

FEW DAYS WORK WOULD DO MUCH

Draining Dirt Roads as They Dry Would Help Much at This Season of the Year.

It has been suggested that just now when the country thoroughfares are generally dry, it would be an excellent idea to run a drag over them in order that the ruts might be filled and a reasonably smooth surface made.

While such a procedure would not make a rampike of the dirt roads it would at least eliminate many of the bumps and holes which now cause discomfitment to the regular traveler and many sore spots upon the nose of the unaccustomed traveler.

By leveling the roads just now a firm surface would be secured for use in future months.

DEPOSITORS GET PORTION OF MONEY

Oregon Trust & Savings Company Closes Through With Portion of \$300,000 Due.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—Owing to the large number of depositors outside of this city, the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, through the German-American bank and P. L. Willis, paid out only \$22,000 of the \$300,000 due to depositors today.

Payments will be resumed Monday. Nearly 3000 depositors in Oregon reside south of Salem, said the acting receiver today.

FAILED TO REACH POLE

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side is land) surveying a new stretch of land 120 miles long. This region is wholly barren, and is covered with icebergs. The party then went to camp on Alexander island, where Charcot completed the records.

Explored Lands.

During their stay in the Antarctic the expedition made a careful exploration of the Isle of Deception and Bridgman island in the southern Shetland group, Bridgman island, named after Herbert L. Bridgman of Brooklyn, the secretary of the Peary Arctic club.

The new land discovered by Charcot is southwest of Alexander island. Charcot said he did not attempt a polar dash because the expedition was not fitted for it. He said that the trip was far more successful than the one he led in 1902. The party is returning in good health, although they suffered severely during a winter spent on Petermann island.

Charcot-Rich Scientist.

Dr. Jean B. Charcot is a rich scientist. He has been in the Antarctic for a year and a half. His expedition having been equipped with everything money could buy. The ship was the most perfectly appointed of any ever used for a similar purpose.

He had motor sleds of his own invention to carry his supplies.

The search for the south pole is unlike the expeditions in the Arctic regions in there are no Eskimos for guides and no dogs for sleds or food. The Antarctic is the greatest portion of the globe's surface that is practically unknown.

Cables Peary.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Robert H. Peary, North Pole, Brooklyn, N. Y.: Peary's congratulations (Signed) "CHARCOT."

This message from the French scientist, who is believed to have failed in his endeavor to reach the south pole, was received by Secretary Bridgman of the Peary Arctic club.

The absence of any dispatch from Dr. Charcot with reference to the success or failure of the French expedition is taken here to mean that the French explorers failed to reach the south pole.

Cables Wife.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—Madame Charcot today received a cablegram from her husband at Punta Arenas of Magellan, Chilean archipelago, saying: "All well." No mention is made of the expedition's explorations and the message is taken to mean that the party did not reach the south pole.

George W. Rhston died at his home on Kanan creek Thursday morning, of consumption, aged twenty-three. He was buried in the Rhston family cemetery.

MUD HENS LOOK FOR A LEADER

Ashland Recalls Gather in Morgue to Try and Find Leader for Battle Against Mayor Snell.

(Special Correspondence by U. B. Progressive, to the Mail Tribune.) ASHLAND, Feb. 12.—By passing the word around among the recallers a bunch of them met this afternoon. As Bill Willis flatly refuses to lead the Mud Hens as candidate for mayor in the coming recall election it is now up to Barnes Phipps or Hosley to serve this bunch of people who all belong to the Do Nothing Club. We suspect that it was for this purpose that the crowd got together and in an appropriate place—a morgue.

The crowd today was seen hanging around J. R. Wicks' second hand store and it is understood he has contracted to furnish a second-hand coffin to bury the recall petition, and Mr. Stock, the other popular undertaker, will perform the last sad rites. It is understood that the next meeting of the Mud Hens will be held in the dark cellar of the Hosley building at Third and Main which has been in course of construction for the last several years and possibly will be finished the same time as the Panama canal in 1915.

MAY HAVE A SAW MILL.

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inducement. Waste saw timber could be disposed of in the same way.

Another thing that may argue for the location of the mill here is the fact that the proposed electric railway through the valley could use the company's track as part of its line.

If the new lumber company decides to locate in Gold Hill, as all indications are that it will, there will be no difficulty in securing a place for the mill, as many fine sites are available.

According to a statement of one of the principals in the sale of the Foothills tract, the new company will not ask for a free site, but desires to have the people of the community in which it locates subscribe to an issue of bonds which will be made to assist in the building of the road and mill.

MEN TURN OUT TO DO THEIR OWN ROAD WORK

Seventeen men with seven teams, one of them furnished by the county, have been busy the past week repairing the Kanes creek road, between Gold Hill and the Dardenelles school, which has been in very bad shape the past few months. The road had become so bad that a load, except of the lightest, could not be hauled, and at last the people of the neighborhood determined to have a "bee" and rebuild at least a mile of it. They are hauling gravel from the creek bottom and doing their best to make an enduring highway.

"Of course we pay taxes to have our roads fixed," said one of those who has a team at work, "but it is worse than pulling teeth for use to get anything done. But we mean to have a road if we have to build it ourselves, which is just what we are doing."

DIDN'T SLAP HIM; JUST PUT HIM OUT

Rev. Hacker of Central Point Furnishes Statement for Publication Regarding Fracas in Church.

Rev. Mr. Hacker of Central Point states that in some ways all of the facts regarding the ejection of Mr. March from his church, as reported in the Mail Tribune Friday were not given. He has furnished the following statement in explanation of the affair:

"I stated in the beginning of the service: 'I regarded one who engaged in the business of proselyting, much as I would the man who would try to steal my wife.'

"When the service was concluded Mr. March stepped in front of me and asked: 'Did you mean me by the statement you made?'

"Why, if not guilty, I do not know, as my statement was general, not specific and personal.

"I replied: 'Yes, in part.'

"He then demanded I call the house to order and allow him to make a denial. I refused to do so, as no ground had been furnished in my statement for a harangue of that character before the people.

"My charge became personal only in answer to his question, and then only between himself and myself, furnishing grounds only for a defense to me only.

"His reply was: 'You are a fraud; you know it is a lie.'

"To which I replied: 'Do not call me a liar and a coward in my own house. Either shut up or get out. I will not have a harangue of the kind.'

"His reply was: 'I will not hush up or get out.'

"I replied: 'You will,' and picked him up and set him out of the building. No such thing as 'slapping' him occurred. Nor was he ejected because he insisted on charging me with lying in answering his question and for insisting on haranguing my congregation with a matter that had no place as yet before the people publicly.

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Editor Kiger of the Valley Record of Ashland was a Medford visitor Friday evening.

WILL ASK UNCLE SAM FOR PEACE

Most of Delegates to Central American Peace Congress Favor Intervention of United States.

SAN SALVADOR, Salvador, Feb. 12.—Most of the delegates to the second American peace congress are declared to be in favor of asking the United States to intervene to bring about peace in Central America. It is believed the Nicaraguan situation is directly responsible for the sentiment.

A move is on foot to submit a resolution to the congress asking intervention. It will not be submitted unless the members now said to favor it agree to support it, as it is declared it will be extremely embarrassing for some of the delegates if the movement should fail.

Factions in a number of the governments, fostered by the Nicaraguan situation, make it advisable, the delegates say, that intervention come soon, if it comes at all.

The congress has adopted resolutions favoring the gold monetary standard for Central America.

MAY USE SIXTY FOOT ROAD.

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use such roads for electric railroad purposes, and to construct, erect, build, maintain and operate along said public roads a railway for the purposes of transferring freight and passengers for hire, subject however to the direction of the county board of Jackson county as to whether the electric line to be built over any portion or portions of any road selected and designated shall be at the side and which side, or in the center or other part of the road or roads to be built over, and subject further to an adjustment between the company and county board before lines are built over any road selected regarding what proportion of the expense of maintaining the publicly traveled portions of the roads the company shall bear.

It is further provided that the county board of Jackson county, Oregon, shall have the power to fix the rates to be charged by the company, for freight and passenger service over its urban lines, said rates to be reasonable and just, and may upon application of the company of its patrons readjust said rates to the end that rates may at all times be reasonable and just.

KEEP TAB ON HUBBY BY HIS THUMB PRINTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A report of the thumb-print bureau of the New York police given out today shows that the bureau occasionally has some unusual demand made upon it.

One of the most curious of these came recently from a woman who called to ask that the bureau make a print from the thumbs of a man who accompanied her.

"I want his thumb prints for identification," said she. "We are going to be married tomorrow. He is my third husband. The other two ran away and I had a hard time to find them because there was no sure way of identifying them. I intend to be on the safe side this time."

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