

# OREGON CITY COURIER

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## GRANGE TO BE ENTERTAINED

In Oregon City May 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th

## 37TH ANNUAL SESSION

Degree Work, Banquets, Addresses and Elaborate Entertainments Will Be Order of the Day

The 37th annual general session of the Oregon State Grange will convene in Oregon City, Tuesday, May 10, 11, 12 and 13, in the circuit court room. Seven or eight hundred are expected to be guests of our city during the session of the Grange. The Commercial Club is preparing to entertain these people so they will go to their respective homes with pleasing memories of Oregon City and its people. It will be necessary for the people of Oregon City to open up their homes as the sleeping accommodations in our hotels are inadequate for such a large crowd. Arrangements will doubtless be made to show the visitors through our extensive mills.

The first day, Tuesday, will be devoted to organization, and reports of committees. In the evening there will be an elaborate entertainment and reception at Shively's Opera House, Dr. W. E. Carl will deliver the address of welcome. Austin L. Baxton, master of the state Grange, will deliver the response, after which some of the best talent from the public schools will highly entertain the visitors. The same evening will be presented the farce, "The Rough Diamond," which was put on here by local talent a few weeks ago and enjoyed by a large crowd. This will be one of the attractive features of the evening.

Wednesday will be devoted to reports of the committees and other important business, the evening will be taken up with lecture work of which there is a great deal at this session. Thursday will be a continuation of the business of the Grange. In the evening the sixth degree will be conferred upon about 100 candidates in Masonic Temple, followed by a Grange banquet in the banquet hall.

Friday will be devoted to closing the business of the session. The Commercial Club have extended privileges of club rooms to all visiting Grangers.

## Death of Joseph H. Boring

Joseph H. Boring died Thursday, April 28, at his home in Boring, at the age of 80 years. He was the founder of the town of Boring on the Cazadero branch of the Portland Railway Light & Power Company. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. A. K. Mulligan, Ross, Edward and Dix Boring. The funeral was held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Methodist church at Beaverton.

## NEW HIGH SCHOOL FOR OREGON CITY

Work of Construction Will Commence as Soon as Voters Authorize Issue of Bonds

On Tuesday, May 24, Oregon City will vote on the question of issuing \$10,000 in bonds for the purpose of constructing a high school in the central part of the city. There is no doubt but that the proposition will be nearly unanimously agreed to. The new building is to have 12 rooms and an assembly room large enough to seat 1000 students. As soon as the proposition is favorably acted upon by the voters the work of construction will immediately commence in order to have the new building ready for occupancy at the fall term.

## Printers Win Third Game

Sunday morning occurred the third game of baseball played between the barbers and printers and the barbers fell down on a score of 10 to 3. The two previous games were both won by the barbers and although the printers bore their defeat well they were doubtfully jubilant over the outcome of the last game. The teams were placed as follows:

Printers	Barbers
L. Beard	p Sheahan Hammond
Morarity	1b Mack
Riches	2b Quinn
Kenner	3b Bray Miller
Schram	ss Hammond
Sinnott	lf Rabel
Braendel	cf Nobel
H. Beard	rf Kelly

## State Sunday School Convention

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Brock of Clear Creek were delegates from that district to the convention held in Portland April 26-7-8 at the White Temple. There were present 550 delegates representing 33 counties of Oregon. During the session there were read greetings from the Inland Empire and California which greatly pleased those in attendance. The delegates were prominent in many respects, some being very influential business men, and many were pastors of the different churches, 58 superintendents and 34 pastors. The motto chosen was "Vision, Vigor and Victory."

J. W. Lewellyn of Springfield was another Clackamas county delegate to the convention.

The rotten plank on the bridge over Abernathy creek renders passage for pedestrians very dangerous. Unless speedily remedied there is liable to be a serious accident in that vicinity.

## NEW COMPANY WILL DEVELOP BIG OIL FIELDS

Great Machinery for Clear Creek District is Loaded for Shipment

## WILL BEGIN DRILLING WITHOUT DELAY

Expert Opinion Unanimous in Decision That Geological Indications at Stone All Point to Excellent Oil Prospects.

The most promising of all undeveloped resources of Clackamas County is the oil and gas that appears to be stored in inexhaustible quantities in the neighborhood of Stone. Experts who have examined this field declare that oil and gas in plenty will be found if a well is sunk deep enough to explore the lower measures. For years geologists—state and national—have repeatedly called attention in official reports to the fact the geological history and conditions pointed strongly to the existence of oil and gas in the Willamette Valley. Apart from this there were many evidences apparent to the eyes and understanding of laymen. Oil seepages have been numerous in low places and at points where the action of running water had laid bare occasional outcroppings of oil sand and rock.

Vegetation indigenous to oil bearing formation is found in various places. Natural gas has been frequently encountered, while the water in many wells smelled and tasted so strongly of petroleum as to be unfit for domestic or farm use, and nowhere in the Willamette valley will be found as good indications as those in the neighborhood of Stone, practically adjacent to Oregon City. The geology of this field, the opinion of skilled and competent men and the numerous pronounced indications of oil and gas found here all tend to confirm the belief of the parties who are just entering upon the development of these resources that their efforts will be rewarded with success. Surface indications and seepages such as are found in this field have been found in every large oil and gas field yet discovered and are the most convincing proofs known to science of the existence of oil and gas deposits. It is stated that the formation of this section strikingly resembles that of the great oil and gas fields of the East and South. An extract from the report of George I. Adams, the noted geologist, found in bulletin 184, series A, issued by the United States government relative to

the oil and gas fields of Louisiana, Northern Texas, Indian Territory and Kansas is, as experts advise, almost an exact statement of the conditions found in the Clear Creek field.

He says: "That the shales give evidence of the presence of organic matter in great abundance at the time of their deposition. The burying of this matter and its subsequent decomposition under cover of the underlying sediments and the continental seas is regarded as having produced oil and gas. The reservoirs in which the products were received were sandstone and more porous beds. Where these outcrop on the surface they not infrequently give off an odor which suggests oil. Gas springs and seeps were noted by the early explorers and were considered indications of valuable deposits of petroleum. These occurrences represent surface leakages."

It is said that history has a habit of repeating itself. Confirmation of this saying is found by comparing the facts which lead up to the development of the southern and southwestern oil and gas fields of the United States and the facts which inspired the present development of the oil and gas resources of this field. In these fields oil and gas seepages were for years noted by the early explorers and were true in the Clear Creek oil basin and the formation in this field. Development of the oil and gas resources of the Willamette Valley have never yet been attempted on a large scale, but it is in the firm belief of everyone acquainted with the conditions that a field second to none in the United States will be opened in this valley. The development of these resources near Stone will bring thousands of people of large capital to Oregon City and Clackamas county and result in an industrial growth which can hardly be imagined.

Gas and oil made some of the largest and wealthiest cities of the East. It is now doing the same thing in the South, and history will repeat itself. The history of the gas and oil fields of the East, South and Southwest is the history of stupendous development linked with the accumulation of large fortunes. It is unnecessary to state that gas and oil

from Clackamas county will find a great market right here in Oregon, and especially can a market be found for sufficient quantity of gas to pay dividends on many millions of dollars.

For several months the Home Oil & Gas Co. have had competent and experienced oil and gas men in the Clear Creek field making careful and exhaustive examinations into geological conditions as well as surface indications and the result of these investigations tended so strongly to indicate the presence of a rich and extensive oil and gas field that the company decided to undertake the development in a thorough and systematic manner. The best machinery obtainable has been purchased by this company and is now being installed on the Louis Vierbus place, about five miles east of Oregon City. This company, which really is the first to put in large machinery and undertake the development of the oil and gas resources of the Willamette Valley on a large scale, is composed of men who "do things." The members of the company are very confident that oil and gas in great quantities will be encountered, in their first well. When speaking of prospects, Mr. Vierbus, the secretary of the company, said: "Our company has great faith in this field being a big producer; if we did not think so we certainly would not invest so much money in machinery and prospect work. We know there is oil in the field in abundance, and if money and patience will get it, we will find it."

The big machine and boiler were loaded out of Portland Tuesday and will be on the ground by Thursday. The machinery will be in place and connected up and actual drilling will be in progress next week. The machinery has several new improvements and is one of the heaviest and most complete outfits ever shipped in to an oil field.

## TEACHERS' MEETING AT MACKSBURG

Proved to Be Very Interesting. Good Addresses by Prof. Friel, A. A. Baldwin and Supt. Gary

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the largest number of parents and children ever assembled in Clackamas county in attendance at a teachers meeting was that of the one held at Macksburg Saturday. Prof. Friel of the Barclay school spoke upon the subject of socializing our public schools. This was Mr. Friel's first talk before the teachers of Clackamas county. His address was full of good thoughts and was well received by the teachers and people.

A. A. Baldwin spoke upon the relation of the county fair to our public schools. Mr. Baldwin thinks that public schools should take a live interest in the county fair and that by so doing much greater interest could be aroused in schoolwork. A lengthy program was furnished by the pupils of the schools. The young folks acquitted themselves very well. Superintendent Gary explained the fund law very satisfactorily. The people present seemed to think it would be excellent for the county and for Macksburg in particular.

## WELLKNOWN MAN OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

Succumbs to Death After An Illness for Several Weeks Duration

The death of F. L. Mack occurred at his home at Mountain View Saturday morning, after an illness of several weeks' duration. Mr. Mack came to Oregon in 1885 and has since resided there and made many friends who will learn with sorrow of his illness and death. He was a native of Ohio and served with the union army during the Civil war. Besides his wife, he is survived by five children: L. W. Mack, of Dufur; A. D. Mack, of Grant county, Wash.; M. B. Mack of Portland; L. R. Mack and Miss Alma Mack of Oregon City.

The funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at the family residence, and was largely attended by many friends. Interment was in the family plot in Mountain View cemetery.

Rev. Blackwell of the M. E. church conducted the funeral services. Many and beautiful were the floral tributes and comforting were the words and scriptures which Rev. Blackwell presented to the bereaved family and friends.

## "LET WELL ENOUGH ALONE"

An Article on the Opportunities of the Willamette Valley by a Courier Reader

Without wishing to doubt any claim made by Eastern Oregon boomers regarding the advantages of that section as a farming and fruit producing country would it not be well for anyone contemplating a change of residence to carefully look over the ground and see for themselves if anything was to be gained by removal to that locality. The Willamette valley cannot be surpassed by any country on earth for general farming and fruit products. It is well watered, heavily timbered, the finest of soil, and irrigation is unnecessary. As good fruit can be raised in the Willamette valley, and right here in Clackamas county for that matter, as in any part of the state, Eastern Oregon will undoubtedly be rapidly settled up. New towns will spring into existence as the railroads advance, business houses will be established, and there will no doubt be many opportunities for home seekers to better their condition.

Eastern papers are full of advertisements setting forth the wonderful advantages of that section. Minnesota capitalists have invested several million dollars in farming and timber lands in the country about to be opened up. They intend to place these lands upon the market as soon as surveys can be made. Inquiries by the thousands are being almost daily made at the land departments of the state. Eastern Oregon will undoubtedly be before fall settlers will be pouring into the new country at the rate of thousands daily. If the census enumerators were required to ask all the people they called upon how many of them were satisfied with their location and business how many of them would be willing to admit that they were? As a rule the American people are a nation of rovers. They are constantly changing location—sometimes for the better but more often for the worse. So when you read in the papers the alluring announcements of the wonderful advantages of some other locality would it not be well to ask yourself if you had not better let well enough alone? There are thousands of acres of untitled land in the Willamette valley and it can be had at very reasonable prices. It is close to the great markets, and to anyone expecting to make their living from the products of the soil no better location can be found.

Do It Now

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You can do so by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Nine cases out of every ten are simply muscular rheumatism due to cold or damp, or chronic rheumatism, and yield to the vigorous application of this liniment. Try it. You are certain to be delighted with the quick relief which it affords. Sold by Jones Drug Co.

## COMMERCIAL CLUB APPOINTS

Representatives to Attend Rose Festival

## AT PORTLAND JUNE 6-11

Committees to Furnish Data For U. S. Engineers in Regard to Clackamas Rapids and Locks

Members of the Commercial Club are busy taking up and will try to be represented in the Rose Festival in Portland in June. George L. Hutchins, secretary of the Rose Festival Association was in Oregon City Monday evening to confer with the Commercial Club board of governors with a view to inducing Oregon City to have a float in one of the parades, which was referred to the publicity department of the club.

At a recent meeting business of great importance was taken up. Committees are being appointed to furnish data for the United States engineers for the improvements of the Willamette Clackamas county rapids and improvement of or new locks in Oregon City.

At a Fourth of July committee meeting of the Commercial Club recently an executive committee of three members, J. W. Cole, E. T. Fields and O. D. Eby, were appointed. This committee will appoint sub-committees to formulate and execute a plan for a big celebration.

## AGED CITIZEN FOUND LYING UNCONSCIOUS

Near the Bridge by Barclay School House. Death Due to Paralysis

Mr. Purifull, an aged man, was found lying unconscious near the bridge leading to the Barclay school house, Thursday morning. Those who found the man notified the Officers Cooke and Shaw, who brought him to the office of a physician, and it was found that he had been stricken with paralysis. The place where the elderly man fell is dark, and he had been lying in the gully, nearly all night before he was found. His hand was badly cut from the fall he had received, causing his death Tuesday, May 24, at his home in this city. The funeral took place Thursday at 2 p. m. from the First Baptist Church, Rev. S. A. Hayward officiating. Interment was made in Mountain View Cemetery.

Mr. Purifull was born in the state of Kentucky in 1829, coming to Oregon in 1871, where he has since resided. The deceased came to Oregon with his parents and sisters, Mrs. Margaret Menfro of Eugene and Mrs. Lydia Crooks of Albany, who are also dead and two sisters living, Mrs. Nancy Morgan of Wilsonville, Wash., and Mrs. Judith Johnson of Watsburg, Wash.

## THRESHERMEN WILL HOLD CONVENTION

In Albany June 2-3, 1910. Program Partly Prepared. Will Entertain Delegates Royally

Partial program of the second annual convention of the Oregon Threshermen's Association, Albany, Ore., June 2-3.

Thursday, June 2nd—Registration of members at Convention Hall during morning hours. Convention called to order at 1 p. m. by William H. Fletcher, president. Prayer, Rev. F. H. Gosnell, pastor, Presbyterian church. Address of welcome, mayor of Albany, Response, President Wm. H. Fletcher, McMinerva. Address, Hon. Frank W. Benson, Governor of Oregon. Good roads address, Hon. Benj. F. Heidel, department of good roads, U. S. department of agriculture. "The utilization of gasoline power," Hon. Philip S. Ross, Madison, Wis., editor Gas Review.

Evening Session—Experiences with the Threshermen. Lee Hardin, field superintendent The Russell and Stacker Co., Indianapolis, Ind. "Marketing Wheat on Four Legs," Hon. D. O. Lively, Portland, Oregon, general agent Portland Union Stock Yards Co.

Friday, June 3rd—Meeting convenes at 9 a. m. Report of secretary and annual election. "The Production of Good Seed," Prof. H. D. Souder, Agrostist Oregon Agricultural College. At 12 o'clock the delegates will assemble on the lawn of the Linn county courthouse, as guests of the Commercial Club of Albany, to participate in a banquet to be served by the club. This will be the most unique spread ever furnished a Threshermen's Convention in the United States. The wives and daughters of the Linn county threshermen will assist the Commercial Club in keeping the self-feeders busy. Hon. J. N. Duncan, county judge of Linn county, will address the banquet.

Following the banquet at Convention Hall an accounting system of the threshermen, Prof. J. A. Beall, Corvallis, Oregon, dean of school of commerce, Oregon Agricultural College.

"Why I Came," (Uncle Sillas), E. B. Clarke, Madison, Wis., publisher The American Thresherman.

Question box to be established during the convention and opened at that time.

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## JENNINGS LODGE DOINGS

By Our Special Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Emmons entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Hagoney of Detroit, Michigan, on Sunday at their home on the Willamette and in the evening enjoyed a lanch ride to Millwauke, and Mr. and Mrs. Hagoney returned from there by car to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ross of Vancouver, Washington, are spending a few days at their son's cottage at this place. It is his first visit at the Lodge and he was accompanied by Reginald, who attended school here last year.

Miss Bronte Jennings attended the wedding of Miss Margaret Watenpugh to Mr. S. McDonald on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. W. Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Blackwell in Oregon City.

Mrs. P. D. Newell, who underwent a surgical operation at the Good Samaritan Hospital, is doing very nicely which her friends will be pleased to hear.

A bright little baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Wilcox on Wednesday morning, April 30th.

The members of the Grace Chapel met on Wednesday evening and elected the officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Isaiah Shenefield was the new trustee elected and the officers for the school during the coming year are Mrs. H. C. Panton as superintendent; Rev. Shupp as assistant and Helen M. Panton, secretary; Mr. G. D. Boardman as treasurer; and A. F. Russell as librarian; Miss Scripture as organist.

Rev. Shupp preached his last sermon of the conference year on Sunday, May 1st, and on Tuesday departed for Monthouth where the general conference of the Evangelical church will be held.

Mrs. Emmons was one of the judges at the Women's Club in Oregon City, where the subject for debate was, "Resolved, that women are governed more by sensibilities than sense."

Mrs. Emmons is a member of this well known Oregon City Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Boardman of Hood River are visiting with the former's parents, G. D. Boardman and wife. They expect to move in their new home at Gladstone as soon as their goods arrive.

The National Realty Co. office was removed on Monday to make room for a new store building at this place.

The acreage known as the Dr. Spinyer place is soon to be platted and will be known as the Vanstermeer Park Addition after present owner of tract.

Miss Felix of Oak Grove and Mrs. Panton visited at the Sladen home near Gladstone on Monday.

Mr. Alex Gill is building a work house and sleeping apartments for his help during the brickmaking season.

Alfred Livingston of Boley was a visitor at the Jennings Lodge school

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