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WEST CATCHES CONVICT HALL

Makes Hard Trip to Capture Men Who Broke Faith.

Jesse Hall, the convict who was placed on his honor by Governor West and allowed to work outside the prison walls unguarded, and who broke his parole, stole a horse and skipped, was captured by the governor himself last Thursday, in the coast range a few miles from the town of Blodgett, on the C. & E. railroad. Hall made a highly sensational flight through the Willamette valley holding up and robbing a number of people and at one time kidnapping a rural mail carrier whom he forced to drive him some 30 miles on his way. Governor West took the trail Thursday morning and after following the fugitive for miles through the most inaccessible part of the coast range, he came on the convict's camp, where Hall lay asleep. The governor crawled through the brush to within a few yards of the convict when a snapping twig awoke Hall who sprang to his feet only to find himself covered by the governor's gun. "Who are you, the sheriff?" inquired Hall. "No," replied West, "I am the governor, the man you lied to. Get your hands up there, quick." The hands went up and the governor slipped a pair of hand cuffs on his prisoner. He was taken to a nearby ranch and given food before being taken to the pen where he will hardly be trusted again.

Governor West has been severely criticized by partisan opponents because of his new prison policy but among all citizens who believe in giving the unfortunate prisoners an opportunity of making good when their terms shall have expired approve of the governor's course.

West takes a cheerful view of the whole affair saying, "I am the fellow who was responsible for Hall getting away and it was proper that I should be the fellow to get him back."

Injured in Runaway.

A serious runaway accident occurred at the old Willow Springs placer diggings last Thursday evening when the Misses Hamilton and a party of friends were driving for pleasure. The team became frightened at some object by the roadside and upset the rig throwing all of the occupants to the ground. One of the Miss Hamiltons received a five-inch gash at the base of the brain and another lady suffered severe sprains in both wrists. The injured ones were taken to John Sisty's residence where they received speedy attention by Dr. Anderson who was summoned from this city. All are now reported to be recovering.

Mrs. I. F. Williams was called to Albany Tuesday evening by receipt of a telegram advising her that her son, Oscar Williams, had received a bad fracture of the ankle. He is a barber and has been working at Albany.

MUCH GOLD ON ROGUE RIVER

\$10,000 Per Ton Rock in New Strike. National Debt in River Bed.

Before Col. Frank H. Ray, principal owner of the Rogue River Electric Co., left for New York a couple of months ago he located a quartz ledge along the banks of the Rogue a quarter of a mile below the dam at Gold Ray. The rocks which are crossed by the vein, have been famous fishing ground and trod over for years by thousands of sportsmen. Though narrow on the surface the ledge deepens as it is gone down upon, and the vein is now over four feet in width with the work-already done.

The ore is very rich, some of it having assayed as high as \$10,000 a ton. It is estimated that there is \$100,000 in sight at the present time.

So favorable is the showing that Col. Ray is hastening back from New York where he expected to spend the summer, and will personally direct operations in this discovery of his.

"If I had one tenth of the gold lying at the bottom of Rogue River I would pay off the national debt."

In such a manner did H. G. Deane, one of the oldest operators of placer mining in Southern Oregon express his faith in the working of gravel at the bottom of the Rogue. Mr. Deane has in operation now a placer mine below Grants Pass.

"Along Rogue River," continued Mr. Deane, "some very rich placer ground has been worked. Much of this has escaped. The gold I am taking from the river now has been 'knicked' to a very great extent, showing the carelessness of the earlier miners. The Rogue will be a great producer when properly worked."

Mr. Deane recently found a ledge of quartz seven miles from Merlin Assays show values of \$40 to the ton. Mr. Deane states that he has an immense quantity of the ore in sight.

Thirteen hundred dollars in gold pounded out in two or three days work in a mortar from a ledge in the Gold Hill mine, the most famous pocket ever discovered in Southern Oregon has convinced Joe Perry that he has again found the main ledge and that operation of the mine on a short time.

Perry came to Medford Friday with the gold which was weighed and deposited to his account in a Medford bank. He is certain that he has discovered the original lead which in times gone by proved such a banana. The mine is the property of Col. Frank Ray and Dr. C. R. Ray but has been leased by Perry.

Miss Esther Merrit entertained some twenty odd friends Tuesday evening at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Moore, the occasion being in honor of her friend, Miss Helen Shaw, of Oakland, California, who is visiting here. Dancing was the order of the evening and delicious refreshments were served at midnight.

NEW METHODIST PASTOR



Rev. H. N. Aldrich, who arrived from the east a few days ago to take charge of the pastoral work for the Methodist Episcopal church in this city, comes to us with high recommendations from the town of his latest labor, Crystal Falls, Michigan. In noting their departure from this city a local newspaper gives Rev. and Mrs. Aldrich the following complimentary mention:

Rev. Aldrich came to our city three years ago, and during his stay here has been an exceedingly faithful and tireless worker for his congregation and the people of the city generally; among whom he is well and favorably known, regardless of creed or denomination. Rev. Aldrich is the happy possessor of a splendid tenor voice, and he has used it unsparringly, both in connection with his church work and on concert programs. Since coming to the local church, the society has become thoroughly organized in every department and the membership has more than doubled. He has also been active in some of the fraternal societies where his assistance has been greatly appreciated.

Rev. H. N. Aldrich was the guest of honor at a banquet given by the K. P. lodge in their hall last Wednesday evening. During the evening Prof. W. D. Hill, in behalf of the lodge, presented Rev. Aldrich with a very beautiful K. P. pin, as a token of the esteem and friendship in which he is held by the members of the lodge.

A largely attended farewell reception was given last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Rowley, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. H. N. Aldrich, who leave next Monday evening for Oregon, where Rev. Aldrich is to have charge of a church. The reception was attended by many members of the Methodist congregation here, also by several from other denominations.

Rogue River Claims Another Victim.

The body of Archie McDonald, who was drowned in upper Rogue river, while working on the county bridge a short distance above the Enyart ranch, was recovered Monday. The remains were shipped to Aberdeen, Washington, where his relatives reside. Mrs. Cryderman, of this city, who is an old resident of this part of the valley, is an aunt of the unfortunate young man. He visited her here for a few days before leaving for the upper river where he met his death.

Fred H. Hopkins and family arrived from Portland Saturday and are again established in their Snowy Butte home in this city. They drove through in their auto and report a most enjoyable trip the roads being in fine condition and the weather ideal.

English poultryman At O. A. C.

Corvallis, Ore., June 23—An English poultry specialist, Prof. T. R. Robinson of Wye Agricultural College, England, has just made a special trip from British Columbia to inspect the poultry plant of the Oregon Agricultural College of which he had heard when making a tour of the Canadian provinces on an investigation of poultry and stock instruction methods there. He expressed surprise at the extent and completeness of the facilities for instruction at the Oregon plant, and stated that the conditions were ideal here for successful poultry culture.

The big ditching machine belonging to Jacobson & Bude arrived in town Friday and started work Sunday morning. It was working west on Laurel street yesterday and making excellent progress.

SECOND STORY ON POSTOFFICE

In rease in Postal Business Requires More Office Room.

I. F. Williams, who owns the brick building in which the post office is located announces that work will commence within a week or so on a second story for that structure.

Increased postal business makes additional office room necessary and Postmaster Tex finds that the space now occupied as living rooms for his family must be turned into office space. The second story, now to be added, will be fitted up as a modern flat, and will be occupied by Mr. Tex and his family.

Modoc War Relic.

Like an echo from the past came an interesting letter to John E. Ross, of this city the other day, accompanying a relic of Captain Jack, the famous Modoc chief of the early '70s, who as leader of the braves of that tribe gave the settlers and the government troops so much trouble in the early history of this section.

The letter, which is written by S. P. Hammond, of Alturas, California, accompanies an old fashioned, rim fire, 46-calibre Winchester cartridge such as Captain Jack used in his partly home made rifle during the Modoc war. The letter, in part, says:

"Dear Friend Johnnie:—Consider the contents of this box as a compliment from an old acquaintance. It is an old Modoc war relic picked up at Capt. Jack's stronghold in the famous Modoc Lava Beds by myself. 'Thought you might appreciate it.'"

The Modoc war days are well remembered by all of the older residents of this valley and the many of the pioneers, including Mr. Ross's father, the late Col. John E. Ross were participants in the scrap. After the surrender of the Indians, Capt. Jack, Schronchin jr., and one or two others were tried convicted and executed at Fort Klamath. The execution took place October 3, 1873.

The rifle used by Captain Jack during the war, and from which cartridges similar to the one found by Mr. Hammond were shot, is in the possession of Judge Evan Reames, of Klamath Falls, who secured it from Capt. Jack's squaw after he was executed. It is said that whenever any of the old Indians who knew Jack in his palmy days call to take a look at the old gun they cover their faces and weep bitterly. The gun is a curiosity in itself. The barrel was evidently taken from an old muzzle loader and set on a Winchester frame in such a way as to make a repeater and while the workmanship is rough, looking as though it had been executed by some country blacksmith without any gunsmith tools, it is effective and is said to be a strong shooting and accurate weapon.

Judge Reames is a brother-in-law of the Ross brothers of this city.

WILL GO TO BUTTE FALLS

Central Pointers to Celebrate in Tall Timber Metropolis.

It's C. P. for the tall timber July 4th in this year of grace according to plans formulated by the Central Point Band within the past week, whereby that organization has arranged for a special excursion train on the Pacific & Eastern railway to carry all who wish to go to the tall timber metropolis.

Many residents of this city and surrounding country have never visited Butte Falls and as the band has been offered flattering inducements to furnish music for the national holiday up there the boys decided it would be the proper thing to take a crowd along to help the people of the new city make the eagle scream as in good shape. The local band team will also go to the Falls on that day and a good game is promised.

An effort was made to have the P. & E. officials arrange to drop their train down to this city over the S. P. tracks but that was found impracticable. Arrangements have been made, however, to take passengers by team to the P. & E. crossing just east of the C. P. cemetery where the train will meet the excursionists.

It is expected that two or three coaches will be filled with Central Point excursionists alone and the band boys are particularly anxious to have a large and representative crowd join the excursion. The round trip fare is \$1.75. Train leaves Davis station at 7:15 a. m.

Merchants Have Credit Guide.

The Merchants' Mercantile company of Portland is preparing to publish a credit guide for this district, including Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Curry and Klamath counties.

By this system this county will be put in direct touch with credit conditions all over the United States and whenever any one moves here from any other part of the country the merchants here will be at once posted through this company as to how the party paid his bills where he formerly lived.

These credit guides are made up in districts covering every state in the Union. They are made from the combined experience of all the merchants in each of these districts and every merchant rates his own customers according to how they have paid him. Before a customer is rated he is given notice by letter that he will be rated and is given a chance to pay up his old account and thus secure a good rating.

Each merchant and professional man is furnished with a copy of the guide so that he may refer to it and look up the rating of any customer or prospective customer before giving any credit.

George Wright and family, of near Crockett, were in the city during the week on a supply buying trip and visiting friends and relatives.



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