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MYRTLE CREEK IS PROMISING PLACE

Plaindealer Representative Favorably Impressed With the Neighboring Locality.

Ye editor spent Friday at Myrtle Creek, and although he had previously held that section in high esteem, yet he found that his expectations were much more than realized. Leaving Roseburg before daylight and reaching the neighboring town about dawn and returning at midnight, he had ample time and opportunity to see the place and its surroundings. He can hardly realize a more beautiful situation, the scenery being decidedly picturesque, while the climate is unsurpassed. Added to this is the even more important fact that an intelligent, progressive class of people inhabit the place. He saw on every side, evidences of thrift and industry, while he was continually impressed with the fact that it is a very healthful climate, only two physicians being needed to care for the ailments of the large number of people living in the town and country tributary. On the whole he had not the slightest difficulty in arriving at the conclusion that Myrtle Creek is an ideal spot for the one who seeks "health, wealth and happiness."

At the depot he met night agent, E. A. Dixon, who informed him that business with the railroad is very good, and that some very extensive repair work is being done here. Two gangs of Greeks have for the past three weeks, been busily engaged in raising the entire track fourteen inches higher than it formerly was. In another week this big undertaking will have been completed.

Foreman J. Phelan, of the bridge gang has been rebuilding the bridge over Fall Creek, having a crew of eleven men under his charge. A temporary wooden structure is being erected and this is soon to be replaced by a substantial steel bridge. The job will be finished in ten days and then the workmen will proceed to Jefferson, to tackle a similar proposition. Foreman Phelan is no novice at this kind of work, having been doing such work on this division for the past twenty years.

Ye editor could not help but see that the present location of the depot must be a very great inconvenience, situated as it is, so far from the main part of the town, but he was told that some of these days that defect might be remedied by the company building a modern depot right near the town.

That Myrtle Creek can grow tomatoes to perfection, and that too in enormous quantities, was also clearly demonstrated. One of the heavy growers is D. C. Pitzer, who, upon eight acres of the Hall tract, raised about 4,000 bushels of as fine tomatoes as could be found anywhere. He shipped the product to Portland, where a very ready market was found. But here the urgent need of a cannery was decidedly apparent. Such an institution would take care of the great output, giving employment to many people and placing much money

in circulation. In this connection it might not be amiss to state that good money was made in disposing of the tomatoes at 25 cents per bushel, when gathered by the buyer, or 40 cents when delivered.

In the matter of fruit raising, it is already a well-known fact that this locality is unexcelled. Here luscious apples grow to perfection, while other varieties are equally as successful. Ye editor sampled some delicious pears which were to be had for 50 cents per bushel.

While looking into the wonderful productivity of this soil as regards fruits and vegetables, the scribe could not but help conclude that in the near future remunerative employment will be had by many persons in raising supplies for the nearby mining camps. Already this industry is assuming no small proportions and soon it will have become a source of great income for the community.

But not alone in fruit raising and gardening is there money to be realized in this favored region. Take, for instance, sheep raising. One instance along this line will suffice: Mr. J. S. Dunnivan, in October of last year, brought 1600 head of sheep in here from east of the mountains at a total cost of \$2700. Already he has realized \$3,800 from selling wool and mutton, and has 1100 head of sheep left; for these he has been offered \$3 per head. All of which clearly demonstrates that there is good money in the sheep raising industry, hereabouts.

Other sources of splendid income might be enumerated, not touching upon the great one of mining, which is treated in another article, but time and space forbid going further into detail, except, perhaps, to call attention to the very important fact that hop-raising is already assuming immense proportions. It has been clearly proven that the growing of hops in this section is exceedingly profitable. So true is this statement that the average hereabouts is being very largely increased, and ere long this, too, will be found to be the source of much revenue.

This article would be incomplete, if the writer failed to note the fact that here sunshine was very much in evidence. Old Sol came through the fog clouds about noon, revealing a very pretty town nestled among the hills, the neat residences and unusually fine roads, which never become real muddy, impressed themselves upon one's vision. Truly Myrtle Creek has much of which she can very justly boast.

Ye editor cannot overlook the cordial manner in which he was received by the people of this place. He was time and again informed that the attitude of the Plaindealer, in working for the whole of Douglas county, was highly appreciated and was assured of hearty support in all such good efforts. To Editor Rice, of The Mail, he was indebted for courtesies extended, and that genial gentleman expressed his pleasure in having the Plaindealer come and give Myrtle Creek so much advertising. Mr. Rice is meeting with splendid success in getting out a newsy paper and he is thinking quite seriously of doing away with "patent" insoles and having an "all home print" paper, a move which will evidently be appreciated by his readers.

NEWS OF THE DAY FROM ALL SOURCES

Items of Interest Gathered and Condensed for the Busy Plaindealer Readers

Oregon State News

Medford orchardists are planning to irrigate their orchards on a very large scale. They have been making experiments which indicate that it will be money well spent.

A force of twenty-five men have begun work on the new water works system which the city of Corvallis is going to establish.

An immense irrigation ditch is being constructed near Baker city. It will be sixteen miles long and will carry an enormous amount of water.

A racing automobile, at Portland caused the team of W. W. Townsend to run away, throwing the gentleman from it and causing his instant death.

A movement is on foot in Portland to cause the dairymen to furnish a much purer article. Much complaint has been made about the watered stuff which the people have been getting.

After being lost for eleven days, Peter Nordstrom returned to his home, at the Gold Creek mines, in the Cascades, near Albany.

As a result of an investigating action the Hawthorne Springs of Portland have been closed, it being decided that typhoid fever came from the water.

Many thefts are being reported from the old exposition grounds at Portland, the American Inn being one of the heaviest losers, while E. N. Bristol was relieved of considerable silverware.

Forest Grove is now thinking quite seriously of accepting \$25,000, which Andrew Carnegie offered last year for a public library at that place.

Rents in Portland are jumping up, in some cases being more than double what they formerly were. One theatre is going to have to pay all of \$10,000 per year rentals.

Oregon City people have concluded that they do not want the Oregon Water

Power Co., to have a franchise to haul freight through the streets of that city.

A franchise has been granted A. Welch and other Spokane capitalists the right to operate an electric line through the streets of Salem.

In Uncle Sam's Domain.

There are many indications which seem to mean that the Milwaukee railroad is now planning to build its line through to the Pacific coast.

Word comes from Alaska to the effect that over \$60,000 has been cleared up in the Nome district, this season.

Dr. J. H. Myers, superintendent of the poor farm in San Bernardino county, Cal., has been caught in crookedness, by a woman detective.

Attorneys for lumber companies in the state of Washington have asked the court for an order, restraining certain insurance companies from doing business in that state. Because they have violated the laws.

Jockey Muth, while riding Lady Ellison, the fast pacer, at a big race in New York City, suffered severe injury by having the horse fall with him. He suffered concussion of the brain.

Severe wind storms are being experienced all along the coast and sea-going vessels are having a rough time of it.

Iowa people are now on trial in the U. S. court at Seattle, for having used "dummies" in locating government lands.

The Washington state supreme court has ruled that all physicians must have license before they practice in that commonwealth.

Councilman Glasford of Walla Walla, Wash., has brought suit for \$20,000 against the "Daily Union" paper, for saying unkind things about him.

An enormous catch of over three thousand "Dog Salmon" fish have just been caught in one net by fishermen, who have been plying their trade in the waters near Tacoma, Wash.

Ex-Governor Horace Austin, of Minnesota, died on the table while undergoing an operation for appendicitis.

Across the Waters

Miss Louise Webster, an American girl, who was known to have 500,000 rubles on her person, was killed and robbed in Russia.

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