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THURSDAY, Jan. 7, 1904. Sensations come and sensations go and there is never any lack of them but the Russian-Japan sensation seems to go on forever. The world's attention was momentarily distracted by excitement in some other quarter but when the gaze returns, the malcontents are still to be found in their old places.

General James Longstreet, the famous ex-confederate, died of pneumonia on Saturday, at Gainesville, Ga., after an illness of only two days. He was 83 years of age and was among the last of the famous generals of the Civil war.

The probability of war with Colombia is not seriously taken by the people of the United States. There is considerable talk, it is true, but it must not be forgotten that talk is Colombia's stock in trade, her greatest resource, and she will probably not resort to any measures until she has thoroughly exhausted its possibilities.

COSGROVE'S ORCHESTRA

To Appear at Grants Pass Saturday, Jan. 16th. The Grants Pass Women's Club has made arrangements for the appearance in this city of the Cosgrove Concert Orchestra, which is one of the best concert orchestras touring the west.

"IN CONVICT STRIPES" Grants Pass Opera House Thursday, Jan. 7th. "In Convict Stripes" the startling melodrama of heart interest will be the attraction at the opera house on Thursday, evening, January 7.

Library Meeting. The semi-annual meeting of the library association will be held at the library on Tuesday evening, January 12th at 7:30 o'clock. Members are requested to be in attendance. Jennie H. Judson, Sec'y.

IT'S TIME TO SWEAR OFF

Patronizing Every Fake That Comes Along. An artist in the fake line appeared at the corner of Front and Sixth streets last Thursday and by a series of jokes and fool nonsense gathered a gullible crowd around him and proceeded to give his views of advertising, in which he stated that it was only necessary to make people talk about you to advertise your business and that newspaper advertising did him no good.

Another fakir tried to work the crowd but with small success. This incident reminds us of the way some of our business men will part with their coin when they are approached by an out-of-town ad man with any kind of an advertising scheme.

Rates to Livestock Convention. Account Convention, National Livestock Association, National Wool Growers Association and Northwest Fruit Growers Association to be held at Portland, a rate of one and one-third fare will be made for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale January 10th and 11th, limited to January 17th.

General Passenger Agent. See Voorhies about Kodaks and Supplies.

IN THE LODGE ROOMS

More Lodge Elections Have Been Reported. The following lodges reported their elections too late to appear in last week's issue under the lodge elections: Foresters of America.

Dep. Gr. Chief Ranger, W. T. C. Burn. Jr. Post Chief Ranger, J. P. Hale. Chief Ranger, Frank Fetsch. Sub Chief Ranger, James O. Gibson. Treas., J. H. Auld.

Maccabees. P. L. Com, Celia Corliss. I. Coni, Della Hale. L. R. K. Mary Simmons.

D. of H. P. C. of H. M. A. Cornell. G. of H. Mary Dean. L. of H. Hilda Huggert. Fin. Mary Simmons. R. Lydia Dean. C. of G. Luella Wilson. R. Anna Moon.

THE FOOTS CREEK DREDGE

Nearly Ready to Receive the Machinery. The gold dredge being built by Champlin & Co. at the mouth of Foots creek is nearly ready to launch, and when launched the work of installing the machinery will be commenced.

The firm of Champlin & Co. is composed of F. L. Champlin, W. Christian and M. M. McDonald, formerly of Chicago, but for the past seven or eight years they have been actively engaged in dredge mining at Bannock, Montana, operating two dredges, one of 2000 yards capacity operated by electricity and the other a 2200 yard machine operated by steam.

Thorough prospect work was done and 30 or more prospect holes sunk by a keyhole drilling machine across the old channel which is 1000 feet wide. This is virgin soil as far as mining operations are concerned as heretofore only ground sluicing has been done and no bed rock has been exposed.

The company commenced its operations by the building of a dam across the lower end of the natural basin. This dam is 200x200 feet and is intended to form a reservoir to float the dredge when it is completed.

At present, there are 50 men working, a large number being engaged in cutting wood. Already 1500 cords of wood have been cut. When the dredge is in operation, it will require from 12 to 15 cords of wood every 24 hours.

It is estimated that the company has enough ground to keep the dredge in operation from 10 to 15 years. The machinery is being shipped from Chicago and already two car loads have arrived. There will be in all about 12 carloads of machinery.

WOMAN'S CLUB NEWS

The regular meeting of the Grants Pass Women's Club was held in the parlors of Bethany Presbyterian church, last Saturday afternoon.

The matter of taking the Cosgrove Orchestra Company, of Chicago, was considered. The proposition made by this noted company of musicians to the club, was to take the first \$75 and 50 per cent of the door receipts.

The following committees were appointed: Decoration—Mrs. Denny, chairman; Advertising—Miss Lucas, chairman; Tickets—Mrs. Hemenway, chairman.

A very interesting program was rendered at the conclusion of the business meeting of the club. Mrs. Walker, who never fails to please, sang a very pretty solo, "Afterwards Love."

Following this was a most entertaining as well as instructive lecture, entitled, "Egyptian Art," by Attorney A. C. Hough. Mr. Hough has a grasp of his subject that does not belong to many, and his address was replete with good things. It was made doubly interesting by a display of his rare collection of colored plates, portraying the matchless art of the monuments of the Ancient and modern Egyptians.

Mrs. D. H. Stovall, Reporter. Grants Pass Weather. Following is a summary weather observation at Grants Pass during the month of December, 1903, as reported by J. R. Padlock, local voluntary observer for the Oregon State Weather Service.

Table with columns: DATE, Max. Temp., Min. Temp., Mean Temp., Wind, Clouds. Summary: Mean temperature, 29; maximum temperature, 37; date, 4; minimum temperature, 25; date, 1; total precipitation, 2.18; total snowfall, 4.00; No. of days clear, 8; partly cloudy, 2; cloudy, 21; storm, 0; prevailing wind, S. W.

CORRESPONDENCE

Kerby Items. School closed for holidays. Kerby has been very lively during holidays, for a mining village. One would wonder from where all the people and "purty gals" came.

There was a New Year's ball given at Holland in the opera house. A large crowd danced on the old, and in the new year. Bertha Bennett, who has been attending the S. O. S. N. S. at Ashland, is visiting her brother and sisters at Kerby. She will return to Ashland to begin work again Monday.

Leland Sitings. The weather at present is not very favorable for placer miners. Robert Westrap has moved into J. Goff's house at Tunnel 2. Business is quiet there.

Willis Kramer made our town a visit a short time ago. He is well pleased with the outlook of his quartz mine. The Vulcan Mining Co., are running their stamp mill to catch up with the rock that has been accumulating on the dump.

At the present writing we are having light showers, with no wind. Stock is doing fine as grass is growing nicely. The weather is all that a farmer can ask for. We have some strangers here who have come from the east; they are astonished to find such warm sunny weather at this time of the year. Those who can do so, will send for their families.

Wilderville Items. We are having fine weather for January. School is going on nicely after a week of vacation. Christmas and New Years have come and gone and we welcome in the year 1904.

Ernest Lewis has returned from San Francisco, and seems to be getting along nicely. Kirkman and Claudius Robinson have gone to Eugene to school after spending vacation at home.

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New Year fights have opened for 1904, and the results are painful. Clyde Jeter of Grants Pass is in this vicinity visiting his many friends. J. L. Woodruff, ex-assessor of Jackson county, was at Grants Pass this week on business.

Willard Gillmore, a prominent citizen of Murphy, is in this vicinity looking after his farming interests. Chas. Burkhalter of this locality, who is erecting a new dwelling at Grants Pass, returned home Saturday.

LAST YEAR'S MARRIAGES

Weddings Held in Josephine County in 1903. January. J. S. Morgan—Carric John. W. Ferguson—Sadie Cra. Frank Fetsch—Mary Burt.

February. Perry Lawwell—Laura C. Perry. Harry A. Pyle—Katie H. W. J. Cleveland—Annie E. March. Wm. A. Coughle—Alice McGregot.

March. R. M. Gaston—Lillian Fair. Edwin W. Turner—Lulu Chapman. William Findley—Winnie Smith.

April. T. S. Englestein—Lia Wood. Felix Kienlen—Louise Leiber. Thos. F. Floyd—Matilda J. Ayers.

May. R. M. Gaston—Lillian Fair. Edwin W. Turner—Lulu Chapman. William Findley—Winnie Smith.

June. G. W. P. Cramer—Jean Longenecker. J. W. Walker—Carric Ellen White. J. H. Hasty—Helen O. St. Louis.

July. Ernest H. Lister—Netta Good. Louis E. Scimeler—Ivanilla Pardin. W. H. Whisman—Kitty Bunch.

August. Frank C. Kinney—Veava Jones. Peter Evans—Adaline Singley. Clyde J. Bell—Marguerite Sowell.

September. J. E. Triplet—Nellie Bacon. Orin F. Demarest—Rose Y. Walker. Frank Duwan—Dee Yokum.

October. J. E. Sowell—Catherine E. Egger. J. Brozanski—Melba J. J. P. Nichols—Francis Howard. C. F. Rader—Vera A. Hathaway.

WEEKS

Break Up a Cold TABLETS. A Modern Scientific Remedy for Colds and La Grippe. Your money back if you want it.

Slover Drug Co. SOLE AGENTS. L. G. HIGGINS Assay Office. CHARGES: Gold, Silver, Copper, Lead, \$1 each. Gold and Silver, \$1.

Notice to School Clerks. To District School Clerks of Josephine County: The rate of school tax for 1904, that the county court will have to levy in order to aggregate an amount which shall be at least \$100 per capita for each child of school age in the county, as per the new school law, will be about 2 1/2 mills on the dollar.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Sugar Pine Dredge & Lumber Company will be held at the office of the said company at Grants Pass, Oregon, on Wednesday, January 13, 1904 at 2 o'clock p. m.

Please Settle. The Fair Store accounts of J. E. Frederick have been placed in the hands of H. G. KINSEY, pres. All persons owing him are requested to call and settle.

Notice. Notice is hereby given that the District Boundary Board of Josephine County, Oregon, will meet at the Court House in the afternoon, on January 7, 1904, to act on a petition now on file to change the boundary line running between the school districts numbered 24 and 22 so as to exclude the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4 of section 15, township 35 south, range 9 west of Williamsburg Meridian, from school district number 23 and to annex said described territory to and cause it to become a part of school district number 24 of Josephine County, Oregon.

Lincoln Savings. Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln Savings, County Supt., Lincoln Savings, County Supt., Lincoln Savings, County Supt.

FOR RENT. TWO unfurnished rooms or furnished bedroom let singly if desired. Terms moderate. Apply to Mrs. Harrison, Second Street, Mrs. Harrison.

REPAIRING. FURNITURE cleaned and upholstering done, carpets cleaned, renovated, household goods repaired for shipment. Apply to E. H. Ehrle, Residence Sixth St.

Christmas Is Over MAGAZINES. CLEMENS, Sells Drugs. Orange Front, Opposite Opera House.

AN IMPORTANT NOTICE. We don't intend to carry over one dollar's worth of the following winter goods if the power of price cutting will get rid of them: Ladies' Misses and Children's Coats and Jackets. Ladies' Opera Shawls, Square Shawls, Scarfs. Ladies' and Children's Golf Gloves. Ladies' Flannel Gowns. Ladies' Dressing Sacks. Ladies' Furs.

E. C. DIXON, SHOES AND FURNISHING GOODS.

A MYSTERY AT KERBY

Mrs. A. Adams Declares She Was Held Up. Mrs. A. Adams of Waldo is the victim of a peculiar experience which happened one day last week as she was returning on horseback from a trip to Kerby.

John George, who lives about two miles from Kerby, was working in his field when he was alarmed by the screams of a woman. He hastened to his house, thinking something dreadful was happening there, but Miss Lucie George, also hearing the screams, ran out to locate the sound and found Mrs. Adams in a fainting condition, almost in sight of the house.

Special School Meeting. The special school meeting which we announced last week for January 11, does not occur until next Monday, January 12. It is very important that a good representation of property owners be present as the matter of voting a special tax will be considered.

AN AWFUL THEATRE FIRE

Six Hundred People Perish in Few Minutes. About 625 people were killed in ten minutes December 30, during a fire at the Tropic Theatre, the newest, largest, and, as far as human power could make it, the safest theatre in Chicago.

A very interesting program was rendered at the conclusion of the business meeting of the club. Mrs. Walker, who never fails to please, sang a very pretty solo, "Afterwards Love." Following this was a most entertaining as well as instructive lecture, entitled, "Egyptian Art," by Attorney A. C. Hough.

COMING EVENTS. Jan. 11, Monday—Special school meeting, city hall. Jan. 6, Wednesday—County Court meets. Jan. 7, Thursday—Meeting of the City Council. Jan. 8, Friday—Meeting of District Boundary Board at Court House. Jan. 10, Sunday—City Court meets. Jan. 10, Sunday—Opera Concert, Orchestra.

Rehkopf & Neas. We keep constantly a good variety, both Eastern and our own make, with prices the lowest, quality considered. Remember we guarantee our vehicles we sell, both our factory make. We have a number of second-hand vehicles which are selling at most reasonable prices. Special attention is given to horse shoeing. Miners, Mill Work and all Buggy and Wagon Repairing. Remember the place, Rehkopf & Neas, and I streets.

CLASSIFIED. JACKET-A big one. Thursday, the Newell and the bank to Miss Luella G. FOU. KEY—Large store owner can have for this notice. WANTED—A planer, shinner heads, not inch, single or double, bolts complete, in good order. Address Lock Box 100, Grants Pass, Ore.

FOR SALE. FOR SALE—A good work horse and gentle, 4 and 10 years old, weight 1200 to 1300 pounds, used to be represented, bought at a reasonable price, double and single harness, one new Stockton wagon, three, almost new, and farm implement. Apply at Couriers office.

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