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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1904.

It is reported that Presidents Roosevelt and Diaz will soon take a big hunt together in Texas and Indian Territory. In Medieval and ancient times it was customary for rulers to pursue game together, but the practice has fallen more or less into disuse.

The smoke from the forest fires is denser at the present time than it has been for many years past. The nearest hills are blotted out of sight. There is no sun, nothing but a red full moon that shines in the day time. The conditions amply exemplify the inefficiency of the fire laws and of their system.

In one of the most desperately contested and sanguinary battles of modern times, at Liao Yang, the Japanese gained a decided victory over Kuropatkin's army. The latter is now in swift retreat to Harbin with the Japs constantly hammering at his rear guard. The situation of Kuropatkin is yet precarious and he may not be able to extricate his army from the clutches of Oyama's men.

The people of Grants Pass have a right to be proud of their mining exhibit and it is to be hoped that the interest and wide awake spirit which prompted it, will not be allowed to flag and that the exhibit will be maintained permanently. It will grow constantly and can be made many times larger and better than it is now. Visitors are impressed with the variety and excellence of our ore and there is no doubt that Grants Pass and Josephine county are being greatly benefited by the exhibit as it is certain that the benefit will greatly increase as the exhibit is enlarged, improved and made more representative of the district.

BIG GOLD BEARING DIKE

L. G. Higgins Makes Rich Find in Chetco District.

A find of great magnitude and importance was made recently in the Chetco district by L. G. Higgins, who returned last week from a prospecting trip in that country. Mr. Higgins discovered a dike of gold bearing porphyry, 500 feet in width, lying between walls of diorite and slate. On the diorite wall there is a "pill" of gold that can be traced for 500 feet. On the slate wall the gold is traceable for 1000 feet. Mr. Higgins dug into the dike and uncovered some remarkably rich ore, showing free gold in quite exciting quantity. He has a piece of rock about the size of a man's hand, that is filled with particles of gold as large as flakes of wheat bran. Mr. Higgins says there was nothing to indicate that the place where he excavated was any richer than any other spot on the dike. The find is on the Chetco river just west of the Josephine county line. It is reached by way of Selma and the Illinois river route.

THE MOUNTAIN LION MINE

Active Work Now in Progress With Good Results.

The well known Mountain Lion mine, situated in the Missouri Flat district, some 12 miles south of Grants Pass, is a scene of activity, and work on the property is being vigorously carried on under the management of Crawford & Poindexter. Since the new management assumed control in June, they have added 500 feet of tunnel, exposing two good ore veins of an average width of about 14 inches each. One of these veins shows values of \$50 to \$60 to the ton. The other runs from \$15 to \$20. Two stops have been opened and six shifts of men are now working under ground. The old five stamp mill and concentrator have been overhauled and remodelled so that the equipment is practically new. The mill is being operated by day shifts. New bunk house, assay office, blacksmith shop and all auxiliary buildings have been constructed and are neatly and handsomely arranged and located. The property is provided with a first class water right. The assay office is managed by an expert assayer and chemist. The Mountain Lion is a well known property and is famous as a producer of rich rock. It is under bond to Col. J. S. Crawford, Dr. Mark B. Smith of Minneapolis and C. H. Poindexter.

Made Right Move.

The following notice was found posted on a deserted homestead in the arid regions of Kansas:
"Four miles from a neighbor, 10 miles from a postoffice, 25 miles from a railroad, 14 miles from a school house, 41 miles from a church, 102 miles to timber, 300 miles to a democrat, half a mile from water, quarter of a mile from hell and the same distance from a republican. Come to Oregon, which is God's country, to get a fresh start."—Exchange.

Found.

A lady's purse, containing some money and other small articles. By giving a description of the same and paying for this advertisement, the owner can get the purse. Call on Mrs. Robert Booth.

Richard III.

Opera House, one night, Monday, September 12. Prices 15, 25, 35 cents.

NOT SATISFIED?
IF YOUR SHOES HAVE NOT GIVEN SATISFACTION, TRY THE
RED STAR STORE.
W. E. DEAN & CO.,

OPENING MARBLE LEDGE S.O. PIONEER ASSOCIATION

Power Cutting Plant to Be Installed at Williams. Held Their Annual Meeting at Jacksonville Last Week.

C. C. Jones, of Williams was in Jacksonville Saturday. Mr. Jones, with his brother, O. W. Jones is opening a marble ledge in the hill one and a half miles north of the Williams postoffice on Williams creek. They have been manufacturing monuments and tombstones by hand and finding a good sale for their marble. They are installing a power cutting plant, the saw to be operated by water power from a ditch. They expect to have the saws in operation within six weeks. They have an immense ledge of gray marble from which blocks of any size can be taken out and which is solid texture and takes a high polish. It is a fine building marble and when railroad transportation can be had, this marble will find a ready sale among builders as well as for monuments.—Sentinel.

Farm For Sale

160 acres, 60 acres of fine sub-irrigated bottom land under fence and cultivation, a million feet of fine timber, hundreds of cords of hard wood, near town and all down grade on line road. Good two-story dwelling with L. Wall of splendid water at the door. Fine big barn and out buildings. Lots of fruit and berries of all kinds. County road and daily mail at the door. A splendid place for health and a pleasant home. Address Box 117, Woodville, Ore.

Specialties between acts at Richard III. Opera House, Monday, September 12. Prices 15, 25 and 35 cents.

Fall Styles of Shoes
Our SHOES are made especially to our order. Best of materials and first-class workmanship. Not the trash you see advertised at half price. Our prices are the lowest at which such goods as ours can be sold anywhere.
BOYS' SHOES
GIRLS' SHOES
MEN'S SHOES
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SOLE AGENTS
The "Crossett" Shoe for Men \$3.00 \$3.50
\$4.00 \$5.00
The "Utz & Dunn" Shoe for Women \$2.50 \$3.00
\$3.50 \$4.00
The "Queen Quality" Shoe for Women, \$3.00
E. C. DIXON,
Dry Goods and Furnishings.

LAND OFFICE BUSINESS ANOTHER RICH DISCOVERY

Many Homestead and Timber Entries Made Last Month. Ashland Tribune Reports a New Find on Grayback.

Forty-eight homestead entries and 70 timber land applications were made at Roseburg land office during July. Oregon City land office had 25 of the former and 17 of the latter. The Dallas 61 homestead entries, 12 timber land applications and four homestead commutations. Burns land office, homestead entries 19, timber claims 9, homestead commutations, 3. Lakeview land office, homestead entries 8, timber claims 1, homestead commutations, 3. La Grande land office, homestead entries 13, timber land applications, 61, homestead commutations, 6, final homestead proofs, 18, timber land proofs 96.

Under section 2865 of Bellinger and Cotton's Code, as amended by the direct primary elections law, Attorney-General Crawford has held that it becomes the duty of the clerks of the several counties of the state to open the books for registration on September 20 and to keep the same open until 6 o'clock of the evening of October 30, both dates inclusive, in view of the forthcoming November election. Since the section referred to was not amended until after the last June election, the attorney general holds that all of those whose names appear upon the books at that time have been legally registered and will not be compelled to attend to this duty again.

A PACKARD ORGAN

Brand new, oak case, fancy carved. A beautiful oval shaped mirror. The very best of our splendid line of organs, 10 per cent off on this for a few days. Call or write. Easy terms. Allen & Gilbert-Ramak Co., L. O. O. F. Bldg.

TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS THE DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

S. P. Company Will Spend a Fortune on Line To Meet at Grants Pass Friday September 23.

Extensive improvements, involving the expenditure of a vast sum of money, are to be made in the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon during the next six months. The work has already been inaugurated and 80-pound steel rails for 50 miles of new track, from Grants Pass north to West Fork, are now being distributed. There are 40 carloads of these rails now in Portland, en route south, on their way from Chicago rolling mills to Grants Pass.

"Yes, this work will be commenced at once," said James P. O'Brien, superintendent of the lines of the O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific companies in Oregon. "The Southern Pacific now has heavy rails across the Siakiyon mountains and as far north as Grants Pass. The old 60-pound rails are being taken up, and a new rail, weighing 80 pounds to the yard, is being put down. We have today 40 cars of the new rails on hand. The intention is to continue improvements of the Southern Pacific in this state. On the 50 miles of improvement just now commenced the company will spend about \$100,000."

Mr. O'Brien declined to be interviewed further upon the matter and said he was not in a position to say what the future plans of the company are regarding improvements north of West Fork. It is known, however, that a large budget is under consideration by the directors of the road, and not only that, but a big sum of money is already in hand for the further improvement of the Oregon lines under the direction of General Manager E. E. Calvin.

That a spirit of progression has taken hold of the Southern Pacific in Oregon is apparent. There is a marked change in the policy and a disposition to spend a liberal share of the earnings of the road in making its physical condition rank with that of the first class railroads of the country is admitted. Under former management, the road gained the reputation of being a non-progressive line. When Richard Koehler came to Oregon years ago to take the management of the Oregon & California railway, he was the representative of the contingent of German stockholders, and as such was charged with the duty of making the property pay dividends with reasonable regularity and in satisfactory amounts.

He was an economical and conservative manager. While accomplishing his mission in the main, it is said, he did it at the expense of the material progress of the road. Since his retirement and Manager Calvin's succession, things are looking up for the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific as well as for the O. R. & N. Improvements are not only commenced, but more are contemplated. Portland's great feeder in the Willamette valley, it is declared, is to be placed in the front rank as a modern railway line. With extensive improvement of trackage will inevitably follow better equipment and greater facilities of all kinds to meet the growth of the country through which the line passes.

Southern Oregon is coming to the front with giant strides and is now being recognized as exceedingly rich in its vast and varied resources, including fruit, lumber and mining. The most significant recognition of this is the fact that the Southern Pacific management has decided to spend many hundreds of thousands of dollars in making a first-class railway from the Siakiyon mountains to Portland.—Portland Journal.

CIRCUIT COURT JURORS

Twenty-one Citizens Who are to Decide Legal Matters.

The following jury list has been drawn for the September term of circuit court which will be convened on Monday, September 25:

- Wm Crow, farmer, Merlin.
- Sam Eggers, farmer, Waldo.
- H A Rotermund, druggist, Grants Pass.
- M C H Day, carpenter, Grants Pass.
- W F Bowler, farmer, Williams.
- F D Stinger, merchant, Kerby.
- I W Baird, farmer, Selma.
- M F Crooks, farmer, Selma.
- John Mackin, farmer, Leland.
- Geo B Archer, miner, Leland.
- W S Barrie, brick mason, Grants Pass.

- I W Gilmore, merchant, Murphy.
- R P George, farmer, Waldo.
- Dan Peterson, farmer, Higo.
- Joe McCaslin, farmer, Merlin.
- Henry Gross, farmer, Wolf Creek.
- Ed McCann, farmer, Holland.
- T W Conway, farmer, Grants Pass.
- W L Ingram, miner, Grants Pass.
- J T Chausse, farmer, Grants Pass.
- Ed Daily, farmer, Grants Pass.
- Geo P Cramer, merchant, Grants Pass.

- W J Savage, farmer, Grants Pass.
- Sam Christie, farmer, Grants Pass.
- Ben Dimmick, farmer, Grants Pass.
- T D Bidness, farmer, Merlin.
- Almon Jones, farmer, Grants Pass.
- L S Jennings, farmer, Grants Pass.
- J A Skewter, farmer, Holland.
- C G Amott, capitalist, Grants Pass.
- J E Lewis, farmer, Holland.

Mrs. J. H. Hathaway's Sunday school class of girls will give a social at the Presbyterian church parlors Friday evening, September 9, to which all are invited and more especially children from 8 to 13 years. Raffle mats woven by the children will be on sale. They have also prepared a program and will serve refreshments.
U try a Blue Ribbon 5-cent cigar.

A BURDETTE ORGAN

One we took in on a piano a few days ago. High top, walnut case, mirror, five octaves. Will make it the best snap out if taken at once. Have more pianos coming and need room. Allen & Gilbert-Ramak Co., L. O. O. F. Bldg.

Leland Sitings.

Our weather is dry; a little rain would be good to start vegetation. People are coming here from different places, looking for work, also for health.

Homer Wilson, of the Wilson mercantile Co., of Leland, has with his family, gone to St. Louis to take in the world's fair.

The air has become smoky again. For a few days the atmosphere was clear. More campers in the hills mean more forest fires.

Col. Blaisdell, one of our staunch placer miners down Grave creek, is erecting a saw mill. For the present he will cut lumber for the miners.

Postmaster Henry Ball's mother is here on a visit. Reports say she is highly pleased with Leland. She is a resident of the Willamette valley.

Some farmers have cut their third crop of hay. The next crop will go for pasture as in September we have some foggy weather, so the hay will be hard to cure.

Times are good here; our merchants are doing a big business; money is plentiful. People coming from Cottage Grove report dull times there.

No wonder, it is too far from Leland. Wm. Mancera, while piling wood for T. J. Mackin, got too warm and cooled off too quickly; took cold and it settled on his lungs, so he is on the sick list. He has weak lungs. That is all the sickness we have to report.

We see by the Oregonian that in the circus that showed recently in Portland, the employer did not allow any of his employees to use profane language. That is right. Why not enact a law in Josephine county to prohibit swearing? We think it would pass as quickly as the hog law did. We think the English language has words enough to express our ideas without swearing.

A Story & Clark Organ

High top oak case, mirror, five octaves, one we traded in on a piano. We don't intend to keep it if we can get a half way decent price for it. Will sell on \$5 monthly payments. Allen & Gilbert-Ramak Co., L. O. O. F. Bldg.

Fruit wrapping paper can be secured at the Courier office.

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New Management Art Gallery

Sixth Street, oppo. Court House.

CALL AND SEE SAMPLES AND GET PRICES ON UP-TO-DATE WORK

KAISER Photographer

Coming Events.

Sept. 9, Friday—Social at Presbyterian church parlors.
Sept. 14, Wednesday—Social at W. O. W. hall by Royal Neighbors and Modern Woodmen.
Sept. 19, Monday—Annual reunion of Oregon Soldiers and Sailors at Jacksonville, continuing four days.
September 23, Friday—Oregon Development League meets at Grants Pass.
Sept. 26, Monday—Circuit Court meets.

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