

TRIGONIA WELL IS DELAYED BY VANDALS WORK

At the stockholders meeting of the Trigon Oil and Gas company at the public library last night N. L. Josey, the speaker of the evening, stated that work on the well has been retarded by an act of some "mischievous" person or persons.

During the Christmas holidays the well was left unprotected and some one dropped several large chunks of steel down the hole practically plugging it. Mr. Josey in a spirit of charity characterized this person or these persons as "mischievous." Due to ignorance of the presence of the steel the drilling crew continued to drill and after three months have succeeded in penetrating nine feet thru steel. The last shift of drilling put the drill down 14 feet. The company is again ready to start at the rate of 14 feet per day. The well is now at a depth of 1290 feet. The water which is above the 800 foot level is cut off and conditions are favorable for the resumption of drilling.

He commended the directors on the care with which they have handled the funds and said that although some things might have been done differently that the best methods were used under the circumstances. Progress may have been slow and mistakes may have been made but one who never makes a mistake never accomplishes anything.

In taking into consideration the equipment at the well, said Mr. Josey the cost of the well so far has not been excessive and every dime has been spent properly. All of the men in charge are capable and experienced and Mr. Watt, the driller, stated the speaker, is a man of ability and thoroughness in this line of work.

Mr. Josey states that the oil is there beyond a doubt. Many people have seen it issuing from the well. He states that the three types of geological formations where the large percentage of oil in the U. S. is found are all present in this valley. In addition to these convincing points in favor of continuing operations, Mr. Josey read a table compiled by the U. S. Geological survey which listed Oregon as an oil producing state. This he states is recognition and a great point in our favor, as several states were not even mentioned.

He stated that a great metropolitan city would arise here expanding from

the Slakivous to Rogue River if oil in commercial quantities was discovered, and urged the people to find a way to continue the drilling and uncover the oil.

Mayor Gates spoke urging the people to subscribe to the continuation of the work. He said that he regarded it as a gamble and advised everyone else to do likewise, but to subscribe as much as they could afford to on a gamble. The gamble, he stated, however seemed to him an exceedingly good one. He said that no button-holing would be done to procure the necessary funds but that co-operation was expected. He urged the citizens to invest in the development projects of their own state instead of projects for development in other sections of the country.

It will take \$10,000 to put the well down to the 2000 foot level, but production is expected before 2000 feet is reached, according to Mr. Josey. If the necessary funds are procured to continue, Mr. Josey will stay here and direct the work until the well is finished.

A large number of people attended the meeting and applause greeted Mr. Josey and Mayor Gates at several points in their addresses.

COLLECT MATERIAL FOR THRIFT SHOP

Plans are under way for collecting materials for the Red Cross Thrift Shop. Owing to limited space for storage it will not be possible to make a general drive covering the whole city at this time.

Through the courtesy of Superintendent Smith and Miss Van Meter, principal of the Roosevelt school, the Junior Red Cross of that school has distributed hand bills in the northeast section of the city, announcing a drive in that part and collecting will be done there on Wednesday, March 22nd.

In the meantime housewives everywhere are being asked to lay aside articles which they wish to donate, so that when a drive is announced later the articles will be ready.

In case you are moving, or for any reason wish to give your things at once, call the Red Cross office any time, and we will send for them at our earliest opportunity.

NO RECONCILIATION FOR OPERA SINGER

ST. LOUIS, Mar. 19.—Mme. Marguerite Matzenauer, opera singer, today told the Associated Press she gave no credence to the statement issued last night in Delmonte, Cal., by her chauffeur husband Floyd Grotzbach, that he had no part in the recent publicity incident to their marital affairs.

"Surely the newspaper wouldn't make up the interviews, in which he made me the laughingstock of the world," she commented.

Commenting on a dispatch from San Francisco Grotzbach's mother and step-father had sided with her, Madame Matzenauer said: "Surely they side with me. They always did. Only about a month ago his mother visited me in my New York apartment and tried to bring about a reconciliation. But there will be no reconciliation, you can put that down."

City Attorney Scores Public S. Commission

ASTORIA, Ore., Mar. 18.—That the state is overburdened with commissions, many of them with duplicated work to perform, was charged by Columbia county residents who led the discussion this morning at the hearing conducted here by the state tax investigation commission.

The public service commission was attacked by J. W. Day, city attorney of St. Helens, who declared that the body had been the source of great expense to the taxpayers without giving anything in return.

VICTIM OF KU KLUX KLAN

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children today for Portland, to engage in the brokerage business in that city.

While the Ku Kluxers were stipulating this promise Hale staged a complete collapse. The raiders, much alarmed, gathered around him and tried various ways of resuscitation, with but little apparent success. They finally became so frightened that they brought him back to Medford, where the victim apparently all right again was deposited from the car on Genesee street, told that he was free to go and warned that if he ever uttered a word about the doings of the night and his experience he would be killed. All the cars in the party had their state licenses removed or covered up.

Then apparently Hale fainted away again as the Ku Klux Klan drove away. It seems that he shortly afterwards went home and telephoned for a physician.

It is known that Sheriff Terrill and Deputy Sheriff Fornbrook worked on the case the rest of the night and all day today, but neither of them could be found to be questioned as to what knowledge gained, if any, and as to the sheriff's attitude in the affair. Sheriff Terrill with his usual acumen seemed to think the Ku Klux kidnaping was of no local interest, and that the newspapers would not hear of it for days later.

PATRIOTIC MEETING FOR MEDFORD CO. A NATIONAL GUARD

A big patriotic rally will be held next Wednesday evening, March 22, at Odd Fellows hall in Medford, in behalf of the local National Guard company, Separate Company A. There will be a program of music, short talks by Adjt. Gen. Geo. A. White, Chaplain W. S. Gilbert, Major Duzenberg and others, and the evening will close with a boxing bout, wrestling match, after which will be served light refreshments.

Adjutant General White and party are making this visit to Medford in the interests of the National Guard and the furtherance of its work. Every one interested in patriotic lines is urged to be present and enjoy this evening's entertainment and hear among other things something on the present disarmament question. The adjutant general will also be here in the interests of the new armory building to be erected in Medford soon. These visitors are men that the people of Medford are always glad to welcome to the city.

RIVERSIDE RIPPLES

Mrs. L. F. Pickett returned Sunday from a two weeks visit at the sheep ranch on Antelope creek.

Charles Wahl and Carl Ritter are helping G. W. Jacobs in the construction of a retaining wall for the irrigation ditch which runs across the foot of the place.

Mrs. Charles Gray is in eastern Oregon, called on business connected with her father's estate.

Miss Jone McQuat is confined to her home with a severe cold.

Mrs. Beatrice C. Jones was hostess to a theatre party at the Page Monday evening and all greatly enjoyed the Elks minstrel show. Those comprising the party were Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Champlin, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Elliott, Fred Champlin, Mrs. F. E. Wahl, and Mrs. B. C. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wahl entertained the party at a 6 o'clock dinner the same evening at their new home on Crater Lake avenue.

The Riverside Recreation club was entertained by Mrs. G. B. Alden Thursday afternoon at the Barnum apartments in Medford. All enjoyed the solo by Mrs. Leona Furnas and a paper on the Beauty Spots of Oregon, read by Mrs. Zelma Wahl. Those present were Meadames Abbie Champlin, Maude Champlin, Beatrice C. Jones, Pauline Wahl, Anna Engel, Fannie Pickett and M. Jacobs, Miss Lyndall Jacobs, also the following from Medford: Mrs. Lynn Smith, Mrs. F. E. Wahl, Mrs. Acker and Mrs. Farnass.

The Community club gave another of their successful dancing parties at the club house Saturday evening. There were 92 tickets sold, the largest crowd since the carnival. The floor is now being refinished and will be in excellent condition for the next dance, March 25.

FIND ELK HERD CLATSKANIE, ORE.

CLATSKANIE, Ore., Mar. 18.—A native elk herd of between 30 and 40 fine animals, still roaming the old haunts on the Nehalem river district which were once the big game hunting grounds of the state, now are in their last stand in the green timber on the head of Big Creek with four logging camps cutting toward them, according to word brought here today from the logging camps.

So tame have the great beasts become that it is not infrequent to see them in the edge of the timber near where the loggers are at work, and some of the men are said to have come within fifty feet of them.

ANOTHER CLUE TO FILM MURDER

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been made. He added that he had sent Detective Sergeants King and Winn to the Imperial valley to investigate reported movements of the Canadian soldier suspects. Information concerning these two men, reported by a Santa Ana man to have made threats against a Canadian captain, has been in the hands of authorities here for several weeks and made public.

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 18.—Doubts were cast by representatives of the district attorney's office and the captain of police detectives here upon reports of an arrest in Mexico or Calexico of a suspect in the William Desmond Taylor murder case. William C. Doran, chief deputy district attorney declared today that there was no reason to place credence in the report of an arrest.

Captain of Detectives David L. Adams, said he believed the report was without foundation. The report of an arrest by Mexican officials at Mexicali Lower California, of a former Canadian soldier alleged to have been making threats against Taylor was declared today at Calexico, across the border from Mexicali, to have emanated from a Mexican source and doubt was cast upon its authenticity.

Sports

NEW HAVEN — Five world's records smashed in Carnegie hall by Yale swimming team.

BOSTON—Westminster and St. Paul, Minn., hockey teams battled for three periods and two overtime periods with neither team scoring goal in first game of final two games of national amateur championship title.

OMAHA—Bud Logan, Omaha and Cowboy Padgett, Dolores, Colo., fought ten rounds to draw.

ST. CLOUD, Minn.—Zbrzsko defeated Altek Sawdy, St. Cloud in straight falls.

HUNTING—Sara Langford, Boston, knocked out Cyrene Smith, Denver, in second of ten round bout.

CANTON—Dave Shade, Pacific coast writer, won newspaper decision over Jimmy Jones, Alliance, in 12 rounds.

LOUISVILLE—Pal Moore, Memphis, given decision over Tommy Ryan, McKees Port at end of 12 rounds.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va.—Bob Martin, A. E. F. champion, knocked out Carl Danner, N. J., in second round.

CHICAGO—John Pesek won from George Walker, Canadian heavyweight in straight falls in wrestling bout.

BOY ACQUITTED FOR KILLING FATHER

COUER DALENE, Idaho, Mar. 18.—Robert Ford, 17, was acquitted of the murder of his stepfather, C. B. Smith, killed at his home in Worley, Idaho last November by a jury which reported in district court here early today. Judge Naughton adjudged the boy a juvenile delinquent and paroled him to the custody of his mother.

The boy admitted shooting his stepfather but declared the latter was threatening him with a chair.

Market News

Livestock
PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 18.—Cattle steady; receipts 270. Hogs, top 15c higher; receipts 123. Prime light \$11.25 @ 11.75; smooth heavy 230 to 290 pounds \$10.25 @ 11.25; 300 pounds and up \$9.10; rough heavy \$7.50 @ 9.50; fat pigs \$11 @ 11.75; feeder pigs \$11 @ 11.50; stags \$6 @ 8.
Sheep steady; no receipts.

Butter
PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 18.—Butter one cent higher. Extra cubes 33 @ 34c; undergrades 30 @ 32c; cartons 40c; prints 39c. Butterfat No. 1 churning cream 35 @ 38c f.o.b. Portland; undergrades 33 @ 34c.

Portland Wheat
PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 18.—Wheat: Hard white \$1.29; hard winter, northern spring \$1.28; soft white, white club \$1.27; red Walla \$1.24.
Today's car receipts—Wheat 22; flour 7; oats 3; hay 6.

San Francisco Markets
SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 18.—Eggs, extra firsts 25c. Poultry unchanged.

Sugar Goes Up Again.
SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 18.—Sugar refiners today announced another advance in cane and beet sugar of ten cents per hundred pounds, making the ruling price for the former \$5.90 and for the latter \$5.70.
Today's increase in price follows a ten cent rise yesterday.

ALWAYS TIRED NO AMBITION

Nervous and Dizzy, Everything Seemed to Worry Me. How I Got Well

Larwill, Indiana.—"My back was so bad I could not do my washing. I was always tired out and had no ambition, was nervous and dizzy and everything seemed to worry me and I had awful pains in my right side. I felt badly about four years and could not do my work as it should have been done. I saw Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advertised so much and it did so many people good that I began to take it myself. I am feeling fine now and every one tells me they never saw me looking so well. I live on a farm, do all my work, and have three little girls to take care of. I am recommending this medicine to my friends and know it will help them if they use it like I do." — Mrs. HARRIET LONG, R. R. 3, Box 7, Larwill, Indiana.



Many women keep about their work when it is a great effort. They are always tired out and have no ambition. When you are in this condition give it prompt attention.

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HELL-TO-PAY BANK WINDS UP AFFAIRS WITHOUT A LOSS

OLYMPIA, Wash., Mar. 18.—The State Bank of Eltopia, located in that town of Franklin county, which thru severe crop failures is colloquially called "Hell to Pay," has wound up its affairs with every depositor of the bank paid in full, according to Supervisor John P. Duke of the state banking department today.

Thirteen stockholders of the bank assessed themselves fifty per cent of their capital stock last year and 100 per cent the first of this year to meet the liabilities of the institution, many of them borrowing money on their personal resources. Two depositors also assumed responsibility, Mr. Duke said. The capital stock of the bank was \$15,000.

The bank was organized in 1913 with deposits of \$24,000, which grew to \$83,350 in 1916, but crop failures year after year occasioned a shrinkage in deposits and stockholders decided to pool their personal resources to meet their obligations. Responsibility for winding up the affairs in such good shape was on the shoulders of S. B. Haines, cashier, and H. M. Owens, president, said Mr. Duke.

NEW YORK, Mar. 18.—The actual condition of the clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold \$49,160,320 in excess of legal requirements. This is an increase of \$18,758,670 from last week.

PRESIDENT MUCH REFRESHED, LEAVES FOR NORTH TODAY

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Mar. 18.—(By the Associated Press)—Refreshed by his ten days of rest and relaxation, President Harding will bring his vacation trip to a close today when, with the members of his party, he boards the special train for the return journey to Washington. A last round of golf was on the president's program before his departure.

Secretary and Mrs. Weeks, who came to Florida for a vacation shortly before the president, will be among the returning party, which, besides Brigadier General Sawyer, the president's personal physician and Secretary Christian, also includes Attorney General Daugherty and Under Secretary of State Fletcher. General Sawyer said today the president showed great benefit from his trip and the outdoor exercise afforded in his golf games, for which the weather has been ideal.

President Harding has informed Secretary Daugherty that one of the first things he will take up on his return to Washington is the navy fuel situation, resulting from congressional reductions in the appropriation for that purpose, which naval officials say may result in drastic curtailment of the movement of naval vessels. The secretary talked with the president on the subject by long distance telephone yesterday.

Vice Clubs in School
ST. LOUIS, Mar. 18.—Declaring Victor J. Miller, head of the police commissioners, had failed to substantiate

his charges that vice clubs exist at Soldan high school, a parents committee which has been investigating the charges demanded today that Mr. Miller making public retraction.

ROME, Mar. 18.—(By Associated Press.) Pope Pius today appointed the Rev. Patrick J. Keane, titular bishop of Samaria, as bishop of the diocese of Sacramento, Cal.

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A RARE MUSICAL TREAT
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