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## Eminent Experts Will Tell Springs Possibilities

R. A. Minkler and Bert R. Greer returned from San Francisco Thursday. Their trip was signally successful. They now feel that the springs matter is in splendid shape. The net results of their trip are:

That Smith, Emery & Company have agreed to make a definite proposition to the city to pipe the mineral waters to the city park with a bonded guarantee that the water will be delivered under their plan with all its medicinal constituents and gases as good as at the spring.

The Southern Pacific engineering department will finish checking the preliminary estimates of Smith, Emery & Company by the first of next week.

The Ashland Power and Electric Company have agreed to donate the tract of land upon which the old electric power house stood for park purposes, and furnish power for the springs plant free.

Mr. John McLaren, the father of Golden Gate Park and landscaper for the Panama exposition, will arrive in Ashland next Saturday morning to advise with the park board as to the best methods to improve our park for a watering resort. Mr. McLaren comes at the instance of Mr. Sproule and will arrive on Saturday morning on a special car accompanied by E. O. McCormick, first assistant to President Sproule and traffic manager for the S. P., who will say what the Southern Pacific Company thinks of our future possibilities, from a passenger standpoint.

There will be a mass meeting held, and is hereby called, at the Chautauqua building next Saturday night, June 6, at which time Mr. Smith of the Smith & Emery Company will make a definite proposition in writing to the city of Ashland to take all the responsibility and install the mineral springs plant with an absolute bonded guarantee to deliver the waters in our park as good as at the springs.

It was hoped to have this meeting sooner, but Mr. McLaren, the landscaper, was unable to leave his duties at the exposition grounds at an earlier date. These gentlemen will arrive

in Ashland Saturday morning and remain over Sunday. Saturday will be filled examining the park so that Mr. McLaren can talk to the people about the best methods to apply in the park development.

This will be the most important meeting ever held in Ashland. It is the purpose of the committee to give every voter in the city an opportunity to come and hear for themselves what the Southern Pacific people think of our enterprise. To hear a definite proposition coming directly from Smith, Emery & Company what they propose to guarantee, what kind of a bond they propose to furnish and exactly how much the installation of the physical plant will cost, before the vote is taken on the bonds. Then the people will be able to cast an intelligent ballot either for or against the proposition.

Some criticism has been offered on the street against the committee, charging that they have not furnished definite information to the people. They have given all the definite information they have had. Nothing has been hidden or will be hidden in the transaction.

When these gentlemen have made their statements and propositions to the people at the mass meeting the people will know as much about the matter as the committee knows, and it will come first handed from them to the people.

### WORK OFFERED FREE ON SCENIC DRIVE

James Fuell and Mike Morgan make the offer to put two teams to work on the new scenic drive and absolutely donate one day in each week for each team to the cause. They also propose to work their teams nine hours every day instead of the usual eight hours without extra charge. Mr. Kinney has also agreed to donate to the work. Who will be the next? That is the kind of spirit that will make Ashland a city. Let everybody begin to help and not hinder and watch Ashland grow.

—A new straw hat at Enders'.

## SPRINGS MASS MEETING!

CHAUTAUQUA BUILDING

### Saturday Evening at 8 o'clock

A mass meeting to consider the mineral springs proposition will be held at the Chautauqua building on Saturday evening, June 6th, at 8 o'clock. Every person who feels an interest in the welfare of the city, and especially every voter, is urged to be present.

Mr. Smith, of Smith, Emery & Co., chemical engineers, San Francisco, will be present to make a definite proposition to the people to give a bonded guarantee to deliver the mineral waters in the park as good as they are at the springs, retaining their medicinal constituents and gases.

Mr. E. O. McCormick, general passenger manager for the Southern Pacific, will be there to discuss the proposition from a passenger agent's standpoint.

Mr. John McLaren, father of Golden Gate Park and landscaper for the Panama-Pacific Exposition, will be present to discuss developing our park for tourist resort purposes.

Here is your opportunity to get facts from headquarters before you vote on the bond issue. If you do not attend and get the facts it will be your fault and not that of the committee.

Saturday Evening, Chautauqua Building  
Eight o'clock

## Funeral Services for Late Eugene A. Sherwin

Sunday afternoon one of the largest and most impressive funeral services ever held in Ashland took place at the Masonic hall, over the body of Eugene A. Sherwin, who died suddenly Thursday. The many friends and fellow lodgemen packed the large room to its doors. The hall itself was decorated in the most beautiful manner, the whole front of the room being a bank of beautiful flowers and floral pieces.

The services started at prompt 2:30. The casket was brought in between the file of Knights Templar and Star officers.

The services were opened with a song by the Elks Quartet, entitled "Lead, Kindly Light," and the scripture reading by Rev. John F. Hamaker. Following this the Elks Quartet rendered another selection, "Abide With Me." Rev. Schwimley gave a resume of the life of the deceased, of which following we print a part:

"Hon. Eugene A. Sherwin is a 'Green Mountain boy,' born in Windsor, Vermont, in 1848. At an early age he was employed in a country store where medicines were sold, and here he first developed his liking for the drug business. He afterwards completed his practical education in pharmacy in Holyoke, Mass. In 1871 he came west to Wisconsin, served as a drug clerk until 1878, when he engaged in business on his own account. In 1885, at the age of 37, he married Miss Bay Ladd of Wisconsin. In 1887, when the silver excitement broke out in the Coeur d'Alene country, Mr. Sherwin removed to Wallace, Idaho, opened the first drug store and established an electric light plant in the city. He served on the city council and was president of the body one year.

"Mr. Sherwin was the first democratic candidate for secretary of state when Idaho was admitted to the Union, but his party was in the minority. He was president of the Idaho state board of pharmacy for four years.

"In September, 1893, he came to Ashland, and this city has been his home ever since. He was in the drug business here for fifteen years, and

afterwards the manager of the local telegraph exchange until about three years ago.

"In June, 1898, he was elected to represent Jackson county in the legislature, where he served two sessions. He was chairman of the committee on federal relations; was a member of the committee on medicine and pharmacy. During his term of office it was his privilege to work for the establishing of the Southern Oregon Normal School. This was one of the big achievements of his public career.

"He has been ill about two years prior to his death. At the age of 71 he was made a Mason, and for 44 years was active in all its work—reached the 32nd degree, and held many high offices."

The Elks Quartet gave a number, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," after the resume by Rev. Schwimley.

C. H. Vaupel, an intimate friend of Mr. Sherwin's and an officer in the Masonic order, gave the closing address, the funeral rites of the Masonic order. He expressed the love and regard of the brothers for the deceased and their sympathy for the remaining one. The closing number was a Masonic song by all the members.

After the services the body was taken to the depot, accompanied by the different orders of the Masonic lodge and the Elks. The active pallbearers were from the Elks, being A. McCallen, Irving Vining, J. M. Wagner, Emil Peil, D. Perozzi and Hum Pracht. The honorary pallbearers were Herman Matern, C. H. Vaupel, George Dunn, T. K. Bolton, C. W. Root and C. W. Nims. The line of march was as follows: Knights Templar and Masons, hearses, mourners, Eastern Star, Elks and friends.

## The Tidings Up To Two-Score Years

The issue of the Tidings of last Thursday started volume 39, marking almost two-score years of continual service to the public of this publication.

The Tidings was the first paper to be published in southern Oregon, so far as information can be secured. It was founded by J. L. Sutton, and the first papers were well printed, neat and well edited. The advertising columns give many names familiar to the citizen of today.

### Items of 1876.

In looking over the first edition of the Ashland Tidings, printed on June 17, 1876, we find items of especial interest to old-timers and also newcomers of Ashland. At the time the first edition of the Tidings was printed there was no railroad into the town and only stage lines carried the mail and baggage. Ashland had a population of five hundred. Below is an extract from the Tidings:

### "Ashland and Its Resources."

"As we have chosen Ashland for the home of the Tidings, we desire to say a few words in reference to its enterprises and characteristics. Ashland is located sixteen miles south of Jacksonville, on the Overland stage line. It is also the western terminus of Hatton & Garrett's stage line, which carries the mail tri-weekly via Goose lake and intermediate points to Lake City, Cal.

"Ashland contains a population of some five hundred, and is noted for the excellence of its schools, both public and private. Ashland Academy is located here and has a fine attendance. It is conducted by J. H. Skedmore, one of the most efficient teachers in the state. Our district school had an average attendance of one hundred and twenty-five during the last term.

"The principal feature of Ashland, however, is its magnificent water power, afforded by Ashland creek, which runs through the center of town. Although there is one woolen factory, one foundry, one large furniture factory, one flouring mill and three sawmills now running, but a

## Ashland Special To Rose Carnival

Local Agent Kramer has arranged for a special train from the Rogue River Valley to the Rose Carnival at Portland.

The train will start from Ashland at 6 o'clock Monday evening, June 8. The train will be made up of five sleepers, one to be taken by Ashland citizens, one by Medford, one by Grants Pass and one by special arrangement. The other car will be put on to accommodate the late arrivals for tickets.

A special rate of \$10.25 will be made for this occasion as the annual Rose Carnival is growing in popularity and the increased attendance each year is very great.

About twenty have signified their intention of going on the special. The train will arrive in Portland in time for the opening day program. The ticket will be limited for ten days and those who desire may remain over to suit their pleasure.

Those who desire reservations should notify Mr. Kramer as soon as possible.

Wednesday evening some of the young folks of Ashland are invited by the Medford seniors to a dance at the Natatorium. About nine couples are expected to attend.

small portion of its power is utilized. Besides furnishing power for turning machinery, it furnishes an abundant supply of pure, cold water for household and irrigating purposes.

"Being the junction of the road leading to Link river, Langell's valley, Goose lake and other points east of the mountains, our merchants and millers enjoy a very large trade from these sections of the country, which is rapidly increasing every year.

"There is one peculiarity in which Ashland differs from most other towns of its size: it has neither church nor saloon. However, whiskey is sold by the bottle, and preaching done in the school house, and therefore the people are generally happy."

## Memorial Day Well Observed

Memorial day was well observed in every respect. The cemeteries were beautifully decorated and an abundance of flowers were placed upon the graves.

At 9 o'clock in the morning the old soldiers, both G. A. R. and Spanish War Veterans, led by the Ashland band, marched to the Ashland cemetery to once more honor and revere the dead—the men who at one time had fought fearlessly for the honor and flag of their country, spurring forward in the charge with never a thought for themselves, but only of their threatened country.

The Woman's Relief Corps, O. N. G., Sons of Veterans, civic societies, school children and citizens joined in the march, which has taken place annually for many years—the day when all business is thrown aside to give thoughts and time to revere the dead; the day when the little children are inspired with patriotism for the great republic in which they live, and the remaining veterans can sit and ponder on the old days when they charged up Bunker Hill or fought in the trenches at Gettysburg.

In the afternoon the graves in the other cemeteries were decorated by detachments of old soldiers.

The exercises occurred at the armory, where the following program was carried out:

- Invocation, Rev. H. A. Carnahan.
- Anthem, Presbyterian choir.
- Reading, "Speech for Decoration Day," Mrs. Wilshire.
- Recitation, George Trott.
- Duet, cornet and violin, "Overtures on National Airs," Clark Bush and R. N. Murchison.
- Reading, "Music in Camp," Miss Fern Beeler.
- Vocal duet, Misses Faith and Elizabeth Isaac.
- Address, Judge O. H. Gilmore of Rogue River.
- "America," by audience.
- Benediction, Rev. Carnahan.

F. W. Griggs and family, who came here with his family from Chicago some months ago, left Friday evening for Los Angeles, where they expect to make their future home.

## Pathologist Comes From Wisconsin

At an enthusiastic meeting of the orchardists of the Rogue River Valley at Medford Saturday afternoon M. P. Henderson of the University of Wisconsin was unanimously decided upon for county pathologist, subject to the final approval of the county court. Mr. Henderson was the selection of the orchardists' committee.

The meeting was a very successful one, over eighty orchardists being in attendance. It was decided to form a farmers' and fruitgrowers' league and the following officers and board of directors were elected for the same: W. A. Sumner, president; Dr. Henry Hart, vice-president; J. S. Vilas, vice-president; E. W. Carlton, secretary; C. A. Knight, treasurer. Directors to serve one year: J. A. Perry, H. W. Bingham, A. C. Allen, Victor Payne and J. A. Westerlund. Directors to serve for two years: C. M. Thomas, Bert Anderson, H. B. Tronson, R. B. Wilson and R. H. Parsons. Directors to serve for three years: S. V. Beckwith, W. V. B. Campbell, E. B. Hanley, G. B. Carpenter and R. C. Washburn. At the next meeting the officers and directors will perfect the organization.

The purpose of the league is to unite the farmers and orchardists to put the min a position to act as a body instead of individuals when their various problems come up. The organization will not deal exclusively with fruit problems, but with all questions which affect the orchardists' welfare, such as good roads, taxes, competent officials, etc.

The officers and directors will meet later and decide upon the name of the organization and constitution and by-laws. O. A. C. co-operates with the orchardists and the county in paying the expenses of the pathologist.

W. F. Dilhan and wife of Pocatello, Idaho, who have been spending the past week in the city, left today for Shasta Springs. They say they expect to return to Ashland to spend most of the summer here. They are charmed with the place and its environment.

## Damage Case to be Tried Next Week

In the spring of 1913 the people of the Rogue River Valley were startled by the unearthing of a horrible crime, that of the murder of Nathan Rogoway, whose body was found on the Green Springs Mountain road south of Ashland.

The confessions of Fred Parker, alias Seymour, in the state penitentiary, have let in some light on the murder. He admitted that he had decouped Rogoway, an Albany hide buyer, to a lonely spot and killed him. Parker was hanged last winter with Mike Spanos for the murder of George Desdaskalous in Medford, September 22, 1912.

At the time of the finding of the body there were many suspects arrested, among them being L. H. Wheeler of Marshfield, by Sheriff Wilbur Jones. He was held for a day and then released.

He started suit against Jones to the amount of \$10,000 dollars for damage to character. The case has been pending for a long time and next week it will be tried in the circuit court. B. F. Mulkey will appear for ex-Sheriff Jones.

## Christian Endeavor Rally Wednesday

H. H. Rottman, interstate field secretary of Christian Endeavor of the northwest, will be in Ashland Wednesday evening and lecture at the Congregational church at 8 o'clock. This will be a treat for Ashland to hear Mr. Rottman and every one is invited to attend, especially all the young people's societies.

Phone news items to the Tidings.

## Dr. W. W. Watkins Endorses Springs

Dr. W. W. Watkins of Tacoma has been looking over Ashland for the past week and has decided to locate here. He will open an office in rooms over Whited's jewelry store. Dr. Watkins is locating here on account of the springs prospect. He says Ashland certainly has the class of medicinal waters that will attract widespread attention from the medical fraternity. He says physicians are beginning to realize as never before the value of rest and mineral waters in the treatment of human ills. He feels sure that such scenic beauty as Ashland enjoys, with her splendid summer climate coupled with the best medicinal waters the world produces, is bound to make her one of the big resorts of the country if the project is carried out on a comprehensive and intelligent plan.

Seventh and eighth grades of the Washington school, Medford, spent an enjoyable day in the park here Friday, chaperoned by the eighth grade teacher, Miss Cox, and Mrs. R. C. Kinleyside. A sumptuous picnic dinner was served.

## Casey Arrested False Pretense

J. B. Casey, a former grocer of Ashland, has been arrested on the charge of getting property under false pretenses, the accusation being made by the Medford Grocery Company. The case will come up at the next term of court. He was brought over from Klamath Falls. At present he is out on bail and has returned to his home in Klamath Falls.

## NEW LITHIA SPRING TO BE OFFICIALLY MEASURED

Tomorrow, Tuesday, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the flow of the New Lithia Spring will be publicly and officially measured. EVERYBODY IN DOUBT AS TO THE QUANTITY OF WATER is invited to be present.

A special request is hereby made upon R. J. Edwards, M. C. Bressler and Prof. Smith, committee of the opposition, to be present and participate in the measurement. It is reported these gentlemen state that the spring flows but four gallons per minute. The springs committee is ready to SHOW THEM. Everybody be present to see what they say when THEY ARE SHOWN.

TOMORROW, TUESDAY, THREE P. M.