

Myrtle Point

District Judge Hewitt, Prosecuting Attorney Geo. M. Brown and Attorney Frank Kennedy of Roseburg arrived Wednesday enroute to Gold Beach where a term of circuit court is to be held.

Otto Epps, who has been living on the R. C. Dement ranch, has moved to Fairview, where he will engage in farming. Mr. Epps has steadily added to his big game record and has now the credit of killing 23 panthers, 23 bears, 3 wildcats and 33 coons during the past year. He is entitled to consider No. 3 his lucky one, if not 23. It will be noticed how the figure 3 pervades and permeates his record. His last bear was unusually fat and yielded nine gallons of oil.

For several evenings during the

past week the mail has been arriving from Roseburg about eight o'clock, giving very satisfactory service to the people here, and by the way the Stage Co. has always given service that in comparison with that at Eureka is very excellent. A gentleman who recently returned from that place stated that the mail has been very uncertain, and some that does arrive is weeks old when it gets there. A stage route of 180 miles must be followed since the Frisco disaster and the strike which tied up the shipping.—Enterprise.

The run of fish at Astoria is fairly good. The catches are not large, but the general condition cannot be complained of. Reports from up the river show seiners are doing better than for some time, and indications are that all kinds of gear will make a little money.

Don't forget that Dr. Steele, dentist, is located in Bandon.

Thomas Armstrong, trainer for R. D. Hume's stables, took four running horses to the Marshfield track to put them in condition for the S. W. O. A. races at Roseburg in September. The horses have all the speed and endurance necessary to pull down some of the purses and make a record that will be a credit to Curry.—Radium.

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Cascades Will be Circeled.

Harriman Interests Plan to Escape Heavy Hauls Over Siskiyou.

That Harriman will encircle the Cascade Range from Natron on the east and Drain on the west to Weed and to a connection with the joint line of the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific from San Francisco to Eureka, is certain through his acquisition of the California Northeastern Railway. The line extends into the Klamath country from Weed, but has been constructed only part of the way, Erickson & Patterson, of this city, being now engaged in building the connection between the terminus and Klamath Falls, a distance of 43 miles, which will require another year.

The road was started by the Weed Lumber Company and has been used largely for logging purposes, though a passenger service was inaugurated and of late arrangements were made to freight goods from the terminus into Klamath Falls. The plan is to connect the California Northeastern at Klamath Falls with the Oregon Eastern, which is to be started soon from Natron and proceed through the Cascades and thence south, also forming the first link of the East-and-West line between Natron and Ontario. The primary object in taking over the Weed road was evidently to escape the heavy haul through the Siskiyou. The Weed line promises to give comparatively easy grades and little curvature, while the same is expected of the route being surveyed for the Oregon Eastern.

In connection with that plan is the determination to make the Drain Marshfield road a first-class piece of road in every respect. It will connect at Marshfield with the Coos Bay Roseburg & Eastern, the Spreckles property which was recently taken over by the Southern Pacific. From the terminus at Myrtle Point, 18 miles south of Coos Bay, the line will be extended to a connection with the California Northwestern, which is in operation from San Francisco to Sherwood, but the new line will start at Willits and be carried north to Eureka. It is understood the latter stretch will be used jointly by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe.

Like the Pacific system south of San Francisco, the Southern Pacific will then have a coast and interior line and for the entire distance from Portland will enjoy the advantage of two roads, while from Corvallis north to Portland there will be practically three tracks, two of which will be on the east side of the Willamette from Woodburn south, and from Drain to Weed there will also be three tracks, with two leading into the Bay City. The Shasta route is not to be abandoned, but will become a local line, all freight and passenger business of a through nature being routed either along the coast or by way of Klamath Falls.

The line through the Siskiyou has proven both expensive and difficult to operate. During the winter obstacles in the way of landslides and washouts have made it impossible to maintain schedules often for days at a time. The last blockade, caused by the cave-in and fire at tunnel 16, proved disastrous, and even today the company is operating around the tunnel by means of a temporary track. Steep grades and bad curves have not been conducive to fast time, but with the opening of the new connection by way of Weed, it is expected the running time will be materially reduced.—Telegram.

End Murder Trial With Mud Slings Match.

Moscow, Idaho, Aug. 25.—The preliminary hearing of Wm. J. Schrieves and Roy Taylor, charged with the murder of David A. Collier, was concluded this afternoon after six days occupied in hearing testimony, and was taken under advisement. The

arguments of the attorneys were characterized by bitterness and slanderous accusations against Mayor Morgan, Coroner Jameson, Dr. R. S. Thompson and Night Chief of Police Heath.

Mayor Morgan, as attorney for the prosecution, declared the coroner had to come out and depreciate the wounds and circumstances in order to justify himself for not calling an inquest immediately. Morgan declared Dr. Thompson's lack of knowledge was deplorable and that he was not as familiar with surgery as an ordinary layman. Morgan said Heath had to depreciate conditions or else acknowledge he was delinquent in his duties and unfit to serve as an official.

Whales Now Act as Ship Pilots.

Whales are so thick off the Columbia River that one of them crossed in over the bar yesterday afternoon just in the lead of the steamer Alliance, which reached port early this morning from Eureka and Coos Bay. He kept close to the surface, and the passengers got an excellent view of him. The monster was about 80 feet in length. He churned up the water like a warship under full steam. When last seen he was in the channel. The officers are of the opinion that he will go aground on one of the shoals and will never be able to regain the ocean.

Great schools of salmon and other fish were also seen off the coast of Oregon. They have become so accustomed to the steamers and ships that but little heed is paid to them. Some of the mariners are of the opinion that if the commercial boats were equipped with nets, harpoons and other similar fish-catching apparatus the owners would reap a big harvest on every trip. It is declared that enough salmon could be scooped up in a couple of hours to pay the expense of the voyage. At least a couple of whales could be harpooned and towed up to Portland with little loss of time, it is claimed. While they might not yield much ambergris, it is believed that enough oil could be taken from them to make the venture profitable. Some halibut and codfish are also sighted occasionally and could easily be raked up with nets. If the fish keep on increasing the way they have been during the past few weeks it is asserted that the proposition to make it a side issue of capturing some of them will be presented to the steamship owners.

The Alliance had a full cargo of general freight. Fourteen cars of shingles, doors and sashes were brought from North Bend and will be sent from here to points in the interior. Much farm produce came from Marshfield. There was a passenger list of 86, all she could accommodate.—Telegram.

Investigations in the results of Danish dairying show that their cows produce three times as much butter a cow as do the cows of Minnesota. How do they do it? First very largely by breeding only to the best dairy bulls they can get. Second, by being liberal feeders. What's to hinder the American farmer from doing just as well. Nothing save his lack of the same degree of dairy intelligence. When the American farmers get over their foolish notion of prejudice against learning from books and papers, and learn that this great dairy question is first of all a matter of mental intelligence—brains first and hands next—they will then be prepared to do just as well. But so long as a farmer does not believe that reading, study—in short, intelligence—are necessary to success in dairying, he will not do as the most successful people are doing in his line, and, as a consequence, neither will he make as large a profit.—Hoard's Dairyman.

Presbyterian Church. There will be church services in the Presbyterian church next Sunday, Sept. 2, both morning and evening. Sunday school at 10 A. M. and Christian Endeavor at 7 P. M. All are cordially invited.

Gage Puts Lid On in Coos.

The Harbor is able to report through the office of W. W. Gage, sheriff, that gambling no longer exists in Coos county.

Sheriff Gage is positive on this point and he ought to know. The Harbor has not conducted an investigation and therefore has no report of its own to make.

Mr. Gage was elected on a reform platform that promised to do away with all wickedness in the territory over which he is to reign for two years. He even promised if elected to close all gin mills. But unfortunately in the great desire to elect Gage his supporters overlooked the main gate and let the saloon bull get into the pasture where he is now having his own way.

When Mr. Gage took office he began a study of the statute to see how many occupations in the county could be classed as criminal. He discovered that hurdy gurdy houses were not exactly outlawed and could not be suppressed by force, but he made the further discovery that they were subject to a license fee of \$100 a month.

The sheriff placed himself under the tutelage of District Attorney Brown and when the legal way is made clear he is going to swoop down and gather in those hundred plunks each month from the only institute of the kind in his bailiwick.

The sheriff took milder means to suppress gambling. He sent word over to the boys that he was coming and that that they had better vamoose. Before the gamblers skidoed they hung out 23 and that was all the sheriff saw when he arrived around the green cloth where the gaily youths had once made merry with the clink of glasses and the rattle of chips.

The sheriff did not place much faith in the staying qualities of the dealers, in their staying away qualities, and so he placed an outlook to make the nightly rounds. It is reported that this man keeps a close watch on the gambling rooms and that these places are now as quiet as a Wednesday evening prayer meeting.—Harbor.

An excursion boat will run from Coquille Sunday bringing the baseball team, band and a crowd of rooters.

After the regular routine of business was disposed of by the Rebekah lodge Thursday evening, the meeting was merged into a surprise party for one of the members, Mrs. Goetz, the occasion being her birthday.

Portland, Aug. 28.—The report of the postoffice inspectors received by the assistant U. S. district attorney regarding the unusual manner of conducting the postoffice at Gold Beach, Oregon, by postmistress Miss Caughill, is one of the strangest chapters in the history of the postoffice department. Mr. Cole says there has been complaint relative to the manner in which the office has been conducted ever since Miss Caughill's appointment two years ago.

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