

GREAT FUTURE FOR COOS BAY

Cyrus Happy, Who Has Seen the Northwest Growth, Makes Prediction.

100,000 PEOPLE IN 1927

Bases Estimate on Resources and Territory From Which Trade May Be Drawn.

Cyrus Happy, of Spokane, Wash., who is visiting his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, called at the "Times" office yesterday, and on being asked his impressions as to the future of Marshfield, said:

"On my first visit to this place about a year ago, I thought I could see how, with plenty of push and energy, this city and North Bend might be developed into a place of twenty-five thousand people in the next fifteen or twenty years if one or more of the transcontinental railroads should get here soon. As it looks to me now, I can't see how it is possible to keep two or three such railroads from building into this place in the next five years if times continue prosperous. It further seems to me that with the coming of these railroads there will follow the deepening of the outlet to the ocean and appropriate harbor improvement to take care of the great tonnage of which Coos Bay is the natural outlet. Instead of a city of fifteen to twenty-five thousand people, it seems to me now that the growth of this place will not stop short of one hundred thousand in twenty years from now."

"About twenty years ago I first visited Tacoma, which was then about the size of Marshfield and North Bend. It had the Northern Pacific railway and a short coal road. Its resources were somewhat similar to those of this place. There was an abundance of timber and coal not far away. Everything was new and raw. Huge stumps lay thick in the ungraded streets. It didn't look good to me then, but in the face of the competition of Seattle only thirty miles away, Tacoma has grown to a city of nearly one hundred thousand, while its competitor, Seattle, has more than two hundred thousand population. The Puget Sound cities now have a combined population of about 400,000 and are still growing. Coos Bay has a coast line of more than two hundred miles all its own. In the near future, and with railroads running east from here across Oregon, Idaho and tributary territory to the Eastern cities, Coos Bay will have as large a territory to draw from as any place I know of. When you add to these considerations the resources here to give employment to labor and tonnage to transportation and no competitor nearer than Portland, I am certain that you are to have a large city here. I can speak the more confidently from the fact that I have seen my own home city grow from an inland village to a cosmopolitan city of about 100,000, and railroad center in twenty years."

ARAGO RACES WILL SOON BE ATTRACTION

The promoters of the Arago races have bills out announcing the dates for the coming meeting. The races will take place September 26 to 28. Trains will be run from Marshfield each day and return, giving people on this side an opportunity to attend every day if they choose. Last week there were nine head of horses on the grounds and this has been materially increased during the past few days. Among the runners that will be on hand for the contests is Crescent, belonging to Guy Gould and John Heron, of Marshfield.

TRAVELING SALESMAN ILL IN MARSHFIELD

H. R. Fowler, who travels for the Pacific Milling company, of San Francisco, has been ill at his room in the Pioneer rooming house for several days. A number of friends have called on him and gave what assistance they could to relieve the monotony of lying in bed. Mr. Fowler's complaint is malaria, and at last accounts he was improving.

SEVEN ELK KILLED ON FALL CREEK

Hunters Have Good Success—Drain Party Stumble Into Great Luck.

Watt Short, Frank Lambertson, Al Waterman and Grant Eggers arrived in last evening from their hunting trip at the headwaters of Fall Creek. The party left with the intention of hunting elk, and they came home well pleased with their success, having killed two fine specimens. One was slain by Al and the other by Eggers. The boys tell of their experience and say they went far beyond the country where most of the elk have been seen of late. A party of four from Drain killed three elk in a vicinity where those familiar with the country to the eastward have not seen an elk in the past three years. The animal killed by Waterman had six prongs and that taken by Eggers had four. Frank Wyland and Mr. McNair, fire wardens, informed the party that they had come across an elk carcass that was practically fresh. The hunter who had killed the elk had simply cut off its head and left the carcass to rot on the ground. The meat from the animals killed by the Short party is being prepared by the Shafer brothers who live in the vicinity where the elk were killed. George Noah and Eugene Terry were camped near where these hunters were, and they secured two elk.

CLEVELAND IN BAD CONDITION

His Plight Now Such That Grave News May Be Expected Soon.

New York, Sept. 18.—"We must all be prepared for bad news from Princeton," said a Democrat of prominence tonight who passed through New York on his home upstate, "because Cleveland's health is falling rapidly. He is troubled with gout in his feet, which is spreading to his knees, and has fallen off in weight 40 pounds within three months. Cleveland does not quite appreciate his condition, but Mrs. Cleveland does."

"No communications of public or private importance are now submitted to Cleveland. Mrs. Cleveland is acting practically as his confidential adviser and secretary in all matters, and she is fully acquainted with her husband's real condition."

LIPTON STILL HAS DESIGNS ON CUP

Bristol, R. I., Sept. 17.—Announcement of the fourth challenger for the American's cup by Sir Thomas Lipton has revived interest regarding yachting. Designer Herschoff refused to comment on the anticipated race next year but it is known that he has been in conference with former Commodore Morgan of the New York Yacht Club, who managed the Columbia in 1901, also with C. Oliver Iselin, who had charge of the Vigilant in 1899 and the Reliance in 1903.

From an authoritative source it has been learned that Herschoff has completed preliminaries for designs for a 90-foot sloop yacht, according to the so-called universal style. It is said this yacht is an enlarged Avenger, which has been so successful during recent races.

Had No News.

Officer J. W. Carter made a business trip to North Bend yesterday afternoon. When approached by a Times representative, Mr. Carter said he had nothing in the way of news to impart to the Times, though he had his head full of interesting items. One of these beyond doubt was the fact of his sending a special friend home after sobering him up, whereas, had it been some friendless man he would have been slapped in the city keepee and ben obliged to advance a cash bail of anywhere from \$11 to \$25, according to the size of his pile.

Thirty-one Cases to Date.

San Francisco, Calif., Sept. 18.—The board of health reports thirty-one case of bubonic plague to date, nineteen deaths and nineteen under observation, practically all of which will be verified.

Apple Packers Wanted.

Experienced apple packers or can use some inexperienced hands. Long job. See F. S. Dow.

Try a Times Want ad, and be sure.

BURTON MAKES CLEAN FRONT

Has President's Indorsement as Well as Taft's and Garfield's.

HOPE TO SMASH MACHINE

Cleveland Administration Does Not Fulfill Its Duty to Reform Element.

Cleveland, Sept. 18.—Congressman Burton tonight gave out a statement in discussing the coming municipal election in Cleveland. Burton makes public for the first time President Roosevelt's letter. In the course of the statement it is declared that the impression is that a majority of the contest is to an exceptional extent complicated with national politics. Burton says he thinks this is incorrect for the reason that his candidacy unless he is mistaken, is for existing conditions under present municipal administration which demand immediate and radical reform. The aim as Burton understands it, is to redeem the city from control of a ring.

The statement asserts that under the plea that the main desire of the administration is for a cheap car system, there has been built up a tremendous political machine and that every department of the city government is used to perpetuate its power.

Burton says he had been reluctant to have turned aside from national politics had it not been for the approval of the president and Secretaries Taft and Garfield. The letter from President Roosevelt to Burton says that for Burton to leave the house would mean a loss of leadership in certain lines that cannot be made up, and he would be tempted to protest against Burton's leaving, were it not for the profound conviction that it is exceedingly desirable for him to win out as mayor of Cleveland.

BANK ASSETS FIGURE OVER TWO MILLION

Devlin's Report on Defunct Oregon Trust and Savings Institution Is Out.

Portland, Sept. 18.—Receiver A. Devlin today filed his report of the financial condition of the Defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank of this city. The report shows the Bank's assets amount to a grand total of \$2,209,536. Of the assets, there is cash on hand amounting to \$75,554 of which \$24,323 has been collected by the receiver since August 21, the day on which the bank closed its doors. A balance is shown by Home Telephone bonds and other securities, some real estate and leases, stock in other banks and amount due from other banks. The report contains nothing but a bare schedule of the assets and no reference is made to the face value of the securities or any property held by the bank, nor is any estimate made as to what per cent of the bank's paper can be realized upon.

LARGEST APPLE CROP IN COUNTY'S HISTORY

Mr. F. S. Dow, who is advertising in today's Times for apple packers, says the apple crop this year is the largest by far that Coos county has ever raised. Mr. Dow says it makes no difference to him how many apples are delivered to his firm, for there is a market for all that can be obtained. He thought he had bought between twelve and fifteen thousand boxes, but reports which are now coming in indicate that the firm will have three times as many boxes as it expected. The company buys the entire product of an orchard and Mr. Dow estimated the quantity he would get this year from his experience in former years, but now finds his basis for estimating is not reliable, and the crop is very much larger than ever before.

—Dr. J. G. Goble, the well known optician, of Medford, Ore., will visit all Coos Bay towns during Sept. For dates see this paper later.

WAS MURDERED WHILE ASLEEP

Former Californian Is Slain Beside His Flocks in Montana.

WAS A MAN OF MYSTERY

Educated and Refined, He Told None of His Identity or Past.

Helena, Mont., Sept. 18.—James Kinney, formerly of California and a cousin or uncle of Harry Tracy, the Oregon-Washington outlaw, has been murdered by unknown persons near Toston, twenty miles east of Helena, while in the employ of the Riverside Land and Live Stock company of this city. There is no clew to the identity of the murderer or murderers. The affair is steeped in mystery. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that death was due to blows from a blunt instrument.

The scene of the crime indicates that the murder had been planned deliberately and was most effectively carried out. Kinney had charge of a band of sheep belonging to the Riverside company and was camped in a little grassy park, miles from the railroad. Kinney was unquestionably killed while lying asleep beside his flock. The skull was crushed from behind, and only a pile of ashes and a few shreds were left of his tent and belongings. The gold watch he carried was missing and there was no money about, although he was known to carry considerable sums. Kinney had two splendid dogs with him, and it is not believed they would let any one enter the tent. As they are missing, the supposition is that they were killed also.

Different motives are advanced as to the cause of the murder—robbery, the rangers' war and the satisfaction of an old grudge. Each has its exponents, but the latter is given the preference by the officers. His singular character, his bearing and general demeanor indicate this. Kinney was nearly 60 years old, with the demeanor of a gentleman, and would never be mistaken for a sheep herder. He had education and refinement, minded his own affairs strictly, did his work well and asked only to be let alone. He never drank or caroused.

He was but little known. Last winter he appeared at the ranch and applied for work. He remained two months and then left suddenly for California, his former home, he said. Nothing more was heard from him until August, when he again applied for and was given work. He took his band of sheep to the hills and there met his death. It is said he has a sister in California, and his most intimate friend at the ranch says he was a cousin or uncle of Harry Tracy, the outlaw. He has been buried at Toston.

FURNITURE COMPANY DELAYED BY BREAK

The North Bend Furniture company which lately opened its factory in the city to the northward, had some trouble with its machinery early in the week and was unable to operate for one or two days. Mr. Duncan, the head of the concern, has several expert workmen direct from the east who are familiar with all the crooks and turns in the wood-working business and the factory is enabled to turn out the finest work.

\$3,000,000 For Masons.

Philadelphia, Sept. 18.—Under the will of the late Thomas R. Potter, the entire estate of about three million dollars is given to the Grand Lodge of Masons of Pennsylvania for the education and support of Male orphans of Master Masons.

Balloon Awards Made.

Brussels, Sept. 18.—The finish of the international balloon race, which started on Sept. 15th is awarded. There is intense interest and anxiety for seven contestants who have not yet landed and it is believed their pilots attempted to cross the Gulf of Gascon and risk a landing in Spain. Later—All balloons are accounted for.

Try a Times Want ad, and be sure.

BREAKWATER CAME IN EARLY YESTERDAY

The Breakwater arrived in over the bar yesterday morning shortly after 5 o'clock and anchored at North Bend at 6. The unloading occupied a part of the day and the remainder was spent in completing the discharge at Marshfield. The boat brought 350 tons of freight. She will sail from Marshfield this morning at 10 o'clock. The following passengers came on the trip:

Thos O'Fenigin, E. W. Westenberg, B. Hughes, J. C. Wilcox, O. J. Forman, Mrs. Forman, O. G. Cody, Miss Littipald, A. J. Shuster, O. Johnston, J. W. Anderson, W. Andreson, A. S. Nichol, C. Mace, B. Mace, F. Donaldson, J. C. Murray, L. Saunders, F. A. Ford, C. H. Walter, F. Bonton, John Ferry, Miss Blunden, H. Fox, B. Gandell, F. Law, W. W. Halland, E. Helmsaker, J. Natt, C. Ferguson, C. Sonanson, J. Thorpe, O. Jacobson, Miss Iverson, Mrs. Iverson, Frank Iverson, A. B. Smith, C. W. Linne, C. Jenkins, J. Mokey, F. O. Coates, S. S. Davis, E. Eneagen, Mrs. Hastrog, A. Hastrog, Miss Hastrog, F. Lahan, H. Hustrog, F. Fiske, A. C. Abbott, E. Wallace, W. Wilson, W. Warren, S. B. Keith, Mrs. Keith, Ray Keith, Miss Keith, S. Keith, C. eith, J. Keith, A. Ekstein, J. Schlusell, N. Taylor, Miss Carter, Mrs. Murray, R. Caldwell, J. Foss, W. Crosser, P. Short, J. Curren, Mrs. Curren, 10 sterge.

FEAR REMOVAL OF FAST TRAINS

Southern Resorts Are Alarmed at the Possibility of Retaliation.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The proprietors of winter resorts in the south have become seriously alarmed lest their business of the coming winter should be seriously interfered with by the action of railroads in curtailing their train service from points in the north, as a result of the fight which has been waged on them by many of the southern states.

It has been generally reported throughout the south that in consequence of the cutting of rates by the legislatures, the roads will not be able to furnish the through fast trains and fine equipment they have in the past and that in consequence travel will be greatly curtailed. The Southern and Seaboard Air lines are said already to have decided to discontinue their through fast trains between New York and Jacksonville, Fla., and to be laboring with the Atlantic coast line to induce it to follow the same course.

FOUND NO TRACE OF MISSING CREW

Steamer Sent in Search of Bruce Expedition Returns Without News.

Edinburg, Scotland, Sept. 18.—A telegram from Aagaard, Norway, states the steamer sent in search of William Bruce, the Arctic explorer, failed to find him. Bruce started on a trip along the north coast of Prince Charles Foreland and has not been heard of since. The steamer Express, which recently was at Spitzbergen with the Wellman expedition, found traces of Bruce's camp at the end of August, but no sign of Bruce or his companions. Another steamer sent in search of the party has just returned and reports conditions critical. Preparations are being made to send another steamer.

LUMBER ORDERED FOR SUMMER HOME

W. S. Chandler has given on order to the Smith Lumber company for material for a large summer home. He will erect the building forthwith and the lumber is being taken to his Coos River property this week. The home will be built on liberal proportions and will be 60 feet square. It will be in bungalow style and with large and commodious verandas. The contractor will start work on the structure as soon as the material is on the ground.

Chicago Rejects Charter.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—New charter authorized by legislature for the city of Chicago was rejected today by a vote at a special election by a majority of over 62 thousand. Only a little over half a vote was cast, the total being 181 thousand.

—Home made bread at Corthell's Delicatessen.

SKULL CAUSES REMISCENCES

Excavators at Empire Uncover Cranium Which Shows Evidence of Murder.

FORMER DISAPPEARANCES

Old Timers Relate Incidents of Former Days to Substantiate Murder Theory.

Empire has a sensation. It is the real thing this time.

Wm. M. Turner and G. E. Cook are doing some repairing on the "old corner" building preparatory to being occupied by Gus Peterson for a saloon. Between that building and the old dance hall there is quite a large court, which was partly boarded over leaving a dumping place for ashes, broken bottles and trash generally. In leveling off the ground preparatory to setting some posts a human skull was found.

This caused considerable talk and the old residents began to make guesses as to who was the unfortunate, and Coroner Mings was sent for yesterday and The Times man went along.

A careful search was made, but no additional bones were discovered, except some animal bones. There it was, the greswome skull, the upper part only, with a large hole in the forehead, that gave every indication of having been done with a blunt instrument of some kind. It also showed evidences of having been done many years ago.

The rusty garrets of faded memory were ransacked for some one who had mysteriously disappeared. It was related of three men who came to Marshfield in the spring of 1896 to dispose of some fish, that they started from Marshfield pretty well supplied with wet goods and when opposite Pony Inlet got onto the flats. A man by the name of Louis Berger got out to shove the boat off, when the boom flew around and hit him. When the other two got the boat righted and looked for their comrade he could not be found. Afterward the life-saving crew made a search. From that day to this he has never been heard of. The narrators did not explain how it connected with the finding of the head 11 years after under a building five miles away.

Then there was the case of a man by the name of Baker, a deck hand, who disappeared. At the time, the story was he had started to walk to Bandon and was never heard of afterward. It was generally believed he got lost in the woods. Was he? Who can tell?

In the last 20 years that corner has changed occupants and about '96 bore a bad reputation. At this late date it is next to impossible to form any correct theory.

The Times man remarked that probably that skull was the hoodoo that had been holding poor old deserted Empire down.

"No," remarked the man who was digging, as he slowly straightened up, "this is not the one. But we will keep digging till we find another skeleton. That is a hoodoo, and no mistake. And when we do find it you will see Empire take her proper place in the world—a city to be proud of and full of life and energy and Elijah Smith will be but a memory."

The most probable solution of the mystery is the one put forward by Mr. Coddling of Marshfield. He says a few years ago there was a doctor by the name of Cook living in Empire had a very large collection of skulls of all kinds and sizes. That a fire caused them to get badly scattered and this is probably one of them.

ISSUES RAILROAD ORDER.

Lincoln, Nebr., Sept. 18.—The State Railway commission today issued a formal order commanding the Wilmar and Sioux Falls railway to furnish cars at sections along its lines for shipment of grain direct to Omaha. This follows complaints that the Great Northern as owners of the Wilmar and Sioux Falls branch was discriminating against Omaha in furnishing cars.

—BUY your groceries at Sandis's.