

COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON.
 Located on the upper Willamette River, 14 miles south of Portland on Southern Pacific and Oregon & South Eastern Railroads. Population 2500; two banks; public and high schools, five churches, water, light and sewer systems; creamery; flour mill; two brick yards; saw mill; wood-work factory; match factory; steam laundry and the **Leader**.

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LUMBER RATE MANDATE TO BE GENERALLY OBEYED BY RAILROAD COMPANIES

It is officially announced by the Northern Pacific Railway company that consideration given by transportation lines in the recent decision of the interstate commerce commission on the question of rates for forest products has terminated in the announcement by railway lines that the rates recently fixed by the commission will, as soon as possible, be put into effect by the

railways—not that they think the rates just—but they submit for the time being to the interstate commerce commission's order.

SIX LARGE BLOCKS FOR COTTAGE GROVE

Eugene Register Makes the Discovery of a Flourishing Little City in South Lane.

While Eugene is growing so that people who go away for a few days have to look the second time when they return to see whether they are at the right town, she is not the only town that is growing. We hear from a prominent citizen of Cottage Grove that six new brick blocks are being planned for construction this fall at that place. All except one of them will be two stories and most of them will have double stores on the lower floor. The one-story building will be an immense affair, about 90 by 120 feet on the ground, and it will be used for a feed and produce store and a general commission business. Cottage Grove people have great faith in the future of their city and are showing it by the money they are putting into good buildings. It looks as though Lane county is to have several good sized towns beside the county seat, and Cottage Grove promises to be at the top of the list from its present rate of growth.—Eugene Register.

"BOHEMIA" SHARP HAS A BIG KICK COMING

Quoted as Saying Smelter Reduced Price \$10 Per Ton. When he Said 10 Per Cent Per Ton.

"Bohemia" Sharp, the old miner, is justly indignant regarding an interview published by the Eugene Guard and reproduced in the last issue of the Leader. In this interview Sharp was quoted as saying "the smelters have lowered their price \$10 a ton and the railroads have offered a rate which amounts almost to a similar saving to the miners." Here is where "Bohemia" has a justifiable kick coming for he told the Guard reporter that "the smelters have lowered their price 10 per cent per ton," instead of \$10 per ton, which was indeed a bad blunder, especially when it is understood that the smelters have only been charging from \$4 to \$4.50 per ton. Now that we have set this matter right on behalf of the Guard and Leader we trust that "Bohemia" will bring in the cigars, shake and forget it.

It costs more for a dull merchant to brush the dust off his goods than it would to advertise and sell them.

RAILROAD GIVEN TIME FOR APPEAL

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Upon application of the defendants in the Pacific Lumber cases, the Interstate Commerce Commission has extended the effective dates of its orders from August 15 to October 15. This action was taken upon the showing made upon the carriers involved that owing to the immense number of rates involved, it would be a physical impossibility to check up the rates and print and file the new tariffs before August 15, and also upon their assurance that, if the extension was granted, they would not apply for an injunction to restrain the Commission's order from becoming effective.

They expressly reserve the right

to test the reasonableness of the rates ordered by the Commission in a suit to be brought for that purpose or in suits which may develop out of reparation claims by shippers who have been shipping under the advanced rates. This does not include the case involving rates from the Willamette Valley via San Francisco, on which the Southern Pacific has already filed a petition in San Francisco asking an injunction against the Commission's order.

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MRS MARKLEY DESTROYS SELF

Throws Her Little Daughter in Lake Also.

COTTAGE GROVE PEOPLE

Child Reaches the Shore and Spreads Alarm, But Mother Drowns. Burial at Eugene.

Seattle, July 25.—After throwing her 7-year-old daughter from the break-water at the foot of Lake Washington yesterday evening, Mrs. Tressa Markley, wife of Norman E. Markley, an attorney, committed suicide by leaping into the lake.

The little girl crawled out of the water and after more than an hour of climbing up the steep hill she reached the home of Arthur L. Mottinger, where she told her story. Half an hour later a party of searchers headed by Mr. Mottinger found the woman's body in the lake a short distance from where she had leaped from the breakwater. After being dressed in dry clothing the little girl was taken to police headquarters. She arrived there but a few minutes before her father, who had during the afternoon and evening made a search for her and her mother, and not realizing that she had been robbed of her mother, but still conscious of the fact that something terrible had happened, the child was not in the least bewildered. She told a clear story of the affair to Police Captain W. F. Lawescher and to her father. The attempt of the mother is believed by her husband to have been the result of temporary insanity. It was the second attempt she had made that day to end the life of both herself and daughter. In the morning after her husband left the house she had turned on the gas, but sensitive nostrils of the child had detected the odor of escaping gas and had turned it off before any damage was done.

LITTLE GIRL TELLS HER STORY.

"Mamma and I walked a great many miles today," said the little girl. "After papa went away in the morning I smelled the gas and papa had cooked his own breakfast and gone down town. I got up and found the gas turned on but it was not burning. After mamma and I got up and dressed she took me out for a walk. We walked a long way and then we got on the Mount Baker park car line and went along the lake and around there for about an hour until it was almost dark, and then mamma threw me into the lake and then jumped into the water too. I touched bottom and found it was not over my head. I found a place where I could climb out and I did. I cried and called for mamma but she didn't answer, and I guess she must be drowned. The hill was very steep down to the lake and it was hard work to climb. I saw a light and crawled toward it. The people there were kind to me and gave me dry clothes and then found mamma."

Markley was half crazed with grief when he rushed into police headquarters tonight. "We have only been here a few weeks," said Markley. "Mrs. Markley was not very well in Eugene, Or., where we lived. She was hysterical at times and a little flighty. The doctor believed she would get over it and thought a change of air would do her good. I lived at Eugene for 15 years. We were married nine years ago. Mrs. Markley was formally Miss Tressa Drew, a daughter of Mrs. M. J. Drew of Eugene. I practiced law in Eugene and thought some of starting to practice here, although I had made no definite arrangements."

Attorney Markley is a son of Mr.

and Mrs. Dave Markley of Cottage Grove, and four years ago resided here with his wife and little daughter, he having built and occupied the cosy cottage adjoining Joe Miller's residence on the north. Markley and his wife seemed happy and appeared to get along in a most congenial manner, in fact he seemed particularly devoted in his attentions to her, therefore her tragic actions resulting in self destruction and attempt upon the life of her little daughter is a shock to their many relatives and friends in Cottage Grove.

BURIAL AT EUGENE.

The remains of Mrs. Markley arrived Monday night from Seattle and the funeral was held from Gordon's undertaking rooms at 2 o'clock Tuesday, conducted by Rev. O. C. Wright, the Women of Woodcraft, using their service at the grave. Mr. Markley's parents from Cottage Grove were among those in attendance at the funeral.

COUNTY SEAT AND COURT HOUSE NEWS

New Mining Locations—Great Cherry Pack at Cannery—Planning for Seattle Exhibit

Threshing has commenced around Junction and this city. Alexander Lundberg, of Oresco, Oregon has filed a notarial commission in the clerk's office.

Plans and specifications for the gravity water system between Ritchey creek and Eugene will be ready for the contractors in thirty days.

Deau Sanderson and family left Friday to spend a short vacation camping in the Bohemia mining district. They will go by rail to the end of the line and then go farther up by team.

Chas. Destel has filed locations on two mining claims in the Bohemia mining district, which he names the "Morning Glory" and "Crater" and Irving Christy, J. W. Maehane and J. K. Griggs has filed on the "Sunset" near Springfield, in the Springfield mining district.

A two-acre cherry orchard in this county yielded nineteen tons of fruit this season. At the low price of 3 cents per pound—the cannery price—the little plot of ground returned a neat sum to its owner. The largest tree produced 675 pounds of fruit. Another good argument in favor of more small farms.

The biggest run on cherries that the Allen cannery has had for two years or more was finished Friday, when the 150 men, women and children closed up 9000 cases of the Royal Ann cherries and enough other kinds to aggregate 250 tons output for the season of 1908. The cherries have been in good condition and came to the packing plant in quantities just right for handling.

W. A. Wehrung, president, and M. D. Wisdom, secretary of the Oregon-Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition commission, were visitors in Eugene Monday and met with the board of governors of the Commercial Club that night. They came to confer about a Lane county exhibit in the Seattle fair and in company with G. W. Griffin, chairman of the exhibit committee of the Commercial Club, interviewed Judge Chrisman in regard to the probable expense of having Lane county properly represented.

HARVESTING A BUMPER CROP

This week grain harvest throughout the valley has formally opened and it is expected that by Saturday night a large per cent of the fall grain will be in the shock. The season is a little earlier than usual, the warm days having ripened the grain earlier than was expected. The season this year has been almost ideal for the maturing of a good grain crop. Late spring rains gave the crop a long growing season, and the warm sunny days which followed have matured and ripened the grain in almost perfect condition. From present prospects the crop will be the best that has been harvested in a number of years. Some little grain was cut last week, but it amounted to only a few acres in each locality, being the earliest grain such as early fall wheat.

MISTAKEN FOR DEER AND SLAIN

Jerome Renne Suffers Fate Intended Animal.

NEPHEW FIRED BULLET

Ralph Mosburg, Sure He Sees Deer. Fires With Fatal Consequences.

The mountainous district five miles west of Creswell was the scene of a deplorable tragedy last Saturday which resulted in the death of Jerome C. Renne, at the hands of his nephew, Ralph Mosburg.

Mr. Renne, the hapless victim of his nephew's misguided bullet, was a one-armed man, well and favorably known throughout the country, he having served as deputy assessor for some time.

Saturday forenoon uncle and nephew decided to hunt for an estray from their band of cattle. Then followed the deplorable shooting of Mr. Renne by Mosburg, who mistook his uncle for a deer.

The incidents leading up to the tragic fatality is best told in Mr. Mosburg's statement to the coroner's jury. Mr. Mosburg related the circumstances as follows:

"We left home to look for an estray and took our rifles for uncle said he had lately seen three deer in Lynx hollow. We separated, taking either side of the canyon and agreed to meet at a certain point. I was finally sure that I saw a deer and fired, but was horrified on approaching to find my uncle the victim."

When young Mosburg saw what he had done he rushed with all speed to the home of S. J. Renne, brother of deceased and gave the alarm. Neighbors then assisted in conveying the body to the house and Gordon was at once summoned.

JURY EXONERATES MOSBURG.

Immediately upon his arrival Coroner Gordon empaneled a jury, who, after inquiring into the facts, arrived at the following verdict:

"We, the jury, duly empaneled and sworn to inquire into the cause of the death of Jerome C. Renne, find that he is a white male person aged 43 years and 7 months and that he came to his death July 25, 1908, at about 10 a. m., from a gunshot wound from the hand of Ralph Mosburg, his nephew who supposed he was shooting at a deer.

(Signed)
 ARTHUR DEMAREST
 WM. C. HAMILTON
 G. H. PULLEN
 LUCAS COWGILL
 W. E. NAPPER.

Young Mosburg is inconsolable over the affair and the neighbors, while greatly pained and shocked over the untimely death of Renne, deeply sympathize with the boy over his sad affliction.

The bullet entered Renne's right side and emerged under the left armpit, passing through the arm. Death was instantaneous.

Sustained Concussion of the Brain.

Chas. Sweet, of Lynx Hollow, 83 years of age, while cutting some rose bushes from the roof of his residence Sunday, while alone, fell to the ground, bruising the side of his head and shoulder, rendering him unconscious. He was found by members of his family and neighbors at 7:30 p. m. sometime after the fall. Dr. VanWinkle of this city, was called and found the old gentleman had sustained concussion of the brain, but no fractures or dislocations. It was thought that he would probably recover. Boys above the age of four score should be careful about climbing around on housetops.

LOCAL RAILROAD MAN NOTES IMPROVEMENTS IN BUSINESS CONDITIONS

A. B. Wood, manager of the O. & S. E. railroad company, during the course of a pleasant call at the Leader office Monday, remarked that the crisis in the dull period had passed and there is now a very perceptible change for the better in commercial circles, in fact, he says hundreds of factories and foundries have resumed operations in the east and middle west, employing thousands of laborers at remunerative wages. This gradual improvement in the business

and commercial world is already being felt out west and with the latest decision of the great western railroads not to appeal the recent lumber rate decision of the interstate commerce commission, the sawmills and lumber camps of western Oregon will soon be running on full time again, which will stimulate all other industries and every branch of trade and traffic. Mr. Wood takes a very optimistic view regarding the future of Cottage Grove and the country generally.

RESIDENCE ENTERED MANY THINGS STOLEN

Mr. Manning Thinks it the Work of Local People—quietly Working on a Good Clue.

In the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Manning last week to Oakland, some scoundrel or scoundrels entered and ransacked their home—the Stouffer cottage at the lower end of railroad street. Among the articles stolen was an almost new 32 caliber Winchester, three pillows, quilts, an overcoat, pair of new pants and suspenders, pair heavy shoes, a lantern and other things. Mr. Manning believes the job to have been executed by local "artists" and thinks he has a pretty good clue, which we hope he has. If the guilty parties are apprehended they should be given the limit.

A United States geologist says the Rogue river coal field is the most extensive one in Oregon.

FOURTH REGIMENT GETS COVETED MEDAL

Wins Governor's Prize in Militia Shoot at Salem Last Week. Jas. Potts in the Team

The governor's trophy match, the most coveted prize in the state militia rifle shoot, was captured by the team composed of eight picked men of the Fourth regiment infantry, by a total of 53 points over all ranges. The aggregate of the Fourth team was 856, and that of the Third regiment team 803. The teams were composed as follows:

Fourth Regiment—Sergeant Jas. Potts of Cottage Grove, Major Hamlin, Lieutenant Stewart, Corporal Perdue, Private Shields, Captain Houck, Corporal Ferguson, Private Fisher of Roseburg.

Third Regiment—Sergeant Howard, Corporal Romaine, Sergeant Schwarz, Corporal Rider, Sergeant White, Corporal Abrams, Captain Scott, Sergeant Royal.

M. F. EARL SUSTAINS BROKEN LEG

Martin Earl, the young electrician and general handy man about the local electric light office, met with an accident last Friday evening which will put him out of commission for some time to come. With a number of young men associates a trip was planned to Creswell last Friday evening to attend some social function. A local horse team was secured at a local stable and the boys set out, but had hardly left the barn when the leading team got over their traces and began kicking. This is when the boys began to empty the rig, and Martin Earl in jumping alighted in such a manner on the edge of the sidewalk, as to break both bones of his left leg between the ankle and knee. He was taken to the home of his uncle,

David Griggs, and Dr. Kime was called and carefully reduced the fractures and the young man is recovering from the injury as well as could be expected. Hugh Currin will fill Mr. Earl's place in the electric light office during the time he is recovering from his injury.

Eugene People Buy Big Saw Mill.

Purchasing the Corvallis lumber mill two weeks ago from Allen & Bouy for \$50,000, the Sunset Lumber company Wednesday sold the mill for \$67,000, clearing \$17,000 on the deal. The purchasers are Dr. T. W. Harris of Eugene, Glen Bassett, superintendent of the Booth-Kelly mill at Springfield, and H. C. Mahon of Eugene, president of the Sunset Lumber company.

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