GRANTS PASS ROAD UNVEILS WONDERS

NEW RAILWAY IS AWAITED

Trip to Crescent City Full of Beautiful Valleys and Placid Winding Rivers.

Property Values in All Places Expected to Make Decided Rise as Line Nears Completion and Communication Is Opened.

BY ADDISON BENNETT. CRESCENT CITY, Cal., June 6 .-(Special.)-I have just arrived at Crescent City after a ride that I will long remember as one of the pleasant epi-sodes of my life, a ride that stands with me as one of exceptional scenic beauty. I mean the trip over the mountains and through the valleys from Grants

Pass, Or.

I came by auto with "That Man Shook," as E. D. Shook, of Grants Pass, chooses to call himself.

We left Grants Pass at 5 o'clock this morning, moving away from the Josephine House before the people of that little city were out of their beds, before we could get a bite to eat. But "That Man Shook" had telephoned ahead to Mrs. Casey, at Selma, 22 miles from our starting point, for breakfast, saying we would arrive at 6 o'clock, and we did.

New Railway Followed.

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The general course of the road was, course, southwest, but we headed for every point of the compass many times on the way. Leaving Grants Pass we came down beautiful Sixth street, across the Southern Pacific tracks, across the Southern Pacific tracks, across the bridge over Rogue River, then along a beautiful highway along the general route of the new Grants Pass & Crescent City Railway. Many teams were hauling ties and distributing them along the grade, and even at that early hour the bridge gangs were busy on bridges and culverts.

Out some eight miles we crossed the Applegate River on a fine steel bridge, then turned up Deer Creek Valley, past Wilderville, 10 miles from our starting point, Love's Station, six miles farther, then to Selma, and over an excellent road the entire distance.

Owner of Great Farm Is Met.

Here we met S. H. Riggs, who has a magnificent farm of 270 acres just a short distance away. Mr. Riggs bought what is now the Leonard Orchard Tract from H. B. Miller, of Portland, and later sold it to Mr. Leonard. He is one of the most prominent citizens of Josephine County. Another farm just near there belongs to Mr. Gerold, who for many years was in the insurance business in Portland. I was sorry I could not go out and see him, but we had not the time to spare. He is said to have one of the finest orchards in that section.

If the Josephine authorities would put three good men at work on the seeven miles on the Oregon side, this road could be fine in two weeks, at an expense of less than \$100. All it needs is hand work. The material for making the road is at the roadside. The principal thing to do is to throw out the loose rocks, fill up the ruts and break out some of the stones.

Descent is Begun.

Soon we began to descend and crossed a fork of Smith's River, then that section. Owner of Great Farm Is Met.

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While Selma is in the Deer Creek Valley, it is so close to the Illinois Valley as to be practically in that valley, only a very low divide separating the seven miles to the quaint old town of Kerby in short order, for the road is tine. Kerby is in the Illinois Valley, near the river of that name. Once known as Kerbyville, this place was the county seat of the county. Some of the old buildings are still standing. That was away back in the 50s and early 60s, in the mining days, when the Illinois Valley had many thousands of people. It is said that Kerbyville had a population of 2000 or 3000. Then Kerbyville, Jacksonville and Scottsburg another mountain, then came out in Kerbyville, Jacksonville and Scottsburg another mountain, then came out were the metropolis cities of Southern view of the Smith River country,

Oregon.
E. W. Wright, of Portland, owns a fine tract of land in and adjoining is the Kerby. There is no better farming coming land anywhere than most of this.

Coming of Railroad Awaited. Pass and Crescent City Railroad is completed, or even built out as far as Kerby, that the old town will prosper as never before. And this road is practically assured from Grants Pass this far, 29 miles. When the first train reaches Kerby Mr. Wright will see his investments here worth many

times what they are now.

Across the Illinois, and a little farther down, is the great ranch of Twohy Brothers. I have not visited their place, but I have been told they are going ahead developing a model all-round farm.

which was erected in 1851. In the early 50s this was a famous place. One of the first places the late Judge Deady held court was in Waldo, so one of

the oldtimers told me.

Shortly after leaving Waldo, a mile or so, we crossed the main Illinois and wound up Rock Creek about six miles, then crossed it over a fine little steel bridge. This bridge is called the half way point between Grants Pass and Crescent City. Here the real climb over the Siskiyous, or a spur of those mountains, begins. And from there for a distance of over 40 miles it is up one hill and down another.

Sight From Summit Is Grand. At the summit we reached an altr-ture of 4000 feet, from which point the sight is something grand. All the way from the Illinois Valley we had way from the Illinois Valley we had been passing acres and acres of azalias, soon we came to the rhododendrons, acres and acres of them, the most beautiful ones I ever saw. I got out of the auto once and measured one of the rhododendron "trees," not bushes, and it was more than 25 feet high, And surely no one ever saw any such flowers in any gardens in the

high. And surely no one ever saw any such flowers in any gardens in the world. It is worth the whole trip to see fust a few of the immense fields of these flowers.

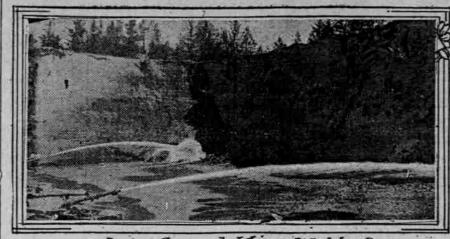
Just at the summit we came to the California line. Here we stopped and got our first sight of Smith River, away down in the valley 4000 feet below. Looking in every direction there are snow-capped mountain

feet below. Looking in every direction there are snow-capped mountain peaks, Mt. Preston looming up above all the others. Winding around on the mountain top we again touched Oregon soil, but only for about three rods.

But I have not said anything about the road up the mountain. I missed that purposely that I might compare it with the California section. In the first place the grade up the hill is fine, it must have been laid out by an engineer of experience. In no place is the neer of experience. In no place is the grade steeper than 12 per cent, and that maximum is reached only on two short pitches. It averages less than 8 per cent. Our machine traveled it without much apparent exertion

Roads Excellent for Cost.

I have said that Josephine County I have said that Josephine County has, as a rule, good roads. I want to say that I do not see how the authorities do it with the money they have. This grade up the mountain is now. somewhat rough; it needs a little work, SCENES IN ROSEBURG DISTRICT.







Herby, Ore.

If the Josephine authorities would

famous for its dairying and other similar interests. Just in the distance is the ocean, the harbor and the wel-coming little city of Crescent.

It is expected that when the Grants LEBANON GRADUATES 21

by Professor E. T. Reed.

LEBANON, Or., June 6 .- (Special.) Lebanon High School were held last night in the Methodist Church, when diplomas were awarded to 21 students. The largest class ever turned out by

The class honors were awarded to Glenn R. Hardin, validictorian, and Leaton A. Rice, salutatorian.
The graduates are: Glenn R. Hardin, all-round farm.

From Kerby it is 11 miles to the old town of Waldo, through the Illinois Valley. On the way we crossed one fork of the Illinois. Waldo once was large town. One old stone and iron building has a date on it, 1863. Just across the street is another, of wood, which was exceed in 1851. To the across the street is another, of wood.

Gentry, Theodore A. Gerdes, Ruth Roerr, Guy Mackay, Elsle Miller, Della Roerr, Guy Mackay, Elsle Miller, Della Roerr, Guy Mackay, Elsle Miller, Della fred Bondy, Vera Divine, Caryl Dibble, Gladys Duncan, Guy Frumm, Carrie Gentry, Theodore A. Gerdes, Ruth Roerr, Guy Mackay, Elsie Miller, Della Mitchell, Howard Smith, Dolph Southard, Harvey Wright, Norma Yeoman and Ralph Yeoman.

The class address was delivered by Professor Edwin T. Reed, of Oregon Agricultural College.

Nine-Year-Old Astoria Boy Drowns. ASTORIA, Or., June 6.—(Special.)— The 9-year-old son of John Reinikka, a fisherman, was drowned this afternoon

Jumping Equine Clears Bar at Six Feet at Stock Show.

Judge Says Union Exhibit Best He Ever Saw on Coast-Improvement in Class Held Important Fea-

ture - Tug-of-War Amuses.

UNION, Or., June 6 .- (Special.) -The UNION, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—The VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—(Spe-final events of the Union Livestock cial.)—On the afternoon of July 4, one Show were held today with a bigger and better show than ever. The attendance was about the same as yesterday, with the grandstand and bleachers more than filled and hundreds unable to obtain seats.

The principal feature of the day was the work of the big features of the day will be arred because it comes.

owned by J. D. Farrell, president of the O.-W. R. & N. Company. This remarkable thoroughbred cleared the bars today at six feet, being ridden by W. S. Elliott, also of the O.-W. R. & N.

The parade was of more magnitude than ever before, and 550 were entered for contests in all classes. It is impossible to estimate the company of the state. Drill teams liverage and some will be barred because it comes from out of the state. Drill teams liverage and place in Oregon will be well-comed to the celebration and will be permitted to compete.

In addition to the drill prizes, a purse of \$25 will be given for the finest looking drill team in the company.

The graduating exercises of the Lebanon High School were held last night in the Methodist Church, when diplomas were awarded to 21 students. The largest class ever turned out by

provement in the last three years. Many exhibitors who had made marked improvement in their own stock were surprised to find that their former com-petitors had been equally successful. Not only registered and imported horses were seen in competition, but many valuable mares were exhibited. The sweepstakes prize for heavy draft team was awarded to a span of imported Clydesdale mares, owned by imported Clydesdale mares, owned by S. L. Brooks, of Imbler. Professor Carlyle, judge of the stock, said it was the finest exhibition of horses that he had seen at any time on the Coast.

The tug of war on horseback between four Umatilla Indians and an equal number of Union cowboys was won yesterday by the Umatillas and today by the Unionites. Ben Corbett won the Roman race of half a mile in 85 seconds. There were cold winds and light showers during the day, but the actors showers during the day, but the actors had the endurance to put on the show and the visitors were game to see it its former act as gracefully as possible. by falling overboard while playing on the net racks at the Union Fishermen's Cannery. The body was recovered.

****************************** GREAT-GRANDMOTHER TAKES LONG TRIP TO VISIT FAMILY IN OREGON.



HEPPNER, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—At 84 years of age, Mrs. Ann Cagle traveled from her home in Illinois to visit relatives in Oregon. Four generations gathered upon her arrival.

The great-grandmother is shown in the center of the group; Mrs. Ora Alexander, her daughter, to the left; Mrs. Blanche McGowan and baby, Carl Eugene, to the right. The mother is but 19 and the youngest of the family is 2 months.

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They have been polished, tuned and regulated. Even though such open cut in prices as we now make may disarrange the immediate future music trade here, we feel obliged to make this sacrifice, in order to dispose of all the remaining instruments within the next several days, at which time we must have them out of the way. Space here will not permit us to mention all of the pianos on sale. However, we will enumerate a few of the specially low-priced instruments which are now offered in groups as follows:

GROUP A AT \$45

The oldest pianos are to be found in this group. All of them are for sale at the uniform price of \$45 apiece. Among them several uprights in ebony case, suitable for practice work. A Raven & Bacon, a Guild & Sons, a Hallet & Davis, an imported piano and several others. At the low price \$45 apiece we have felt we should get all eash and not be asked to put a time payment contract for so small an amount on the books. But now we'll take \$1 a week and deliver to any part of the city, with stool to match, free of

GROUP B AT \$95

Should a more pretentious or still beter tone quality be desired, then the pianos in Group B at \$95 each are available. There are many different makes. They are all upright pianos in good condition. We do not ask all cash for these. Payments of only \$4 a month buys them, delivery free, stool included.

GROUP C AT \$145

In Group C an almost endless variety of really fine pianos is to be found; \$145 cash or \$5 a month buys them. A great many well-known makes are to be found in this group.

GROUP D AT \$195

This Group consists of very choice and especially fine instruments. Most of them cannot be told from new. Pay us \$195 for any of these or only \$6 a month. PARADE BIGGER THAN EVER Delivery made free to any part of the

CONCESSION STIRS FURORE

Pomeroy Must Pay for Platform

Built Under Rescinded Lease.

-A partly constructed dance platform in the city baseball park will have to

The structure complete would have cost \$1000. The opposition lay in the use of public property for commercial pur-

Astoria Criminal Cases to Be Probed

Within Two Weeks' Session

ASTORIA, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—
Judge Eakin has issued an order
directing the Circuit Court grand jury
that was summoned for the February
term to convene on June 10 to consider pending criminal cases. The
actions will then be ready for trial
when the new jury convenes on
June 22.

Three prisoners are now in the Coun-

ty Jail awaiting the action of the grand jury. They are the two men accused of robbing a freight car at the Spokane, Portland & Seattle depot and an enlisted man from Fort Stevens who is charged with destroying a fence.

Springfield Graduates Eleven.

-The seventh annual comm

cial.)—The seventh annual commencement exercises of the Springfield High School were held here this evening, when diplomas were awarded to 11 graduates. The address to the class was made by President P. L. Campbell, of the University of Oregon. The graduates are: Blanche Brown, Ida Belle Carson, C. Clinton Conley, Erna Fay Goble, James L. Gorrie, Margaret Gorrie, Grace Evelyn Male, Etta Leota Mitchell, Earle Scott Powell, Paul Lewis Scott, Randall B. Scott.

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SPRINGFIELD, Or., June 6 .- (Spe-

JURY SUMMONED

POMEROY, Wash., June 6 .- (Special.)

be carried out tomorrow afternoon unless the weather interferes. DRILL TEAMS TO PARADE

Vancouver, Wash., to Add Feature to July 4 Celebration.

CLASH IS NOW AVERTED old road as was practicable and keep the highway through St. Helens if the court consented to a straightening of

Pythias drill team, having won the state championship at the grand lodge a few weeks ago, and this team will be one of the competitors.

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of the Columbia Highway in Columbia With pra

PIONEER OF OREGON DIES AT GERVAIS, AGED 91 YEARS.



Alexander Esson

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the sale price now being paid being then allowed toward payment of such new instrument.

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Difference of Opinion Between State and County Officials Leads to Conference Over St. Helens Road to Settle Matters.

ST. HELENS, Or., June 6,-(Special.)



GERVAIS, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—Alexander Esson, who died at his home here, May 7, aged 91 years, was born in Scotland, and served six years in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, coming to the United States from Canada, where he was discharged after his term of enlistment was

Canada, where he was discharged after his term of enlistment was completed. In 1858 he came to the Pacific Coast and settled in Oregon in 1859.

Mr. Esson is survived by his wife, to whom he was married in 1862, nine children, 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His children are Mrs. S. H. Brown, of Gervais; Mrs. F. L. Marsh and Miss Isabelle Esson, of Woodburn; Albyn Esson, of Albany; A. M. Esson, of Rupert, Idaho; Dr. A. S. Esson, The Dalles; H. B. Esson, Portland; R. E. Esson, Sandy; L. A. Esson, Gervais,

Mr. Esson had lived for 47 years at Gervais, and was buried there. His six sons were his pallbearers.

regard to the location of the road be-tween Scappoose, near the Multnomah County line, and Columbia City, a few miles below St. Helens.

practically effected resulting in the apparent approval on the state officers' part to retain as much of the

the road between Scappoose and War-

Work Awaits Commission With what seemed to be a practical and satisfactory settlement still uncon-firmed by the State Highway Commission the whole matter as to the let-ting of the contract and undertaking of the construction is held in abevance The County Court is unable to de-termine whether the policy of the State Commission is one of objecting to the compromised location or of fur-ther deliberation to arrive at the real

With the contract for the account of the Columbia Highway in Columbia County let and the work already under way, a halt has been called in the proceedings for the balance of the road.

The delay was made necessary by the deliberations and conferences in the deliberations and conferences in the compromise apparently agreed upon gave a straight-away route from Scappoose to Warren, making a cross-scappoose to Warren, making a cross-scappoose to Warren. As

Scappoose to Warren, making a crossing necessary just above Warren. As
crossings are considered dangerous
features by the Commission, the County
Court has discovered and procured
right to a private underground crossing at this place that can be used for all purposes as if constructed for the highway's particular use.

PRINTING COST IS FIXED \$200 A PAGE RATE FOR WASHING-

TON INITIATIVE ARGUMENTS.

ecretary of State's Ruling Makes Backers of Measure Pay \$800 and Opponents \$1200,

\$200 a page as the deposit that must be paid by proponents and opponents of initiative and referendum measures in submitting arguments, pro and con, to appear in the book containing the text of the measures that will be distributed to all voters this Fall. The Washington law provides that the proportionate cost of printing the arguments for and against each measure must be borne by the persons or organizations submitting such arguments. No argument may be more than two pages long, and two arguments in favor of each measure and three against it will be the maximum number

At the rate of \$200 a page it will At the rate of \$200 a page it will cost the supporters of each measure \$800 and its opponents \$1200 to have the full complement of arguments printed. The combination of State Federation of Labor, State Grange and State Farmers' Union initiating the "seven sisters" measures will be called upon at this rate to denosit \$5600 with upon at this rate to deposit \$5600 with the Secretary of State, while the Stop-Look-Listen League, which is opposing the seven sisters and also the Socialist eight-hour measure will have to pay

The book of laws and arguments which probably will consist of at least 160 pages and will have an estimated circulation of 400,000, will be the

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