

TRIBUTE PAID TO LOCAL BOOSTERS

Rogue River Courier Marvels at the Methods Employed by Local People to Boost the City.

After discussing at length the railroad situation in southern Oregon, the Rogue River Courier pays the following tribute to "the long-headed boosting men of the city of Medford."

The Courier maintains that the road to Crescent City be by way of Grants Pass. It then says: "Medford has a system of newspaper exploitation that is equaled by few towns in this or any other state. It knows the importance of employing printers' ink, also how to welcome strangers and to put them to work booming their city and the orchards which surround it. They are not snubbed and kept out in the rain because they have not lived there a long time. Note its wonderful article on its orchards published in the Oregonian of September 5. The next article, the one on the railroads, appeared Sunday, the 12th. Look out for more next Sunday. This sort of thing makes Medford talked of and believed in."

"The long-headed men who plan this newspaper work are full of enterprise and will bring about railroad construction. In fact, there is only one thing they, with all their faith, cannot do, and that is to remove the mountains in their path to Crescent City."

"The Courier has no desire to injure Medford; but facts are facts. The Pacific & Eastern will be extended and this will be of no little advantage to our neighboring city. Medford will have railroads, and for its spirit of enterprise deserves them. The place is full of men of broad minds, with sense enough to hang together in all matters that relate to the welfare of their place. In this respect they can give Grants Pass a few pointers, and if we are wise we will accept them."

Another popular dance at The Wigwag tomorrow night. Be there without fail. 157

Mrs. James A. Wilson and granddaughter, Miss Grace Wilson, spent Sunday with friends in Jacksonville.

J. L. Magray, who was injured a short time ago by a falling tree, is much better.

BIG ORCHARD TRACT BOUGHT

Eastern Capitalists Make Large Investment in Rogue River Orchard.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Sept. 20.—One of the largest deals to take place in Rogue river fruit lands occurred today, when a representative of eastern capitalists purchased the S. H. Riggs property, consisting of 1200 acres of land.

This is one of the finest bodies of land in the county, and is supplied with 2000 inches or more of water from the Applegate river. Its former owners found much profit in raising three crops of alfalfa each year and selling it at from \$15 to \$20 a ton, but it has now become so profitable to raise fruit that three hay crops do produce enough revenue to

Under the direction of Professor Collins, principal of the high school, a high school orchestra is being organized and perfected. Music is rendered every morning and the only complaint brought against the organization is that they will respond only twice to encore. The reason for this is that the entire morning may not be taken up for the amusement of the encouraging students. The leaders of the students have called an extra session to find some remedy for the situation.



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This place formerly belonged to Consul H. B. Miller, but last year it was sold to S. H. Riggs, who kept it nine months, raised several hundred tons of alfalfa hay, and sold out at a price up into six figures.

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