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HENEY OUR POLITICAL DICTATOR.

It is announced that the appointment of a new federal judge for Oregon is delayed until Francis J. Heney passes upon the fitness of the prospective nominees.

It is high time that the political domination of Oregon by this non-resident ceased and that Oregonians be permitted to choose their own officials.

It is humiliating to this great state to have to accept the political dictation of a Californian who has no interest in Oregon except the lust for defaming and imprisoning her leading citizens.

It is doubly insulting to Oregon republicans to have their counsels ignored and the advice of a non-resident democrat accepted.

For nearly four years Mr. Heney has been political autocrat of Oregon. He has named United States attorneys, federal marshals and land officials and caused the reappointment of immunity-bath heroes to minor offices as a reward for betraying their friends—and now he would select a judge—presumably one in sympathy with his proclivities.

If President Taft is to continue Heney's dictation in Oregon affairs he will complete the demoralization of the republican party in Oregon.

CRATER LAKE ROAD APPROPRIATION.

In making the \$50,000 appropriation for the construction of the Crater Lake highway, the county court and commissioners have fulfilled the desires of nine-tenths of the taxpayers.

The caution used by the commissioners in making the appropriation is to be commended, as they wished to be sure that the appropriation would have the sanction of the taxpayers. The petitions filed proved this the case.

Few people realize what it means to this section, what it means to all Oregon, to have the Crater Lake region made accessible. It will be the greatest resource this section has. It will mean the greatest advertisement Oregon can possibly have. It will be to Oregon what the Yosemite is to California. It means a continuous stream of wealthy and money-spending tourists from all parts of the globe, scattering dollars as they go, and talking Oregon throughout the globe.

Fruit crops may come and go, mines may yield and be worked out, great forests be cut down, but nature's greatest wonder, serene, bewildering, entrancing in its beauty, is a fixture for all time among the eternal hills, a never-ending attraction to the people of the world and a joy forever.

To the adjacent country, to all Oregon, the accessibility of Crater Lake means a never-ending source of revenue from the never-failing stream of sightseers.

WHAT PAPERS SAY

THE ROGUE

(Portland Journal)

Portland investors have purchased the Moorhouse tract of land one and a half miles northwest of Central Point in Jackson county. The tract is fruit and alfalfa land, and the price paid was \$150 per acre. According to The Medford Tribune, every foot of land in the tract is susceptible of gravity irrigation. A large irrigation is to be set to apples and peaches.

So since the story of growth in southern Oregon. Near Jacksonville one investor has set out 6000 shoots of the Tokay grapes, and in the same vicinity there are 10,000 acres of brush land peculiarly adapted to its production. In the Rogue river district, 12 acres of orchard sold recently for \$18,000, or at the rate of \$1500 per acre. Big capital from outside sections is turning in this district as one to yield handsome returns on investments in fruit activities. Heavy profits are realized from pear and apple orcharding, and the region produces the finest peaches in the world. Fruit from Rogue river has attained a distant market reputation that secures for it the world's best prices. As a pear producing area it is simply without a rival on the globe. There have been instances where carloads of Rogue river pears have brought in New York and London markets prices that seem almost fabulous. The effort had been to make the Rogue river country a literal gold mine in the fruit industry.

Every foot of land has come to be precious, with the running streams and nearby forests added assets in the region's wealth. To its fruit producing possibilities is added a climate whose salubrity is the delight

of the residents the whole year through. The region is fast becoming one of the most thickly settled and one of the richest communities in the Oregon country.

TRUSTEES AUTHORIZE PLANS FOR HEATING PLANT

SALEM, Or., March 25.—At a special meeting of the board of trustees of the Oregon state insane asylum recently the work of preparing plans for the central heating plant was awarded to J. C. Moore & Company of Portland, and Superintendent Steiner was authorized to make arrangements for the plant, subject to the approval of the board. This is the largest central heating plant proposition ever attempted in the Pacific coast.

The matter of arranging plans for the \$100,000 addition to the asylum was taken up and the firm of Lacy, Whitehouse & Fossilberry of Portland were employed to draw plans and specifications, subject to the approval of the board.

PENDLETON WANTS GUN AS WELL AS SALEM

PENDLETON, Or., March 25.—This city is out to secure one of the guns now being removed from the battleship Oregon. Formal application has been made to the war department and a telegram was sent to the Oregon delegation asking for consideration.

The message was signed by the mayor, president of the Commercial association and commanders of the G. A. R. and Spanish War Veterans. One of the interesting exhibits at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will be the display of the American Packers' association. The exhibit will be highly educational to many visitors. A meeting of the Packers' associations of Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho will be held in Seattle this summer.

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