

IS IT A BLUNDER?

Senator Mitchell believes the selection of the Panama route for the isthmian canal is the mistake of the century. Few men are better qualified to express a correct opinion on this subject than Mr. Mitchell. In the Senate, Senator Morgan is probably the best informed man on the subject; indeed, he is known as "the Father of the Canal."

The House had already passed the Hepburn bill, adopting the Nicaragua route, and its friends in the senate felt certain of the measure passing that body. That it did not is due to the influence of Senator Hanna more than to anything else. His speech in favor of Panama actually did change votes. The utmost those favoring the Nicaragua route could do was to secure a conditional provision leaving the ultimate selection of a route with the president.

Of Great Importance.

It is estimated that Oregon's crop of hops this year will be worth in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. The picking will cost about \$600,000. This places hops well up among Oregon's principal industries. The average estimate places the crop of hops for this state at \$5,000 bales. This, it is thought, will be about as much as the states of Washington and California will together produce.

The weather conditions have been ideal for the production of hops, both for quantity and quality. It is reported that the exceedingly hot and dry spell of weather just passed has killed all of the lice and left the hops almost without a blemish. Hop men say that a little rain just now would help fill out the burr and give the product a richer color.

Picking will begin in the course of ten days or two weeks and pickers will begin to swarm about like bees around a honey pot—at least it is hoped they will. But the fear has been entertained by some growers that pickers will be scarce this year. As a general thing, there are many pickers come to the valley from the mountain districts. A good many of the Siletz Indians come and assist through hop-picking season. It seems to be generally agreed that 40 cents per box is the price that will be paid for picking.

Council Notes.

The common council for the City of Corvallis met in regular session last Monday evening. Mayor Woodcock occupied the chair and there were present Councilmen P. Avery, D. C. Rose, E. Allen, W. O. Heckart, Wm. Cress, J. L. Underwood, A. Hodes and W. J. Wilbanks. The minutes of the last regular session were read and approved and the following items of business given attention:

In the matter of the bills of Ed Clark, Ed Smith, H. Harris, M. Lane and F. P. Sheasgreen for putting out fire, the finance committee recommended payment of the same and said report was adopted. The finance committee recommended favorably upon the bill of J. R. Smith & Co. for \$19.25, which report was also adopted.

\*\$200 for constructing a warehouse back of the GAZETTE building for the City of Corvallis was considered. All councilmen voted for the bill, which was carried. The matter of proper manner of paying assessments on lateral sewers was considered. After some discussion and amendment to ordinance the bill went over to the next regular meeting of the council.

The finance committee consisting of A. Hodes, P. Avery and E. Allen, made the following report to the city council of Corvallis: "We, your committee to whom was referred the books and accounts of the city treasurer and police judge, would respectfully report that we find said books and accounts correct." Said report was placed on file.

The finance committee made a verbal report in regard to painting warehouse and old engine house, and repairing later inside. The report was adopted and the matter of painting and repairing the same was referred to street committee. Bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the general fund in the sum of \$2,118.70. On the street fund warrants were ordered drawn in the sum of \$27.06.

The report of the chief of police was read and placed on file. At this time was present V. E. Waters, county judge of Benton county, who spoke in regard to the gravel ferry, and a suitable person to have charge of the same, stating that the county court was willing for the city to appoint a man for same, and the county would bear its share of the expense. The council appointed Chief of Police Alexander to have entire charge and control of the same.

The matter of a watering trough for horses was referred to fire and water committee.

The petition of F. P. Sheasgreen for a sewer through block 5 was referred to the sewer committee.

The council balloted on president for the council. After the third ballot, no majority having been received by any one placed in nomination, the matter was postponed until the next regular meeting. A communication from the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs was read and placed on file.

Grand Excursion on the C. & E.

On Sunday, August 17, 1902, the C. & E. R. Co. will run another through excursion from Detroit and all points West to Newport, leaving Detroit at 4:30 a. m., Albany 7 p. m., Corvallis 7:30 a. m., arriving at Newport about 11:30. An excursion train from the Lebanon-Springfield branch of the S. P. will connect with the C. & E. at Albany. The Salem military band of fifteen pieces will meet the excursionists and play during the day. Special trick bicycle riding, surf bathing, and weather permitting, a grand surf drill by the U. S. Life Saving Crew will take place.

Excursion will leave Newport at 5:30 p. m. Fare from Detroit to Mill City inclusive \$2.50; west of Mill City to Kingston inclusive \$2.00; west of Kingston to Maxwell inclusive \$1.75; Albany, Corvallis and Philomath \$1.50; West of Philomath to Chitwood inclusive \$1; all points west of Chitwood 75-cs.

This will be the banner excursion of the year, and the time spent will repay tenfold the cost of the trip.

Was Criticized.

Those who attended the last local teachers' institute held in this city will no doubt recall the fact that Prof. Ressler, formerly of Eugene, but recently elected president of the State Normal School at Monmouth, made a brief speech. The gentleman appears to be an enthusiastic school worker, and attended and delivered an address during the county teachers' institute just held in Douglas county. The Roseburg Review sees fit to criticize his efforts on this occasion as follows:

"The speaker might be criticized for failing in many instances to give credit for quotations included in his address. No accusation of plagiarism is intended, but an educator holding a position of prominence in the state is expected to be exact and give credit wherever due when he makes a public address."

We cannot recall a thing that the gentleman said during his remarks in this city that would subject him to the charge of "plagiarism."

EUREKA HARNESS OIL advertisement featuring an image of a horse and rider, with text describing the product's benefits for harnesses and horses.

Shirt Waists At Half Price.

We have them in colors at 25, 35, 50 and 75 cents, and \$1, up to \$2. White Waists from 50 cents to \$2.

Remnants in all colors and materials. We are making a Clearance Sale of remnants of Calicos, Percales, Lawns, Swisses, Challies, Dimities, Shirtings, Muslins, Etc.

Twenty per cent reduction on all Dimities, Challies and Lawns.

We carry a full line of W. B. Corsets—Girdles, Summer Weights, and Straight Fronts, 50 cents to \$1 50.

Ladies 2-clasp Suede Lisle Gloves in Black, Grays and White, at 50 cents.

F. L. MILLER, Corvallis, Or. When you see it in our ad, it's so. Phone 191.

Pioneer Bakery and Ice Cream Parlor advertisement. Features text: 'THE Pioneer Bakery and Ice Cream Parlor. Fresh bread daily. A complete stock of candies, fruits and nuts kept constantly on hand. Smokers supplies a specialty. H. W. HALL, Proprietor.'

Portland Business College advertisement. Features text: 'THE PORTLAND BUSINESS COLLEGE. PARK AND WASHINGTON, PORTLAND, OREGON. The school where thorough work is done; where the reason is always given; where confidence is developed; where bookkeeping is taught exactly as books are kept in business; where shorthand is made easy; where penmanship is at its best; where hundreds of bookkeepers and stenographers have been educated for success in life; where thousands more will be. Open all the year. Catalogue free. A. P. ARMSTRONG, LL. B., PRINCIPAL.'

Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine advertisement. Features an image of a man holding a bottle and text: 'I have had occasion to use your Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine and am pleased to say that I never used anything for stock that gave half as good satisfaction. I heartily recommend it to all owners of stock. A. B. BELSHER, St. Louis, Mo. Sick stock or poultry should not eat cheap stock food any more than sick persons should expect to be cared by food. When your stock and poultry are sick give them medicine. Don't stuff them with worthless stock foods. Unload the bowels and stir up the torpid liver and the animal will be cured, if it be possible to cure it. Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine unloads the bowels and stirs up the torpid liver. It cures every malady of stock if taken in time. Secure a 25-cent can of Black-Draught Stock and Poultry Medicine and it will pay for itself ten times over. Horses work better. Cows give more milk. Hogs gain flesh. And hens lay more eggs. It solves the problem of making as much blood, flesh and energy as possible out of the smallest amount of food consumed. Buy a can from your dealer.'

THE GAZETTE advertisement. Features text: 'THE GAZETTE. Is Issued Semi-Weekly. Subscription Price 1.50 per Year. It strives to be fair, honest and fearless; to give the news while it is news, and avoid the sensational. ITS LARGE CIRCULATION. In this County, makes 5% of value to advertisers.'

Oregon's Blue Ribbon STATE FAIR advertisement. Features text: 'Oregon's Blue Ribbon STATE FAIR. Salem Sept. 15th to 20th 1902. You are invited to attend and see the greatest industrial exposition and livestock show ever held on the Pacific Coast. Good racing every afternoon. Camp ground free. Come and bring your families. For any information, write M. D. WISDOM, Sec'y, Portland, Ore. Foley's Honey and Tar cures colds, prevents pneumonia.'

O. R. & N. OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC advertisement. Features text: 'O. R. & N. OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC. DEPART FOR TIME SCHEDULES FROM PORTLAND ARRIVE FROM. Chicago-Portland Special 9 a. m. via Huntington. Salt Lake, Denver, Ft. Worth, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and East. 4:30 p. m. Atlantic Express 8:50 p. m. via Huntington. Salt Lake, Denver, Ft. Worth, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and East. 8:10 a. m. St. Paul Fast Mail 6:15 p. m. via Spokane. Walla Walla, Lewiston, Spokane, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, Milwaukee, Chicago, and East. 7:00 a. m. Through Pullman and Tourist Sleepers. 72 HOURS—PORTLAND to CHIOAGO No change of cars. Through tickets to all Eastern points via this route on sale at S. P. depot office.'

Ocean and River Schedule FROM PORTLAND. Features text: 'Ocean and River Schedule FROM PORTLAND. All lines dates subject to change. For San Francisco, Sail every five days from April 24. 8 p. m. 4 p. m. Daily Ex. Sun. 8 p. m. Columbia River Steamer. 4 p. m. Except Sunday. Saturday, 10 p. m. To Astoria & way-landing. WILLAMETTE RIVER DIVISION Water Permitting. Steamer Ruth leaves Corvallis for Albany, Salem, Portland and Way Landings, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 6:00 a. m., returning arrives Corvallis about Midnight, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. E. F. THAYER, Agent, Corvallis. A. L. CRAIG, Gen. Pass. Agent, Portland, Oregon.'

SOUTH and EAST VIA Southern Pacific Company. THE SHASTA ROUTE. Features text: 'SOUTH and EAST VIA Southern Pacific Company. THE SHASTA ROUTE. Trains leave Corvallis for Portland and way stations at 1:20 p. m. Lv Portland 8:30 a. m. 9:30 p. m. Lv Albany 12:30 p. m. 10:50 p. m. Ar Ashland 12:33 a. m. 11:30 a. m. Ar Sacramento 5:40 p. m. 4:35 a. m. Ar San Francisco 7:45 p. m. 9:30 a. m. Ar Ogden 5:45 p. m. 11:45 a. m. Ar Denver 9:00 a. m. 9:20 a. m. Ar Kansas City 7:25 a. m. 7:25 a. m. Ar Chicago 7:55 a. m. 9:30 a. m. Ar Los Angeles 1:30 p. m. 7:00 a. m. Ar El Paso 6:00 p. m. 6:00 p. m. Ar Fort Worth 6:30 a. m. 6:30 a. m. Ar City of Mexico 9:55 a. m. 9:55 a. m. Ar Houston 4:40 a. m. 4:00 a. m. Ar New Orleans 6:25 a. m. 6:25 p. m. Ar Washington 6:42 a. m. 6:42 a. m. Ar New York 12:43 p. m. 12:43 p. m. PULLMAN AND TOURIST CARS on both trains. Chair cars Sacramento to Ogden and El Paso, and Tourist cars to Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans and Washington. Connecting at San Francisco with several steamship lines for Honolulu, Japan, China, Philippines, Central and South America. See F. E. FARMER, agent a Corvallis station, or address C. H. MARKHAM, G. P. A., Portland, Or.'

Corvallis & Eastern Railroad TIME CARD. Features text: 'Corvallis & Eastern Railroad. TIME CARD. 2 For Yaquina: Train leaves Albany 12:45 p. m. Corvallis 1:50 p. m. arrives Yaquina 5:35 p. m. 1 Returning: Leaves Yaquina 7:00 a. m. Leaves Corvallis 11:30 a. m. Arrives Albany 12:15 p. m. 3 For Detroit: Leaves Albany 1:00 p. m. Arrives Detroit 5:45 p. m. 4 Returning: Leaves Detroit 6:30 a. m. Arrives Albany 11:05 a. m. Trains 1 and 4 arrive in Albany in time to connect with the S. P. south bound train, as well as giving two or three hours in Albany before departure of S. P. north bound train for Portland. Train No. 2 connects with the S. P. trains at Corvallis and Albany giving direct service to Newport and adjacent beaches. Train 3 for Detroit, Breitenbush and other mountain resorts leaves Albany at 1:00 p. m. after the arrival of S. P. south bound train from Portland, reaching Detroit at 5:45 p. m. For further information apply to EDWIN STONE, Manager. H. H. CRONISE, Agent, Corvallis.'

The First National Bank OF CORVALLIS, OREGON. ESTABLISHED 1890. OFFICERS & DIRECTORS: M. E. WOODCOCK, President. J. E. SMOOR, Vice-President. WALTER T. WILES, Cashier. GEO. E. LILLY, Assistant Cashier. JOHN WILES, Corvallis, Oregon. Loans Made. On all kinds of approved security, and especially to encourage and build up the legitimate business enterprises and industries of this country. Deposits. Received subject to check payable on demand. Foreign Exchange. Sight exchange and transfers sold available in the principal cities of England, Ireland, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Italy, Russia, Spain, Portugal, Germany, Austria. Letters of Credit. Issued available in the principal cities of the United States. Principals Correspondents Upon Whom We Sell Sight Exchange: The Commercial National Bank of Chicago. The First National Bank of Portland, Oregon. The Bank of California, San Francisco, Calif. Anglo-Californian Bank, San Francisco, Calif. The National City Bank New York. The Bank of New York National Banking Ass'n Importers & Traders National Bank New York. The Bank of the Republic of Boston, Mass. Philadelphia National Bank of Philadelphia, Pa.

M. A. Goodnough Dealer in Pianos, Organs, Violins, Guitars, and small instruments of all description. Manufacturers agent for the World - Famous Needham Pianos and Organs which have a world-wide reputation for their tone, action and durability. I also sell the best automatic piano-player on the market today—the Paragon. Office and residence one block west of court house. Call for Warrants. Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand at the county treasurer's office to pay all orders endorsed and marked not paid for want of funds up to and including those of March 5th, 1902. Interest will be stopped on same from this date. W. A. BECHANAN, Treasurer of Benton Co., Or. Dated at Corvallis, July 16, 1902.

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Notice to Creditors. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of William E. Elliott, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton county, sitting in Prolate. All persons having claims against said Estate are required to present the same duly verified, to me, at the First National Bank of Corvallis, Oregon, or at the law office of E. Holzgate, in Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. GEORGE E. LILLY, Administrator. May 16, 1902.'

Notice for Publication. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, JAMES W. WORTHINGTON, of Philomath, County of Benton, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2804, for the purchase of the W. 1/4 of S. W. 1/4, S. 1/2 of N. W. 1/4 of Sec. No. 28 in Township No. 12 S., Range No. 7 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Saturday, the 13th day of September, 1902. He names as witnesses: Michael Flynn, Ernest F. Snyder, Erich F. Come and Marshall Allen, all of Philomath, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 13th day of September, 1902. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.'

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been duly appointed executors of the Last Will and Testament of Robert E. Cooper deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required at the law office of Yates & Yates, at Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. THOMAS H. COOPER and Geo. W. COOPER, Executors.'

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Notice for Publication. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Benton, administrator of the estate of Lana Gray, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, properly verified as by law required, to me, or to C. E. Woodson, at Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof. J. H. ALLRIGHT, Administrator of the estate of Lana Gray, deceased. Dated at Corvallis, Or., Aug. 4, 1902.'

Notice for Publication. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton county administrator of the estate of Emoline Frary, Deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same properly verified as by law required at the office of Yates & Yates, Corvallis, Or., within six months from the date hereof. F. J. FRARY, Administrator of the Estate of Emoline Frary, Deceased. Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, July 1, 1902.'

Notice for Publication. Features text: 'Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before County Clerk of Benton County at Corvallis, Oregon, on July 22nd, 1902, to wit: WILLIAM J. BENDISOR. H. E. 2362 for the Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Sec. 20, T. 1 S., R. 6 W. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, to wit: George A. Bayne, George Bayne Jr., Ben or Lilly, and or to C. E. Woodson, at Corvallis, Or. CHAS. B. MOORES, Register.'

B. A. CATHEY, M. D. Physician & Surgeon. Rooms 14 in Bank Building. Office Hours 10 to 12 a. m. 2 to 4 p. m. Residence: Corner College and 8th Sts. Telephone at office and residence. Corvallis, Oregon.

W. T. ROWLEY, M. D. (Homoeopathic) Physician, Surgeon, Oculist. Office—Rooms 1 and 2 in Bank Bldg. Residence—On 3rd street, between Monroe and Jackson. Residence telephone No. 311. Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m.; 2 to 4 and 7 to 7:30 p. m. CORVALLIS, OREGON.

C. H. NEWTH Physician & Surgeon. Examining surgeon U. S. Pension Bureau PHILOMATH, OREGON. DR. W. H. HOLT DR. MAUD B. HOLT Osteopathic Physicians Office on South Main St. Consultation and examination free. Office hours: 8:30-11:45 a. m.; 1:5-4:45 p. m. Telephone 235. Corvallis, Oregon.

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