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HOOD RIVERITES FEAST IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

Long Beach, Cal., December 27, 1909. Editor News:—The weather was ideal. The sun shone brightly. Thousands of people found their way to the grey pike to watch the surf bathers and listen to the open air band concert in the afternoon. The benign rays of mellow sunlight put everyone in a good frame of mind. So that the street faker and the speller for the show mingled their voices with the merry pleasure seekers and the day passed only too swiftly by. Out of twenty three people who were either former or present residents of Hood River valley, through the leadership of Prather, Chandler and Wood, there were 14 who rounded up at a cafeteria about 1 p. m. to do justice to a turkey dinner. The party consisted of the following: Geo. T. Prather, Mrs. Geo. T. Prather, Bertha Hemman and little daughter Nelle, Miss Georgia and Lula Prather, Clinton Wood and his mother and Irene Fisher (Mrs. Wood's granddaughter), Charles Chandler and wife, Eph Winans, Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Shelley, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Jackson and wife of Sherman county (formerly of Hood River). There were fourteen persons in the party above named. The proprietor furnishing two tables so that we were all around the festive board. Some of these Hood River boys evidently missed their calling. Prather, Wm. Jackson, Eph Winans and Clint Wood should have been end men in a minstrel show. Well, we ate and drank and drank and ate until we were all full. Long Beach is a dry town. The water they furnish the tourist to drink is only fit to bathe in at home, it being strongly impregnated with sulphur. The proprietor soon learned where we were from and we soon had the freedom of the pence. Eph Winans proposed the following toast: "To our absent Hood River friends." Quickly the sulphur glasses clinked together and many were the happy responses, for the words "Hood River" always arouse enthusiasm in the hearts of all who have ever lived there, in the charming valley settled with snow crowned moun-

tain. J. R. Nickelson, wife and son Donald could not be found for the dinner party, neither could Henry Buskirk, while Bertha Hemman and Irene Fisher were out on the Tillman trolley line trip returning too late to join the dinner party. And Lyn Winans was also unable to be there. The day before A. Herman and wife, of Hood River had left Long Beach for a short trip to San Diego. In round numbers there were twenty-three Hood River people here, and they are generally heard from on pike or pier or anywhere they happen to meet. Chas. Chandler has just purchased a brand new automobile and is preparing for a jolly good time. Aviation week at Los Angeles between January 10 and 20 will probably prove the biggest event that ever happened in California. The climate here attracts from all over the United States. The tourist is their harvest and will continue to be. ROSWELL SHELLEY.

MOUNT HOOD

The dance at the hall Monday night was a success. Good music, good attendance, good supper and good time in general. W. B. Davidson made a trip to Hood River Tuesday, taking with him Grandmother Fredenberg and her granddaughters Edith and May Fredenburg, also Mr. Cutting who came to see them safe to Ilwaco, where Mrs. Fredenberg will remain with her son Will during the winter. Mrs. Larwood served supper for

the dance given by Davidson and Hood Monday night.

Earl Newman and Claude Fike came up and took part in the dance, and got home after the roosters began their morning warning. You can guess why. There was a goodly number came over from Dee and took in the dance. They came with four horses hitched to one sled. Most of them enjoyed themselves.

The Misses Lottie and Glenna Wilson were up from Corvallis spending a few days in our parts, returning Sunday to resume their duties. Earl Newman and Claude Fike were up to enjoy the social given by the Endeavor society.

Miss Lizzie Cooper made a trip to Butler, Wash., to see old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of the Walter Gribble place took dinner with Jesse Davidson Friday. The Clarks are from Illinois.

Jesse Davidson took New Year dinner with the Welch and Clemm families. They served pie on the table instead of in another room, which is a new custom in Mount Hood.

W. B. Davidson took a sled load over to Dee Saturday night to attend the dance. Among them were the musicians. Don't forget the grange meets at the Mount Hood hall Saturday the 8th, at 1 o'clock sharp. A good meeting is anticipated.

Earl Neuman took New Year's dinner at the Candee home. He says they serve pie on the table too.

Robt. Leasure's father-in-law, Mr. Hensen, died very suddenly the 31st day of December and was buried the 2nd day of January.

The Scrap Book

A Tough Time With a Joke.

Henry E. Dixey told a story to the effect that John Stetson once went behind the scenes in his New York theater and found fault with a certain piece of scenery then in use. "What is the blamed thing any way?" he asked. The stage manager informed him that it was a scene after Michael Angelo, whereupon Stetson pompously exclaimed: "Well, it's no good. Pay Mike his salary and let him go!"



A day or two afterward Dixey was reciting the incident to Jack Haverly. But Haverly didn't seem to catch on to the joke. So Dixey repeated the yarn, and Haverly, forcing a property smile, exclaimed, "Oh, yes, I see—there ain't no such person as Angelo!"

This amused Dixey more than the original story, and he hurried off to tell Stetson about it. But Stetson was quite as thick witted as Haverly had been in detecting the humor of the thing. "Why, you don't you see?" he exclaimed. Dixey, with great earnestness, "I told this yarn to Haverly, and he replied, 'There ain't no such person as Michael Angelo!'"

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CLASSIFIED COLUMN

Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of the estate of Benjamin A. West, deceased, has filed in the office of the County Clerk of Hood River County, State of Oregon, his final report and account, his administration of said estate and that Monday, the 15th day of January, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, in the Court Room of said County, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing objections to said report and account. All persons desiring to object to the same are hereby required to file said objections on or before said time.

Notice of Publication.

DEPARTMENT of the Interior, U. S. Land office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 26th, 1909. Notice is hereby given that Mada J. Hicks, whose post-office address is Hood River, Oregon, did, on the 23rd day of March, 1909, file in this office sworn Statement and Application No. 9424, to purchase NE 1-4 NE 1-4, Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 10 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber claim thereon, under the provisions of act of June 8, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, and the land estimated 450,000 board feet at \$2.75 per M, and the land \$20.00; that said application will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 15th day of February, 1910, before Henry L. Howe, United States Commissioner, at Hood River, Oregon. Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest and sue for a patent thereon, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

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