

FRUITLAND ITEMS

The Canyon County Christian Endeavor Convention will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week at Greenleaf. A great deal of work has been put in by the committee in charge to make this the best of its kind. The delegates from the Methodist Christian Endeavor were Lula Bayer and Alice Whealdon.

Cris Myer traded his fifteen acre home last week to J. W. Gillmore, of Baker City, Oregon. The trade was land in Midvale and two residences in Baker. Mr. Myer valued his home at \$12,000.

G. W. Smith and family moved Monday into the house owned by Mr. Tyson.

Mrs. E. A. Berry, of Meadows, is visiting at her parental home, H. B. Kinnison's. She came Friday and will stay about two weeks.

Rev. Deal and family and Mr. McHenry and family were entertained last Thursday at the H. R. Frost home.

Messrs. J. H. Spainhower, W. H. Vestal and E. A. Wood of Pavette expect to leave the latter part of the week for an outing in the mountains.

C. K. Huntington sold his thirteen acre ranch last Monday to Mr. Enberg of Mountpelier for \$13,000 cash. This tract of land is about one and a half miles southeast of Fruitland and is set to a four year old orchard.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. E. Deal.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stevens and sons, Ray and George were entertained Sunday at the Ed. Fitzgerald home at Whitney Bottom.

Miss Elsie Schmid gave an interesting report of the Los Angeles Christian Endeavor convention last Sunday evening.

The Queen Esther circle met Wednesday afternoon at Epworth Hall. All who attended enjoyed a good meeting.

The members of the Junior department of the Methodist Sunday School enjoyed a pic-

nic on Kinnison's lawn last Friday afternoon. They had a fine time playing games and eating a picnic lunch. About eighty were present.

Mr. Lyons and son, Russell, father and brother of Mrs. H. R. Frost left last Thursday for their home in Minnesota.

Irma Deal spent last Sunday as the guest of Esther Thomas.

Miss Martha Stevens entertained a crowd of young people last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. H. E. Robinson has resigned her position as teacher of the Philathea class which is much regretted. Mrs. Gardner has consented to substitute until the election of teachers this fall.

U. G. Mitchell from Lawrence Kansas visited Thursday with M. G. W. Cotton and family.

B. F. Nott and son, Ray, left Monday evening with their carload of household goods for Centralia where the family will take up their residence. Mrs. Nott and daughters, Amy and Ora left Saturday evening. Ora will visit with her aunt in Ashajah Ida. until school commences, then she will attend the Lewiston State Normal.

Pomona Grange convened at Fruitland Thursday in one of the most enthusiastic meetings of the year. A short business session in the forenoon found all the granges of this Pomona well represented with the exception of three granges, west of Ontario. Reports of granges, found all doing good, effective work, with Payette 271 members strong, Fruitland a close second and others correspondingly alive and doing things. A fine picnic dinner was spread on the H. R. Flack lawn with a happy company of about 125 grangers and their families in attendance.

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BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

The number of pensioners on the roll of the pension office July 1 in Oregon was 7798. Amount paid them was \$1,655,749 a year.

Thirty thousand watches have been pawned in the city of Portland in the past 365 days, which, excluding holidays, is almost an even 100 for every business day in the year.

Richard January, charged with manslaughter, as the result of killing Horace Bradley at Harlan, Oregon, last December, was acquitted in the circuit court at Toledo.

By a prompt campaign against a flourishing colony of bark beetles on the Ochoco national forest in central Oregon, the government is eliminating a danger which threatened to destroy millions of feet of timber.

That the government may have its pure milk exhibit complete, the Portland milk show has been postponed nearly one month. Instead of being given the last week of August it will be held September 22-27.

Hundreds of acres of land that will produce between 50 and 60 bushels of wheat and vast areas that will run between 40 and 50 bushels to the acre is the encouraging status in the grain situation in the Grand Ronde valley.

Harvesting is actively in progress in Grande Ronde valley and its crop is estimated at 1,500,000 bushels. The yield of wheat is exceptionally large, and is said to be running between 40 and 60 bushels per acre.

Madras, Bend, and a number of other towns in Crook county will be connected by 100 miles of good roads, if the plan of the Crook county good roads association is favored by the county court. It calls for a bond issue of \$200,000.

The Southern Pacific company built its Eugene & Coos Bay railroad a mile to the south of Elmira, and that town is said to be preparing to move to the railroad, where a new town site is being laid off and a depot will be constructed.

That the Rogue river valley is missing its opportunity as a grape producing center is shown by the fact that California commercial bodies are circulating postal cards depicting scenes in local vineyards but bearing the mark of California products.

According to the government crop reporting board, the yield of winter wheat in Oregon is 21.4 bushels as compared with 14 in California, 27 in Washington and 27.4 in Idaho. Condition is 97 per cent. The state will have 11,599,000 bushels as compared with 16,884,000 bushels in 1912.

Governor West has written letters to Dr. Bailey K. Leach, Socialist editor deported from Bandon, and I. W. W. agitators who were deported from Marshfield, informing them that if they are law-abiding citizens they may live in any county in the state and be protected by its laws.

After a trip of inspection through the woolen mills at Oregon City, Fire Chief M. H. Long declared that they are a fire trap for the many women and children employed therein. He said that the matter will be taken up by the city council unless conditions are at once remedied.

Nearly all of the 750 window trimmers who attended the convention of that craft at Chicago, competed for a

grand sweepstake cup awarded for the best appearing window. The prize was won by Malcolm Tennant, chief window trimmer for Meier & Frank, of Portland.

A large Cadillac automobile carrying nine persons crashed into a fence near Roseburg and three of its occupants were injured. A large silver penetrated the lung of Miss Helen Wilbanks, who may die. The car struck a dog, causing its driver to lose control.

Dry lands in the interior of Oregon which have been determined to be unfriggible are to be opened for settlement under the enlarged homestead designation, according to an order issued from Washington. Settlers will be permitted to file on 320-acre homesteads in a region embracing over 412,000 acres.

The county court of Jackson county has called a special election for September 5, at which the question of issuing \$500,000 in bonds will be submitted to the people. It is proposed to construct a paved highway from the California state line to the Josephine county line, a distance of 50 miles.

Senator Chamberlain has been informed that the forest service will open all lands in the Siuslaw national forest which are better suited for agriculture than forestry, and list them for agriculture entry. He was told also that 350,000 acres in the Paulina national forest and 60,000 acres in the Deschutes national forest would likewise be opened.

Senator Chamberlain has presented a bill to cut in half the fees in all United States district courts and repealing the law which allows of double fees in Oregon, California and Nevada. Believing that the fees and compensations of the clerks are excessive, he also introduced a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five senators to investigate this matter.

PROSECUTE LAND LOCATORS

Oregon Authorities on Trail of Fraudulent Promoters.

Portland, Ore.—Prosecution of persons engaged in the illegal practice of "locating" settlers on Oregon and California land grant claims will be started at once by Clarence L. Reames, United States district attorney in Portland.

"There is no legitimate authority for any one selling location on any of these lands," said Mr. Reames. "In the first place the property still is in litigation, as the railroad has appealed the case. No locations can be made until the government finally gets title to the lands. Even then locations can not be accepted, as it will require an act of congress to open the property for entry. Any locations that are made now are not worth a cent."

Notice

Bids will be received for grand stand refreshment privileges for the Malheur County fair September 16 to 20, up to September 1, by Fair association, with privilege of rejecting any or all bids.

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Judges:

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ROBERT ODELL

Bargain Day

On Bargain Day, which is Saturday of each week, votes will be doubled on all purchases made, this making 400 votes for every \$1.00 spent for a certain line of goods. All goods bearing 400 votes to the dollar will be tagged in stock.

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