

Extracts from a Diary.

I AM SPENDING TOO MUCH

"Last month my wages paid my board and other living expenses and left me ten dollars for incidentals. The ten is gone. I have nothing to show for it. I have tried to remember just how I spent it, but at the best, there is almost half for which I cannot account.

"I am spending too much for pleasure and there are many things I need"

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Business conditions in this section have changed considerably since a year ago.

Attorneys for bond companies are curious people. No two attorneys have an opinion alike.

The weather does get some hot even in this section of the state. Last Friday afternoon was an example.

The hot weather smile is particularly noticeable these days on the faces of the ice cream and soda fountain men.

With a bumper crop of hay and alfalfa in this district there is no need to worry about the future success of the Redmond section.

Wonder if the city will have to go through the throes of another election in order to get the bonds sold to build a municipal water works system.

An automobile ride these hot nights is nearly as good as a ride on a trolley car. We have no trolleys here, but plenty of autos, and good roads to speed them on.

When it comes to holding stock sales the Central Oregon Livestock Association of Redmond knows how to pull off a satisfactory stunt, and then some.

The people of this city should buy "Made in Oregon" goods from the local merchants whenever the price and quality are equal to Eastern made goods.

And now the eyes of a number of people from the Alberta country are turned toward this part of Oregon. Let 'em come; there is plenty of room for lots of them.

As an indication that business is getting better all over the United States after a depression of six months, the various large railroad companies are placing orders for new equipment of locomotives and cars.

That Oregon Trunk Railroad engineer who who was running 50 miles an hour around the "Shoo Fly" curve when he had orders to hold his speed down to 10 miles, and caused a wreck and loss of six lives, will have a hard time to convince any jury that he was not to blame for the accident.

Strangers coming into Redmond and seeing the building going on cannot help but realize that this is a live city. And when they go out into the surrounding country and see the good crop showing they are more than ever satisfied that the Redmond District is the place to locate in.

We heard a young man remark last week that "The world owes me a living." It is hoped for that young man's good that he'll get the notion out of his head. It's a mistake, a grave mistake. He never entertained a more foolish idea nor one which will bring him a smaller measure of respect. The world owes the young man nothing; but instead he owes the world and society an active, noble manhood, a steady, honest energy which will enable him to associate with decent men and women in a true manliness of character that will make his friendship valuable and his presence and companionship desired.

The truly intelligent activity, and this young man should contribute to society's happiness and welfare the grace which comes through study, toil and honest thought.

According to interviews published in the Portland papers with officers of the Oregon Trunk Railroad in relation to the completion of the railroad bridge across Crooked river, it begins to look as if the road would not get into Redmond until about Christmas time. That would bring our 4th of July, Railroad Day celebration, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's celebration all at one time.

PLEASANT RIDGE

Mrs. Earl Benton and baby daughter of Redmond, visited with friends here last week.

A. A. Green who has been working on the ditches near Powell Buttes, has returned home for the haying season.

The Greenhalgh family have moved to Redmond. George Hunter and family now occupy the Greenhalgh ranch, which they recently bought.

A number of people from here went to Redmond last Tuesday evening to see Governor West and the members of the Desert Land board. Many more from here would have attended the meeting of the board, but the officials arrived a day sooner than expected.

Mrs. L. J. Green left last Friday for the camp meeting in Portland. From there she intends to go to Harrison, Idaho, to visit her children.

L. E. Smith has some first-class timothy and alfalfa hay, last year's crop. Phone him, 817.

SMITHROCK

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Mr. and Mrs. John Fay and family left Saturday for their new home in Bend.

W. E. Thielvoldt sold his farm to Mr. Peckham and is now temporarily living in the stone building belonging to Hegardt Bros. and Thielvoldt.

The local ball nine defeated a team from the bridge gang Sunday afternoon by a score of 17 to 3.

Mr. Peckham and family have moved onto the farm recently vacated by W. E. Thielvoldt.

The Ladies' Pioneer Club met with Mrs. Oliver Swanson last Wednesday afternoon, and she took the ladies over to the Crooked river bridge to spend the afternoon, where they had an enjoyable time.

The farmers are all busy this week in the hay field. Most of them have nearly finished cutting their first crop which will turn out very satisfactory.

A large crowd attended the mass meeting held here last Wednesday evening to vote on changing the name of the town Hillman to some other name. After the votes were counted the name of Smithrock was found to lead by a large majority.

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