

Coos Bay's Social Side

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cie Tuesday night, and will deliver a lecture at the Tabernacle Wednesday night. Thursday evening she will speak at the Eastside school house, and Friday she will lecture at Summer. Sunday evening she will attend the union services at the Tabernacle. She will speak at the Presbyterian Church at North Bend August 7th, Myrtle Point on August 8th and at Coquille on August 9th.

There is a good deal of interest in the oratorical contest which will be held under the auspices of the W. T. U. at the Shannon Tabernacle next Tuesday evening. There are six young ladies entered in the contest. They are Belva Flanagan, Mildred Coke, Elvira Prizeen, Signa Holm, Nellie Tribbey and Ellen Rudness. There is no admission charged and the general public is invited to attend and hear the orations given by the young ladies entered.

Will Chandler will go up to the Chandler bungalow to-morrow to spend the day.

The United Brethren Ladies' Aid Society and their friends spent Wednesday at the home of E. J. Coffelt on South Coos River. They went up on the Toga at 7 A. M., returning about the same hour in the evening. The day was an ideal one and an enjoyable time was spent. A long table was set in the orchard and about thirty-five guests partook of a bounteous repast. The day was entirely given up to pleasure, the usual work of the society being laid aside. A number of games were played, and strolls over the farm enjoyed, while others indulged in quiet chats in cozy corners. Those in attendance were: Mrs. Foote, Mrs. Fred Lyster and baby, Mrs. E. J. Coffelt, Mrs. Ed. Coffelt, Mrs. J. I. Smith, Mrs. Frank Murr, Mrs. Woodhall, Mrs. Barber, Earnest Barber, Mrs. Golder, Miss Madge Golder, Miss Morgan, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. M. Pulley, Mrs. Mary Kibbler, Misses Dorothy and Beulah Kibbler, Miss Lilly Pulley, Mrs. Livingood, Edna and Ralph Livingood, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Chas. Cavanaugh, Clare, Eldon and Hubert and Miss Edith Cavanaugh, Rev. White, Chas. Cavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Shevell, Paul Foote, Arthur Pulley, Mrs. Dunagan and daughter, Dorothy.

The M. E. Ladies' Aid, which met at the Russell home Thursday afternoon, spent a very pleasant time in social converse and various diversions. Those present were: Mrs. J. W. Russell, Mrs. Wm. Nielson, Mrs. Isaacs, Mrs. C. A. Ackerman, Mrs. J. E. Stevens, Mrs. F. W. Stevens, Mrs. C. A. Wilson, Mrs. Woodhall, Mrs. W. H. Chappelle, Mrs. Edgar McDaniels, Mrs. A. G. Raab, Mrs. W. L. Wilmot, Mrs. C. E. Grout, Mrs. C. L. Parker, Mrs. P. Miller, Mrs. Flitcroft, Mrs. M. Pulley, Mrs. Willard Russell, Miss Alta Russell.

A farewell reception was given Duncan Hendry Saturday evening at the Mizpah Bible Class rooms. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, and refreshments were served. Archie Taylor gave a toast and Prof. A. B. Beaumont responded. Mr. Hendry was presented with a handsome ivory knife. He will leave for Portland and from there go to New York and sail for Scotland on a visit. It is rumored that there is a Scotch lassie waiting for him on the other side of the water. Those present at the entertainment were: Rev. J. C. Lininger and Mrs. Lininger, Miss Josephine Griffin, Mrs. Robert McCann, Miss Ethel Metzler, Miss Lillian McCann, Miss Edith Alger, Miss Helen Mende, Miss Marian Hevener, Miss Grace Murr, Nora Hege, Violet Johnson, Archie Taylor, Wm.

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The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met at the Farriss home on Union avenue. The afternoon was spent as a lot of Busy Bees sewing, and in a social way. Those present were Mrs. Geo. Witte, Mrs. C. J. Lininger, Mrs. Robt. McCann, Mrs. Henry I. Rees, Mrs. Sells, Mrs. C. E. Hazer, Mrs. Lewis Metzler, Mrs. Richard Coke, Mrs. Chas. Murr, Mrs. W. A. Richards, Mrs. Wm. Murr, Mrs. M. E. Brown, Mrs. J. W. Dilley, Mrs. C. H. Farriss, Mrs. Elmer Russell, Mrs. Wagner, Mrs. E. J. Kitting, Miss Gladys Reese, and Helen and Dorothy Russell.

Judge John W. Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, who is in the city visiting his son, Dorsey Kretzer and family, is a prominent lawyer of Dayton. With his wife, he will be on Coos Bay for about a month. To-morrow Judge and Mrs. Kretzer will probably be taken up Coos River for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pike of San Francisco arrived on the steamer M. F. Plant to visit Mayor and Mrs. L. J. Simpson at Shore Acres. Capt. Simpson will also be a guest there. Mrs. Pike was formerly Miss Edith Simpson and was recently married to Mr. Pike. She is prominent in society in San Francisco and is known to many on Coos Bay.

The Minnie Wis Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. August Frizeen on July 21st. A social afternoon was enjoyed by all present. The guests were served an elaborate lunch by Elvira Prizeen and Myrtle Lund. The next meeting will be held August 4th at the home of Mrs. Chas. La Chappelle.

On Thursday of this week a large number of ladies formed a surprise picnic and visited the summer home of Dr. and Mrs. McCormac on South Coos River. The Allee H. carried the party. After a delicious luncheon served on the porch of the bungalow the ladies adjourned to the porch of F. M. Friedberg's cottage and played bridge. Among those in the pleasure party were Mrs. F. P. Norton, Mrs. W. P. Murphy, Mrs. E. Mings, Mrs. Ward Blake, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. E. O'Connell, Mrs. J. M. Upton, Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Mrs. R. K. Booth, Mrs. P. M. Wilbur, Mrs. F. A. Hazard, Mrs. G. W. Loggie, Mrs. Colby Perry, Mrs. D. Y. Stafford, Mrs. M. C. Horton, Mrs. M. C. Maloney, Mrs. W. C. Bradley, Misses Lucy Horton, Muriel Grissen, Elizabeth Kaufman, Cora May Montgomery. Among those up Coos River who joined the picnic were Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. B. M. Richardson, Mrs. F. M. Freidberg, Mrs. A. J. French.

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WILL RESTOCK THE FOREST

Government Will Plant Over Ten Tons of Tree Seeds This Year.

WASHINGTON, July 30. — The United States Department of Agriculture is using this year on the national forests over ten tons of tree seed. Most of this seed has already been planted or sown. The rest will be utilized later in the season, as favorable conditions are presented.

It takes a great many tree seeds to make ten tons. Jack pine, the most important tree for planting in the Nebraska sand hills by the Forest Service, will average something like 125,000 to the pound. Of Western yellow pine, the tree most extensively planted through the national forests as a whole, 10,000 seed will make a pound. Altogether, the ten tons of seed to be used this year represent perhaps 300 million single seeds.

If every seed could be depended on to produce a young tree suitable for planting, the result would be a supply of nursery stock sufficient to plant three hundred thousand acres of land, but no such result can be looked for because many seeds do not germinate. Most of the seed will be sown, either broadcast or in seed spots, or planted with a corn-planter, directly in the place where the trees are to stand.

There are now twenty-four national forest nurseries with an annual productive capacity of over eight million seedlings. But there are many millions of old burns on the national forests which are waiting to be restocked, and some quicker and cheaper method than the actual planting of nursery-grown trees is urgently needed. Therefore, the foresters are making experiments on a large scale with different methods of direct sowing and planting, and most of the seed gathered last year was obtained for this use.

Broadcasting has already been found to give good results in some regions.

In some localities the Department has had to purchase seed, but most of that used is gathered by Forest Service men themselves. The cost of gathering has varied for the different regions from thirty-five cents to one dollar a pound. As a rule, the seed is collected in the fall months, when most conifers ripen their seed. Parties of three or four men ordinarily work together. Where lumbering is in progress the collectors follow the sawyers and take the cones directly from the felled trees. In standing timber, the task is much more arduous.

The extraction of the seeds is tedious rather than difficult. In some cases, the cones are spread out upon sheets in the sun, when, after a time, they open and the seed drop out; in other cases it is necessary to resort to artificial heat. This is applied by placing the cones upon trays with screen bottoms and raising the temperature of the room to the proper degree. The cones open, the winged seeds fall out, and the seed is separated finally from wings and dirt by a fanning mill. A good many seeds have been removed from the cone by hand, but this is a sore trial to the fingers of the pickers and an exceedingly slow process.

does the young people have a promise of ten dollars additional. The evening was soon passed in friendly contests, in addition to the reports on how each made or earned his money. Some sold sacks, others baked cakes and sold them. Some shaved their husband's necks or patched clothing. One sold a chicken. Altogether, the novel way of raising money has seemed a great success. It certainly beats church socials and the worry and work of big dinners.

Splendid vocal duets were rendered by Miss Miller of Myrtle Point, and Miss Mills, her tutor.

ELKS PLAN BIG TIME.

Will Hold Reunion at Seaside Early Next Month.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 30.—Elks of the Northwest are planning for a monster reunion at Seaside August 6th and 7th, when they will hold a clam bake claimed to be the biggest ever attempted. Two tons of the best clams obtainable will be served. There will be five different varieties brought from Clatsop Beach, Tillamook and Sealwater Bays. Besides there will be 200 gallons of razor clam chowder.

Twenty-five big salmon will be stuffed, baked and garnished and laid about the table. There will be 1,500 loaves of bread, 1,500 roasting ears, 100 rolls of butter, any number of potatoes and so on, almost ad infinitum.

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ANSWER TO "A FARMER'S ARGUMENT."

EDITOR TIMES: I noticed the article in your paper Friday evening entitled "A Farmer's Argument," which it seems to me should have been called "The Retail Merchant's Lamentation," as it is not likely that any intelligent farmer would write such preposterous stuff. In the first paragraph it infers that by standing by the home merchant that it would give them a better market for their products. Does it seem reasonable that the more stores there are the greater consumption of products? I emphatically say "no." Is it not the population who consume the goods? Now, if one store handled properly could serve this population at a reasonable per cent of profit, would it seem wise to start eighteen stores in that town just because someone had a few hundred dollars and a desire for an easy job, where he could be his own boss? In the second verse it says how can we expect the town stores to thrive if we send away to the mail order houses. This reminds me of the story of the Jew and his son coming over on the steamer from the old country. When the boy rushed in to his father's stateroom with the alarm that the ship was sinking, the old man quietly remarked: "Vat do ve care? Ve don't own it?" So what does the farmer care if the so-called store goes broke; he don't own it. "By standing by our home merchants, we are standing by each other."

Who ever heard of such rot. If you have to stand by the storekeeper, why not own the store and stand over the employes of the store and see that it is run for your benefit?

The next two stanzas can be included in one answer. Everyone knows that a store in the local town is a convenience so long as it is run for the accommodation of the people instead of some unscrupulous individual; as the man who is considered a shrewd merchant is the one who can buy something for one dollar and sell it for two; and if he can keep this up long enough he will get to be one of the pillars of the community. He says that he knows farmers who owe their home merchants and send their cash away.

In the first instance, I think that by getting in debt to the local merchant is the only way the farmer can create a demand from the merchant for his produce, and the over-zealousness of the cockroach business man to get his trade, which brands the latter as the blankety blankest idiot on top of God's green earth, as any person who will take the trouble and time to look up statistics will find that about ninety-six or eight per cent of the people who enter business fail and the majority fail on account of doing a credit business. But the man who wants to start in business in a new town usually goes to church regularly for a few Sundays and joins a few lodges and is soon acquainted with the best people of the town and will not accept any advice from the other merchants who have been in business for some time regarding the willingness or ability of certain people to pay their bills and the first thing he knows the representative of the wholesale firms have charge of his business and previous brethren and staunch friends are not in evidence.

As for selling your goods on credit, I say without fear of competent opposition that nine-tenths of the farmers' produce has in the past been sold to the merchants and taken out in chips and wheatstones, while the farmer would have to go out to the mills and camps to make money with which to pay their taxes.

Unless the people who support the stores stand together, they will have so many people in business that there won't be enough on the farms to furnish grub for them, and the more the business is divided the greater expense it entails. The advantages to be derived from a flourishing business center are de-

plorable, as there is more business done in New York than in any other city in the United States, and I venture to say there is more misery in one square mile there than in a whole state of farming districts.

Why You Should Buy at the Co-Operative Store.

Because when you go to buy from the privately owned store the temptations are very strong for the clerk or proprietor to exaggerate and make you think that the article which he has just shown you is the very best to be obtained in any store or market in the world, and if you are not quite satisfied and wish to go to some place else to see if you can better please yourself ten chances to one he will be sore and consider that you have done him a great injustice by boring him for some time without buying what he offers you.

The reason the home merchant is so willing to correct errors shows that he is under obligation to you.

When you belong to the co-operative store, you save enough to tide over possible sick spells, or if you are in dire need of credit or assistance, a store with several hundred members or stockholders could, if necessity demanded it. Seems to me, that they could assist a needy member easier than one merchant could carry the whole community.

If a merchant extends you any credit it is because he has an idea that he himself is going to be benefited, as it is not altogether a motive of charity.

The local merchant pays taxes out of the profit extorted from you and endeavors to increase the market by getting the goods from you as cheap as possible and selling them to the consumer for as much as they possibly can. They would rather throw the wilted vegetables in the garbage and deduct it from your account than cut the price and let some needy one have them.

The reason property values and rents increase is because of congestion, and the more people who enter business the greater demand for suitable locations. Then begins the bidding on the rents, which adds to the expense of doing business and makes it harder for the consumer to meet his obligations or he has to do with less, which puts the market out of plumb.

The best citizens patronize the local stores. They are usually people who

are in other lines of business, and as a matter of course they have to patronize one another to keep up appearances; but at the same time they feel that they are paying an enormous price.

If you give the home merchant a chance to compete with your order, he could make the same rate as the mail order house, provided he could get the volume of business; but as I have said before, the trade is usually divided up so badly that when the merchant gets a victim he has to get all he can to tide over the next call, as the expenses come regularly.

Now, I would like to challenge the farmer composer of that article to come back and defend his argument and sign it. I do not expect a reply, as it is very evident on the face that the piece mentioned is the child of the brain of some agitator for the competitive system under a merchant's association. Yours truly, F. S. RIEBE, Manager People's Co-Operative Co.

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