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Curry Has Churches.

Curry is the only county in the State of Oregon so far as can be learned, that has absolutely no place of worship. Aside from the informal gatherings and meetings held by the traveling preachers, no religious services of any sort are held in this county. The condition is not ascribed so much to the indifference of citizens on religious matters as to the fact that ministers of the gospel are few and far between in Curry county.—Ashland Tidings.

The Ashland Tidings has evidently been imposed upon. There are two church buildings in Curry county, one at Dairyville and one at Port Orford. The Catholics have a house of worship out at Cape Blanco, but it was built and is sustained by the Hughes' and Langloises. The Presbyterians have a regularly organized church known as the First Presbyterian Church of Curry county, regular services being held every month at Dairyville and Port Orford. Rev. G. H. Roach of Bandon fills these two pulpits.

New Power Company.

The Coquille Valley Power company, recently incorporated under the laws of Oregon, will get its power from the headwaters of the South Fork of the Coquille river, where they have filed on 500 miners' inches, says the Enterprise. It is at a fall 30 miles south of Myrtle Point which comes tumbling down from a height of 200 feet, and the 500 inches is less than the amount of water flowing in the dry season. The company owns some fine timber lands in that vicinity which will be an added source of wealth when the power is developed.

An engineer will soon be on the ground to take the first step toward the development of the power to be created there, and some of these days the valley will be running by electricity with all that such development may mean to this section of the country.

A Rhyme in Jag Time.

The following lines from an exchange will be appreciated by some who have enjoyed a like experience: Sing a song of pestilence, a fellow full of rye; four and twenty serpents dancing in his eye; when his eyes were opened he shouted for his life. Wasn't he a pretty chump to go before his wife? His hat was in the parlor, underneath the chair; his boots were in the hallway, his coat was on a chair; his trousers in the kitchen, his collar on a shelf, but he hasn't any notion where he was himself; when the morn was breaking, some one heard him call—his head was on the ice box, which was the best of all.

If the Legislature continues with the same degree of liberality as displayed by the ways and means committee in fixing the amounts for the general and contingent expenses of the different State institutions and departments, as shown in the general appropriation bill which was submitted to the House last Thursday, there will have to be a material increase in revenues in order to have enough money to go around before the expiration of the ensuing biennial period. A comparison of the items with those contained in the official estimates made by former Secretary of State Denholm shows that the aggregate amount of the former exceeds that of the latter by over \$20,000, the grand total amounting to \$1,244,970. It will easily prove a \$3,000,000 Legislature against \$2,275,384 two years ago.—Salem Journal.

J. T. Bridges of this city, formerly register of the United States land office at Roseburg, has been summoned to appear as a witness in the trial of Congressman Binger Hermann, formerly Land Commissioner, which is now set for February 18th, at Washington. Mr. Bridges received his summons by phone from Roseburg, and left Wednesday for Coos Valley, where he was met by the official and they proceeded to Roseburg together.—Enterprise.

Coos Bay is rapidly expanding. The Portland Journal has lately edited Prosper to it, and Myrtle Point may be the next to be taken in.—Enterprise.

New County Wanted.

Clark county is to be carved from the northern part of Grant county and added to the counties of Oregon, if Senator Laycock of the Ninth district has his way, says the Baker City Democrat. An attempt to have the same territory embraced in a new county was made at the last session of the Legislature, but the bill was not introduced. At that time it was desired to name the new county "Lewis and Clark." Now the Lewis has been eliminated, and the bill to create Clark county was offered in the Senate recently by Laycock.

The Senator stated that the proposed new county would take about two-fifths of the present area of Grant county. Long Creek is to be the temporary seat of government of Clark county. The permanent county seat is to be chosen by the people of the county at the next election.

Officers of Clark county are to be appointed by the Governor and are to hold until their successors are chosen in 1908. The new county is annexed to the Ninth Senatorial district, to the Twenty-fifth Representative district, and to the Ninth Judicial district.

Miss Lillie Way was on the bay several days this week in the interest of her Telegram contest, and was successful in getting a large number of votes and winning a 10,000 vote prize offered by the Telegram.—Enterprise.

R. A. Grabar, whilom promoter and general manager of the Coos Bay Roseburg & Eastern Railroad, is in San Francisco stopping at the Palace hotel. It is said he will engage the Spreckles people in litigation over certain equities he claims in the road.

Port Orford.

We learn that Mr. Concannon has let the contract for hauling the lumber to the Cape to A. A. Jamieson, and work will commence at once.

Will Cagbell passed through town Monday on his way to Coos Bay after two more of R. D. Hume's thoroughbreds which were shipped up there from San Francisco by steamer.

John R. Miller, on his trip to Coos last week to secure a boat to carry freight to this place, was not successful. He could find no suitable small vessel to undertake the trip at this time of the year, and the larger ones will not call here until the wharf is repaired.

Although Representative Rackleff did not vote for Frank Davey for Speaker yet he is chairman of one committee and a member of two others thus showing that he is active and has made a good impression. He has introduced a bill expelling from the State accident insurance companies that do not pay a judgment.

A young man by the name of Miller, from Washington, has located a homestead on Hubbards creek and is building his house on it.—Tribune.

Word from Washington last Thursday was to the effect that the President had reached a solution of the Japanese coolie problem. He will unfold it to the California delegation. It is understood he has reached an agreement with the Japanese ambassador, Aoki, whereby the Tokio government will prevent laborers taking passage for this country. It is not likely to be announced officially. If it were the Mikado would be attacked by the opposition at home. He cannot make a treaty but will achieve the same results by exercising power over the steamship lines.

It was reported that Robt. Dunham, captain of the Roanoke and a nephew of H. W. Dunham, was very sick with pneumonia in Portland last week.

Rev. Rader Accused.

A dispatch from Portland under date of Jan. 29th has this to say:

Grave charges will be brought against Rev. Paul Rader, general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon, at a special meeting of the board of trustees of that organization to be held this week. It is asserted by members of the board that evidence will be produced at that time to show Mr. Rader is a fakir, pure and simple, and that he is anything but a devout and earnest Christian. It is further alleged that he will be requested to hand in his resignation at the meeting. He will be charged, it is predicted, with having blackened the good name of the Anti-Saloon League in Oregon by deliberate misrepresentation, and plunging the organization almost hopelessly in debt.

The most sensational of the charges that he will be called upon to answer is the one that the story he told of being assaulted by thugs at Salem last February was made up of whole cloth, and that the wounds he said he received during the encounter were self-inflicted. Mr. Rader's enemies among the temperance workers declare that he cooked up the story partly to bring the liquor dealers into disrepute by insinuating that the assault was instigated by them, but principally to obtain glory for himself.

L. J. Simpson, Seymour, H. Bell and Henry Hewett will construct a \$50,000 hotel in North Bend. The building will be 108x132, and will be furnished with an electric elevator, and there will be a telephone in every room.

W. C. Chase, representative from Coos county, has introduced a bill in the Legislature in which he asks that the open season for buck deer begin July 15th instead of Aug. 15th as at present.

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