

TO ADVERTISE COOS COUNTRY

Plan Afoot to Establish Headquarters on Washington Street, Portland.

A PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

But Certain to Appeal to the Coos Bay People—The Scheme.

There is a plan on foot to establish a permanent Coos Bay exhibit in Portland and if things work out as the embryo arrangements portend, then Coos Bay will receive the best advertising this winter she has ever had, and those who come from eastern states with the intention of visiting Coos Bay will not be deflected by the Portland real estate dealers and those who use any old argument to keep the homeseekers from coming to this country. It has been well known all summer that persons who inquire in Portland about Coos Bay, receive only evasive answers in most instances, and perhaps it is no more than we should expect. A Portland real estate man, or business man would not expect Coos Bay people to send anybody to Portland to invest who could be accommodated on Coos Bay or in Coos county. Certainly not, and therefore, the inhabitants of this territory do not expect Portland people to plug for Coos Bay when they can easily show newcomers attractive investments and pleasant surroundings.

The only recourse under such a condition, is to send somebody into the enemy's country, and capture what is due Coos Bay, and take it right out from under the noses of the Portland people. The reader will ask how is it going to be done? He will say, it is easy enough to talk, but action and results are things which count.

Very well, here is the remedy. It is proposed to organize what will be termed a Coos Bay Boosters' Club which will be a business proposition, pure and simple. The men who will become members of this club will not expect to spend their time and money as a donation to the Coos Bay country. They will advertise the country legitimately and will expect returns of equal value.

This scheme is legitimate in every way, since there is not sufficient concentration on the bay to originate anything of this nature and put it through as it should be done, as a public affair. The bay and Coos county has been advertised in devious and haphazard ways. There has been no general scheme of advertising and what has brought the best results has been gratuitous and without any thought of reward.

Here is the idea as explained to The Times representative by one who is interested in the matter in a financial way:

The scheme is rather elaborate and this article may not perhaps cover it thoroughly as it should, yet a general understanding of it may be gained and this will show that Coos Bay has nothing to fear about the value of what is going to be done.

In the first place, it is proposed to establish Coos Bay headquarters on Washington street, in Portland. A room of ample capacity for displaying the products and resources of the country will be secured. Exhibits of every nature will be shown. Plats of the various additions will be taken to the Rose City and displayed; it will be advertised in the city newspapers and an enthusiastic and truthful booster will be on hand to explain and tell callers everything about the country that can be asked. No pains will be spared in disseminating information about the country, and the great feature of it all will be the strict attention to truth. Every resource which the country affords will be there to greet the visitor at the headquarters.

In order to accomplish this good work, it is proposed to organize a company for that particular purpose and this company will embody a commission scheme. Parties who come from the far east may or may not care to come to Coos Bay. Whether they do or not, they are certain to become interested in it. They will be

enabled to gain reliable information about the country, and if they care to invest without seeing, they may do so. Should they desire to come and look for themselves, so much the better, for they will find things just as represented by the Portland representative. Arrangements will be completed with the real estate dealers on the bay for selling their property, whether city, farm, improved, or unimproved. A small commission will, of course, be charged for the company's work, and it seems the only manner of getting such an establishment before the people who are constantly looking for information respecting this country.

An additional feature, and one which will appeal to the eastern people will be a plan of holding occasional lectures in the room during the evening hours. The regular booster will engage to take care of this feature, and as prominent and well posted people drop into the city from Coos county, they will be invited to talk to audiences upon the future and present progress of Coos county and its unapproachable resources. It is expected that this plan will meet the approval of everybody interested in Coos Bay and its welfare and development, for it is to cost nothing unless results follow.

BEAR HELD THE BRIDGE SUCCESSFULLY

Editor Scotten, of the Coquille Valley Sentinel, heard a good bear story this week and wrote it up in the following style:

The bridge crew employed by the Coos Bay Roseburg & Eastern Railway company were put to hasty flight Monday morning by a monster black bear. It was just by a slip of the tongue from a chance eye-witness that the Sentinel got wise to the fact, and we are not going to reveal the identity of this witness either.

As the story goes the crew were approaching the bridge near Beaver Hill Junction to make some repairs. The hour was early, the air bracing, and the boys were pumping the handcar at a good clip to keep up circulation. Suddenly a yelp went up from the man on the lookout intermingled with a coarse growl. The lookout raised his voice and hat simultaneously.

"Brakes, lads—a bear by-gosh!" Instantly there was a tangle of arms in the effort to stop the car. It was stopped but a few feet from where bruin sat in seeming defiance and absolute possession of the bridge, showing his teeth in a manner to send chills to the marrow of the horrified work crew.

"Nice bear!"—G-r-r-r—"Good old bear!"—G-r-r-r.

The words of a familiar song were invoked in vain, then a consultation ensued as to the next best course.

"You go first and ask the bear to move, my dear DeLong," urged one of the party of the trembling foreman.

"No I beg that you go first, my dear Woods," was the imploring retort.

"We will all go together," suggested a third, and reluctantly the suggestion was acted upon. As the party advanced a few steps his bearship raised upon his haunches, gave a viciferous growl and extended his paws for an affectionate embrace. Then it was that a hasty retreat was beaten for the handcar, and in three snaps of a hungry bear's jaws the bridge crew were pumping away for safety.

They returned later armed for a fracas, but bruin had disappeared and yielded the Beaver Hill bridge to its rightful possessors.

CLOSING OUT SALE FORCED ON GULOVSONS

Gulovson's, the furniture dealers at the corner of C and First streets, announce in today's Times their intention of closing out their large furniture stock, for the reason that they will have no place to transact business after the first of November. The building which they occupy has been rented to other parties and they must vacate. The fact is sufficient to advise the public that it is about to encounter some unusual bargains at that store.

Built First Gasoline Launch.
Mr. Jack Hable of southern California, is here to renew his familiarity with the country. He was a former resident of Coos Bay and is said to have built the first gasoline launch which plied the waters of the bay.

UNANIMOUS FOR CONSOLIDATION

Committee of Five Appointed at C. of C. Last Night to Push Coos Bay.

TIME IS NOW PROPITIOUS

Every Argument Favors It and Plan Will Now Be Urged Without Cessation.

The chamber of commerce met last evening as usual and the hall was filled, the attendance of many many ladies being particularly noticed. The routine business of the evening being concluded the several committees made reports. The committee having in charge the matter of opening the county road at East Marshfield and the establishment of a ferry made a report concerning the facts as substantially reported in the Times in its issue of the 9th inst.

Mr. Henry Sengstacken was called on for a report on the hotel in the absence of Mr. Grimes. He stated that the hotel would be commenced as soon as the plans had been selected and that the committee was now engaged in examining those which were before them.

The secretary called attention to the fact that a large company of Portland business men were visiting the Oregon cities and that in his opinion they should be invited to visit Coos Bay.

Mr. W. H. P. McDonald of Sacramento, Cal., was then introduced and made a very interesting address. He said that he and his friends had come in on the Breakwater on the 8th; that he was astonished at what he saw and that he was still in doubt as to whether things are moving fast in Marshfield because he had not recovered from his ocean trip or because there really was a spirit and activity in the city which did not have its equal elsewhere on the coast; that it was refreshing to come into a region that had real natural wealth where the soil did not bake as in California so hard that it had to be broken up with dynamite and where he could see that the land was flowing with milk and honey. He noted that his surprise was regarded as a joke by the people of Coos Bay but he believed that the people of Coos Bay did not know what they had. They knew about Coos Bay coal because it was needed and the sign was up at the San Francisco water front. He had been greatly impressed by the beautiful bay as he sailed into it the peninsula reminded him of that of San Francisco. He had read about what San Francisco had looked like in the early part of last century. When he saw the peninsula here with its beautiful hills he could not but feel that another great city like San Francisco would grow up here in a few years. Energy, activity and decision would make a city here which would be known the world over. Mr. McDonald's address was very much appreciated and produced much enthusiasm.

The president then introduced Mr. Francis H. Clarke who said that he was there to present a legal opinion on the question of what form of organization would be necessary for the purpose of enabling the people of the whole bay to raise money by taxation to improve the harbor of Coos Bay. He further stated that his opinion was being offered at the request of the joint committee on the Port of Coos Bay appointed by the chamber of commerce of North Bend and Marshfield and it was of a serious character and of great importance it was necessary in writing and he would read it. This was done at the instance of the joint committee for which it had been prepared. Before reading it he wished to say that he appreciated what Mr. McDonald said that the people of Coos Bay did not know what they had, but he would add that it applied also to the initiative and referendum which his examination has satisfied him was a wonderful law in its splendid possibilities for Coos Bay. The people did not know what they had in that respect either and he wished to tell them about it. He then presented an exhaustive exhibition of the law of Oregon in its application to the

needs of Coos Bay. It was listened to throughout. As it was lengthy and was subjects which all should understand the Times will print it full in the Sunday edition.

At the conclusion of Mr. Clarke's address on motion of Judge Sehbredre it was voted that a committee of five be appointed by the chair to confer with North Bend and Empire for the purpose of consolidating the cities of Coos Bay for the improvement of the harbor on lines suggested by Mr. Clarke. The motion was carried with great enthusiasm and the chairs appointed Messrs. Clarke, Sehbredre, Snover, Liljeqvist and Smith.

The meeting then adjourned.

PARKERSBURG WOMAN VIOLENTLY INSANE

(Coquille Sentinel)

A sad yet exciting scene was enacted at the steamboat landing in Coquille Wednesday morning when an insane woman was being taken off the boat and into a wagon to be conveyed to Dr. Wetmore's hospital. The service of several men were required, as the patient was a large and muscular physique, and ere she had been securely deposited in the wagon the volunteer helpers had been much scratched and knocked about, one man having his watch almost totally ruined.

From Dr. Wetmore we learn the unfortunate is Mrs. C. C. Haga of Parkersburg, formerly Mrs. Fowler who resided in this town. Her mental derangement first manifested itself about three weeks ago, when at her home a couple of miles back of Parkersburg she suddenly made rough house and fled to the tall timber armed with a butcher knife. Efforts to recapture her were vain for two days, as when persons approached she would storm them with stones from her improvised fort. When finally taken by a clever ruse she presented a pitiable sight, and had to be securely bound hand and foot to prevent her doing harm. Dr. Wetmore was summoned and had her brought to his hospital in this city, where she was resting quietly Wednesday evening. The outcome of her case is yet uncertain. She has a mother at Myrtle Point besides her husband.

COQUILLE HAS FOOT BALL ORGANIZATION

Coquille now boasts a regularly organized football team composed of some of the best known and most athletes of the young men of this section. The club, for that is what it is, was organized last Saturday evening at Tracey's Place on Front street, 22 names being enrolled on the membership for a starter. Of this number, to be sure, the team will have eleven.

The following officers were elected: Manager, C. O. Dryden; coach, C. E. Baxter; captain, Osgood Shoup; secretary-treasurer, A. B. Collier.

The team began active practice on the local school grounds last Sunday, and hopes to soon be able to have a match with either North Bend or Marshfield. It is more than likely a game will be played on Thanksgiving. Bandon also is talking of getting up an eleven, and if so we may expect to try conclusions with her this winter.

The local aggregation is to be known as the Coquille Football Team. They are talking of giving a dance next Saturday evening to raise funds in aid of their equipment—Sentinel.

WILL OPEN GENTS' FURNISHING STORE

Mr. George Goodrum, who came to Coos Bay from New Orleans some months ago, has arranged to occupy the west half of the Gulovson building at the corner of C and First streets about the 15th of November with an up-to-date stock of gents' furnishing goods and haberdashery. He will leave on the next Breakwater for Chicago, where he will buy his stock. The building will be thoroughly overhauled and remodeled; a corner entrance with plate glass windows for showing the goods will be installed; the west side will be rearranged and the interior colorings and general scheme will follow the old English style and should make one of the most attractive places in the city.

Milking Machines for Rogers Ranch.
Three milking machines arrived on the Breakwater for the Anson Rogers farm on Coos river. They are the Burr-Lawrence make.

INTER URBAN THOROFARE

North Bend Chamber of Commerce Takes Action on Finishing Water Front St.

SIMPSON WILL LEND AID

To Dedicate Street From Foundry to North Line of Plat B.

The North Bend Chamber of Commerce met last night with President Peter Loggie in the chair and held an enthusiastic meeting in which it was evident that North Bend is in the front ranks of activity and progress. It was the night for the election of officers and the gentlemen who had acted in those capacities during the last year desired that new officers be elected.

The following are the officers who are to have charge of the chamber during the ensuing year: Mr. William Evans, president; C. M. Byler vice president and financial secretary; M. G. Cleaver, corresponding secretary; Colonel F. H. Brigham, recording secretary.

M. G. Cleaver, the corresponding secretary, is to devote his attention to the work of the chamber and will receive a salary.

Mr. H. C. Diers stated that Mr. L. J. Simpson would build at his own expense with the approval of the city council a water front street through North Bend from the foundry on to the north end of Plat B with a view of connecting up across the Flanagan tract, Plat B, and from Plat B to the stove-mill, with the Front street extension of Marshfield, so as to make a continuous water front thoroughfare. On motion it was voted that the chair appoint a committee to act with the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce with a view to having the extension effected, it being necessary to have the county court act in opening the street through certain small unplatted tracts. The names of the committee will be announced later.

On motion it was voted to change the weekly meeting night to Thursday instead of Friday as heretofore.

On motion it was voted to hold the meetings of the chamber hereafter in the Cleaver-Miller business college rooms and to arrange that every member have his own desk.

The plans of the North Bend chamber are to have a program at each meeting and to make them interesting and instructive. A well defined system of boosting for Coos Bay will be vigorously inaugurated and every measure will be adopted to promote an era of good feeling among all the cities on the bay and to develop a united and energetic public spirit.

PLAN TO BUILD MODERN UTOPIA

Southern Residents Organize to Erect a City in Lower California.

Los Angeles, Oct. 11.—One hundred men and women, residents of southern California, have banded together in the organization of La Prosperiad Colony association, which has for its object the setting up of a modern Utopia on the eastern coast of Lower California. Byron Hall, president of the association, is now in the City of Mexico conferring with President Diaz relative to the sale and concessions involved in the purchase of 300,000 acres of land.

A city laid out in a scientific manner will occupy the center of the vast tract. The land will be cultivated by the association, which will control all the public utilities. No building detrimental to the public welfare and no saloon will be admitted. Families will receive an allowance for each child, there will be no subscribing to any religion, men and women will work equal hours for equal wages, and the initiative and referendum will govern the colony. The hundred members already enlisted will be the pioneers, it being the ultimate intention to establish two similar colonies when the first is successfully under way. One is to be south of the City of Mexico and the other in Kern county, Cal.

WILL NOT TAKE SECOND PLACE

Roosevelt Warned That Hughes Might Be Rival for the Nomination.

Washington, Oct. 11.—Governor Hughes of New York, according to reliable reports which have reached Washington, has announced to close friends that he will not again be a candidate for governor of New York, and would not accept the nomination for vice president from the Republican national convention. He is declared to have stated that he was interested principally in his work as governor of New York, and next in importance was his law practice.

It is understood that no mention was made by him of the presidency, but word has recently been conveyed to President Roosevelt by highly influential people of the state that it would be foolish to presume that Governor Hughes would not take this nomination if it were tendered him.

James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee during both the Bryan campaigns, was evasive when asked today if he had advised Bryan not to be a candidate for the presidency next year.

DID EARTHQUAKE BREAK CABLE?

Sitka Contends That Volcanic Disturbances Caused Great Damage.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 11.—A story comes from Sitka, Alaska, that the series of earthquake shocks felt west of that town is really responsible for the break in the government cable between Sitka and Valdez. A story from Dutch Harbor, several weeks ago, gave the first news of volcanic activities somewhere to the westward, and stories have come out of Alaska regularly since, that earthquake shocks and volcanic activity have been experienced. No damage, beyond frightening the natives, was done, until the cable was reported broken 300 miles from Valdez.

The theory is advanced from Sitka that volcanic activity changed the contour of the bottom of the sea along the 900 miles of cable between that town and Valdez. The Burnside, which is now out endeavoring to repair the cable breaks, cannot be reached for a report on the situation.

PUGILIST JOHNSON UNDER ARREST

Man Who Recently Defeated Bob Fitzsimmons Charged With Forgery.

Washington, Oct. 11.—Arthur Johnson, the well-known colored pugilist who recently defeated Bob Fitzsimmons, today was arrested as he was about to board a train for San Francisco on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. The complainant was Thornton Williams of this city, who declared Johnson passed a worthless check on him two years ago. Johnson, when arrested, declared he did not know the check was worthless. The case went over until tomorrow.

GOODS STOLEN FROM RAILROAD

Burlington Road Has Lost \$500,000 in the Past Year.

Denver, Oct. 11.—Over \$500,000 worth of merchandise has been stolen on the Burlington road in transit between Chicago and Denver during the past year and 300 Italian laborers who pilaged the freight cars have been discharged, as according to a report published in Denver today. It is said that secret service agents ferreted out the system by which the robberies were constantly committed, but failed to secure evidence sufficient to convict any of the thieves.

North Bend Schools Full.
North Bend schools are full to overflowing. The present quarters which were last year supposed to be ample are now insufficient. The school board met last evening and voted to engage rooms down town for the accommodation of some twenty-five pupils who can not find room in the main school building. The number of pupils already enrolled is 351. The board also considered the question of location for the new school house which will be built either at Bangor or on Plat B.