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PATENT IS GRANTED

Klamath Man Invents Device for Catching Mail Bags

SMITHWORTH IS THE INVENTOR

Device Will Stop Any Weight Regardless of the Rate of Speed of the Train From Which the Mail Bag May Be Thrown Onto It

On the 22nd of last month the United States patent office issued to P. E. Smithworth, of this city, letters patent for a mail bag catching device. In an interview with Mr. Smithworth, a representative of the Herald ascertained the following facts:

The device consists of a cast iron holding tube about nine feet in height, rising from the base to a revolving vertical head. The main feature of the device aside from the revolving head is a series of coil springs of different tensions, each spring being placed in a pocket in such a manner that it is stretched from more strain than it is intended to stand. To illustrate the advantage there is in placing in a bucket an example place a 1000 pound spring at the top of the spring tube, next to it below place a 500 pound spring and below that place another 1000 pound spring, each one of them resting in a pocket which is made long enough to stretch over so as to protect the spring from further strain after its strength has been utilized.

The combined strength of the three springs will be 2500 pounds while the weight from a 250 pound mail bag dropped from a train going at the rate of 60 or sixty miles an hour will be about 1000 pounds. Should three 200 pound bags be dropped together and delivered to one of the devices they would strike with a 3000 pound blow if the train were going at sixty miles an hour. There would be a strain of 2500 on the springs and a 500 pound strain on the buckets holding the springs. Had a 100 pound bag and a corresponding bucket been used in the tube with the others it would have stood the strain without the slightest injury to the weaker spring. The bucket protecting the spring it loses from being over taxed.

Mr. Smithworth states that the object of the device is to use light springs for light weights, and heavy springs for heavy weights, and by following out the principle he claims that he can stop any weight regardless of the rate of speed with which the train is moving.

Fire Causes Big Loss

Fire started in the woods a few miles from Keno Tuesday noon and the flames consumed about 100,000 feet of saw logs belonging to Ackley Bros. The logs were piled on skids in the woods and when one of the piles got started it was impossible to check the conflagration. The fire started a short distance from the hill road between Keno and Dorris and there are strong indications that it was of incendiary origin.

As soon as the flames were discovered a large force of men set to work to check the flames and by shoveling dirt succeeded in confining the blaze to the piles of logs in the immediate vicinity of where the fire started. Harry Ackley states that the loss will not be less than \$1,000.

Will Meet Monday Night

Owing to the small attendance at the meeting last night H. V. Gates did not submit his proposition for the improvement of the fire protection of this city. This is a matter of importance and should interest every business man and property owner in this city. It has been decided to hold another meeting next Monday night at the council chamber at which time it is the desire of Mr. Gates to have the entire council, the firemen and all of the interested business men and property owners in attendance.

During the past year there has been much talk of an improved water system and Mr. Gates says that the plans he will submit provide for fire protection that will be 100 per cent better than the system is at present.

City Marshal C. C. Low, accompanied by his family, will leave in the morning for Wood river valley to celebrate the Fourth. E. B. Ramsby will be city marshal during Mr. Low's absence and Luther Platt is on the night force in place of Mr. Ramsby.

Middle Pacific Coast Tennis Tournament Is In Progress

The tennis tournament for the championship of the Middle Pacific Coast opened this morning at the tennis grounds with a gentlemen's single between C. E. Widdoes and W. H. Mason. The match was won by Widdoes, the tally of the sets being 3-6, 6-3 and 6-3. The second match was between Henry Crosby and Burge Mason. This was the fastest game during the day and was closely followed by the spectators. Mr. Crosby has been picked as the winner of the championship, but Mason's left-handed delivery kept him pretty busy at times. Several very difficult returns were made on both sides. Two sets were played before noon, Mr. Crosby

winning with a tally of 6-4 and 6-2. The enthusiasts are looking forward with much interest to Crosby's final game which promises to be interesting.

The first game in the afternoon was between Ross Sutton and E. L. Swartzlander, Mr. Swartzlander won the first set by 6 to 1. Mr. Swartzlander is the hope of Klamath Agency and it is expected that he will have to match Mr. Crosby for the finals. The next match will be between W. S. Wiley and W. L. Barclay. It is planned to have the ladies' singles this evening. Tomorrow will be the remainder of the gentlemen's singles and one match in gentlemen's doubles. The drawing will be made tonight.

Where the Band Will Celebrate the 4th



Beautiful Upper Klamath Lake Resort

City's Oldest Bank Leases Withrow--Melhase Block

After being located in the Brick Store block for nine years the Klamath County Bank has decided to change its location. A lease has been secured on the corner room in the fine Withrow-Melhase block and as soon as the furniture and equipment can be installed it will be occupied by the oldest financial institution in the city. The location is an ideal one for the banking business and from a business standpoint is one of the best in the city.

L. R. Van Kirk, recently from San Francisco, is installing a box ball bowling alley in the building heretofore occupied by Mr. Morgan as a real estate office. He expects to be ready for business tomorrow night.

Winters has a complete line of Edison phonographs and all of the latest records.

W. B. Hill, an engineer for the Indian Department, passed through the city on his way to the Klamath reservation where he will look over the reclamation project for which E. B. Henry made the survey.

We can supply you with any kind of furniture and house furnishings. Virgil & Son, at the bridge on Main street.

The steamer Eagle is engaged in bringing barge loads of sand from Wood river to the Upper lake landing. The sand is being stored there and will be sold to anyone needing it.

They are swell and down to date—they have the quality and are useful—some new things at McHattan's.

N. C. Briggs arrived in the city from Hollister, Cal., last night to visit at the home of Judge and Mrs. Benson. He is accompanied by his brother, A. E. Briggs, of San Francisco.

To make room for new goods that are now on the way we are disposing of all second-hand articles we have left at prices less than cost. Virgil & Son.

F. E. Shore is in the city from Hollister, Cal., to look after business matters. He was one of the shareholders in the Klamath Canal company when it operated in this section.

If you order your clothes at the K. K. K. store, you'll get a fit and exactly what you want.

School Apportionment

County School Superintendent J. G. Wright has completed the Spring apportionment for the various school districts of the county. There are thirty-four districts in the county and 1752 children of school age. The amount apportioned among the districts was \$23,343 34, and the amount for every district, together with the number of pupils in it, is as follows:

DISTRICT	PUPILS	AMOUNT
No. 1	600	\$7992 00
" 2	100	2131 30
" 3	22	293 04
" 4	36	479 82
" 5	36	439 82
" 6	72	959 04
" 7	70	932 40
" 8	44	586 08
" 9	23	306 36
" 10	9	117 88
" 11	23	306 36
" 12	30	399 60
" 13	51	679 32
" 14	20	268 40
" 15	17	228 44
" 16	25	333 00
" 17	22	293 04
" 18	9	119 88
" 19	32	426 24
" 20	23	306 36
" 21	00	000 00
" 22	53	703 56
" 23	28	372 96
" 24	00	000 00
" 25	25	333 00
" 26	25	333 00
" 27	33	439 56
" 28	161	2141 52
" 29	21	279 72
" 30	12	159 84
" 31	37	492 84
" 32	35	465 00
" 33	19	253 08
" 34	9	119 88

New Pictures Tonight

Shamus O'Brien, taken from the famous drama, and the Baby Show. They are great.

You can get a 23-meal book at Willson's hotel for \$4. Board and lodging \$6 a week.—C. D. Willson, Prop.

CHANGES IN TRAFFIC

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Another Rip Van Winkle

Tuesday night the officers arrested a stranger in the city for not being able to navigate because of the heavy load he was packing. He was released the following morning and the first place he made for was a saloon. He found the door closed and immediately made for another and so on, finding all of them closed. He began to ask the reason for closing the saloons and he was informed that the town had gone dry. He wanted to know when, and some person who knew that he had been both out and in the previous night told him that the city had been dry for almost a month, and for a time the fellow believed that he had been in a stupor in the city jail. He was in jail but a few hours, long enough for the town to go dry.

Many Will Go

Indications are that the excursions by the band boys will be well patronized. The steamer Winema leaves the landing for the first time on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The next excursion is on Saturday morning, the boat leaving the dock at 8 o'clock, and on Sunday morning at 9:30 another trip will be made. Parties going on any other of these days can remain at Odessa over night and return on the boat the following evening. The fair for the round trip, good for the three days, will be \$1.

Railroad Map Filed

The Lassen Advocate says that there has been filed in the United States land office at that place a right-of-way map of the Goose Lake and Southern Railroad from the state line south to Alturas, covering a distance of a fraction over 39 miles. An inspection of the map, which is a finished piece of work, shows that the proposed line hugs the east shore of Goose Lake from its northern extremity almost to its extreme southern point. The application is signed by William Hood, as chief engineer, and E. E. Calvin, as president. A particularly noticeable feature of the line is its directness, in one instance a stretch of something like eleven miles being as straight as rule can make it.

After several days of negotiating a deal was closed today, whereby practically all of the companies operating between this city and the railroad are consolidated. According to the terms of the agreement Alex. Martin, Sr., will have charge of all of the boat transportation, including freight, passenger, mail and express. The freight will be delivered to him at Teeters by the McIntire Transportation Co., which will continue under the management of Capt. J. M. McIntire. The Oregon & California Transportation Co. will haul all of the passengers, mail and express to the landing, and W. R. Davis will continue as the manager of this company. All freight to this city will hereafter be handled under the same rules as apply to the handling of freight on the Southern Pacific. The consignments will arrive at the wharf in this city and from there the consignees must make arrangements for the delivery to the store or warehouse.

The new arrangement goes into effect at once and with it disappears every trace of competition in the local transportation business. The freighting heretofore done by the Klamath Falls Transportation Co. will be discontinued and the McIntire stage between this city and Dorris will be discontinued.

During the past few months the two companies in the transportation field have been at war, with the result that neither of them made any money and the public got no lower rates because of the competition.

The result of the new combination should be a decrease in the freight and passenger rates between this city and Dorris and the service should continue fully as good as it has been.

No Paper Saturday

Owing to the fact that most of the business men of the city will close their stores on Saturday, the Fourth of July, and because most of the people will be absent from the city, the Herald will not issue a paper on that day, but will join the crowd in celebrating the anniversary of the birth of freedom.

Judge H. L. Benson is expected home tonight from Jacksonville, where he has been on legal business for a few days.



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