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## An Opportunity FOR Investment

Rogue River valley is full of Oil, Natural Gas, Artesian water and other valuable minerals.

Nature's storehouse is bulging out with wealth and only needs the magic hand of man to unlock and reveal the hidden wealth stored up for the use of the Twentieth Century.

Our arid lands will produce wonders if we once can procure Artesian water to supply abundance of water with which to irrigate.

Oil and Natural Gas are the greatest economical fuel of this generation. Shall we let it be dormant here in Rogue River valley, while other sections of the country are using nature's storehouses?

Oregon cannot be beaten anywhere in the world, for Natural Gas, Oil or Artesian water, Rogue River valley is truly the Italy of America. Here we have the finest climate, the best apples, the largest peaches and the prettiest girls.

Shall the people of Grants Pass forever continue to drink the slime and slush and sewage that pours into Rogue river while we can have the best of Artesian mountain water by the very simple process of drilling a few hundred feet?

What a beautiful city Grants Pass would be if there were a stream of pure Artesian water flowing along each side of her streets.

It is the intention of The Oregon Natural Gas, Oil & Mining Co. to soon begin active operation of drilling a number of wells to the depth of 1000 feet to ascertain the presence of Natural Gas, Oil, Artesian water and other valuable minerals.

They are now bonding land in and around Grants Pass. Within the next six months they will be drilling on some of the property they have bonded for that purpose. They intend if it is possible, to supply the city with plenty of pure Artesian water before the coming fall.

The Oregon Natural Gas, Oil & Mining Co. requests all farmers and property holders to give them the privilege of drilling one or more wells on their property. They will give a percentage of the output of the wells to parties granting the privilege.

In order to get the people of Grants Pass and Josephine county interested in Natural Gas, Oil, and Artesian water they will give all of them a chance to subscribe for a few shares of the capital stock of the company on very liberal terms.

Suppose you take a few shares of the capital stock of The Oregon Natural Gas, Oil & Mining Co. of the par value of \$1 per share. You pay to per cent. down, 40 per cent. when the machinery is set up and is ready to begin operation and the remaining 50 per cent. when they strike a flow of natural gas, oil or artesian water or have drilled to the depth of 1000 feet. If they strike oil, natural gas or artesian water you have the option of taking ten times as many shares as you subscribe for. They will pay you back all the money received from you if they fail to drill a well as agreed upon.

You are invited to thoroughly investigate their proposition. You have nothing to lose but every thing to gain. If you are a capitalist it is a safe investment. If you are a farmer or property holder it will pay you to invest as it will enhance the value of your place a hundred fold more than you invest if they should find either oil, gas or artesian water near your property.

If you are a working man it will pay you to take shares as this will open up a vast and a new work for you. The merchants and business men should invest in shares in order to start this enterprise. Professional men, in fact all classes of people, should take a few shares in this vast and new enterprise and it will be a help to all in Grants Pass and Josephine county. If you cannot take 100 shares you can take 50 or ten shares. Remember every dollar will be returned to you if the company fails to drill a well as agreed upon. The stocks are non-assessable and fully paid up as they are used. The by-laws of the company do not allow a debt to exceed 1 per cent of the capital.

Scott Griffin of Grants Pass, Oregon, is a stockholder, a director and the secretary of The Natural Gas, Oil & Mining Co., who will take leases on lands and subscription for stocks and will give any information regarding the company. The closer you investigate the more you will help the company by taking stock and leasing your property for the purpose of drilling one or more wells thereupon as you have nothing to lose but all to gain.

For further information call on

SCOTT GRIFFIN, Secretary,

The Natural Gas, Oil & Mining Company.

Grants Pass, Ore.

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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Extended Session and Important Business, Nine Ordinances Passed.

The regular session of the city council was held on Thursday evening, with the mayor and all the council present except N. E. Metcalf.

A petition was presented from the Pacific Pine Needle Co., by D. A. Coris, president, asking that the extension to G. street adjacent to the factory be vacated in their favor. The street extends immediately up to the factory and the company owns the land on both sides. Some opposition was manifested on the part of members of the council, who considered that it might be desirable at some future time to open the street through this property and also that it was unwise to establish such precedent in matters of this character. On the question being put, only four members voted, resulting in a tie, the mayor casting the deciding vote in favor of vacating the street. Councilman Fetsch then asked that the roll be called, which was refused on the ground that the matter was decided. On this decision being given, Fetsch arose and walked out of the council rooms in some displeasure.

A petition was presented from J. W. Howard, asking that he be allowed to build a 14x20 addition on G. street, to the building now occupied by the Courier press rooms. After some discussion, the petition was granted.

A petition from J. P. Toff asking the use of a portion of Sixth and H streets while constructing his new building was referred to the street committee with authority to grant whatever privileges might be necessary.

A communication from A. G. Loog of Portland, regarding chemical engines, was read and filed for future consideration.

The health committee submitted a report recommending the extension of laterals to allow certain property holders to connect with the sewer. The report was accepted and the city attorney instructed to draw an ordinance therefor.

The street committee reported the sidewalk on East A street to be in a bad condition and recommended that repairs be made.

The following bills were allowed: Dr. W. H. Flanagan, medical at \$8 00 H. C. Kinney, cash paid for putting rope on flag staff 10 00

J. W. Parlow, printing 1 00 Cramer Bros, hardware 5 00 S. P. D. & L. Co., blocks 1 00 Tom Graves, special police, 2 00 W. H. Fallin, special police, 28 40 D. Fredericks 1 00

The following ordinances were read the third time and passed: Providing form of certificate for tax sales.

Providing for licensing and regulating bar rooms and drinking shops. A concurrence of two-thirds of the council is necessary for granting a liquor license.

Providing for road and street tax and fixing penalty for refusal to work or pay the same. A fine of \$3 to \$10 or imprisonment from 15 to 30 days is provided for refusal, and is not a release from the tax. Three days notice is to be given by the street commissioner before the tax can be enforced.

Requiring city prisoners to work on the streets and the street commissioner is empowered to use shackles or ball and chain when necessary.

Fixing compensation of city officers: City Attorney, per year, \$108 00 Treasurer, per year, 84 00 Auditor and police judge, per month, 30 00 Marshal, per month, 50 00 Day police, per month, 35 00 Street superintendent, per month, 45 00 Special police, per day, 1 50

The increase in the salary of auditor was made in view of the cutting off of fees pertaining to the office and the increased amount of work required.

Prohibiting domestic animals from running at large.

Establishing fire limits. The north half of block 47, heretofore included in the fire limits, is excluded.

Establishing rates for drays.

Prohibiting slaughter houses within the city limits.

An ordinance regulating licenses was discussed and held over until the next meeting to investigate certain legal points involved.

The date for the ward convention was set for April 24th at the following places: First ward, brick school house; second ward, court house; third ward, city hall; fourth ward, Niday building on G street.

General city convention was set for April 25, at the court house.

It was suggested that a docket be necessary for the use of the police judge and he was instructed to procure one.

The matter of procuring beds for the city prison cells was discussed and referred to the health committee with instructions to investigate the matter and procure what was necessary.

Current adjourned to meet Saturday evening, April 20.

On Saturday evening the council met in adjourned session, all the members present except Rehkopf. The following bills were allowed: T. R. Cornell, groceries, \$78 45 Slover, Drug Co., 27 05 C. E. Maybee, 40 20 City Meat Market, 26 75

The ordinance regulating licenses, which had been held over from Thursday's meeting was put upon its final passage. It was moved to amend the ordinance by striking out the portion relating to the Sunday closing of billiard halls and the ordinance was so amended and passed, Hood voting "no" on both the amendment and ordinance.

An ordinance to extend certain sewer laterals and fixing the assessments on the property affected was read three times and passed.

The saloon bond of Geo. E. Good was

## APPELATE QUARTZ MINES.

Probable Favorable Results of Strike at the Mountain Lion.

The Ashland correspondent of the Oregonian writes as follows in Sunday's issue concerning the more prominent quartz properties of Williams creek and the Applegate in this county, all of which are near Grants Pass which is their railroad and supply point:

"The recent rich strike in the mountain Lion, in the Missouri, Flat district, will favorably influence the development of other properties in the Williams creek district. There has been considerable work done on the Mountain Lion. There is an 800-foot tunnel and a 100-foot shaft. In the extension of the tunnel to tap an ore shoot worked another ore body was encountered that exhibits some rich ore. The rock shows much free gold and the vein is said to be about two feet wide. The old vein which the tunnel was being driven to tap averages from 18 inches to four and one-half feet wide, and has furnished ore-giving assay values of \$40 per ton.

The Excelsior, the ore from which is much like that of the Mountain Lion in appearance, and in the same locality, is 12 miles south of Grants Pass. It is under bond to a Montana company from Dr. Flanagan. It shows a large vein formation, the average width between walls being about six feet, with about two feet of quartz ore, the remainder being filling matter. It strikes northwest, and shows little dip. There is a tunnel 150 feet long connecting with a shaft at a depth of 50 feet. The workings are therefore limited as yet but the mine makes a good showing, yielding ore that goes \$50 per ton, and sometimes it has run as high as \$100 per ton.

The Golconda, near by, is owned by the Golconda Mining Company, of which A. C. Taylor is president. This is a promising property. There is a shaft down 100 feet, and drifting is being done both ways. This vein is also nearly vertical and is two and one-half feet to four feet wide. The ore is of good grade; the lowest assay obtained being \$1.50, and the highest \$80 per ton, gold. Many tests have been made and the average value is about \$20 per ton, of which \$10 is free gold, the remaining values being in the sulphides. There is an arrastre on the property and a five-stamp mill will soon be installed.

The Rising Star is an important and valuable property in the Williams creek country. It is owned and operated by the Champion Gold Mining Company. The vein strikes northeast and southwest and dips 15 to 20 degrees. This is a fissure vein in diorite, the walls being mostly diorite, slate coming in occasionally. The development consists of tunnels and shafts—first tunnel 300 feet, second tunnel about the same, third tunnel 125 feet, fourth tunnel about 300 feet, and the fifth tunnel, which is now the main working tunnel, is in about 450 feet. The fifth tunnel is connected with the third and second by aprons. The third tunnel taps the ledge at 200 feet depth and the fourth 100 feet lower. The fifth tunnel runs into about 100 feet of ore. The last shoot is 900 feet from where it would issue normally on the surface. From the fourth tunnel there is a shaft down about 95 feet. The mine has a well-equipped mill. Arrangements have been made for the addition of five new stamps, making a 10-stamp mill. The mill is about a mile from the mine. It is provided with two union concentrators and one Dodd slime table. The average value of the ore milled is \$20 per ton, of which one-half yields some rich ore assaying \$50 to \$100 per ton, but the free gold values do not usually run high. Although these properties are being developed together with most of the others in the Williams creek country, will receive something of a boom from the rich Mountain Lion strike."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of \$100 for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1885. A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

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Southern Oregon Presbytery. The Presbytery of Southern Oregon met in Ashland Tuesday, April 16. The Presbytery includes the counties of Lake, Klamath, Josephine, Jackson, Curry and Coos. The following delegates were present: Rev. J. A. Townsend, Ph. D., Roseburg; Rev. U. W. Hays, Elder H. C. Kinney, Grants Pass; Rev. S. B. McClelland, Marshfield; Rev. A. Haberly, Elder William Bowman, Medford; Rev. S. J. Jones, Elder A. L. Kitchin, Jacksonville; Rev. William Clyde, Elder W. M. Mathes, Phoenix; Rev. F. G. Strange, Elder J. P. Gilmore, Ashland; Rev. L. G. Knotts, Sunday school missionary, Presbytery, and Rev. W. S. Holt, D. D., synodical missionary, state, were also in attendance.

At the opening session, Rev. L. G. Knotts was chosen moderator, Rev. F. G. Strange re-elected stated clerk for three years and Rev. A. Haberly elected permanent clerk for three years.

Rev. C. W. Hays preached the opening sermon Tuesday evening.

The schedule adopted for apportionment of \$2000 among mission churches for the ensuing year was as follows: Coquille, Willowdale and Myrtle Point, \$500; Phoenix and Glendale, \$500; Roseburg, \$400; Bandon and Curry County, \$350; Jacksonville, Woodville, and Gold Hill, \$450; Marshfield and Galdens, \$550.

It was recommended that churches be organized at Independence, Woodville and Glendale. By vote a protest was made against keeping open the Buffalo exposition on Sunday. After expressing thanks for the hospitality extended by the Ashland church and people the presbytery adjourned.

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Advertised Letter List. Following is the list of letters remaining unclaimed for in the Grants Pass post office, Saturday, April 20, 1901:

LADIES Sturges, Mrs J. E.

GENTLEMEN Anderson, Joshua, Alphonso, Harry, Adams, Herbert, Bray, Phil, Evans, D. G., Merrill, Chas H., McDonald, W. F., Radley, William, Voria, J. L., Woodruff, E. L.

C. E. HARRIS, Postmaster

There is a Class of People. Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/2 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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Iron Beds—thoroughly up to date \$25, \$35.00, \$45.00, up to as far as you care to go.

Linoleums—3 more new lots in, fine goods, saves back ache, scrubbing, once use it and you're its friend.

Lace Curtains 25c each—It's no fault of the Curtains that their price is so low, we carry an immense line.

New Dining Tables—Some beauties. Picture Frames—More new mouldings—

This Week We are Giving Away FREE OF CHARGE A Coffee Mill With every Agate Coffee Pot.

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Wall Paper, Crochery Glassware Lamps Tinware Granite-ware Woodware Tools Mirrors

110 SIXTH STREET

County Clerk's Report. Showing the amount of claims allowed by the County Court of Josephine county, State of Oregon, for what allowed, the amount of warrants drawn, and amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid from the first day of October 1900 to the 31st day of March 1901, both inclusive.

Warrants outstanding no first day of October 1900, \$73,059.50. Warrants issued from the first day of October 1900, to April 1st, 1901, as follows:

Road and bridge, \$1772 25 Pauper account, 1578 83 Criminal account Circuit Court, 506 25 Justice, 183 73 Stationery account, 77 74 Court house and jail, 185 90 Clerk's account, 900 00 Sheriff's account, 1000 95 Bounty on wild animals, 22 00 Bailiff's account, 39 00 School supt's account, 205 98 County judge's account, 305 00 Road supervisor's account, 685 05 Insane account, 91 10 Jury account, 601 00 Coroner's account, 83 50 County treasurer's account, 199 98 Assessor's account, 225 10 Election account, 468 60 County litigation (Burn's case), 125 00 Overplus tax sale, 124 43 Indigent soldier account, 60 00 Printing account, 100 55 Tax remittance account, 62 17 Estimated interest accrued on outstanding warrants, 7500 00

\$9012 91

Warrants cancelled to April 1st, 1901, \$5097 70

Cash in hands of county treasurer, 570 21

Current taxes unpaid for year 1900, 35671 59

Amount due county on tax sales, 1114 90

Amount due county from state on scalp bounty, 14 66

\$42489 06

Net liabilities, \$47943 85

State of Oregon

County of Josephine

I, R. L. Bartlett, County Clerk of Josephine County, state of Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the number and amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said County for the six months ending on the 31st day of March, A. D., 1901, on what account the same are allowed and amount of warrants drawn and amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid, as the same appear upon the records of my office and in my official custody.

Witness my hand and the seal of said County Court this 1st day of April, A. D., 1901.

R. L. BARTLETT, County Clerk.

We are in receipt of the O. R. & N. Co.'s publication of the resources of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, a book of 64 pages, containing a large and very correct map of the three states and full of information, very bright and interestingly told and nicely illustrated. The book may be secured by sending six cents in stamps to A. L. Craig, G. P. A., O. R. & N. Co., Portland, Ore.

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