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$10,000 A YEAR WASTED.

The board of railroad commissioners held its first monthly session of the year Monday week. In the case of Joseph Foster, the board found he was run over and killed by a Southern Pacific overland train near Grant's Pass, December 20. The deceased was intoxicated, it is alleged, and there was no negligence on the part of the company. In the matter of depot facilities at Gaston, the commissioners dismissed the case without prejudice. The people offered certain other lands for a depot. The commissioners hold that the business did not warrant directing the company to accept the proposition of the people. The commission finds that R. M. Moore's death was occasioned by attempting to alight from a freight train at New Era, upon which he was stealing a ride. He was ordered off by the brakeman and jumped while crossing a bridge.

The report of the January session reads much the same as the reports that have gone before it and makes us fear that the $10000 which the taxpayers of the state have to pay the three commissioners and their clerk for this and the eleven succeeding meetings will be spent for nothing as in other years. If the railroads need twelve coats of Kalsomine a year let them pay for it and not put the burden on the people. If the commission wants to earn its salary let it turn its attention, give five or ten dollars' worth of its expensive time, to the freight rates of the Southern Pacific, schedules fearfully and wonderfully inconsistent unless based on competition rather than distance.

OUT OF A MOLE HILL.

The teachers and patrons of the public school would doubtless be greatly pleased if certain people of the community were not so ready to start the cry, "mad dog, mad dog," when there is no mad dog nor any prospect of one.

We are well aware of the terrible significance of the word "diphtheria," and do not wish to be understood as not realizing the fearful effects of the disease should it appear among us. But we also believe that such epidemics are aggravated by the feverish state of excitement into which a community may be thrown by the carelessness or carefulness of some who thoughtlessly or otherwise circulate reports which are entirely uncalled for.

The teachers of the public school as well as the board of directors have at least common sense and are watching with the greatest care for the appearance of any sign of the disease, and will in any and every case take all the precautionary measures within their power to prevent the disease from reaching the schoolroom.

It would be a great help and the only way proper, when anyone knows of any fact which concerns the safety of the school, to report it to the teachers in person or to the board of directors and not send the report broadcast among the children to cause a panic. The quieter the matter can be kept, if anything should happen, the better the thing can be handled, and the less liability of its becoming epidemic.

The man who sets up the meeting notices on the Daily Oregonian is fast winning fame for himself. It is said that the Scottish Rite emblem has appeared in a Good Templars notice. On the 6th the cross and crown of the Knight Templar was evidently considered the fitting ornament of the W. C. T. U. The I. O. O. F. insigina always appears upside down as did the Royal Arcu Keystone on Wednesday last. This compositor must be a relative of the Gervais Star printer who is still running a Jr. Order of American Mechanics emblem in the Masonic lodge card.

The city of Forest Grove is very gallant. At the close of its ordinance prohibiting the riding of bicycles, velocipedes, tricycles or roller skates on certain sidewalks, it adds; "Provided nothing in this shall be construed to prohibit any female from riding a bicycle, tricycle or velocipede on the above named sidewalks." If our women haven't the rights they have the privileges. But even a woman can't ride on roller skates on Forest Grove sidewalks with impunity. There the city fathers draw the line.

And so the threatened war with Great Britain proves only a passing cloud. The lion is too busy holding on to his prey in Africa to bother with South America.

Highwaymen at Cedar Mill.

Hands up! was the request that met Richard Forestel, about 4 p. m. Monday last when he had reached a point half way up the mountain on the Cornell road. As the demand was emphasized by a couple of six-shooters in the hands of two desperate looking characters with masks over their faces, "Dick" concluded that discretion was the better part of valor and his hands at once sought the perpendicular. His pockets were then systematically gone through, the robbers securing about $1.00, then ordering their victim to proceed. After which the highwaymen evidently held a consultation and concluded the amount obtained was hardly sufficient for the risk and decided to try it again which they did with the next passerby who chanced to be J. Sullivan. Johnny received the same attention from their hands as had Forestel a few minntes previous, merely telling them not to shoot. They replied, "they would not if he kept still", after securing about $4.75 they ordered him ahead, telling him "not to look back" or they would put a bullet through him. Those who have passed over this road will remember that it is an ideal place for a "hold up" and the only wonder is that it has not occurred before. The robbers showed considerable agitation indicating that they were novices, while their evident desire not to be recognized by concealing their faces with masks, and their clothing by rubber coats seems to confirm the suspicion, for it was known that Forestel was to receive a considerable sum of money on this day and therefore that they are persons of this immediate vicinity. He had taken the precaution however to deposit this money in the bank before leaving town.

Christmas Babies.

I noticed in the official paper of this county, The HATCHET, that a daughter was born to a Mrs. Lepschat, residingin this county on last Christmas. If this lady will secure a statement signed by the attending physician, and forward it to the publishers of the San Francisco Weekly Chronicle, they will forward to the baby a beautiful silver cup, neatly engraved and lined with gold. This little souvenir, as the years come and go, will be looked to with fond remembrance by the family, itself and friends.

C. L. Large.

Not Sisters but Relatives.

The surprise to the Knights of Pythias last Saturday evening week was by the Knights wives, not by the Rathbone Sisters as we had it. All Sisters are wives, daughters or sisters of Knights but not all the latter are Sisters. A delegation from the Temple left their cards for the fighting editor Friday and this retraction is made so that we may be at home next time they call. Anyway it was the fault of a brother Sister and ought to be forgiven.

Odd Fellow's Installation.

Friday night Washington Lodge No. 48 I. O. O. F. and Forest Rebekah Lodge No. 44 held a joint public installation in the Masonic Temple. The following persons were installed as officers of Subordinate Lodge for current term by C. K. Deichman, D. D. G. M., of Hillsboro.

A. T. Knox, N. G.; R. M. Taylor, V. G.; S. A. Walker, Sec.; Philip Beal, Treas.; Joe Bailey, Warden; C. W. Robinson, Conductor; H. H. Clark, R. S. N. G.; W. L. Wagner, L. S. N. G.; A. L. Macleod, R. S. V. G.; E. M. Ward, L. S. N. G.; M. M. Preston, R. S. S.; J. C. Greer, L. S. S.; J. C. Clark, Outside Guardian; N. R. Wells, Inside Guardian.

The following Rebekah officers were then installed by Mrs. S. A. Walker, S. D. G. M.

Mrs. J. C. Greer. N. G.; Nettie Clark, V. G.; Mrs. Jno. Walker, Rec. Sec.; Mrs. R. M. Taylor, Fin. Sec.; Mrs. J. G. Boos, Treas.; Miss L. Dolstrom, Warden; Mrs. Chandler, Inside Guard.; R. M. Taylor, Outside Guard.; Mrs. Luelling, R. S. N. G.: Mrs. Robinson, L. S. N. G.; Mrs. S. A. Walker, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. Bryant, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. Joe Bailey, Chapalin.

A lunch was then served by the ladies followed by social converse engaged in by the three hundred persons present.

More Stealing.

Last Friday night, about nine o'clock some one attempted to break into the granary of Thos. Otchins, living near Lenox. As the granary was locked, the would-be thieves were trying to saw their way in, and their dark lantern was seen by the people at the house. They were frightened away, and were tracked, the next morning to where they had left their team. Among the many things Mr. Otchins has lost in the past few years, are: a set of harness, 500 lbs. bacon, 50 lbs. binding twine, a load of oats, a sheep and a plow. Mr. Otchins also lost several hundred dollars by fire in the past year.

Death of Thomas Seth.

Thomas Seth, a prominent citizen and old resident of this county, died in his chair, it is supposed of paralysis of the heart, on Wednesday eveningat his home in Patton Valley.

He was born in Scotland seventy-four years ago, was in California as a miner and came to Oregon. He made his home in Patton Valley for the past thirty-two years and had accumulated considerable property including a farm of 320 acres. The funeral will be at eleven o'clock Friday morning. Burial at the Hill Cemetery.

City Election

Monday was city election day. Six tickets were in the field and excitement ran high. Interested workers, dodgers and knots collected on the corners were were features of the day. At the council chamber was the polling place and there were the judges, Ed. Buxton, S. A. Walker and H.H. Clark, and Clerks J. P. Wagner and M. D. Markham, Mr. Clark and Mr. Markham being elected by the voters to fill vacancies. During the afternoon the band was out playing and serenading and in the evening the enthusiasm manifested itself in a bonfire.

The following are the election returns:

Mayor.

S. Hughes	139
David Smith	63
W. H. H. Myers	1

Councilmen.

J. T. Buxton	190
W A Goodin	40
E A Hyde	88
A T Knox	147
C L Large	139
T C McNamer	152
D C Stewart	158
I H Smith	149
S A Walker	2
F Waters	49
Jake Wirtz	16
H D Jones	36
H B Johnson	18
David Smith	3
Wm Leach	1
I W Baldwin	1
W H H Myers	1
J Harris	1
L C Walker	2

Recorder.

Aaron Wells	123
Austin Craig	80

Treasurer.

J C Greer	198
Aaron Wells	1
Austin Craig	1

Marshal.

J A Striplin	126
J P Vaughn	57
J G Ranes	19
Aaron Wells	1

Returns were canvassed Tuesday.

County Warrants Drawn.

January, 1896, Term.

Assessing and Collecting Revenue.

Argus	$ 2 00
Geo H Wilcox	75 00
S D Humphreys	2 00

Bridges and Roads.

L Weidwitsch	15 00
Jas Laidlaw & Co	20 00
Beam & Williams	2 00
Wiley & Dennis	1 00
J R Mays & Sons	3 00
Chas Lingwalls	3 60
T R Cornelius	3 60
Brice Wilson	6 00
R H Umphrey	25 00
W H Lyda	10 00
T C Johnson	136 50
Fred Matthies,	4 50

County Court.

Argus	5 00
T G Todd	13 80
D B Reasoner	16 00

Salaries.

R B Goodin, county clerk	250 00
B P Cornelius, county judge	175 00
J W Sappington, county treasurer	50 00
Austin Craig, and assts	44 35
L E Wilkes, county surveyor	4 50
H P Ford, sheriff	275 00

Circuit Court.

Beam & Williams	1 50
J C Miller,	46 40

Court House and Jail Account.

M H Malone	1 80
R Cave	1 00
W Bender	50

Elections.

H T Shorb	4 00

Fuel, Light and Janitor.

N A Barrett	30 00
Hillsboro Light and Water Co	106 08

Jurors in Justice Court.

John McClaran	1 00
Taylor Ranes	2 00
M L Vincent	3 00
E X Harding	3 00
H C Raymond	2 00
B F Purdy	2 00
A B Todd	2 00
W M Jackson	3 00

Paupers and Prisoners.

A Olsen	5 00
J C Lamkin	6 55
Bryan-Laidlaw Co	9 20
A W Saxton	486 15
Mrs Anna L Rotermund	10 00
H P Ford	52 62
John Northrop	10 00
Rosa Frost	5 00

Recorder of Conveyances.

E L McCormick	175 00

Stationery.

R B Goodin	4 95
E L McCormick	2 90
Hatchet	6 25
Geo H Wilcox	25
J W Sappington	75
W E Brock	16 10
Irwin-Hodson Co.	16 20
Glass & Prudhomme	10 70
Geo D Barnard & Co	26 20
B P Cornelius	3 65
H P Ford	3 00

State Cases and Witnesses.

W W Annans	28 20
H P Ford	43 25
S B Huston	150 00
J Northrop	27 00
R Waggener	15 00
J P Tamiesie	4 40
R H Warren	1 00
J J Wykie	1 00
J P Hicks	3 00
Geo C Sears	17 50
H P Ford	207 40

Remitted to H P Ford, amt. over paid Tax Account

H P Pord	115 30

School Distriet No. 21

School progressing nicely. Average attendance last month 38. Although the weather has been quite rainy, we are glad to see so many pupils holding out faithful in attendence. We would be glad if parents would visit the school frequently. A hearty interest manifested by parents may prove a great encouragement to pupils as well as to the teacher.

Mr. Moore lately moved into our disiriict. There seemed to circulate among the young people last week an idea tnat it would be nice to promote acquaintance and friendship and to have a good time generally, to give a surprise party at Mr. Moore's. Last Friday evening was the time chosen. There were twenty-six persons present. Games were enjoyed till 11:30 o'clock, refreshments being served at 10 o'clock. All reported an enjoyable time.

Recently there seemed to be a little excitement in the neighborhood, at least with one fellow living about seven miles northwest of Hillsboro. The horses in some way were out of their proper places and in the night one of them stepped on the porch. Dan, as we will call him, saw through the window the horse's white face and thought it was somebody,s white shirt. He stepped quietly, got one of his guns and said; I dare anyone to come in without knocking. His father told him it was the horse.

Real Estate Transfers.

January 6 Levi Martin (single) to Emily McPherson for $3000 102 acres in R. F. Tupper don land claim t 1 s r 4 w.

January 6, Albert Friday to Freidrich Friday for $500 Lots 9 and 10 sec 24 t 2 n r 4 w, 12 acres. Agreement to sell.

January 7, C. M. Keep to B. F. Purdy for $700 Lots 7 and 8 in block 18 and lots 1 and 2 in block 14 South Park addition to Forest Grove.

January 7, United States to Oliver F. Hussey, Patent, E ½ of s w ¼ of sec 35 t 3 n r 5 w, containing 80 acres.

January 8, Anton Pfanner to M. H. Parker for $600 Tract in sec 6 t 1 n r 3 w.

January 8, Anton Pfanner to Emma S. Parker for $100 Tract in sec 6 t 1 n r 3 w.

January 8, O. & G. R. R. Co. to P. W. Steperson for $160 S e ¼ of s e ¼ sec 3 t 2 n r 3 w.

January 8, Sophia Backus and John, hus., and Anna Backus to Elanor Ferguson for $187 N ½ of lot No. 22 and n ½ of w ½ of lot No. 21 of Tualatin Gardens.

January 8, Same parties to Harry Hardy for $187 S ½ of lot No. 22 and the s ½ of the w ½ of lot 21 of Tualatin Gardens.

January 8, Same parties to Harry Hardy & Louis Lundgren for $250 Lot No. 23 of Tualatin Gardens.

January 9, W. P. Graham and wife to Morris Cadonan for $1 Tract in sec 18 t 2 s r 1 w, right of way for road.

January 9, M. Cadonan to Barbara and Jacob Kurth for $890 Tract in sec 18 t 2 s r 1 w, right of way for ditch.

January 9, George Ritz and wife to Adam Treber for $250 Part of don land claim of J. Swinger t 1 n r 2 w, 20 acres.

January 9, Calvin Bailey and wife to Edward Schulmerich for $5000 s w ¼ of s e ¼ and s e ¼ of s w ¼ and lot 4 sec 10 t 1 s r 3 w, 107.08 acres.

January 9, C. M. Keep to W. S. Macrum for $1000 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, in block 18 South Park add to Forest Grove.

January 10, Calvin Bailey to Henry Toella for $300 Lots 8, 9 and 10 block 11 town of Cornelius.

January 10, Ferdenand Opitz and wife to Henry Claussenius, trustee for C. B. Duhrkoop heirs for $1270 Lot 33 in Brugger tract joining Bethany.

January 10, Peter Boscow and wife to W. W. Boscow for $1 34.48 acres being part of the R. Williams don land claim, excepting lots 1, 2 and 3 block 2 Boscow addition, Hillsboro.

January 11, John J. Northrup to Benton Bowman for $240 N ½ of n w ¼ of sec 21 t 2 n r 3 w, containing 60 acres.

January 11, Hanna L. & Joseph A. Graham, Letta K. & Wm. E. E. Dodge to Elizabeth H. Dodge for $680 N e ¼ sec 26 t 2 s r 2 w.

January 11, Emma E. & E. E. Coldstock to G. W. Patterson for $1000 48.50 acres of the south part of the H. Wooley don t 1 n r 3 w.

January 14, Flora D. and W. H Edwards to James E. Baines for $1500 Part of G. Richardson don land claim sec 2 t 2 s r 1 w.

January 14, W. A. Spence to John A. Paterson for $4275 142.52 acres in Joshua Welch don land claim t 2 s r 3 w.

January 14, Wm. Weston to Francis S. Bradley for $1 S e ¼ of s e ¼ sec 26 t 2 n r 4 w. Quitclaim deed.

MOUNTAINDALE.

YOUNG–NORTHRUP.—A quiet home wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Northrup, Wednesday, when their daughter, Miss Minnie F. Northrup, was united in marriage to Mr. Samuel Young. The ceremony was performed by Rev. McDonald of Hillsboro after which a nice dinner was served, at which about thirteen couple were present. The bride was tastefully attired in a cream colored dress. A number of presents were given by her many friends. The happy pair will soon leave for Astoria, where they will make their home for the present.

One of J. Raffety's little boys is very sick.

The United Brethren will hold their next Quarterly meeting at the Harrison school house the first and second of February.

Mr. Baldwin will soon begin some carpenter and mason work for Mr. James Walker.

CORNELIUS.

Rev. Dunlap of Cornelius is holding protracted meetings at Glencoe.

Mrs. C. C. Handock has just purchased a new organ and her daughter Miss Lula Coleman is taking music lessons of Mrs. Dr. Smith.

Mr. Bennett's little boy died Sunday morning about three o'clock.

Mr. Johnson's child has recovered from its recent attack of diphtheria.

They have a baby boy at Mr. Frank Pomeroy's.

GALES CITY.

Mrs. Burke has been on the sick list for the past week.

Rev. Anderson is still holding nightly meetings with the result of several additions to the Advent church as follows, Messrs. Josephus Lee, Francis White, Wyat and Jacobson; Mr. and Mrs. Churchill and Miss Lizzie Lilly. Mr. Fd. Lilly renewed his covenant.

EDEN VALLEY.

Eden Valley is situated midway between east and west Dairy creek about three miles east of Mountain Dale.

We are a happy and contented people despite the fact that we have to scrabble for an existance by reason of the good old democratic times that have fallen upon us in all their pristine glory.

Mr. John Luther has returned to Portland bringing with him a part of his joys and sorrows. He has the wishes of his many friends who hope his stay here may be permanent.

The young peoples literary club gave an entertainment last Friday evening. The club was greeted with a full house, standing room being at a premium. We have no program of the exercises but special mention might be made of the tions rendered by Miss Grova Baker, Ira Haynem, Eliza Shorey, George James, Lurah Cornelius and Stanley Hill. A slight hitch in the enjoyment of the affair was made by a long horned steer that seemed to want to overhaul the house but the animal was soon squelched and order again restored.

The wedding at which S. J. G. Ritz and Miss Minnie F. Northrup were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, at P. G. Northrup's, home of the bride, was the social event of the season in Eden Valley. Among the many friends of the bride and groom who came to celebrate the occasion were Rev. McDonald, officiating clergyman, and Mrs. Frank Rice, Otto Rice, Mrs. Rice and Miss Victor of Hillsboro, and Mrs. C. S. Reynolde of Forest Grove, Mr. Ira Haynem and Miss Emma Haynem of Greenville, Miss Lizzie Dennison and Samuel Dennison of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Pomeroy of Astoria, besides many others too numerous to mention. After the ceremony the guests assembled in the dining room and did ample justice to the bountiful repast spread before them. Old time friends say that the bride's mother beat the famous record in the culinary line on that occasion. The bride and groom after spending a few weeks visiting friends will take their departure for their future home in Astoria.

GLENWOOD.

Sam Varley is on the sick list the few days.

Rubin Catching has gone to Forest Grove to attend school.

Mr. A. A. Morrill was in Hillsboro Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. A. M. Carpenter who has been sick is slowly recovering.

We can hear the click of the hammer on our new school honse.

Walter Collins of Fir has been visiting in Glenwood the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allen spent Sunday with Mr. A. A. Scofield.

Mr. A. A. Morrill and wife were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Sunday last.

Miss Dellie Carpenter and Miss Mae Catching were the guests of Miss Vera Varley Sunday.

Miss Julie Kenny died at her home near Buxton on the 10th, with the dreaded consumption. She leaves many friends who mourn her loos. The family have the sympathy of this entire community.

CEDAR MILL.

A ten pound Democrat applied for board and lodging at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Owens on Monday last. Owing to his diminitive size and tender age, he of course met a cordial reception. Although quite a chunk of a boy he will not be able to vote until 1917 and by that time the Democratic party will have probably be obsolete.

Mrs. B. Miller is visiting her daughter in Portland.

Miss Leila Pomreroy of Greenville is visiting with her sister Mrs. W. A. Kirk.

J. C. Smith is recovering from the Grippe.

Mr. Krueger left Monday for Tillamook, where he secured employment on a dairy farm.

Sadie, the youngest child of T. Dowling met with an accident recently, in the shape af a bad burn. She will be out of school for a few weeks.

HEYWOOD.—Mr. Sydney Walker, a student of the Pacific University, is unable to attend to his school duties this week, owing to an attack of La Grippe.—The election of officers in the Sunday School resulted in Mr. D. A. Carson being elected Sup't and Miss Addie Garrington, Secretary.—Great enthusiasm prevails over the revival meetings held at Hillsboro; quite a delegation from this place attend every night.—The school, which has been closed for two weeks on account of diphtheria, will begin again next Monday.

Basket Social

Friday Jan. 17, by, Epworth League at Good Templars hall. Every lady attending is expected to bring lunch for two with her name in the basket to be sold by the Society.

Emma Gordon, Sec.