

NO NEED FOR IDLERS

With Shortage of Men and High Price for Labor, Men need not Leave Valley to Obtain Employment

After considering the number of ranchers and industries looking and practically begging for men, the editor would like to know why the men are headed for other sections of the state. The reason is obviously to obtain employment at good wages.

Now right today there are in this valley employers who are wanting men and wanting them badly. The contractors on the highway are wanting men, the orchardist are wanting men, in fact almost every branch of industry in the county are in need of men.

When the man considers that by working here he can live at home and apply his deduction for board to his family store bills, it seems only reasonable that he would be better off in this county. While working away from home he must pay between \$1.00 and \$1.50 for living expenses, besides laundry and incidentals. The lowest wages here are around \$4.00 a day for unskilled labor, and in other communities it averages about the same. Last year in Klamath Falls the working men were paying \$2.00 a day for their board and a place to sleep.

What we need is for some individual with a little pep to start an up-to-date employment bureau, let the men know just what there is to offer them, and tell the employers that you have the men. Compared with the conditions in 1916, the laboring conditions are improved by 100 per cent, now the thing to do is to make it known to the laboring men that this is the best county under the sun to work in.

The University Bulletin.

This office is recently in receipt of the University of Oregon Bulletin. The pamphlet contains descriptive, concise information of what the university is doing, has done and expects to do.

It was gotten up and printed by the University Press and is a good example of what the students are doing, and would do credit to any commercial print shop.

The principal of fair play is a predominant trait of American character. It consists largely in allowing to others every right or privilege which we ask or claim for ourselves. As American citizens we insist on the right to select and purchase our supplies in the most satisfactory market. Any interference with the principles of fair play is bound to react. The right of liberty and the right of property have so long been fundamental principles that every disturbance or denial is sure to disturb essential relations.

THE TELEPHONE RUMPUS.

Public Service Commission to Hold Hearing to Consider Present Charges.

This office is in receipt of a communication from the Public Service Commission of the state of Oregon, wherein the commission announces that it will hold a hearing in the City Hall in Medford to consider the raise in the telephone charges.

The order calling for the hearing was made upon motion of the commission itself and states that sufficient grounds exist to warrant hearing and investigation being made as to the legality and reasonableness of the rates contained in a schedule recently published by the telephone company.

So remember the date, September 8, 1919, in the City Hall at Medford, at 10 A. M., and be on hand to tell your grievance.

Ten Years Ago.

From The Jacksonville Post of August 14, 1909.

The 18th annual re-union of the old soldiers and sailors will be held in this city, commencing Monday Sept. 13th, and continuing through the entire week. The camp will be pitched in Ulrich's grove in the southeastern part of the city. Water and wood will be provided at the camp, also straw for use in the tents. Coffee and other supplies will be furnished free.

A resident of this city is owner of a dog which is gaining a reputation as a canine edition of the mysterious Mr. Raffles.

A Washington man who has been experimenting with poultry, has produced a "crowless" rooster. Maybe some will produce a barkless dog.

Street Commissioner Haney has secured the contract of hauling gravel on the road leading towards Applegate. The work is being done under the direction of the county court.

It has been decided to hold the re-union of the Southern Oregon Pioneers at Ashland August 25th.

The City Council advertises for bids for excavating tunnels at the city well.

Portland—Four 6,000 ton steel steamships to be built by Albina machine works.

CAPTAIN BUTLER DISCHARGED.

Dr. F. E. Butler Receives Army Discharge and Returns Home.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Butler arrived in this city Sunday evening from San Francisco, Cal., where Mr. Butler received his discharge from the Army service. They have been visiting this week at the home of Mrs. Butler's father, Mr. C. Hoefs in this city.

Dr. Butler was early offered a commission in the army and was taken to France in 1918, where he has been until a short time ago, when he received the glad tidings "stand by to get under way."

While in France Mr. Butler was attached to the X-ray department of the base hospital at Geivers. While there he was promoted to the rank of captain.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

Aug. 11.—St. Helens Lumber Co. spending \$50,000 to increase capacity to 200,000.

Clatsop county to get two new co-operative cheese factories.

Large fruit warehouse at Park Place being rushed.

Department of Interior lets contract for draining 100,000 acres at Klamath. Codville—\$100,000 coal and coke company incorporated here.

Sunnyside—Masonic order to erect fine temple here.

Hood River vinegar factories paying \$10 a ton for cull apples.

Oil well drilling started on well near McMinnville.

Klamath Falls gets new canny factory.

Fairview, McKinley and Dora, Coos county, planning big highway.

Portland—New fruit cannery organized with \$75,000 capital.

Salem—Per capita expense inmates asylum \$15.57 per month, state prison \$36.39, feeble minded \$17.07, training school \$30.48.

Cove sheepmen selling lambs at 13¢ a pound alive.

Coos Bay shipbuilding plant and saw mill to work as one plant.

Farmers co-operative fruit association to build plants in valley.

Portland—In July shipping board spent \$225,000 finishing ships here.

Marshfield—E. A. Smith mill to be operated on three shifts.

Klamath Indian reservation to have 3600 acres put under irrigation.

Bolsheviks, I. W. Ws. and radical socialists find them selves to be quite as useless to society as the fifth wheel to a wagon.

Marshfield—Coos county organizes fruit cannery.

St. Johns wants street car line and electric terminal.

State Highway Commission lets \$1,000,000 contracts August 5.

Salem threatened with new telephone strike.

Portland Masons plans \$40,000 court-ry club.

Bend to have new \$65,000 catholic hospital.

Portland—\$50,000 sphagnum moss products company organized.

Newberg—\$49,639.50 contract let for construction of 589 ft. concrete bridge over canyon.

Florence—Delta Shingle Co. resumes operations.

Bend—Water, Light & Power Co. starts building plant.

Straborn again plugging for his central Oregon railroad.

Silver Lake—Over 1,000 head of cattle change hands. Price said to be \$55 per head.

Roseburg—Construction will begin this fall on Roseburg-Myrtle Point highway.

Loganberries in Benton county yield \$1200 per acre.

Republic—First carload shipment of butter from Curry county sent. Weight nearly 20,000 lbs.

Albany—Work begun on new store room.

Oregon is visited by oil excitement.

BAD CHECK ARTIST ARRESTED.

Alleged Forger Arrested Within Hour of Misdeed.

A floater in the valley, whose name is supposed to be E. McDonald, was in Medford calling on the business men and incidentally got rid of a spurious check for \$32.65.

The man had purchased some clothing and other articles in one of the clothing stores in Medford and tendered a check in payment. Soon after the man whose name was signed to the check, F. R. Sloan, happened into the store and the merchant made inquiries and found the check wasn't worth the paper it was written on. The sheriff's office was notified at once and Deputy Sheriff Terrill got on the job right away, with the result that the culprit was arrested soon, about a mile and a half out of Medford on the highway.

Accused was given a hearing Monday morning before Justice Taylor, when he pleaded guilty and was bound over to the grand jury.

Previous to his arrest Cole is said to have been practicing on writing signatures of other prominent business men in Medford.

WAR RISK INSURANCE.

Amendment Urged by American Legion.

Amendment of the War Risk Insurance Act will be urged by the American Legion, through its legislative committee in Washington, in order to allow men insured under the act to elect whether their insurance upon maturity will be paid in installments or in one lump payment.

The present form of War Risk insurance is known as term insurance and is payable in monthly installments for a period of 240 months. This may be converted into ordinary forms of insured such as straight life insurance, twenty or thirty year paid-up life insurance and endowment insurance. Except in the case of a matured endowment, these forms of insurance, under the present act, are payable only in installments, extending over a twenty year period, the amount of installments depending upon the amount of insurance.

Service men say that their beneficiaries in many cases are too old ever to realize any usefulness from the insurance if paid only in monthly installments.

In order to extend civil service preference to honorable discharge soldiers, sailors and marines to federal positions throughout the entire country, the legislative committee of the American Legion will urge amendment of the Van Dyke bill which gives such preference in Washington, D. C. only.

Articles on the organization of the American Legion in Oregon and Washington, giving lists of posts and their officers in both states, together with other news of interest to ex-service men, may be found in the current issue of The American Legion, a monthly magazine published in Portland, which has been chosen organ of Portland post.

A vigorous effort will be made by the American Legion, to aid relatives to receive as quickly as possible the personal effects of soldiers who died in the service. State branches of the American Legion have been instructed to obtain by investigation through local posts, all available information in cases in which there has been prolonged delay in forwarding deceased soldiers effects and to notify National headquarters in New York of each case in which the assistance of the Legion is desired.

Near Casualty on Road.

Last week while coming up from Medford in his hack, Chris Ulrich was treated to the surprise of his life. Down the road a short distance below Bybee's corner, thinking about nothing except getting home and getting some of Ma Ulrich's doughnuts under his belt, Chris was suddenly brought to life when a Ford came up behind and crashed into the rear of the hack.

The jar threw Mr. Ulrich out of the seat, but he managed to stay in the rig and hold the lines. After some difficulty he managed to quiet the team and upon examination found himself to be all together, except some minor troubles and some bruises. The hack however, did not fare so well, several parts being broken and smashed up.

Dallas to have another large prune packing plant.

THE SAW MILL.

Operations on Gagnon Mill Getting Along Nicely.

The work of setting up the Gagnon sawmill is getting along nicely, all of the material and machinery is on the ground, and everything in ship shape.

Mr. Gagnon stated this week, that if operations continue as at present, his plant will be ready for operation week after next.

The site of the mill is on the old cyanide property and is close to town and still very close to the timber holdings of Mr. Gagnon.

JACKSON COUNTY

MINES.

U. S. Geological Survey Reports 12 Producing Mines in County.

In a report of the U. S. Geological Survey activities in this region, recently received at this office, is contained the information that during the year 1918 there were 12 producing mines in Jackson county. Among the other counties, Jackson ranked fourth. Baker, with 42 is first, Josephine, with 31 second; Grant, with 13, is third and Jackson fourth. In the entire state during 1918 there were 120 producing mines, as compared with 70 in 1917.

During the year reported on, Jackson county mines produced a total of 1,810 short tons of ore, the value of which is divided up as follows: gold, \$49,384; silver, \$595,000; lead, \$1,576,000, making a total production of \$50,091.00. The total value for the total state production in 1918 was \$1,983,942, as compared with \$2,270,874 for 1917.

J'VILLE LADY TO VISIT OLD HOME.

Mrs. F. J. Fick Leaves for Visit to Old Home in Iowa.

Mrs. Fred J. Fick left Sunday for a visit to her old home at Neola, Iowa. Mrs. Fick's daughter, Miss Virginia, accompanied her. They expect to be gone about two months.

Mr. Fick, who is staying with his mother during his wife's absence, states that he is homesick already, and does not wish the travelers any hard luck, but hopes they get homesick before the two months are up.

And Still They Picnic.

Several crowds of Jacksonville young people have been out picnicking lately. Sunday morning a crowd of approximately twenty twenty-five people enjoyed a picnic in the upper Applegate country. A fine time was had by all hands. One of the features was a swimming party in the afternoon. The editor was invited along, but forgot to get up early enough, so missed the trip.

Another picnic party was held in Ashland Park Tuesday evening. The young people in the party were: Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Chapman, Misses Flora Thompson, Alice Hoefs and Edith Hoefs, and Messrs. Herman Offenbacher, Dan O'Donnell, George Griffen and Daniel Bagshaw. Later in the evening a swimming party was convened at Helman Baths.

State President of Degree of Honor in Town.

Mrs. Lulu D. Crandall of The Dalles, Oregon, was in town this week in conference with local officers of the Degree of Honor. Mrs. Crandall is state president of that organization and is at present working the state in the interest of reorganizing local branches of that organization.

The organization is now a national organization instead of a state organization as formerly.

We are pleased to see many of our citizens taking active interest in improving their homes and grounds. A little effort on the part of each citizen would give our town a prominent position upon the map. Nature has done much for us in picturesque scenery, now let us do much for ourselves along the improvement line.

Roseburg—Wilbur academy to be rebuilt.

We have our new fall line of

Suit Samples

Come in and be measured for that
New Fall Suit.

Lewis Ulrich

General Merchandise

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