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GOLD STRIKE IS REPORTED NEAR KLAMATH FALLS

Towns of Paisley and Lakeview Thrown into Excitement Over Report

TOWN IS DESERTED Gold Fever Spreads Like Fire Over Radius of Over Fifty Miles

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 28.—Paisley and Lakeview were seeing with excitement today, following a gold strike in the mountains 10 miles east of Paisley, according to long distance telephone messages received here today.

Paisley is almost deserted while her fathers and sons are flocking into the hills to stake out claims close to those of two smiling and uncommunicative prospectors who have been searching the hills for hidden wealth since early last fall.

Word from Paisley is to the effect that the bank cashier is almost the only man left in the little town. Merchants have left their stores in charge of wives and daughters while they are rushing to the hills afoot, on horseback and by auto in a frantic effort to obtain choice claims.

The gold fever spread even 50 miles distant into Lakeview, where many of the adventure-some started before daybreak today in a wild dash to the new-found mining ground.

Word from Lakeview is to the effect that the two prospectors arrived in Paisley early this fall. They outfitted themselves for a winter of prospecting in the bleak hills east of town.

A few weeks ago they came out of seclusion, carrying sacks heavily laden with ore. They left at once for Sacramento, where assays are said to have disclosed that the ore ran \$40 a ton in gold and \$4 in silver.

The prospectors returned to Paisley and renewed their mining activities. Then the word spread through that they had "struck it rich" and Paisley, re-awakened by the news, became a hot-bed of excitement last night. Meager reports from Paisley this afternoon were to the effect that the first gold-seekers to arrive in the hills found that the two unknown prospectors had staked out most of the choice claims. But claim stakes were being erected in every direction, in the hope that a gold strike of real proportions would result.

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 28.—According to mining men, a mill would have to be built to take care of the extraction of the gold and silver, which was reported to have been discovered near Paisley, in large quantities. Captain O. C. Applegate, veteran Klamath Falls resident, who is familiar with all kinds of mining operations, said today that whether or not a mill would pay, would depend on the quantity of ore, and transportation facilities.

There is a legend of a rich gold mine called the Blue Bucket, discovered by members of an emigrant train in 1845, which some think is located in this region. Captain Applegate said he explored for this mine some 47 years ago, though it has never been re-discovered.

Klamath Tule Lands Leased by Government

Approximately 24,000 acres of government land in Tule lake has been leased, according to H. D. Newell, director of reclamation. Bids, which were called for last week have just been checked over. The highest offer for the land was \$4.10 an acre for a tract, the average being near \$1 an acre. The leased land constitutes a zone around the edge of the lake and on account of the increased moisture this winter is in much better condition than a year ago.

In Medford—Mrs. J. Lockhart returned last evening to Medford where she is visiting at the Reames home.

Claims Rays from the Eye Moves New Rod

LONDON, Feb. 28.—What is probably one of the strangest and most remarkable inventions of the present century, namely, a solenoid rod that will move when looked at, has just been patented by Charles A. Russ, a member of the Royal College of Scientists.

It has been designed primarily to test the theory that the human eye is capable of emitting an invisible form of ray or radiation, and Russ claims that the apparatus can be set in motion and its motion controlled by focusing the eyes, or even one eye, upon it.

British scientists, however, are inclined to be skeptical of this explanation of the phenomenon, and indicate that they will want very exhaustive tests before accepting Russ's theory.

STAGE DRIVER IS EXONERATED OF ALL BLAME

Driver Who Wrecked Grey Goose, Pickwick Stage, Freed by Jury

YREKA, Feb. 28.—Complete exoneration from blame in connection with the wreck of the Pickwick stage that cost one life and put several others in jeopardy near Ghoson, 16 miles south of Dunsmuir, February 18, was given Al Schoenfeld, driver of the stage, at a coroner's jury at Redding last week.

Mrs. George Hanson was killed when the stage plunged over a 40 foot bluff. Her husband escaped with minor injuries. The Hanson's were missionaries who had spent 17 years at Shanghai, China, and who were planning on returning there in April. They recently arrived in Portland and were on their way south to visit friends in the bay cities.

The other passengers injured were Mrs. William O. Larson of San Diego, R. N. Taylor of Ashland, Lester Irish of Duval, Washington; H. Dean of Portland, Frank Frost of San Francisco, W. Chapman, and George Hanson, husband of the dead woman.

None of the passengers was seriously injured. A severe shaking up and minor cuts from flying pieces of glass constituted the injuries, for the most part.

Dr. E. J. Cornish and Dr. C. W. Ankele were summoned from Dunsmuir as soon as the driver of the stage could reach a telegraph office. Most of the injured passengers were picked up and taken to Dunsmuir by passing motorists.

It is supposed that the steering gear got wedged as the stage rounded a heavy curve and Schoenfeld was unable to straighten it.

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PRISONERS GET WEARY OF LIFE AND QUIT HOME

YREKA, Feb. 28.—Tiring of the humdrum of jail routine, William McCormick and Fritz Raymond withdrew their services as willow slashers at the race track south of Yreka last week while under the eye of Deputy Sheriff William Frost and have not returned.

McCormick was serving a sentence of 300 days for taking two automobiles to Tennant to which he had not title and using them for a pleasure trip. When the first one broke down McCormick was not daunted and took the next machine he could find without a driver.

Raymond is alleged to have been found with a companion's clothing grabbing his own person at Weed, and for this oversight, he was spending 180 days in Yreka at the county's expense.

The men were last seen in the vicinity of The Pines service station south of Yreka and going fast.

COMMITTEE ON SETTLEMENT OF LAND HAS MEET

Plans to Get Settlers on Bellview and Talent Irrigation Land Made

LAND DIVISIONS MADE State Chamber Man Will Be Here to Work With the Local Committee

The land settlement committee of the local Chamber of Commerce met at the C. of C. rooms last night to discuss plans for getting desirable settlers on the Bellview district land and the district served by the Talent Irrigation company. This committee is headed by C. H. Pierce, chairman, and S. D. Taylor, secretary.

The present outlined duties of this committee is to aid in securing desirable settlers on these and other lands of the vicinity, get them started out right in the development of such branches as dairying, poultry raising, fruit growing and planting of berries and vegetables. As shown by agricultural reports, there are certain products especially adapted to being grown in this community, and it was the unanimous opinion of all present at the meeting, that the raising of these should be encouraged. When these resources have been developed, they will supply the market demand of outside interests, and the local and county packing houses.

Division of the larger tracts of lands located in these districts was also considered by the committee. These are to be inspected by experts, who will find which is the most suitable for the growing of each kind of crop.

A feature of the meeting that was given special emphasis was the urgency for the committee to co-operate with the work of Mr. Foster of the land settlement bureau of the State Chamber of Commerce, who is to be stationed at Ashland for a considerable length of time, in personal charge of the extensive program of securing and directing settlers to the State of Oregon, Bellview district, and the Talent Irrigation land.

The specific purpose of the undertaking will be to promote an effective settlement of land under the Talent Irrigation district, tributary to Ashland, and especially to the Bellview district; to secure real dirt farm developers, and to help direct their plantings of crops and other activities. This will be of great value to the local cannery, fruit and vegetable as-

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Robber Caught in Theater Robbery Is Identified

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—"John Brown," who Tuesday attempted to rob J. A. Johnson, manager of the Pantages theatre of three days' receipts, was said by police inspectors Wednesday night to have been identified positively as Robert Valentine. Little additional information concerning the robber was learned, but police believed they would have his past activities fully uncovered within a day or two.

Valentine, it was learned, was arrested in Astoria January 8, charged with vagrancy. He served there until February 9, according to the Astoria chief of police. He was said to have been married, and it was believed his father-in-law lives in the St. Johns district.

Since his arrest Valentine has maintained a stoic silence, refusing to tell anything about himself or his past whereabouts. He gave the name "John Brown" when booked.

Mr. Johnson, who was beaten in the attempt to rob him of about \$5000 which he was carrying from the theater to the bank, was somewhat improved Wednesday. He was confined to his bed at home, however.

The prisoner was indicted Wednesday by Multnomah county grand jury on a charge of assault with intent to rob.

John Mowry, deputy district attorney, presented the case to the jury as soon as all facts had been assembled and the indictment was returned without delay.

Will See Son Inaugurated



PLYMOUTH, Vt., Feb. 28.—Colonel John Coolidge, father of the President, will make a twelve mile trip by sleigh from his home here to Ludlow, Vt., where the nearest railroad station is located, to be present in Washington on March 4, for the inauguration of his son, Calvin, for his second term of office.

LOCAL ARMY TO BE SCENE OF GOOD BASKETBALL TONIGHT

Showing Made by Roseburg Against University High and Medford Is Good; Promise to Put Up Good Fight

Roseburg high will meet the locals here on the Army floor, and promise to set them a hard pace. Although they have not been on the winning end of the game this year, they have been improving, and this improvement is just what is going to count if they get away at all. They recently made a good showing against the University High School of Eugene, and came so close to nipping them in the bud that people are still wondering why.

Katzer has been taken out of the lineup because of sickness believed to be an attack of the flu. This leaves a hole in the lineup that is hard to fill, for Katzer is just about the best man for this position that Ashland has ever had. Frank "Chief" Stratton, will likely take his place, however, and Frank is a good man too. Yet the absence of Katzer will be felt. With this exception, the remainder of the team is in good shape.

Roseburg played Medford at Medford army last night, and were defeated 25-9. This is a good showing in fact a very good showing, for Medford, as most everybody in Ashland knows, has a strong bunch, and are hard to beat. Even at that Roseburg had them tied 4-4 at the end of the first quarter, and with a strong defensive drive gave them a good run. According to reports from a Medford newspaper office, the visitors used the O. A. C. method of play, that is three men to the ball. Their offensive however, the advice said, was not so strong, and they had difficulty in breaking through to the basket. Most of their points were made from fouls. At the end of the half, the score stood 12-4. In the last period the Medfordists broke away and ran up their high score of 25 points.

All indications have it that the game tonight will be a good one, both from the improvements in northern team, and the condition of the locals. Whether the slump in the Ashland team will have been ironed out by tonight is a question of considerable interest to local fans.

SIX CONTRACTS ARE AWARDED BUILDERS

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—The state highway commission yesterday awarded six contracts at an estimated cost of \$225,000. The contracts, work to be done and the contractors are as follows:

- Grading of 9.3 miles of the Steices Gulch in the Baker section of the Baker-Unity highway; Glenwood and Damm, \$95,950. Bridge over the Powder river, Baker county; George Reeves; \$8,260. Widening of 2.2 miles of the Wolf - Graves Creek section of Pacific highway, Josephine county; Washburn and Hall; \$25,095. Bridge over the Willow Creek, Curry county; C. Montag and company; \$47,048. Bridge over Thirty-Mile creek, Gilliam county; Feluschau and Chaffee, \$13,418. Bridge over Fifteen-Mile creek, Wasco county; George Reeves, \$14,775.

The following bid, though satisfactory, were held up because of cooperative agreement between the state and federal government has not been signed, the grading of 10 miles of the Cannon Beach Junction-Hamlet section of the Roosevelt highway, Glenwood and Damm, \$140,490; widening of 12.6 miles of the Emigrant section of the Old Oregon trail in Umatilla county, H. Oliver, \$71,076.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company presented a deed to the state to 3.6 acres in Hood River county on the right of way of the Columbia highway near Viento, just west of Cascade Locks which will be used as a park.

TIDINGS WANT ADS SELL ANYTHING.

DELEGATION TO STATE CAPITOL RETURNS HOME

Feel Confident the Governor Will Sign Bill if Possible

INTERVIEW PLEASURES Bill Carries Tax Levy for Up-Keep of Normal Here for Two Years

Mayor O. H. Johnson, Attorney Wm. Briggs, Hal McNair and Attorney Borden, who were sent to Salem as a special committee to confer with Governor Pierce relative to approving the Ashland normal school bill, returned Friday night from their northern trip.

While they were not given any assurance that the governor would sign or approve the bill, the delegation feels confident that, if possible, the chief executive will permit the bill to become a law.

The substance of the conference was reported by the committee to be that the governor gave his assurance that he was in favor of better educational facilities for the state, which the normal school here would create, and that if the revenue to the state from the various sources for the next two years was sufficient to warrant the \$175,000 appropriation made by the legislature for the local school, he would approve the bill.

The bill carries a tax levy for the maintenance of the local normal school for two years, but the \$175,000 appropriation must come out of the revenue which the state will receive from the tax levy of 1.9 mills and other sources, such as the legislated tax on cigarettes.

The governor assured the local committee that his statisticians were figuring out the revenue which the state could expect to receive from various sources, and that if this indicated the state could afford to pay the \$175,000 appropriation, the Ashland normal bill would be approved.

Many features and many conditions affect the normal bill, as well as others, and the situation is problematical, although, the delegation feels encouraged.

Senator George Dunn and J. H. Fuller, secretary of the chamber of commerce who has been in Salem in the interests of the normal situation, also returned from Salem Friday night. Senator Dunn feels confident there will be plenty of revenue to justify the \$175,000 appropriation for the local normal.

It is understood that the governor has several days longer in which to either sign or veto any bills passed by the legislature. One authority this morning stated the governor had 10 days following the adjournment of the legislature in which to take action on bills. This time is allowed, as usually there is a vast number of bills thrown in the legislative funnel at the last minute of its session and then turned over to the governor for action.

WIFE OF GOVERNOR PIERCE SERIOUSLY ILL

SALEM, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Walter Pierce, wife of Governor Pierce, was reported critically ill today. She has been in ill health for over two years.

Rogue Steelheads to be Protected During Spawning

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 28.—The Rogue River steelheads are to be protected at last during the spawning season. A bill was introduced and passed in the legislature providing for this, according to Theodore P. Cramer, Josephine county representative, who returned from Salem this morning.

The fighting fish of the Rogue will be protected during the season that it is spawning and in poor condition for eating. This move has been advocated by sportsmen of the Rogue for years. There will be an open season for Chinese pheasants in this county although the number of days is in the hands of the state game commission, Mr. Cramer states. He also says that the closed season on gray squirrels has been lifted and these game animals will not be protected henceforth. This bill was passed at the request of nut growers of the state who said that their crops were being carried off by the squirrels.

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Canadian Berries Are Popular in Rome

ROME, Feb. 28.—Strawberries from the Skeena River Valley, the farthest north fruit producing area in the world, part of British Columbia's display at the industrial exhibition in the Vatican, has aroused interest among thousands of delegates attending the celebration of the Catholic holy year here.

The exhibit sent by Bishop Buno of Prince Rupert contains samples of the principal products and industries of British Columbia. The industrial exhibition is held every quarter of a century during holy year. It opened Christmas and will continue throughout 1925. Exhibits from every country in the world are on display.

WEDNESDAYS TO BE DAYS OF BARGAINS HERE

Merchants of Ashland to Cooperate and Make Days of Big Bargains

Wednesdays, during the next 13 weeks will be "Wednesday Bargain Days" in Ashland, and 18 merchants of this city have agreed to offer special bargains for each day between March 4th and June 1st.

These bargains will be sold only one day. That day will be Wednesday of each week. They cannot be bought on Tuesday nor on Thursday. Wednesday will be positively the only day on which the bargains will be sold.

The merchants cooperating in this plan to give Southern Oregon and Northern California shoppers real bargain days during the next 13 weeks are: Ender's department store, The East Side Pharmacy, Harrison Bros. Ford Garage, Elhart's stationery store, Frazier and Son, groceries, McNair's, The Rexall Drugstore, O. H. Johnson, jeweler, The Golden Rule department store, C. A. White, the jeweler, The Ashland Furniture Company, E. R. Isaac and Company, The Plaza Market (H. A. Stearns), Hardy Bros. grocery, The Tidings, Mitchell's the clothing, J. P. Dodge and Sons, furniture, Leedom's, tire and auto replacements, Swenson-Peebler Furniture company and McGee's.

Each of these stores will make their special announcements of "Wednesday Bargain Day" in each Monday's Daily Tidings, beginning March 2nd, and each store will also have window displays of the special bargains offered.

Shoppers may take the sheet containing the Wednesday bargain offer from Monday's Tidings, and save quite a sum in the shopping tour on the following Wednesday. Each store will offer one REAL

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STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION IS OPEN FOR BIDS

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—The state highway commission today took steps to launch its 1925 building program when it opened bids, for a number of important improvements.

Bids were received on a number of projects, including the following: Clatsop county, Cannon Beach Junction - Hamlet Junction section of the Roosevelt highway, 10.37 miles of grading. Coos and Curry counties, Myers creek-Burnt hill section of the Roosevelt highway, 5.4 miles of grading; bridge over the north fork of the Coquille river on the Coos Bay - Roseburg highway; bridge over Winslow creek on the Roosevelt highway.

Josephine county, Wolf Creek-Gave Creek section of the Pacific highway, 2.27 miles of road widening. Wasco county, bridge over Pitteen Mile Creek.

CONSTRUCTION WORK ON NEW HOTEL IS GOOD

All Forms on Lower Floors Have Been Removed; Looks Attractive

LATHING IS TO BEGIN All Floors and Stairways of Structure Are Made of Cement

The Lithia Springs Hotel, which is under construction at the corner of East Main and First streets, is fast taking shape. Hotel head's claim it will be completed before June first, which time is the limit set for in the contract. The work which progressed so slowly toward the start because of bad weather and sickness, has now advanced so rapidly that it promises to be a finished job well before the time is up.

Forms have been taken off all the lower part of the building with the exception of the lobby, which will be stripped within a short time. The front and sides of the structure have been fitted with attractive arches over doorways and windows, which, together with the fancy cement-work being laid at the top of the main floor will give it an artistic fronting. At the back-end of the short wing, a unique form has been set, on the corner, which adds greatly to its looks, and removes the usual bluntness of a building of its kind.

The lower stairways have been uncased, and up to the present have been entirely laid in cement. These stairs, as well as all detail work, is being done from an upside-down angle, so that when the forms are taken off, the dried material will be in its right form. This process is rather interesting to the observer. The stairway is located in the center of the tower part, and is cased in a steel network, which adds greatly to its strength. When finished, a skylight will be located at the top.

All floors are being made of cement, as are the walls. These are supported by four steel spirals which run up from the base and firmly set in cement. Connecting these are four steel beams, also grounded.

In the rear and entirely out of sight of passer-bys, the kitchen, dining room, lobby and club dining room is situated. These are large, and roomy, and promise to be comfortable quarters. Those who have been judging the hotel by its front only, should take a tour around the back, and see these for themselves.

The roof of the dining-room and wings are being roofed, and will be covered with asbestos paper. This job will be completed within the next few days.

According to Bert Thomas, general foreman of construction work, lathing on the inside of the lower stories will begin within the next ten days or two weeks. Plastering then, will follow within a short time. With this out of the way, the interior decorating will be done, to keep pace with finishing job work on the last few stories. The floor of the sixth level is now being laid, and will soon be

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No Inquest to be Made Over Death of Boy

PORTLAND, Feb. 28.—No inquest will be held into the death of 4-year-old Ernest Krebs, who was run down and killed by an automobile while playing in the street at East Seventh and Knott streets Wednesday afternoon.

Facts in the case were laid before the coroner's office yesterday, and as the police already had absolved the driver of the car, W. S. Watson of Kendall station, attaches of the coroner's office felt that a formal inquest would be only a waste of public money.

Evidence gathered by the police showed that Watson was traveling at a moderate speed, that the child bounded from the sidewalk directly in front of the car and that Watson did all that was humanly possible to avoid the accident.

"It is simply another case of children playing on streets," said Captain Frank Ervin of the traffic bureau.