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BIG CONVENTION AT PRINEVILLE

Next Week---June 30 and July 1.

150 VISITORS EXPECTED

Workmen Busy on Commercial Hall Getting It Ready for the Occasion.

Prineville will be called upon June 30 and July 1 to entertain one of the largest conventions ever assembled in the interior. It is true some steps have been taken to properly house the visitors but much yet remains to be looked after. More rooms are needed. If you can possibly spare one, notify Secretary Quinn at the First National Bank. The Club hall is being sealed and the interior fixed up for the occasion.

Governor West has announced his intention of being present, so also has the Secretary of State, the State Land Board, the president and secretary of the Portland Commercial Club, besides large representations from the various Central Oregon Commercial clubs. One hundred and fifty visitors are expected.

It is the purpose of this meeting to form the Central Oregon Development League. Hitherto there has been no concerted action between the different commercial bodies of this country regarding the problems that confront a new country. The convention will take these up and try and get united effort along given lines.

Trying to Break the Endless Chain

An endless-chain letter, started 11 or 12 years ago by a Miss Mills of Australia, who is seeking to collect enough postage stamps to paper a room, is still traveling, despite all attempts to stop it. A few weeks ago Mrs. Wyatt of Prineville received one of the letters from a friend living near this place. Part of the chain was broken by Mrs. Wyatt, for she refused to comply with its conditions.

The government made an effort to break the chain, because many of the letters addressed to Miss Mills at Australia carried only a 2-cent stamp while 5 cents is the required postage. Miss Mills refused to pay the postage due. As the letters continue to be sent, the Postoffice Department has issued an order that all deficiency prepaid letters addressed to Miss Mills at Australia, which pass through the San Francisco office, are to be sent to the dead letter office.

In payment for the stamped room Miss Mills was to receive a large contribution from a wealthy Australian for a children's ward at the hospital at St. George, New South Wales, Australia.

The Clark Hair Dressing Parlors

Are located on Courthouse street, one block east of Main. Puffs, switches, wigs, toupees, hair jewelry, etc. ordered on approval direct from the manufacturers. Send in your hair combs and have them made up as you want them.

Hairdressing 25c, hair dressed and curled 50c, face massage 50c, scalp massage 50c, shampoo 50c, hair singe 25c, almond meal pack 50c, clay pack 50c, bleaching and dyeing \$1.00 up, manicuring 25c to 50c, 6 treatments \$2.50.

House and Lots for Sale.

Good six-room house and three lots, with barn and outbuildings; one block from Main on 2nd street, at reasonable price. Address T. J. Ferguson, Roberts, Or. 6-154f

Mrs. Talbert Killed Near Lamonta.

A very sad death occurred near Lamonta last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Talbert and a young son hitched up their team to haul water. In going down a steep grade the breast-rod broke letting down the tongue. This frightened the horses and they commenced to run. Mrs. Talbert jumped out of the rig. In some way her dress caught on the running gear throwing her under the wheels, breaking her neck. She lived but a few minutes. Her husband jumped from the rig about the same time and was knocked unconscious. As soon as he recovered he ran to where his wife lay and just reached her side when she gasped, "Husband, I'm killed," and expired. The little boy that remained in the hack was uninjured. Not only the wheels of the hack passed over the unfortunate woman but the barrel of water fell on her. She was buried at Lamonta Saturday. Rev. Bailey conducting the services. The funeral was a very large one.

Mrs. Talbert leaves a husband and five children, the largest of whom is a girl of fourteen.

School Meeting Held Monday

The annual school election for the Prineville district was held Monday afternoon, with Dr. Belknap in the chair. The minutes of the last regular meeting and a special meeting were read and approved.

The clerk made his annual report to the directors and citizens of the school district for the year ending the third Monday in June—the 19th. It is in part as follows:

Number of persons between 4 and 20 years of age residing in the district at the time of this report: 131 males, 153 females. Total 284.
Number of teachers employed, 8.
Number of months public school taught during the year, 9.
Number of legal voters in the school district 200.

| RECEIPTS. | |
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| Cash on hand at time making last annual report | \$ 3,928.19 |
| Received from district tax | 3,114.63 |
| Received from county school fund | 2,326.31 |
| Received from rate bills and tuition | 481.15 |
| Received from other sources | 266.25 |
| Total | \$ 10,116.53 |

| DISBURSEMENTS. | |
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| Paid teachers | \$ 4,800.00 |
| Rent | 81.00 |
| Fuel and school supplies | 1,239.73 |
| Repairs | 560.30 |
| Paid on principal and interest of bonds | 2,709.00 |
| Clerk's salary | 50.00 |
| Total | \$ 9,499.03 |
| Cash on hand | 617.50 |

The clerk's report was approved after which the election of a director and clerk was taken up.

It was Dr. Belknap's term of office that expired and he was unanimously chosen to succeed himself. M. R. Elliott succeeds himself as clerk. The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Robert E. Gray gave a short talk on the value of special training for teachers and suggested a plan for encouraging them to do some professional work during the summer. In many states the teachers who take professional training are given financial help from the district. This plan has proved most successful and the school boards have found that the increased efficiency of the teacher more than compensates for the pecuniary assistance given. The directors of the Prineville school have taken this matter under consideration and hope to be able to help the teachers in the future.

NORTHWEST GAINS BY CO-OPERATION OF FIFTEEN RAILROADS

Scientific farming has been given marked impetus in the United States during the past seven months through the generous co-operation of fifteen great railway systems which joined with the Great Northern road in transporting exhibition cars carrying the marvelous products of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Minnesota.

Lecturers accompanying these educational "expositions on wheels" have explained modern agricultural methods to thousands of farmers in the middle western and eastern states, in the hundreds of towns where stops were made.

The railways that hauled these exhibition cars over their lines, thus furthering the movement to help advance the knowledge of the farmers in their sections of the country, were—Michigan Central, Monon Route, Pennsylvania R. R., Erie R. R., Cincinnati Northern R. R., Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R., Vandavia Ry., Iowa Central Ry., Minneapolis & St. Louis Ry.

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Ry. Chicago & Alton Ry. Big Four Ry. Bessemer & Lake Erie Ry. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Chicago & Rock Island Ry.

The Great Northern Railway started this most extensive publicity campaign that ever has been waged, it having sent out three cars. These cars which just completed their schedules and returned to St. Paul, traveled 12,000 miles and nearly a million persons entered them to behold the wonderful things grown in the Northwest and listen to the lecturer explain the manner in which these premium products were successfully grown. The Great Northern Ry., following the leadership of Jas. J. Hill, who is deeply interested in the agricultural development of the Northwest, now is conducting experimental farms, where their experts teach the settlers the best and most scientific methods of farming.

Pupils of public schools, throughout the eastern states especially, were daily visitors in the exhibition cars and the children learned much from the lectures on the science of tilling the soil to bring forth nature's best efforts.

Important to Stockmen

The decisions handed down by the Supreme Court, on May 1, concerning the right of the government to control grazing on the national forests are of great interest to Crook county people, and especially to the stockmen. The right of the government to control its own lands within the various states and territories is so clearly defined that it is regarded by Secretary Wilson as establishing absolutely the position these lands occupy under the law. "I am very sure," said Secretary Wilson, "that the stockmen of the west, as well as the western people generally, will accept this decision of the supreme court at its full worth and that the controversy which has heretofore existed regarding the right to use the grazing lands within the various national forests without permit from the department of agriculture will be brought to an end."

"The two cases decided were the so-called Light case, which originated in Colorado, and the case of the United States against Grimaud, Carajous, and Inda, three California stockmen. In the Light case one of the principal issues joined was on the question whether the fence laws of the state must be complied with in order that the United States might sustain action for trespass on the national forests. The California case concerned the question whether violation of the national forest regulations is punishable as a crime.

"Light is a Colorado stockman who, in 1906, turned his cattle loose on public land adjacent to the Holy Cross national forest in such a way that they would naturally drift upon national forest lands. Mr. Light refused to take any steps to prevent this and also refused to take out a grazing permit. It was maintained by Light's lawyers that, inasmuch as the laws of Colorado do not allow a private person any remedy against owners of stock which stray upon his land unless the land is fenced, the government is without redress. An injunction was secured from the district court requiring Mr. Light to handle his stock as to prevent them from trespassing upon the national forest. Mr. Light, however, refused to do this and, with the backing of other stockmen of his state and, eventually, of the state of Colorado itself, which made a special appropriation for the purpose, carried the case up to the supreme court for final decision. "In the effort to establish the

Five Ball Teams For the Fourth.

Five baseball clubs have signified their intention of taking part in the big 3-day Fourth of July tournament at Prineville. The Meier & Frank team of Portland will be here, besides Bend, Redmond, Madras and the Warm Spring Indian team.

Prineville never had a better team than the present one and if outside teams beat her they will have to play professional ball.

Complimentary to Miss Parrott

Last Saturday afternoon the Shumias, assisted by the young ladies of the E-A Club, gave a surprise party complimenting Miss Rosa B. Parrott, who has resigned from the faculty of the C. C. H. S. to become one of the teachers in the Monmouth Normal. The pretty lawn of Mrs. John Wigle was decorated with nets, foliage and flowers. The E-A Club assembled in the front parlor, where they greeted Miss Parrott when she arrived. The Shumias were sequestered in the back parlor, where they gave her a second surprise. The hostess then led the guests to the lawn where the afternoon was spent in social games.

The prophecies of Shumias proved interesting and entertaining. The honorary members, Miss Margeria P. Brink, who is now in Red Bluff, Cal., and Miss Julia Lytle, who is living in Salem, both sent their prophecies. Mrs. Lytle sent a box of beautiful roses. After the reading of the prophecies they were bound together in a booklet and presented to Miss Parrott.

The E-A Club gave a unique and interesting flower game.

Each literary society gave Miss Parrott a beautiful onyx and gold candelabra. Mrs. Walker, who represented the Shumias, gave an excellent talk on the work Miss Parrott had done for the club and presented the gift in a pleasing manner. Miss Estes, representing the E-A club presented their gift with a few well chosen remarks, expressing regret that they were to lose her. Miss Parrott responded to each gift in a pleasant manner and expressed regret that she was leaving them.

Refreshments, consisting of punch, and strawberry shortcake with whipped cream were served by the hostess who was assisted by Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Brink and Mrs. Kayler.

The members of both literary clubs regret very much that they are to lose Miss Parrott for she helped organize both clubs and has been a most willing and efficient worker at all times. The best wishes of the clubs go with her as she takes up her work in new fields of labor.

Died.

Mrs. Matilda Allen, wife of B. F. Allen, president of the First National bank of Prineville, died last Thursday night at the family residence in Portland. She was born in 1835 in Indiana and moved to Portland with her husband in 1868. In 1871 the family moved to Prineville, where Mr. Allen became a large land owner and successful banker. In 1904 the family returned to Portland, where they have since resided.

Mrs. Allen is survived by the husband and the following children: Mrs. Mary F. Smith, Portland; Mrs. Margaret LaFollette, Prineville; Alfred Allen, Portland; Mrs. Emma Prose, Prineville, and Mrs. Ella Lehman, Milwaukee.

SPOUTS IN THE MITCHELL COUNTRY

Considerable Damage Done Recently.

LIGHTNING PLAYS PRANKS

Alfalfa Land, Irrigating Ditches and County Roads Suffer Most.

Rev. W. S. Cooke of Prineville and T. L. Vibbert of Gateway returned Saturday morning from a trip through Wheeler and Grant counties to attend the Central Oregon Baptist Association, which convened at Fox, Oregon.

Their trip was an eventful one, aside from the object of their visit. They encountered a water spout at Dayville June 13 that reached from a point a mile east of Dayville to the Ringmeyer place, three and a half miles below town. Mr. Snow had 30 acres of alfalfa destroyed and three acres of land was covered with large bowlders and sagebrush. All sorts of debris covers the alfalfa land. He lost all of his chickens and part of his turkeys.

Much grain, alfalfa and fences were destroyed in the district visited by the spout. Irrigating ditches were either filled up or washed out for a distance of over four miles along the John Day river below Dayville. The road was washed out in many places and had to be repaired before travel could be resumed. It will cost \$2000 to fix the roads. The total damage to the district is estimated at \$10,000.

Thunder and lightning accompanied the water spout. One residence was struck by lightning and moved two inches from its foundations. No serious damage was done.

While at Richmond, June 12, a store was struck by lightning, setting fire to the building. No sooner was the fire extinguished than with a great roar a large volume of water came rushing down the canyon upon the building, turning it around. A hole had to be cut in the building to let the water out. There was five feet of water in it. The store belonged to the Wheeler County Trading Company. Two homes were totally destroyed in Richmond, together with contents. No lives lost.

Southeast of Mitchell about two miles, on Mill creek, a spout drowned between 400 and 500 head of sheep for Mr. Taylor, who bought the Frank Allen place. Considerable damage was done to the crops along the creek and the roads for a distance of two miles above Mitchell to some four miles below the town. The Mitchell spout happened the same day as the one at Richmond. It formed in the hills back of Mitchell, part of it going down the north fork of Mill creek toward Richmond and the rest of it down the south fork toward Mitchell. Had it not divided Mitchell would have experienced another such a flood as that it experienced about six years ago.

For Sale.

Buggy with top for sale, or trade for hack or cart; good condition. Box 225, Prineville, Oregon. 6-1

Broken Horses for Sale.

A few broken and unbroken mares and geldings for sale; mares weighing 1100 to 1300, geldings 1400 to 1500; nice young animals; also one coming four-year-old stallion, three-quarter Percheron, weight 1400; plenty of bone, blocky built. For further information address T. J. Ferguson, Roberts, Or. 5-11