they had received a life sentence. They committed the crime at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, were captured at 7, lodged in jail at 10 o'clock; the

following morning they were indicted by the grand jury and at 4 p. m., were sentenced to prison for life by Judge Hamilton. The following morning Sheriff Geer and deputies took the prisoners to the penitentiary. This was all done in about 36 hours. No one would have faulted if these fellows had been hung as soon as they confessed, but it is better to the credit of the county that the law took its course.

Senator and Mrs. Lane returned from Waldport, where they had gone, accompanied by Commissioner Hurt. They went out to Agate Beach where Representative S. G. Irvin, where they will stay over night and then will return to Siletz Agency and go down the river to the L. C. Mowery place before leaving for Coos bay. Senator Lane wants to acquaint himself with the condition of things on this coast before returning to Washington.

L. E. West of Tacoma, a brother to the Ex-Governor is stopping at the Abbey. He is engaged in buying cattle.

Dr. Gertrude Minthorn came over from Salem in her auto and will spend a week at the seashore.

M. S. Woodcock and family are in their cottage in Arcadia for a month's stay. The cottages are pretty well filled up. The weather is ideal and everyone is having a good time.

Autos are busily engaged in carrying people to the different points of interest.

OYSTERVILLE

The dance that was given at the cannery Saturday night was well attended and everybody reports a very pleasant time. We all wish for another one like it in the near future.

John Hanlon and wife, accompanied by Miss Violet King, left for Portland Monday morning, where they will stay for some time.

Misses Alma and Cara Boone visited at the home of Mrs. Frank Chamberlain's Sunday.

Mrs. John Sugg and son, Clay, and Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and daughter, Helen, spent Tuesday in Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Shermer and children left for Philomath Monday morning where they will visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs. George Lewis is reported on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Huntsucker visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shermer Sunday.

Alma Boone celebrated her nineteenth birthday Monday.

Miss Gladys King returned from Newport to her home at Oysterville Monday morning.

LITTLE ELK

Haying is all through and soon the hum of the threshing machine will be heard. Crops are better here than for several years previous.

Ed Wilson and family of Dallas passed through here on their way home from Newport, where they have been spending the last two or three weeks.

C. H. Wakefield and S. T. Loudon are hauling furniture for Messrs. Treese and Salisbury this week.

Mrs. L. E. Boynton returned home from Portland where she had been visiting relatives and friends for a week or two.

S. T. Loudon went to Summit one day last week and bought a car load of lumber. He is going to build a new house this Fall.

Rev. Davenport held Church services at our schoolhouse last Sunday. Owing to the busy times there were not many in attendance.

Virgil Loudon and wife departed for Sheridan, Or., last week, where they will make their future home, having sold their ranch here to C. H. Wakefield. There is sixty acres in the ranch and the price paid was \$1,200.

The Treese and Salisbury families have moved onto their ranch this week. They are very energetic people and will make

a very desirable addition to our neighborhood.

SILETZ

The Indian Fair Association gave a social on Saturday afternoon. The baseball boys gave a dance in the evening. The funds will go to the Association. Everybody had a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Travers and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor started for Eastern Oregon Tuesday, looking for a homestead. Everybody wish them good luck.

Mrs. Arthur Bensell leaves for Portland Thursday.

Miss Elsie Raddant leaves for Washington Thursday to take charge of a school.

L. Underwood is in Siletz on official business.

H. E. Peterson was in town yesterday looking for a location during fair time.

Mrs. J. Casen is in town visiting Mrs. Reese.

Miss Florence Ennis of Lower Farm was visiting Miss Opal Brassfield Saturday.

Mr. Halverson has invested in a lot and intends to build him a home.

Mrs. Emma Renshaw left for her home at Falls City Tuesday morning.

C. S. Davis arrived home from Portland Monday afternoon.

Mrs. K. C. Egbert of Sorrento, Idaho, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Hall.

Our new schoolhouse is coming on in fine shape.

The bridge is about finished. They have removed the false works and it now stands alone.

John Rattey and Mr. Cummings passed through Siletz on their way to Upper Farm for horses this week.

SALADO

The hay crop is about all in the barns now and the ranchers say, "Let it rain."

Mr. Hodges, the fire warden, says the stock on the range is in fine condition, the feed being the best it has been for years before and there are no flies on account of the moist season.

Fred Montgomery is going to thresh about 5 acres of grass seed. A good plan when seed is 18c. per pound. Fred has quit hunting, says it don't pay.

We were sorry to learn of the serious hurting of W. B. Mulkey at Harlan Saturday. Mr. Mulkey fell on the saw in his mill and cut the muscle from his right arm and also cut the point of his shoulder. We are told that Mr. Davis of Blodgett started in his car and got Mr. Mulkey to the hospital at Corvallis in less than two hours. Mr. Mulkey will probably never recover owing to his advanced age.

Jim Hodges will take over all the telephone lines belonging to the Welch people in this end of the county next week.

Albert Kullander of Albany and a young lady are visiting Mr. Kullander's folks here this week.

Mrs. Della Hodges will teach the Bear creek school this winter. Mrs. Hodges is a good teacher and will no doubt teach a good school.

Mr. and Mrs. Silver of Bear creek are shipping their household goods and getting ready to leave us. We hate to see them go, but wish them a happy home wherever they go.

C. W. Young and family of Corvallis are back on the ranch for the summer.

Mr. Scarth has his barn full of hay and is stacking some outside. No more poor cows for him.

We are sorry to hear of the postponement of the county fair. But we can't lay our financial troubles onto the Democrats, for they will cry war. How about '93? Guess we didn't hear of any war then. The wires must have been down.

UPPER BEAVER

Henry Emerson was a Toledo visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bowers and Miss Alma Cox went to Newport Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Coovert, Misses Neta and Helen Phelps

and brother, Clifford, of Ona and Misses Christina Peterson, Mae Huntsucker and brothers, Jimmie and George, of Upper Beaver enjoyed a very pleasant outing at Seal Rocks Monday and Tuesday.

A. A. Walters of Canal creek stayed at the Peterson ranch Monday night.

Mr. Vanell and Peter Peterson went to Yaquina Monday.

Henry and Gordon Emerson are doing some slashing for J. M. Bowers.

Peter Peterson and Gordon Emerson attended the dance at Oysterville Saturday night.

Mr. Martin and daughter, Donna, were Oysterville visitors Wednesday.

Peter Peterson and Johnnie Emerson were Toledo callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Martin and children, Mrs. I. N. Huyett and Jimmie Huntsucker went to Toledo Saturday. Mrs. Martin and Jimmie Huntsucker had some dental work done.

H. G. Rhoades was working at the G. E. Lewis ranch two days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Peterson visited Mr. and Mrs. P. Vanell Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Bowers and Alma Cox visited at the Peterson ranch Thursday.

Mrs. Rhoades and daughters, Alpha and Aletha, visited at the Huntsucker ranch Thursday.

Mrs. J. M. Bowers, Alma Cox and Mrs. F. Huntsucker and son, Kenneth, visited Mrs. Dora Huntsucker Monday.

Mr. Bowers has been suffering with the toothache.

WEST YAQUINA

F. Selby and Mr. Parks were in from Beaver creek Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Snow and children, accompanied by the Misses Ellen and Stella Willis, spent Sunday at Newport.

D. C. Miller is home from Ona. Dick Huntsucker has brought his houseboat down to West Yaquina.

Mrs. Long, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Selby of Beaver creek passed through here Wednesday enroute to Pittsburg, Kansas. She was accompanied as far as Yaquina by Mr. and Mrs. Selby and their daughter, Charlotte.

R. A. Miller was a Newport visitor Monday.

H. E. Brown took a load of household goods out to his ranch Wednesday.

Fred Commons of Ona passed through West Yaquina on his way to and from Newport the last of the week.

Mr. Arnold and family have departed for their new home in Silverton.

Mrs. Tartar and children came in Wednesday evening from Woodland, Washington, for a visit at the home of Mrs. Tartar's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Phelps of Ona. Mr. and Mrs. Phelps went to Toledo to meet them.

ONA

Mrs. J. R. Coovert called on Mrs. C. S. Ohmart Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Phelps were trading in Toledo Wednesday.

A few of the young folks of this vicinity and of Upper Beaver spent Monday night and Tuesday at the beach. All enjoyed a very pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers of Sidney, who recently purchased the Carl Knutson ranch, came in to take possession one day last week.

Mrs. E. H. Tarter and children of Woodland, Washington, came in Wednesday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Phelps.

Mrs. Katherine Long left for her home in Pittsburg, Kansas, Wednesday after a few months' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Selby.

Mrs. W. C. Weber went to South Beaver one day last week bringing back with her her mother, Mrs. Ryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Selby made a trip to Yaquina Wednesday. (County News continued on page 3)

THESE THUGS GOT QUICK SENTENCE



HARRY JONES



CHARLES REYNOLDS

Photos furnished through the courtesy of the Portland Evening Telegram.

"LIFE IMPRISONMENT" SAID JUDGE HAMILTON

Never in the history of Lincoln county has a sentence of a Court been so pleasing to the public as were the above words spoken by Judge Hamilton in sentencing the two thugs who last week held up, robbed, outraged, bound and gagged and left in a lonely canyon to die a little, helpless woman. The plan of the vagrants failed. They thought they were secure from detection by believing their victim was securely bound and would probably die and her whereabouts never be known, and they could get out of the country undetected. But luckily their work of blinding her was faulty and she freed herself enough to get to the road and receive aid, the alarm spread and the culprits caught within a very few hours. Fortunately the Circuit Court and Grand Jury was in session here at the time and the matter of indicting and sentencing the degenerates was but a matter of a few hours, otherwise there would undoubtedly have been a lynching or at least an attempt at lynching, as our people were sorely tempted. That the people did not attempt violence great credit is due them, and it was a great relief to all when Sheriff Geer and deputies landed the prisoners in the penitentiary. In pronouncing sentence Judge Hamilton gave them a scathing lecture in which he complimented the citizens of Lincoln county for not taking them out and summarily dealing with them. He said their's was the most brutal case he had ever been called upon to deal with, during his long years on the bench, expressing sorrow that he could not give them a more severe sentence, and telling them they may never hope for pardon or leniency through him or any of the officers of this county. Being young men they will have many, many long years in prison to meditate and if there is a spark of humanity in them their's will indeed be a miserable life of suffering, and the lesson to others of their kind who may be tempted to emulate their crime will cause them to pause and consider the consequences.

This case broke the record in this state for speed. At two o'clock Thursday afternoon they committed the crime, the alarm was spread two hours later, at 7 o'clock they were captured, at 10 they were lodged in jail, the following morning they were indicted and at 4 o'clock they were sentenced to life imprisonment, just twenty-six hours after committing the terrible crime. At 2:20 the following day they were in the penitentiary to remain during the balance of their lives.

Their victim, Mrs. R. R. Lakin, while in a very critical condition for a time, is reported to be recovering, but what the results of her terrible experience will be can not be known. The heart-felt sympathies of every man, woman and child go out to this girl-wife and her young husband in their terrible experience.

Oregon has established a new record in handling criminal cases. Forty-seven hours after having attacked and robbed Mrs. R. R. Lakin, a bride, aged 19, of Blodgett, near Chitwood, on Thursday afternoon, Harry Jones, 28, of Tillamook, Or., and Charles Reynolds, 27, of Tulsa, Okla., today at 2:30 donned the striped uniform of the state penitentiary in Salem, says the Oregonian of last Saturday.

The crime for which the two men have been sentenced to imprisonment for life was committed Thursday in a piece of woods between Nashville and Toledo, in Lincoln county. At 7 o'clock they were captured by a posse in command of Sheriff Bert Geer and they were promptly indicted by the grand jury in session at Toledo, the county seat of Lincoln county. Yesterday they were tried and convicted and at 8:20 this morning were taken to the train for Albany by Sheriff Geer and Deputies J. H. Ross and Ted McElwain, accompanied by an armed guard.

At 12:30 o'clock they arrived at Albany where they took the train for Salem. At 2 o'clock they arrived there and 20 minutes later were formally delivered into the custody of H. P. Minto, superintendent of the penitentiary. It was intended originally to transport the prisoners on the noon train from Toledo, but on account of the intense feeling the nature of the crime had aroused among the people, and the threats of lynching which were freely indulged in, it was deemed wise to take the earlier train.

But in some mysterious way the populace along the line of the railroad to Albany seemed to have become appraised of the move, so that at almost every station crowds had gathered and gave voice to their feelings against the prisoners, who began to show the strain on their nerves.

In Albany, Sheriff Geer, with his two deputies, still accompanied by the armed guard, in transferring the two men from the Toledo train to the Salem train, had to run the gauntlet of a large crowd of angry men and women. Cries of "Get a rope" and "Lynch 'em" caused the officers to hurry their prisoners into the smoking car of the waiting train, where Conductor R. E. Veatch and two brakemen joined the deputies in guarding the two entrances against the crowd.

If all offenders against women and girls were "railroaded" as were the two in Lincoln county last week, Judge Lynch would have no jurisdiction. The crime of these vagrants was grave and the people of Lincoln county were sorely tempted, but good counsel prevailed. Fortunately the Circuit Court was in session and that lessened the danger of an outburst of wrath. The offenders will have long years to serve and the lesson to others of like intent will be heeded.—Oregonian.