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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1904.

The Republican state central committee will meet in Portland on February 12 and will then select a time and place for holding the next state convention.

The latest publication to be issued in this city is the Real Estate, socialist paper published by C. W. Barzee as manager and Marcus W. Robbins as editor.

Mrs. Florence Mahyryk has been released from prison and this famous case is at last ended.

Some of the newspapers of Oregon are busily discussing the propriety of the name "Oregon grape," by which our state plant is popularly known.

County Court Doings: County Court met on Monday, February 1, pursuant to adjournment of January 9.

J. E. Loomis was appointed justice of the peace for Gallop precinct, to serve until his successor is elected and qualified.

In the matter of building a bridge across the east fork of the Illinois river, it appearing to the court that there is no necessity for its construction, that the citizens of the vicinity desire construction, that the present bridge is rapidly deteriorating, and that the Waldo Smelting & Mining Co. has agreed to cut and deliver on the ground at actual cost, not to exceed \$50,000 per thousand feet, all necessary lumber and timbers for a bridge at or near the foot of Hogue hill on the east bank of the east fork of the Illinois river.

Are You Going to Build Fences? Remember the Kilsbain Patent machine will make it cheaper and stronger than any other wire fence.

MORE LANDS WITHDRAWN

160,000 Acres in Del Norte County Withdrawn

The following telegram was received at the local office on Saturday: "Washington, D. C., Jan. 21, 1904. Register and Receiver, Eureka, Cal. By letter to you of this date, all the unappropriated public land on the following described townships are withdrawn from settlement entry, sale or other disposal, excepting under the mineral laws—Townships Fifteen, Sixteen, Seventeen, Eighteen and Nineteen, North, Range three East, and Townships Eighteen and Nineteen, North, Range four East, H. M. Acknowledge the receipt of this by wire and post the withdrawal immediately upon your records; the letter follows.

Seven Townships are affected by this order and it comprises nearly 160,000 acres, all of which is located in Del Norte County. The reason for the withdrawal is not known here.

M. A. Wortz has finished the work of hauling the machinery for the big dredge on Footh Creek and has returned to Grants Pass. He moved about 170 tons of machinery, including some very heavy pieces.

The Ashland Tiding reports that Es-Sheriff Orms, mining superintendent for the Condor Water & Power Company, is quoted as saying that his company would in about a month commence the work of installing a 20 stamp mill, at the Braden mine to be operated by electric power from the Gold Ray station.

I still have some gill edge timber claims and homesteads—W. B. Sherman. I can attend to your timber business to your satisfaction—W. B. Sherman.

WANTS AN INDIAN NAME. Col. Draper Seeking Name for a Station. Col. Draper, writes the Del Norte Record as follows: "The use of our railroad is along Smith River, to a large extent, and I am anxious to know what the original name of Smith River was."

The state board of education on Monday granted seven state life diplomas. Miss Lillian L. Hogan of Grants Pass was one of the number receiving life diplomas.

WILL SOON BE COMPLETED

Condor Water & Power Co. Nearly Ready to Furnish Power.

Dr. C. R. Ray, manager of the Condor Water & Power Company, that is putting in the big power plant at Gold Ray, was in Jacksonville last Saturday. The doctor stated that work on the power station was progressing very satisfactorily.

The biggest nugget ever taken out in this county was found in the early days and was worth \$3000. This stream and its tributaries have produced many pieces that would make a \$40 chunk look small.

Years ago, Daniel Miller took out of Miller creek, on Missouri Flat a piece that weighed very nearly \$100. A number of other large nuggets have been found in this creek.

Oscar creek seems to have the record for continuous production of heavy gold. The largest piece taken from this stream weighed over \$400 but contained some quartz.

Gallice creek has produced a \$300 piece and several which weighed \$100 and over. In 1900 Harmon & Green took out a \$65 nugget and the following year one which weighed \$64.

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NUGGETS OF JOSEPHINE

Forty Dollars Not the Largest Nugget Found.

A statement was published in the Portland Telegram a few days ago that a \$40 nugget brought in recently from the Jewell-Hays mine on Oscar creek was the biggest nugget that had been produced in the county.

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Mr. Terry has some very handsome specimens of coarse gold taken from the upper diggings of the company. The gold taken from the lower ground is finer in size.

WILDERVILLE INSTITUTE

A Very Profitable and Enjoyable Occasion.

Before the appointed hour of meeting of the Local Institute at Wilderville, a large and enthusiastic congregation assembled anxiously awaiting the hour for the school bell to ring to announce the arrival of the County superintendent and the opening of institute.

The first subject presented was reading by P. M. Corum. Mr. Corum gave an excellent address in which he brought out many valuable points, all of which were greatly appreciated by the enthusiastic audience.

Miss Orpha Stevenson favored the institute with a recitation, in the delivery of which Miss Stevenson did credit to herself and to the Wilderville school.

Space will not permit of telling in detail the many good things brought out by each person, presenting the several subjects assigned on the program.

Resolved, On the part of the visiting teachers, a rising vote of thanks is extended to the people of Wilderville districts for the hearty reception and kind treatment tendered them.

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WILDERVILLE ITEMS

Old February is coming in quite dull.

Opal Booth made Wilderville friends a short visit. James Hocking, Sr., is on the sick list the past few days. The institute at the Wilderville school house was a success.

John Pernoll, the Applegate merchant, was at Grants Pass this week after a load of groceries and dry goods for the spring trade.

C. O. Biglow, one of Williams creek's famous cattle raisers disposed of a nice little herd of his best steers this week.

We are going to have a new fence around the new school house. The Field boys have the contract to put the fence up.

Times are lively around Hugo. Mrs. Brown made Grants Pass a visit Tuesday. Literary every Saturday night.

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COMING EVENTS

Feb. 1-4, one week, The Great M. E. W. Opera House. Feb. 10-12, "One Night in June" at the opera house.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting. Notice is hereby given that I, Robert J. Fleming, president of the Williamsburg Mining Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Oregon, do hereby call a special meeting of the stockholders of said corporation.

Union Restaurant. STILL ON DECK. Full Meals 25 Cents. Table Board \$3.00 per week. Don't pay 40 or 50 cents when you can get a better meal for 25 cents at the Union.

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