

GRACE SMITH IN TROUBLE

Miss Grace Smith, who was last year a teacher in the Patterson school of Eugene, and who since the first of the present school year has been a teacher in the Alderbrook school at Astoria, has been suspended by the Astoria school board because of allegations made against her by several merchants in that city accusing her of shoplifting. No criminal action has yet been brought against her. Her friends here do not believe that she is guilty, and think there has been a big mistake made.

The Morning Astorian says of the case:

"Early yesterday morning the young lady called at the office of District Attorney Allan and indignantly denied the charges made against her. She insisted on being taken before her accusers, but was promptly identified as the woman who had attempted to steal the ribbon from the counter of the Elite millinery store on last Wednesday evening. As each of the four women connected with the parlor insisted that Miss Smith was the woman, she offered no word of protest, further than to assert that she could prove her innocence by establishing an alibi.

"Miss Smith declared last evening that she did not come down town at all on the evening in question, and insists that she can prove by three people, all of whom stand ready to make affidavits, that she was at her boarding house at 2458 Cedar street at the time the shoplifting is alleged to have occurred. These are Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Slack, with whom she boards, and Miss Lena Llum, a friend who was with Miss Smith in her room.

"Last evening Miss Smith made another visit to the millinery parlors, and insisted to her accusers that there must be some mistake, and to this end suggested that it was possible the attempted theft was committed by some person who greatly resembled her. She insisted that she must be vindicated, and that as a last resort she would take action in the courts to prove the misrepresentation.

"By many the belief is held that the woman is a kleptomaniac, and consider the whole occurrence as an unfortunate affair.

"Miss Smith is a native of Monmouth. Her parents reside there and are reported to be people of excellent standing."

MAXWELL-ROGERS WEDDING SUNDAY

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Pennington, 142 West Eighth street, on Sunday evening occurred one of the prettiest weddings of the season, when Miss Liza Pearl Rogers was united in marriage to Henry Calvin Maxwell. The parlor, where the ceremony took place, was daintily decorated in autumn foliage. The bride was attended by Miss Sarah Sly, of Creswell, while Wiley Maxwell, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride wore a dress of blue serge, trimmed in silk, while the groom wore the usual black. Rev. Crawford, of Irving, was the officiating clergyman.

The bride was prominent in society in Cottage Grove, while the groom is a prosperous young farmer of Irving. There were many pretty and useful presents given them.

They will be pleased to welcome their many friends at their home, two miles south of Irving.

KILLED A GOLDEN EAGLE

Frank Poindexter, of this city, killed a large golden eagle in the Gibson marsh, a few miles west of this city, several days ago. The bird was a monster, measuring 6 feet from tip to tip of its wings, and after being shot gave Mr. Poindexter a battle royal before being finally dispatched.

Greenleaf Items

Greenleaf, Nov. 8.—A young man working for Frank Parker, while out with the goats the other day, killed two young cougars.

Isaiah Slayter, the upper Lake Creek supervisor, has done good work on the Cape Jennie mountain, making trout places, which were very much needed.

The people in this neighborhood seem to be very busy butchering nowadays.

Fred Perlot, who recently sold his place at Greenleaf to Mr. Parker and is living in Eugene, is not any better, we are sorry to hear.

There seems to be lots of rustling

nowadays for bonds, as the mail lettings are open for bids.

It is understood that Sam Brown has a logging contract for one million feet of logs from the mill company of Florence, two dollars to be paid on the bank and balance when logs are delivered in the boom.

Mr. Almasi has purchased a new mowing machine ready for next year.

Joe Almasi caught two bears the other day in his traps. They were fine ones.

At the school meeting in district No. 91 the special tax did not carry.

Mr. Nichols, of Junction, came in recently and bought up seventy head of cattle from Indian, Deadwood and Lake Creek. They were a nice bunch of cattle.

BUYS SYNDICATE PROPERTY

B. A. Washburne, the well-known flour mill owner of Springfield, while in Portland last week, closed a deal whereby he became owner of all the property heretofore held by the Springfield Power and Investment Company, known as the syndicate property, in and adjacent to Springfield, the purchase price being \$14,000. The land outside the city consists of over 120 acres and there are 100 or more lots inside the city yet unsold.

Mr. Washburne will at once dispose of about 60 of these lots and will in the near future lay off the tract outside the city into lots and place them on the market.

Mr. Washburne has great faith in the future of Springfield. He states that he believes that within eighteen months the population of the city will exceed 5000. When the connecting link between the Woodburn-Natron branch and the main line, which is now under construction, is completed Springfield will have a railroad outlet on five different branches, and it is stated that carshops, factories and various other industries will be located there.

The future certainly looks bright for Springfield, and Mr. Washburne has no doubt made a wise investment.

PRIZE-WINNER ANGORA GOAT

Al Montgomery, who resides near Vida postoffice, thirty miles from Eugene, up the McKenzie, has a very good band of goats which he will still further improve through means of the purchase of a first-class Angora buck. The animal is four years old, and took first premium at St. Louis, and then at the Portland exposition, where Mr. Montgomery bought him for \$150.

The country in Mr. Montgomery's vicinity is ideal for goats, having been completely stripped of its timber some forty years ago by a great forest fire, and now has grown up largely in brush. Unlike sheep, they are able to hold their own against coyotes, cougars and other wild animals that find easy victims in the timid sheep. A Billy goat will fight for and protect his harem against marauders. Then, too, they are regular as clockwork coming home to their sleeping place. The hair brings about 35 cents a pound. Mr. Montgomery usually keeps about 150, but lately has sold down to 50, getting rid of inferior stock and retaining the almost pure bred goats of his band.

INSANE MAN RECAPTURED

John Costy, the young man who escaped from H. E. Phetty place, above Springfield, while the latter was bringing him to Eugene to be examined as to his sanity, was captured by Deputy Sheriff Bowen last evening while he was on his way up the Mohawk on foot. Costy was brought to Eugene and given an examination at once by Drs. F. M. Day and W. L. Cheshire, before County Judge Chrisman. It was not decided that the man was insane and the examination was continued till this afternoon at one o'clock. At that time he was committed to the asylum.

Costy is aged 24 years, a native of Ireland, and says his home is at Fall River, Mass. He claims he was recently given an honorable discharge from the army on account of sickness, contracted in the Philippines. He states that he walked all the way from San Francisco to some place in Washington, and then walked back here. It is plain that he is demented and it is probable that alcoholism is the cause.

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THE VIDA EXPLOSION

From B. F. Finn, of Vida, in town today, we learned the full particulars of the killing of James Peek by a premature explosion of giant powder and the serious mauling of the 15 year-old boy, Ernest Hickson, on the McKenzie river 20 miles east of Eugene, Wednesday.

Peek was thawing the explosive before a fire with about thirty sticks in the original box and thirty on the ground.

Bending over the box he remarked to the boy, who stood behind him, that it was getting too warm and that he would move the box back. Then came the explosion, after which the boy knew nothing for a number of hours, and the man bending over the box met almost instant death, his face and head being horribly mutilated.

While young Hickson is badly bruised no bones were broken, and it is thought the will not suffer any permanent disablement.

Mr. Finn is of the opinion that some of the sticks of dynamite exploded, the explosion resulting from the glycerine with which the bottom of the box was coated from having been used as a receptacle for the sticks of dynamite and from which it had run. Very plausibly he says the heat had caused the glycerine to melt to the extent that it ran through a crack in the bottom of the box, then when the box was moved from the fire the friction on the ground set off the explosive liquid with which the box was coated. None of the thirty sticks of dynamite on the ground exploded, being found intact, while of those in the box small broken up bits were found scattered about unexploded, of course.

POINTERS FROM PALESTINE

Crow, Nov. 8.—Sam Schrimpf, of Hadleyville, was seriously injured by falling from a building recently, and is recovering slowly.

Mrs. W. L. Ford and children, who had been visiting friends here for some time, returned to Eugene last Wednesday.

Richard Liles and Jno. Jenkins went to Eugene with a load of fat turkeys one day this week.

J. L. Kraal visited at the home of his brother, A. J., last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Andrew Wood is somewhat improved in health.

Mrs. Joe Liles, of Noti, who has been dangerously ill, is better.

A lodge of Royal Neighbors, consisting of twenty odd members, has been organized at Crow. The goat must be a very docile animal, the ladies are such enthusiastic equestriennes.

Letter Lists

Eugene, Or, Nov. 8.

- Abshire, I. P., 4.
- Abshire, L. Perry, 2.
- Ailen, T. J.
- Casey, P.
- Dorsey, B. W.
- Eusted, Tad.
- Farrington, Mrs. Mollie.
- Fisk, Geo. S.
- Fountain, Ike.
- Gist, Miss Myrtle.
- Grelson, Miss Marie.
- Hall, Jno.
- Hamilton, Mrs. F. M.
- Harris, John.
- Hasbrouck, S. A.
- Johnson, D. E.
- Kost, Mrs. B. G.
- Landreth, W. B.
- Martia Ralph.
- McVea, James E., 2.
- McVay, Miss Bessie, 4.
- Mickey, Miss Olah.
- Nesler, Ross.
- Nott, C. F.
- Shacklett, B. W.
- Smith, Frances.
- Smith, B. F.
- Stevens, Miss Ettie.
- Stevens, Mrs. Fannie.
- Thompson, Miss Clara Louise.
- Thompson, Raymond.
- Tucker, Miss Ruby.
- Turner, Mrs. Thos.
- Wheeler, W. H.

Irving Items

Irving, Nov. 8.—T. J. Lindley, Miss Myrtle and Denny left on Tuesday afternoon for St. Johns. The good wishes of their numerous friends go with them to their new home.

McBee & Butler have taken possession of the blacksmith shop and are doing a fine business.

Bishop Castle, of Philomath, preached at the U. B. church Monday evening. He and Rev. J. R. Parker left on the morning local for Philomath.

J. L. Zelgier and wife were visitors in Irving Monday.

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- Men's \$15 Overcoats. Sale price **\$7.50**
- Men's \$10 Overcoats. Sale price **\$5.00**
- Men's \$7.50 Overcoats. Sale price **\$3.75**
- Men's \$25 Overcoats. Sale price **\$12.50**

- Men's \$13.75 Cravenette coats, belted or plain **\$6.85**
- Men's \$15.00 Cravenette coats, belted or plain **\$7.50**
- Men's \$17.50 Cravenette coats, **\$8.75**
- Men's \$20.00 Cravenette coats, **\$10.00**
- Men's \$25 and \$30 Cravenette Rain Coats, the cream of the stock, which sell regular at \$25 to \$30 everywhere. Our price less than half on this lot. While they last they are yours for **\$10.85**

- Young men's \$11 Cravenettes, sale price **\$5.50**
- Young men's \$13.50 Cravenettes, sale price **\$6.75**
- Boys' \$7.50 overcoats, ages 12 to 20 years, . . **\$3.75**
- " \$9 overcoats, " " **\$4.50**
- " \$10 overcoats, " " **\$5.00**
- " \$13 overcoats, " " **\$6.50**
- " \$15 overcoats, " " **\$7.50**
- Children's \$3.25 overcoats, ages 3 to 10 years, **\$1.65**
- " \$5.50 overcoats, " " **\$2.75**
- " \$7.50 overcoats, " " **\$3.75**

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