

THEIR EXHIBITS.

Benton County School Pupils Preparing for All Benton School Fair.

Though few in numbers and young in years, the pupils of this district are nevertheless, energetic in the work for the All Benton County Fair. No one has refused to take part in this matter, but have gone to work with hoe and rake preparing the ground and planting seeds, vying with each other to see whose seeds come up first and grow the fastest. One little girl is expecting to make some first-class butter, and we have no doubt of her success, as she is very diligent in all that she undertakes. Another girl, six years of age, is quite handy with a needle, and will hemstitch a handkerchief for the fair. Lillith McKenney, teacher.

District 23—

In regard to the school fair I have not sent you a report for the reason that I have comparatively little to report. My boys do not wish to take part, saying that as it comes in the middle of the harvest season they cannot well attend. I have interested most of the girls and they have made lists of the contests they wish to enter. The seeds sent have been distributed, and pamphlets sent into every home. But I cannot get the enthusiasm aroused that they ought to be. The matter may be brought up at the parents' meeting and perhaps if the older folks will encourage them, the pupils will exert themselves to make a creditable exhibit. The primary room has been so disorganized this year, that nothing can be expected from the little folks if these parents do not, themselves, take the matter in hand. H. L. Mack, teacher.

District 12—

The Blodgett school is preparing to take an active part in furnishing exhibits for the Benton county fair. It will furnish the following: Hemstitching, drawnwork, during, canned fruit, jelly, bread, butter, sewing, writing, map drawing. Some of the pupils will grow flowers, some vegetables, others grain. Every pupil in school has consented to prepare something. Anna H. Mathaay, teacher.

District 79—

District 79 expects to be represented at the fair. The pupils show great interest and hope to win many prizes. Although few in number we expect to be heard from, before the fair is over. There will be exhibits from this district in the agricultural, sewing and drawing departments. Etta Young, teacher.

District 36—

The garden seeds received. The school is preparing to take an active part in the work of the fair. The parents have furnished seeds from other sources. Will send you a letter giving details later. R. R. Miller, teacher.

District 50—

We are doing all we can to help the All Benton School fair to be the biggest and grandest ever held in Benton county. My pupils are watching their gardens very closely and hoping that their plants will receive the reward that is due them when the contests come. One pupil is preparing a drawing of a noted character. We hope this fair will be very successful and will help to push it along. Mae Tracer, teacher.

District 62—

I am sending you a statement of what the pupils of this district are doing for the All Benton Fair. One of the girls is drawing a map of Benton county. Another one is to do some hemstitching, and her sister is going to raise some cabbage. Two boys are to raise corn, another is to raise carrots. Mabel Hibbs is going to raise cucumbers and squashes and also can some fruit. Almost all of them have their planting done. Myrtle Langley, teacher.

District 20—

District 20 will have a display of vegetables and fruit grown by some of the likeliest, liveliest, and healthiest boys and girls on earth; also a boy who, in rapid calculating, is not easily excelled in speed or accuracy. Beware of Beaver Creek, for our school will be represented. G. A. Peterson, teacher.

District 5—

My pupils are making good preparation for the School Fair and are looking forward to it with anticipation. From the moment we received the packages of seeds to the present time, there has been a great desire among the pupils to help make the fair successful. The majority of the pupils have entered the agricultural contest and many of them now have the pleasure of seeing their plants growing nicely. Besides having the school well represented in this line we are also planning to be represented in several of the other contests.

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Ioz W. Warner, teacher.

District 13—

Our children are much interested in the All Benton Fair. Nearly to have taken some kind of seeds as grow and we expect to have a good showing from district 13. Our seeds were distributed early so that they will have time to grow at their best period. We also expect to have representatives in some of the contests at least. Owing to the smallness of the school we will not be able to enter nearly all the competitions out want to put our best into it and feel sure it will make a showing. G. E. Herbert, teacher.

District 59—

Evergreen school district 59 will show what it is capable of doing at the All Benton County School Fair this fall. The girls are already making their flower beds and the boys will soon begin planting vegetables. Samuel Beeson, teacher.

District 48—

District 48 is making extensive preparations for the All Benton Fair. We intend to carry off a good number of the various prizes, and also one of those three grand prizes given to the districts having the best display at the fair. Each student will have a good agricultural display, while quite a number will compete for the flower prizes. There will be contestants for ciphering and spelling matches. Mina Harper, teacher.

AFTER RAILROAD LANDS.

Scramble for Them in Southern Benton—The Claimants.

People of the south end of Benton are after lands out of the Southern Pacific grant which they expect the courts to cause to be sold at \$2.50 per acre, as is provided for in the law making the grant. There are three million acres of these lands in the state, mainly in Southern Oregon. Large tracts of the land also lie in Benton county, particularly in the southwestern portion. Accounts from Monroe are to the effect that a large number of persons in that vicinity are arranging to file on lands, expecting that in due time they will secure title for the government price. It seems that some attorney at junction is handling the business for them. A fee of \$5 each is paid to him and he prepares such papers as are necessary to give the proposed claimant a sort of tomhawk right on such section as may be selected. Such credentials as he prepares are supposed to give the claimant a firm chance to file. For the present it appears that no filings are made, but that this detail is to be attended to, later on. The Monroe claimants include most of the prominent citizens in and out of the town. The TIMES informant said Saturday that several dozen persons had enlisted in the scheme.

Of course, nobody knows what the outcome will be. The corporation will hold to the lands as long as there is any law for it. In some instances these lands have attained a great value. Even the remedy by which the lands are to be made obtainable by the public is not determined. One claim is that the whole grant should be forfeited to the public domain, and the railroad has no further claim on it. Another

is that the court will force the company to sell it to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre, in tracts not to exceed 160 acres. Still another contention is that further legislation by congress will be necessary to put the land on the market. In either case it seems to be the view that the persons who get it will have to be "actual settlers" within the full meaning of the term. That would mean that the buyer would have to actually live on the land, make it his home, and do those other things necessary to constitute a bona fide residence. This would be very likely to be insisted on if there is a forfeiture of the company's hold to the land at the present prices, the idea being that if the corporation should be made to obey the law, the full terms of the law in providing its transfer to the buyers would also have to be complied with, which would mean a genuine residence on the property so that the requirements that it should go only to "actual settlers" would be carried out. Further movements in the matter will be watched with much interest.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned is the duly appointed and acting administrator of the estate of S. W. Jackson, deceased, pursuant to the order of the county court of the state of Oregon, for Benton county. All persons having claims against said estate are notified to present the same duly verified to this administrator at the office of McAdams and Erwin in the city of Corvallis, said county, within six months from this date.

Dated May 24, 1907. ISAAC H. JACKSON, Administrator of the estate of S. W. Jackson, deceased.

Order of Sale

In the county court of the State of Oregon for the county of Benton.

In the matter of the Guardianship of the person and estate of Gertrude A. Seckler, a minor. Order to show cause.

The court having read the petition of Annie Seckler, the duly appointed guardian of the said Gertrude A. Seckler, asking that the court grant an order, to sell her one and two in block sections, in the original town of Marysville, now Corvallis, Benton county, Oregon, in which said minor has an undivided one-half interest, and the court being fully advised in the premises, that it is necessary and for the best interest of said minor.

It is therefore hereby ordered, That the next of kin of said minor, and all other persons interested in said estate appear before this court on the 28th day of June, at ten o'clock A. M., at the court room of the county judge of said county, in Corvallis, Oregon, and show cause why an order should not be granted as prayed for in the petition herein.

And it is further hereby ordered, That a copy of this order be published in the Corvallis Times, a newspaper of general circulation published in said Benton county, Oregon, at least once a week for four successive and consecutive weeks.

Dated May 7, 1907. E. WOODWARD, County Judge.

Summons

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the County of Benton.

Samuel E. Young, Plaintiff, vs. Curtis Beers and Hattie Beers, his wife, Rebecca Rindlaub and Sarah L. Cooper, defendants.

To Curtis Beers and Hattie Beers, defendants: In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled court and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 31st day of July, 1907, and if you fail to so answer for the Beers, the plaintiff will apply to the court thereof for the relief prayed for in his complaint, to-wit: that plaintiff recover judgment against defendants, Curtis Beers for \$300 and interest, attorney fees, and costs; and that the mortgage described in the complaint herein, executed by defendant Curtis Beers and Hattie Beers, his wife, to Lettie Rodgers and assigned to plaintiff, on the N. 1-3 of the S. E. 1-4 of section 28, T. 10 S., R. 6 West of Willamette meridian, be foreclosed and said real property be sold according to law and that each of you and all the defendants be forever barred and foreclosed off and from any and all rights, title, interest and equity of redemption in or to said mortgage premises, and that plaintiff have such further relief as the court may decree.

This summons is published not less than six consecutive weeks, date of first publication to be May 21, 1907; date of last publication to be July 2, 1907; date of appearance to be on or before July 2, 1907, by general circulation published in said Benton county, Oregon, at least once a week for four successive and consecutive weeks.

Dated May 14, 1907. E. E. BRYSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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GRANT ELLGIN, City Treasurer.

Notice of City Election.

Corvallis, Or., May 10, 1907.
Notice is hereby given that the annual election for the City of Corvallis Oregon, will be held on the 20th day of May, 1907, beginning at 9 o'clock A. M., and continuing until 6 o'clock P. M. of said day at the city hall of said city, for the purpose of electing one mayor, to serve for a period of two years, one police judge, one chief of police and one treasurer, each to serve for a period of one year: First Ward, one councilman to serve for a period of three years, and one councilman to serve for a period of two years; Second Ward, one councilman to serve for a period of three years; Third Ward, one councilman to serve for a period of three years; and one councilman to serve for a period of two years, and one councilman to serve for a period of one year.
The common council of said city has appointed A. C. White of the First Ward, Joseph Yates for the Second Ward, and R. H. Colburn, of the Third Ward to be judges of said election, and C. A. Gould and S. L. Henderson to act as clerks of said election.
1st of May 10, 1907.
J. FRED YATES, Public Judge.

Notice of Sale.

Public notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, as the administrator of the estate of Peter Wilson, deceased, by virtue of an order of the county court of Jackson county, Oregon, sitting in probate, said order being of date the 26th day of April, 1907, will from and after Monday the 30 day of June, 1907, and at and from the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, offer for sale, and sell all of the right, title and interest of the said estate in and to all of the following described real property, situated in Benton county, Oregon, to-wit:

The North-east quarter of section 15, in Township 12 South, Range 6 West, containing 160 acres.
Said sale will take place at the law office of E. E. Wilson in Corvallis, Benton county, Oregon, and will continue until the highest possible price has been received for said tract of land, and said property sold. Said property will be sold free from all liens and encumbrances whatsoever.
Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this the 3rd day of May, 1907.

D. E. CHENEY, Administrator of the estate of Peter Wilson, deceased.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of Eliza A. Knight, deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of said Eliza A. Knight, deceased, by the county court of the state of Oregon for Benton county. All persons having claims against said estate of Eliza A. Knight, deceased, are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof to the undersigned at his law office in Corvallis, Oregon.
Dated April 30, 1907.
E. E. WILSON, Administrator of the Estate of Eliza A. Knight, deceased.