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ASHLAND AND ROSEBURG PAPERS TELL OF VISITS.

Newspapers Sing Praises of Visiting Delegation Last Week.

Southern Oregon papers are profuse in their praise of the recent visit to Southern Oregon by the La Grande business men. Here are two comments on the trip:

(Ashland Tidings.)

The La Grande boosters have come and gone. They said Ashland gave them the best entertainment they had enjoyed on the trip. Ashland always does things in a big way, because it is a city with a big spirit.

Ten autos, supplied by Ashland citizens, met the La Grande business men at the depot. They were first taken to the magnificent new high school building, then driven over the city and unloaded at the Oregon hotel, where the Commercial club, through Mr. Connor, had prepared for them a splendid six-course dinner. After that the company retired to the Commercial club rooms where a number of citizens were in waiting to give the visitors the glad hand. Ashland's two-weeks-old orchestra was there, and played like veterans of Sousa's band. Even Ashlanders were aroused to the pleasant knowledge that the city was blessed with an orchestra of real musicians.

About twenty short speeches were mostly by the visitors. President made, some by our home men, but Briggs and Secretary Day conducted the intellectual festivities with a completeness and zest which bespeaks real life and telling work for the club during this year.

No more representative crowd has ever been sent on a business expansion

excursion. Every man in the bunch was a solid La Grande business man. They came to learn, and the questions for information piled by them to our local speakers evinced a hunger for a better knowledge of the Rogue river valley. La Grande is three hundred miles east of Portland, and they had come all this way seeking better knowledge of our resources and to broaden their business acquaintances. Ashland did herself proud. The visitors were pleased. They know a great deal more about this part of the state by reason of their visit, and thousands of dollars in advertising value will come to Ashland by reason of it.

There were twenty-five of the visiting party, every one "live wires." The speeches were of real information, just such talks as are needed when distant neighbors meet.

The following gentlemen responded with speeches full of sense and wit, at the call of President Briggs:

Charles E. Cochran, Bruce Dennis, Walter M. Pierce, George T. Cochran, and Dr. N. Molitor of the La Grande party and E. V. Carter, C. B. Lamkin, G. F. Billings, Prof. Briscoe, F. H. Carter, Mr. Walker and Mr. Greer told of the natural resources and splendid possibilities of Ashland and the Rogue river valley.

Citizens of Ashland should manifest more interest in occasions of this kind. Through such methods cities are stimulated and grow. Nothing is ever lost by the proper entertainment of visiting delegations.

(From Roseburg Review.)

"You say Roseburg ladies They aint got no style; They're style all the while They're style all the while."

Thus sang the La Grande party of boosters on their departure from the Roseburg Commercial Club Friday night for their train enroute home. And this brought rounds of applause. During the evening they had been banqueted at the Hotel McClallen and later entertained at the club head-

quarters, where a large number of ladies and gentlemen had assembled to greet the visitors and help to give them an enjoyable stay in Roseburg.

This party of business and professional men came here from the famous Grande Ronde Valley, whose fields, embracing 300,000 broad acres, are surrounded by mountains of Alpine proportions and beauty. And "live wires" these men are, every one of them, in the affairs of their city, county and state. During the afternoon they were shown about our city in automobiles, and they were most agreeably surprised at our seven miles of paved streets, modern buildings, fine surroundings and general air of prosperity and progress.

Their loyalty to home was attested during the evening by their "booster yells" for La Grande and the "G. R. V.," liberally interspersed with singing, among others, to the tune of Glory, Hallelujah:

"Roseburg, Roseburg, how we love you, And we'll come back again."

Their loyalty to the whole state was shown by singing, both before the banquet and at the Commercial Club, the following:

Oregon, My Oregon.  
(Tune, My Maryland.)

From realms of everlasting snow,  
Thy crystal rivers ever flow;  
Thy vales eternal verdure know;  
All this is thine, My Oregon.

Chorus:  
My Oregon, My Oregon,  
All this is thine, My Oregon,  
My Oregon, My Oregon,  
All this is thine, My Oregon.  
From thee no gift did God withhold,  
Along thy streams He scattered gold;  
And in thy soil stored wealth untold—  
All this is thine, My Oregon.

Chorus:  
On breezes soft comes bounteous rain,  
'Neath smiling sky up leaps the grain;  
Fruit, flowers and tree deck hill and plain—  
All thine and mine, My Oregon.

At the banquet which was an elaborate affair and elegantly served, Hon. Dexter Rice acted as toastmaster. Among those there assembled were five mayors—From La Grande, Hot Lake, Island City, Sutherlin and Roseburg. While "five cooks may spoil a broth," these five mayors were in entire harmony with the occasion, which proved one of the most enjoyable held here in a long time. Hon. Binger Hermann welcomed the visitors in an able address which was eloquently responded to by Attorney Chas. E. Cochran, of La Grande. At the suggestion of John Collier, president of the Peoples Store of La Grande the visitors sang, "Oregon, My Oregon." Mr. Collier is the dean, organizer and general chaperone of this party. His business partner is Chas. Clements, formerly of Roseburg. The song was followed by an address by Bruce Dennis, owner and publisher of the La Grande Observer. He is a live Oregon booster at all times and backs his faith by his works. He also paid a high tribute to Roseburg's publicity manager, G. P. Schlosser.

Hon. Walter Pierce, former state senator, now proprietor and manager of the famous Hot Lake Sanatorium, gave perhaps the most eloquent address of the evening in which a magnificent future for the whole state was forecasted. Judge J. W. Hamilton closed the speechmaking with an able dissertation on the great natural resources of Oregon, including also the great institutions which are being built up, especially along educational lines. He holds that the public problems of today will be solved by the young men who are being educated in these schools.

After the banquet, the assemblage at the Commercial Club was a brilliant one. Music, games, dancing and social converse sped the time right merrily, Roseburg being the only place on their trip where the ladies turned out to greet these visitors from Eastern Oregon. The guests pronounced themselves as being greatly pleased thereby and that their reception here was therefore the finest they had experienced during their nine days journey.

This trip has been a general get-together meeting for the whole state. They did not come either to sell their goods or their products, but simply to get acquainted and together help to build up a greater Oregon. The boundless hospitality shown them at every place was extolled and the experiences of this trip will be a treasured memory for life. Besides this their only expressed wish was to carry away with them a share of the love and esteem of the excellent people they had met in this historic and now progressive city of the Umpquas.

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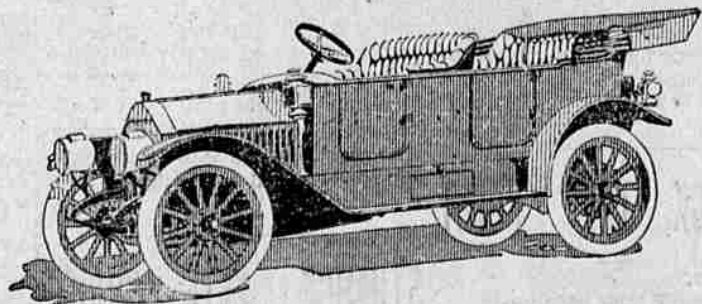
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