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Announcement is just made by the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company that as soon as material arrives on the ground the company's plants in this city and Monmouth will be rebuilt out and out. The company's manager at this place, Charles Shenefield, gives the announcement of this proposed improvement and says that the company proposes to install a modern common battery system.

This will mean that Independence will have one of the most up-to-date telephone systems in the country. Automatic signaling will be one of the features of the new system, new switch board, poles, wires and everything in connection with their plant in this city.

J. D. Butcher will arrive in Independence within a few days when the company will go out after new business. These improvements contemplate the rebuilding of the line between this city and Salem. The Salem line will give an addition of two more circuits. The approximate cost of these new improvements is in the neighborhood of \$30,000.

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### INDEPENDENCE NEWS

Fireworks at Craven & Moore's, Dr. Allin, Dentist, Cooper Bldg. If Buy your fireworks at Craven & Moore's.

Miss Lynda Eppley was in Independence Wednesday.

A good pair reading glasses \$1.00 at Kramer's.

For Sale—A No. 1 cow, high tester, good milker. Chas. S. Huff. 3-5

Mrs. Jessie Cromwell visited in Independence during the races.

Mrs. Claude Hubbard went to Seaside Saturday to visit her mother.

Y. D. Hensill of Eugene was a guest this week at the Hodges home.

Wm. Addison went to southern Oregon Tuesday to be gone a few days.

Charles Hatch of Tigard is visiting relatives and friends in Independence.

Benton Bowers of Ashland spent a few days in Independence this week.

Mrs. Fred Ireland and Mrs. Columbus Tetherow went to Portland on a short visit last Friday.

Red and Alske clover seed for sale. Call on Ernest Ziolesch at Park- 511f

Wanted—Man to cruise 27 acres of timber. Call on or address Geo. E. Myers, Route 2, Independence, Ore. 4-6

Light and heavy draft horses for sale. For particulars inquire of Foster and Lounds, Independence, Ore- 5-6

Celebrate the Fourth in a neat, nobby suit of clothes. You will find just what you want at Conkey, Walker & Lehman's.

We are exceptionally strong on men's summer underwear, sleeveless vests and knee length drawers. — Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges of Salem attended the funeral of Mrs. Tupper Sunday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. L. Damon.

Mrs. Claude Skinner, who has been visiting in Portland the past week, returned home yesterday, accompanied by her sister from Idaho.

A new line of men's hats—both stiff and soft hats—just arrived. The latest for summer wear. You will find them at Conkey, Walker & Lehman's.

Mrs. W. P. Bevins, Miss Clara Wells and Mrs. Clara Snyder of Buena Vista visited the first of the week at the home of Mrs. V. Heath and Miss Church.

We are showing the largest assortment of men's golf and negligee shirts in town in all the latest patterns and colors.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Those desiring up-to-date and thorough instruction in piano with reasonable prices, will find same by calling on Miss Hallie Stuckey at Mrs. V. A. Heath's. 4-5

Wanted—To buy a driving horse, weighing about 1200 pounds. Must be absolutely safe for a woman to drive, and sound. Geo. E. Myers, Route 2, Independence, Oregon. 4-6

You will always find the best assortment of dress goods at Conkey, Walker & Lehman's because they carry the largest stock to select from in town.

Just received, a large assortment of ladies' driving gloves both in gauntlet and wrist. Also men's and ladies' canvas gloves.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

If you are going elsewhere to celebrate the Fourth of July you will need a duster. We have anything you want in that line, both ladies' and gents'.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Mrs. Belle Chambers, a daughter of Mrs. Susan Jones of this city, returned yesterday to her home in Eugene after visiting with relatives and friends in Independence and also in the state of Washington.

Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore will go to Corvallis on the morning train on Saturday, and on Sunday morning will occupy the pulpit in the First Presbyterian church in that place, supplying for Rev. Dr. Bell, the pastor.

Shoes for dress or working. You will always find a most complete stock in men's, boys', ladies', misses', and children's. Price combined with style, make and quality that can't be beat.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

Mr. and Mrs. Will McKinney and their four children of Bridgeport, Nebraska, arrived in Independence yesterday morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Drexler. Mrs. McKinney is a sister of Mrs. Drexler. The family may decide to locate here.

Claire D. Tharp and Miss Nellie Thompson, both of this city, were married in Dallas last Sunday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. E. Spahr of the Methodist church of that city. Both are prominent young people of this city. Mr. Tharp being an employee of Wade & Co.

## MEAGRE REPORT OF BOLD HOLDUP

The Enterprise has the distinction of being the first to notify the penitentiary officials at Salem of the whereabouts of the two escaped convicts who took French leave last Saturday from that institution. The Oregonian also got its first report from the editor of this paper Wednesday evening of the escapes and their adventure at Buena Vista. The report in the Oregonian was nearly exact with the exception of the names of parties in the ordeal.

Mr. Star was accompanied by a neighbor boy, Claude Whiteman, who they were overtaken by the convicts who undertook to secure their team and vehicle. Mr. Star remonstrated with the convicts when they set upon him and beat him up in a frightful manner. Claude Whiteman is supposed to be with the convicts, whom they are supposed to be using as a shield in case they are pursued by a posse.

Gid Phillips brought word to Buena Vista Wednesday night of the encounter of Mr. Star with the convicts. Mr. Phillips reported that Star was badly wounded about the head at the hands of his assailants. Word from Buena Vista yesterday gives the intelligence that Star is badly hurt but that he is resting comparatively easy at his home across the river from Buena Vista.

No one has any account of the convicts and they have not been seen since Wednesday evening. To where they have headed is all conjecture, but it is presumed that they have put as much distance as possible between themselves and the scene of their spectacular hold-up of Mr. Star.

### Townsend Takes Up Land Grants.

PORTLAND.—B. D. Townsend, special assistant of the attorney-general of the United States, and in direct charge of the Oregon & California land grant case which the government instituted to forfeit title of the railway company, has returned to Portland. Mr. Townsend has spent most of the past year in Washington, D. C., where he prepared the \$20-page brief recently filed in the federal proceedings, and which had the personal supervision of Attorney-General Wickerham. He will remain here during the various stages of proceedings, until the big issue is finally adjudicated, restoring to public entry lands now worth \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000, or declaring the right of the railroad company to hold 2,300,000 acres despite the specific provision of the grant law which said they should be sold for not exceeding \$2.50 an acre.

### Siletz Settlers Lose.

PORTLAND.—On the advice of Secretary Ballinger, President Taft declined to sign Representative Hawley's bill confirming the titles of some 80 odd settlers on the Siletz Reservation and by reason of this "pocket veto" the bill is dead.

This bill passed the house of representatives several weeks ago, was promptly reported to the senate and lay on the senate calendar for two weeks before it was called up by Senator Chamberlain and passed. The bill was engrossed, signed by the speaker of the house and Vice-President Sherman, and was laid before the president when he came to the capitol.

As the bill relates to affairs of the interior department the president referred it to Secretary Ballinger, who was present, and he advised against its approval, contending it would legalize titles that might better be handled in the regular way by the interior department.

Adjutant-General Finzer has issued orders for the annual encampments of the various bodies of the Oregon National Guard this year. Field artillery, of which there is but battery A in Portland, will be at Cascades, Wash., July 17 and 18, for target practice with the field guns. Coast artillery will go into encampment at Fort Stevens from September 1 to 15, in connection with the regular army artillery force on duty with the heavy guns guarding the mouth of the Columbia. The 20 companies of infantry have been ordered to get ready to go to American Lake, Washington, for maneuvers from August 8 to 11, in conjunction with the regular army forces that are to be mobilized there.

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### Natural Gas Discovered.

ROSEBURG.—While drilling for coal in Flournoy Valley, about twelve miles from this city, the Douglas Development Company lately discovered what is supposed to be an unlimited supply of gas. A four-foot vein of coal was also found during the course of the drilling, which has been going on for more than two months.

### INDEPENDENCE NEWS

Dr. Duganne, Dentist, over Independence National Bank. Bell phone 121; Independent, 4410. tf

A freak cherry was brought to this office yesterday. The curiosity, which was taken from a tree at the home of M. W. Mix in this city, is in the shape of three perfect cherries on one stem and reminds one of a shamrock or perhaps an ace of clubs.

We have a large line of fireworks, cap pistols, sky rockets, common crackers, Japanese torpedoes, repeating canes, Roman candles, sparklers, vertical wheels, triangle wheels, colored mines and many other novelties.—Craven & Moore, Independence, Or.

Hear Dr. MacVeigh at Calvary Presbyterian church next Sunday. Dr. MacVeigh is the superintendent of the Men's Resort, at Fourth and Burnside, Portland, a reading room and mission, supported by the First Presbyterian church, and is one of the most popular resorts in the city.

Special train will leave Monday, July 4, from Independence 8 a. m.; from Monmouth 8:15 a. m.; from Airle at 7:30 a. m. and arrive at Dallas in time to connect with special train for Falls City at 9:15 a. m. Returning, last train will leave Dallas at 8 p. m. for Airle, Monmouth and Independence.

Thomas Warren returned Thursday from Crabtree where he visited for a week at the home of his son, Chester A. Warren. He was accompanied by his son, Grant. Mr. Warren reported that the fishing was good in the creeks about Crabtree. His son Chester, who was formerly a resident of this city, is a prosperous farmer of the Crabtree neighborhood.

Peter Kurre brought this office a feed of cherries Wednesday from one of his fine Bing trees. Just a limb, but it was good picking for the entire office force for the day. These cherries were the plumpest and most delicious of the season, so far as the office can speak with authority. We have had many good treats this season but Mr. Kurre has done the best by the office to this date. Next!

J. S. Cooper met with a peculiar and painful accident Wednesday. He had started for Corvallis with a

sampling fork with which to take samples of hops, and before seating himself in the car, put the fork in the hat rack above his head. In a short time the jar of the train caused the fork to fall. It struck Mr. Cooper on the hand, piercing his hand through and inflicting a very painful wound.

A picnic party of boys, composed of Lee Whitcomb, Lloyd Huntley, Orin Dadmun and Lin Huntley, left Independence last Saturday for the mountains back of Blackrock where the boys will spend the week camping and fishing. Word was received from them the first of the week giving the information that they had arrived safely at their destination and that they were finding fish plentiful in the mountain stream back of Blackrock. They will return to Falls City to be there for the celebration next Monday, when they will return home.

Wm. Kurre, city recorder and assistant cashier of the Independence National Bank, returned from a trip to Blackrock Tuesday with a good string of fish (stories) which he has been dealing out to his numerous Independence friends, the Enterprise not excepted. He went up Monday to Blackrock and early Tuesday morning was whipping the creek above that city with rod and line and rehearsing the stories he intended to tell on his homecoming. Have you been interviewed by him since his return and did he give you any fish (stories)? Now, say, Bill; you had better come through or we will tell all we know, from people who know more than we do of your trip.

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