



WEST SIDE TELEPHONE.

EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY  
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TERRITORIAL NEWS.

Boise City has 615 school children.  
Walla Walla is to have electric lights.  
The assessable property of Spokane county foots up \$3,250,000.

OREGON NEWS ITEMS.

Salem is to have ice works.  
Work on the Salem bridge has commenced.  
Work on the capitol building is progressing rapidly.

DAINTY DEVICES.

Transparent Bonnets, Parasols and Fans for Fashionable Women.  
New parasols show two large handkerchiefs of lace on figured, yet transparent grenadine, laid one over the other and forming eight points.

JOHN STUMP'S GOLD.

The Tenant of An Old Maryland Mansion Suddenly Becomes Rich.  
When old John Stump died in the early part of the present century at his home at Stafford, ten miles north of this place, writes a Havre de Grace (Md.) correspondent, his heirs were surprised that they did not find piles of glittering gold stowed away in the little iron safe in which it was thought that he had been heaping thousands for years.

PARISIAN POLICEMEN.

The Police Agents, Mouchards and Montons of the French Capital.  
The ordinary Paris agents de police, or policemen, are neatly uniformed in blue, with military cap and heavy overcoat in winter. Most of them have been soldiers, and they are selected for their height, erectness and military bearing.

Wheat, it is said, will average thirty bushels to the acre at Eureka Flat, in Walla Walla county.  
The 14-year-old son of John Wood, of South Bend, W. T., fell from a swing and broke his arm.  
Field fires razed last week in the neighborhood of Riverville, burning more than ten or twenty miles.

The people of Linn county want a bridge across the Santiam near Waterloo.  
A fair for the northern part of Douglas county is talked of to be held at Drain this fall.

The straw sailor hats, rather higher in the crown, rather broader in the brim, than the sailor hats formerly used, are an English production and are not to be found in Paris, where the high, steeple-crown towers, as high as ever, but are improved in shape and now slightly rolled up and widened to one side.

A few years ago Mrs. Stump handed the old homestead over to the care of a tenant named Wilson. He was told by his neighbors of the tradition about the buried gold. He was too practical to give credence to the stories, but they had a different effect upon Mr. Stump's granddaughters, Mrs. Smithson, of Cecil County, the story of the buried treasure existed in the neighborhood merely as a tradition.

MINING NEWS.

Spokane is building ore cars for the Spokane Smelting and Mining company, and the Review remarks: "It looks like mining industry to see this class of work being done in our city."

Crater Lake explorers and surveyors report that the water is nearly 2,000 feet in depth.  
A Chinese prisoner in the Grant county jail committed suicide last week by hanging himself.  
The warehouses on the narrow gauge in Polk county will be filled to their full capacity this season.

The most distinguishing items of dress just now are three—transparent bonnet, transparent parasol and transparent fan. The whole either in cream shades and brown and black.

Two days later a big hole was seen by a neighbor in the garden of the old Stump farm. At the bottom of the excavation was a cavity from which a box about eighteen inches square was removed. There were no bits of wood in the hole, and from this fact it is believed that the box must have been a metallic one.

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Rev. E. Hays was charged with burning a subscription list before the M. E. conference at Union, and while there seemed no doubt of his being guilty, his character was "passed."

Dressy watering-place toilets are distinguished by a novel arrangement of drapery which stimulates an "order." It consists of a scarf of embroidered tulle, lace or tissue, which crosses one shoulder and is carried down upon the skirt where it forms a part of the ensemble.

Nuggets of gold, varying in size from the head of a pin to nearly half as large as an ordinary hen egg, were brought to Burns from the Burnt river mines this week, and are on exhibition at Baker City.

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BROTHER GARDNER.

When the lights had been turned up strong and Elder Toots had coughed a peanut-shuck out of his throat, Brother Gardner arose and said:  
"I find heah on my desk a heap of mottoes, watchwords an' maxims which hev bin gathered together by de Committee on Judiciary wid a view of replacin' de stock now hangin' on de walls. I has bin keerfully considerin' de matter in my mind fur a week pas', an' I doan' like de ideah of a change. De pusson who can't stick to one motto fur mo' dan six months can't be depended on to stick by a job fur mo' dan one."

A Baker City paper says that a man just in from Pine creek brings information that the ledge has been struck richer and wider than ever on the Whitman, and also that a fine body of free milling ore was discovered on the Stella. The ledge on the Whitman pinched out about a month ago, and the owners were becoming discouraged at it; but after getting through a ninety-foot dyke the ledge was found again, and proved to be richer than ever. The owners will no doubt erect a large mill at once.

Jimmy Hodges is published as a grand "billik" by the Polk county Itemizer. This paper says Jimmy is engaged to be married to a Yamhill girl while said Jimmy has a wife and child at Olympia.  
Fall wheat in Washington county is averaging from 25 to 29 bushels to the acre. Many fields having the appearance of not yielding more than 15 bushels to the acre are making the farmers glad with a 25 to 28-bushel yield.

"If I was out o' cash, friendless, laid up in a garret wid a sore heel an' a carbuncle, speecin' eb'ery day, to be loted off to the poo' house, I doan' know but I might furnish de world wid some watchwords an' sayin's, but it would hev to be under such circumstances. About a month ago I begun tradin' wid a butcher who had hung up in his shop de motto: 'Live and Let Live.' It struck me that the ideah was a good one. He wanted his dues, an' he would grant the same to odgers. In about a week he slipped a plugged quarter into my change; two days later my two pounds of beef was short three ounces; de nex' week he charged me up wid forty-eight cents' wort of pork which I nebbber had. I doan' trade dere any mo', an' my respect fur his motto has dropped fifteen pegs."

Jacksonville Sentinel: Henry Klippel is now in Portland to get machinery for the new quartz mill of Beattie, Klippel & Co. If he fails to find there what he wants he will go to San Francisco to purchase. In the meantime work is being pushed on at the mill, the foundation being completed and the carpenters are now at work erecting the building. The whistle will blow before long, and then the roar of the stamps will be heard.

People a few miles south of Salem are considerably exercised over the mysterious disappearance of John Partrien, a Prussian, recently discharged from the asylum. He disappeared in June, and no trace has been found of him since.

"A naybour o' mine took in a motto 'bout a yar ago. It was: 'De Airy Bird Coches de Worm.' In a leetle time I missed my hoe. Den de buck-saw went. Den odder naybours loose property begun to go. We got a policeman up dar to watch, an' when he caught de thief it proved to be de man wid de motto. He was de airiest turk on dat hull street, an' de way he hid in de worms was sad fur us."

Mr. H. Bailey, of Yamhill county, Oregon, is building at the new mill of D. Layton, in the Big Bend, a current water wheel of immense proportions arranged between two long boats to operate a pump for raising large volumes of water to mine for gold on certain bars on the Columbia river in Lincoln county, known to contain large quantities of the metal.

The principal appropriations in which Oregon is interested under the River and Harbor bill as telegraphed are: Cascades, \$187,500; mouth of the Columbia, \$187,500; Yaquina bay, \$75,000; Upper Willamette, above Portland, 75,000; Coos bay, \$33,750.  
Harvesting in Linn county develops the fact that the yield of wheat will be much larger than was anticipated a few weeks ago. Many fields of fall wheat which it was thought would not produce 20 bushels, when threshed have made an average of 30 bushels per acre.

"If dar' an' any members of dis club who can't keep to work widout some motto, 'bout industry behind 'em—who can't pay deir honest debts widout some motto 'bout honesty debet 'em—who can't be good husbands an' fathers widout some scriptural quotashun pasted in deir hats, such pussons had better sever deir connexion to once."

News comes from Idaho City that rich placer diggings have been discovered in Long valley. The accounts of their richness are almost fabulous, and they are said to be equal to anything ever discovered in the famous Boise basin. As a result a general stampede from the basin is made to Long valley. For years mining has been going on in a small way on the tributaries of the Payette and south fork of Salmon river, in that vicinity, but the returns have not been very large. The new diggings are said to be on Spring creek, a tributary of the Payette.

Many farmers around Salem have been trying a new class of harvest hands during this season, with good results. About thirty of the boys from the U. S. Indian training school at Chaswapa have been given employment in the harvest fields, and so far as heard from make very satisfactory help.

Forest fires in Wisconsin are doing great damage and people are suffering. The loss cannot be even estimated. Hundreds of homes, dozens of sawmills and lumber camps, and millions of feet of timber are in ashes. Acres upon acres of ripening grain were laid waste.

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