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## Southern Oregon Exhibit Planned

Friday, at Grants Pass, representatives from Jackson, Josephine, Douglas and Klamath counties met with George M. Hyland, director of exploitation of the Oregon Panama-Pacific commission, with a view of setting these southern Oregon counties to make a composite exhibit for display in the Oregon building at the exposition at San Francisco. An organization was perfected and the various county courts will be asked to ratify such a movement at their next meeting, which will be held in each county on the first day of July.

Jackson county is the only one of the southern Oregon counties to make financial provisions for the display. Representatives of the other counties stated that they believed their counties would make ample appropriations for a suitable display of their products.

The organization formed was named the Southern Oregon P. P. I. E. Association and has as its president H. O. Frohbach of Jackson county; vice-presidents, Sam S. Josephson of Douglas county and Louis Wylie of Klamath county, and secretary, W. P. Quinlan of Josephine county. It was suggested that each county take care of their own finances through their county courts and that a combined effort should be made to get financial assistance from the Oregon commission.

On the promise that southern Oregon was to make an exceptionally fine display, choice space to the right and opposite the main entrance from the south was assigned to these counties in the Oregon building. The space contains 260 square feet, being sixty feet long by six feet wide, and this will give all products displayed exceptionally good opportunity to be viewed closely.

Oregon has 2,000 square feet assigned to her in the horticultural building, 2,500 square feet in the agricultural building and 900 square feet in the food products building. Space for the Oregon state exhibit is provided in the educational building and space is to be provided in the mining building according to the size of the exhibit to be made.

One of the main features in the exploitation of the scenery and resources of Oregon will be the moving pictures. A theatre with a seating capacity of 250 is under the roof of the Oregon building.

Should the various county courts ratify the action taken, a meeting of the association will be called, probably at Ashland during Chautauqua, for the purpose of going into detail as to the exhibit proper. It was the general opinion of the delegates present at Grants Pass that each county should specialize on exhibiting the products which their particular county is especially adapted for.

Jackson county will no doubt specialize on pears and apples. The Ashland district has an exceptional opportunity for the exploitation of her peaches, and with the assistance of the orchardists every known variety of these products could be displayed. It must not be understood that Jackson county will not display other products, but the main feature of the Jackson county display will be that for which she is especially noted for.

## Hill to Celebrate Fourth of July

Hill, just across the line in California, will put on a big celebration on the Fourth. The Ashland band has been engaged for the musical feature, and twenty-four hours of continuous fun is promised.

The celebration is being given for the benefit of the employes of the Fruit Growers' Supply Company. The company has furnished the material and ground for a big amusement hall for the employes. This has been built by the men and the proceeds from the celebration on the Fourth will be used to equip the hall for reading room and general assembly purposes.

Hill is growing in importance rapidly. The Fruit Growers' Supply Company is increasing its force from time to time, while the agricultural development is going forward in leaps and bounds.

Northern California is the greatest source of revenue for Ashland and our citizens will no doubt go in numbers to help our little neighbor celebrate.

Phone news items to the Tidings.

## Vista Point and Prospect Hill

To the Editor: I notice that in answer to your request for names of prominent objects about the city "The Watchman" for "Roper's Bunion" and "The Sentinel" for the eminence west of town are suggested. I do not like these names; I do not like the suggestion of "walking, climbing, tramping or driving" over a Watchman or a Sentinel. If I were either I wouldn't stand for it, to be "walked over," etc. A very undignified and disrespectful way of treating a guardian. People will be invited to the summits of these eminences for the splendid views they afford. From each of them practically the whole valley is in view, bordered on every side by magnificent mountains.

From the "Bunion," looking up the canyon, a splendid view of Mt. Ashland, snow-clad and majestic, is had, and the avenue formed by mountains towering on either side forms a vista terminating in Mt. Ashland, the great benefactor and water conservator for the city. "Vista Point," it seems to me, would be eminently proper:

"The finished garden to the west Its vistas opens, and its alleys green."

The driveway to it to be called "Vista Drive."

The eminence to the west sprinkled over with beautiful homes has from its summit a wonderful prospect up and down the valley. From Pilot Rock at the southeast to Table Rock in the northwest the vision stretches. All the city is at its foot and its sides and top, garlanded with gardens and orchards; Old Grizzly and the cliffs just across the valley and a vision of beauty to the soul turned for it. It is not a "sentinel." A sentinel might be stationed there for the prospect it affords, if there should be occasion for so warlike a suggestion, but the eminence suggests peace, not war; love, not hatred; beauty in confident assurance that it will be adored, not violated. Hence the weary stranger stands and

"His eye discovers, unaware, The goodly prospect of some foreign land."

Why not call this "Prospect Hill"? "Him God beholding from his prospect high."

Let us give names that have some meaning consistent with the environment and the use we put them to?

C. B. WATSON.

### Notice.

All who expect to celebrate July 4 at Talent should be on the plaza at 9:30 on the morning of July 4. This applies to those going in motor cars. Let everybody line up promptly and go in one long procession.

10-2t O. H. JOHNSON, Mayor.

## Man of Silence Dead in Forest

Henry Wright, aged 75 years, the strangest and most picturesque figure of the Blue Ledge district, known as the "man of silence of the Siskiyou," was found dead in the forest near his cabin home on Elliott creek, Monday morning, by Bard Moses, a prospector. Deputy Coroner John Perl left this morning for Hutton, Cal., to bring the body to this city.

Death is supposed to have occurred two weeks ago, as he has been missing that period. Frank Edwards, who has a gold claim on Silver Fork, has been looking for him, as he had been absent from his cabin. The last person to see Wright alive was F. W. Carnahan, manager of the Blue Ledge mine, who met him on the trail. Wright told him his eyesight was falling, and when he struck off into the heart of the wilds Carnahan says he had a premonition that he would never see him alive again.

The cabin of Wright was about twelve miles from Hutton, Cal., where he voted, and eight miles from the Pennsylvania mine on Elliott creek, in the very heart of the Siskiyou wilderness. No one ever entered his cabin, unless at night, and then under close scrutiny. By day he greeted all visitors from his cabin door. Edwards and Carnahan are supposed to be the only men who ever entered his home. They were his only friends.

Wright came to the Blue Ledge district thirty years ago, and every day his life was shrouded in mystery. He led an isolated life and never talked of his past, except to say that he was from the south and had fought with the confederacy. The prospectors of the district maintained

## Saturday a Real Holiday

Ashland will be almost deserted the Fourth and but few will remain to look after the city except the police. Celebrations will be held at Talent and Hill and many of our citizens will visit each place. Small picnics and mountain climbing parties have been organized, the principal one being the snowballing party on the top of Mount Ashland to be given by the Epworth League and other church societies of this city.

The stores will be closed all day Saturday with but a few exceptions and the day is to be generally devoted to pleasure by old and young alike.

## Ashland-Talent Highway Contract To Be Let to Best Bidder

To give the people of Jackson county an opportunity to compare the road work of the county with that of a professional contractor, State Highway Engineer Bowly and the county court have decided to let that portion of the Pacific Highway between Talent and Ashland to the best bidder.

Bids will be called for the second week in July. Representatives of the Clark-Henry Company and the Warren Construction Company have already arrived in Medford and are going over the road and the specifications.

No certain kind of hard surface will be insisted upon. Asphalt, warrentite, bitulithic or concrete may be decided upon, the final decision depending upon the price, but it is not at all probable that concrete will be tried as that is the sort of road the county is now building and an example of some other type is desired. This strip of road will be completed before the winter rains set in.

Meanwhile work is progressing satisfactorily on the Medford-Central Point road and the date for completion is set for July 15. The new portion of the road will have to settle for thirty days before it can be used, but that part of the road near Central Point is already being used and giving satisfactory service.

## Name Suggested For New Drives

Henry Easterly has suggested new names for Roper's Bunion and the two new drives that are proposed.

The name for Roper's Bunion is "Lookout Point." The proposed drive on the east he would call "East Canyon View," while the one on the west would be "West Canyon View." We think both the names suggested are very appropriate, and Mr. Easterly is certainly entitled to suggest names for the drives. He has always been a great enthusiast on these mountain-side drives and has contributed a 900-foot strip along Grandview Drive. He was one of those to originate the plans for Grandview and is very enthusiastic over its possibilities for scenery and pleasure for sightseers.

that he led the life of a hermit to atone for a deep disappointment. Rumor says that he possessed considerable property and the thirty years' collection of gold in that district, and one of the tasks ahead will be the locating of relatives. A search of the cabin will be made for a will, if one was left, and for the gold he is supposed to have hoarded.

Wright was a fairly well educated man, well liked, but reticent and of a sorrowful mien. For years he was a subscriber to the New York World, and once every three or four months he came to Hutton for groceries and his papers. Frank Edwards the last year has insistently urged that he go to Watkins, Ore., and spend the winter with Edwards' people, but Wright always refused.

The body must be carried on a stretcher twelve miles down a rough mountain trail. Burial will be postponed pending the location of relatives.

The death of Wright recalls the end of a prospector-hermit named Peters, five or six years ago in that section. Peters lived a lonely life in a cabin on the middle fork of the Applegate. One morning he left on a hunting trip, and was never seen again, dead or alive.

trial Point is already being used and giving satisfactory service.

It is believed that continued criticism of the work being done by the county has been largely responsible for the change in the plans of the county court. They have decided to try the contract system instead of the day labor system, not because they are dissatisfied with the day labor plan so much as their desire to give the people a chance to compare the two systems.

From unofficial investigations the Central Point road, including surface and foundation, has cost the county about \$1.50 per square yard. The city pavement, a similar construction, has cost from \$3 to \$4 a square yard.

## Klamath Falls Excursion July 3

Staples' big Stanley auto will leave Ashland July 3 at 10 a. m., arriving at Klamath in time for best events of the big Rodeo first day.

Returning will arrive Ashland Monday noon, July 6. Round trip fare \$8. Reservations should be made before July 2. Apply to E. T. Staples.

## Cattle Shipments Are Heavy

Simpson Finnell, Sr. and Jr., Lathan Finnell, James Fletcher, J. A. Scruton, W. Clark, F. L. Marx, J. A. Marx, all from Cottonwood, Cal., were in the city Saturday with a bunch of cattle, twenty-six carloads in all. The cattle were bound for the Portland markets, where a better price is given. The cattle were fed and watered at the local stockyards, under the supervision of D. D. Good, who has the yards in charge. This is but one of several bunches that have been coming through. Last week there was milk galore for those who live near the yards, as all the cows were milked.

## Install Meters And Cut Expense

According to Superintendent Butterfield, the city is now furnishing \$300 worth of electricity each month that it is receiving no pay for. That means that 600 consumers are becoming careless and are letting their lights burn more than necessary, or that they are using unnecessary "juice" from the city's system.

There is a remedy for all this that will be beneficial to all parties concerned. Install meters. Meters will enable you to keep down the electric light expense to the smallest possible amount. If you are careful about the use of the lights and do not leave them all burning at once, the meter will save you considerable light expense, for it registers no more than is consumed.

These meters are being installed by the city at no expense except for extra wiring for electric stoves and heaters. Get a meter and see if you can't cut down the expense and enable the city to increase the number of consumers to this extent.

—When considering entertaining remember that Rose Bros' ice cream, sherbets and punches are hard to beat. 9-4t

## Concert Friday Evening Success

The concert Friday evening at the Vining by the Congregational church was a decided success, both from a financial and a musical standpoint.

The house was packed to its capacity, and many of the boxes were filled. The program rendered was one of the finest ever given in Ashland by local talent.

The evening started with a photoplay, followed with a selection by the Congregational Male Quartet, entitled "I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls" (from the Bohemian Girl). This was rendered very well, except for the fact, as Rev. Schwimley later stated, they were a little affected with stage fright.

Miss Dorris Bagley, who has just returned from her year's study of music in the north, sang a solo and was heartily encored.

The next number on the program was appreciated perhaps more than any other, a duet by Leah Watkins and Leslie Schwimley, entitled "Sam and Tilly's Courtship." The two little folks did their part to perfection, causing many a laugh among hearers. Little Miss Watkins has a fine clear voice, while Leslie Schwimley has a high boyish voice pleasing to hear.

The Ladies' Chorus, in "Greeting to Spring," was the next feature, and it certainly took well with the audience and they a great deal of credit on the performer and Mrs. Watkins, the director. The girls, dressed in white, stood in a sort of half moon, while in the middle was a crowd of little folks around the throne where the May queen, Mrs. Barclay, sat. Those in the chorus were the Mesdames Marie Christian Watkins, Sylvan Provost, J. H. McGee, Elsie Churchman, Ella Mills, F. H. Johnson, D. D. Norris, Charles B. Wolf, Florence Bartges Foster, W. H. Bartges, Clyde Cunningham, Irwin Bate-

man, W. A. Schwimley, the Misses Ramona Harrell, Madeline Silver, Kathleen Silver, Gladys Carnahan, Priscilla Carnahan, Ethel Davenport, Myrtle Dougherty, Edna Dabuff, Del Jones, Rose Thomas, Marion Shaw, Helen Dickerson, Marguerite Brown, Maye Gove, Helen Cunningham, Bessie Dunham, Floy Cambers, and the little folks were Leah Watkins, Helen Harrell, Gertrude Cain, Florence Higgins, Geraldine Higgins, Ruth Flakus, Venetta Walker and Fred Watkins.

After the Ladies' Chorus the Siskiyou Quartet gave a selection which was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Following this, Horace Reno and Verni Mills gave a duet, violin and flute, and received a hearty encore by the pleased listeners.

Mrs. Marie Christian Watkins rendered two numbers, entitled "The Swallows" and "Sing, Smile, Slumber," both of which she gave with the characteristic finish of an accomplished singer.

The Congregational Quartet appeared in "Annie Laurie," which they sang very nicely.

Another of the best numbers of the evening was a whistling solo, "Wedding of the Winds," by Mrs. Florence Bartges Foster. Her clear notes were very pleasing. She received strong applause.

Much to the disappointment of the audience, it was impossible to have the comic operetta, "A Husband's Mistake," on account of the sudden illness of Miss Bernice Foster, who had one of the leading parts. Mrs. Foster is quite ill at present and under the doctor's care.

The last number was one of the Vining's exceptionally fine photoplays.

## W. C. T. U. Topics For Chautauqua

July 7—Greater W. C. T. U. Efficiency.

July 8—Pressing Need of the Campaign.

July 9—W. C. T. U. day.

July 10—Educational (Ashland State Normal) question box.

July 11—Housekeepers' Conference. Shall We Use Alcohol in Medicine or Cooking?

July 12—Personal Responsibility to the Local W. C. T. U.

July 14—Consideration of the great social evil, and how it is related to intemperance.

July 15—Oregon day and national prohibition campaign.

July 16—Best Use of Campaign Literature.

July 17—Public Opinion; How Formed and How Changed.

## Crops Are Fine In Rogue Valley

William R. Brower, editor of the Rogue River Argus, is something of a "chaser-abouter" and has made another of his pedal-auto trips over the north end of the valley. He recites his observations as follows:

Last Friday morning we took to the road once more. This time we went via the south bank of the river as far as the Rock Point bridge. We do not like the road on that side as it is very sandy, but if you wish to see things that is the road to take. The first sight was a field of wheat and vetch hay that had been cut, but while it was standing a tall man could walk through it and be out of sight.

And the corn in several fields—why, you can almost see it grow.

But the sight that really took our eye and caused us to stop was a large garden at Riverside. The Bermudas were being harvested and some of the corn was tusseling out.

Everything is certainly looking fine, but there was nothing startling until we passed Central Point, and then we were somewhat surprised. We supposed the Pacific Highway was completed to Medford and open to the public, but we found that only about two miles had been built thus far, and if the crew keeps real busy the end of the Medford pavement will be reached by August 1. It looks as though the screws on the road machinery better be tightened up a little so as to crowd the work along a little faster. We could find no complaint about the quality of the work being done, but the quantity is what needs remedying.

Medford is not so many, after all. We went there to find a man and we didn't even know his name, to say nothing as to where he lived, and we found him with ease.

What interested us most while in the city was our talk with Secretary Streets in regard to the grain and grass exhibits for the world's fair at San Francisco next year. He has bought a machine in which he will place each exhibit, one at a time, and when they come out they will be all tied up in a smooth, neat bundle. He wishes them as soon as possible so as to get them fixed up ready for shipment. We would like to have at least twenty-five samples from this part of Jackson county. Who will be the first to bring us in a fine exhibit of hay or grain? This is not to boosting but for good, wholesome advertising.

Our next move was to take No. 16 through to Grants Pass, and the first interesting thing we saw was that No. 1 locomotive on the Grants Pass-Crescent City railroad had been all cleaned up, painted up, fired up and had been hauling rails across the river. On inquiry we found that about half a mile of rails had been laid and that work would be shoved along just as fast as possible.

As far as we could see during our travels our little town of Rogue River is doing as much business per population and money invested as any of the larger towns.

About 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon we started for home on our wheel and we saw one thing that would do your heart good to see. It is a field of wheat on the Hodson place just across the river from here. That wheat is tall enough to look over a seven-rail fence and see the autos go by, and it is thick enough to play a game of hide and seek in. Mr. Sisson feels somewhat proud over his success in raising wheat for Mr. Hodson.

## Epworth League To Have Snowball

The Epworth League are planning a big snowballing on the Fourth. They are arranging to have a big picnic and celebration on the top of Mt. Ashland. Friday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon they will start for the mount, reaching Long's Cabin to stay for the night. On Saturday they will go on up to the summit. Some will go home from the top Saturday night, but a great many others will remain on top of Mt. Ashland and Sunday school will be held under the open sky among the clouds Sunday morning. A great many plan to go, and the Epworth League has invited other societies in the Ashland churches, besides the Leagues of Grants Pass, Talent and Medford. Everybody will take along their individual lunches.