

The Spray Courier.

THURSDAY, Jan. 20, 1916.

LOCAL BRIEFS

C. A. Neal of Monument was here Friday on land business.

Born to H. H. Barry and wife of Richmond, Jan. 9, 1916, a girl.

Commissioner Wright is feeding his cattle at the R. E. Wilson place below town.

The water main along Main Street has been frozen for a few days and most of the town is dry.

Joe and Paul Barry brought us a load of wood the other day which was highly appreciated; it made the "devil" smile.

The number of horses in Oregon this year, according to the government Stock Report, is 295,000, compared to 304,000 one year ago.

Hay is very scarce in this section and unless there is an early change in weather conditions, the loss of much stock is feared.

The Chenook wind has begun to blow and the snow is melting. If it continues for a few days, the snow on the river will all be gone.

The Ranard Comedy Co., gave a show in the Town Hall last Friday evening, but owing to the cold weather only a few were in attendance.

A blue cross on the margin of your paper denotes that your subscription has expired and you are cordially invited to renew; a red cross indicates that you are one year in arrears.

There will be preaching at the church each Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock, by Rev. D. W. Moore. Every body is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. P. A. Dixon has been quite sick for a few days, but we are glad to state that she is much better at this time.

The State of Oregon received from motor vehicles and chauffeur license, in 1915, \$108,881.50. Of this amount, \$87,230.08, or 80.1-10 per cent of the total receipts were remitted to the counties for general road work. Of this, Wheeler County received \$184.26.

The "Watkins man" informs us that he is sending a bottle of liniment to the Editor of the Mitchell Sentinel, and we wonder what our old friend "Pike" has run into. If it was salve he was ordering, we would at once conclude that he was trying to heal some old sores.

The greatest religious meeting ever held on the Pacific coast will convene at Portland February the 13th and will remain in session four days. It is known as the "Laymen's Missionary Convention," is non-sectarian in character and will be attended by the male members of every church in the State of Oregon, south western Washington and up the Columbia River as far as pasco.

Rev. D. W. Moore delivered an excellent discourse Sunday evening on the Mystery of Righteousness and the Mystery of Iniquity. In his elaborations on the latter he assailed one of the great evils that menace the safety of American liberty, viz. political corruption. In these days of fraud and corrupt practice, the sentiment expressed is appropriate and needful and should be herald from every pulpit in the country, until the corrupt politician, like the saloon keeper, would have to go to California.

LIFE IN THE SEA.

It Exceeds That of the Land; Square Mile For Square Mile.

The sea teems with plants and animals, and it has been estimated that the amount of life in the sea exceeds that of the land, square mile for square mile. Animal life is found nearly everywhere, even at the greatest depths; but it flourishes best at or near the shore. On the other hand, plant life seems to be absent over the bottoms of the ocean basins, but plentiful at the surface, where the sunlight plays an important part in its growth.

It is believed that the original forms of life began in the ocean many millions of years ago, and at no time since has life there ceased. Many of the earliest forms are now extinct; others have gradually increased in number and variety from their beginning to the present time. How long ago life began no one has definitely determined, but it is known to have been many millions of years ago, for the remains of extinct animals and plants are found in the oldest sedimentary rocks.

According to geologists, the oceanic waters have made many incursions upon the continents and at times have nearly submerged them. Long ago, even in a geologic sense, before the birth of the Appalachian or Rocky mountains, the sea made frequent visits to the interior of our continent and left, after each retreat, a sandy, muddy or silty deposit mixed with shells and other organic remains, which later became solidified into rock. Were not the organic remains still found in the deposits it would be difficult to believe that the ancestors of many present day sea animals once lived along the beaches of an ancient inland sea.—Geological Survey Bulletin.

FATE HAD WILLED IT.

So, In Typical Far Eastern Style, They Made the Best of It.

We were standing round a small fire—wrote Arminius Vambury, the Hungarian linguist and traveler, in his account of a caravan journey to Bokhara—when we were startled by two reports from firearms and the loud yelling of some person who was badly hurt. The whole caravan was alarmed, and we all ran to the rear, where we found one of our companions with a shattered arm.

The cause of the affray was this: Several horsemen who were covering the annual taxes from Shiraz to Tehran had come up with two Jewish shopkeepers, whom they first insulted and then started to assault, when a Persian of our company interfered. One of the horsemen became so enraged that he lifted his rifle and shot at the Jews. He afterward declared that he had intended to frighten one of the Jews by shooting through his cap, but he missed his aim and hit the Persian's arm.

The incident so exasperated the whole caravan that our men pursued the culprit and brought him back securely tied. The poor wretch was given such a beating that he was unable to walk and was placed with his victim on one of the caravan mules. Left to themselves, the would be murderer and his victim became quite friendly. They tied up each other's wounds, consoled one another and went so far in their newborn friendship as to kiss each other, for according to the eastern way of thinking neither of them was to be held responsible for what had happened. Fate had willed it.

Hit Him Coming and Going.

An attorney went to a livery stable and hired a team for two or three hours and at the end of that time, in a state of absentmindedness, left the team at another livery stable, where it remained eight days. At stable No. 1 there was no worry about the team. They knew the attorney was perfectly good for the pay. At stable No. 2 there was equal freedom from anxiety. The attorney came there, left the team and went away, saying nothing. They put the horse into a stall and "chained it down" on the office slate, knowing him to be a business man who paid cash. Discovery came at last, and the lawyer was presented with two bills, one for eight days' hire and the other for eight days' keep. He paid both bills promptly, but it cured him of being absentminded for nearly a whole month.

A Fearful Poison.

From the microbe which gives rise in human beings to the disease known as tetanus, or lockjaw, a poison called tetanin is obtained which is over 100 times more powerful than strychnine. A fragment of tetanin so small as to be invisible to the naked eye would kill almost instantaneously the strongest man. One fifteen-thousandth part of a grain of it has caused the death of a horse 1,000,000,000 times its own weight.—Pearson's.

Purely Feminine.

Small Niece—Uncle John, if you don't give me a cent I'll be mad at you. Small Uncle John—Here's the coin. Small Niece—And for 2 cents, Uncle John, I'll like you ever so much and for 3 I'll love you and for 4 I'll simply idolize you.—New York Globe.

Romance in High Life.

"Do you love me?" It was an old question, but he sprang a variation of the stereotyped reply: "I love the very ground you motor over," he said.—Kansas City Journal.

Must Be Pretty.

He—Have you ever looked in the glass when you are angry? She—No; I'm never angry when I look in the glass.

Who has deceived thee as often as thyself?—Franklin.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles,
Oregon, December 9th 1915.
Notice is hereby given that Edgar B. Enyatt, of Spray Oregon, who on August 31st 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 0484 and on August 26th 1915, made additional Homestead Entry No. 015348, for lots 1-2-3-4, NE1/4 & SE1/4, Sec. 31, T. 9 S. R. 25 E. & lot 3, Section 6, Township 10 South, Range 25 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before David E. Baxter U. S. Commissioner, at Spray Oregon, on the 22nd day of January, 1916.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Ed Templeton, Clarence Templeton, Eugene Spray, Robert E. Wright, all of Spray Oregon.

H. Frank Woodcock, Register
2-9 1-12

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

ISOLATED TRACT

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office The Dalles, Ore.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Sec. 2455, R. S., pursuant to the application of Sarah P. Chapman, Serial No. 014111, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$1.25 per acre, at 9.30 o'clock A. M., on the 8th day of February, next at this office, the following tract of land: NW1/4, SE1/4, Section 25, Township 9, South Range 23, East and Lot 2, Section 30, Township 9 South Range 24, East Willamette Meridian. (158.69 Acres). This tract is ordered into the market on a showing that the greater portion thereof is mountainous or too rough for cultivation.

The sale will not be kept open, but will be declared closed when those present at the hour named have ceased bidding. The person making the highest bid will be required to immediately pay to the Receiver the amount thereof. Any persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims, or objections on or before the time designated for sale.

L. A. Booth Receiver
12-9-1-13

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

ISOLATED TRACT.

Public Land Sale—Department of the Interior.

U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon,
Nov. 22nd 1915.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Sec. 2455, R. S., pursuant to the application of Isaac M. Chapman, Serial No. 014245, will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$1.50 per acre, at 9.45 o'clock A. M., on the 11th day of January, 1916, next, at this office, the following tract of land: E1/2 of W1/2 Sec. 31, T. 9 S. R. 24 E. W. M. (160 Acres). This tract is ordered into the market on a showing that the greater portion thereof is mountainous or too rough for cultivation.

The sale will not be kept open, but will be declared closed when those present at the hour named have ceased bidding. The person making the highest bid will be required to immediately pay to the Receiver the amount thereof.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.

L. A. Booth Receiver
12-2-1-16

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles,
Oregon, Dec. 7, 1915.

NOTICE is hereby given that Burr Frutchey, of Winlock, Oregon, who, on March the 23 1909, made Homestead Entry No. 04669 and on May 23 1914, made additional Homestead Entry No. 013257, for W1/2NE1/4, SE1/4NW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4, Sec. 19, W1/2NW1/4, NE1/4NW1/4, Sec. 20 Township 8 South, Range 24 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before David E. Baxter U. S. Commissioner, at Spray Oregon on the 25th day of January, 1916.

Claimant names as witnesses:
Peter Hartman, Martin Johnson, N. S. Nelson, Clarence F. Nash, all of Winlock, Oregon.
H. Frank Woodcock, Register.
12-16-1-20

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