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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1904.

It is to be hoped that the water company will be able to locate the author of the groundless and malicious reports that have been published...

Little war news of importance has come during the week. A report, whose truth is not yet absolutely certain...

A late report from Washington says that President Roosevelt has promised to re-appoint both Root and Bridges as officials of the Missouri land office...

The confirmation by the council of J. D. Stevens as marshal is gratifying to the citizens who wish to see the law and order strictly carried out.

General Kouropatkin, an able and popular commander, has been appointed to lead the Russian army. When he arrives on the scene, the power of the tyrannical Admiral Alexeff will be considerably curtailed.

Senator Mitchell, according to reports, does not take kindly to the idea that obtains in the minds of some of the eastern senators...

International complications are likely to follow the Russian-Japan mix-up with greater certainty than was expected by the most credulous predictor.

Russia seems to expect war with England and neither nation is showing much reluctance to such a condition.

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The City Reservoir. Within the past week, certain stories connected with the reservoir of the Grants Pass New Water Light & Water Co. have been very loudly and widely circulated.

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The management of the Water Co. hesitated to go into print on this matter on the ground that it seems so absurd to think anyone would believe such idle and unreasonable gossip.

Great care is taken to keep the reservoir as clean as the condition of Rogue River will permit. The material is a point above Gilbert creek and the supply pipe runs from there to the pumps.

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ADDITIONAL LOCAL ITEMS

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

In the matter of the Estate of Charles Lee Ellsworth, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Charles Lee Ellsworth, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Josephine County, Oregon, his final account and the said Charles Lee Ellsworth, deceased, has died.

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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. In fact all small and broken lots will be closed out at a great reduction. Nothing but Strictly High Grade Goods. No old, shelf-worn and out-of-style goods at our store. We simply don't want the goods—rather have the money. Yours for good goods at popular prices. E. C. DIXON, SHOES AND FURNISHING GOODS.

BOULDER LEDGE IS FOUND. The Ledge Has Been Sought for Many Years. Jas. M. Dewey, after six months of constant search, has discovered what he says is the old Boulder ledge, or as it is called by some "Old Spot." Dewey and his associates, O. P. Tompkins and A. G. Arnold, have filed locations on the ledge and have done considerable prospect work. The ledge is located on the east side of Mt. Baldy and only four miles from Grants Pass. In the early days of mining in Southern Oregon, a boulder of quartz weighing considerably more than a ton was found on the west slope of Baldy. This boulder was worked up by hand and paid big wages, even for those days. Some 10 years ago, Mansfield found a big boulder of the same spotted quartz on the east slope below where the present locations have been made, which carried values to the amount of \$500 to the ton. This boulder was more covered and had lain there for years, giving no trace as to its former location. Since that time Mansfield has been searching for the original ledge. Many others have been spending time and money in an endeavor to locate the ledge of spotted quartz, but without success. The mountain side is covered with prospect holes, shafts, cuts and tunnels. Dr. Flanagan says a tunnel or more dollars in endeavoring to find the vein. His workings, Mr. Taylor says, are about 200 feet from the point where the ledge is opened up. Dewey came here from Portland nearly a year ago, while Tompkins and Arnold have been prospecting on the California desert for the past six years. The claims have been named California, Kelly and Daisy. The Howell Bros are quite busy working in their new hop yard, which they intend to put in on the McClellan's farm, near the mouth of Williams creek. They have 25 acres of the early beam, which will bring in about 200 tons. They have all their poles cut and the hop-cutters are at work. It requires 60 poles and slats to the acre, and 25,000 is the total amount of poles required. Provo is one of the best hop regions in the state, and produces a fine quality. Books revival, opera house, Friday, February 26th.

PARIS TO NEW YORK OVERLAND. Undoubtedly the first party to make the journey overland from Paris to New York by way of Siberia and Behring Straits was that little company of three under the leadership of Harry DeWitt, who is coming to this city to lecture on Wednesday, March 2. Regarding the scheme to build a railroad from Paris to New York, Harry DeWitt, who explored the proposed route, says: "The day will come when the two places will be joined by rail, but this generation cannot help to make the journey in that way. The cost of building such a road would probably run up into the hundreds of millions, and while money enough could perhaps be raised, it would not be a paying investment. The idea that Behring Straits might be bridged, he says, is a fantastic dream. In the first place it is 42 miles across, and secondly, could a bridge be built of sufficient span, its piers could never be raised, and the ice will break up and break up. Mr. Harry DeWitt will speak at the opera house March 2, under the auspices of the Newman M. E. Choir. Tickets on sale at Horning & DeWitt's.

WIDELVILLE ITEMS. (Rescued too late for last issue.) Grandma Woodard is on the sick list. There was no school on Monday on account of high water. We hear that the Applegate dam was considerably damaged by high water. Mrs. H. D. Jones and Mrs. C. F. Lovelace made a business trip to Grants Pass Monday. On account of high water the stage cannot get farther than Wilderville from Grants Pass Monday. Lots of rain since last week's items came out. Then it looked like farmers would soon be busy at farming, now they will have plenty to do to straighten up where the water tore things down. There was no Sabbath school Sunday on account of rain. Zanoni. Health is good in and around Wilderville at present. The high water took the large dam out of Applegate that belonged to the irrigating company. Miss Lulu Conger, who has been employed in the hotel at Kerbyville for the past few weeks, has returned home. Owing to the heavy rains and disagreeable weather, our farmers have been greatly hindered in the progress of their work. Mr. Meares was suddenly called to his home at Merlin Sunday evening by a telephone message, announcing the illness of his family. While on their way to Wilderville last Saturday, Mrs. Griffith and her sister were thrown out of their buggy but fortunately were not injured. Among those who made business trips to the Pass, recently were C. F. Lovelace, J. C. Meann, J. Hooking, M. Robinson and Mrs. H. D. Jones. Rev. J. Meares of Merlin, preached here Sunday on "Christina Parley." Mr. Meares presented his discourse in a very clear and logical manner, and was given close attention by the audience. John Lewis, who for the past several years has been working in the mines on Galice creek, is spending a few days visiting old-time friends at Wilderville. Mosts Anderson and Stott of Selma were in our midst last week. Mr. Anderson having disposed of his interests at Selma, is now on the lookout for a location. The streams of Applegate and Selma creeks were greatly swollen by the late heavy rainfall of Sunday and Monday of last week and high water, high water mark, rarely seen by the oldest settlers. Mr. Meares' father-in-law, Mr. White, contemplates organizing a class in vocal music here in the near future. This is a subject on which people cannot afford to neglect, and therefore should not fail to avail themselves of this opportunity to advance in this art. The debate at the church Saturday evening was so well attended, as usual on account of the inclemency of the weather. The question, Resolved, "That more information may be gained by traveling than by reading" was discussed by the several grade boys of the school. Many clear and convincing points were brought out on both sides, but the judges decided the weight of argument had been made by the negative, and consequently gave their decision accordingly. On next Saturday evening, the young people of our community will meet at the school house for the purpose of organizing a literary society. This is a move that is well timed, and should receive full encouragement by the older members of the community. We are glad to see the young people taking such an active interest in debates and hope they may continue to direct their thoughts along intellectual lines. Washington's birthday was celebrated by our school in a very appropriate manner. The school room was very tastefully decorated, the National colors being very artistically displayed. The flags were suspended in beautiful profusion. The badge flags were by the little tots adding much beauty to the event. On the occasion the occasion was one to inspire and cultivate true patriotism, and instill in the pupils' minds, true loyalty to our flag and a zealous love for our country. The program which consisted of recitations, songs, essays and dialogues appropriate for the occasion, was read, and in a very creditable manner. The pupils performed their parts in a very pleasing and satisfactory way, and showed a fine desire to discharge the duties assigned them. The program was in any school, in view of the rain, however, but few of the parents were enabled to be present. Although their absence

CLASSIFIED AD. FOR SALE. ENGINE—2 1/2 H. P. Laxier, made Thursday, March 31, 1904, at Elm J. O. Booth, Judge, has that notice thereof published in the Rogue River Courier, Grants Pass, Oregon, for four successive weeks and on the 14th day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said date, time for settling said account all persons interested in said account are hereby notified to appear and send their objections thereto, on or said date. Dated at Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon, February 23, 1904. J. E. PETERSON, Administrator. FOR SALE. ENGINE—2 1/2 H. P. Laxier, made Thursday, March 31, 1904, at Elm J. O. Booth, Judge, has that notice thereof published in the Rogue River Courier, Grants Pass, Oregon, for four successive weeks and on the 14th day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said date, time for settling said account all persons interested in said account are hereby notified to appear and send their objections thereto, on or said date. Dated at Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon, February 23, 1904. J. E. PETERSON, Administrator. FOR RENT. SIX-room house on a street. Inquire of Mrs. J. P. HOUSE close to the center of town, \$10. Inquire at this office. FURNISHED ROOMS—Howard Fourth and D streets. Board if desired. FOUR room house and garage for rent. Inquire of C. H. lower Fifth St. CLEMENS sells Drugs and Books opp. Opera House WEEKS Break Up a Cold TABLETS A Modern Scientific Remedy for Colds and La Grip