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CREED CONN IS MISSING

Left His Silver Lake Store Early Friday Morning and no Trace of Him Has Been Found.

Word was received in Lakeview last Saturday that Creed Conn, a prominent merchant of Silver Lake, had been missing from that place since Friday morning, and it is feared that during a moment of aberration of his mind he has wandered away, and either perished in the mountains or taken his own life. Searching parties have been out every day, and the river has been dragged for a long distance, but no trace has been found.

He was last seen on Friday about 8 o'clock, going toward Silver Creek bridge, which is not quite half a mile from town, and shortly afterward a shot was heard. The supposition is that he shot himself and fell into the water and was carried away by the swift current. Mr. Conn has been sick for some weeks, and it is thought that some imaginary trouble has preyed upon his mind and he thought to end it all in the grave. Some, however, are reluctant to believe he would do so rash an act, and think there has been foul play. This theory has been strengthened by the report that a fine saddle horse had been stolen from C. M. Innes' ranch in Summer Lake last Saturday night. It is believed by some that the horse thief committed a foul deed and cut across country to Summer Lake to mislead any one who might pursue him. The horse was tracked for some distance toward Alkali lake on the desert, when all trace was lost.

While it is earnestly hoped by every citizen of Lake county that Mr. Conn may yet be found alive, the worst is feared, and a deep gloom has been cast over the community in which he has resided for so long. He has built up a fine business and his friends are legion. The brothers of Mr. Conn are George and Virgil, of Paisley, L. F. Conn of this place and Frank Conn, of Roseburg.

From Cattle to Sheep.

A report from Eugene says many Lane county cattlemen will turn away gradually from cattle to sheep. They say there has been no great profit in range cattle for several years, unless they could be kept on range that costs nothing, while sheep are paying handsome profits on any of the best farms in the valley, after charging them with feed, interest and all items of expense. The cattlemen are brought to a realization that it costs nearly as much to keep an animal over winter as it will sell for in the spring, and in this they see no profit. This winter hay is worth \$18 a ton or better. It takes no less than a ton to each animal to winter them in decent shape, and very few ranges could sell out their stock at \$18 per head. For this reason they are looking more to sheep.

A Good Example.

The fellow Williams was released from the county jail Saturday and still carries with us. Since his release he has been thrown out of one saloon and knocked out of another. The best thing the authorities can do with him is to follow the example set by Lakeview and simply order him to move on.—Alturas Plaindealer.

LAKEVIEW INUNDATED

Bullard Creek Gets on the Rampage and Plays Sad Havoc With Two of Our Principal Streets.

Monday night and Tuesday Lakeview and Lake county was visited by the greatest flood known in the history of this section. Lakeview was literally inundated from the high waters of Bullard creek that flows directly through town. A warm rain began falling early Monday morning, which continued throughout the day and night, causing the snow to melt rapidly. Four-fifths of an inch of water came down during that period.

Bullard creek began raising early Monday morning, and by nightfall it was above the usual highwater mark. But not until after dark was there any fear of danger. Gradually the water raised until the creek began to overflow its banks in the yard of Chas. Tonningsen and ran down the street between Bailey & Massingill's and B. Daly's stores. As fear began to spread, people congregated, and a supply of picks, shovels and hoes were freely passed out by Bailey & Massingill and The Mercantile Company. Then came a demand for gum boots. The large supply on hand in these two stores was freely given out to all comers. Lanterns were then given out.

The first work was to try to confine the overflow to a channel in the street, which had to be made. But as the water continued to rise the task became more difficult.

While this work was going on, the merchants who were between the two streams, were busy removing their large store of goods from their cellars. The Mercantile Co. have two large cellars, both full of goods. One contained the only supply of sugar in town. The last goods were taken out of the cellar in two feet of water. Every cellar in that vicinity was soon filled with water. Soon water began running through the residence lots from the Whitworth place in the Canyon between the two streets to the alley at the rear of the stores. Then water came in at the back doors of Lee Beall's drug store, C. U. Snider's store, Bailey & Massingill's store, and B. Daly's drug store. Yet the water had not reached its highest point.

Three teams and plows were brought into service, and continued throughout the night. Men, not used to hard work, labored all night, and some continued to do so nearly all day Tuesday.

As at a fire, it would be hard to give due credit to those who worked so faithfully to save property.

At midnight several toots from the electric light whistle brought out more workers. The flume had become clogged with rock at the

rear of S. F. Ahlstrom's shop, and threatened dire destruction of property. The whole creek was swerved to the street, making a small river of that highway, and threatening the residence property of W. A. Massingill and Fent Smith.

Sacks and sand piled along the side walk prevented any damage of the former place, but water to the depth of two feet flowed through the latter's yard. Men and teams worked at this place until late Tuesday afternoon, when the jam was worked out, and the water made to take the natural channel.

During the day many ladies occupied the Masonic banquet hall near the scene of work, and prepared hot coffee for those who labored, which was greatly appreciated.

As night began to approach the weather began to cool, and before dark ice was forming on the still water, and thus brought to an end the long to be remembered flood of March 8th, 1904.

Only for the debris strewn streets and water filled cellars there would be no evidence of a flood. The stores suffered little damage, but the city will have considerable work to do to repair the washed out streets and flume.

Many reports from other sections of the county of high water and washouts have been heard, but outside of the partial loss of the Paisley bridge, very little damage has been reported.

LARGE BONUS ASKED FOR

Klamath Lake Railroad Wants \$150,000 From Klamath Falls To Extend to That Town.

The president of the Klamath Lake Railroad Company, Mr. Lindley, spent several days at Klamath Falls last week, says the Express, talking over the matter of extension of their road to this place. As everyone wants the road, and as the subsidy asked is not at all beyond our means, there seems to be no good reason why the road should not be built this year.

They offer to extend the road to Klamath Falls as soon as \$150,000 subsidy is signed, and if it is subscribed soon enough, will build this year. In any event, if the amount is subscribed, they agree to have the road here not later than January 1, 1906.

The work of raising the amount has been placed in the hands of J. G. Pierce, and he has full authority from the railroad company to act for them in the matter.

As all the property of the county and every business enterprise in the county, whether it be mercantile, agricultural, lumbering or any other, will be greatly benefitted by the advent of the road, everyone should take an active interest in assisting the work of raising the bonus, not only by subscribing all that their property and business interests warrant, but by urging others to do the same.

If the people of Klamath Falls are awake to their interests they will not be long in raising what the railroad company asks. Should the road conclude to miss that town a few miles, the injury would be irreparable and permanent. Klamath Falls is just now experiencing what Lakeview will have to expect in a year or two. If we were asked to raise an amount equal to what is wanted from the Klamath town, what would the result be? Well, the money would have to be immediately forthcoming or Lakeview would be killed as dead as the proverbial mackerel. The Examiner hopes that Klamath Falls will not hesitate to raise the amount, and that when the time comes Lakeview will emulate the example.

Coming This Way.

A recent dispatch from Washington says: Senator Fulton and Representative Williamson laid before the Forestry Bureau a request of the Sumpter Railway Company that a strip of land, two townships wide, lying along its proposed right of way through the Blue Mountain forest reserve withdrawal, be restored to entry.

If the company can give positive assurance that its road will be constructed from Sumpter to Burns, and gives the exact location of its right of way, the Bureau will recommend that the strip of withdrawal land will be restored to the public domain.

With his wide hat, coat of ample skirt and commanding figure, Representative Claude Kitchin of North Carolina is accounted at Washington a fine type of southern congressman. He bears a resemblance to Senator Bailey of Texas sufficiently strong so that a senate doorkeeper recently mistook him for the Texan.



MRS. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR.

One of the richest of New York's society belles is Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., daughter of United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island and daughter-in-law of John D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil multi-millionaire.