

**LIVE CECIL NEWS ITEMS**

E. Crowley, one of Arlington's leading Cecil during the week.

Mrs. Weltha Combest spent Wednesday with Mrs. Henry J. Stroeter of Four Mile.

Messrs. Turner and Mannikin were in Cecil from their ranches near Ions on Tuesday.

Misses Esther Logan and Esther Winter of Four Mile were visiting at Cecil school on Friday.

Geo. Henriksen of Rhea and E. J. Fairbairn from the Farnsworth ranch were in Cecil on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Hardesty and daughter of Morgan were looking up their Cecil friends on Sunday.

Misses Lois Easterly and Esther Logan of Four Mile were calling on their Cecil friends on Saturday.

R. E. Crego of Pacific Telephone Co. was overlooking the company's wires in the Cecil office on Thursday.

U. E. Baker, late of Broadacres, returned from Portland on Tuesday and will visit his old friends for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Palmateer of Windybrook were callers at the Leon Logan ranch at Four Mile on Monday.

Lief Erickson of Bellingham, Wash., arrived in Cecil on Sunday and will work at The Last Camp for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Farley and family made a short stay in Cecil on their way from The Willows to Heppner on Tuesday.

"Doc Yak" has been busy during the week repairing his car and we hope to see the good old "34" on the road once more.

Ralph Winter and sister, Miss C. Winter of Four Mile and Walter Pope of Cecil made a short stay in Arlington on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Stroeter and family of Four Mile spent Sunday with J. W. Osborn and sister, Mrs. Weltha Combest of Cecil.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs of The Last Camp, accompanied by Miss Georgia Summers, were visiting friends in Arlington on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Farnsworth and family of Rhea, accompanied by Miss Claris Middlewart, were calling on their Cecil friends on Sunday.

Miss Lois Easterly, teacher of Four Mile school left on the local for Condon to attend the teachers' institute held there during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Butterby Flats, accompanied by their niece, Miss Louise Shaw, spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Henriksen of Rhea.

Carl Yount and E. Swanson, grain buyers from the Egg City, have been doing business around Cecil during the week.

Henry Stender and daughter, Miss Annie, left on the local for Portland, where Mr. Stender will visit for some time and Miss Annie will enter her school for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis and family of The Dalles arrived at Ewing on Sunday. They have rented the John Nash ranch and also some hay land from R. E. Duncan of Busy Bee ranch.

Two large bands of sheep passed through Cecil on Sunday for the Farley ranch near The Willows. They belong to Mrs. Peter Farley and James Farley and will winter at The Willows.

Galen Falkner, who has been working in the harvest fields around Harman for the past two months, turned up once more in his old home town during the week. Galen will take up his residence for a time with Oscar Lundell of Rhea.

Geo. W. Wilson of Butterby Flats was called to The Dalles on Friday, where he will visit his brother Robert, wife and daughter, who are in the hospital there. At time of writing they were all very ill, suffering from typhoid fever.

Mrs. A. and O. Henriksen and daughter Anna Josephine of Willow Creek Ranch and The Snuggers, also Miss Leah Geyler of Portland visited with Mrs. T. H. Lowe at The Highway House and were entertained to an afternoon blue tea before leaving for their homes.

**OBJECTIONS TO THE 5 PER CENT INTEREST BILL**

By John L. Etheridge.

As one who has handled millions of investors money, I perhaps am in a position to say a word of warning as to the effect of the interest amendment that is to be voted upon by the people of Oregon in November. This measure is to place a constitutional limit upon the rate of interest that may be charged in this state. The rate is to be limited to 5 percent for contract money, which includes bonds, mortgages and notes, and to 4 percent for money borrowed without specifying the rate by contract.

A large part of the funds I have handled is that of Oregon investors. These investors are conservative, and do not want the highest rate of interest return. They look more to security, and are satisfied with a reasonable return. A considerable proportion of their investments have been in Oregon municipal bonds, which my company purchased and sold to them. Yet in order to attract their investment, it was necessary that these Oregon municipal bonds yield an interest return that would compare with the return yielded by municipal bonds issued in other states, or by Government bonds.

If Oregon bonds were permitted to yield only 5 percent, these investors would purchase the bonds of municipalities outside of Oregon, or of the United States government, which yield from 5 1/2 up to as high as 7 1/2 percent, depending on conditions of maturity. It is obvious that if the interest rate is limited by constitution to 5 percent that there would be no market for Oregon bonds. Oregon investors would purchase bonds of other states.

The effect of this 5 percent limitation would be to withdraw all investments from Oregon. Not only would Oregon investors refuse to loan or invest in the state, but outside investors

**WRITES OF FORMER GAS DISCOVERY HERE**

Editor Gazette-Times:—In our issue of Sept. 22, I note that Mr. A. M. Zink has found natural gas a few miles east of Ions. For a long time I have been thinking of writing to your paper to call attention of the well drillers over there to the possible existence of gas in that neighborhood.

To explain this statement it will be necessary to relate an incident that occurred away back in the 18's when I was a boy and lived in Sixmile, about nine miles north and a little east of Ions. No doubt there are others over there who will yet remember the occurrence. As I remember it the facts are as follows:

Two men, Alex Graham and Milt Piper were employed by the late Dr. E. R. Swinburne to dig a well on some land he owned on upper Sixmile, which as I remember would be about six miles a little north of east of Ions. These men had put the well down about 20 feet when one morning Piper was in the well and started to light his pipe. Gas was ignited and the flames filled the well and climbed higher than the windlass where Graham stood. The latter, however, bravely remained at his post and reeled up the rope, bringing Piper to the surface. Piper was badly burned, as to a less extent was Graham. As I remember it, the formation exposed there is altogether of volcanic origin. It is not likely that gas could originate in the formation. It is more probable that beneath this lies a carboniferous stratum sealed in by the overlying volcanic rocks. It is quite possible that natural gas in commercial quantities may be found if that upper stratum is penetrated.

I think it likely that W. W. Smead will recall the facts above narrated and perhaps remember just where the well was located. I used to know that country well, but I do not know just where Mr. Zink's place is, ownerships having changed so since I was there.

ROY GLASSCOCK.

**The Senatorial Contest in Oregon.**

Heppner, Ore., Oct. 11, 1920. Editor The Gazette-Times:

Will you kindly publish the following:

George Chamberlain is full of tricky tricks.

He sprang Statement No. One His own election to safely fix.

Another thing he done, He got the democrats to register republican

And nominate Stanfield against their man To make the election easier for their Chamberlain.

But George has raised an awful row, A big fight is surely on, And Stanfield will better serve Oregon.

His tricky tricks won't make him votes, He had much better have acted fair, And when the votes are counted George will be the goat.

It pays all candidates to be on the square.

Fellow voters: I am personally acquainted with Bob Stanfield, and I know him to be a clean, safe, capable gentleman. If elected to the United States Senate he will be of vastly more benefit to the state of Oregon than Chamberlain has ever been or ever will be, for Mr. Stanfield is irrevocably committed to those principles of government that create a most active industrial development, creating and stimulating a most healthy market for everything we produce. It multiplies opportunities whereby the whole American people can get the largest possible returns for their efforts in all kinds of enterprises.

Mr. Chamberlain stands for those principles of government that destroy our markets, create stagnation in all kinds of enterprises and create the absolute compulsion of soup houses and idle men. The free trade policy of the democratic party transfers the profits and wealth of these United States to the European countries. The principles and entire plan of government of the democratic party is un-American.

We are told we never had such good wages. I answer, we never had a world war with billions upon billions of American money being poured out on every hand. And we never had any party so infernally wasteful and extravagant and so absolutely devoid of just horse sense, as has characterized the every act of the Wilson administration.

Ladies of Oregon: Old Harry Cummings has paid dearly to learn the truth of the above statements. Don't be misled by such stuff as the Journal is sending out.

Very truly, HARRY CUMMINGS.

**Mrs. Snell Has Party On Her 84th Birthday**

Forty friends and neighbors called in on Mrs. B. F. Snell at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lena Snell Shurte last Saturday afternoon and several enjoyable hours were spent. The occasion was called forth to honor Mrs. Snell and help her celebrate her 84th birthday.

A number of vocal selections were given by Miss Gladys Lane in delightful voice, and readings by Miss Kathryn Pattison and Miss Ruth Van Vactor were features of the afternoon's entertainment. Delicious refreshments were served, including the birthday cake.

would shun Oregon as a plague. The result would be that industry, agriculture and development would languish. With this withdrawal of capital prosperity would cease, and be replaced by hard times, poverty and want. The investors would not suffer, as they could obtain their return from other states, but the farmers, business men, manufacturers, and home buyers would suffer ruinous losses. Labor would suffer most of all, through the cessation of employment that would be inevitable when capital was withdrawn from industry and public work.

The flow of money for investment cannot be controlled by law. All that it can accomplish is to shut money out of the state which adopts a foolish limitation. The net result of Oregon adopting this amendment would be to shut money out of the state, stifle prosperity, throttle industry, destroy enterprise and impoverish labor. As a measure it is suicidal, and it should be voted down by a heavy majority.

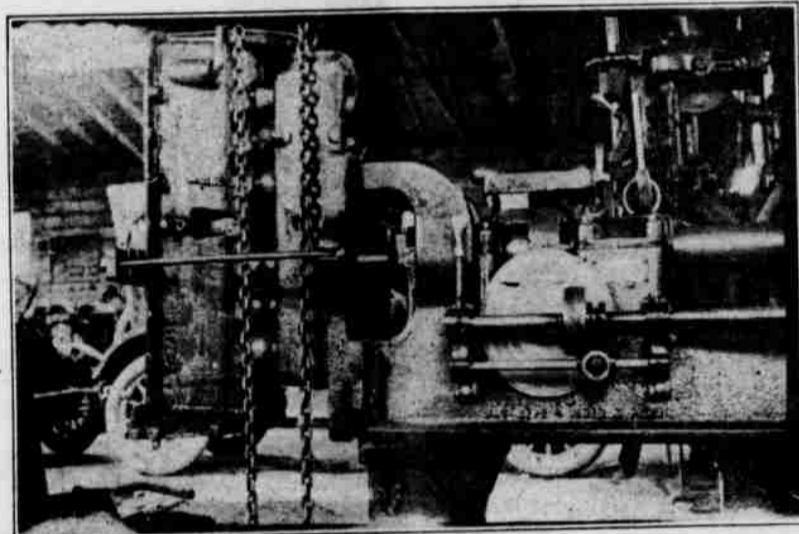


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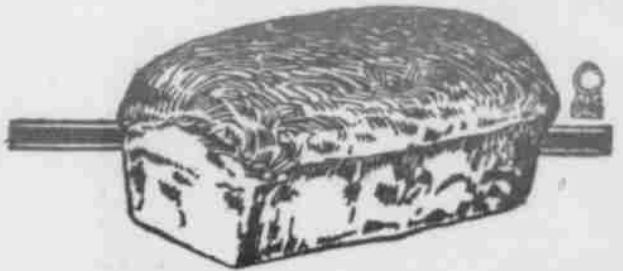
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