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LUMBER COMPANIES ARE INCORPORATED

Articles of incorporation for the Fischer & Bally Lumber company were filed Friday with the county clerk, the incorporators being Carl E. Fischer, Milton Bally and Jonathan E. McKibben. The articles allow them to engage in the mercantile business, cattle, timber, lumber and other kindred business and the capital stock is \$25,000.

ANOTHER ONE.
Articles of incorporation were filed Friday for the "Fischer Brothers Lumber Company," the incorporators being Fred Fischer Sr., Henry Fischer, Fred Fischer Jr., Carl E. Fischer and Walter Fischer. They will engage in a general merchandise, cattle, timber, logging, lumber and other kindred businesses. The capital is \$100,000, says the Register.

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ROYAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

Oscar Wheeler spent Saturday at the Divide.

Hiram Wheeler spent Sunday evening at Wilson's farm.

Archie Wilson called on Hiram Wheeler Sunday afternoon.

Walter Babcock was a caller at the McCoy sawmill Sunday.

Mr. L. Parmele has been doing some clearing on his place.

It is very pleasant to play drop the handkerchief by the moonlight.

We are all glad to see mother Johnson back at the Dormitory again.

Mr. Johnson has returned from Portland and reports a very pleasant trip.

It seems as though some of the married men are worse than the young people about staying out late at nights.

Do hogs pay, asks the Drain Nonpareil. We regret to say that some of them do not. They will take a paper for several years and then try to avoid paying for it by having the postmaster mark it 'refused.'

MISS EMERY MARRIED JAP IN TACOMA LAST WEEK

Daughter of Archdeacon John Emery of Episcopal Diocese of California--Parents Give Consent and Attend Wedding

Helen Gladys Emery, daughter of Archdeacon John Emery of the Episcopal diocese of California, falls in love with Gunjiro Aoki, a Japanese school boy and cook, said to be a relative of General Aoki of the Japanese army.

Trouble in the Emery family ensues, and Mrs. Emery sides with the daughter. Marriage is prevented at Corta Madera, a suburb of San Francisco, where the Emerys lived, and the girl determines to leave California, claiming the state showed her no sympathy on account of common prejudice against Japanese there.

Mother leaves San Francisco with girl determined to meet Aoki in Tacoma, where the Japanese says he will return to his pots and kettles and make a living for his wife. Aoki's countrymen offer him \$1000 to desert his sweetheart, but he refused and averred that he would marry her despite protests of all classes.

Southern Pacific train reached Portland Friday morning and the girl and her mother left it on the east side. They went to the Sargent hotel and remained there half an hour, then in automobile to St. Johns, leaving the city on the Seattle-Tacoma train No. 8 for Tacoma. The wedding will probably occur at sea.

MISS EMERY WEDS JAP.

Seattle, Wash. March 27.—Miss Helen Gladys Emery, of Corta Madera, Cal., has at last realized her heart's desire. At 11:45 o'clock this morning she became the bride of Gunjiro Aoki, who claims to be a Japanese of high rank and a former journalist, but whose recent avocation is reported to have been that of a dishwasher in the Emery household.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. H. Gowen, rector of Trinity parish church, the only witnesses present being the bride's parents, Archdeacon Emery and his wife, a countryman of Aoki and A. Patterson, secretary of the rectory.

Accompanied by Archdeacon Emery, Aoki appeared at the marriage license clerk's window about 10 o'clock this morning and secured a license, there being no hesitation in issuing the document. With the coveted paper, Aoki and his future father-in-law hurried to the Savoy hotel, where Miss Emery and her mother had been left. Then the party entered a carriage and were driven to the church, where arrangements for the ceremony had previously been made.

EDWARD LANG SHOT AND KILLED BY BILLY WALKER NEAR EUGENE

A deplorable shooting affray took place at the Walker residence on the Campbell and Walker ranch between Eugene and Springfield shortly after noon Friday. W. A. Walker sent a charge of shot through the left knee of Edward Lang, crushing the bone and tearing the flesh so badly that amputation was necessary and it is not at all certain that he will recover, though he slowly revived from loss of blood and shock.

STORY OF THE SHOOTING

William A. Walker, better known as "Billy" Walker, is one of the best known men in the county, having served as county clerk for two terms, from 1890 to 1894. He is one of the most genial of men and has a host of friends, but is unfortunate in his appetite and when under the influence of liquor is not himself at all. One of the strongest traits of his character is his devotion to his aged mother, whom he loves with a love akin to adoration and it was this filial devotion that caused him to do the rash act Friday.

Edward Lang, the victim, is a laborer whom Mr. Walker employed on his place at various times and they were well acquainted. Lang had been in Eugene in the morning and went out by the Walker farm having with him a well-filled bottle. He met Billy and they went together to the barn and took several drinks together and then went to the house. After talking for a while Lang became abusive and made some slighting remark against his aged mother.

Ornamental Shrubbery.

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THE RAILROAD LAND GRANT

Offers Land for the Asking With no One to Kick You Off.

An interesting state of affairs has developed as a result of the recent Oregon & California land grant forfeiture suit that was submitted to Judge Wolverton in the local Federal court last week, says the Portland Telegram.

Analysis of the situation incident to arguments on the demurrer of the Harriman system to the government's bill of complaint indicates that 2,300,000 acres of the domain of Oregon, valuable chiefly for agricultural and timber purposes and worth in the aggregate approximately \$40,000,000, is practically "no man's land" at the present time and subject to indiscriminate settlement and occupancy for an indefinite period without danger of protest from any source. By tendering \$2.50 an acre as the purchase price which the railroad company, for obvious reasons, is bound to refuse, a quasi right to enter into possession is established and any person is thereby privileged to go on a quarter section, cut sufficient timber to build a house and make other necessary improvements, and live in comparative ease and comfort the remainder of his earthly days without having his peace of mind disturbed by such phantoms as anticipated visits from the tax collector, rent agents or anything else of annoying character. In short, he can maintain an existence there in a way that makes an Elysium dream look like a hideous nightmare, for as matters now stand nobody knows who owns the land, and the chances are the chaotic mists that have arisen in consequence of pending litigation between the government and the railroad company will not be dispelled for such a length of time that generations may come and go before the war of titles is ended.

The prospective settler need not necessarily have any money to attain this unprecedented goal. All the requisite qualifications to become eligible to membership in this Lazy Man's Paradise Association is to write out any old check for \$400 and tender it with a pleasant smile as payment to the railway corporation for 160 acres. It is not at all essential that he should have a deposit in the bank to make the check good either, because they are obliged to turn up their noses at it anyway, and metaphorically give it a swift kick out of their land department. To accept the amount would mean ruin to them, since it would be in the nature of a recognition of the government's contention that the two million or so of the vast area must be sold to actual settlers only in quantities not more than a quarter section to each purchaser, and at a price not exceeding \$2.50 an acre. The chance would be too great on a speculation of that kind.

Neither would Uncle Sam object to any settlement on the land. In fact, he would hail such a proceeding with joy, inasmuch as it would conform to lines that he has maintained vigorously for a fortnight or more through able council, and from his point of view would carry out the terms of the grant made by Congress to the railway corporation more than 40 years ago.

In case the Harriman people undertook to treat a settler on these lands as an interloper and attempted to eject him for illegal trespass, the United States would be in honor bound to arise in its might, as it has done of yore, call out the army and navy, likewise the home guards and all its available force, including the moral squad.

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BRANTON AND COLLYAR MAKE BOLD DASH FOR FREEDOM

Both Men Sent Up to Penitentiary from Cottage Grove--Branton Suicided When Plans Were Foiled by the Guards.

Salem, March 29.—By sawing their way through the bars of a window on the basement floor of the building, four convicts made a bold attempt to escape from the penitentiary shortly after 5 o'clock this morning. The prison officials knew of the scheme, however, and with five armed guards awaiting their exit the convicts were held up at the point of as many guns as they made the bolt, and with hands high in the air all four of them were ordered back into the prison through the same whole from which they had emerged.

John Branton, the alleged leader and principal organizer of the outbreak, lies dead in the prison morgue, having committed suicide by cutting his throat with a butcher knife taken from the prison butcher shop. His three colleagues are locked in their cells, and will be punished according to the rules of the institution in such cases.

Branton, the dead convict was serving a 10-year sentence for assault with intent to kill, having been committed from Lane county, June 26, 1905. He was considered a desperate man, and has been kept under close surveillance by the prison guards and officials for some months.

Branton was serving time in the penitentiary for attempting to kill a man in Lane county early in 1905 in order to secure his life insurance, which had been taken out in favor of Branton. Branton left his victim for dead, but the latter recovered and Branton's arrest and conviction followed.

Branton was a brother of Claude Branton, who was hanged in Eugene in 1899 for the murder of John Linn in the Cascade mountains east of Eugene.

BAR INSPECTED EVERY NIGHT.

The escape was very cleverly planned and doubtless would have been successfully carried out had it not been that one of the prison guards, in making his regular rounds of the building last Wednesday night, discovered that some one had been at work trying to saw one of the bars to the window on the basement floor, opposite the butcher shop. The matter was reported to the head official who, instead of locking Branton up immediately under suspicion, worked out a scheme which resulted in the capture of all four convicts implicated in the plot. Every day the bar was inspected by the prison

officials and the progress upon it noted, until last night it was found the bar was completely severed, everything was put in readiness for the reception of the would-be escapees when they emerged this morning.

Branton was accompanied in his daring expedition by J. P. Collyar, employed in the bakery, who was sent up from Lane county for two years February 21, 1909 for robbery. C. H. Spaulding, a cook, who is doing two and a half years for larceny in a dwelling from Clatsop county, September 24, 1908, and J. B. Lethridge, hospital clerk who is serving three years for forgery committed in Umatilla county, September 26, 1908. These three men are let out of their cells at 4:30 each morning to attend to their respective duties, while Branton, who was the prison butcher, was turned into his apartment at 5 o'clock, as usual.

WARDEN CURTIS' TICKLISH JOB.

Warden Curtis proceeded very cautiously through the corridor of the basement, which is filled with dark recesses on every side, with a flash lantern in one hand and an automatic revolver in the other. Knowing that all convicts implicated would doubtless be armed with butcherknives and cleavers from the butchershop, and ready to fight for their lives when cornered, it was a ticklish task, and the first one of the quartet discovered was Branton, lying in the corner of a dark recess adjoining the butcher shop, and he was groaning heavily. Without investigating his condition or taking any chances of falling victim to any ruse which he might be playing to catch them unawares, a guard was left at the place and the search for the others was continued. All three were found hiding in a recess on the other side of the corridor, and all came out with hands in the air when challenged by warden Curtis.

Big Log Drive In.

The Booth-Kelly log drive of 6,000,000 feet from Little Fall creek arrived in the pond at Springfield Friday and the 16 or 18 men who brought it in received their pay yesterday. They are almost all local men who have families in this neighborhood. They brought the drive in in 17 days, which is considered excellent time, without incident.—Guard.

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