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Grand Encampment of the I. O. O. F Grand Encampment of the I. O. O. F.
of Oregon was organized at Odd Felof Oregon was organized ant, Portland. A. Noltner, Special Deputy Grand Sire, conducted
the instituting ceremonies. There are the instituting ceremonies. There are
six subordinate Encampments in the State, all of whom were represented
After the ceremonies were performed an organization was effected by the election of the following officers: A J. Marshal of Ellison Encampment
No. 1, G. ©. P.; F. G. Schwatka of No. 1, G. O. P.; F. G. Schwatka of
Willamette Encampment No. 2, G. P. H.; J. F. Backensto of Orgeana En-
campment No. 5, G. S. W. J. J. Walcampmen No. 5, G. S. W.; J. J. Win No. 6, G. J. W.; J. M. Bacon of Falls
Encampment No. 4, G. Scribe; I. R Moores of Willamette Encampment No. 2, G. Treasurer.
The following officers were appoint-
ed: E. H. Stolte of No. 1, G. Sentied : E. H. Stolte of No. I, G. Senti-
nel; W. Braden of No. $1,0$. Sentinel ; nel; W. Braden of No. , S. Narshal
A. J. Apperson of No. 4, G. Mars.
The following committee was apThe following committee was ap
pointed upon constitution and by-laws of the Grand Encampment-also constitution of Sub-Encampments: J. T.
Apperson, J. N. Dolph and J. IH day in May.
The following resolutions were adopted:
Resolved
 new discoveries on Wagner Creek are
reported, and the road is lined with prospectors.
The only
The only hope for the future of
Jackson county that I can see is a con nection with the outside world-first by a good wagon rond, and eventually
by railroad. As long as we depend hy railroad. As long as we depend
on mines for our support, so long are
we liable at any time to have it cu we liable at any time to have it
short. The only true basis for future prosperity is manufactories and com-
merce with other region merce with other regions. Without
an outlet we can have neither, and will always remain shut off from the rest of the world, almost as if we we
an unknown island. A good road to the Coast would be an immense stride in this direction. A route has already
been surveyed to the Coast at considerable expense, and it has been found hat a good practicable wagon road can
be made to tide water, a distance of 95 miles from Jacksonville, over a
grade not exceeding one foot in ten The cost of every rod has been esti mated by practical engineers and sur
veyors, and their estimate for the cost veyors, and their estimate for the cost,
including bridges and everything for a road bed twelve feet wide and well finished in every way, does not exceed $\$ 60,000$. Although it would be more preferable to have a free road, as we ing out of our valley, yet it seems as if the people cannot all agree to build a free road, as it needs labor and mon-
ey as ey as well as words. The next plan
is a toll road with limits, so as to pre vent extortionate toll. Already capi talists are looking to the route for th
purpose of investment. purpose of investment.
A good plan, I believe, would be for a company of the citizens here inter-
ested to form an incorporation and issue stock in such manner that persons wishing to do so could pay their
stock in labor on the road. Then, to stock in labor on the road. Then,
obtain the necessary
coin, have the counties of Jackson, Josephine and
Curry counties take as much stock Curry counties take as much stock
possible and issue county bonds for the possible and issue county bonsh at a
amount, which could be cashed at
reasonable discount. I have no doubt reasonable discount. I have no doubt
it the road is built on the proposed plan and route that the income clear o
expenses would be enough to cance expenses would be enough to cance
the bonds in ten years, and then the counties could turn the road over and Some of the objections $I$ have heard against opening the road are that we will have a railroad connected through
the county in a year or two, and then the county in a year or two, and then
we wont need a road to the Coast.
But that if they are the only outlet a peo-
ple have they charge enough for freight to always keep the people poor; where, if there is another chance for the peo-
ple to get out and in, the railroads Something must be done ere long
or this county and in fact the whole of Southern Oregon will become bankrupt, for our imports greatly excee our exports, all
practicable road
practicable road.
Let me suggest that our citizens ex press their ideas through the papers,
and at an early day hold a public meeting to request the County Com missioners to take stock in the pro

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 Gexeral notes and news.Last week with a asso.
Mr. Beezely, of the Dalles, will put
2,000 barrels of salmon this season. 2,000 barrels of sal mon this soason.
There arabout 3 more buys in tho
gon District than there are in the Californ There are about 30 more buoys in the Ore-
gon District than there are in the California
District.

John Hull uses an Oregon ax at the Knap. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { John Hull use } \\ \text { pa loggery, and } \\ \text { ported article. }\end{array}$ |
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