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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1903.

Geo. M. Cortelyou was sworn in Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in the presence of members of the cabinet as secretary of the Department of Commerce, by Justice Fuller.

A proposal to buy an executive mansion was killed in the legislature on Tuesday. Governor Chamberlain had declared that he would not live in the house anyway, and this statement was one of the immediate reasons for killing the appropriation.

Last Sunday was another "dry day" in Grants Pass. Mayor Bashor is making a vigorous and determined effort to enforce the saloon laws of this city and should be supported in this position by the citizens and those who voted to make him mayor. The saloon men have obeyed the Sunday closing order readily enough and in all likelihood will comply with the law without availing if sentiment backs the mayor in this move.

This week the Oregon legislature finishes its labors. The finish of the session is awaited with much interest and the prophets are silent as the end approaches. Political hearts are steered against all shocks. In Tuesday's vote, nine Malheur votes and one of Fulton's men went to Geer, giving him 25 votes as against Fulton's 33. The Fulton men are said to be disposed to stay with their candidate to the end, even though such a course should result in no election. Wednesday's vote gave Geer 27 and Fulton 32.

"Doc" Ames, the famous hoodlum mayor of Minneapolis, has been run down and caught. He was found at the home of his sister-in-law in New Hampshire, a mere physical wreck, on the very verge of collapse. He will fight his extradition. The Ames system of life was perhaps the most scandalous that ever disgraced a great city in this country. Gamblers, crooks and criminals of all sorts were invited to come to the city to pursue their nefarious professions under police protection. A grand jury investigation compelled Ames to flee the state after he had been virtually deposed by his lieutenants. He is now roving the harvest of his crimes.

Heretofore, according to a bill passed by the present legislature, the carrying out of death sentences will be done at the state penitentiary. This is a good law. It sometimes appears necessary, for the good of society, to remove a man from his place among the living but it is not necessary that the removal should be witnessed by any number of people. Executions should be as private as is consistent with the importance and gravity of the matter. There was a time when a "hangin'" was considered a species of public entertainment, but that time has passed as we have advanced further from savagery. The bill is probably a source of relief to many sheriffs in this state.

This week has witnessed the termination of the Venezuelan incident and the raising of the blockade. Agreements have been reached between Venezuela and the allies by which Venezuela advances a portion of the debts and agrees to the setting aside of a percentage of the receipts of certain ports for further payments. The question of preferential claims is to be referred to the Hague tribunal. The captured Venezuelan ships and other property are to be returned. Venezuela comes out of the scrape very creditably, mainly owing to the firmness of Minister Brown. President Castro gained credit for judicious action in serious dilemmas. The attitude of America, through President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay has been dignified, strong and honorable. Without any master or influence on our part, the European nations were unfaithful to the American sentiment and the strong though perhaps unspoken influence of America was a great factor in pulling Venezuela safely through her difficulties.

THE ROGUE RIVER BRIDGE

Temporary Approach Finished and Teams are Crossing

The temporary approach on the south side of the Rogue river bridge was completed on Monday afternoon and teams began crossing for the first time since the flood. The replacement of the bridge ends an era of serious inconvenience which in some cases amounted to hardship. The people who live on the other side of the river have been compelled to make use of a foot bridge and a ladder to gain the main bridge in order to get to town and have been very greatly inconvenienced in the matter of obtaining supplies. Trade has suffered greatly and the merchants have been very impatient for the completion of the structure. As probably two thirds of the wood supply of Grants Pass comes from the other side of the river, the town has experienced almost a wood famine and prices of fuel rose with a jump. The completion of the bridge relieves an uncomfortable condition for the people of both sides of the river.

Collar Bone Broken
Frank Griffith, a S. P. locomotive fireman and the son of J. W. Griffith of Grants Pass, broke his collar bone on Monday at Nishby on slipping and falling on the ice. He came down to Grants Pass Tuesday evening and on Wednesday evening he went to Portland to enter the hospital. The accident, while not serious, may keep him from work for two months or more.

GOOD LUCK
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We have had lots of good luck with our Shoes. People tell us they wear well. We think it is because we strive to buy the kind that wears. We do not search for shoddy stuff when buying.

RED STAR STORE.
W. E. Dean & Co., Propr.
Front street, oppo Depot.

THE SCRIBNER-HENDERSON

Mine Sold to San Francisco Capitalists for \$45,000.

The famous Scribner-Henderson mines of the Wolf Creek district were sold last week to E. D. Olmstead, representing San Francisco parties, for \$45,000, of which a cash payment of \$5000 has already been made. The property embraces 139 acres of ground, including a porphyry dike which has been traced and prospected for a length of about half a mile. This dike is 50 to 100 feet in width and the greatest depth reached is 50 feet, at which depth the gold values still continue. A tunnel has been run a distance of 200 feet. The dike is estimated to carry average values of \$10 per ton.

This mine is a wonder and a curiosity among mining men and baffles the knowledge of all the experts who have ever examined it. The porphyry itself carries very little gold, but it is interwoven and interlaced with a network of veins and stringers of oxidized ore and it is in these that the gold occurs. The mine has since its first discovery, it was first worked by panning and as high as \$200 to the pan has been secured. Afterwards it was worked by sluicing and lately by means of an arrastre, as a large percentage of the gold was lost by the sluicing process. All the work heretofore done has been on the surface. The rock is soft and easily worked at the surface, though increasing in hardness with depth. It is claimed positively that there is enough ore in sight at the present time to pay for the mine many times over.

Washington's Birthday Program

The members of the literary society of the Grants Pass high school will give a Washington's birthday program on the afternoon of Friday, Feb. 20.

HEGE BROS. BAD LUCK TO ESTABLISH EXHIBITS

Three Months Labor Swept Away by Flood.

The Hege brothers, who have this winter been fitting up a placer mine on the east fork of Boland creek, suffered severely by the recent flood. Boland creek became a raging and uncontrollable torrent, sweeping away their ditches, dam, flumes, equipment and all the results of three months hard work. They were nearly ready to mine but had not yet taken out any gold. They will return later and refit the mine for working.

The ground prospects well in coarse gold and the mine seems certain to be a profitable one when properly equipped and worked.

Education by Mail

Education by correspondence has reached a stage where every up-to-date person should know something of the system. The International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Penn., were established some 15 years ago by T. J. Foster under the management of the Collier-Foster Co. The schools are now under the management of the International Text Book Co. This school has a paid up capital of \$2,000,000. Buildings were erected especially for correspondence work at the cost of several hundred thousand dollars. At present the schools are teaching 151 courses of study. On Jan. 1, 1903 the total enrollment was 688,572 students. The display in the window of the New Masonic building which was in charge of J. J. Deemer the local agent of the schools, last week, was a fairly good demonstration of the manner in which the work is being done. F. Ball of Portland, the assistant superintendent of the Oregon division of the schools, gave a very practical demonstration of what may be done by use of the photograph in language study.

Book Donation Societies

The Altar Society of St. Luke's church will hold a book donation social at the rectory on Feb. 24, at 8 p.m. A book appropriate for the Sunday school will admit anyone. A very pleasant time is anticipated. All are invited.

Artistic Shoemaking THE CROSSETT SHOE FOR GENTLEMEN \$3.50 AND \$4.00 NAME AND PRICE ON EVERY PAIR THE CROSSETT SHOE IS ONE OF EXTREME STYLE AT POPULAR PRICES IN DRESSING THE FEET ONE SHOULD LOOK FOR FIT, DURABILITY, AND STYLE. YOU FIND ALL THESE IN THE CROSSETT SHOE. E. C. DIXON.

MAYOR IS IN THE ARENA

Mr. Bashor Takes Some Exceptions to Mr. Hough's Remarks.

To the Editor—
The gentleman from the First ward broke out in the Courier last week and announces that he is hunting a "row." I have noticed that gentleman of pugilistic tendencies usually get what they are looking after. To use the classical language of Mr. George Ade, "Those who are entitled to it usually get it, sooner or later." Now I am not hunting a "row," in the newspapers or out of them, but I am disposed to reply to some of the charges of the gentleman in search of notoriety.
His first assertion is that I was not "elected" mayor, but an only getting under "color of title," whatever that may be. I am no lawyer—perhaps Mr. Hough is—but I think the color by which I hold the office of mayor is as good as that by which Mr. Hough continues to hold on to his seat.
I received a certificate of election from the proper officer and I was duly and properly elected. Whether the voters acted wisely at the last election, is not for me to say; but one thing is certain—no one voted for Mr. Hough. He may have a technical "color of title" to the place he continues to occupy, but he knows, as every one knows, that he should have retired in favor of the gentleman who received one half of the votes of his ward and in whose favor the tie vote was decided by casting lots. Mr. Galeener is justly and fairly entitled to the seat to which Mr. Hough continues to cling; but this has little weight with Mr. Hough. What he seems to be looking for is notoriety.
The remarks of this gentleman about the employees of the "Kentucky Corporation" are hardly worthy of reply and I will only say that his very will, in all probability, not be heard in Kentucky. The gentleman referred to can take care of themselves. Mr. Hough seems to hint at some sort of an alliance between the S. P. Co. and socialists. Perhaps there is such an alliance. It would certainly furnish an edifying spectacle; but I had supposed that they would not mix any better than grass and original sin.
Mr. Hough has much to say about tax-payers. I understand that he contributed something less than \$2 to the tax collector last year.
Query—If Mr. Hough robs his horn in proportion to the taxes he pays, what would happen if he should pay \$4?
So far as I know there has not been and is not likely to be any "row" between myself and the city council. We have not agreed about the personnel of the appointive officers, but the only person who has tried to get up a "row" is Mr. Hough.
The law gives the mayor the power to fill certain offices. The law demands that the laws be enforced. I intend to attend to both duties to the best of my ability, without fear or favor. In order that I may be able to perform the duties of my office, it is necessary that the other executive officers shall be under my control. I intend that myself cannot agree upon permanent appointments, I shall continue to make temporary appointments from time to time. There is no danger that the city will get into any trouble. I shall act only within my rights. Mr. Hough is unduly excited. Let him attend to his business and I will attend to mine.
But let no one suppose that Mr. Hough represents anyone but himself. In advocating a measure intended by him to be antagonistic to the "Kentucky Corporation" he found no one upon the council to support him, and when he insisted upon a continuance of his performance in the talking line, the council unanimously adopted a motion that further discussion be dispensed with.
I feel like apologizing for taking up your space for so trivial a matter. Let the incident be considered closed.
J. F. Bashor, Mayor.

NEW ROAD FOR GALICE

Proposed Change of Route to Avoid Taylor Creek.

The Galice creek road was very badly damaged during the late flood. At several points where it ran around and below rocky points next the river, it was entirely swept away and considerable work will be required to make it passable for vehicles. The miners of the district have signified their willingness to bear the greater portion of the expense incident to the construction and with the aid of the county, it is expected that the road will be rebuilt in far better shape than before. There is a movement to change the road from its former route, to run on this side of the river to a point below the mouth of Taylor creek and several advantages are claimed for this route. Taylor creek is a large stream and unfordable in high water. The new way would eliminate this obstruction and also the steep and difficult Taylor creek hill. There quite a large fill also in the proposed route but it is much more feasible for road construction. There are also a number of miners and settlers on this side of the river to benefit by such a change, while on the other side there is nothing between the old crossing and the mouth of Taylor creek. This was the route originally intended for the road and a part of the grading was done years ago.

Silver Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Parker celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, the "silver wedding," on Friday evening. Their home was very prettily and appropriately decorated in honor of the occasion. The walls were hung with ornaments and ribbons of silver in harmony with the tradition of this festival. Besides the immediate members of the family, there were present about 15 invited friends. The evening was pleasantly spent in social enjoyment. Mr. and Mrs. Parker were the recipients of a number of handsome presents of silver tokens of the regard of their friends.

Christian Science

The Christian Science Society of this city held the service of dedication in their new reading room at the corner of E and 6th streets. The service was the regular service of the society. Mr. P. A. DeGonsault of Duluth, Minn., conducted the service. The following out of town people were present: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weber, and Geo. Weber of Roseburg; Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Chas. and daughter Dorless, Mrs. Mallory, Mr. Lawson and Mr. Gilbertson of Glendale. Mrs. E. C. Sherman furnished the music.

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President Webster, J. D. of Union college, Schenectady, N. Y., writes: "Last night after Eli Perkins spoke at our Union college Annual dinner at Delmar, we had the privilege for the third time before our college. Mr. Perkins is the foremost platform humorist of the age. His wit is in an educational line. He is a natural orator and an original thinker. His theories are his own and always startling, original and convincing. A college is Mr. Perkins' alma mater."

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To the Public

We are still located in the E. O. O. F. building and are situated so as to quote you the very lowest prices on all grades of pianos and organs. Sold on easy installment—old instruments taken in exchange. A full line of violins, guitars, mandolins, sheet music and music books always on hand. B. H. Magson, Manager.

MORE GOLD ON COYOTE

New Strike at Property of New York & Western

A rich strike has recently been made at the Thompson group of mines on Coyote creek, one of the properties of the New York & Western Mines Co. which are being developed under the management of Foster & Gunnell. A large body of very rich ore was uncovered in the north drift of the tunnel, at a depth of about 80 feet from the surface. The ore shows free gold in amazing abundance and with the large ore body in sight, the mine presents a very gratifying appearance to the owners. This mine is one of the biggest and most valuable propositions in Southern Oregon. The vein is 30 feet wide between walls, though it is not all quartz for the whole width, but there is 10 to 15 feet in width of solid ore. The mine will be thoroughly developed and prospected before being equipped.

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Leland Siftings

As usual we come forward with Leland Siftings, although news is scarce at the present time.

T. J. Macken has a touch of "this fluency" but is better at this writing.

Our night operator's family has arrived. Business demands a night operator.

Our hotel is doing a good business. The landlady gives her boarders plenty of hash.

The park trains are kept busy carrying supplies down the creek. Lee McNeil is the yarder.

The mines are all running full blast as the snow is falling slower so the miners get the full benefit of the water.

Our postoffice is doing a big business in valentines. Some have received very comical ones. We can furnish you with them.

G. W. Chapin was seen on our streets selling apples last week. He has to use a sack because he lost a good work mare recently.

As we are having frosty nights and nice bright days, the snow will be kept except in the high altitudes. Steak is doing well. Some are being fed; others are not.

In reading the reports of different members of the legislature, we think Representative Hale is sound on the subject of home-made liquor. He has made himself right at the expense of the taxpayers—the only thing is only to favor a few. We say vote down all appropriations. If Hume wants a drink, we will furnish one and our farmers who pay the most taxes and get no bit.

The Copper State is waiting for good weather to commence on the wagon road. It is rumored that the Gold Bug will join others in constructing the road to his mine on Mt. Reuben by commencing the ascent at the base of the east side of the mountain. A good wagon road can be built on easy grade to the top of the mountain. From Leland down the creek is a good road but composed of broken rock and other material that makes good roads. The present Gold Bug road, to be finished, is a work is suspended at Gold Bug.

Some of our people are experiencing trouble in going to different points as the cars can go irregularly this winter. In this district it has been a little matter of getting the cars to the depot. We have had our wind but when we read of the big wind seems in other parts we are glad that we live in southern Oregon, we are very happy, contented people. We believe in industry and economy. That is why we are prosperous. We have a variety occasionally, and would have more if our young fellows would make up their minds more quickly.

We see the mayor and city council at work in Grants Pass. That is good. Our city deals well together; all work in harmony; we have no trouble. Our marshal sometimes gets after some of the people that goes to the live drop too often. No business to report.

Merlin Items

Jess Harrington visited Grants Pass Monday.

Prof. McConnell returned home Saturday evening from Grants Pass.

Robert Barrington has been quite sick but is improving.

Rev. Robt. Leslie of Grants Pass was in our city Sunday and preached in the M. E. church Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jordan's infant daughter is quite sick and was taken to Grants Pass Monday for medical aid.

Miss Mary Mische took the teacher's examination at Grants Pass last week and received the paper that she applied for—a third grade certificate.

There were eight new members received by the Baptist church Sunday by baptism—Mr. and Mrs. Miss Mason, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Miss Misses Ida Rywade, Lena Carter, Mr. Anston, Ann Tyler.

All are invited to attend the entertainment given by the school Feb. 21, 1903. We ask all to come prepared to vote and assist in the good work of the school. As before stated, all will be admitted to the entertainment free of charge. By a unanimous vote of the school, the entertainment will be given at Prof. McConnell's hall.

Glendale Items

W. H. Strickland, the mining operator, visited Grants Pass on Tuesday.

J. L. Harvey of this place, is now at Grantville, Alaska, engaged in exploring a gold mine.

We regret to learn that our old friend W. J. Green, of Wolf Creek was taken suddenly ill upon his arrival at his old home in Grand View, Canada, where he had been called to the sick bed of his daughter.

Mrs. W. A. Pearson has been residing in the position of night operator at Grants Pass. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson were seated at Grant Pass for some time. Mr. Pearson was being assigned to the position at Grants Pass. With one exception and the other night operator, the Pearson family ought to be happy.

We are agents for Hercules Pumps, Pumps and Cylinders, Steam Engines.

FRUIT TREES.

At the Riverside Nursery 2000 will find fruit, shade and ornamental trees. Monterey Cypress for hedge or fence. Raspberry, Blackberry, Gooseberry and Logberry plants, currants, grape vines, etc. Would trade Nursery stock for building lot.

I have a new lot of Wyandott chickens and can furnish eggs for 75 cents a setting.

Call at Nursery of Geo. J. Taylor at Slater's drug store.

A. A. DAVIS

Always keep in mind that we employ only first-class Plumbers and Tinner and consequently can do work that will satisfy you. Give us a trial and be convinced. Grants Pass Hardware Company Front Street, Opposite Depot, A. E. CARLSON, Propr. GRANTS PASS

FEBRUARY.. The month George Washington was born in—the man whose word was to be relied upon, whose flour sold for more in the London market than any other flour. No letter month in the year to have photographs taken than February. Try C. L. Clevenger, Photographer, Grants Pass.

CLEMENS SELLS DRUGS OPP. OPERA HOUSE Grants Pass, - Oregon

LOOK AFTER THE LITTLE ONES Almost unnecessary advice mothers; but this hint won't harm. Our portico in looking the wee folk is in supplying drugs and medicines for all the months—whether on the doctor's or your own choice for simple or preparing medicines for children for grown-ups.

G. P. Pharmacy and National Drug Store THE H. C. ALBEE CO. DEALERS IN SECOND-HAND MACHINERY ENGINES, BOILERS, PUMPS, SAW MILLS, etc. 248 Grand Avenue, (East Side) Portland, - Oregon

Grants Pass Opera House "IAGARA" "IAGARA" "IAGARA" The Pictorial wonder of the art world. C. A. de Leslie Holland's Superb \$50,000 Painting. Painted expressly for the Pan American Exposition. A remarkable Indian Nude. Marvelous representation of Niagara Falls, the worlds greatest Cataract. This Wonderful Painting portrays the enacting of an old Indian Tragedy, at Niagara Falls and represents a beautiful Life-Size Indian Maiden going over the Falls. Sacrifice to the Great Spirit of the Red Man. A very interesting explanation and talk on old Indian Legends and Customs will also be given during the Exhibition of the Painting. The Entertainment will conclude with a choice selection of the songs of "Ye Olden Time" Introducing Miss Augusta Millahn NEW YORK ROOF GARDEN POPULAR PRIMA DONNA Entertainment Commences at 8:30 P. M. ONE NIGHT FRIDAY, FEB. 20 ADMISSION ENTIRE HOUSE 25 CENTS. City Treasurer's Notice: Grants Pass, Oregon, Jan. 22, 1903. There are funds in the City Treasury to redeem all outstanding warrants protested to February 1, 1903. Interest on same will cease after this date. Dated at Grants Pass, Ore., January 22, 1903. Col. W. Johnson, City treasurer.