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BIG BOOSTER DAY BRINGS IN CROWD

THOUSANDS COME TO OREGON CITY, COME EARLY AND STAY ALL DAY.

STREETS FILLED JOSTLING HUNDREDS

Big Street Parade, Good Display of Handsome Horses—Jolly, Tired Throng Goes Home Happy.

Hardly a rig that came in was passed up by the Morning Enterprise carriers who presented a paper to every person who would accept. The special Booster Day edition of a thousand extra copies was used up at 10 o'clock not less than 800 of these being presented to families coming in by team. The rest were distributed about town and not one but was used.

Speaking of crowds, Oregon City had a big one Booster Day. From early morning until noon the stream of teams poured into town without any lessening in frequency. The greatest number came by way of Molalla avenue but other roads leading into town were crowded all the morning.

On Main street just after the parade had passed the Enterprise office there were not less than 4500 people on the four blocks between Fourth and Eighth streets alone. This estimate makes no allowance for the hundreds who saw the parade from other points of vantage. One section of sidewalk only ten feet wide and not so thickly crowded as were other sections held 17 people. Using this as a base the 2500 feet of sidewalk on both sides of Main from Fourth to Eighth held a total of 4250 besides hundreds who occupied the street crossings and windows of the buildings along the line of march.

From noon on the crowds increased in density. Every one was imbued with the carnival spirit and while there were some discomforts about being in the crowd no complaints were heard. A better behaved and more congenial crowd would be hard to find anywhere. While elbow room was at a premium no one resented the jostling and most seemed to enjoy the crowd as much as the carnival features that were to be found at every corner.

Using the special circulation of the Morning Enterprise and the number of people on the streets during the parade for a base there were probably 8500 people on the streets during the day.

The crowd poured in from early morning to nearly noon at which time there was a lull; but it began to come again shortly after the noon hour and continued to flock in until the middle of the afternoon. Then again in the evening there were some who could not get away from home until after the work of the day.

The crowd began to go home by the middle of the afternoon and continued dropping in until about supper time the crowd had thinned out materially. But at that there was a good crowd all evening and not a few were country people who stayed until late at night and went home after everything was closed.

Principal among the events of the day was the horse show and Booster Day parade. Both were above the average as such shows go—always considering the short notice that is given, farmers not having time to fit up stock for such a show as in case of a county fair—and the display was a credit to Clackamas county. There were a large number of horses in line, and among them were many that are above the ordinary in beauty and strong points of breeding.

The industrial part of the parade was also good for so short notice and considering the busy season of the year. And the bands in the parade furnished music to enliven the occasion and to bring joy to the heart of Miss Sweet-Sixteen and her attentive swain.

Following is a list of the entries in the horse show, with the names of the prize winners:

Draft horses—William Krueger, Oregon City; W. D. Claggett, Salem, Fred Marshall, Mulino; B. F. Mitchell, George Boyer, Oregon City.

Draft mares—5 entries from W. W. Irwin, Aurora, Oregon.

Draft colts, under two years—S. Bailey, Oregon City, Route 3; 2 entries; A. J. Marrs, Oregon City, Route 2; 1; H. Habler, Oregon City, R. F. D.; John Wallace, Oregon City, Route 4; Fred Marshall, Mulino; J. T. Fullam, Oregon City, Route 3; John Kunzman, Oregon City, Route 3; Samuel Elmer, Mulino, Route 1.

Draft teams—Moffatt & Parker, Oregon City; E. M. Gerber, Oregon City; 2 entries, W. W. Irwin, Aurora; A. J. Marrs, Oregon City, Route 1; C. K. Quinn, Oregon City; S. P. Londergan, Oregon City; R. F. D.

Coach horses—Molalla Horse Company, Molalla, Oregon; George Speight, Hubbard.

Coach teams—Geo. Laselle, Oregon City; W. M. Robinson, Oregon City; M. Oldham, Oregon City, Route 2.

Standard Bred Stallions—G. W. Big-ham, Oregon City; B. F. Mitchell, Oregon City; M. Robinson and son, Oregon City; William Brown, Oregon City; Geo. Speight, Hubbard; L. B. Lindsey, Canby.

Standard Bred Mares—M. Robinson and son, Oregon City; Williams Bros., Oregon City; Geo. Speight, Hubbard.

Standard Bred Colts—F. A. Miles, Oregon City; Williams Bros., Oregon City.

Driving Team—W. M. Robinson, Oregon City.

Single Driver—Ernest Mass, Oregon City; Frank Funk, Oregon City; Dr. M. C. Strickland, Oregon City; W. M. Price, Oregon City; C. K. Quinn, Oregon City; Geo. Randall, Oregon City; Dr. M. C. Strickland, Oregon City;

SKILL AND NERVE SAVE FROM DEATH

WHAT PROMISED A CATASTROPHE TURNED ASIDE INTO MERE ACCIDENT.

WILSON, THE AERONAUT, ESCAPES

Balloon Completely Destroyed and Parachute Goes Up in Flames—Power Plant Badly Damaged.

What promised to end in a narrowing catastrophe was turned aside into a mere accident by the skill with which J. W. Wilson, of the Miller Carnival Company, manipulated his balloon in a rapid ascending descent to earth about 10 o'clock Saturday morning. When the balloon in which Wilson was making his ascent had risen to a point about 500 feet above the earth the bag comprising the sustaining power of the balloon exploded, letting him fall suddenly to the ground.

As soon as the explosion told Wilson of his danger he cut loose his parachute and prepared to alight as easily as possible. No sooner had he cut loose than he began to drop suddenly but shortly after the parachute opened, his descent became more gradual. At that he saw he was in imminent danger of dropping on the high power wires of the P. R. L. & P. Co., at the west end of the Suspension bridge, and was compelled to swing himself over to avoid a shock that would burn him to a crisp.

With almost superhuman effort he swung himself over, and a moment later alighted on the roof of a car standing on the tracks near the West Side depot, where his parachute struck the wires and was almost instantly consumed. His balloon was completely destroyed. Thousands of people who were in the city to attend Booster Day, many of whom had been attracted to the city by this same advertised ascension, witnessed the accident and for a moment stood with bated breath as they witnessed the danger in which the aeronaut was placed for the instant. And not one for a moment expected him to alight in safety, while men and women turned their faces away not wishing to see him fall to instant death.

Wilson was the advertised balloon attraction of the Booster Day show. A large part of the Booster Day crowd (Continued on page 4.)

PRaise IS GIVEN OUR BOOSTER DAY

LOCAL COMMITTEE WISH TO EXTEND THANKS TO ALL WHO AIDED THEM.

BIG CROWD MADE HAPPY MANY WAYS

List of Most Prominent Boosters Printed Below That All May Know Who the Progressive Citizens Are.

Booster Day was a success, as was stated in the Morning Enterprise Sunday morning. The committee in charge, wishing to impress the fact that they are very much pleased with the results, and with the help that was given them by the business men of Oregon City, the horsemen of the county and the people generally, who attended, wish to express themselves in an article to that effect, which is given space below:

The Booster Day has come and gone. One of the largest horse shows ever held in the Willamette Valley was held in Oregon City on last Saturday and the horse men and farmers all over the county are praising the spirit of the enterprising Oregon City business men.

The committee representing the business men of the city have worked hard to see the affair through to success, and while they met opposition on many hands, and the money to finance the Horse Show was a task to raise, and the knackers were out as usual, at the same time in view of the fact that the premiums are all paid and many horse men are happy and there is another notch in the stick of success for Oregon City, the committee is well satisfied. But with due justice to the loyal who aided financially to make the big day a success, the committee wishes to thank the following for their liberal help:

Fleet National Bank, L. Adams, L. A. Noble, J. Levitt, W. H. Silcox, Burmeister & Anderson, H. P. Brightbill, C. C. Store, Willamette Pulp & Paper Co., Portland Flouring Mills, W. B. Eddy & Son, E. T. Barlow, D. Klemsen, M. Justin, Oregon City Enterprise, Wilson & Cooke, H. W. Streibig, A. J. Surber, G. W. Bingham, W. J. Wilson, Mill Price, Geo. Secrest, Price Bros., W. Harris, C. G. Hodes, Larson & Co., Frank Busch, J. E. Sealey, R. Petzold, Oregon City Contractor, Schram & Simmonds, A. J. Knightly, Wm. Gardner, Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., Olympia Brewery, Star Brewery, Huntley Bros., C. G. Miller, J. J. Tobin, Geo. Boyer, W. E. Rowan, C. I. Hood, M. E. Dunn, J. I. Vatcher, Winchard Brothers, Brown & Klooster, Farr Bros., L. Rucovich, J. W. Cole, E. C. Frank, Oregon Drug Co., E. Kerckhoff, O. G. Thomas, H. B. Buckles, Gambirini Brewery.

WOULD CONDEMN LAND FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY

CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN RAILWAY ASKS COURT TO SET PRICE ON BIGHAM LANDS.

The Clackamas Southern Railway Co., which is constructing a railroad from Oregon City toward Beaver Creek, today filed a suit against M. D. and George Bigham to condemn a strip of land 471 feet long and 100 feet wide for a right of way through Bigham's land. The company values the strip at \$75. The property is in the northeast section of the city and was the cause of Bigham having F. M. Swift arrested a few weeks ago for trespass.

Swift is conducting the company's operations at that point. The railway company is represented by attorneys O. D. Eby and G. B. Dimick.

THE LIVE WIRES

When a duck lays an egg she just asides off as if nothing has happened. When a hen lays an egg there's a h-h of a noise. The hen advertises. Hence the demand for hen's eggs instead of duck's.

SINGLE TAX TOPICS UP FOR DISCUSSION

ECONOMIC LEAGUE HAS MADE CHOICE OF SUBJECTS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

The National Economic League, a Single Tax organization, has been considering the proposition of subjects for discussion that may interest the general public. To that end it has had prepared a series of subjects and submitted them to the council of the league as to their preference of interest.

The ballots showed that the subject of "Direct Legislation—including direct primary nominations, direct election of United States Senators, initiative, referendum and recall" was the subject of the most interest. This was followed in popularity by "Inefficiency and delay of the courts in the administration of justice."

The Council of the National Economic League has a membership of about 800, representing equally, in proportion to population, every State in the Union. In its membership are presidents of universities, professors, judges, lawyers, bankers, merchants, manufacturers, etc. Thus it will be seen that the desire to hear from such a widely diversified class of listeners is almost certain to be indicative of the desires of the country at large. With that knowledge it is the intention of the league to give the two subjects noted above special consideration the coming year with a view to disseminating knowledge along the line indicated.

The public is awaking to the fact that things are wrong governmentally in many instances, and that changes are needed. Unless a man studies the proposition he cannot expect to learn gas or oil, or both, and so an effort is being made to push out and see.

The machinery at the well is working fine, and it is the hardness of this stone that now makes progress so slow. Still the drillers make two or three feet each shift, which is certain to get them somewhere if they continue to persist.

TEACHERS INSTITUTE HELD OSWEGO SCHOOL

GOOD ATTENDANCE AND A VERY PLEASANT TIME—FEW WALK FROM BOLTON.

One of the most successful teachers' institutes so far held was that which convened at Oswego Saturday. There were upwards of an hundred teachers present, with half that number of visitors and friends present. This is the third local institute held so far—Canby and Gladstone preceding—and all three have been marked with more than usual success.

Few had the nerve to walk from Bolton to Oswego, and at the last moment teams were ordered to convey those who wished to ride; a few did walk, however. State Superintendent of Public Instruction L. E. Alderman was among the number that rode. Among the visitors present were members of the Oswego school board. The children's program, by the local school, was a very pleasant feature of the day. The dinner by the women of Oswego was greatly complimented.

The institute was held in the village school and the rooms were very tastefully decorated with potted plants and ferns and flowers. The Oswego school has made a specialty of agriculture and horticulture and has a large number of products to show for its effort. Clara D. Morey, the principal, had a surprise for the visiting teachers—she gave each a vegetable plant and a flower plant, and he also had a supply of vegetable and flower seeds that he added to his other gifts. The program was as follows:

"Recitation in History".....Fannie G. Foster
"Reading".....Mrs. S. D. Singleton
Address.....Prof. F. T. Toole
Dinner.....Oswego Woman's Club
Address.....L. R. Alderman
Literary program.....Oswego school

One gratifying feature in the institute work this year, Superintendent Gary says, comes in the fact that so far no one has been disappointed in answering to his or her place on the program—each program having been as advertised.

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At the meeting April 29 W. S. U'Ren will be the speaker for the afternoon and he will give them a talk on "Single Tax." After the close of the address all present are to be permitted to submit questions for answer, and so far as is possible to do so on the spot of the moment. Mr. U'Ren will answer the questions propounded.

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Hope Held Out That Hard Covering is Just Above a Lake of Oil—Gas Still Present.

STONE, Or., April 25.—Hard luck has overtaken the promoters of the oil and gas well proposition at Stone within the past week. While the dynamiting of the well tore things up some down in the bowels of the earth it did not soften the quality of the stone and it did not straighten out the crevice in the rock.

So far this week the drill has gone very slow in the well here. The rock through which the drill is passing at this time is very hard, and the drillers are doing well if they go down two or three feet at a shift. That means that it will take a long time to get down to 2000 feet in depth if there is no change in the character of the stone.

The crevice in the rock is still there to annoy. The drill has passed the crevice, however, but at that the crack in the rock makes considerable trouble for the drillers. The rock is so hard the drill makes little impression and when the drill strikes it on the slant, as it does when it gets to one side and into the crevice, it glances off and doesn't make any headway downward at all.

The drillers at the well are doing much speculation as to what will be found when the drill passes through the hard rock now being encountered. Some think that this hard rock may be the covering that nature has made for the retention of the gas and oil that they are to find in the lake lying beneath. They prophesy that when the drill passes through this hard shell they are almost certain to find gas or oil, or both, and so an effort is being made to push out and see.

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ROSE FESTIVAL HAS MANY NEW FEATURES

OFFICIAL PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR THE WEEK—JUNE 5-10 DAYS CHOSEN.

The official programme for the Rose Festival of the week of June 5-10 has been announced, and embraces all of the former features that have made the celebration so attractive, and there are a large number of new events that bid fair to add still greater interest to the festivities. There will be six daylight and night parades, including the horse and carriage, the automobile, the school children's and the electrically illuminated float pageants; a big fraternal men's night, the spectacular "Shower of Roses," a marine carnival, a civic and military grand ball, massed bands playing concerts in the streets, the usual competitive rose show by the Portland Rose Society, race matinees by both Hunt Club and Riverside Driving Association, revivals of masquers, fireworks and other stunts. The programme in detail is as follows:

Rose Sunday, June 4.
Ceremonies and exercises appropriate to the occasion.
Greetings and imposing welcome to the rose, Queen of flowers.
Special sermons in many pulpits, glorifying the return of the fragrant and beautiful rose.
Monday, June 5.
Home-coming day. Hearty welcome to all visitors.
High noon—Arrival of Rex Oregonus up-river on royal barge conveyed by fleet of loyal mariners.
Grand review—Water pageant, consisting of gaily decorated boats and water craft of every variety.
8:00 P. M.—Special programme, at the Oaks Park and on the Willamette River; general illumination, feast of lanterns.
Tuesday, June 6.
10:00 A. M.—Musical symposium bands on most elaborately decorated thoroughfares.
2:00 P. M.—Formal opening of the competitive rose exhibit at the Armory, under the auspices of the Portland Rose Society.
8:30 P. M.—Grand electric parade, headed by Rex Oregonus, the Carnival King.
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Wednesday, June 7.
10:00 A. M.—Competitive rose exhibit at the Armory. Band concerts on principal decorated streets.
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THEO. ROOSEVELT HONORS CITIZENS

WISHES TO MEET AND TALK WITH W. S. U'REN AND W. L. FINLEY.

"FATHER OF THE OREGON SYSTEM"

And the Man Who Has Won Name and Fame Through Investigating and Writing on Birds.

It is no little honor to Clackamas county to have two residents so distinguished that they were named out of all of the people of Oregon by President Theodore Roosevelt as the men whom he most desired to meet during his recent visit to this State.

Yet this is just what has happened, according to Governor Oswald West, who talked to the students of the Oregon City high school Friday morning. The Governor commented upon the fact that the only two men in the whole State that Colonel Roosevelt wanted to talk to were W. S. U'Ren, father of the Oregon System, and W. L. Finley, who has achieved national fame through his investigations and writings on birds.

"It is nothing short of remarkable," said the Governor in his address at the high school, "that Colonel Roosevelt should express a preference to meet two such men. However, Roosevelt is always doing remarkable things. Both Mr. U'Ren and Mr. Finley are men who go through the world quietly, without ostentation, doing good and working steadfastly with a fixed purpose. They do not advertise with a blare of trumpets, but the work they have accomplished speaks for them.

"The incident demonstrates clearly that there is something in this world besides money. These two men are what may be termed our humble citizens, yet they have attracted the attention of Roosevelt to the degree that he sought them out. Clackamas county should be proud of it. You boys and girls ought to be glad that these men are living among you, and their example in working for the good of their fellows, with no thought of remuneration, is well worthy of emulation."

Oregon City Received Settlers. Since the opening of the colonist rates to the western country, Oregon City has been locating newcomers on farms at the rate of a dozen a week. This is according to statements made by representatives of the publicity department of the Oregon City Commercial Club. No doubt the Easterners are attracted to this favored place by the good soil and the proximity to Portland.

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BEEBE DISCHARGED BY GRAND JURY

CLAIM SET UP THAT HE KILLED HIS BROTHER, HIRAM BEEBE

IN EFFORT TO SAVE HIS OWN LIFE

Nelson Fought With a Club, Hiram With an Axe—Grass Shows Evidence of Bitter Contest.

Nelson Beebe, who killed his brother Hiram, last January at Clackamas Heights, was discharged from custody Saturday afternoon, after the grand jury returned not a true bill, following an investigation of his case. Beebe is 80 years of age.

There were no witnesses to the fight to the death of the two brothers. Nelson had been to town and when he returned in an intoxicated condition he said his brother met him at the door with an axe and the battle commenced. Nelson grasped a huge club and in the end he killed his brother, after being seriously wounded himself.

The first intimation that the neighbors had of the fight was the appearance of the slayer at the home of George Mackinnin, with a serious cut in his head, a deep gash running along the right side of his face, from which there was pouring a stream of blood. Hiram Beebe was found dead at the door to the side of the home. The grass was trodden down and in many places were to be seen blood spots, showing that the fight had been long and bitter. Hiram lay a few feet from the house, with his nose broken and his face bruised in many places. Near at hand was a large club that Nelson had used, and a few feet away was the ax that Hiram had fought with, the weapon with which he had inflicted a deep cut on the head of Nelson.

Hiram Beebe was 77 years of age, and crossed the Plains in 1862, coming from Iowa. Nelson Beebe was a veteran of the Civil War and crossed the Plains at a later day. The brothers had been keeping bachelor quarters for several years and had lived in the Mary Roberts cottage on Clackamas Heights for about two months prior to the tragedy. None suspected any serious trouble to arise between them. Both men were widowers, Hiram having been married twice. His second wife was Mrs. Cathrow, of Canemah. Hiram had no children, but Nelson has a daughter, Laura, of Red Bluff, Cal. George Beebe, a younger brother, lives in Eastern Oregon, and a nephew lives near Estacada.

The grand jury made a careful investigation of the case, but Nelson Beebe stoutly affirmed that he killed his brother in self defense, and that he was forced to fight in order to preserve his own life. There was no evidence, except that of the accused, and Beebe was accordingly given his freedom.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN

CUTS WILL BE MADE AND PICTURES SHOWN OF WORK SO FAR ACCOMPLISHED.

The condition of the construction work on the Clackamas Southern Railway was Tuesday reduced to evidence by taking a half dozen photos of the roadbed at as many different points on the line of the road. The photos were taken out on the line at points where the road crawls up the side hill on its way out around the Kansas City hillside, and when developed and printed the pictures will show the true condition of the right-of-way since engineers and graders have been at work on it.

The number of men at work on the road increases from week to week. More men can be used now than when the work started, and more are being added. There are two gangs working on beyond the Bigham rockpile, and good work is being done. And the