

**MOTHER AND CHILD WALK FROM HOME IN THE HILLS TO EUGENE**

Deserted in Shack in Wilderness, Pair Suffers Hardships on Journey.

**RAINS WASH OUT TRAIL**

Chief of Police and Matron Take Helpful Interest in Case of Deserted Wife.

(Special to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Jan. 13.—A pitiful story of the struggle of a mountain homesteader's wife to reach her relatives after having been deserted by her husband, who left her in a cabin in the lower Siuslaw country without a cent and with little or nothing to eat, is told by Chief of Police Christensen and Mrs. Mary Cox, police matron.

F. Waite and wife, with a little son, took up a homestead in the wild mountains on Indigo creek, 20 miles from the village of Glendale at the mouth of the Siuslaw river. Waite was unable to wrest a living from the place from the small clearing on the place, so three weeks ago he told his wife that he was going away and that she would never see him again. He left her sobbing in the little eight by ten shanty which they had built on the sloping mountain, and which was erected so carelessly that the roof would not shed the rain. Mrs. Waite remained at the place for a day or two, then realizing that her husband was probably in earnest when he told her that he was never coming back, she packed all her belongings in a suitcase and started for Glendale.

It was nine miles to the nearest neighbor's house, but the woman trudged along carrying her 5-year-old boy part of the way.

She started down Indigo creek, which was a shorter route to Glendale, but on account of the recent rains that stream was swollen, and she was unable to follow the trail that led along its banks. She was compelled to take a longer trail over the mountains. At Glendale Mrs. Waite was given assistance in the way of transportation to Mapleton, and the people of that village also gave her a small sum of money, but not enough to bring her on the railroad to Eugene.

She had enough money to pay her fare to a point nine miles west of Eugene, and with her boy on her back and carrying her suitcase she started Saturday on the track for the city.

She arrived in town that evening and was given shelter by a family in payment of that night.

Sunday morning the attention of Chief of Police Christensen and Police Matron Cox was called to the case, and these two officers sought assistance for the woman and child.

Mrs. Waite was suffering severely from exposure and the hardships she endured in reaching Eugene, but she was anxious to go to the home of her sister north of Salem, and Mrs. Cox presented the case before the men's class of the Baptist church Sunday morning.

The members of the class responded to the appeal for help and made up a purse sufficient to send the woman and her son to the station where her sister lives, and she has a small sum left after her fare was paid.

**Mololla Band Has Made Good Record**

Report at Annual Meeting Shows Organization in Good Shape, After a Year of Activity and Friction.

Molalla, Or., Jan. 13.—The Molalla Band association, builder of the new Molalla auditorium, has held its annual meeting and election of officers. Five directors were elected as follows: E. R. Todd, H. E. Harvey, J. V. Harless, W. P. Staley and V. C. Duncan. A directors' session will be held within a week for the purpose of electing a president, secretary and treasurer.

The financial report stated that the auditorium cost about \$4200, and that there has been cash receipts from the use of the hall amounting to \$1100 since last April. The building is 100 by 50 feet and is said to be one of the best public halls in Clackamas county.

The Molalla band, with a total membership of 24, under the direction of O. K. Cole, has been developed within a year and a half from a number of unexperienced musicians and beginners into an aggregation which now plays the most difficult overtures. The band will appear at the Rose Festival next June.

**BAKER CLUB HAD A SUCCESSFUL YEAR; PLANS MORE WORK**

Members Will Make Effort to Finance County Fair Which Court Turned Down

(Special to The Journal.)

Baker, Or., Jan. 13.—The annual banquet and election of directors of the Baker Commercial club was held Monday evening, when 10 new directors to fill the places of those who retire and one to fill a vacancy caused by a resignation, were chosen. The annual report of Secretary Meacham showed that during the last year the club did much to promote the general welfare of the county, paying special attention to the things that benefit the farmers and ranchers, with always the idea in mind that on the growth and development of the county at large depends the progress of the city. The action of the county court in cutting off the appropriation for the county fair, which the club has successfully staged the past three years, was deplored, but it was said that possibly the club may be able to finance the fair unaided. The court's decision to provide for a Baker county exhibit at the San Francisco fair, while disheartening, does not mean that it will be given up. The club's members will attempt to raise money for that purpose.

In the program for next year a membership campaign will be the first thing in order, and the club has already laid plans for a "Made in Baker" campaign, with the idea of promoting the use of local products by the people of the city and county, so far as possible.

Good roads work will also be one of the important details of the club's work the next year, and in this regard it will probably find the county court cooperating with, rather than working against it. The routing of the Lincoln National highway through this county over the route of the old Oregon trail has been secured, and with the cooperation of the automobile club and farmers, who the past few years have taken much interest in the good roads movement, much can be accomplished in this line.

The business interests of the city are supporting the club well and it is in good financial condition, with an assured monthly income that will allow the hooster organization to finance, unassisted, many of its plans for the next 12 months.

**Will Complete Hotel.**

Albany, Or., Jan. 13.—J. B. Thompson was elected president of the Hotel Hammel company at the annual meeting of the stockholders. He succeeds M. J. Cameron. Mr. Thompson is a former proprietor of the hotel, which is now the Albany. He came from Dallas, where he was in the hotel business. J. J. Collins was re-elected secretary, and the following directors were named: C. H. Burggraf, Bob Snell, W. A. Eastburn and C. C. Cameron. It was decided that the sixth floor of the hotel building be finished and furnished. This building will have 100 rooms in all.

**PORTLAND'S INTEREST IN LATIN-AMERICA IS GREAT SAYS BARRETT**

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John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American union, has come to Portland with a trade message from the Latin-American republics.

"Portland should have a very direct and very great interest in the business opportunity presented, especially at this time, by the countries of Central and South America.

"The trade of Latin America is \$3,000,000,000 a year. It is perhaps the most valuable trade in the world to this country, because it represents practically a 100 per cent purchase of manufactured articles and a 100 per cent sale of raw products.

"Our trade with Europe has been greater than our trade with Latin-America, but remember that Europe—the big, western Europe—buys principally our raw material and sells us its manufactured products. This kind of a trade, dollar for dollar, has not one-tenth the economic value to this country that a trade like Latin-America has to offer.

"The extent to which Portland will profit from trade with Latin-America will depend upon the extent to which this city avails itself of the trade opportunity. Portland has something to sell to these countries. Let Portland organize to make the sales. Doing business with South or Central America isn't different in principle than if Portland should extend business relations from Oregon over into Idaho.

"The Panama canal is an important factor in the building up of trade relations with Latin-America. It gives both coasts of the United States equal opportunity. Not at once will Panama canal benefits be realized. The business already handled through the canal is surprisingly large considering war conditions, but it will be a matter of comparatively slow growth."

Mr. Barrett says that in eight years the commerce of Latin-America has practically doubled. More now than ever before the republics of the two continents have sense of their unity of interest and their representatives are working together in a way that would have been considered impossible a few years ago.

The director general of the Pan-American union, which includes the 21 republics of the western hemisphere, was chief speaker today before the Rotary club in the Benson hotel and will deliver an address at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce tonight. He will remain

**Patterson Mayor At Forest Grove**

Plan to Change Charter Is Defeated, as Citizens Are Generally Against Further Paving at This Time.

Forest Grove, Or., Jan. 13.—At the city election held here Tuesday George G. Patterson was elected mayor and William G. McCready, C. W. Mertv, S. E. Todd and I. G. Hoar were elected councilmen without opposition.

M. R. Markham, running as an independent, defeated H. C. Parker for recorder by 45 votes. This is Markham's fourth term in this office.

Robert P. Wirtz was re-elected treasurer over L. W. Burnsworth.

On a vote to change the charter of the city the proposition was turned down by a vote of 272 for and 312 against. The main opposition to the changing of the charter was in the fact that it would give the council power to pave many of the streets of the city over any remonstrance that the interested property owners might file. Most of the business streets of the town and many of the residence streets are now paved, and there is a strong feeling against paving any more for at least another year.

**Baker Bankers Change.**

Baker, Or., Jan. 13.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens National bank of this city and the election of directors Tuesday saw an entire new board in charge, the election marking the retirement of President F. P. Bodinson and Cashier John T. Donnelly. The new directors are Davis Wilcox, president of the Bank of Haines; E. E. Harder, former cashier of the same institution; James H. Nichols, D. W. French, A. E. Shockley and P. J. Brown, the latter remaining as a stockholder, although he disposed of some of his holdings to the new members of the board. The stock

**Wedding at The Dalles.**

The Dalles, Or., Jan. 13.—Robert Murray and Miss Eva M. Coose of this city were married Monday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Coose. Rev. M. E. Boulton of the English Lutheran church officiating. Both Mr. and Mrs. Murray are well known and popular young people of this city. The groom conducts one of the leading cigar stores of The Dalles. "Bob" Murray is well known in the Pacific northwest as a football coach. He is coach of The Dalles high school eleven, which won the state championship last season.

**Judge Will Hear Case.**

Hood River, Or., Jan. 13.—As a result of the joint meeting of the Hood River County Bar association and circuit Judge W. L. Bradshaw, held yesterday, litigation in equity matters will now be heard by Judge Bradshaw at term time instead of being submitted to a referee, which in many cases runs up a \$200 or \$300 record, and instead of reducing the number of court terms to two each year, three jury terms and one equity term will probably be decided upon.

**School Well Attended.**

Junction City, Or., Jan. 13.—The Junction City high school will give a play entitled "The End of the Rainbow" at Crescent theatre Friday night, January 15. The extension department of the O. A. C. held a four days farmers' short course here last week, which was well attended.

The Junction City School District Parent-Teacher association met in the high school building Monday and was addressed by Rev. Mr. Bennett of the local Christian church.

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**Landslide Blocks S., P. & S. Traffic**

Heavy Rains Cause Section of Pacific Highway at Pains to Cave and There May Be Further Trouble.

Clatskanie, Or., Jan. 13.—A landslide obstructed traffic on the S. P. & S. tracks at Pains, just over the drawbridge from Clatskanie last Monday. About 170 yards of Pacific highway, retaining wall, rocks, stumps, trees and general debris, covered the track for a distance of approximately 150 feet. The east and west bound trains were obliged to transfer their passengers at this point. A gang of about 40 men cleared the track after working all day. If the heavy rains of the past two days continue, it is feared that another slide will occur.

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