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## FRATRICIDE

### Ladies Can Wear Pheasant Feathers in Hats Says Game Warden Finley

### Thirteen Firms Can Bring Suit--Fifty-Year-Old Bills--S. S. Class High Jinks

#### HUNTER SHOT BY BROTHER

Ashland Physician Penetrates Unsettled Territory 30 Miles

Elmer S. Conger, aged 23, was accidentally shot and fatally injured Friday while hunting deer with a party of five in the Dead Indian section, about 30 miles from Ashland. The fatal shot was fired by his brother, A. P. Conger, the victim being mistaken for a deer. The Congers reside near Jacksonville. Dr. Gregg, of Ashland, was summoned to attend the wounded man, who lived until this morning. The physician traveled into unsettled territory, 12 miles by automobile, 15 on a buckboard and walked the remainder of the distance.—Oregonian

**Paving Work Progresses.**  
The street paving in Independence is progressing slowly during the rainy weather. The concrete base of all 14 blocks to be paved is in except one block and a half. The company is putting on the wearing surface and to complete the job will require nearly a month of good weather. The gravel to do the paving is being taken out of the Willamette river within the city limits. When this work is done Independence will have its three principal streets paved and will present a much better appearance. The Southern Pacific railway has laid its tracks in concrete and the street from the depot to the north end is being paved.—Portland Telegram.

#### PHEASANT MILLINERY.

Not Unlawful to Wear Chinese Pheasant Plumage on Ladies' Hats.

A discussion having occurred recently in local feminine circles as to whether it was lawful to wear the plumage of Chinese pheasants on millinery, and a study of the game laws of the state failing to settle the question, the matter was referred to State Game Warden W. L. Finley, who replied that "it is not unlawful for persons to wear such plumage as an ornament, provided the birds from which such plumage was taken were killed in accordance with the law."

In view of this decision by Mr. Finley, it is safe to prophesy that the long tail feathers and varied-colored breast plumage of the China cocks will be quite prominent on the headgear of many of the ladies of the community this fall and winter.

**Celebrate China Wedding.**  
Last Saturday, October 18th, about forty friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith gathered at their home to help celebrate their china wedding. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing games and social chat, after which a delicious lunch was served by the Misses Smith and Reynolds. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were presented with some very pretty pieces of china. At 12 o'clock the guests departed for their homes, wishing the happy couple many more anniversaries.

Himes Brothers have been surveying the Wilson Lee farm lately in order that it may be divided up among the half-dozen heirs, as provided for by law.

#### ASSUMED NAMES.

Many Business Men Neglecting This Latest Provision.

Up to date but few persons transacting business under assumed names have registered with the county clerk their proper and assumed titles, as required by a recent law. One firm will at the next term of the circuit court regret the matter, as under the law the judge has no recourse but to throw out of court the case said firm has brought to collect money. Those registering so far are: Balfour, Guthrie Co., the previous partners being designated by name and residences given in England, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

Eaglecrest Orchards, Jas. A. Roundtree and Lorist P. Beno, Portland.  
Falls City Mercantile Co., C. L. Barnhart, E. S. Rich and D. J. Grant, of Falls City.  
Independence Sand & Gravel Company, G. C. Skinner and O. G. Larsen.  
Craven & Huff Hardware Co., W. E. Craven and W. M. Huff, Corvallis Sand & Gravel Co., J. H. Gallagher, of Portland.  
Dallas Meat Co., C. L. Barnhart, C. E. Shaw, J. A. Shaw and C. M. Lewis.  
Dallas Ice Co., F. H. Pepper, of Leuts, and C. E. Shaw, of Dallas.  
Perkins Pharmacy, F. H. Bowersox, of Monmouth.  
Northwest School Furniture Co., J. H. Voght.  
Independence Creamery, Ruth A. Eldridge.

Arrangements are being perfected for the entertainment of the boys' state convention to be held here next month.

#### WILL INSTALL PASTOR.

Rev. George H. Mitchell to be Formally Established in Presbyterian Church.

Rev. George H. Mitchell will be installed pastor of the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, October 23rd, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Henry T. Babcock, pastor of the First Pres-



byterian church of Salem, will preside and preach the installation sermon. Rev. A. A. Palmer, of Newberg, will address the people, and Rev. H. Charles Dunsmore, of Independence, will address the pastor. Members and friends of the congregation are invited.

#### RELIC BILLS ARE FOUND.

Statements More Than 50 Years Old Recall "Balmy" Days.

J. A. Haines, an aged resident of Monmouth, has found two old bills which had been given to him while farming 51 years ago. One, an itemized bill preserved by Mr. Haines, has proved to be an interesting relic to his old friends. "Those were balmy days when you had to pay 25 cents for a fine-tooth comb, and the the mailcarrier would charge you 25 cents for making the purchase and carrying the article to you," said Mr. Haines. "If he carried a plug of tobacco from the store to a distance of from 25 to 30 miles it would cost you 50 cents for the service. Wages averaged about \$30 a month.—Oregonian.

#### A Delightful Party.

On Thursday, October 16th, a jolly and merry crowd of people called upon Miss Nellie Taylor, who lives on the Wallace road about a mile from Salem, and spent a very pleasant day there.

The men cut and hauled wood during the day, getting in a good winter's supply. The women spent the day picking apples.

The ladies came laden with some of their dainty and favorite dishes. At noon two large tables were filled and everyone present were seated to a most bountiful dinner.

Those enjoying the day were: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Calder, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Runyon, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hodson, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Moll, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lynch, Mrs. Rosanna Baker, Mary Wisner, Mrs. F. McDoulin, Mrs. J. R. Chapman, Miss Vesta Gardner, Miss Marion Miller, Mr. H. Esterbrook, Mr. Hugh Gosser, Masters Dwight and Howard Adams.

#### Class Entertained.

Mrs. Newton Lester Guy and Miss Nora I. Robertson entertained Dr. McNichol's of the Methodist Sunday school Friday night at the home of Mrs. Guy. A very enjoyable evening was spent in the election of officers and playing games. The former officers were elected, they being Nora Robertson, president, and Mrs. Lydia Evans, secretary. A dainty lunch was served toward the close of the evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Newton Guy, the Misses Nora Robertson, Lydia Evans, Pearl Burk, Ada Longacker, Liven Wilson, Abby Walker, Georgiana Fliske, Flora McCallon, Maud Robertson, Mrs. Cole, Fanny Deans, C. Black and Dr. McNichol.

#### TWENTY-SIX YEARS AGO.

Taken From the Files of the Itemizer of Saturday, October 22, 1887.

The wreck of the ill-fated Brother Johnathan was located. The ship went down between San Francisco and Portland in July, 1865, and all hands were lost.

Miss Cassie Vaughn had left Dallas to clerk in a Portland store.

O. E. Dennis and wife moved to Tillamook county, where he had taken up a homestead. Tommy Hughes left Dallas to spend the winter in California. David Cosper and wife got back from their eastern trip. Tony Noltner sold the Portland Weekly World to J. W. Young.

Mrs. Ollie Crowley passed away at her home near that station.

I. F. M. Butler, E. Bidwell and Miss Maggie Butler left Monmouth to spend the winter in California.

Grant Walling left Lincoln to go into the sheep business in Eastern Oregon.

H. L. Crider purchased an interest in the grocery store of J. W. Crider at Dallas.

Charles R. Farley and Miss May Richardson were married at Independence.

C. W. Beckett and Miss Emma Southwick were married in Spring Valley by Rev. Harriett. William and Robert Williams opened a hardware and grocery at Airile.

Milt Holman and family moved to Corvallis, where he was going to run a delivery wagon. John and William Fuqua arrived from Kansas with several car loads of fine blooded cattle.

Glen Lewis won a couple of races at the Clark county fair at Vancouver.

The little son of W. D. Elkin died at Independence.

A son-in-law of A. Peterson arrived from Sweden.

Miss Eva Teal was recovering from a serious illness.

Noticing a few well-dressed Indians passing south through town Monday, we inquired of Lafe Williams, the veteran hunter, why they should go so far out of their road to reach the Siletz reservation from Grand Ronde, when they could open up a shorter route directly across the mountains. He told us that there was no open trail across the mountains, and that the Indians have a very peculiar superstition about the lake at the head of the Siletz. As the Indians tell it, once upon a time eleven of as brave of their number as ever jerked venison went up to the lake and camped for the night. They noticed black things on the lake's surface and they thought they were logs. Away in the middle of the night, when the camp fire had flickered and died out, a great storm arose and during the storm all the Indians were eaten up by immense black animals that came out of the water with the exception of one, who escaped to tell the sad tale with all the embellishments his inventive mind could imagine. The Indians also believe that around the headwaters of the Siletz there are legions of dark colored Liliputians, about three feet high, who, when any parties camp there, watch their opportunity and when they find an Indian in the woods alone devour him. There is not an Indian on the Grand Ronde reservation but who believe the above legends to be the gospel truth. It seems strange that such ignorance should exist in the nineteenth century right at our door.

#### Baptists Attention.

On Friday evening of this week the Baptists of Dallas and vicinity will hold their annual roll call meeting at the church. The evening will be taken up by an interesting program, which has been prepared, and by a general jollification and get-together meeting, followed by a fine fellowship supper, served by the ladies of the church. All Baptists, their families and the people without a church home are requested and urged to come and enjoy the evening.

The 30,000 ton boiler for the new central heating plant was being hauled down Main street Tuesday to its position in the rear of the Dallas City Bank.

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