

PREMATURE BLAST IN QUARRY KILLS

One is Killed Two Seriously Injured in Ashland Quarry—Were Placing Charge When Explosion Came—Woman Hurt.

ASHLAND, Or., April 8.—J. E. Thurman was instantly killed and George Shump and wife were seriously injured by the premature explosion of a blast at a quarry near here last night. The men went to the quarry to place a charge of dynamite. Mrs. Shump accompanying them. During the process the charge became ignited in some manner and exploded. Mrs. Shump is in a serious condition, but her husband's injuries are less serious.

GASOLINE EXPLOSION KILLS AND WOUNDS

CHICAGO, Ill., April 8.—One child is dead here today, two are dying, and two others with no mother are in a serious condition as the result of a gasoline explosion this morning in the home of Mrs. Sadie Pocotiller.

Will Test Price Food Law.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 8.—The constitutionality of the Cartwright anti-trust and pure food law of California will be put to the test in the state supreme court within the next two weeks by an attorney representing the Italian gardeners under indictment for alleged violations of the law. The indicted men form the so-called "vegetable trust."

WHY WAS TEXAS USED AS TARGET?

That is Question to Be Asked of Secretary Meyer—Twenty Years Ago the Ship Cost Uncle Sam \$4,000,000—Democrats to Probe Matter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—An investigation will undoubtedly be made by congress of the shooting to pieces of the old battleship Texas. Secretary Meyer's letter, in answer to Senator Perkins' query as to the wisdom of destroying a craft in target practice that 20 years ago cost \$4,000,000.

Even some of the secretary's staunchest friends in congress are unconvinced and resolutions calling for an inquiry, which are consistently expected from the democrats will probably be passed.

Many members of congress think after all the money spent in repairs the ship should have been still serviceable. The Texas was of foreign design and it is intimated by many that prejudice against her in naval circles might have had something to do with the ship being selected for this duty.

AMERICAN SHOT AN MEXICAN RANCH, DEAD

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—American Consul Miller, from Tampico, Mexico reported to the state department today that George Critchfield, who was shot on a Mexican ranch near there, is dead.

LADIES MAKING GREAT PROGRESS

Greater Medford Club is rapidly Improving Various Spots About the City—Much Additional Work is Planned by Them.

The Greater Medford club, although it has received very little encouragement, except from a few individuals, is doing the little it can do in a small way along the lines of civic improvement.

The walks in the parks on Main street have been regraded, J. P. O'Brien of the Southern Pacific very generously giving and delivering, free of all charge, 15 carloads of gravel. Mr. Barnum of the Rogue River Valley railroad hauling it from the depot to the park.

The city will grade, level and curb the street between the park blocks and there is talk of putting in a light surface pavement, but there will be no sidewalks.

The Carnegie library which is to be built in the park will face Main street and be near the site of the old water tank a little west of the center of the block.

The triangular strip of ground, known as Sage park on Court and Central street which was given to the city some time ago, is being put in order by the club and is now ploughed and graveled walks are to be put in. A. W. Clarke of the Clarke-Henry Construction company, kindly put his teams at the club's disposal to haul the gravel to this park. Water and sewer connections are being made and there is talk.

tion are being made and there is talk, by the residents of that district, of putting in a drinking fountain at an early date.

S. A. Bennett has offered to furnish all the shade trees necessary for the park and these will be put in as soon as possible.

After many efforts the trees along the Southern Pacific right of way on South Front street have been put in, and although it is a little late for planting, it is hoped, with attention the greater part of them will live. On this account they were planted closer together than they would ordinarily have been. The firemen have agreed to attend to the watering of the trees until such a time as water connections can be made there.

Mail Tribune wants ads being results.

JOY OF REUNION TURNED TO SADNESS

The joy of reunion was turned to sadness Friday evening at the Garley residence on 217 Apple street, when J. M. Garley was seized with acute Bright's disease.

In spite of all the medical aid rendered him he gradually sank, until death called him at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Mr. Garley's two daughters had come from Texas to live with their father and the family was having a jolly reunion. At 10 o'clock Mr. Garley was suddenly stricken with illness and at 2 o'clock the John Per-

ambulance was called and the patient removed to the Southern Oregon hospital.

Says Claim Is Groundless.

NEW YORK, April 8.—Flat denial that he owes a single cent to Edward Hodgson of Victoria, B. C., who has sued him for \$50,000 stock in the Western Steel Corporation, was made here today by the Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis. The Brooklyn Divine declares Hodgson's claim is groundless.

Hodgson in his suit charges that as part of his compensation for managing promotion done for the minister he was to have certain shares in the steel company. Later, he said the property was sold and his claim was overlooked.

Haskins for Health.

"WHITE HOPE" FALLS BEFORE MAL DE MER

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 8.—Mal de mer today has Jack Lester the "white hope" from the northwest down for the count and the fight frankly admits that he is all in.

A letter from Lester at San Francisco which was forwarded here, says that his training stunts on the steamship Mariposa did not pan out as well expected on account of sea sickness.

The Tacoma fighter is due to arrive in Sydney April 14. He is expected to postpone the match with Bill L. for two weeks so that he will be in more time in which to condition himself.

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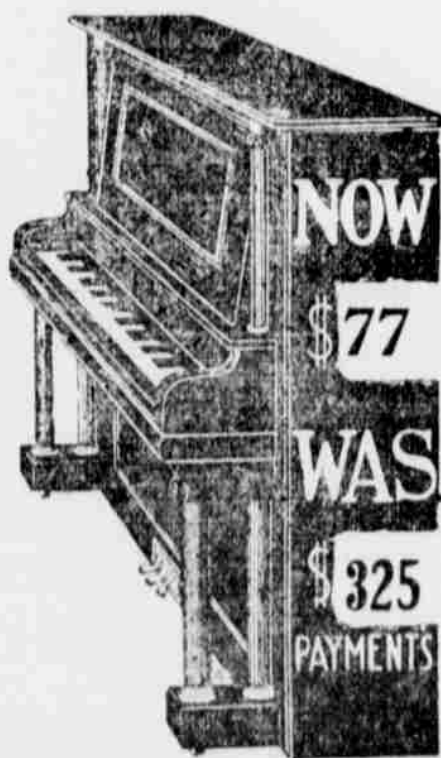
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¶ HERE IS THE WHOLE SITUATION—Manufacturers are giving part of their advertising fund to the absolute purchase of a piano instead of spending it in the large magazines and newspapers. By doing this they can obtain direct results. In other words, the money saving all goes into your pocket.

¶ The manufacturer sells more pianos, we sell more pianos, and in a much quicker time. Who can say this is not a good business proposition, and a direct expense saving to the customer in purchasing a piano?

¶ Now any child can figure out that prices are not raised; in fact, we cut our regular printed established prices during this sale from \$50 to \$150, because it enables us to do the business so much quicker.

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