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NEW DIGGINGS DISCOVERED

Gold and Copper Deposits in
Paying Quantities Five Miles
Northeast of Cottage Grove

Gold and copper in good paying quantities have been discovered within a short distance of Cottage Grove and only two miles from the railroad, according to N. H. Gammage of Saginaw, who for a month past has been watching a bunch of prospectors who have been quietly working on Clark Creek in the vicinity of his ranch.

Some years ago a shaft was sunk in that vicinity and good "pay dirt" was discovered, including some good native copper specimens, but on the death of the owner the development of the property was abandoned. Now, however, that the property has fallen into the hands of the son of the former owner, there is going to be something doing.

The greatest possible secrecy has been maintained, but this much is known about the doings in that neighborhood: There are several mining men from Montana there looking the field over thoroughly and, it is said, they will organize a company to develop the property, if it is found as good as surface indications promise.

One mining man informed Mr. Gammage that the indications are as good as he ever saw, and the promise of a rich copper and gold producing property is the very best.

ESTABLISHED MASONIC LODGE AT YONCALLA

A delegation of Cottage Grove Masons including Martin Anderson, George Knowles, Andrew Brund, Joe Young and Harry Kinter, went to Yoncalla Thursday to assist Most Worshipful Grand Master W. C. Bristol, of Portland, in consecrating, dedicating and constituting a Masonic lodge at Yoncalla Thursday evening. At the ceremonies a grand banquet was served, and the new lodge starts out under the most favorable auspices. The Cottage Grove delegation reports a most enjoyable time.

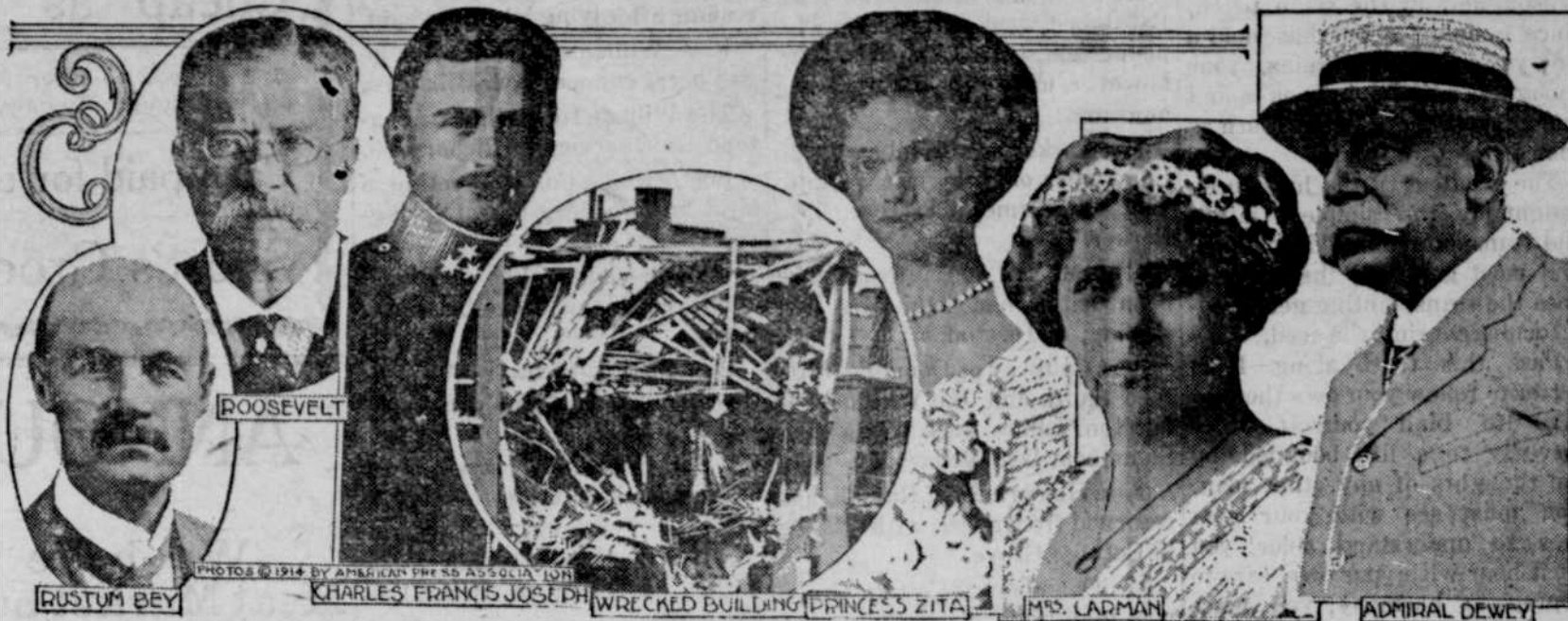
The Brownie Band

It is evident that a crowded house will greet the one hundred children who will present the Brownie Band Saturday evening at the Arcade. The boys and girls are working hard, and are sure to present this cantata in a very pleasing manner. Seats are now on sale at the Elite.

"The Tax Liberator"

This office has received the initial number of the "Tax-Liberator," published at Roseburg. The Liberator declares that it is "a journal for the advancement of rational tax reform in Oregon," and will be published once a month.

Make Cottage Grove Bigger
Busier and Better.



News Snapshots Of the Week

Admiral Dewey, now seventy-seven years old, went to Manhattan Beach, New York, for the summer, his physician believing that the sea air would strengthen his health. Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt received delegations urging him to run for the governorship of New York and resigned from the staff of the Outlook. Mrs. Florence Carman of Freeport, N. Y., was arrested as a suspect in the murder of Mrs. Bailey, a patient of Dr. Carman, the former's husband. Rustum Bey, the new ambassador from Turkey, protested against sale of United States warships to Greece. Charles Francis Joseph, archduke, and his consort, Princess Zita, are the new heirs to the Austria-Hungarian throne. Dynamite exploded in the home of a group of anarchists in Lexington avenue, New York city, wrecking the building and killing several people. The dynamite was intended for use in making bombs.

ELECTRIC FIRE ALARM PUT IN ORDER

Andrew Nelson, the electrician, after a couple of days strenuous work put the city's electric fire alarm system in perfect order and gave it a successful and satisfactory try-out Friday noon, most of the townspeople having been notified of the test in advance, thereby little excitement followed the clanging of the big alarm bell. Mr. Nelson, who was employed by the city council to adjust the system and put it in working order, informed the writer that the main trouble resulted from the fact that the system was originally installed in the winter time, when the belfry of the city hall was very damp, and with the coming of the dry, hot weather, shrinkage of the wooden mechanism or foundation of the electrical apparatus had put it out of commission, or order, and therefore a readjustment all around was necessary to put it in a dependable working condition. With the installation of the new fire siren or whistle at the electric light plant, Cottage Grove will now have two very efficient fire alarm systems.

DIVIDE NINE AFTER BASEBALL HONORS

The husky baseball team of Divide will give the Cottage Grove team a tryout for honors on the local diamond next Sunday afternoon, and think they have a surprise in store for the Cottage Grove ball tossers. At any rate they are going to try hard to win the game and there promises to be something doing. Manager Fred Bartels of the locals is facing quite a little deficit as a result of the season's games falling short of the anticipated attendance and gate receipts, and the boys would be pleased to see a good attendance out Sunday to help in pulling them out of the hole financially.

Will Encourage Investment

The Oregon Public Utility commission shows a disposition to allow capital invested in these properties to make a fair return and thus encourage further investments.

S. P. Raises Wages of Workmen

The Southern Pacific Co. has made a substantial and voluntary increase in the wages paid the force of men at work in the Pass creek canyon just south of Cottage Grove, which benefits a number of citizens of this city,

How I Saved \$10.00

The Story of a Paper That Never
Was Published

Last Saturday, because the editor of the Leader was sick, the Saturday Leader was not issued, and the editor is ahead \$10.00.

For almost four months the Leader has been issued on Wednesday and Saturday of each week—the Saturday number being put out very often without ten cents worth of new business, at a cost of from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per issue.

Here I have been betting \$10.00 each week for sixteen weeks that the business men of Cottage Grove would show in a substantial business way their appreciation of a progressive move in the newspaper work of the town; and every week I have lost the bet.

A shrewd gambler would begin to suspect by this time that he was "up against a cold deck," that his judgment was bad, or that luck was against him, and change his bet.

But I never was a shrewd gambler—a gambler's religion is his confidence in his own skill and his one superstition is his unflinching belief in "luck." I put my faith in the intelligence and ambition of my neighbors, and am going to continue to stake my money on the same old card.

I know what other towns are doing, and I refuse to believe that the business men of Cottage Grove are less enterprising, less progressive, or less appreciative of enterprise and progressiveness on the part of their local papers than the business men of neighboring towns—they have just grown a little negligent during the hot weather, that is all.

The little town of Yoncalla, with about a dozen business houses, gives its one little paper more than half as much business as Cottage Grove gives her two papers.

Florence, a little town over on the coast, a town that could be lost in one end of Cottage Grove, has two papers, and either one of them is carrying more live advertising than both of Cottage Grove's papers.

Springfield, a town that Cottage Grovites, in spite of census figures, continue to declare is not so large as this little city, has but one paper, but it sells to the business people of the town 50 per cent more advertising space than is sold by both Cottage Grove papers.

It is doubtful, (and I say this with a pretty fair knowledge of what the Coast newspapers are doing) if there is another town in Washington, Oregon, and California, where 130 business firms buy as little newspaper space as do that number of firms in the town of Cottage Grove, Lane county, Oregon, U. S. A., and nowhere can you find papers more loyal to their home town, home business people and home institutions. Nowhere can you find papers more optimistic, more enthusiastic, or that boost harder for their territory.

I am not finding fault, but it sometimes does people good to tell them the truth, even if the truth is an unpleasant one to hear, and the foregoing is as true as gospel. It is also true that the business men of Cottage Grove who are advertising their business are the "salt of the earth" so far as this burg is concerned, and are doing a publicity work that ought to be shared by every live business house in the city; and among their other duties, the "Live Ones" ought to contribute to a fund to erect a monument over the remains of the "Dead Ones."

COUNCIL CALLS FOR STREET LIGHT BIDS

The City Council met in adjourned session Monday evening, all members of the board and city officers being present. The following ordinances were passed and orders or recommendations made:

An ordinance was passed authorizing the Recorder to advertise for bids for lighting the city of Cottage Grove for a period of 3 to 5 years, at the expiration of the present contract Jan. 1, 1915.

Frank Woodruff was granted permission to repair the roof of his plumbing shop on Main street.

The light committee was instructed to place another light on Jefferson street, if in their opinion it is found necessary.

After some debate the Council decided to investigate the sanitary condition of the fashion stables, and a report as to their findings will be made and considered at the next meeting.

Permission was granted for the reroofing and repair of the Oregon Hotel, which was recently damaged by fire.

The Council adjourned to meet again in regular monthly meeting the first Monday evening in August.

Head of Kansas W. C. T. U. Coming

Mrs. Lillian M. Mitchner, state president of the Kansas Woman's Christian Temperance Union, will visit Cottage Grove and deliver a temperance address on August 4th. She is said to be the equal of Mrs. Armour, the great Georgia woman orator, and therefore every one will want to hear her.

Carlton Spencer Admitted to Bar

Carlton Spencer was among those successful in passing the examination before the supreme court judges at Portland last week and was admitted to the bar for the practice of law. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Spencer of this city, and as U. of O. orator and debater became widely known throughout the Northwest during his college days and won no little fame. He will no doubt be heard from in his chosen profession and for the present he will remain in Portland.

"Kids" All Learning to Swim

Swimming parties are enjoying daily plunges in the waters of the Coast Fork and Row rivers, near Cottage Grove, these warm summer evenings. Nearly every little girl and boy in the city, as well as the older ones, are becoming expert swimmers.

FATAL FALL FROM WAGON

Farmer Sustains a Serious Injury to His Spine in a Fall From a Wagon Load of Hay

While assisting in hauling hay on the Lobs ranch near Cottage Grove Tuesday of last week, F. Joseph Buettgenbach, fell from a wagon load of hay, sustaining a serious injury to his spine. He was brought to the Schleef hospital in this city, where he remained until Tuesday of this week, when he was removed to a Eugene hospital at which he died Tuesday afternoon July 21, 1914, and the remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery at that place.

Deceased owned a homestead near Eugene and has resided in this county for a number of years and is said to have no relatives on the Pacific coast. He was a single man. It is stated that he has a sister residing in New York City.

Goes as a Missionary to Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Burkett passed through Cottage Grove last week on their way to Africa to engage in missionary labors. Mr. and Mrs. Burkett were married in June. Mr. Burkett is a minister of the Presbyterian denomination, his wife, formerly Miss Marion Beatty, having lived here during her father's incumbency as pastor of the Methodist church. Mr. and Mrs. Burkett, it is understood, are under three years' appointment.

EIGHTY-THIRD BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED

James H. Shortridge, an esteemed pioneer citizen of south Lane county, celebrated his 83d birthday anniversary at his home in West Cottage Grove last Saturday, all of the children and many other near relatives being present from distant points upon this pleasant occasion. A sumptuous repast was enjoyed by all, the table being prettily decorated with flowers, including a beautiful bouquet of sweet peas contributed by Mrs. T. C. Wheeler. During the afternoon strawberries and cream, cake and lemonade were served and a good social time prevailed.

Among the guests present were Mrs. Olive Lacey, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shortridge, from Portland; Mrs. S. R. Rogers of Turner, Mrs. Shortridge's only surviving sister of a family of ten children; those from Eugene were Mrs. J. W. Harris and son George, Mrs. Samantha Dillard, Dr. C. M. Harris, and Miss Audrey Langdon; those from Hebron were J. J. Weeden and family and Mrs. Clyde Langdon and babies; F. B. Shortridge of Booth, Oregon, was also present, as well as Mrs. Orvil Spear and Miss Arlie Langdon of this city.

It was the first time in several years that all of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Shortridge assembled at home, and all joined in wishing the venerable old gentleman many happy returns of the day.