

GUN MISSES: USES IT AS CLUB AND KILLS BIG BEAR

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 21.—George Lawrence wears the belt for bravery among all the numerous bear hunters in Curry. While out for a bear hunt with Elmer Miller and John Ostrander last Saturday, George had all the fun he anticipated. The dogs started a large bear and ran it several hours, finally bringing it to bay in Pistol river. eGeorge, who was floater than his companions, beat them to where the dogs were baying. His nerve, however steady it was, was better than his judgment, for he missed the bear and laying the fault to the gun decided at once that the rifle would be a better club than gun, so he waded out to where his bearship was and dealt him a deadly blow over the head with the gun barrel. Mr. Bruin succumbed to the blow and George carried his gun home in his haversack, there being more pieces than he could carry in his hands.

MRS. KERSH IS FOUND GUILTY

Swoons When Jury Finds Her Guilty of Manslaughter—Jury Was Out Seventy-two Hours Before They Arrived at a Verdict.

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—After deliberating a few minutes over 72 hours, the jury in the case of Cathie Kersh, charged with murder in connection with the death of W. A. Johnson, the union depot trunk victim, last night returned a verdict of manslaughter. Mrs. Kersh swooned when she heard the verdict and was carried from the courtroom in an unconscious condition. It is understood that the verdict was a compromise. The jury in the previous trial of Mrs. Kersh disagreed.

Want-advertise for a new clerk or office-worker and your business will scarcely be interrupted by the exit of the other one.

FEDERAL COURT MAY PERMIT ROGUE FISHING

GOLD BEACH, Dec. 21.—It is reported that the Hume estate will bring action in the federal court against the state of Oregon to have the vote on the closing of the Rogue to commercial fishing annulled. The federal court should annul this vote and not allow it to become a law, as it originated through personal spite towards the late R. D. Hume. There would be as much justice to stop the Medford people from raising fruit for the commercial market as to close the Rogue to commercial fishing.

MANY RALLY TO THE SUPPORT OF PAPER

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 21.—With protests still pouring into the Star office over the sentencing of two of its editors to jail for contempt of court in criticizing the judge for granting an injunction, the dominant note is today: "Carry the fight into the legislature."

From members newly elected in the assembly and from many private citizens come suggestions about new laws which shall establish the complete freedom of the press and shall limit the power of the courts to issue injunctions. One bill is being drawn which shall nullify the present law of constructive contempt—that is, contempt outside the court room. Another, in which the labor unions are interested is a new injunction law which shall forbid the use of their injunction and restraining order without a hearing of both sides. Other suggestions are for modification of the contempt law to provide for jury trials. Still another is that no judge be permitted to try his own contempt case. Whatever the final form of the law, it is certain to be a big feature of the January session.

Every day some store-patrons who ought to come to your store go else where—to their own and your disadvantage—because your advertising was not quite impelling enough.

ROLLER SKATING CLASS MAKES GREAT HEADWAY

Professor Ryan's junior and senior classes met in joint session at the roller skating school Sunday morning and the session was one of the most enjoyable ever given by the school. There were chariot races, single races, skating against time and timing against skates. The chariot race was won by Ed Pickard's Seem Heights Clydesdales, Joe Memsie and Martin Welch. The great two-men race occurred between Slim Adams and Bob Flynn. This was a handicap race with broom sticks, first 131 falls winning the money. Slim Adams won in 13 1/2 minutes, having hit the floor, not counting the second bound. Tom Jackson was not in

winning condition, the eccentric wallpoper on his left skate had mysteriously gotten above the doodad and put him out of commission. Tom Brouse refrained from putting on the rollers in the interest of safety to the new beginners. The fancy skating including figure eights, figure nines and pigeon wings, was executed by Judge Withington, and the session closed in a roar of applause. The class will meet again next Sunday morning at 9.

BOOKS

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...Pottery...
PRICES ALWAYS CONSISTENT WITH QUALITY.
MEDFORD
..Book Store..

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Some people prefer to call them "trousers," but anyway, they are made by the "Old Woolen Mills," of Mayfield, Ky., and are the best in the world.
They start the line with the genuine Old Kentucky Jeans at \$1.25 a pair, and run to the fine all-wool grades at \$6.00.
WEST MAIN STREET
The Wardrobe
West Main Street.

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STEAM AND HOT WATER HEATING
All Work Guaranteed Prices Reasonable
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YOUNG MEN OF MEDFORD, THIS IS THE PLACE TO COME FOR FINE CONFECTIONS. YOU GET SOMETHING FOR YOUR MONEY HERE AND THE RECIPIENT WILL LOVE YOU EVER AFTER RECEIVING THE GIFT.
Buy "Her"
A Fancy Box of Candy
AND WIN HER HEART. YOU CAN'T GO WRONG BY GIVING GOOD CANDY.
LADIES—WE SELL THE FINEST PIPES AND SMOKERS' SUPPLIES TO BE FOUND IN THE STATE.

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Fertile fruit and alfalfa land in small and large tracts. Cleared and uncleared. Terms and price reasonable.
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Jacksonville, Oregon.
Has numerous choice bargains in city lots, orchard, farming and alfalfa ranches. Our Applegate valley ranches are bargains; all have an abundance of water for irrigation. Don't forget that Jacksonville is the county seat and that it is installing an up-to-date water system.
Come and see us. We'll interest you.
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I WISH TO ANNOUNCE THAT I HAVE PURCHASED THE
and will conduct a general feed and boarding establishment. Horses boarded by the day, week or month. I guarantee a square deal to all.
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To the People of Medford

Not long ago we purchased the stock of the Southern Oregon Tea & Coffee Co., and have since greatly enlarged it. We now carry a complete line of staple and fancy groceries, fruits and vegetables, as well as the largest stock of Coffee in Southern Oregon. In fact, we have everything in our line for the holiday trade.
We are not on Main street in a big brick block, but have a first-class stand on a side street, so thereby our expenses are light and our duty competition.
We request that you give us a trial, and we assure you that we save you money.
Southern Oregon Tea and Coffee Co.
PHONE MAIN 1081. 36 SOUTH GRAPE ST.
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FOR SALE—A 30-lot subdivision, high, slightly location; special price, \$3500; terms. See Van Dyke Realty Co., 123 Main street.

FOR SALE—Two fine lots on West Seventh street, opposite end of Summit avenue; \$1000 each; terms \$400 cash, balance in one and two years. Van Dyke Realty Co., 123 Main street. Phone 682.

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Van Dyke Realty Co.

128 Main Street

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For Sale—A new modern 6-room bungalow, lot 50x154, close in; nice residence district; at right price. Also lots on King street. For particulars inquire at 610 Oakdale Ave., S. OWNER.

Goodies

For The Xmas Dinner
Every housewife is desirous of providing the best dinner possible for her family on Xmas day. In these days of high cost of living it pays every woman to be economical. We are here to supply your needs in staple and fancy groceries, green goods, candies, nuts, fruits and Bakery Products. If you want something made up special we will be pleased to accommodate. Remember that we handle PURE WHITE FLOUR the best hard wheat flour sold. We also carry a soft wheat flour that is just a little better than anything produced or sold in the Rogue River Valley.

ALLEN GROCERY CO.

PHONE MAIN 2711. MAIN AND CENTRAL 5VE

Butte Falls Items

Elmer Spencer has just returned from Medford where he has been proving up on his homestead.

The Marcy team has gone to the valley to haul in supplies for W. W. Spencer of the unsurveyed section.

The county commissioners have set men to work on the roads which are nearly impassable and much difficulty is experienced in getting in goods for the stores as the railroad was unable to have its roadbed so as to bring in supplies, but we are not starving—far from it—and yet we do feel inconvenienced somewhat which will go to overcome another year.

The ladies are arranging for a Christmas bazaar and tree for the children and we expect to have a pleasant holiday time and make the "youngsters" happy.

We have had an usual amount of rainfall thus far and everything in wet and damp around, but as we have abundance of dry wood and shelter we are not likely to suffer.

Wana Parker with a crew of men is trying to put our highways in some sort of travelable shape. It is a shame with the material right at hand and the amount of taxes raised in this road district that we are compelled to ride and haul over such abominable roads. It is about time for Oregon to put its highways in such shape that persons can use them at any time of the year. Let foot bridges be put over the streams or else crossings be made for the public travel.
We have not had any sickness—

outside of colds—during the season and we expect an early spring since the season set in sooner than usual, and quite a move in Butte Falls as the inquiries are many and frequent about our town.

The Hotel "View" will give a fine Christmas dinner as great preparations are being made for the event and it is expected that Mrs. Marcy will be well patronized Christmas.

J. L. Patton has moved into his new house and has his family comfortably domiciled.

Ben. Fredenburgh has been making some improvements around his home and getting ready to fence his lots.

Mrs. Wright has left us and will, after visiting her son in Central Point, journey on to Missouri.

A revival meeting is expected to begin about January and it is hoped it will accomplish much good as the field is ripe and the material here.

The mail carrier (Mr. Harnish) says if the roads are put in shape he will probably run the stage all winter as his contract does not call for him to "pack" over the roads. He has interviewed the county court about putting the roads in condition that he may carry the mail over them.

Ed Cowden and the Marcy team are kept constantly busy hauling goods in for the stores.

Mrs. Claspill accompanied her husband, Scott, to the valley on Wednesday and returned after purchasing goods for her emporium and bring in freight for the store.

apples to Sacramento Saturday.

Rev. K. H. Sycokofus, has resigned as pastor of the Christian church here to take effect not later than the first of April.

George W. Little left this morning for the Alberta country where he has taken up a homestead.

Game Warden Charles B. Gay visited his father and mother here between trains Tuesday morning.

Mr. Bissell of Medford made a business trip here on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ed Marca, Miss Caley, Honer Post, Frank Weston and wife, Mrs. and Miss Stuart, Mrs. England and father were among the Central Point people that went to Medford Tuesday.

Central Point Items

Mrs. Wright of Butte Falls, formerly of Central Point, left Saturday with her family for St. Louis, Mo., where she will make her permanent residence.

W. J. Freeman is expected to return home soon from an extended visit east.

Mrs. Emil Drophy of Ashland is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Belle Pleasant, for a few days.

Miss Eva Norcross, one of the popular teachers in our school, is on the sick list.

Central Point can boast of some expert candy makers. The results are many are making their own candies for the holidays.

H. F. Hatton shipped a car of fine

Phoenix and Vicinity

Should a newspaper or reporter always "tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?"

It is related down in California that an editor tried it for one week. But he only succeeded in getting one issue along that line. Something like the following appeared in his morning issue: "Married—Miss Sylvia Rhodoin to Jenkins Cynamon, last Sunday morning, at the Baptist church. The bride was a very ordinary town girl and doesn't know any more about housekeeping than a rabbit. She never helped her mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means and has a gait like a duck. The groom is an up-to-date loafer and has been living off the old folks all his life, and he doesn't amount to shucks nohow. They will have a hard pull through life." It is reported, the latest news we have, that the editor is still in the hospital.

The above editor was an old-timer. He had not learned modern newspaper ethics. And government

officials, high up, are giving us examples. For instance: Formerly, when it was necessary to get rid of certain troublesome officials or clerks or others, it was said they were "fired," "turned out," "discharged," "dismissed," etc. The modern and up-to-date and more polite and safer way is to say they are "resigned." Pastors of churches are never "dismissed" nowadays—they always "resign." Neither do they apply for a place—they are, according to newspaper phraseology, always "called."

After all, isn't this better? Because a man is unfortunate and loses his job and is down, why should we back him or sting him with harsh queries? If you want to get rid of an "undesirable" employe, isn't it better, more Christian, to ask him to resign and thus save his feelings and his honor all you can than it is to besearch him with such degrading epithets as "fired," "kicked out," "discharged," etc.?

The writer of these notes acknowl-