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(Special to The Observer)

SPOKANE, Wash., July 15.—A 600-page book entitled "The Economic Resources of the Pacific Northwest," and covering the wealth of the states of Washington, Oregon and Idaho, is being published under the auspices of the College of Business Administration of the University of Washington and will be ready for distribution in August.

The book was written jointly by Parker K. Baird, a Spokane engineer, and Ernest Goodner, chemist with a local clay products company. It is primarily intended for use in the upper division of high schools, having been especially adapted by the authors to commercial geography, economics, history and English composition.

According to the authors, the book represents the Pacific Northwest as a whole, impartially pointing out the resources of all cities and sections in the territory, without reference to firm names or trademarks. Editing of the book was done by Dean Stephen L. Miller and Professor H. T. Lewis of the College of Business Administration at the University of Washington.

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Society

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Price and daughters, Hazel Mary and Betty, and Miss Hannah Lewis, of Portland, returned from an extended motoring trip to Yellowstone Park a few days ago, after being absent from La Grande for over two weeks. They went to the park by the northern road and after taking in the wonders of the Yellowstone, which Mrs. Hill described as "wonderful; one of the beauties of nature," returned to La Grande by way of Salt Lake City, where they visited the L. D. S. Tabernacle. They found the roads in splendid shape until they reached Weiser on their return trip, finding a few miles of bad road this side of Weiser, due to construction. They all reported a very pleasant time on the trip. Mr. and Mrs. Price and daughters and Miss Lewis are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hill and will be here for some time.

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The annual parish picnic of St. Peter's Episcopal church will be held in Riverside Park Tuesday afternoon and evening, July 18. The picnic crowd will leave the church, at the corner of Fourth street and O avenue, at 1:30 p. m. The afternoon will be devoted largely to games and other entertainment for the members of the Sunday school classes, while late in the afternoon men of the parish unable to attend during the afternoon will join their wives and children for a picnic supper and an informal evening midst the beautiful setting of the park.

The general arrangements are in charge of A. C. Hampton, while Mrs L. D. Russell, president of the woman's guild, is in charge of the committee of ladies arranging for the supper and for transportation. A Edwin Pryke is assisting Mr. Hampton in arranging games and other entertainment for the members of the Sunday school classes.

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A delightful birthday party of the surprise variety was held Tuesday evening at the L. D. S. Hall in honor of the 60th birthday of Mrs. O. C. Combs who was unaware of such a move being very pleasantly surprised. About sixty friends were present and the evening was spent in song and conversation.

Following the social evening, a beautiful birthday angel cake cooked by Mrs. Ray Baum, was cut and served with ice cream. David I. Stoddard served as toastmaster and Mrs. Geo. Lyman, Mrs. Clode Metcalf, Mrs. Ray Baum, Mrs. Pearl Webb and a number of other prominent ladies served as hostesses.

The guests departed for their homes wishing Mrs. Combs many more happy birthdays. The dear old lady received many beautiful and useful presents.

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The younger members of La Grande society held an informal dancing party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill last evening in honor of Misses Hazel Mary Price and Hannah Lewis, of Portland, who are guests at the Hill home. About twenty-five were present and spent the evening very enjoyably in dancing, which was followed by delicious refreshments. The house was beautifully decorated with cut flowers.

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The Sodality girls were hostesses at a lawn party given Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. F. O'Conogl. The affair was a decided success a large number of people attending. The evening was spent in social conversation and music, which was followed by the serving of refreshments, consisting of ice cream, sherbet and cake. A candy booth containing home made candies was very well patronized.

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Mrs. Paul Mason entertained at bridge in honor of Miss Beatrice West, niece of N. K. West, who is visiting in La Grande for several days before returning to her home in Portland, on Saturday evening at her home. There were three tables of bridge with Mrs. James McNamee winning high honors and Miss West receiving guests prize. Following the cards a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess.

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The Ladies Aid of Lane Chapel met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William Fallow, meeting in a combined business and social session. The early part of the afternoon was devoted to the routine business, which was followed by the serving of some delicious ice cream and cake by the hostess. A social hour was observed by the ladies after the refreshments.

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Mrs. William Kinsie and wife and Frank Tosey and family, of Baker will leave La Grande Sunday morning for a visit to the Pacific coast in an automobile. Mr. Tosey and family will drive down from Baker tonight and all will get an early start tomorrow morning. They will be at the ocean resorts for several weeks.

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Mrs. Dick Smith, Miss Virginia Bryant and Miss Beulah Smith entertained their primary grades of Sunday school Tuesday with a picnic at the park. The children enjoyed a lovely day. Visitors were Mr. Edward Jasper, Mrs. Alec Robertson, Mrs. Walter Barker, Miss Hilda Hodgins, Mrs. Walter Zurbrick, Mrs. I. Shafer and Mrs. Burk.

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The Parkdale club [illegible] at the park [illegible] present [illegible] the day [illegible] Mrs. Phil Thompson [illegible] The [illegible] in charge.

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Miss Adelaide Ruth Clark, daughter of Mrs. B. [illegible] Clark, who formerly made her home in La Grande, but has been located in Los Angeles, California, for the past few years, arrived in La Grande this week and will make her home with her aunt and uncle, Dr. and Mrs. [illegible] Richardson.

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J. A. Russell and his daughter, Imogen, entertained at the bridge tea Thursday afternoon at their home. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers, etc., in honor of Mrs. Kristian Falkenburg, of Walla Walla. A number of friends were in attendance and the afternoon was spent very pleasantly in social conversation.

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Misses Ruth Herzinger and Florence Forshaw will leave for Wallowa Lake this evening, where they will join Mr. and Mrs. Herzinger, daughters, Blanche and Mable, and Miss Ann Schell, of Wallowa, and Mrs. Albert Currey. They will remain at the lake Sunday, returning to La Grande Sunday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dutton and their son are in La Grande visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hunter. They are quite well known here Mr. Dutton having formerly been prominent in football circles at the O. A. C. They are now making their home in Portland.

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Miss Katherine Ross, of Everett, Washington, is visiting at the home of Mrs. Wilbur Zurbrick and son Robert Eakin. Miss Ross was a classmate and sorority sister of Mrs. Zurbrick and Mrs. Eakin in the University of Washington.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wright returned to La Grande this morning after spending an extended visit in the east. They spent some time at the home of Frank Barton, at Mahnomen, Minnesota, and report a very delightful trip. They were gone for about a month.

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A pleasant dinner party was held in the Union Hotel Thursday evening when Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hill and a number of friends motored over and spent the evening following a delicious dinner in social conversation.

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Mrs. Lot Snodgrass is spending a few days in Walla Walla, having left La Grande Thursday, and she is expecting to return about Monday. She is a guest at the home of her brother.

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James Hamilton and Miss Blanche Hylton were united in marriage at the Baptist church Friday afternoon at four o'clock by Rev. A. R. Sutton, pastor of the church.

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Mrs. Kennedy Baker and her daughter, Blanche, of Bandon, Oregon, are house guests at the home of Mrs. Ernest Watkins, Mrs. Baker being Mrs. Watkins' sister.

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Practically all of the bridge and five hundred clubs have adjourned for the summer season. One of the last to take this move was the Kaffee Klatch.

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Mrs. Nettie Hyde and her sister, Reta Keller, and her son, Paul Hyde of Hastings, Michigan, are spending the summer with Mrs. O. A. Kratz.

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The Eastern Star Social Club will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Oscar Berger, 1105 O avenue, on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

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On Saturday, July 8, at A. R. Sutton of the Baptist church married Clarence Brown and Esther May Hoscher.

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Mrs. Kristian Falkenburg of Walla Walla, Washington, is the house guest of Mrs. J. A. Russell.

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Miss Flora Hutchison, of Union, spent yesterday in La Grande visiting with friends.

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Mrs. Pauline Foster of Baker is visiting Mrs. Steinmetz of Island City.

Just Thirty Years Ago in the Grande Ronde Valley

July 13, 1892.

Billy Burton, a former resident of Union county and an accomplished cowboy, was buried to death at Everett, Washington, Saturday evening. He was reported to have been sleeping in a cold slash this year.

burned to the ground.

J. K. Ronig started Sunday morning for Helena, Mont., to attend the mining congress. Owing to pressure of business, L. H. Russell, also a delegate, was unable to attend.

Messrs. Krieger and Gassman, contractors for the building of the Alliance Flouring Mill, commenced work last week.

The Enterprise Hotel was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The loss was about $2500. On Saturday morning the residence of C. E. Davis of Union was burned down, the loss amounting to $2000.

J. A. Anthony removed his bakery and confectionery establishment into his new building Saturday. The new quarters are very commodious and the proprietor is entitled to much praise for the enterprise he has displayed. The large bakery addition to the building is also running in full blast.

The smallpox patient has entirely recovered and is able to be around. Dr. Moliter discontinued his service Monday, as there was no further use for his services.

One of the children of Mr. Thompson's family near the elevator, died this week from scarlet fever. The disease also made its appearance in the family of J. Cowel a few days ago but it was a mild type and the children have all recovered.

An athletic entertainment was given under the auspices of the La Grande athletic club at Slater's hall Wednesday evening. A sparring exhibition was given by Billy Woods, the California, and Pat McHugh, the Wisconsin pugilist and wrestler, also contests among local celebrities. There was a large attendance of mighty interested spectators.

Business on the railroad is gradually picking up, cars having been sent several extra freights sent out during the past week. Times were never quieter than they have been during the spring months, but the revival of business is hailed with pleasure by a large number of employes who have become tired of receiving half-grown checks.

Joseph Squires is in prompt of a force men C. H. Hopkins, manager of the Inland Telephone and Telegraph company, to use direct cost is contemplating on constructing a line from Pendleton to Baker City, using to use some bonds in Eastern Oregon. A representative will be in La Grande in about six weeks to make the new situation.

A fire started in John Baker's livery stable about two o'clock yesterday morning. The commotion among the horses aroused the hostler, Charles Simpson, who ran with a few buckets of water and succeeded in squelching the flames. The fire was started in the hay under the manger, apparently by some fire bugs.

The water works contractors are progressing rapidly with their work, and nearly all of the trenches for the main and lateral pipes have been completed and this evening a part of the forces at work were laid off for a few days. The ground at the reservoir has been broken, the excavating commenced and the stone has been being delivered for its construction. One of the largest wells has been dug as far as possible, but on the arrival of the pumps will probably be pushed to completion.

Born in La Grande, July 11, 1892, to the wife of Eugene Kesler, a son. On July 11th, to the wife of Judd Gray, a daughter, and to the wife of H. D. Jones, a son.

ASSESSMENTS ARE LOWERED

PENDLETON, July 15.—Wheat lands in Umatilla county are being assessed at 10 per cent less valuation this year than last year on an average, according to R. O. Hayes, county assessor. The assessor is engaged now in checking over the books of the assessors who have completed their work. The wheat lands during the days of peak prices were not assessed or as much as they should have been, so also chances are the assessments are still a trifle high, Mr. Hayes said today. "The readjustment can't be made all at once however, and in order to keep land values somewhere in accord with other valuations, which have been reduced practically some as well, we have found wheat as much as we

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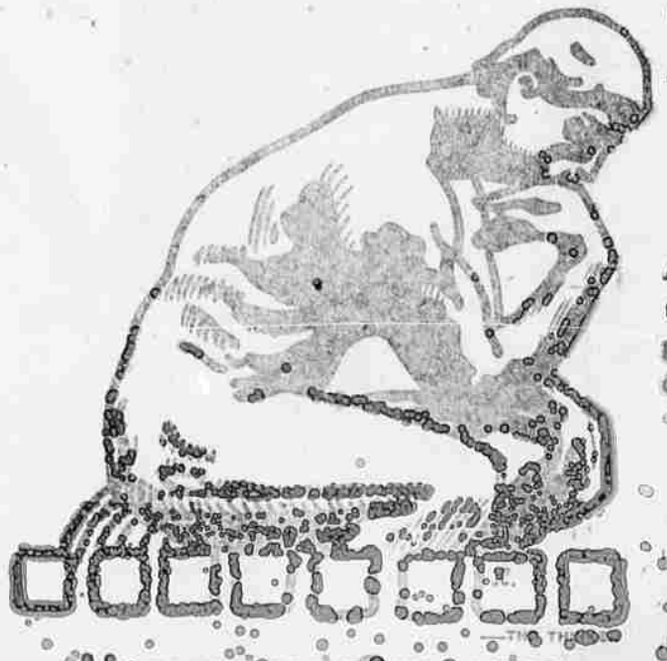

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