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## BIG DEAL IN REAL ESTATE

William Bybee Sells Large Tract in Jackson County.

The William Bybee tract of land, comprising nearly four and a half thousand acres, in Jackson county, changed hands last week. The Jackson County Improvement Company purchased 1744 acres of the land, which is that part of it known as the "Bybee desert." The price paid for this was \$3 per acre. The remainder of the tract, which includes the Antelope ranch of 1500 acres and the Rogue River ranch of 1100 acres was sold to Frank Bybee, together with about 700 head of goats, 200 head of cattle and 20 horses. Mr. Bybee is now offering 500 head of the goats for sale. The deal took place at Ashland, and was the closing up of a deal which has been pending for several months, and by the transfer of the property a mortgage of \$30,000, held by Vinton Brown, of Ashland, was paid.

Photo Supplies at the Courier office.

## J. L. DICKENSON MISSING

Was a Well-Known Pioneer of Douglas County.

Jas. L. Dickenson, a well-known pioneer of Douglas county, has been missing from the head of Grave creek, Jackson county, since the 27th of April when he was last seen alive by his partner Henry Zimmerman. Search has been made for the missing man without avail. A peculiar thing in connection with Dickenson's disappearance is that it occurred in a place just over the ridge from the Douglas county line not far from where Harmon Snyder disappeared on the 10th of last June and only a few miles from Coffee creek, where old man Kirk, of Perdue, disappeared nearly two years ago. Mr. Dickenson is 68 years of age, medium height and weighed about 165 pounds.

J. J. Pankey, who was charged with violating the fish and game law, and who was found guilty in the justice court in Jackson county and appealed the case to the circuit court, was acquitted by jury last Thursday at Jacksonville.

## HONOR OREGON GOVERNOR

Chamberlain Family in Reunion Elects Him Vice President.

At the sixth annual reunion of the Chamberlain Association of America, which is made up of representatives from 29 different states and many foreign countries, held at Boston last Friday, Governor George E. Chamberlain, of Portland, Or., was chosen vice-president. General Joshua L. Chamberlain, L. L. D., of Brunswick, Me., who organized the association, as re-elected president.

After the business meeting and speeches were concluded, the entire gathering went to Portland, Me., as the guests of General Chamberlain.

## GOOD SHOWING IS MADE

Oregon is Largest Contributor to Irrigation Fund.

The General Land office has made public a statement showing the approximate amounts contributed to the reclamation fund by various western states during the past fiscal year. These figures, while not exact, are within a few dollars of the proper amounts and much closer than rough estimates made several weeks ago, which were based on the proportions of past seasons. As previously explained, Oregon is the largest contributor, having paid in \$1,884,730 last year, which makes its total contribution for the past three years \$5,798,000. This latter amount is \$250,000 in excess of what any other state has so far contributed. North Dakota being second, and Washington third. Last year Washington contributed \$1,000,000, bringing its total fund up to \$1,804,000. Idaho has to its credit in the fund \$1,149,067, of which \$642,218 was added last year.

Under the policy adopted by the Interior Department following out the provisions of the irrigation law, 51 per cent of the contribution of each state is to be expended within that state in the next 10 years and 49 per cent goes into the general fund, this fund, of course, to be utilized in Arizona, Nevada and other states and territories badly in need of irrigation, but which themselves contribute little toward the great object. The total irrigation fund, as now computed, is \$16,991,806, or more than \$1,000,000 in excess of the previous estimates of the Land Office. More than half this amount was contributed last year.

## OLDEST LIVING OBJECTS

Portland Man Says Are the Juniper Trees of Oregon.

W. P. Keady, of Portland, states it as his first opinion, based upon scientific data, that the juniper trees of Oregon, are the oldest living objects upon the earth. Speaking of the customary means employed to tell the age of a tree, Mr. Keady said: "If the concentric rings correctly indicate, the successive annual growth of trees, and I believe this to be an established scientific fact, then the juniper is the oldest living object upon the earth. Its annual rings are almost as compact as the leaves of a book; the assistance of a magnifying glass is necessary to count them correctly."

In speaking of one particular specimen of this tree, the gentleman mentions its size, location and appearance, and ends with this startling expression regarding its age: "This tree must be at least 10,000 years old, judging by the concentric rings of lesser trees of the same variety. The greatest age accorded the gigantic redwood of California is 40 centuries old. In a growth of these the juniper would be a veritable patriarch, surrounded by lusty youth."

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## ALLOTMENTS ARE HELD

Pending Status of Swamp Lands on Reservation.

In reply to a letter of Senator Mitchell in which he incloses a demand from J. W. Hamaker, of Klamath Falls, for the immediate completion of the allotment of lands to the Indians on the Klamath reservation, Indian Commissioner Jones states that there are some 340 allotments already made which are held up, pending a determination by the Interior Department as to whether swamp lands in the Klamath reservation are subject to Indian allotment, or accrue to the state under the swamp law act.

The allotments on which patents have not yet been issued are those made under a recent act of congress authorizing allotments to Indian children who did not receive land under the original allotment. The Interior department has not yet determined whether the claim of the Indians. If the lands are held to be the property of the state, new allotments will be necessary. If the right of the state is held to be secondary to the Indians, the allotted lands will be patented and the state will receive the remainder. The state has laid claim to 92,378 acres under the swamp land act. It is part of this tract that is in dispute.

W. F. Wooden and family left early this (Monday) morning for their new home at Portland, by private conveyance. They will travel leisurely and expect to reach the metropolis before the end of the week.—Ashland Tidings.

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**ELKS BLAME RAILROAD CO.**

Northern Pacific Censured for Accident to Excursion Train.

The committee of nine appointed from the Elks' excursion train on the Northern Pacific, near Chelalis, August 23d, submitted its report last week. The report says that the engine pulling the excursion train was not a first-class engine; that the engineer and fireman were both extra men, neither of them ever before having run the engine, and that the cause of the accident was low water in the boiler. The officials in charge of the Northern Pacific Railroad the day of the disaster are severely condemned.

The report closes by expressing "regret that Brother A. D. Charlton, assistant general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific Railroad, was not in the city the day of the accident. We are convinced that, had he been in Portland or anywhere upon the main line of the road, conditions after the accident would have been different and much suffering and anguish of mind saved to all concerned."

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**Jury List.**

Following is the list of jurors drawn for the September, 1903, term of circuit court:

A. D. Custer, Murphy, Oregon.  
Jas Oswald, Holland, Oregon.  
R. A. N. Reymier, Grants Pass, Ore.  
M. F. Crooks, Dryden, Oregon.  
J. T. Bartley, Williams, Oregon.  
Geo McKimmens, Grants Pass, Ore.  
Clarence Messinger, Kuhl, Ore.  
G. M. Savage, Grants Pass, Oregon.  
H. J. Carlier, Grants Pass, Oregon.  
H. A. Borchers, Grants Pass, Oregon.  
Wm Hedding, Merlin, Oregon.  
E. Erickson, Wilderville, Oregon.  
Joseph Fetzer, Grants Pass, Ore.  
M. M. Rannagan, Grants Pass, Ore.  
R. M. Robertson, Wilderville, Ore.  
Joseph Wolke, Grants Pass, Ore.  
J. M. Booth, Grants Pass, Ore.  
J. H. Ahlf, Grants Pass, Ore.  
J. W. Russell, Murphy, Ore.  
W. B. York, Kuhl, Ore.  
Edward Light, Grave, Ore.  
Geo Simpkins, Merlin, Ore.  
J. R. White, Kerby, Ore.  
P. P. Payne, Kerby, Ore.  
A. C. Epperly, Waldo, Ore.  
Wilbur Williams, Grants Pass, Ore.  
Robt Dunlap, Grants Pass, Ore.  
Pat Flanagan, Grants Pass, Ore.  
J. Skeeters, Althouse, Ore.  
J. J. Brown, Wilderville, Ore.  
R. A. Lindsay, Wilderville, Ore.

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**ASHLAND'S PEACH CROP**

Larger This Year Than Anticipated.

As the Ashland fruit season reaches its meridian, it is becoming apparent that the peach crop will be larger than anticipated in the summer, says the Tidings. The Meirs, which are now nearly all gathered, overran early estimates, and the output amounted very closely to a half crop. On Monday 1,000 boxes were shipped to Portland the prices obtained being from 50 to 55 cents per box, which were a falling off from those received earlier. The condition of the Portland market, and not the quality of the fruit, was the cause of this slump in price. Last Thursday three car loads and 2,000 boxes by steamer of California Walways were received in that city, which glutted the market for the time being.

The entire output of Early Crawfords were sold at from 70 to 75 cents per box. Late Crawfords are now beginning to come in. Clings are a fairly good crop, and are selling for from 60 to 70 cents a box. The Salway, which bring up the rear in the succession of peach varieties, in the section and are considered one of the choicest, will probably be more than a half crop this year, but will not be in for a few weeks yet.

**IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE**

List of Oregonians Now in the Philippines.

The 16 employes of the government service in the Philippines from Oregon are located and employed as follows:

Office of the Improvement of the Port of Manila—J. F. Case, ci. 1 engineer, appointed July 12, 1902; salary \$3900; office at Manila.

Department of Commerce and Police—Bureau of Posts: C. B. Franklin, clerk, appointed August 1, 1899; salary, \$1800; office at Manila. W. G. Johnston, postmaster at Bacolod, Province of Occidental Negros, Island of Negros (see also Provincial Service) paid by fees.

Billid Prison—George N. Wolfe, warden, appointed June 14, 1899; salary \$3000; office at Manila. Loren I. Day, assistant warden, appointed March 1, 1901; salary \$1800; office at Manila.

Department of Finance and Justice—Bureau of Customs and Immigration: Correspondence Division—Lillian M. S. Murray, stenographer, appointed July 1, 1902; salary, \$900; office at Manila. Frank B. Coyne, first class examiner, appointed June 29, 1899; salary, \$1900; office at Manila.

Coast Inspectors—A. W. Botley, coast district inspector of customs, appointed April 19, 1900; salary \$4400; office at Manila.

Bureau of Insular Cold Storage and Ice Plant—Lewis Stewart, watchman, appointed March 9, 1902; salary, \$780; office in Manila.

Department of Public Instruction—Educational Force: M. Hopkins Gale, teacher, appointed August 7, 1901; salary, \$1200; in the city schools of Manila; address, Manila, Island of Luzon.

Provincial Service: Occidental Negros—William C. Johnston, chief clerk, appointed September 1, 1901, salary, \$1200. He is also postmaster at Bacolod Province of Occidental Negros, Island of Negros.

Municipal Service of Manila—Department of Engineering and Public Works: Thomas Connors, building inspector, appointed January 15, 1902; salary, \$1200; office in Manila.

Department of Assessments and Collections: Hugh McKenzie, chief market inspector appointed December 28, 1899; salary, \$1000; office in Manila. Guy Slagle, clerk, appointed September 6, 1902; salary, \$1200; office in Manila.

Department of Police: L. D. McClellan, patrolman, appointed December, 1902; salary, \$600; on duty in Manila. L. M. Wagner, patrolman, appointed March 18, 1901; salary \$500; on duty in Manila. While it appears from the various sources of information that the above are all who are credited to Oregon, it is not known how many of the "unknown" may belong to her. This can only be ascertained by a submission of names and a personal search through the records for them. Many of the 148 above referred to give no clew as to what state they came from, some simply saying "American," and others "United States," etc. If any of our readers having friends in the Philippines, from Oregon, desiring to learn of them, will address this paper, the matter will be taken up with our correspondent, who will be glad to assist in finding or accounting for them.—Telegram.

**MINES NEED ADVERTISING**

Oregon Classified as Camp of California by Yale.

F. H. Colpitts a man who has been in nearly every state of the American Union, says the splendid mines of Oregon are almost unknown outside her own borders, and need to be advertised. As proof that he speaks the truth, Mr. Colpitts mentions a specific instance where in the mineral collection of Yale College the state of Oregon is referred to as a mere mining camp.

"Oregon is not known as a mining state throughout the East," he said, "and many of the good things of this state have been accredited to California. Years ago the only means of shipment to the eastern centers was made through California, which is one of the reasons why many of the good things coming from Oregon have been allowed to stand in California's name.

"To show how little is known of this state as a mining community I have only to cite one instance. In Yale College known throughout the civilized world for its educational facilities, is a piece of Oregon ore labeled: "White Bull Mine, Oregon, California," thus representing Oregon as a little mining camp in the state of California.

"What you want is to advertise. Have the state known as a mining state. The legislature should foster and nurture the mining industry, and take the state of California as a criterion, where appropriation is made annually for advertising that business. I hope to see some action taken shortly in that direction, as its benefits would be far-reaching."

Mr. Colpitts has but recently returned from a trip to Nova Scotia, where he looked over the gold section of that province. He is now examining some property near Albany, Or. He states that many business men are taking up the subject of mining investments very rapidly, and the eastern people look upon that line of business not only as being profitable, but legitimate as well. In conversation with the Telegram representative, a few days ago, he said:

"There has never been a time in the industrial history of America when so many of our most intelligent and conservative business men have turned their attention to the mining industry as at present."

**WAS ACCIDENTLY KILLED**

By Companion While Out Hunting Near Ashland.

A most deplorable accident happened in the mountains east of Ashland last Friday, which resulted in the death of George W. Woody, an estimable young farmer of Phoenix precinct, at the hands of his friend and hunting companion, James Daily. The two, with Oscar Stinson, were out hunting for deer, five miles east of Gristley prairie, when Daily jumped up a deer and fired twice at it. The bullets missed the mark aimed at but one of them struck Woody, whom Daily supposed to be on the opposite side of the point, in the left breast below the collar bone, went straight through and cut the sub clavian artery, and Woody survived the wound less than an hour. Woody, who with his young wife, her sisters, the Misses O'Toole, and Oscar Stinson, were on a camping outing when the sad accident happened, was a native son of Jackson county 34 years of age, and highly esteemed. He was a member of the Phoenix Lodge A. O. U. W., and his funeral took place Monday afternoon at Medford, under the auspices of that order. Coroner F. B. Pickel of Jackson county held an inquest Sunday morning. The jury found that the shooting was purely accidental and that no blame attaches to anyone for said accident, unless it is a possible carelessness or lack of caution on the part of both parties concerned.

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