

WHAT CRATER ROAD MEANS TO VALLEY

Will Tap Rich Section of Country and Increase Revenue From Tourists.

The termination of the Indian war of 1855-56 and the completion of the railroad through the valley in 1884 are the only two epochs in the history of Rogue River valley that would equal in importance the building of the Crater Lake road. It will mark the beginning of the greatest period of progress and prosperity that the Rogue River valley has yet had.

Being the first highway in Oregon to be laid out and constructed under the supervision of engineers of the United States bureau of good roads, and thus embodying all the latest and the best in the science of modern road building, it will be an object lesson of great value to all the state, and especially to Rogue River valley.

Taps Rich Country.

It taps a territory half as large as the state of Rhode Island, now fairly well settled and with a hard-surfaced, modern highway to afford cheap and ready means of getting farm produce to market and of bringing in supplies it would soon become one of the most populous sections of Jackson county. The best potato district in Southern Oregon is in this district and it produces grain and grass equally well, while as an apple and pear district the success of the few orchards now growing there prove that it will, so soon as transportation is had, become one of the largest and best fruit districts of Rogue River valley.

Tourist Revenue.

Crater Lake is conceded by all who have seen it and the other great wonders of nature to be the grandest and most awe-inspiring sight in all the world. Southern California with only the attractions of its climate and of the wonderful scenery and falls of the Yosemite gets more revenue and profit from the hundreds of thousands of tourists who each year visit that section than from the orange and lemon groves and all the other resources they have. More than 100,000 persons visit Yellowstone National park each year. With Crater Lake as well known as Yosemite valley and Yellowstone Park and as accessible as are these world famous attractions, it would be visited by hundreds of thousands of tourists a year. If there were but 10,000 visitors a year and each left but \$20 that would be a revenue of \$200,000 a year to Rogue River valley.

Great Advertisement.

The publicity that Crater Lake will give Oregon will be more than is now accomplished by all the commercial clubs of the state and the expenditure of thousands of dollars annually. The publicity campaign of the commercial clubs cease so soon as the supply of money stops, but the advertising that Crater Lake would do for the state would go on for all time and grow in volume as the famous volcano crater become better known the world over.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Sabra A. Coleman to Marcela E. Robinson, land in section 25, township 38, range 1 W. 1
E. K. Alderson to George Judson, 162.46 acres in section 5, township 39, range 1 W. 2000
H. J. Quayle to William S. Crowell, power of attorney A. P. Stover to W. S. Crowell, power of attorney 282
Sheriff W. A. Jones to Gus Nowbury, lot 8, Wooden addition to Ashland 1
Ada Laughlin to W. D. Jefferson, 80 acres in section 36, township 36, range 2 E. 1
Mary M. Childers to Ada M. Cornoyer, land in section 25, township 37, range 2 W. 800
C. E. Carter to J. B. Fisher, land in Farns Valley 400
Nellie R. Nowbury to Elizabeth Breese, lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, block 11, Railroad addition to Phoenix 300
William Kirkland to L. Harry Wilcox, N 1/2 of NW 1/4 and lot 8, section 2, township 36, range 2 W. 1500
Harry C. Stoddard to August D. Singler, lot 2, block 2, Sunset Park 200
Harry C. Stoddard to August D. Singler, W 1/2 of lot 5, block 4, Sunset Park 100
J. W. Richardson to T. H. Corcoran, lot 20, Hunsaker's addition to Ashland 10
T. H. Corcoran to Mrs. Laura A. Erls, lot 20, Hunsaker's addition to Ashland 10
Paul E. Sauder to A. J. Daley, property in Burre's addition to Medford 1500
W. G. Abbenberger to R. C. Green, lot 1, block 1, Sunset Park 1
Agatha A. Hunsdelburg to E. E. Marsh, property in Medford 250

AMUSEMENTS

"The Gingerbread Man."

"The Gingerbread Man," that delightful little fairy-tale and fantastic comic opera by Frederick G. Ranken and A. Baldwin Sloane, will be presented here with a wealth of detail and scenic magnificence, as well as costume embellishments that will immediately commend itself to the patrons of high class music, on Wednesday, April 7.

First of all, "The Gingerbread Man" is a good entertainer, written on lines of distinction with brilliant music and excellent comedy of a class not hitherto, it offers a distinct novelty from the so-called musical comedies from the fact that it depends not on a series of numbers strung together, but on a story consistently told and firmly rendered. It is full of bright sayings and amusing situations and each character creates for itself an unusual interest for the reason that they were built by artisans of talent and experience. Messrs. Ranken and Sloane had many successful works to their credit: "Chomping Thru the Rye," "Lady Teazel," "Sargeant Kitty," "The Mocking Bird" and many others were the result of his pen, and they have made fortunes in royalties with their clever productions. The present management have secured a cast that has made the piece a classic, such artists as Fred Rice, Ross Snow, Carriek Major, Herbert Sallinger, Rose Murray, May Bonten, Lola Renard and Adele Archer, rendered the piece in superb style and the many pretty numbers, clever dialogues and the brilliant comedy receive perfect rendition at their hands. The ensemble work is particularly brilliant, unusual and all that can be desired and the event of the coming of "The Gingerbread man" will be looked forward to by all who are interested in high-class theatrics.

"THE PICADILLY."

EVANS PLEADED WITH SEATTLE EXPOSITION

SEATTLE, Wash., April 5.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, better known as "Fighting Bob," was a visitor in Seattle during the past week in the course of his lecture tour of the country, and during his stay here was the guest of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition officials for a trip around the fair grounds. The admiral was the first noted visitor to the fair who has been taken through the interior of any of the buildings. On the occasion of his visit the party went through the manufactures and Oregon state buildings, in both of which exhibits are being installed. Admiral Evans expressed his approval of the fair in the following words: "If one should comb all the world he could not find a more beautiful spot for an exposition than the site of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific fair. I have never seen anything myself to equal it. It's a veritable jewel of a place. And the fair will be ready, too, in my opinion."

ORDINANCE NO. 167.

An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to regulate the construction, alteration and repair of sewers and house drains in the city of Medford, Oregon," being ordinance number 167 of said city, passed and approved October 6th, 1908, and providing for certain amendments in certain instances.

The city of Medford doth ordain as follows:

Section 1. That section 4 of an ordinance of the city of Medford entitled "An ordinance to regulate the construction, alteration and repair of sewers and house drains in the city of Medford, Oregon," being ordinance number 167 of said city, passed October 6th, 1908, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4. A fee of \$2.50 will be charged by the city engineer and collected by the city recorder for each connection to cover the cost of setting grades and filing in the city engineer's office a record of the work as completed. All property collected for sewer connections shall be paid to the city treasurer to the credit of the general sewer fund.

Section 2. There shall be refunded to each person who has paid into the city treasurer the sum of \$5.00 for sewer connections, pursuant to section 4 of said ordinance prior to its amendment, as aforesaid, \$2.50 of said amount as paid, and the city recorder and auditor are hereby authorized and directed to draw warrants on the city treasurer for said amount of \$2.50 in each instance and to each person who has so paid said sum of \$5.00, said payments to be made out of the general sewer fund.

The foregoing ordinance was passed on March 24th, 1909, by the following vote: Yeas, Merriek, aye, Eberick, aye, Wortman, aye, Eifert, aye, Deane, aye.

Approved March 29, 1909.

W. H. CANON, Mayor.

Attest: J. M. COLLINS, Recorder.

GROWERS SHOULD WATCH THEIR TREES

While Pear Blight Has Been Eradicated, Eternal Vigilance Is Required.

(By P. J. O'Gara, in the Rogue River Fruit Grower.)

To the fruit growers of Rogue River valley: In a short time the first pear blossoms will appear, and unless all hold-over cases of pear blight have been eradicated from the pear and apple orchards, we may expect more or less blossom infection which, in turn, will produce a general infection of twigs and branches. It must be remembered that the hold-over cases are the starting points for the new infections which may arise through carelessness or oversight on the part of the orchardists.

The first real spread of the disease, as has been pointed out so many times, takes place in the blossoms, whence it is carried by insects, especially bees, that may happen to find these cases of hold-over blight. Although the pears may not suffer materially from blossom blight, the apples, especially the Spitzenberg variety, may lose the entire crop through the blighting of the blossoms.

Danger to Blossoms.
On account of the very small amount of blight, which has heretofore held over during the past two seasons, little notice has been made by the average grower of any considerable amount of damage due to blossom infection. It has been noticed, however, that all blighted blossoms have blighted, and this has been due to the fact that at the time these blighted blossoms appeared there was plenty of twig and body infections, to which insects could have ready access.

During the summer of 1908 it must be remembered that there was no rainfall, nor had the previous winter given the valley its usual precipitation. The very fact that last summer was very dry may be looked upon as a blessing to the pear and apple growers of the valley.

During the past two weeks I have been visiting as many orchards as was possible, and I may say that I have found a few cases of hold-over blight. I am doing my best to reduce the number of hold-over cases to as small a number as possible in fact, I am trying to have eradication so perfect that there will be none. However, it must be understood that one man, or even a dozen, cannot eradicate blight from a district as large as the Rogue River valley. The only ones who can eradicate are the growers themselves.

Inspect Orchards.

During the coming season it would be well to make regular inspections of the orchards for blight. I think that each orchardist would do well to have a patrol whose only business would be to look after the blight. Let the man who patrols the orchard be responsible for the blight, and if one man cannot keep it down, especially where the orchards are large, then increase the force. Be sure that the man, or men, who have this work in hand, fully understand the nature of blight and how to eradicate it. During the past season pear trees have been lost where a little care in the matter of summer cutting would have saved them.

Prepaid Railroad Orders.

"Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between state as of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time."



Which is the Best Way

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EASTERN STATES TO FOLLOW OREGON'S LEAD

Pennsylvania and Illinois, through their legislatures, have gone on record as favoring a constitutional convention for the purpose of amending the federal Constitution so that the United States senators shall be elected by a direct vote of the people of the different states.

L. D. Mahone, a member of the legislature from Multnomah county, introduced a memorial at the last session of the legislature calling upon congress to call such a convention. It was provided in the memorial that a copy of it be sent to each state with the request that the different legislatures pass the memorial and forward it to congress. According to information which has come to Mr. Mahone, the legislatures of Pennsylvania and Illinois have passed the memorial.

As soon as 31 of the legislatures of different states have adopted the memorial and sent it to congress, that body will be compelled under the Constitution to provide for the convention.

ROGUE RIVER HERMIT PLEADS NOT GUILTY

"My enemies have conspired to secure my money," declared Charles Page, who calls himself "the conqueror," when arraigned before Judge Walverton in the federal court at Portland on a charge of burning timber on government land in Josephine county. He emphatically pleaded not guilty and was remanded for trial. An attorney to act in his defense was appointed by the court.

Page has been placer mining on Rogue river for years. He has ascertained the number of cubic yards of gold bearing gravel in his claim and estimating from the amount of gold found in one yard, his fortune is \$95,000. He is said to have feared that his enemies would lurk in the timber and to prevent an ambush he burned the timber.

OWEN OF UBERO FAME ARRESTED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 5.—A dispatch from Augusta, Ga., says W. D. Owen, former secretary of state of Indiana and once head of the great Ubero Plantation company, has been arrested there. He has been a fugitive from justice since 1905. The Ubero company had offices throughout the country. The stockholders numbered thousands. Owen was charged with swindling, and Ferdinand Borges, his partner, was similarly accused, later convicted and sent to prison, where he remains. Owen is wanted at Boston, where the head office of the company was located.



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