

## YOUTHS SENT TO TRAINING SCHOOL

Sweet Home Lads Were Taken Before Judge McKnight for Hearing.

## CONFESSED CRIMES IN OPEN COURT

Appropriated Gold Watch and Rifle--Parents Did Not Appear at Trial.

Continued from Saturday, August 2.

County Judge McKnight this morning committed Elmer Boucher and Ira Bird, two Sweet Home lads both age 15, to the state training school for boys following a hearing of the claims made against the boys of stealing a gold watch, a rifle and plotting to steal money. The parents of both lads were in favor of their commitment, sending word to this effect, upon their inability to appear at the hearing. The lads were taken to the reform school on the noon train by Sheriff Bodine.

Young Boucher is the son of Geo. Boucher, and Bird is the step-son of Charles Wagner, of Sweet Home. The lads were brought here Monday afternoon from that place by Deputy Sheriff Slavins and T. F. Brady upon the request of their parents.

No charge was filed against them but from the information given out by Mr. Brady the boys have been guilty of several petty thefts and were overheard plotting to steal some money. They made a clean breast of the crimes committed by them to Deputy Sheriff Slavins, and repeated the confession this morning to Judge McKnight.

According to the story told they left their home last week, appropriating a rifle from Charles Wagner, step-father of the Bird youth. They proceeded to Cascadia where they stole a gold watch. Later they returned to the neighborhood of Sweet Home and while conversing in an old shack, Mr. Bird overheard them plotting to rob young Bird's grandfather of \$400, which they knew he had at that time in his possession.

According to the testimony of the youths, they desired to secure the money and skin for the other side of the mountains. They were perfectly conversant upon their episodes and willingly answered all questions asked them. They apparently accepted their fate in good humor.

The only kick they openly registered was the fact that Sheriff Bodine took them to the reform school on the Southern Pacific instead of the Oregon Electric as they expressed a desire to ride on an electric train.

## BASKET FACTORY MAY BE ORGANIZED HERE

Saw Mill Man Makes Flattering Proposition to Commercial Club.

That a splint basket factory should be located here was indicated today by I. D. Strain, owner of an east end saw mill, presented a proposition to Manager Stewart of the Commercial Club.

Mr. Strain wants to organize a factory for the manufacture of baskets with a capitalization of \$2500. He says he will take half of that amount and has the promise of a prominent farmer to take a quarter. If an enterprising man can be found who would take the other quarter and is willing to work in the plant the proposition will easily carry for this is the main point of Mr. Strain's proposal.

W. B. Stevens returned last evening from Newport where he has been outing. He will return to the resort later.

## Are You Going to Build?

Let Us Save You Money on Your Mill Work

**Cameron's**  
IS THE PLACE

## GRAVEL PITS WILL OPEN MONDAY

Largest Pits on the Pacific Coast Will Be Put in Operation Soon.

## STEAM SHOVEL AND FOUR ENGINES ARE TO COME

Operated by Oregon Electric Railroad; Does Not Indicate New Work.

With the importation of one steam shovel and four steam engines, the largest gravel pit of the northwest will be reopened for operations Monday. The pit is located one and one-half miles east of here and is operated by the Oregon Electric railway. This is according to a statement secured this morning from J. J. Hoydar, local agent of the Oregon Electric.

This means that scores of workmen will be given employment, but Mr. Hoydar stated that the company is already supplied with the necessary crews and they will be imported with the machinery.

The pit has been lying idle since the completion of the ballasting of the Corvallis branch of the road and various places on the main line from Salem to Eugene.

It could not be learned if the resumption of operations in the pit was indicative of new construction work on the road. Mr. Hoydar stated that the ballast to be taken out is to be hauled to various points along the routes for filling in and rebalasting the roadbeds.

According to an announcement made some time ago much of the gravel will be taken for the ballasting of the Monroe-Eugene branch of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern railway. It is understood that this road is practically in "ship shape" with the exception of ballast in spots where needed.

The gravel pits here are the largest on the Pacific Coast and contain more than 700,000 yards of gravel easily accessible. It will be possible to take out 200 carloads of gravel per day after the new machinery arrives and is placed in operation.

## WILL INSTALL GAS PLANT SAYS RAUCH

Will Republish Ordinance and Proceed with Construction in Near Future.

That G. L. Rauch and business associates have no intention whatever of giving up the proposed plans for the construction of a gas plant in this city was the statement made by Mr. Rauch to a Democrat representative this morning.

"Owing to a technical objection we were unable to proceed under the old ordinance but we never at any time expected to abandon the field and propose to republish the ordinance within the next thirty or sixty days. Myself and the men who are associated with me in this enterprise are more than favorably impressed with Albany and the future of this section of the state and propose and promise to proceed with the construction of our gas plant just as soon as it is possible to make the necessary arrangements."

## HARRISBURG HAS ANOTHER NEWSPAPER

Harrisburg, Or., Aug 2.—(Special to Democrat)—Harrisburg can now boast of another newspaper. "The Commonwealth," edited by Virgil Massey. The first issue made its appearance the fore part of this week. It is to be a weekly and is neatly gotten up. The first number contained much local news and it is believed that the people of Harrisburg will lend their hearty support to the new venture.

Mrs. A. M. Hammer is at Pettibone's shoe store, E. 1. and J. L. Gilbert.

## 16-INCH SLABWOOD

This ad is good for TEN CENTS per load on all orders from out-of-town trade for five loads or more, if presented at our office during the month of August. Wood to be dumped on County Road.

ALBANY LUMBER COMPANY

## FRACTURES ARM CROSSING TRACK

Mrs. J. W. Ellison Sustained Broken Wrist Yesterday Afternoon.

## TWISTED ANKLE ON PROJECTING BRICK

Corner of Fifth and Lyon Street Is Scene of Accident; Bone Set.

While crossing at the intersection of Lyon and Fifth streets yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, Mrs. J. W. Ellison, who resides at Third and Railroad streets, twisted her ankle upon stepping on a projecting brick in the car track and in the fall she sustained a broken left wrist.

The injured lady was hurried to Dr. Russell Wallace's office where the bone was set and bandaged. This morning Mrs. Ellison stated that she was suffering with much pain from the fracture and that she passed a restless night. However, the physician is of the opinion that the injury will cause but little trouble. He stated that one of the minor bones in the wrist had been broken.

The accident happened in a peculiar way. Mrs. Ellison was crossing the street when she suddenly twisted her ankle, which gave way under the weight of her body. The lady fell in a heap beside the car track and in an effort to break the fall, threw her left arm downward. Her entire weight fell upon it.

It has been declared that the roadbed of the street car track is in a lamentable condition and especially on the surface. The rails are bordered with bricks and during the constant travel the bricks have been jostled above the level of the street. Some project as much as two or three inches above the level of the pavement. Crossing the tracks is declared to be dangerous at various points. It is due to this condition that Mrs. Ellison is suffering with a broken arm.

Recently the city council passed an ordinance for the repairing of the track at the corner of Lyon and First streets and it is understood that the company will commence work in a short while.

Mrs. Herbert Schroeder, of Gates, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beeson, of this city.

## PROF. GLADSTONE IN ALBANY

NOTED LIFE READER, CLAIRVOYANT, PALMIST, PSYCHIC, AND MAGNETIC HEALER

Has opened offices in Albany. His readings pertaining to business affairs, have been the means of making hundreds successful and wealthy.

He simply baffles description and amazes all who visit him. He tells your name, and reads your life from infancy to old age. If you want to gain your greatest wish in life, if you want to gain the one you love in marriage, or make those you care for staunch friends, there is absolutely a sure and simple way that never fails. I can overcome your troubles and obstacles in 26 to 60 days or no pay. Is this not fair? You can consult this gifted seer on all affairs of life, in business, love, marriage, divorce, missing loved ones, enemies, rivals, wills, deeds, mortgages, buying, selling, investments, one's old estates, mines, prospecting, buried treasure. Unites the separated, rescues evil influences, and makes all things as you desire them to be.

Lurking on the border of an unseen world, he sees and describes incidents and changes in your past, coming events in your future, and tells you just what to do and how to act at the proper time, in fact, a reading that will be of lifelong benefit.

Parlors 104 West 3rd street, corner of Lyons. Readings \$1 for the next 5 days. All readings strictly private and confidential.

## UNIVERSITY COURSE OF ENGLISH IS SCORED

Professor Merriam in Speech Made at Eugene Makes Criticism.

University of Oregon, Eugene, Aug. 1.—English is not properly taught in any of the schools of this country, declared Professor Harold C. Merriam, of Reed College, speaking before the University Summer school yesterday. "English teachers are overworked and then the English taught is of the literary type, for which 90 per cent of the students will have no use."

Wilfred Gardner returned yesterday from a visit with friends in Eugene.

## THEY PAID THE BILL IN ELKS CURRENCY

That the firm of Collins & Taylor believe in advertising is indicated by the novel stunt pulled off yesterday by the members of that enterprising firm at the expense of W. W. Ashby of the Warren Construction company.

Many residents of Albany yesterday noticed the Ashby conveyance being driven through the streets with a sign attached to the harness upon which was inscribed the following: "For Sale by Collins & Taylor."

Today Collins & Taylor received a bill from Ashby for \$25 for advertising and the same was paid in Elk's High Jinks currency.

Dr. W. R. Blyen is at Newport spending a brief outing.

George H. Crowell transacted business yesterday at Kings Valley.

## ALBANY MAN BUYS 40 HORSE POWER TRACTOR AND PLOW

John Ropp Will Engage in Plowing Business with Case Equipment.

Arriving yesterday over the Southern Pacific, a 40 horsepower Case tractor, including a 6 button self lifting plow, with full equipments, was unloaded this morning for John Ropp.

The plow is the latest of its kind to be manufactured by the Case company and is perhaps the first to appear on the Coast. It is an entirely new contraption from any previous makes.

It is the intention of Mr. Ropp to engage in the plowing business with his new outfit. L. R. Watters, local agent for the Case company, through whom the sale was made, superintendent of the outfit.

## GET SATISFACTORY MERCHANDISE For Your Summer Needs BETTER VALUES FOR YOUR MONEY



## R & G CORSETS

In the new models

A fit for any figure

\$1.00 to \$3.00 pair

Sweaters and Mackinaws For Your Summer Outing

Women's Good All-Wool Ruff-Neck Sweaters \$3.95 to \$6.50 each

Children's and Misses' Ruff-neck Sweaters \$2.00 to \$4.00 each

Agents for Standard Patterns

**FLOOD'S STORE**  
334 WEST FIRST STREET

Agents for Kabo Reducing Corsets

## How Would You Like to Be Out In a SNOW STORM

For a Few Minutes Now.

You can get a similar effect HERE. The white summer goods are as pure and white as snow, and the reduced prices are about as low as the mercury gets in the winter time.

DON'T THESE PRICES APPEAL TO YOU?

## MEN'S OXFORDS

Your choice of any Men's Oxford in stock, including Florsheim, Thompson Brothers and other standard makes in tan and black. Regular prices \$3.50 to \$5.00.

SPECIAL AT \$1.50

## MEN'S BUTTON AND LACE SHOES

In Tan, Patent, and Vici leathers. Regular prices \$3.50 to \$5.00.

SPECIAL AT \$2.98

PARASOLS: An elegant assortment of this season's best shades, in solid and combinations of colors. SPECIAL AT 1-4 OFF REGULAR PRICES.

Ladies' and Misses' White Shoes and Oxfords ARE REDUCED, ALSO TAN, BROWN, GREY AND BLACK OXFORDS AND PUMPS. THERE ARE TOO MANY DESCRIPTIONS AND PRICES TO LIST.

See Them, You Will Be Pleased.

47 YEARS YOUNG

**S. E. Young & Son**

EST. 1866