

HOWARD SAYS NEVER AGAIN

J. S. Howard, After Late Experience, Joins "Never Again" Club, and Engineers Will Meet Frost.

With uplifted right hand, J. S. Howard, the veteran civil engineer swears that never again will he equip a stranded surveyor with the tools of his profession in order that he may go out and gather in a few shekels.

The why and wherefore of this resolution of Mr. Howard's lies in the experience he had this week. Monday morning there appeared before him a bedraggled specimen of humanity with empty pockets and stomach, who asked assistance on the ground that he was a civil engineer out of a job. Mr. Howard is of the old pioneer stock, whose hearts and more than that whose purses are ever open to the cry of need, and he forthwith furnished the indigent civil engineer with the necessary funds to properly subdue the cravings of the inner man. In a short time the fellow returned and informed his benefactor that he had secured the job of "running some lines for a farmer out in the country, if I just had an instrument to do it with." J. S. had an extra set and, moved by the man's evident need, loaned him the instruments, thinking he was helping him to get on his feet. That was Monday. Tuesday came, then Wednesday, and still the instruments were not returned. Wednesday evening Chief Shearer was notified and commenced to get busy. He found that the instruments had been checked out from Medford to Grants Pass Monday evening. Communication with Grants Pass finally elicited the information that the instruments had been sold to Mike Brady of Waldo, and that the erstwhile down-and-out surveyor had left Grants Pass on a northbound train Tuesday, arrayed in "purple and fine linen" from the proceeds of the sale. Incidentally, when Mr. Howard took stock of his office he found a valuable stop watch among the things that were but are not.

"I have helped out a good many people in the same way as I did this fellow," said Mr. Howard, "and never before has my confidence been abused. I have not lost my faith in human nature yet, but it has been temporarily misled, and the next busted surveyor must show something beside talk."

The fellow is described as being about 50 years of age, slight build, with light mustache. He gave no name to Mr. Howard, nor have the police been able to secure his name.

YREKA CITY COUNCIL PASSED LIQUOR ORDINANCE

(Yreka News.) The county supervisors at their regular quarterly meeting last week passed an amendment to the liquor ordinance making the license of \$250 per year payable monthly hereafter, instead of annually as heretofore. The amount is now \$20.83, payable at the beginning of each month. The object of the amendment is to retain control of the situation until the board fixes a date for all the saloons outside of the incorporated towns to close. Whether this will be done at the next regular meeting or not is not known. Some saloonkeepers have licenses which do not expire until late this year, and it may be that the board will allow all of them to run, paying their license month by month, until near the date of expiration of the longest licenses.

ADDITION TO CENTRAL POINT IS PLANNED

An important real estate deal was closed yesterday when W. E. Kahler and S. A. Pattison bought from J. N. Smith that portion of his farm which lies north and east of the railroad and immediately adjoining the original townsite on the west. The tract contains between 13 and 14 acres and the price was \$5200. The land will be platted into lots and will be placed on the market at once. The tract is an ideal location for a choice residence section, being close in to the business center, while the soil is fertile and the view of valley and mountains unexcelled.

ADVERTISED LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain un-called for at the postoffice at Medford, Wednesday, January 12: A. G. Bourret, J. L. Casey, James Craig, Jerry C. Donovan, S. S. Fetterman, Eva Foy, H. Gunther, Zella Howard, F. T. Hull, Mrs. J. P. Johnson, Frank Johnson (2), Arthur Kent, Mable Knapp, Mrs. Miller, Dan Murphy, Clara Pool, J. E. Perry, G. R. Ray, Sadie Rice, P. Riasson, Rogue River Fruit & Land Co., A. C. Seller, Charles Smith, Charlie Waar-

DUNLAP DID MUCH MISSIONARY WORK

During Trip East He Met Many People and Interested Them in the Valley.

A. J. Dunlap, who went to Illinois last November for the purpose of making a display of Rogue River valley fruits at the Illinois state and district horticultural meetings, gave an interesting report of his trip at the last meeting of the Central Point Commercial club.

Mr. Dunlap, who was a former resident of Illinois, was prominent in horticultural circles there before coming to this valley two years ago, and because of his wide acquaintance and general fitness for the work he was selected by the commercial clubs of Central Point and Medford to carry the gospel of Rogue River fruit growing to his old neighbors and friends.

About 20 boxes of apples and pears from orchards around Central Point and Medford were placed on exhibition at the Southern Illinois Horticultural association at Vienna, at the Northern Illinois horticultural meeting at Dixon and at the state horticultural meeting at Champaign, which is the seat of the State Agricultural college, where some 5000 students are in attendance. At all of these meetings Mr. Dunlap read papers on fruit growing in this valley, and also took part in the general discussions following. He found much interest in this part of the country and many well-to-do people who are anxious to dispose of their property there and come to Oregon. Besides making displays at the places above named, Mr. Dunlap also made displays at a number of other towns, one of the chief of which was Peoria, where three boxes of apples and one of pears were used as a centerpiece in the holiday window display in the largest department store in that city. These apples were from the Fiero orchard, near Central Point. Everywhere people flocked by hundreds to see the fine fruit, and Mr. Dunlap secured the addresses of more than 500 persons who are interested in this valley and many of them expect to come here during the year for homes and investments. These names will be turned over to the secretaries of the two commercial clubs and as soon as the new club books and other literature is ready copies will be forwarded to the addresses.

Before leaving for home Mr. Dunlap devised a unique plan for furthering good advertising. He had many applications to buy show fruit at fancy prices, but he elected to sell it at a nominal price to people whom he knew personally and whom he knew could be depended upon to exhibit the fruit in their own towns for a week or two before taking it home. In this way he distributed the lot in some 17 different towns in Illinois and Indiana, thus attracting the attention of thousands of people to the Rogue River valley who otherwise would not have been reached.

The trip was most successful from beginning to end and the club members who were present and heard Mr. Dunlap's report were more than pleased with the results reported. Probably no advertising scheme yet attempted has done more direct good, considering the cost, than this display.

Mr. Dunlap found the fruit industry in his old state in a bad way. Thousands of acres of orchards which a few years ago were prolific producers have been abandoned and hundreds of their owners are turning their eyes this way.

DARING ESCAPE IS MADE FROM SEATTLE JAIL

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 15.—One of the most daring escapes ever made from the city jail was effected last night when Albert Morris, arrested on a trivial charge, gained his freedom. The police are today amazed at the nerve and agility of the prisoner. Morris was allowed to enter the toilet room soon after being locked up last night, and he immediately set about the task of gaining his freedom. Tearing away the electric wires from a conduit not more than one foot square, and inviting death by electrocution each second, the nifty prisoner worked himself through the aperture.

ren, Chas. E. Wolverton, Chas. W. Wright.

Parties calling for the above will please say "advertised." A charge of one cent will be made upon delivery.

The sad and unexpected news comes to us of the sudden death of Mrs. A. N. Gilbert, formerly of Medford, and who was found dead a few days ago in her lonely cabin on her homestead in Siskiyou county, California.

MANY MINES ARE BEING DEVELOPED

M. G. Womack Is Doing Large Business in Way of Opening New Mines.

M. G. Womack, who, with associates, recently bonded the Murray claim on the mountain just west of town, reports the mining business decidedly active. Mr. Womack has recently returned from a trip through the different mining sections of Jackson and Josephine counties and gives it as his opinion that the entire district offers a most promising field for development, but little of it having yet been more than scratched by pocket hunters. He has bonded and is now opening a promising claim on Williams creek, where a four-foot ledge pans from \$8 to \$30 at a depth of ten feet. It is expected that within a few weeks a large body of good shipping ore will have been uncovered and ready to send to the mill.

Another promising property now being opened is on Forest creek, where three claims show values running from \$30 to \$300. An excellent mill-site is also available on this property.

Mr. Womack says he has plenty of backing to take hold of and develop any property in this section which shows values, and he predicts that the mining business is about to become one of the most important industries in Southern Oregon.

SISKIYOU COUNTY PAYS BIG SUM FOR SCALPS

(Siskiyou News.) The board of supervisors, at the meeting just ended, allowed bounty on 335 coyote scalps, amounting to the neat little sum of \$837.50. In addition to this, it allowed bounty on 12 panthers at \$10 each, making \$120, a grand total of \$957.50 paid out for the extermination of animals during the quarter ending December 31.

John T. Alexander is credited with the largest lot of scalps, he having had 60; A. L. Mann next with 37; William Miller, 24, and W. E. Thacker, 21. In addition to the bounty paid by the board of supervisors, the fish and game commission pays a bounty on all panther scalps, so that every panther scalp is worth \$20 to the party presenting it.

OLD COPY OF DEFUNCT PAPER IS FOUND

(Yreka Journal.) The Journal is indebted to John Daggett for a copy of the Yreka Union, published by R. Beers Loos and Royal G. Brown in 1887, 22 years ago. The personal column, under the heading, "The Dear People," contained the names of a number of well-known old-timers, such as Hans Hansen, J. J. Jones, George Heard, Frank Picard, Stephen A. Meek, Henry Truitt, R. N. Hayden, M. Miner.

The Union passed away several years ago. Of the two publishers, Loos went wrong and became a dramatic writer, while Brown reformed, married and is now living the simple life at Eagle Point, in this county.

CRIES OF WOLF PACK PRODUCED IN PLAY

In the production of "The Wolf," which comes to the local theater Wednesday evening, January 19, there is introduced one of the most novel and startling stage effects ever offered to the playgoing public. During the scene in the last act between Jules and Mac Donald the cries of a wolf pack is heard with such realism as to cause old plainmen who hear it to remark that it takes them back to the days when the great west was being settled, and when every night they would be kept awake by the cries of the hungry wolf. This reproduction of the howls of the wolf pack is the result of a very interesting experiment, one afternoon at Bronx Park, New York. A representative of one of the large phonograph manufacturers, equipped with the necessary recording apparatus, accompanied Eugene Walters, the author of the play, to the Bronx zoo and waited for the captive Ishmaels to howl. They waited but a short time, when just before the animals were fed a big gray timber wolf started to give a series of weird, uncanny howls. Soon the entire pack of 20 wolves were giving voice in unison, every note of which was being recorded with a realism that is remarkable.

To give more real atmosphere to the cries, the company carries a real, live gray timber wolf, which, when he hears the voice of his absent brothers, howls out of sympathy to his loneliness and to heaven. The attraction is playing the Savoy theater, San Francisco, this

week, and judging from the press reports from that city a rare treat is in store for the local playgoers.

TABLE ROCKETS.

Mrs. Flora Green and children have moved to Central Point and carry with them the best wishes of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hitzler, from Medford, were here last Friday looking over the Floyd-Green place, which they expect to take charge of soon. We will be glad to have them with us again.

Professor V. A. Davis began the Spring term of school Monday with a good attendance.

H. T. Findley will remove the apple trees in his orchard and replace them with pears, which he believes will be more profitable.

JACKSONVILLE AND VICINITY.

Miss Mary Raypholtz is spending a few weeks with Professor Daily and family of Eagle Point.

Mrs. Myra Roberts, one of Central Point's popular teachers, spent Christmas with her friend, Miss Grace Raypholtz, at the latter's home near Jacksonville.

Bert York returned Thursday after a few days' visit with his parents on Applegate.

Sam Robinson, our popular mail boy, is taking a much-needed rest and our former mailcarrier, Mr. Metz, is taking his place.

Mrs. Thomas Pankey made a trip to Medford Wednesday afternoon via Barnum's railroad.

Miss Nellie Perry spent the holidays with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gall, of Big Steiky.

Mrs. E. J. Roberts and daughter, Mrs. L. O. Van Wegen, were shopping in Medford Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bellinger and son, Ralph, of Medford, made a couple of visits to friends living near Jacksonville during holiday week.

Miss Mary Oleson, who is staying with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Pankey, went to Central Point Saturday afternoon to visit her parents, returning Sunday evening.

Dr. Clancy and wife of Medford were out looking after their property interests last Sunday.

Sam Swenning, one of the head forest rangers, was out our way on business recently.

Mrs. Francis Whetstone was a Medford caller last Thursday.

Mrs. Cook and granddaughter, of Applegate, spent last Saturday and Sunday with the former's daughter, Mrs. Francis Whetstone.

Mr. Pidgon, formerly of Roxy Ann, is building a neat and commodious dwelling on his recently acquired property near Jacksonville.

GOLD HILL ITEMS.

(By Spectator.) Vol Stiekel has sold his residence property on C street to his brother, Walter Stiekel, who will occupy the same as soon as Vol can build on his ten-acre tract in Garden Row.

known as the Stiekel Bros. brick-yard tract. He will have the tract cleared up and planted to orchard the coming year.

J. A. McDonough recently of Philadelphia, has purchased the Sam Morris place of 160 acres on Sardine creek, three miles west of town. Mr. McDonough will begin at once the planting of an orchard and make it a fruit farm. This is a tract that is well adapted to the Southern Oregon apple-rolling, free deep soil, with a southern exposure.

B. F. Ketchum, formerly operator of the Black Channel mine on Foothills creek, is now a resident of Yaocit, Wash.

E. La Belle of the Gold Hill bakery, recently of Denver, Colo., has purchased four lots in the Dekum addition and will build a residence on the property the coming season.

H. D. Beed returned Thursday from a business trip to Portland and Salem.

A. J. Messner, the merchant tailor, has sold his business at Sissons, Cal., and has again located here on C street for business. He says Gold Hill suits him best of all. He was formerly in Gold Hill for ten years in business and his friends are glad to see him back again.

Deloris, the young daughter of Dr. R. C. Kelsey, has been very sick the past week and friends of the family are glad to hear she is much improved.

L. K. Cardwell is having his dwelling on C street raised and moved back further on the lot and an addition built on the rear and other improvements made.

Mrs. Dan Richards returned from Brownsville the first of the week. She has been spending the winter at that place with relatives.

Dr. C. H. Smith was up from Grants this week looking after his mining property, the Corporal G quartz mine on Sardine creek.

Darling & Hodges, the liverymen, are engaged in plowing and seeding the old Braden farm, now owned by the Ray Bros. and part of the Braden mine property. They seeded about 100 acres of summer fallow last fall, and will seed the balance of the place as soon as the weather will permit. E. W. Cooper, the mining man of Sam's Valley, was here Wednesday interviewing our citizens and reports quite an activity in Sam's Valley real estate.

The Householder, the Kane's creek lime kiln man, is loading a carload of lime for the orchardists at Hood River. This shipment follows the one made last year, when they made a test of the Gold Hill product for spraying and they pronounced it the best on the market.

The following officers were installed by Gold Hill lodge No. 193, I. O. O. F., for the ensuing term last Saturday evening: J. Q. Jarvis, N. G.; H. E. Darling, V. G.; P. H. Myers, secretary; A. T. J. Smith, treasurer. Deputy Grand Master Ike Best of Grants Pass was installing officer. Mark Whipple of Woodville was here Friday on business.

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