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MUCH LITIGATED MINES AGAIN IN COURT

West Coast Mining Property in the Bohemia District Is Cause of Another Law Suit That Has the Usual Unusual Features.

ZIMMERMAN AND DIXON WOULD OUST H. C. MAHON.

Latter Accused of Operating Mine, Taking Out Bullion and Disposing of It Without Authority and Without Making Any Accounting.

The West Coast Mines Company, operating in the Bohemia district, has begun suit in the circuit court against H. C. Mahon and others to restrain them from further digging or mining any ore from the properties or from interfering with the plaintiffs in the use of the lighting system, the power plant, the railway tracks, stamp mill or other equipment of the mine, alleging that he took possession of the property without right and against the will and without the consent of the plaintiff.

Mahon, who is a former Eugene man, entered into a contract with W. J. Zimmerman and A. C. Dixon, who together own 93 per cent of the stock of the company, according to the complaint, whereby he took an option or agreement to sell the \$775,000 shares of stock owned by Zimmerman and Dixon for about \$54,000, payable as follows: On January 10, 1914, \$2,500; on April 1, 1914, \$5,000; on July 15, 1914, \$19,500; the payments to be represented by the promissory notes of Mahon, the notes to be deposited in escrow in the United States National Bank of Portland.

It is alleged in the complaint that the notes were left in the bank with mutual instructions to the bank to deliver the shares to Mahon upon payment of the last installment. It was provided in the agreement, says the complaint, that Mahon might explore the mining property and develop the ore and the property, paying the expenses himself, but accounting for the proceeds from the operation of the mine. It is further agreed, it is alleged, that Mahon was to have no right of possession of the property.

It is alleged in the complaint that Mahon, under pretended authority of the option or agreement, commenced the operation of the mine, marketed and sold considerable bullion but neglected to make monthly or any reports of the working and receipts and expenses of the plant and has failed to account for any proceeds of the mine.

It is alleged in the complaint that Zimmerman and Dixon rescinded the agreement on Nov. 1, 1914, and notified Mahon, tendering and offering to return to him the promissory notes and withdrew the stock from escrow.

Mahon is quite well known in Eugene. He operated in the Blue River mining district for a number of years and at one time operated quite extensively in timber lands. He made his residence here for many years and at one time owned the Washburn residence property at the corner of Patterson Street and Eleventh Avenue east.

The West Coast Mining Company's properties are said to be rich in ore but have been in litigation at numerous times during the past years.

Goshen Pioneer Dies.

A. L. Roney, for 25 years a merchant at Goshen, died at the family home there Monday morning at 7 o'clock, after an illness of five months' duration. He was aged 67 years, one month and eight days.

Mr. Roney was born in Ohio October 8, 1847, and came to Oregon in 1878, living in Lost Valley and at Goshen since. He was married in Lost Valley to Miss Clara Hunsaker in 1880. Mrs. Roney and one son, Ralph, survive him. He also leaves a brother, L. N. Roney of Eugene.

The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the home at Goshen with interment at Pleasant Hill.

On Way Home to China after Visit With Sister in France

Got What They Wanted by Using Sentinel Want Ads.

Want ads. are about the cheapest little money makers on the face of the earth. Lots of people are making money or getting something they want by using The Sentinel's want ads.

A few weeks ago a woman advertised for a girl to work for her board while going to school. She had more than a dozen inquiries. Last week a woman advertised a piano for sale at a bargain. She had four inquiries within two days. The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church, which recently held the most successful sale in its history, advertised in The Sentinel and had about \$30 left after paying the advertising bill.

Nearly every ad. brings the desired result. These mentioned are only a few instances.

Calling Cards—The Sentinel office.

Snow White Canary in Flock of Yellow Ones

A snow white canary bird is reported with a flock of wild canary birds in the south part of the city. The unusual bird has been seen several times by John Nokes and Mollie Miller. It has every other feature of a canary bird except the yellow and black feathers. The other members of the flock pay no attention to the peculiarity of color of this one of its members and the snow white bird appears just as happy and contented as if there were nothing wrong.

NEW COUNTY MEETS DEFEAT IN OWN TERRITORY

The proposed new county of Siuslaw did not carry even in the territory that would form the new county. In that territory there were 949 votes cast, of which 527 were for the county and 422 against. A vote of 65 per cent inside the proposed county is necessary to carry. Outside the proposed new county the vote in the old county must be 35 per cent in favor. The vote was: Yes, 2773, no 7947. The Cottage Grove vote was divided nearly equally, so that more than the necessary 35 per cent was given here.

Cottage Grove Lags Behind.

The high schools at Woodburn, Forest Grove, Newburg, Canby, Silverton, Estacada, Junction City, Springfield and of many other cities not as large as Cottage Grove, with poorer high school equipment than Cottage Grove and with smaller teaching forces than Cottage Grove have joined the Oregon Debate League, but Cottage Grove does not appear in the list. It is not even given in the list of those who may yet enroll.

Game Is Called Off.

The game of foot ball which was to have been played Thanksgiving Day between the high school team and the has-been and never-was has been called off by the high school team, a game having been secured at Ashland.

NO CANDIDATES FOR CITY OFFICES

Mayoralty and Three Aldermanic Jobs Will Be Vacant; Incumbents Not Candidates.

It is less than three weeks until the city will be in the throes of another election. This time it is a city election and there are a mayor, city recorder, city treasurer and three aldermen to be elected. Unless something is stirred up pretty soon, however, the affair will be lacking in excitement and there will be no throes. It is understood that Mayor Chambers and Councilmen Wheeler, Walker and Hayes, whose terms expire, have intimated that they have had enough. No one has yet been suggested for any of these places. It is understood that Recorder Young and Treasurer Eakin are willing to serve again. No opposition has as yet developed to either one.

The city council at its meeting next Monday will probably call a nominating caucus.

Co-eds. Scorn Fancy Dress.

The fancy dancing craze which has taken college dancing society at a furious pace with variations of the tango, one-step and common rag, received a shock at the University of Oregon last week when the Gamma Phi Beta woman's fraternity, one of the leading societies, placed its official taboo on anything but the two-step, waltz and three-step. Nothing else goes.

Dr. John Straub, dean of the University, regards the action as significant and believes it is the first step away from the outrageous dances.

Old J. H. Sharp Store Building, Historic Landmark for Forty-two Years, Is Gone

Was One of First Stores in This Section of the State.—Its Owner Was Prominent Pioneer, Filling at Same Time Positions of Postmaster, Physician, Dentist and Pastor.

The tearing down of the J. H. Sharp store building at Latham removes one of the oldest and best known landmarks of the Cottage Grove country. The building was erected in 1872 and was used by Mr. Sharp for a store from that time until his death a year or so ago. The remainder of the stock was sold a short time ago to Knowles & Graber of this city. The work of tearing down the old building was completed this week by Wm. Keyes, a son-in-law of the late J. H. Sharp. Mr. Sharp's widow did not care to continue the business after the death of her husband and it was at her request that the building was razed.

Mr. Sharp was one of the best known characters of the Cottage Grove country and his store one of the first in this section of the state. When it was established there was no Cottage Grove. For a long time after Cottage Grove was established, all freight and mail was unloaded at Latham and had to be brought from there by wagon to the old Cottage Grove on the west side of the river. Mr. Sharp was for many years postmaster at Latham and was probably the only postmaster Latham ever had. There is no postoffice there now.

In addition to his duties as storekeeper and postmaster he was a preacher, a physician and a dentist and in one way or another he had some part in the daily lives of nearly every family of the surrounding territory.

"No Trespassing" signs for sale at The Sentinel office.

LOGGER HAS HAIRBREADTH ESCAPE FROM DEATH

Sherman Wilkins had a narrow escape from death at the Abaqun Lumber Co. at Divide. He was doing some work in a log chute when he saw a chain of logs coming about 400 feet away. He attempted to jump out of the chute, stumbled and fell and was struck on the foot by one of the logs. It was the merest accident that he was not crushed to death and had his foot been against anything solid it would have been taken off. As it was he suffered nothing worse than a badly sprained ankle and will be back at work again in two or three weeks.

THIRTY-SEVEN MAKE PERFECT SCORE IN SPELLING BEE

Twenty of Those Making 100 Scores in This Supervisory District in First Spelling Match of the Year Are from Cottage Grove Schools.

In the first spelling contest of the year 37 in this supervisory district made perfect scores. Twenty of those were in Cottage Grove, district No. 45. The complete list of those in this supervisory district making perfect scores, is as follows:

District No. 2.—Fifth grade, Gladys Morgan; sixth grade, Harold Parker; eighth grade, Elsie Tile. District No. 24.—Third grade, Madeline Miles; sixth grade, Mary Snauer. District No. 25.—Fourth grade, Mary Neat, Flossie Cox; eighth grade, Otto Nichols, Mylon Haight. District No. 34.—Sixth grade, Enid Veatch. District No. 35.—Eighth grade, Eva Gates. District No. 40.—Fourth grade, Christina Robinette. District No. 45.—Third grade, Katherine Silsby, Valma Armstrong, Vera Armstrong, Ray Godard, Vernon Gilbert, Gordon Wright, Herman Sanders; fourth grade, Louella Knowlton; fifth grade, Claire Leum, Erling Hansen, Della Medley; sixth grade, Margaret Scheufele, Thelma Jones; seventh grade, Beryl Prophet; eighth grade, Berta Ridings, Elsie Cox, Hildred Hall, Rose Halderman, Forest Schneider, Ethel Rodgers. District No. 84.—Fifth grade, Nellie Lohr. District No. 124.—Seventh grade, Louise Moustichetti; eighth grade, Julia Turner, Gerda Soderstrom.

If a want ad. in The Sentinel gets you something you don't want, just put in another ad. and get rid of the article.

With Important Main Traveled Road in Each District One Valley Believes that Valley in Which Supervisor Lived Got Best of It.

The county court has again separated the Row River and Mosby Creek Valleys into separate road districts. They were separate districts until combined two years ago.

There is of necessity a main traveled road in each valley. With the road supervisor living in one valley those in the other valley naturally feel that they are being slighted and that their money is going to build roads in the other valley. Hamilton Veatch, the road supervisor during the time that the districts were consolidated, lives in the Row River Valley and of course the Mosby Creek people were dissatisfied. Had the supervisor lived in the Mosby Creek Valley the Row River people would have been dissatisfied. The only satisfactory method seems to be to have two districts, each with a supervisor of its own.

Bona Patten has been selected supervisor for the Mosby Creek district. Mr. Veatch will remain supervisor of the Row River district.

Both the Mosby Creek and the Row River travel comes into Cottage Grove over the same road and this has been thoroughly rebuilt and repaired during the time that the districts have been consolidated.

There was a man who was wondrous wise; he jumped into a bramble bush and scratched out both his eyes. Then he put a want ad. in The Sentinel and got them back again.

Fifteen Cows on Six Acres Return \$1026

One thousand and twenty-six dollars was the revenue from fifteen cows fed on six acres of kale, with outside pasture, for a year, on the ranch of Louis Swanson, in Deadwood Valley on the Siuslaw. He is shipping cream to the Eugene creamery from Swiss Home station on the Willamette Pacific. That section is said to be especially adapted to dairying.

COTTAGE GROVE MAY BECOME DRY AS SAHARA

Physicians Talk of Refusing to Issue Prescriptions for Liquor.—Physicians and Drug Stores in Other Cities Have Already Taken Such Action.

Cottage Grove physicians are contemplating following the lead of Eugene physicians in refusing to issue prescriptions for liquor. In Eugene and several other places the drug stores have joined with the physicians in making the city absolutely "dry." All of the physicians have not yet joined the movement here and it is not known what position the drug stores may take but the effort will be made to make the city as "dry" as the law intends.

Junction City, Ore., Nov. 13.—Junction pulled Cottage Grove through the mud this afternoon on Ireland field. The score stood 7 to 0. The game between the two teams two weeks before was scoreless. The teams were evenly matched and the game a clean, sportsmanlike contest.

Cottage Grove's lineup was as follows: Center, Skidmore; guards, Harding and Brag; tackles, Garoutte, E. Edwards and Veatch; ends, Harms and H. Edwards; halves, Powell and Smith; quarter, White; full, Conner; coach, Prof. Murphy. M. Fullmer, F. Lizer, I. Conner, A. Langdon and S. Brewer accompanied the team.

TO ASK FOR TAX FOR BAND SUPPORT

Some of those interested in a city band have started a movement to get on the ballot at the approaching election a measure for a one-mill tax for band support. A petition will be circulated at once asking the city recorder to place the measure on the ballot.

"Two Ways of Living."

This is the subject of an illustrated lecture to be delivered by Mr. Chester A. Lyon at the high school Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. There will be lantern slides of Yellowstone Park, of districts where poor people live in Chicago and views of the big brother farm for boys, conducted by Mr. Lyon. Admission will be 10c and 20c. Children under ten years of age admitted free.

Divorce Granted.

Mrs. Ida B. Hexom has been granted a divorce from Charles H. Hexom by Judge Harris. They were married at Cottage Grove June 14, 1906.

Mrs. George Salton has received the news of the sad death of a young niece of hers as the result of a Halloween prank. The victim was Miss Wilma Carpenter of Angola, Indiana. She was riding in an automobile that struck a telephone pole, which was one of several that had been placed across the road. Miss Carpenter was pinned under the machine which turned over and death was instantaneous. Mr. and Mrs. Salton visited Miss Carpenter while in the East a few months ago.

Miss Bell M. Menzies has arrived from the Deaconess Training School at Seattle to assist Rev. H. N. Aldrich as deaconess.

Cottage Grove Fire Whistle Has Great Carrying Power

Cottage Grove's fire whistle has been the cause of many funny incidents because of its great carrying power and the peculiar intonation which has led many to believe it the howl of some wild animal.

The latest incident is regarding its carrying power. A Cottage Grove woman was talking to a woman at Diaston when the whistle blew for regular practice by the fire company. The noise made by the whistle, of course, entered the open transmitter and was heard at Diaston almost as plainly as here. Diaston is twenty miles from here.

Nattie Martin, who was over the other side of Lorane, a distance of probably fifteen miles from the city, with mountains intervening, says that he heard it quite plainly there.

Christian Church Pastor Arrives.

Rev. T. B. McDonald has arrived from Coquille to assume the pastorate of the Christian Church. The family is getting settled this week and Mr. McDonald will preach his first sermon Sunday morning.

COUNTY INSPECTOR DETERMINED TO TEST LAW

Owner of Eighty-acre Tract at Junction City Stubbornly Refuses to Obey Order of Official Who Takes Matters in His Own Hands.

ORCHARD PROPERTY OF JUDGE McFADDEN, ATTORNEY.

Inspector Stewart Would Know Where He Is at In Fight to Keep Lane County Orchards Free from Destructive Pests and Diseases.

To try out the law which states that the county fruit inspector may spray an orchard where the owner refuses to do so, and the cost of the work may be assessed the owner, County Inspector C. E. Stewart of this city has sprayed the orchard of Judge W. S. McFadden near Junction City.

This orchard, 80 acres in extent, and at one time said to be one of the finest fruit tracts in Lane County, has not been sprayed for several years, according to Inspector Stewart. The inspector requested the owner, who is a prominent Corvallis attorney, to comply with the law in regard to spraying but he refused to do so. Mr. Stewart placed two gasoline spraying machines in the orchard at once and gave the trees a thorough going over. He says the trees were in bad shape and there was danger of the spread of the various fruit diseases that infest the orchard. If the owner refuses to pay the cost of the work the district attorney is empowered by law to take foreclosure proceedings.

Inspector Stewart first consulted County Attorney Devers in regard to the matter before deciding to take action and the county attorney advised him to go ahead.

The county inspector has been very active in his efforts during the past two years to have the fruit growers comply with the law. Not that he desires to harass anyone but he feels that it is to the detriment of the fruit industry of the county that such orchards as the one near Junction City are left in such a neglected condition. Mr. Stewart has been active in the eradication of the pear blight wherever it has made its appearance in this county and it has been through his efforts that this disease, which is so destructive to the crop has not been allowed to obtain a foothold. Every case that has been reported to him has received his prompt attention and in each instance he has requested the grower to cut the trees down and burn them. In each case the request has been complied with. Had the blight been allowed to spread in the localities in which it was discovered it is probable that there would have been great destruction to the pear crop of the county by this time.

THANKSGIVING MEETING AT GRANGE SATURDAY

Cottage Grove Grange will have a Thanksgiving get-together meeting and dinner Saturday. The meeting will open at 10:30. Dinner will be served at 12 and the lecture hour will be at 1 o'clock. All members are expected to be present and bring their baskets. The public generally is invited to the lecture hour, at which the following program will be rendered:

Instrumental Solo.....Forest Schneider
Reading, The Origin of Thanksgiving.....Mrs. Curtis Veatch
Recitation.....Enid Veatch
Recitation.....My Chicken Pie
Avery Ishmael
Duet.....Edna and Hazel Ashby
Paper, The Grange a Community Center.....T. W. DeLong
Roll Call, Response by each member on the topic: "What I Owe to the Community."
Grange Bulletin.
Violin Solo.....Lloyd Smith
Thanksgiving Recitation.....Violet Crow
Dialog.....Mrs. Ashby, Edna and Hazel

Wild Geese Bewildered by Lights Fly About City All Night

Thousands of geese bewildered by the electric lights spent a couple nights last week flying over the city, squawking in a distracted manner. They were flying so low that they could be frequently seen but no one has reported shooting any here. Quite a number were shot in the vicinity of Eugene where other flocks were bewildered by the lights of the city. The nights were foggy and this is probably the reason that the birds flew so low as to become bewildered by the lights. When daylight approached they quickly winged their way to the south.

All cities of the valley and Marshfield and Florence on the coast report the same circumstances, so that millions of the birds must have passed southward during the past week.