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NEWS SUMMARIZED.

A Complete Resume of the Week's Happenings.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Late Dispatches Boiled Down For the Perusal of the Busy Reader.

Utah has appropriated \$10,000 for the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland.

Governor Chamberlain has vetoed 15 bills passed at the last session of the legislature.

Senator Fulton has appointed his nephew, Chas. Holderman of Astoria, as his private secretary.

Last week Governor McBride signed the bill making gambling a felony in the state of Washington.

Ex-Governor T. T. Geer has visited Omaha and Lincoln, Nebraska, and is now in St. Louis for the purpose of interesting the people in the Lewis and Clark Exposition to be held in Portland in 1905. He is conferring with state officials.

Jack O'Keefe, of Chicago, won the decision over Jimmy Britt, of San Francisco, in the sixth round on a foul in the light-weight boxing match at Portland Monday night.

North Dakota has made an appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair. It was equivalent to \$40,000, according to a telegram received recently from Special Commissioner Henry W. Coe.

Twenty-five more stamps are to be put in the Lucky Boy mine in the Blue River district which will give that mine a total of 40 stamps. Electricity will also replace steam power in the mine.

Not only all bird-lovers, but practical men who have looked upon bird life with observant and therefore appreciative eyes, will rejoice in the enactment of a law by the late Legislature for the protection of wild birds.

Secretary Root last week assured Senators Mitchell and Fulton that he would act on the report of the Board of Engineers on the Columbia River jetties in a week or ten days, and strongly intimated that he would approve it.

Only a little over ten years ago—in November, 1892—the Populist party polled over a million votes for its candidate for President, J. B. Weaver, the highest vote in any state being that of Kansas, Colorado, Idaho and Nevada, and divided the electoral vote in North Dakota and Oregon, and sanguinely predicted that they would "sweep" the country in 1900. But the tide of prosperity began to flow back over the country in 1897, and has not re-

ceded since, and in consequence the Populist party has completely disappeared.

H. Hirschberg, the Independence banker, who is sinking a well near that place in the search for oil, and who is also interested in the Southern Oregon Oil Company, has struck a salt vein in his Independence well. Samples of this salt were analyzed at the experiment station at Corvallis, by the Southern Pacific Rail-Company, and by the salt Combine, and, as a result, the salt was found to be chemically pure, analyzing 99 per cent pure. This analysis shows it to be one of the best wells in the United States in regard to the quality of the product. It is understood to be Mr Hirschberg's intention to plug the well just below the salt flow and develop a salt well. The plant which he is planning to build to handle the output of the well will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000.

DISTRICT C. E. CONVENTION Successful Session has Just Been Closed at Roseburg.

ROSEBURG, March 9.—The District Christian Endeavor Convention has just closed and all interested feel that it was a decided success. With such men as Rev. Clarence Eberman, of Boston, and Prof A Sweetser, of Eugene to delivered such grand and soul-stirring addresses it could not be otherwise.

The first session was held in the Baptist church but it was found that that building was not large enough to hold all who wished to attend, so the last two meetings were held in the opera house, which was well filled.

We feel that the Christian Endeavor movement is doing a noble work and that through the advance movement on hand Oregon shall indeed be won for Christ. A good and loyal set of officers has been elected and we trust may have the same hearty support of the societies as heretofore given.

Thanking all for the kindly interest and support rendered us in the past, we remain,

Yours in Christian love,
Mark C. MUNSON, Ex. Pres.,
FANNIE McCOLLUM, Ex. Sec.,
CONNIE HANDSAKER, Ex. Treas.

The district officers elected for the ensuing two years are: Miss Ora Reed, Eugene, president; F. E. Alley, Roseburg, vice-president. Thos. Medley, Cottage Grove, secretary; H. C. Galey, Roseburg, treasurer.

The delegates from Cottage Grove were: Thos. M. Medley, Miss Dessie Harms, Presbyterian church; Miss Marian White, Miss Della Durham, Christian church.

Stoneberg's barber shop was moved into the building formerly occupied by the Nugget this week, and is fitted up in first class shape. It is now one of the neatest shops in town.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS ITEMS

A Brief Review of the March Term of Circuit Court. County Expenses.

Special Correspondence to the Lane County Leader.

The past week in Eugene has been one long to be remembered, on account of the trial of Elhot E. Lyons for the killing of Sheriff W. W. Withers. No event has happened in Lane county that so stirred up the whole community as that of the killing of Mr. Withers. The Branton murder case was not a parallel, although that was one which excited great indignation and produced among the people a demand for the speedy condemnation and execution of Branton, which was carried into effect without unnecessary delay. It is believed, that in case Branton had escaped conviction, by any fault on the part of the law, he would have met the punishment his crime demanded, at the hands of the citizens.

But although this may be said of Branton's case, the same may be said of Lyon's case also with many degrees of intensity and certainty.

There was a settled determination in the minds of the people, that Lyons should pay for the killing of Sheriff Withers with his life, whether that had to be done through the regular channels of the law, or through the people taking the law into their own hands.

This was evinced from the day on which Withers was shot on the 5th day of February until the 5th day of March following, when Judge Hamilton pronounced sentence of death upon Lyons, and fixed the day of his execution on Friday, the 17th day of April.

So that it will be seen that just 30 days elapsed from the day of the killing until the arrest, trial and conviction of the guilty wretch.

It was thought that the father and mother of Lyons and his wife were implicated in the killing by interfering with Withers at the time of the attempted arrest and Lyons' wife was held by the preliminary court, in bonds of \$1000 to appear at court, but on investigation of the case, the grand jury returned "not a true bill," and Mrs. Lyons was discharged.

And so Lyons now awaits his doom with seeming little concern, emotionless, friendless, the picture of despair and dejection. The people will breathe a breath of relief when he is taken off.

Speaking of court proceedings I must not neglect to speak of a BATCH OF CRIMINALS of lesser magnitude who were tried and found guilty and sentenced to serve terms in prison:

Burkholder got two years for stealing a horse, saddle and bridle last fall in Eugene; Bert Gartner, an ex-pugilist, got one year for an attempt to secure money on a forged check, on one Krenshaw last week; Tom Burns got two years for breaking into the bunk house of the Japs, railroad employes; William Allen gets one year for larceny from a dwelling in

Cottage Grove; David Humbolt a kind of Mongrel-blooded fellow wherein a considerable quantity of negro predominates, got three years for stealing a mare from the barn of Ben Davis of Springfield. This ends the chapter of criminals sent to the pen from Lane county at the March term for 1903.

A. N. Scroggins who left a wife in The Dalles some time ago and took up with a Mrs. Wilder and came to Springfield and posed as man and wife and subsequently went to Wendling and was arrested there and brought to Eugene last week and held on a charge of lewd cohabitation, were found guilty and the man sentenced to serve 90 days in the county jail while his paramour was fined \$50.

THE DIVORCE MILL. Friday the following divorce cases were disposed of. J. L. Holgate vs Clara Holgate decreed for plaintiff, custody of the girl child be given Mrs. Engles as plaintiff was not situated to care for her and the mother was unfit.

T. E. Goodman divorced from his wife; H. Mongold from his wife, Carrie Thompson from her husband. R. L. Thompson, custody of child allowed plaintiff. J. E. Clieve from his wife, Julia. Child allowed plaintiff. Homer Farlow from Mattie Farlow. This is a part only of the grist which the divorce mill turns out, but there are doubtless more in the hopper as the crop of "cruel treatment" is unending.

I have already taken up too much space in giving court proceedings but the matter being of unusual and general interest, must be my apology. However, I will not close until I say that one of the hardest legal battles that was fought at this term was that wherein Frasier, real estate agent, was plaintiff and J. M. Sherwood, def. Frasier claimed some \$350, as commission for selling the Sherwood hotel property in Cottage Grove. I believe the case had been litigated before. Hardy and Thompson were for Frasier and Bilyeu, Woodcock and Medley were Sherwood's attorneys. Every inch of ground was disputed and the gentlemen on either side exhausted their legal acumen and eloquence in behalf of their respective clients. The case was submitted at the close of the day, and the jury after hours of deliberation brought in a verdict in favor of Frasier for his claim.

County Judge Kincaid said Saturday the expense account of the county for the months of February, March, April and May will be unusually large on account of the damages to roads and bridges by the flood of January, the arrest and trial of Lyons and the special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman Tongue, which will aggregate perhaps \$10,000. J. F. ADAMS.

ROOSEVELT TO TOUR WEST

Will Stop at Portland, Salem, Eugene and Roseburg.

The President is arranging the program for his Western tour.

He will spend a day and possibly a night in Portland, and will stop in Salem and possibly Roseburg, Albany and Eugene.

In Washington he will visit Chehalis, Olympia, Tacoma, Seattle, the Bremerton navy-yard, North Yakima, Spokane and possibly Walla Walla. He will spend five days in Oregon and Washington.

Details will be left to each locality to arrange, but he objects to receptions, banquets and set speeches.

Elected Officers.

EUGENE, MARCH 8.—The North Fairview Mining company held a meeting in this city Saturday afternoon and elected officers as follows: Wm. Faber, president; Alf Walker, 1st vice president; S. J. Drund, 2nd vice president; K. T. Harris, secretary; A. G. Hovey, treasurer; Wm. Faber, general manager.

MELDRUM TO BE REMOVED

Oregon Postmasters Soon to be Appointed.

Surveyor-General Meldrum will be removed as soon as his successor is appointed and confirmed. This will be done at the extra session of the Senate now in deliberation.

Senator Fulton was informed of this intention with emphasis by Secretary Hitchcock recently.

The only reason for Meldrum's long respite was Senator Mitchell's inability, through illness, to recommend a successor.

New postmasters will also be appointed for Oregon City, Eugene, Ashland and Roseburg.

Lyon's Reward Paid.

The commissioner's court at the recent session made an order paying the reward offered for the capture and conviction of Elliott Lyons. The county's portion of the reward amounted to \$500. J. E. P. Withers gave \$500, which was paid over to the county making a total reward of \$1000 which has been

paid to the men who effected Lyon's capture. Those getting the rewards and the amounts received are as follows: W. E. Parsons, \$300; J. E. Noland, \$150; James Shaub, \$150; W. H. Miller, \$100; W. W. Buoy, \$100; James Law, \$100; I. H. Veatch, \$75; Conductor R. E. Veatch, \$25.

A well known mining man stated while discussing the bright prospects of the Bohemia mines this week that "there are large areas of promising mining territory in Lane county, not yet looked over by the prospector, to say nothing of the numerous claims now being developed in Bohemia and the Blue River Districts. There is an abundance of timber and water everywhere, and the climate is so mild that operations can be continued nearly through the whole year. Capitalists are finding this a good field for investment, and the right kind of men are sure of success."

FOUR WIVES THE LIMIT. Ameer of Afghanistan Sets Some Good Examples.

LONDON, March 9.—Mail advices received here from Kabul say the Ameer of Afghanistan has divorced all but four of his wives. The divorced women are allowed to remarry at their pleasure, and the Ameer has promised a life-long support to those who do not marry again. He has also decreed by beat of drum, that none of his subjects shall hereafter have more than four wives, and that all in excess of this number must be divorced. The Ameer is also suppressing wildoers with an iron hand. In a recent proclamation he ordered that any one convicted of taunting another on account of his religion shall be blown from a cannon's mouth. This punishment has already been inflicted. Robbers are placed in cages, which are hung prominently in the thoroughfares, as a warning to others. Another proclamation of the Ameer, evidently aimed against those who attempt to corner grain, decrees that everyone possessing grain in excess of what is absolutely necessary for the support of his family for four months shall sell it. If he fails to do so his whole supply will be taken away by force.

Good Roads for Washington.

A commendable good roads bill was passed by the Washington legislature last week. The bill makes many changes in the present system of road-building, and is one of the most important measures passed this session.

If the bill becomes a law there will be no more working out of road taxes, and all road work to cost in excess of \$150 must be done by contract.

Most of the opposition to the bill came from the country members, while the city representatives furnished its chief supporters.

SERIES OF ACCIDENTS

In the Logging Camps in the Vicinity of Cottage Grove.

SATURDAY A VERY UNLUCKY DAY

Sherman Shortridge, Ed C. Harbinger and Minef Wallace the Victims.

While floating pilings down the Coast Fork river, on reaching a rapid about six miles south of town Sherman Shortridge met with an accident Saturday that came near resulting fatally. He was riding on a floating log when on reaching the shallow rapids, he was struck by a piling and thrown into the turbulent waters. At this point the river flows over a slippery bed-rock bottom and Mr Shortridge was unable to regain his footing. While struggling to mount a log and reach the bank several large pilings passed completely over him crushing him down into the water against the bed-rock bottom. By a heroic effort he regained the bank but was quite seriously bruised and injured internally. He was taken to his home and under skillful medical treatment is recovering from his injuries rapidly.

Another one of those frequently recurring accidents which have happened this winter in the lumbering camps surrounding this city occurred at the piling camp of Campbell & Alexander, on Row River, about 15 miles out, on Saturday afternoon. Edwin C. Harbinger, one of the camp foremen, while at work in the woods, by some mischance allowed his axe to glance from a tree and bury itself for an inch in the bone of his leg just below the knee, severing the main artery. He was brought to town and Drs Anderson and Hosmer dressed the wound. Before reaching town he had become much weakened through the loss of blood, but is now getting along nicely, and in a few days will be about again.

Miner Wallace while engaged in work for the Pacific Lumber Co, in their Coast Fork logging camp met with an accident Tuesday resulting in a broken right arm, between the wrist and elbow.

He was working on a pile of logs when he lost his footing and fell to the ground with the above mentioned results. He was brought to the home of his father, C. H. Wallace, in this city and Dr Anderson reduced the fracture and Miner will soon be as good as new again.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—President Roosevelt today nominated five Oregon Postmasters: William B. Curtis, Marshfield; Marion F. Davis, Union; Benjamin F. Vaughn, Heppner; Thos P. Randall, Oregon City, and Andrew L. Sproul, Ontario.

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