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OVER THE WIRES.

UNIQUE ENTERPRISES

Railroad and Telegraph Lines of Eastern Oregon Are Curiosities.

(Special Correspondence.)

UNION, Or., Aug. 21.—It isn't every county in the state that can boast a railroad president, but Union County can do so. The total length of the railway system including, switches, sidetracks, etc., is two and three-quarter miles. The terminal points on the Union-Street & Suburban Railway Company are Union Station, and the City of Union—both are located about two and a quarter miles apart. Hutchison Bros., own and operate the road, J. H. Hutchison being the president and Nelson Schoonover the assistant manager. Four trips are made daily. As a side issue to their railroad Hutchison Bros. own about 5000 acres of land and a large number of cattle. I had a talk with J. H. Hutchison and he gave me many interesting points relative to the railroad and the valley.

"And so you are a railroad president, Mr. Hutchison," I said.

"I look like it, don't I?" said Mr. Hutchison, pointing to his ore-stained shirt, dirty hands and well-worn overalls.

"Stand up beside your railroad; I want to take a picture of you," I said. I wanted to get a picture of the combined passenger and freight depot, telegraph office and express office; but the engine stood in front of it and completely obscured it.

"I'm in pretty shape to pose for my picture; but here goes," and he stepped over to the engine and laying his hand on the side rail I took a snap shot of him.

"We have been using, since the road was started, a little donkey engine, but I expect to handle 300 carloads of sugar beets this year, so I bought this engine of the O. R. & N. Co. They put new tires on the wheels, a new jacket on the engine and made it as good as new. It cost me about \$4000. Our road is standard gauge. We have a good amount of trade and I estimate the business, franchise, track and rolling stock worth at least \$30,000. We have a Government contract for carrying the mail, which brings in about \$60 per quarter. We also have a contract for carrying the Pacific Express Company's matter. Aside from my railway business I put up about 1500 tons of hay to feed my stock. I have in the vicinity of 1200 head of stock. I

came here in 1863 and helped Dave Thompson sectionize this county and lay out the Town of Union. My daughter has just come back from delivering a telegram. She can give you more details about the railroad, as she has charge of the bookkeeping for the road."

I entered the tiny office and found a young lady of pleasant manners and good business address in charge. In response to my query she said:

"Yes, I am auditor and bookkeeper of the railroad."

"Does it keep you busy?" I asked.

"Well, as I am also manager of the telegraph station and operate the electric light system I am sometimes rather busy."

"Tell me about your electric light system," I said.

"It is under the joint ownership of myself and sister, and stands in the name of Hutchison Sisters. My sister is married and I would like to—" she paused, and then continued, reflectively, "to sell the electric light company, as I have all the care of it since my sister's marriage. We have a service of 500 15-candle-power incandescents. We charge \$1 per month for a single light; less, of course, when several are used by the same person. We take in about \$250 per month and the running expenses are ordinarily from \$75 to \$100 per month. It is a good business, all right. It has been in operation about 12 years. We have a large alternating current, 2200 volt, 1300-light-capacity dynamo. We are putting in new equipment throughout—new transformers, new poles and new wires. Last year the plant burned down, destroying two Edison dynamos. We use water power from Catherine Creek, although we have steam for emergencies. I should think the plant would be cheap for \$6000. I would like to sell to the city, and if I can get the Council to believe in municipal ownership I would sell to the city at a reasonable rate, accepting interest-bearing bonds with partial yearly payment of the principal."

I presume this is the only electric light plant owned and operated by women in the United States. Miss Margaret Hutchison, the owner and manager, impressed me as a very competent business woman and the fact that she successfully operates several diverse industries is sufficient proof of her ability.

FRED LOCKLEY, JR.

VANCOUVER.

SALEM.

(Journal Special Service.)

VANCOUVER, Aug. 21.—Last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Brown, on Seventh and East B streets, their daughter, Miss Hattie Y. Brown, became the wife of Harry J. Kiley. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Todd at 8 o'clock p. m. The decorations were extremely artistic. In the hall was a charming drapery effect of clematis and roses, the prevailing shade being red. The parlor was prettily embellished in white and green. White carnations and roses were used in profusion. The ceiling and walls were covered with garlands of asparagus, fern and smilax, held in place by a lover's knots of white ribbon. In one corner of the room and beneath which the happy couple stood during the ceremony, was a large bell composed of white plink and smilax, upheld by satin streamers.

The bride's costume was a marvel of simplicity and beauty, being of white silk organza over white silk, and she carried a shower bouquet of jasmamine and maiden hair fern.

Miss Laura Brown, as maid of honor, wore a becoming costume of pink organdy. Miss Kate Huth and Miss Grace Rand, as bridesmaids, were prettily attired in Nile green organdy.

Mrs. E. M. Baker, sister of the bride, played the wedding march from Lohengrin. A delicious supper followed congratulations. The gifts were numerous and costly, tokens of esteem from a host of friends.

The groom, Mr. Harry Kiley, is a prominent business man of Racine, Wis., being a member of the firm of W. J. Kelly & Son, saddlery and hardware merchants.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiley left on the 11:45 boat for Portland, from which place they took the train for Racine, Wis., where they will make their home.

A very delightful party was given last night at the home of Mrs. Boehmer by Miss Beatrice Boehmer and Miss Sara Fenel, in honor of Misses Edna Dally and Grace Beard, who are visiting in the city. An interesting program was rendered, followed by light refreshments.

The Western Construction Company that has been working on the P. V. & Y. R. R., for the past 13 months, left yesterday with 50 teams and scrapers for Lyle, to work on the Lyle & Goldendale road.

J. M. White, of Sunnyside, Ore., was in the city yesterday, and left this morning for Cape Horn, on business.

O. F. Johnson, janitor at the Court House, left yesterday to visit his family.

Miss Nellie Vallien, county superintendent, who are at St. Martin's Springs, arrived in the city yesterday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Vallien, of Salmon Creek.

John Walker, a rancher of Hockenson, left for Centerville yesterday to look for stray horses.

G. L. Lindsey, a prominent rancher of Ridgefield, left this morning with several teams for The Dalles.

Gottlieb Sobenfelds and George Brewster of Lewisville, Wash., were in the city yesterday on business.

Mrs. J. N. Clark and family arrived in the city yesterday from Silver City, Idaho.

Mrs. Ebebe and daughter are in the city for a few days from Kelso.

L. W. Wood and family and W. H. Wood and family returned last night from a week's outing at Ocean Park.

Gordon Wilson, of Casson, Wash., is transacting business in this city.

(Journal Special Service.)

SALEM, Aug. 21.—Parties in from The Dalles last evening reported that the projected railroad from Dallas to Falls City is to be built through the Coast Range to the Siletz Reservation and the Pacific Ocean, thence to Newport. The movement has ample capital behind it, and the building of the road is to be pushed to an early completion. Ex-Sheriff J. G. Van Orsdal is in Salem yesterday, and was commissioned a notary public, and he will at once begin the work of securing the right-of-way for the new railroad from Dallas to Newport. This road would give the Willamette valley another connection with the Pacific Ocean, and would tap one of the finest belts of timber and richest agricultural sections in Oregon.

Frank Osborne and Ed Cottrell, the two opium fiends arrested here on Wednesday night during a raid made by the officers on a Chinese opium joint, were yesterday each fined \$10.

Sam Zuercher, a Reform School boy who recently escaped from that institution, was yesterday arrested in Albany and returned to the school. The boy was raised in Washington County. There are 120 boys in the school of use 500 received there since the institution was opened.

Grove, where he was formerly engaged in a similar business.

On Tuesday evening as John Patch and Luther Rowland were driving along the road near town with a load of hay the hay rack tipped over, and Mr. Patch was quite seriously hurt though no bones were broken.

A committee from the Eugene Commercial Club yesterday commenced soliciting funds for printing the 100,000 immigration pamphlets to be used by the Harriman railroad system in advertising Oregon.

of Drs. Lup and White, and is now resting easy. His chance for recovery is not good, and even if he does, he will never have the use of his lower jaw.

ASTORIA.

(Journal Special Service.)

ASTORIA, Aug. 21.—The building of the Hume mill in this city marks the opening of an important business epoch in Astoria's history. In past years the lumbering business has not been extensively engaged in, but now three new mills are under course of construction, and the joint manufacturer's committee of the two local commercial bodies have plans under way for the establishment of several others. While it is impossible to tell just when the Hume mill will be in operation, it is thought four months will suffice to erect the buildings and install the machinery. This mill will cut 125,000 feet of lumber in 10 hours. Mr. Hume, who is embarking in this enterprise for the benefit of his son, William, will, it is understood, build a box factory to be operated in connection with the mill. The Hume mill will increase the shipping of the port, as Mr. Hume's steamers will make regular visits to Astoria to carry away the output of his mill. The promoter of the new enterprise is a millionaire who made his start in Astoria many years ago, when he engaged in the salmon packing business. His income alone is \$100,000 monthly. He says that he made his fortune in Astoria and expresses the belief that his son can do likewise. The new Clatsop mills will be ready for business September 15. These mills will have a capacity of 100,000 feet in 10 hours, and the company will employ 15 men. The mills were destroyed by fire some months ago. A third mill is being erected at Smith Point, in the western portion of the city. The output of this concern will be about 50,000 feet daily. The lumbering industry can easily be made the greatest that Oregon boasts, the supply of timber accessible from Astoria alone being 75,000,000,000 feet.

Three new churches are to be erected in this city. Work on two has already been commenced, and the building of the third is soon to be begun. The new Catholic church, which will be erected at the corner of Grand avenue and Fifteenth street, will probably be the finest edifice in the city. The corner-stone was laid Sunday, when Archbishop Christie officiated at the ceremony. A new German Lutheran church is being built on Grand avenue between Twelfth and Fourteenth streets, and a new Presbyterian church will be erected on Eleventh street. Just when work will be commenced on the last named structure has not been settled. Astoria is enjoying a big building boom at present, and many new residences are going up.

All the salmon packers are busy paying off their fishermen, and thousands of dollars are placed in circulation daily. The amount of fish caught during the season just closed was in the neighborhood of 2,000,000 pounds, for which the fishermen received \$1,200,000. Practically all of this money has been placed in circulation in this city.

One of the leading salmon packers of this city is authority for the statement that the canners contracted with the commission men this season at \$1.35 a dozen, or \$5.40 a case. Owing to the probable failure of the Puget Sound and Fraser River salmon packs, and the falling off of the Alaska pack, there will be a very heavy demand for Columbia River fish, and the price will probably go up to \$1.85 or \$1.70. The packers will derive no benefit, however, except on fish packed in excess of contracts. It is predicted here that the scarcity of canned salmon will result in the fixing of the high price of \$1.25 a dozen for Puget Sound fish.

Christian Schmidt, a member of the cold-storage firm of Schmidt Bros., and Miss Kate Rouslow were married yesterday at the residence of the bride's parents.

The Elks of this city will attend the Portland carnival in a body. Their visit to the metropolis will be made on Elks' day, September 4. It is the intention to engage a special train for the trip, and to appear in uniform. At the meeting of Astoria lodge the following committee was named to prepare for the visit: Dr. H. L. Henderson, ex-Mayor Bergman, H. R. Hoefler, Frank M. Gerdes and L. E. Selig.

The steamer Reliable, built here by Richard Leathers, will be launched on Friday or Saturday. She is the largest steamer ever turned out of the local shipyard.

Each day of the big carnival to be held in Baker City, September 16 to 20, will be a special day, including miners' day, children's day, farmers' day and fraternal day.

OREGON CITY.

(Journal Special Service.)

Attorney John F. Clark of the Clackamas Abstract Company, returned yesterday from a three weeks' hunting trip on the upper McKenzie. He brought back several fine trophies in the shape of skins and elk antlers.

Francis Gallows left yesterday for a week's sojourn at Newport.

Mrs. R. Clark Ganong and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Church and James Church are expected home today from Mount Hood, where they have been camping for the past two weeks.

Franklin T. Griffith and family, Mrs. T. A. Pope and Miss Laura Pope left Tuesday for Long Beach. Mr. Griffith will return home Saturday but the remainder of the party will remain several weeks.

City Recorder Bruce C. Curry and family will return home from Newport, after a two weeks' sojourn.

Hon. Frank Williams, of Ashland, was in the city yesterday, the guest of W. S. U'Ren.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon M. Shank are enjoying a camping trip on Eagle Creek.

Dr. C. D. Lowe and his father, who is visiting the doctor and whose home is in Missouri, returned yesterday noon from a four days' fishing trip on Eagle Creek.

Two more of the famous Hays contests have been dismissed by Assistant Commissioner Richards, of the General Land Office. The following contestants are involved: Erick Erickson, Annie Tove, Millie A. Coker, Alma Barker, Henry Crenshaw, William E. Martin, William Baker, John E. Embury, William E. Eason and Shilley M. Bayley.

F. G. Peters yesterday sold to A. Lehman & Co. from his 11-acre yard, three miles east of Aurora, 4000 pounds of hops at 20 cents. This is the first hop contract recorded for several weeks, and it is believed that nearly all of the hops in this county have been sold.

Mrs. Robert Caulfield returned Tuesday night from a week's visit in Seattle.

Yesterday afternoon County School Superintendent J. C. Zinser announced that the following teachers had been successful in receiving county papers at the recent examination. The examining board, consisting of Superintendent Zinser, Prof. T. J. Gary and Miss Mary S. Harlow, completed the examination of the papers yesterday. The following teachers were successful:

First grade—Anna Thompson, Tualatin; C. D. Bradford, Elma Buckner, Portland; Clara Neal, Alice Marlan Swanby, Canby; Clara J. Boring, Damascus; Maude Cole, Anna T. Smith, Oregon City.

Second grade—Sheba Childs, Grace G. Marshall, Alice M. Shannon, Anelita Gleason, Oregon City; Hilda J. Olsen, Tilla A. Foss, Silverton; Christina Hamilton, Viola; Emma M. Lentz, Evelyn Olson, Inez Murray, Portland; Fannie M. Yoder, Hubbard; Alice Ritter, Neady.

Third grade—Ada Percutt, Tualatin; Edith Armstrong, Edna Armstrong, Portland; Leney Burton, Orient; Edith Toun, Merville Pague, Lutes; Irene McCowan, Oregon City; Edna Bowerman, Sunnyside; Bertha Oberst, Sandy; Alma Stone, Powell's Valley.

George Brown came in from the Salmon river hatchery yesterday.

The new drinking fountain, purchased by the Clackamas County Humane Society was received yesterday and placed in its permanent position at the corner of Main and Seventh streets, fronting the Methodist church.

Company A, Third Regiment, Oregon National Guard, will commence its annual rifle practice next Sunday morning.

INDEPENDENCE.

(Journal Special Service.)

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Aug. 21.—A hawk was recently killed at Peedee, this county, that measured four feet eight inches from tip to tip of wings. Mrs. Lillie Simpson killed the hawk, and this recalls the fact that Grandma Grant, a pioneer of 1850, has killed 32 deer since her arrival in this county.

A number of employees in the Spaulding logging camp, near Peedee, have recently become afflicted with a malady showing marked symptoms of smallpox. Enquiry has been made by William Rancke, of San Francisco, as to the particulars of the death of Mike Sweeney in Portland some time ago. The letter is addressed to the Custom House, and states that Sweeney was a sailor on the Lizzie Vance at the time of his death. The Board of Health, to whom the letter was shown, knows nothing about Sweeney.

lot of Chinese and Japanese curios consigned to a Portland house passed through the Custom House today.

The entrance to the permanent exhibit at 246 Washington street is being laid with tile, and will present a very handsome appearance when completed.

CORVALLIS.

(Journal Special Service.)

CORVALLIS, Aug. 21.—And still the number of those who get hurt monkeying with guns continues to grow. The latest comes from near home.

Last Saturday, while trying to push a cartridge into a shotgun, the shell exploded and injured two of the Warfield boys, of Alsea. Particulars are meager, but it is stated that quite a fragment of the shell entered the side of one of the boys and cut a gash two or three inches long. The face of the other boy was considerably powder burned, and he also was struck in the side with a piece of the shell. Neither is seriously injured.

THE DALLES.

(Journal Special Service.)

THE DALLES, Aug. 21.—While working on the roof at the court house this morning about 8 o'clock Albert Walters, who is in the employ of Sexton Waiter, met with a very serious accident. In descending a ladder which rested on the roof of an outhouse above the jail and led to the main roof, a pair of clammers, which he held in his arm, caught on the roof and he lost his balance and fell 25 feet to the roof of the jail, striking the roof of the outhouse as he fell. He carried tools weighing about 50 pounds, which struck his head and his workmen lifted him and found he was unconscious. A telephone message was sent to Dr. Ferguson, who soon arrived and Walters was taken to the hospital. When examined it was found that a bone in the left foot and six ribs had been broken. Concussion of the spine and brain prevailed and he was much bruised.

EUGENE.

(Journal Special Service.)

EUGENE, Aug. 21.—R. N. Newland will open a new general merchandise store in the Rankin block at the corner of Seventh and Willamette streets in a few days. Mr. Newland is from Cottage

UTAH DESPERADO DIED LIKE TRACY

Reminiscent of the days when the life of a police officer was strenuous in Utah, Captain W. G. Phillips recalls a story similar to that of the death of Tracy.

"It was over 20 years ago," said he, after he had read the weird story of the life and death of the bandit, that a warrant was sent up here to Salt Lake to the United States Marshal for the arrest of a famous cattle thief who had operated extensively in Tooele County. Accounts of his depredations had reached the city long before, but citizens of that county were practically powerless to put a stop to the thieving.

"Captain Story was United States Marshal for the territory, and to him the warrant for the arrest of the robber was sent. The marshal was instructed to return the bandit, a man by the name of Dawse, to this city, dead or alive. The commission would not have been placed in better hands, although the

NO BLOODHOUNDS NEEDED.

The marshal at once proceeded to Tooele County, where he organized a posse and started in pursuit of the fugitive. Bloodhounds were not used for the reason that Dawse was so bold in his operations that he made no effort to conceal himself and is said to have boasted repeatedly that he would never be taken. Following the trail that had been left by the man and pointed out by the people living along the road, the posse soon came in sight of the desperado.

"He at once realized that he was the object of search of the posse and a desperate fight ensued. He concealed himself behind the brush and opened fire. The fire was returned by the posse, but the outlaw succeeded in killing Captain Story and another of the posse. At last a ball fired by one of the members of the posse was true to its aim and the firing in the brush ceased abruptly. Men at once hastened into the brush in search of the dead body of the bandit.

"The man was soon found lying dead with his body almost riddled with bullets. But he had anticipated the result

OF THE UNEVEN BATTLE AND HAD PLANNED THAT HIS POWER OF DESTRUCTION WOULD NOT END WHEN HE WAS SHOT. SO ENTHUSIASTIC WERE THE MEMBERS OF THE POSSE OVER THE DEATH OF THE DESPERADO, AND IMAGINING NOTHING OF THE HORRIBLE PLAN HE HAD CONCEIVED, THAT THEY AT ONCE SET THE BODY, INTENDING TO TAKE IT BACK TO TOWN.

A DEADLY TRAP.

"Two revolvers were seen sticking from his hip pockets and two men took the weapons from their scabbards. They had hardly touched the weapons before both exploded, killing both men instantly. Upon investigation, it was found that Dawse had tied a buckskin string to the trigger of each revolver and tied the other end of the strings to his trousers. On removing the weapons they were at once cocked by the strings and exploded. He had succeeded in taking the life of two men even after he himself had been killed."

Captain Phillips was a police officer in Salt Lake at the time. The story was not widely circulated at the time because crimes were not given the notoriety that they now receive, but numbers of the older citizens distinctly recall the horrible affair.

ON THE STAFF

Selim H. Peabody, of Chicago, Selected.

(Journal Special Service.)

WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS, Aug. 21.—Dr. Selim H. Peabody, of Chicago, has been selected by the president of the exposition to attend the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress to be held at Minneapolis during the latter part of this month. Dr. Peabody will be a permanent acquisition to the staff of the exposition. He is to be attached to the division of exhibits and he will apply himself for the present to literary and special work in the office of the director. He brings to his work in the service of the exposition a rarely thorough and extensive experience in exposition matters, together with the highest attainments as a scholar and a man of public and scientific affairs.

OREGON BRIEFS.

Thomas Daly and J. D. Chennell, two prospectors from Baker City, had a hard time of it in the mountains near the head of Deer Creek this week. They lost their pack horse, which fell over a precipice 200 feet high, carrying all their tools and provisions with it. Owing to the deep snow they were unable to recover any of the pack, and were obliged to subsist on what they could pick up as they went along until they returned to Baker City yesterday.

The Marion County Board of Examiners, which met at Salem, has completed the work of grading the papers of the applicants for certificates, and papers were yesterday issued to the successful candidates. Eighty persons took the examination, of which number 25 applied for state certificates, and their papers were forwarded to State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman, to be submitted to the State Board of Examiners for grading. Of the balance, 43 were successful in securing county certificates, and these papers were yesterday issued.

Work has commenced on the new hotel and sanitarium to be erected at Hot Lake at a cost of \$25,000 and will be ready for occupancy January 1.

A public fruitdrier, 60 by 40 feet in its course of construction at Hillsboro. The promoters of the project are J. N. Henshaw and Ira E. Wheeler.

At the meeting of the Pacific Coast Indian Institute, held in Newport yesterday, Dr. Charles M. Buchanan, of Painesville, Wash., delivered an address in which he strongly advocated the discontinuance of Indian schools.

The last payment on the Consolidated Virginia mine, near Baker City, has been made. The property was formerly owned by Keith & Bamberger of Salt Lake, and the price paid for the property was \$10,000.

The funeral of Frank Kirkland, who was drowned near Joseph recently, was held at that place yesterday.

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