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

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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.

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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 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,
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EXCELLENT QUARTZ MINES.

Good Showing of the Granite Hill, Little Dandy and Others

Friday's Telegram contains the following communication in regard to some of our promising quartz properties:

"The Granite Hill mine is reported as making an excellent showing as the development work progresses. This mine is in the Grants Pass district, eight miles from the town, and is owned by J. O. Booth and C. L. Mangum. The vein is in a granite formation and the ore is free-milling. The ledge strikes north, 64 degrees west and dips about 45 degrees. There is considerable development consisting of a tunnel on the ledge some 250 feet and a shaft down 160 feet.

The mine yields some very rich ore. Some samples taken from the 160 foot level assay \$700 gold. These were an average of very high grade of pay rock from the hanging wall. Specimen rock carrying much higher values can be had. The mine has been worked considerably with an arrastre and mill, and there is apparently about 700 tons of tailings on the dump. The ledge is in a granite dike, which lies between a blue porphyry and a black diorite. This granite belt or area is some 10 miles wide. The sulphurets are high grade, but the ore generally would be classed as a good free milling rock. There is a five-stamp mill on the property. There is a good road to the mine, and ample facilities of timber and water for mining operations.

The development of quartz prospects in the upper Big Apple district is likely to assume more importance this season than in former years. There are a number of promising claims in the neighborhood of Rach, and H. S. Reed, who has done a large amount of work in that locality, has gotten out some high grade gold ore. Further up in the Thompson creek country, Hoffman and Pool obtained about \$600 from some 10 tons of ore milled. This ore was taken from a new vein or shoot on what has been known as the Archer ledge. There is some good ground in this section for quartz exploration. The veins are commonly small, but if one is found to carry gold at all, it is generally found to be rich. In past years attention has been given almost wholly to placer mining and work on quartz properties has been very limited.

Occasionally a ledge is found in Southern Oregon carrying substantial but no very high values, in free gold, but is made to pay its way through somewhat extensive development, until it reaches that stage of importance as a property which allows it to be called a mine. Where that is so with a poor man and owner and worker is ordinarily the case—he will be found to possess an uncommon degree of industry and perseverance, and a deal of hard practical sense about mining. Without, he is only after the free gold. Rich sulphides and base ores generally do not interest him.

The Little Dandy, in Burgess gulch, Grave Creek district, is a good instance of such a mine. It is owned by J. G. Hayden, who discovered it. It is a small vein in diorite, striking about east and west, with a width of three inches to two feet. The formation is very similar to that of the Victor, Jr. The average width of the vein is probably 10 inches. This mine is now working in a tunnel designed to tap the ledge at a depth of 150 feet, and has progressed with it 180 feet. There is an upper cross-cut of 100 feet, and drifts on the vein at that level amounting to 210 feet. The ore is free milling, but the sulphurets run high. He has worked 323 tons of ore, with an arrastre, near the mine, and, according to the returns from the mill and a smelting company, shown the writer, he obtained from that amount of ore \$235.23, or \$15.78 per ton gold.

The arrastre used has a 12-foot tub, and a 20-foot wheel; it is a self-discharger, and four to six tons of rock were crushed per day. He will not mill any more with an arrastre. If the developments are good in the lower tunnel, he will have an up-to-date stamp mill. The figures given as to the development represent a great amount of hard work for two men—much of it has been done by Hayden alone—but it gave him a living and the means of making a mining property. He has a good house constructed of lumber and a good road to the mine. Should the lower tunnel tap a ledge of good size within some 60 feet more, as it may if it continues down normally from the upper level, then Hayden is a wealthy man. It is a very good example of what may be done by a steady, hard working miner without capital.

Each speculation has been indulged in during the past three months as to the probability of the bicycle trade for the present year. Based solely upon facts, the statements that the aggregate sale of American bicycles will be from 25 to 33 1-3 per cent larger this year than that of 1900, may be safely accepted by the most conservative trade critics. Further than this, the demand from all quarters for the highest grade of wheels is to a most satisfactory extent largely in excess of such demand in 1900. More \$50 wheels and fewer 25 wheels of the chain type, and from 20 to 25 per cent more chainless wheels will be sold this year than has been the case since these two grades were adopted as standard, or since the advent of the chainless machine.

These are the facts, as nearly as they can be arrived at by chance orders received from bicycle agents throughout the country. As to the causes, they are easily arrived at by those who have watched cycle trade developments for the past two years, and who know something of the plans of the leading manufacturers for the coming season.

Nominating Conventions.

On last Wednesday evening, conventions were held in the various wards for the purpose of making nominations for councilmen for the short term which will expire in December. The members of the council whose term has reached its expiration are Tom Smith, E. E. Dunbar, N. E. McGraw and Frank Fetach.

The following nominations were made: First ward, H. Thomas, J. L. Frier; Second ward, J. H. Williams, T. A. Halleck; Third ward, Harry Lewis, J. F. Wilson; Fourth ward, Scott Griffin, Herbert Smith; T. Y. Dean and Henry Schmidt. The plaudits of councilmen in the Fourth ward was in accordance with the expressed determination of Councilman Haskins to resign.

On Thursday evening the city nominating convention was held at the court house. The clerical of the proceedings was greatly enhanced by the previous appointment of judges and clerks, so that the work of the convention was accomplished in a very few minutes. Only two nominations for mayor appeared, those of H. C. Kinney and Dr. W. F. Kremer. The vote on these was taken by acclamation. Col. Johnson was renominated for city treasurer and no other nomination was made.

The election will be held on May 6.

Death of F. T. Downing.

Fred T. Downing, formerly of Central Point and for several months past engaged in the flour and feed business in this city, died on Saturday evening at his home in this city. Mr. Downing had been in poor health for some time, but had not been considered seriously ill until the last few days preceding his death. On the day of his death, Mrs. Downing returned from a short absence from his room and found him unconscious, a condition from which he never recovered. An injury to his head received last fall by falling from a load of hay is thought to have contributed in some degree to the causes of his death.

The remains were taken to Central Point on Sunday and the funeral services were held there. He leaves a wife and an adopted son, William, besides four brothers and a sister; J. L. Downing of Ashland; T. H. of Gold Hill; W. H. of Dayton, Ohio; J. H. and Mrs. Geo. Hesselgrave of Central Point. He was a native of England and was 61 years of age.

A Minister's Mistake.

A city minister was recently handed a notice to be read from his pulpit. Accompanying it was a clipping from a newspaper bearing upon the matter. The clergyman started to read the extract and found that it began: "Take Kemp's Balsam, the best Cough Cure." This was hardly what he had expected and, after a moment's hesitation, he turned it over, and found on the other side the matter intended for the reading.

Commencement.

The commencement exercises of the Grants Pass high school will be held on Wednesday evening, June 5. The entire program of entertainment, except the orchestral music, will be furnished by the class and will include musical, oratorical and elocutionary entertainment. The present class is one of the largest in the history of the school and there will be 20 or more graduates.

FORTUNE IN ONE OIL WELL.

Three Old Irish People in West Virginia Who Are Getting \$1,000 a Day.

Weston, W. Va., is the center of the most wonderful oil field that has been opened in the United States in years. Three old Irish people of Weston, as poor as the farm on which they lived, have become suddenly possessed, through no effort of their own, of an immense fortune of over \$1,000 a day, says the Philadelphia Record.

That fortune of \$1,000 a day is all from one oil well. There are three other wells now being completed within a few hundred yards of this one, each of which is sure to pour out as much money. And the end is not yet. The land is so saturated with oil that not only will the wells themselves pour out oil, but so the Copley heirs, being poor, have a big acreage, enough enough for 200 more wells to be sunk.

No one knows in what direction that lake of oil, says about 2,200 feet below the surface, extends. Such pools are of varying size and shape; sometimes only a few hundred yards wide and miles in length; sometimes circular and miles in diameter. There is but one way of finding out—to drill holes down below that lead.

To-day the Copley well is the only one tapping the pool. Every body wants to risk his money in an effort to get a hole into the pool. To that end the sands of people are buying, buying, buying, and badgering farmers for miles around the big gusher for the privilege of sinking wells.

The Copley well, which has wrought all this change to Lewis county, came in from the Gordon well some 20 miles of 2,200 feet on September 24. It was unexpected, and, like a shot from a ten-inch gun, blew away the oil saver and raising head and sent a solid stream of oil six inches in diameter clear over the top of the 80-foot derrick, nearly drowning the workmen.

Kerby Breezes.

Ye printers and editors I'm with you once again after an absence of one week.

Joe Schmitt made a business trip to Kerby last week.

Miss Carrie McGraw, of Salem, is visiting D. F. Bowersox and wife.

Tom Yarbrough left Kerby Tuesday for Selma where he will have charge of the engine in the sawmill at Draper.

Miss Sylvia Anderson, of Grants Pass, has opened a millinery store in the brick adjoining J. E. Hodgdon on Front street.

Mr. Aberhart, of Los Angeles, came out to Kerby on a flying trip to see about his farm he purchased from H. S. Cook, formerly known as the Jack Henderson place. Mr. Aberhart is on his way to Klondike but expects to move his family here in a year or so.

Clarence Sawyer, of Kerby, discovered a coyote den one day last week so in company with his brother and Alex George went to the place and captured eight little coyotes. They are very small. Clarence says he will try to keep them for some time.

Miss Ada Umphlett, of Grants Pass, is visiting at the home of Agnes and Lucy George, of Kerby. Miss Ada has just returned from San Francisco where she has been studying music. Her many friends here are very much pleased to learn of her improvement.

The 85th anniversary of the I. O. O. F. was celebrated in Kerby on Friday April 26th and all who attended far and near went home feeling well repaid for coming. No pains were spared at the free dinner spread in the reception hall in the Odd Fellows building and after partaking of that delicious repast all marched up stairs where a program was rendered by the Odd Fellows assisted by the sister Rebekahs. The program was excellent, and everyone was well pleased. Then the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs paraded up and down the street. With the Odd Fellows in their regalia and streaming banners it was a pleasing sight. In the evening a dance was opened with a grand march. A large crowd attended and the night wore quietly away until the few hours of morning. A prize was awarded to the best waltzer, it being a tie between Mr. and Mrs. F. Densinger, Mr. Ervin Anderson, of Bly, and Miss Agnes George, of this place. CHATTER BOX.

TELL OF NAVAL PROGRESS.

Officers Describe Advances Made by the Nations in the Last Year.

In the latest issue of the naval intelligence, published by the office of naval intelligence, is an article by Lieut. W. L. Howard, summarizing the progress of naval strength effected during the past year by the great maritime powers. Lieut. L. B. DeStiguer discusses the subject of wireless telegraphy, relating what each of the naval powers has done toward the utilization of Marconi's discovery, and including a review of the state of the art of long-distance transmission by the competent German authority. In general it appears that the experiments here have resulted satisfactorily. The British army in South Africa, by the use of kites for the vertical wires, has managed to transmit messages a distance of 55 miles, or more than ten miles further than the distance which separates Tientsin from Peking, which is reported to be impracticable for ordinary telegraph methods. There is also an illustrated description of the fastest vessel in the world, the famous turbine torpedo boat Viper, which runs over 34 knots an hour with ease.

GAVE MONEY TO FRIEND.

John Sweeney Then Disappeared and Has Not Been Seen Since—Trouble Over the Money.

"Say, old man, you have always been good to me, take these bank books, draw the money, and have a good time. I am going away and you will never see me again."

These words were spoken by John Sweeney, old and partly blind, to his friend and employer, Daniel Tyrel, a contracting carpenter, more than nine years ago. Two bank books were shoved into Tyrel's hands. Sweeney walked down the block, turned the corner, had a drink with Tyrel's son, and true to his word, has never since been seen.

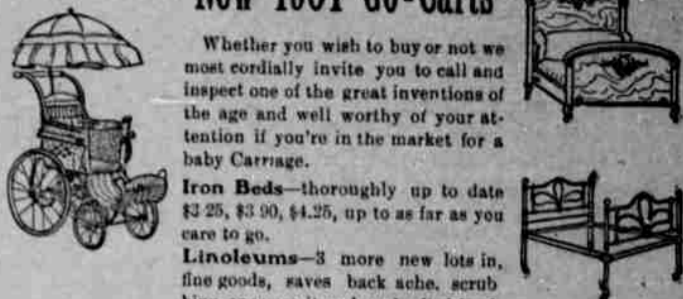
Tyrel was then well to do and prosperous and thought little of the bank books until shortly overtook him. Now he would like to get the money Sweeney gave him, some \$1,600, but the bank refuses to surrender it and the courts have been appealed to to settle the matter.

Why Women Fight Senselessness. "Are women more subject to senselessness than men?" An Atlantic captain replies: "Yes, but on the other hand, they stand it better. A woman struggles up to the point of despair against the—what I might call the impurity of the thing. She isn't so much tortured by the pangs as she is worried by the prospect of becoming disheveled, haggard and drugged. She fights against it to the last and keeps up appearances as long as she can hold up her head."

Question Answered.

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Leland Siftings.
H. Triplett has sold his farm to Dan Peterson.

We are having a nice gentle rain which comes at a convenient time. Grass and grain were needing a little rain.

We are having quite an influx of emigrants from California. People coming from that state say that times are hard there, little work and small pay.

The railroad company is shipping a large amount of wood to Grants Pass and other points from the Kinney shortline. Times are lively here and we have no idle men. All that are seeking employment can find it.

J. J. Kenney has arrived from Portland where he went on a business trip. He is carrying a good stock of goods in his store.

The clerks at Leland are generally busy wrapping up goods. It is nothing unusual to see several teams standing in front of Mackin & Virtue's store, with the occupants in the store waiting their turn to make their purchases.

There are some inquiries from eastern Oregon regarding the price of land in this section. People that have formerly lived here desire to come back again.

Our venerable neighbor Burton is making a big garden this year to supply the Greenback mine with vegetables. Although Mr. Burton is an old man, he gets around as sprightly as most of the young men and does a large amount of work, being of Yankee parentage.

C. D. Barnett, in running a tunnel to tap his quartz ledge at a greater depth, has found a large ledge with good rock which is richer than they were looking for. The company has hard work to open and develop this mine, but perseverance has rewarded them at last.

The road down Grave creek will be built to the Copper Stain mine this summer. That mine is being developed into a good property. Our county should then extend the road on to the Gold Bug mine and then the trade will come over our way. With two big stores here and with plenty of accommodations for travelers, we would be all right.

Desirable building lots are going up in our town. The people who expect to invest should come before the rush.

A new arrival in G. W. Chapin's family. It is of the masculine gender. Hurrah for G. W.!

Modocs Dying Off.
The ancient Modoc tribe has dwindled to 77 members, mostly women and sick or diseased children. The death of a Modoc brave lately, has left only 13 able-bodied warriors, who will probably never go to war again. From the most savage and indomitable of fighters they have lost all ambition for anything but their government supplies, and, while virtually prisoners of war on a small reservation, they are left unwatched.

The spirit of old days has gone, and nobody will ever hear of a story about "the last of the Modocs."—Yreka Journal.

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