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U. S. MAP AIDS IN FINDING OIL

The search for oil helds in the United States has been very active in the last few years and has extended to nearly every part of the United States. This search is not limited to the inhabited regions, but is carried on no less eagerly in the deserts. As far back as 1882 E. L. Goodridge, a prospector, thought there might be oil in the great desert which lies chiefly in northern Arizona but also extends into southern Utah. He concluded to go there and investigate. To reach the place he desired to examine it was necessary for him to go about 100 miles, from the nearest point on the railroad, through an uninhabited and almost unwatered country to the little Mormon settlement at Bluff, Utah. From that place he followed the San Juan river westward. He hsd gone scarcely 20 miles from the little settlement when he found springs of petroleum along the river and folds in the strata which he considered favorable for the accumulation of oil. He, therefore, made a claim location. At that time it was impossible to take drilling apparatus into the field, but he persistently clung to the belief that conditions were favorable for an oil field. It was just 25 years later, in the fall of 1907, before he could return to the field with a drilling outfit and start a well. He continued drilling until March 4, 1908, when he struck oil. The well was a gusher and threw oil above the derrick to a height of 70 feet. Of course this find caused great excitement and induced others to enter the field. New wells followed in rapid succession in the next three years, but most of them were only prospect holes put down to validate the titles of claims and not with the serious intentiou of determining the oil resources of the field. It was difficult to drill deep holes, because it was almost impossible to transport the necessary heavy machinery into the field. Moreover, drilling is very expensive, because the region is dry and the field is far from any base of supplies. It is 106 miles to a narrow gage railroad and 158 miles to a standard gage. The region lies in a wonderfully picturesque country, famed as the home of the Navajo blanket-weaving Indians. One canyon is a quarter of a mile deep, but not quite so wide as that at the bottom, and has almost vertical walls. Water is scarce. A supply for drilling is hauled in barrels from San Juan river, which flows through the field. Fuel also is scarce, a few pinons on one of the high plateaus and a scant growth of the same type of tree at the base of the escarpment around the plateau furnishing all that is available. In spite of these difficulties, however, drilling has been undertaken at several places in the field and oil found in some of the wells. The oil is of high grade and contains some paraffin and considerable gasoline. When refined the gasoline is suitable for use on automobiles.

The Government heard of the work these men were attempting, learned something of their difficulties, and sent one of its geologists, Mr. E. G. Woodruft, to examine and prepare a geololic report upon it. He made a topograghic map of the field showing the canyons, mountains, and mesas and the trails and aimilar features. He also studied the rocks and mapped the geologic formations. This map shows where drilling is most likely to succeed. Samples of oil were collected and sent to Washington for analysis. The conditions found by Mr. Woodruff have been set forth in a government report on the subject (Bulletin 471–A–4 of the Geological Survey), which is distributed free. A copy can be obtained upon request addressed to The Director, U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

I. W. W. RUNNING DEER IN DEFIANCE OF LAW

Bandon, Ore., May 4, 1912.
Editor Coquille Herald:

Dear Sir—Is there a game warden who has a district down here?

There are some men, looks as if they are members of the "I. W. W." running deer most every day with their dogs between Two-mile and Four-mile creeks. Old does and fawns have no show whatever.

What is the reason the game warden, if there is any, will not see to this matter? He should get no pay until he does his business.

Perhaps it is better if the State Game Warden is notified. What do you say?

People down here will have a meeting soon to see what must be done to get roads improved. There is no road in the county more used than this nor is there any road with heavier traffic. Yours truly,

M. G. POHL.

Doubtless there has been a deputy game warden appointed for the district including Two-mile and Four-mile creeks, but who the party is we are unable to ascertain, and the State Game Warden has been notified regarding the matter. We trust the publicity given relative to the violation of the law as made known in the above letter will cause arrest and punishment of the offenders.

COOS COUNTY WARNED OF IMPENDING DEBT

The following is a letter received at the Herald office Tuesday last and is printed verbatum:

Not being acquainted with the circumstances the letter was taken to the Sheriff's office and the officials there produced a basket full of mistles bearing upon the subject in like form as the above. The murder alluded to was committed about eleven years ago, and not long after Landis was found dead in the woods having come to his end by exposure brought about in an attempt to elude the officers of the law.

San Diego Calif April 25 inst

Coquille City Herald-office my dear sir and editor, I wish you would put forth your energy and have those Coos County officials send me a warrant for Landis the Coquille murderers arrest He is in my vicinity, and if not I shall and will kidnap him at Coos countys expense. Yours truly

FRANK C. BEYERLE 1156
Q Street San Diego

The writer is laboring under hallucinations to a degree that were he here he would find a home in a certain institution at Salem. But he has enriched the coffers of Uncle Sam considerably by way of postage and in this he has accomplished a little good.

Perhaps the San Diego people intend to use him as a curiosity at the exposition to be held in that city, if not it would be well to check his career before an unlawful act is chargeable to his account.

SMALL COINS MAY BE MOULDED BY UNCLE SAM

The Treasury Department has withdrawn its opposition to the coinage of additional denominations of money and is not opposing the bill introduced by Representative Bulkley of Ohio, providing for three-cent and one-half cent pieces. George Roberts, Director of the Mint, declared the treasury is passive in the matter and will offer no objection if precautions are taken to guarantee distinctiveness in design.

If the bill is enacted into law the three-cent piece will be made about the size of a nickel, with either a hole in the center or a scalloped edge. The design of the one-half cent piece will be considerably smaller than the dime and will have a scalloped edge. These designs have been practically agreed upon in conference between treasury officials and members of Congress.

A child aged three years, living near Saint Pe, France, has a head weighing 41 pounds. Its body weighs but nine pounds. The infant is in perfect health and the physicians say nothing can be done. The head is of hideous shape, covered with queer cavaties which give the child the appearance of a monster.

With $1,600,000 on hand in the State Treasury, Oregon is probably in better financial condition than ever, all debts being paid except $200,000 owing in connection with the purchase by the government of the canal and locks at Oregon City. There is so much cash on hand that the treasurer is distributing it among 54 banks, state depositories.

BUSY SESSION CITY COUNCIL

A regular meeting of the city council was held Monday evening, May 6.

Mayor Quick in the chair.

Councilmen Pierce, Mansel, Skeels Laird and True responded to roll call. Councilmen Oerding absent.

City Attorney Liljeqvist, Recorder Lawrence and Marshal Evernden at their posts of duty.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Petition to alter and reestablish grade on B street read and ordered placed on the minutes. Signed by every property owner on the street directly benefitted by the proposed improvement.

A remonstrance signed by Chas. E. Baxter, Geo. E. Baxter, N. Lorenz and J. P. Messer against the repaving of B street with hard surface paving, or otherwise, from the north side of Second street, and giving reasons therefor, was read and ordered placed on file.

Resolutions deeming it necessary and expedient to reestablish the grades of Second street in Elliott's addition, Second and C streets in old town were, upon motion, adopted by a unanimous vote.

The following was and upon motion was referrrd to the city attorney:

To the City of Coquille,
Coquille, Oregon.

You are hereby notified that the grading done by you on Spurgeon street in the City of Coquille has damaged the property of Vera P. Dye and Florence E. Dye, by obstructing the right-of-way to such property and rendering the same inaccessable from said street.

We hereby demand that you build an approach on the north side of the fill made by you in said street at the corner of the property of William Howell and P. E. Drane, where an alley and right-of-way intersect said Spurgeon street, the said alley leading to the property of the above named Vera P. Dye and Florence E. Dye and that upon your failure to build the approach an action will be commenced against you for damages. Respectfully,

J. J. STANLEY,
Attorney for J. B. Dye, guardian of Vera P. Dye and Florence E. Dye, minors.

The following bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn in payment of the same:

GENERAL FUND	
Coquille River Elec. Co., lights	$102 90
Coquille M. & M. Co., lumber	358 66
Coquille Hardware Co., hdware	60 05
J. A. Yoakam, desk recorder's office	37 50
Coquille Sentinel, printing elec	50 15
Coos Bay Home Telephone	55
Fire Dept., rent hall 2 months	30 00
Title Guarantee and Abstract Co., abstract Sporgeon St.	3 75
L. E. Liljeqvist, 3 vols McQuillan's on Municipal corp.	19 50
K. F. Hutchinson, repair lamps	50
Quick Exchange, filing saw, etc.	1 50
Skookum Restaurant, meals for prisoners	50
C. M. Skeels & Sons, sundries	3 25
R. S. Knowlton, stationery	3 60
G. A. Mehl, repairing toilet	75
C. J. Fuhrman, stationery	1 70
J. S. Lawrence, stamps	4 00
Coquille Herald, print'g notices	3 50
W. H. Mansell, ton coal	4 50
WATER FUND	
Kime & Von Pegert, blacksmith	15 05
Coq. Hardware Co., hardware	9 75
J. A. Yoakam, carpenter work	20 85
Roy Fox, work on pump	5 00
Harvey Dunham, work on pump	5 00
M. C. Tozier, work on ditch	3 75
Coq. River Trans. Co., freight	80
Coos County, recording deed	1 60
W. H. Mansell, draying	50

Adjourned to meet Thursday, May 10, at 8 p. m.

DEMANDS OF SOCIALIST PARTY OF COQUILLE

First—We favor the revision of the city charter.

Second—That all franchises and ordinances shall be referred to the legal voters before they become of force, if petitioned for.

Third—That the municipality shall purchase and establish the electric light plant.

Fourth—That we favor the building of a new city hall, built of brick or concrete.

We, the nominees of city ticket, do hereby pledge our earnest endeavors to do the will of the people, and as a guarantee we have placed in the hands of the local secretary an undated resignation.

Nominees of Socialist Party—Mayor, J. C. Noel; councilmen, J. H. James, J. E. Quick, S. L. Curry; recorder, A. J. Patrick.

TO SPECIALIZE UPON PRODUCTION OF MILK

The Oregon Agricultural college will establish a new course next fall in milk production. Up to the present time that subject has been given along with other studies in husbandry, but from now on it will be given as a separate course, so that students may specialize in dairy work from the production standpoint alone.

In the new course the care, management, breeding and feeding of dairy cattle will be thoroughly taken up, to the end of producing the largest quantities of milk of high quality.

With this course the college hopes to establish an 80-acre demonstration farm, upon which the students may gain valuable practical experience. The farm will be made entirely self supporting, all of the feed being raised on the farm.

Considerable new equipment has been received by the dairy department, including another steam turbine Babcock tester, made necessary by the rapid growth of the college.

TO ELECTRIFY ORCHARDS FOR FROSTS AND PESTS

If the experiments which Professor O'Gara, County Pathologist, intends to carry out prove successful, horticulture in the Rogue River valley will be electrified before another year.

At the new wireless station near Central Point the professor will plant all the fruit trees and vegetables common to that section and experiment with electric vibrations and direct current upon stimulating the growth of the fruit and also upon fighting the pests.

A system of electric wires will be installed to determine whether it is practical to wire orchards to fight the frost and thus do away with the smudge-pot system.

As far as known, this is the first experiment of the kind to be used in the history of horticulture. According to experts, the wireless station is an ideal spot, as the air and the soil in that vicinity is highly charged with electricity.

New Orleans expects to be the center of the richest country in the world when the plans for reclaiming the extremely fertile lands in that region are carried out.

THE PASSING OF OREGON'S PIONEERS

Mrs. Mary J. Abbott, a resident of Oregon for 22 years died at Montavilla, at the age of 79.

One of the largest funerals held in Dougals county for many years was that of John Agee who died redently at his home near Wilbur. Mr. Agee was a pioneer of Douglas county and enjoyed a wide acquaintance.

Mrs. Mary A. Shaw, late of Astoria, Oregon, died at the home of her son in Hoquiam, Washington, at the age of 81. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw crossed the Isthmus of Panama and went to Astoria in 1853, where they started in the hotel business remaining there until 10 years ago.

Elijah Weddle, a pioneer and Indian War veteran, died at the age of 78 at Stayton, Oregon. He crossed the plains behind an ox team in 1852 and settled in Clackamas county, where he lived 19 years, moving then to Stayton. Until a few years ago he was an active minister and at one time pastor of the Christian Church of Stayton.

Columbia river pilots gathered recently at the bier of Captain W. H. Smith, one of the pioneer guides on the Columbia and Willamette, whose body was interred at Lone Fir Cemetery, Portland. Captain Smith came to the Coast in 1853 aboard the clipper Searine and secured a position as watchman aboard the steamer Columbia. In 1854 he secured a pilot's license and came into prominence as a pilot in 1892 when he brought the U. S. Charleston up the Columbia river followed by Pilot "Billy" Patterson on the Baltimore.

Superior Judge James C. Rives of Los Angeles County, California, holds a remarkable record for travel over one line of railroad. Judge Rives lives in the town of Downey, a little more than twelve miles from Los Angeles, and every week day for twenty-seven years he has traveled back and forth between those two points. He holds the record of more than 130,000 miles of travel over that section of track and he has seen that piece of roadbed built and rebuilt a dozen times, the equipment worn out and replaced as often, and has never met with even the slightest accident. During all of this time the schedule of this train has not changed over ten minutes. Judge Rives has been a resident of Downey for 43 years.

The Queen of Bulgaria has a medical degree, and the young Queen of Belgium is said to be the only oculist of royal blood in the world.

ITEMS FROM ALL SOURCES

Six police woman are now attached to the Seattle police department, wearing the star of authority and carrying the whistle that calls a brother or sister officer in time of distress.

On May 2, snow covered Montana to a depth of from three to eleven inches. The storm has been called the "million dollar" storm, it being expected to benefit the agricultural interests to that extent.

Mrs. Myrtle D. Roberts of North Yakima, Wash., has entered upon her duties as first "policeman" with special jurisdiction over dance halls and young boys and girls in the streets. She wears a blue tailored suit with a star under the lapel of the jacket.

Fisherman paid $14,015 for licenses on the opening day of the salmon season on the Columbia and Willamette rivers. This is a greater sum than heretofore received any previous year, and Warden Clanton anticipates that the coming season will prove the most profitable since the Master Fish Warden's office was established.

Japan has accepted the invitation of President Taft to participate in the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to be held in San Francisco in 1915, according to official information received by President Moore, of the exposition company. Japan is the first foreign nation of importance to signify its intention to participate in the exposition.

An illustration of the great growth of Oregon during the last few years is shown in the increase of fees received by the clerk of the supreme court during the month of April over the receipts for the same month four years ago. The increase is 300 per cent. Clerk J. C. Moreland, of Salem, stated that the fees for last month amounted to $1,333.75, while four years ago the fees were $298.

George and Charles Humphreys, sentenced at Corvallis to be hanged for the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Griffith, are now in the penitentiary at Salem. Considerable interest is aroused by the case because of the statement of Governor West several months ago that he will not permit an execution for murder during his term of office. Shortly after the arrest of the Humphreys, Governor West stated that if the men were convicted and sentenced to death, he would not commute the sentence but would grant a reprieve until after the November election when it is expected the voters will pass upon the question of abolishing capital punishment.