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STREET ECHOES

Opinions of Some of Our Citizens—Serious and Otherwise.

E. Denton:—"Everything was looking fine in the Ft. Klamath country when I left several days ago. I can't imagine conditions for a prosperous stock year could be better. Stock is in splendid shape and there is an abundance of grass."

S. A. Carlton:—"If anyone imagines that alfalfa will not grow on sticky land they have only to look over my field, out near Wellen. I have a five acre field from which I have harvested one and a half tons to the acre—some of it two tons—and it is sure enough sticky land. Crops looking simply immense—could not look better."

M. M. Gault:—"No, we haven't built that new cupola yet. We actually can't get time. There isn't an hour in the day that somebody isn't in the shop wanting to know why his work isn't out. It keeps us jumping all of the time, I tell you. If the work keeps on increasing we will just naturally have to quit and enlarge that cupola and let our customers wait until we get it done. There are six of us working now and we have all we can do."

M. Dillon:—"I'd like to know why some of the rain which fell on the west side of the valley Saturday and Sunday in such copious quantities couldn't have reached we people east of Bear creek. At my place, two miles east of town, there was not a drop fell on either day. Mind, I'm not kidding, but I have noticed during my residence in the valley that the storms go in streaks. One side of the valley will be drenched, while the other is dry and sometimes the storm will follow the hills on each side and not touch the center of the valley."

Geo. F. Merriman:—"Are we pretty busy? Well, I guess yes. We blacksmiths in this town Man's are so busy we haven't time to look across the street to see whether the other fellow is doing anything or not and when six o'clock comes there isn't any of us sorry to hear the whistle blow. One day last week we put on ninety-six shoes in this shop, besides other work, and whenever I got time to look I didn't see any of the fellows on the other side of the street playing marbles or enjoying a siesta. This is about the busiest end of town, when we get busy, and we are busy pretty much all the time."

E. S. Wolf:—"Do you believe they can grow any better strawberries than those anywhere? The coloring, flavor and size are equal to the famous Hood river berry. Of course, I am not egotistical enough to claim that they beat the Hood river berry, but that section will have to go some to beat those. They came from my patch near Eagle Point, and I picked 102 gallons of just about the same kind of berries Monday. What will I do with them? Well, I don't find any difficulty in disposing of those I have now to the local trade, but when all my vines are in full bearing I will be compelled to ship. The berries will bear transportation I think, because, like the majority of Southern Oregon fruit, they are solid and not easily crushed. Those you see were brought twelve miles over a pretty rough road, and they are all dead ripe. No particular care was taken of them on the journey, still they are not in bad condition."

H. B. Nye:—"Our party, composed of father, Richard Jennings, E. J. Trowbridge, S. P. Purdy and myself returned this week from a two weeks' visit to Klamath county. We first went to Klamath Falls and from there to Merrill and then on to the new town—White Lake City. This town is twenty-four miles south from Klamath Falls and as yet no city at all—not even a town, but I am guessing it will amount to something one of these days—in fact the situation is good and there seems to be an honest determination back of the enterprise. There are fifteen or twenty tents there now and foundations are being laid for substantial buildings. The company has sold 280 lots at \$15 per lot—some in every state in the Union. We had a very pleasant stay at Merrill, where we met A. P. Misher and W. W. Taylor, both Medford boys. They have bought fifteen acres of the alfalfa land right close up to Merrill and are now putting in a fine creamery. They have their building up—and it's a good one, and are now installing their machinery. That is an ideal dairy country and the boys ought to make some money. At Ft. Klamath we met M. F. Parker—you know him—Parker the painter—the man you can hear farther than you can see. He is doing painting over there, but when he saw the Medford crowd he just naturally dropped everything, hitched up his team and drove all over the country with us. I fancy it made him homesick to get in with a crowd from good old Medford—and he wanted to stand with the gang. He is a royally good fellow and we enjoyed his kindness. A week

TOGO'S GREAT VICTORY FOR JAPAN The Greatet Sea Fight of the Age

Caught in a Trap the Russian Fleet is Annihilated. Only Four Vessel's Escape Over 3,000 Prisoners, including Three Admirals

Shattered by shot and shell, demoralized and defeated, the remnant of Admiral Rojstevsky's powerful fleet is fleeing northward, seeking the shelter of Vladivostok, hotly pursued by the victorious Japanese.

The story of the battle is another feather in the cap of the Japanese sea fighters. For weeks the two hostile fleets have been approaching each other. The progress of the Russian fleet was reported daily, but nothing could be learned of Togo's movements; but the result shows that he took up his position in the Korean straits where he had all the advantage and patiently waited until the enemy came within striking distance.

Beyond the results, little was known at Tokyo Monday of Admiral Togo's stunning victory over Admiral Rojstevsky. Rojstevsky reached Quelpart Island, Korea, early Saturday and headed for the Tsu Islands. The exact number of vessels in his fleet is not clear, but he had his main fighting vessels with a number of light cruisers and torpedo-boats.

The disposition of the Japanese fleet appears to have been an ideal one. Admiral Togo had waited for weeks in the vicinity of the Tsu Islands, refusing to be lured away and to forfeit his advantage. The inner line was held by Admiral Togo with the battleships and Vice-Admiral Kurohara with the cruisers. Rear-Admiral Katsona, with the light squadron, first attacked Rojstevsky.

Early on Saturday morning, Vice-Admiral Togo, with practically all the powerful fighting ships of the Japanese navy, was at Masanpho, Korea, when wireless signals from his scouts between Tsu and Quelpart Islands, announced the approach of the Russian fleet in full force.

A few hours later the scouts reported that the Russians were not ascending the western channel, as had been anticipated, but that they were coming up the eastern channel, which caused some surprise.

Admiral Togo immediately started at full speed around the north of Tsu Island and when he doubted the is land, he saw the Russians coming in two columns. He then brought a terrific fire to bear on the flank of the port column and, as the Russians fell into disorder, he forced them steadily eastward toward the Japanese coast, where they were attacked by every vessel that flew the Japanese flag.

Repeated torpedo attacks were delivered, some of them with the greatest success.

Admiral Togo reports that in the battle Saturday and Sunday he sank

ago last Saturday, May 20th, the ice was half an inch thick in the roads, near Merrill. That seemed pretty cold to me. No, I do not think father or I will invest over there, but I understand Mr. Trowbridge and Mr. Purdy will return to that country and will undoubtedly interest themselves in real estate there."

Decoration Day.

Memorial services were held at Wilson's opera house Tuesday at 10:30 o'clock by Chester A. Arthur Post, G. A. R. The meeting was opened by a selection by the Medford school band, following which Post Command Moore introduced Miss Enid Hamilton, who sang a solo. Prayer by the post chaplain, Rev. Jas. Kelso, followed; then reading of general orders by Post Adjutant F. M. Stewart. Hon. Wm. M. Colvig then delivered an eloquent and logical address. He took the position that, instead of being wrong, war was a necessity in the progress of the human race and brought events in history to prove that all great steps in the progress of the world have been made from bloody battlefields. "The pen is mightier. It may draw a declaration of independence or a magna charta of human liberties, but without the sword to enforce its provisions either right or wrong would be without force. Might and right together are irresistible."

"Memorial day is not new. From the time of the establishment of the Jewish Passover, commemorating the entry of the tribes of Israel into the promised land down into the twentieth century, every nation in the world has had some day upon which they met to honor those who had perished in the service of their country. The Greeks and Romans offered regular sacrifices to the names of those who had died in battle."

Following Mr. Colvig's address came plans given by Miss Loraine

thirteen of the enemy's warships and captured seven, with 3,000 prisoners. The following vessels were sunk: Battleships Borodino and Alexander III; armored cruisers Admiral Nakhamoff, Dmitri Dokstok and Vladimiri Monmakh; coast-defense ironclad Admiral Onsbakoff; protected cruisers Svetlana and Jemtechug; rear-ship Kamchatka; cruiser Irtevin, three destroyers. The battleships Sissoi Veliky, Orel and Nicolai I, the coast-defense ironclads Admiral Senavin and General Admiral Araxine and two smaller vessels were captured. The Russian flagship was seriously damaged.

Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff is among the captured. Eight Russian captains lost their lives in the engagement. The Japanese fleet escaped practically undamaged.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The Japanese legation today received the following report from Tokio: "It is officially announced that in the last naval battle the damages sustained by our fleet were very slight and none of our battleships, cruisers, destroyers and other ships were lost, except three torpedo-boats."

Under imperial command, Admiral Togo was authorized to permit Nebogatoff to submit to the Czar the reports on the lost battle and a list of Russians killed, wounded and prisoners. The Admiral was also authorized to release on parole the surrendered officers of Nicolai I, Orel, Apraxin and Senavin.

Rojstevsky was taken to Saeko naval hospital. No other admiral was captured from the destroyer Biedovy, the last report in this respect being due to clerical errors.

Rojstevsky's skull fractured, requiring operation; serious, but not dangerous. Total Japanese losses up to date, three torpedo-boats sunk, three officers killed, about 200 men killed and disabled.

The total tonnage of Admiral Togo's main fleet when he went into action was 130,880. The total tonnage of ships he has captured or sunk is 153,411.

He has disposed of a greater tonnage than he had, and, according to his dispatches, all his ships are still afloat.

Russia lost altogether 22 ships. ST. PETERSBURG, May 31.—So far as ascertainable, the torpedo-boat destroyer Bravi is the only other vessel beside the cruiser Almaz, belonging to Admiral Rojstevsky's fleet which arrived at Vladivostok. The protected cruisers Jemtechug, Aurora and Oleg are still unaccounted for.

The defeat of the Russian fleet leaves Japan in undisputed possession of the seas and, in the opinion of experts, means the early advent of peace. Russia has now only to depend upon her off-defeated army in Manchuria, and with Japan in position to land troops without any danger from Russian war vessels it seems that the mediation of friendly powers will be accepted and the war brought to an end.

Bliton and Agnes Isaacs and by Mrs. Ashurst and Miss Flora Grey.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock the members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C., together with many citizens, assembled in Odd Fellows cemetery, where, after the usual post services, the ceremony of decorating the graves of the departed soldiers was observed. During the forenoon many people had carried floral emblems to the cemetery and placed them at the last resting places of departed dear ones, so that the "silent city of the dead" became a garden of fragrant blossoms.

Some day the veterans of the war, which will go down in history as one of the greatest and most stubbornly waged, will have all passed away. Their ranks are thinning. Their shoulders, which were once square, are bowed beneath the weight of years. The step, once firm, is now feeble. But as long as this nation shall endure "Decoration Day" will be observed by its people and the sight of the faded flag flying over an almost forgotten grave will serve to remind coming generations that there lies one who gave his youth and perhaps his life in order that the nation might live. It has come to pass that those who wore the blue and those who wore the gray unite in observing this day, and in paying a deserving tribute to the comrades who have gone before. Naught of bitterness is felt by anyone in the observance of this occasion, rather a sense of reverence and honor to the brave men of both sides who offered their lives in a cause they believed to be right.

"Under the sod and the dew;
Waiting the judgment day,
Under the roses the blue,
Under the lilies the gray."

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FRUIT GROWER'S ANNUAL MEETING

The Rogue River Valley Fruit Growers' Union held its annual meeting on Saturday last, at which there was a goodly representation of the members of that body. The meeting was called to order at 2 p. m. The report of the business done by the association was a very satisfactory one. The prices realized were good and the members were highly pleased with the showing made. The union is now upon a substantial basis and the membership is increasing all the time.

The following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: S. L. Bennett, president; H. F. Meader, vice-president; J. A. Perry, secretary; Geo. R. Lindley, treasurer; S. L. Bennett, J. A. Perry, G. A. Hoyer, J. McPherson, S. W. Boyd, H. F. Meader, A. A. Andrews, J. W. Mitchell, Wm. Carroll, directors.

The old officers were all re-elected, the only change made being in the board of directors, J. McPherson having been elected in place of A. W. McPherson.

The secretary reported that all bills and accounts had been settled and that there was quite a sum of money in the treasury.

"The Union is in a prosperous condition," said President S. L. Bennett, to a Mail reporter, "and the past year everything ran smoothly and the members are well satisfied. The first year we were organized we made mistakes, of course. Some of us were aware that mistakes would be made, but instead of being discouraged we went ahead trying to remedy those errors and that we have succeeded fairly well is shown by our constantly increasing membership and general prosperity. We now have over forty members and more are coming in all the time. Reports I have had from California and the east indicate a good market for our fruit this year. The eastern peach crop is short and that always means a good market for pears, the later fruit taking the place of the peaches. Besides this the pear crop in California is not up to the average. There will be no Bartlets there for export, the canneries use them all, so that the Rogue river grower will have a good market. I am inclined to think that the fruit crop as a whole will be only about average this year. Some varieties of fruit and some localities will have large crops, while others will fall below the average, but I believe that the quality will be such and the prices so good that the income from this source will be as large, if not larger, than in years when the crop has been much larger."

Bound Over to Circuit Court.

The two men brought back from Eugene by Chief Angle had their preliminary examination in Justice Stewart's court Friday. Neither one of the men would give a name, other than the sobriquets they went by in the hose camps along the line, viz: "Irish" and "Dutchy," refused legal aid and generally conducted themselves as hard cases. A razor sold to a Mr. Beebe, of Eugene, by the pair, was identified by H. C. Garnett as part of the stock, which was stolen from his store a week before, and Mr. Beebe identified the same razor as the one sold to him by the accused. The men were put under \$200 bonds, which they were unable to furnish, and therefore they will board at the county's expense until their appearance before the circuit court.

Medford High School Commencement.

Commencement exercises were held at the Medford high school building May 29th, at 2 o'clock p. m. The assembly hall was beautifully decorated with ivy and roses. Over the rostrum roses and evergreen had been festooned forming an arch under which the various numbers of the program were rendered. The windows and walls were masses of roses and evergreen.

The following program was carried out in a manner creditable to both students and instructors:
Song, "The Lullaby of a Child," By School Band.
Speech, "The Future of Education," By School Essay, "Benefits of Education," By School Class Prophecy, "The Future of Education," By School Valedictory, "The Future of Education," By School Class Address.
Presentation of Diplomas.
S. L. Bennett, Chairman of School Board.
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The members of the graduating class were all remembered by friends and the floral pieces were both beautiful and numerous.

The students were disappointed in not having Prof. Campbell, of the State University, with them as they expected. But the class address, which Rev. Mr. Carstens very kindly consented to give upon request, was

all that a class address could be. Judge Purdill's talk was highly appreciated.

At the close of the exercises the visitors were invited to look over the work prepared for the Lewis & Clark fair. The compositions which were written and illustrated were on horticulture, natural scenery, agriculture, Rogue river valley, etc., and were exceptionally fine. After this work is exhibited at the fair, it will be sent to the eastern schools and will there be an advertisement for the west, as well as showing the eastern people what educational advantages are to be had in Oregon.

The graduates were: M. Maude O'Brien, Grace Lawton, May Hewes, A. Lewis Maule, P. Wilson Waito, A. Elizabeth Earhart, Allen Guy Mickey.

The second, third and fourth grades united in exercises and quite an extensive program was rendered. As in the case of the assembly room, the room in which the exercises were held was profusely decorated with roses and evergreens. Conspicuous among the decorations was the throne of flowers erected for the use of the "May Queen." Roses were everywhere and the remark was frequently made that it was not thought there were so many roses in Medford. Still the supply doesn't seem to run short.

Following is the program:

- Song, "Swing My Baby," School
- "Words of Welcome," Marie Estrop
- "The Little Bird That Talks," Karl Hubbert
- "How Children are Taught," Betty Shoultz
- "Marching Song," School
- "Pledge Time," School
- "When Thomas Takes his Gun," Edgar Owen
- "The Soldier's Prayer," Mabel Keizer
- "My Sister's Best Friend," Dean Moyer
- "The Bluebird Song," Mary Metz
- Restoration, "What the Bird Say," School
- PLAY—"THE MAY QUEEN"
- Queen, Catherine Deuel
- Herald, Leslie Pymale
- Birdie, Charlie Ray, Leonard Childs, Martin Klier, Gerald Wood, Henry Gaull, Walter Brown
- John, Carlisle, Jon S. Ervin, Parnelle, Paul Russell, Dean Carler, Houston Lang, Horace Hopkins, Boyd Keizer, Robert Lindley, Paul Leonard
- Dances, "Marie Estrop, Vivian Childers, Vida Thibodeau, Lila Bonson, Edna Peckner, Sadie Whitman, Lucille Owen, Eva Coffenburg, Lincoln Brown, Grace Shoultz, Mary E. Erwin, Mary Truesdell, Ethel Smith, Pearl Wilson, Agnes Johnson, Nellie Cornum, Margaret Braublie.
- Honorary, Harold Truwood, Harold Cochran, Diamond Truwood, Jesse Houzes, Willie Dyer, Theo Moore, Bertram Coffenburg, John Lawton, Harold Miles, Nola Lindley
- Ladies Aiding, "Blanche Maule, Luella Cochran, Vera Merriman, Virgie Gardner, Ellen LeMon, Maud Gosse, Ruth Woodford, Ethel Froedenburg, Florence Heritage, Edith Traver, Frances Vogt, Mildred Bliton, Ethel Hopkins, Marian Cox.

Ladies' Aid at Eagle Point.

The ladies of the Aid have decided to have their sale Thursday, June 15th, at Holmes' warehouse, commencing at 10 a. m. Rev. J. C. Austin will deliver the opening address.

We have some handsome articles of various kinds and some lovely quilts to be auctioned, one with 500 name pillows, one two alike, sunbonnets, sofa pillows, opera shawls, bureau scarfs, one a beautiful embroidered linen sent from Kansas by a friend of Mrs. A. V. Cook. These are only a few articles I mention.

Our town is small and only a few workers as compared to other places; but we are earnestly striving and would like to have the support of the people.

We extend a cordial invitation to all to come and buy some article and help build a church at Eagle Point. It is greatly needed.

We will serve dinner, 25 cents. Ice cream and lemonade. Come. We will promise you something good, so the ladies of Eagle Point know just how to prepare a dinner.

We dispersed with an entertainment in the evening, as we so many of our members were getting ready to go to the fair and it being a very busy time of the year; but think we can entertain you during the day so that you will feel it was good to be with us. We will be glad to welcome one and all.

Bliss Mine Looking Well.

Major D. R. Andrus, superintendent of the Bliss Mine Co., was in Medford Sunday. Major Andrus is feeling very much encouraged by the showing being made in the Bliss mine, on Galls creek, adjoining the Bliss Mine, where operations are being carried on at present. The mine is directly on the general course of the rich quartz deposits of the county and carries a high percentage of copper and silver, besides the gold. There is a pay chute of eighteen inches in width, which assays as high as \$75 per ton in gold, silver and copper, beside a showing of galena. The company is now sinking a shaft 100 feet deep, in order to get under a large body of the ore, and Major Andrus claims it will be the best constructed shaft in this section when it is completed. The bucket way will be 3 1/2 feet square and the ladder way 3 feet. It is solidly timbered throughout. From the bottom of the shaft crosscuts and tunnels will be run. "When I get under that ore," said the major, "I'll show you something that will open your eyes."

Secure Rooms Now.

To the people of Medford and vicinity: If you should want rooms during the Lewis and Clark fair call on Mrs. L. T. Pierce, formerly of Medford. Terms, \$1.00 and \$1.50 per day; residence 501 East Oak street, corner 10th, Portland, Oregon. 20-11

JACKSON COUNTY.

Ashtand is to have a juvenile band, of twenty-four pieces.

The postal department has rescinded the order to discontinue the post-office at Rock Point.

A special train containing 300 Nebraska lumbermen will pass through Rogue river valley on Tuesday, June 20th.

Sams Valley and Central Point will celebrate the 14th of July. The only communities, so far, to announce such intentions.

Benton Bowers and his sons made a raid on a band of coyotes, which had been infesting his Rogue river ranch, last week, and succeeded in killing four half-grown specimens. The largest one of the pack made its escape.

The supreme court last week affirmed the decision of the circuit court of Jackson county in the case of J. A. Harvey vs. the Southern Pacific Company for damages for the killing of a cow by one of the company's trains.

Big things are produced in all lines in Jackson county. We have big trees, big mines, big apples and various other big things. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Blacketer, of Galls creek, lay claim to the champion pig boy. He is eleven years old and weighs 160 pounds.

Mrs. Elsie Manning, wife of A. C. Manning, of Ashland, died Saturday of consumption; aged twenty-five years, nine months and sixteen days. She leaves three small children, beside her husband. The interment took place in Jacksonville cemetery Monday.

The Ashland chief of police is taking a census of the canines of that city with a view to collecting the annual tax by the ordinances made and provided. Over one hundred dogs have already been listed, the owners of which must put up the necessary coin or lose the dog.

Oregon Political Statistics.

Only three of Oregon's thirty-three counties have county officers who are all of one political party, notwithstanding the large Republican majority in the state and in most of the separate counties as well. Half of the county judges in Oregon are Democrats; and there is one county officer in the state who was elected as a Prohibitionist.

Oregon has 340 county officers. This number does not include legislators, who are elected on county tickets. There are thirty-three counties and all of them have ten officers—a judge, sheriff, clerk, treasurer, school superintendent, assessor, surveyor, two commissioners and a coroner. Ten counties also have a recorder making a total of 340 county officers in the state.

Of these 340 officers, 257 are Republicans and ninety-five Democrats. Two are classed as Republican-Democrats, have been elected on both tickets, and one is classed as a "Unionist," also having been elected on a union ticket. Two were elected as independents, one as an Independent Republican and one as a Democrat-Populist. And one of Oregon's 340 county officers is a Prohibitionist. He is A. M. Wright, county commissioner of Sherman county, and so far as known he is the only man ever elected to office in Oregon on the Prohibitionist ticket.

Twenty-five of the thirty-three counties have more Republican than Democrat officers. In four counties the officers are equally divided between the two parties. There are only four counties in the state which have more Democrats in office than Republicans. Only three counties in the state have officers who are all members of the same political party.

The three solid counties are Clackamas, Marion and Wasco, whose officers are all Republicans. Sherman and Washington counties practically belong in the same list, for with the exception of its one Prohibitionist all of Sherman's officers are Republicans and Washington county has ten Republican officers and one who is classed as a Unionist.

Coos, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Multnomah counties are almost straight Republican. Each has nine Republican officers and only one Democrat.

Eight Republican officers are credited to Grant, Harney, Linn, Polk and Umatilla counties. Jackson and Yamhill counties each have seven Republican and four Democrats; Curry and Tillamook each have seven Republicans and three Democrats; Columbia county has seven Republicans, two Democrats and one independent Republican; and Clatsop county has seven Republicans, one Democrat and two Republican Democrats. Gillam, Josephine and Wheeler counties each have six Republicans and four Democrats.

Coos, Klamath, Lake and Morrow counties are equally divided politically.

The four Democratic counties in Oregon (judging political complexion by the number of county officers of each party) are Benton, Malheur,

Union and Wallowa, Benton has four Republicans and seven Democrats; Malheur, three Republicans and seven Democrats; Union, five Republicans and six Democrats and Wallowa, three Republicans, six Democrats and one Independent.

Though twenty-five of the counties of Oregon are Republican, only one-half of the county judges in the state are members of that party. Judge Root, of Washington county, is classed in Oregon's official directory as a Unionist, and of the remaining thirty-two judges sixteen are Republicans and sixteen Democrats. The Democrats have also almost as many sheriffs as the Republicans, there being fifteen of the former party and eighteen of the latter. There are twenty Republican county clerks and thirteen Democrat.

There are twenty-six Republican county treasurers in Oregon and only seven Democratic ones.

Gold Standard to be Developed.

T. E. Willett, of Grants Pass, has secured a bond on the Gold Standard mine, in Jackson creek district, better known as the McWilliams & Casey mine. This ledge adjoins the Opp Mining Co.'s property on the north and the character of the ore indicates that it is a continuation of that now famous mine. Considerable development work has already been done on the property in the way of shafts and tunnels and Mr. Willett and his associates will have a force of men doing further work within a few days. If the ore shows up properly, which it now has every indication of so doing, a ten-stamp mill will be erected to crush the ore. Mr. Willett superintended the installing of the mill at the Opp mine, and it was while engaged in this work that his attention was attracted to the Gold Standard. The mine shows every indication of becoming a second Opp and if this should be the case, a wonderful impetus will be given quartz mining in that district. There are numerous ledges on both sides of the mountain upon which these mines are situated which are not worked on account of lack of capital, but a clear demonstration of the value of the mineral deposits, such as will be made by the success of the two mines above mentioned, will attract capital and secure the development of other ledges.

Blue Ledge to Come Out.

Since the litigation involving the Blue ledge copper mine on Elliott creek has been in progress, development work has been suspended, but indications now are that something will be doing in that region shortly. It is pretty definitely known that reports of experts sent out by several big copper mining syndicates during the past few months have been uniformly favorable to the proposition. That there is an immense body of copper ore there has been quite thoroughly demonstrated, and while the surface values are not extremely high, they are high enough to ensure a good profit, with the chance always of higher values as greater depth is reached. The almost uniform assay value of the out-croppings indicates strongly that the ledge is permanent, in place, and otherwise has the earmarks of a great mine. It remains, however, to solve the problem of transportation, but that does not present any serious difficulties. About fifty miles of railroad, at the outside, through a country presenting few engineering difficulties, and which besides has placer and quartz mines, farms and stock ranches, all of which would find an outlet to the markets of the world over this line, making a local revenue of no mean proportions. There is, beside all this, thousands of acres of timber lands in those mountains, waiting for a market.

Lumbermen's Excursion.

Tuesday, June 20th, the excursion of the Nebraska Lumbermen's Association, numbering some 200 people, will arrive in Medford from the north and will make a short stop to receive the courtesies of the Iowa Lumber & Box Co., in the way of Southern Oregon fruit and flowers. The hour will be about 5 o'clock a. m., and in the official circular issued by the managers of the excursion special mention is made of the treat in store for them at Medford and it is announced that all are expected to arise at the bugle call at 4:30 a. m. It is through the efforts of Manager Edgar Hafer, of the I. L. & B. Co., that this excursion has been induced to stop here, and everybody should make it a point to see that the excursionists are properly entertained. Give them an idea of what Southern Oregon produces in the way of fruit and flowers.

Wanted.

A woman to cook and keep house for family of four at the Sterling mine. Good wages. No boarding house. Apply to MRS. MILT ARMSTRONG, corner 1 and 5th streets, Medford.

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