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**Valley a Fine
Pickle Field**

M. C. Bressler believes Ashland is ideally situated for the establishment of a pickle factory. Having formerly been a director in a concern of the kind in the middle west he is qualified to speak with some degree of authority on the subject, and he talks very interestingly on the possibilities of this industry as a revenue producer for the man who has a few acres adjacent to the city.

Mr. Bressler states that farmers of the middle west region, where he was in business, made big money on pickling crops—despite the shorter growing season there—and says that around Ashland where the season is longer, and where the soil will pro- duce twice as many bushels to the acre, the pickle industry would be a sure winner. He says he believes he could, inside of ninety days, convince the small growers of this and could form a strong stock company to start the business.

That the Ashland district will grow fine pickling crops is indisputable. That enormous quantities of fruits go to waste, that might be converted into vinegar, is also a fact. The fact that pickling crops are quicker revenue producers than orchards, and the further fact that they can be grown in the orchards themselves, is another point in favor of the propo- sition. It may also be mentioned that bottled or barreled pickles can be handled, from a marketing stand- point, much more satisfactorily than the fresh fruits to which Ashland Dis- trict is now largely devoted.

In short—it goes without saying that a pickling factory, that would use up our cull fruits and provide a market for something that the small orchardist could grow readily between his fruit trees, would be a godsend to this region. Mr. Bressler's sugges- tion is worthy of the most exhaustive investigation and the most careful consideration. If his assertions are demonstrable he should be given every encouragement possible in the establishment of such an enterprise, providing he desires to devote to it his time and energy.

Every enterprise of this sort should be fostered in order that we may have a great resort city, with many visitors to help consume products from our now unproductive acres, but that we may also show to the world that Ash- land is a place of thrift where a liv- ing may be made by people of indus- try and ambition. We should not only have pickling works but can- neries and driers as well. We believe that capital will before long be avail- able to develop the things Ashland needs along these lines and we believe that those who start the ball rolling to secure these things for Ashland will find abundant encouragement in the years to come.

It is devoutly to be hoped that Ash- land will not—now that she has vot- ed bonds to start a resort city—sit down and twiddle her thumbs in idle- ness. There are innumerable things to be done before Ashland becomes the flourishing city that she is en- titled to be. Voting bonds will not save any city from going on the rocks. In fact, they are a detriment unless followed up by active and earnest effort to bring to pass the conditions for which they were in- tended.

**Federated Clubs
Talked Over Plans**

The regular meeting of the City Federation of Women's Clubs was held in Chautauqua Park Monday af- ternoon and much business of local interest was transacted. Arrange- ments were made for an interesting program on club day at Chautauqua. Invitations will be sent to all the clubs in the valley and Mrs. Phelps, president of the State Parent-Teacher Association, will be present and Mrs. Strothers will be here with 1909 pieces to demonstrate the Montessori system. Both of these women are fluent speakers and will add much to the Chautauqua program.

The Normal School question was presented by Miss Susanne Homes and Mrs. D. Peruzzi, who urged the club members to write "chain" let- ters, reaching as many women of the state as possible. They also urged all societies to send full representa- tion to the state conventions of Fed- erated Clubs and Parent-Teacher Cir- cles. The women of the state are eligible to vote on the Normal school question.

Mrs. A. L. Lamo announced that she had visited the assessor's office at Jacksonville and had her tax re- cepts changed to include her name with her husband's, thus giving her the right to vote at school elections. The assessor wished her to say that all ladies holding a joint deed with their husbands may send the tax re- cepts to Jacksonville and he will see that they are changed. The ladies, by unanimous vote, decided to bring up the question of changing the school voting law to read, "Any par- ent having children in the public schools is eligible to vote at school elections."

The matter of arranging an exhibit of wild flowers for the Panama-Pac- ific Exposition was left with Mrs. Bergstrom and Mrs. W. W. Caldwell. The state offers a prize for the best exhibit.

On Friday, June twenty-sixth, at two-thirty, there will be a called meeting at the library for the purpose of organizing a branch of the "Oregon Trail Girls' Club." Full de- tails have been sent by Dr. Bertha Stuart and every mother and girl should be present to get a good un- derstanding of the subject.

Mrs. Lanekin brought up the sub- ject of our cemeteries and wished that all the clubs of the city would get back of the project of beautifying the grounds. The discussion resulted in a committee being appointed to co-operate with the council in the work. The following were named: Mesdames C. B. Lanekin, Rondeau,

**Ashland in Heart
Of Vast Timber**

The vast Inland Empire of which Ashland is the geographical center bids fair to show up in the next year or so with as much activity as any like section in the country. Ashland herself is in the midst of hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of highway building and will develop her mineral springs with a \$175,000 bond issue and has high hopes of re- gaining the Southern Oregon Normal. Grants Pass is building a railroad to the coast that will tap a big timber and mining country en route. Crater Lake and Josephine Caves are being prepared for tourists. Crescent City and the Coos Bay country are on the eve of great improvements. Irriga- tion in the Rogue Valley and North- ern California are moving forward. And now comes word that the way for the development of vast timber, agricultural and mining resources in the Klamath river section of Siskiyou county and the securing of a railroad has been paved by the Forest Service in offering for sale in three logging chances 2,015,353 000 board measure of government timber in the Klamath national forest.

The sale area is known as the North Klamath unit and lies north of the Klamath river, whose valley is unrivaled on the Pacific coast for its grandeur, climatic conditions, pro- ductiveness of soil and deposits of ores. To open and develop this coun- try a common carrier railroad is needed to tap the main line of the Southern Pacific Company at Horn- brook.

The plan for placing this timber on the market provides for dividing it into three main units, known as the upper, middle and lower, and adver- tisements for sale, with the stipula- tion that any given concern will be allowed to purchase but one of the chances. A common carrier railroad must be constructed down the north side of the Klamath river as far as the proposed mill site of any unit purchased.

The proposed favorable mill sites for the units are to be had at the mouths of Beaver, Thompson and Indian creeks, respectively—the dis- tances from Hornbrook being twenty- two, fifty-eight and seventy-two miles.

The upper unit contains 195,674, 000 feet, made up of sixty-eight per cent of Douglas fir, twenty-two per cent of yellow pine, twenty-two per cent of sugar pine, thirteen per cent of white fir, and the rest of red fir and cedar. The stumpage rates are set per thousand at \$3.75, sugar pine; \$2.75, yellow pine; \$1.25, Douglas fir; 75 cents, other species.

The middle unit contains 588,646, 000 feet, made up of sixty-five per cent of Douglas fir, nineteen per cent of sugar pine, eleven per cent of yellow pine, and the remainder of white fir and incense cedar. The stumpage rates are, per thousand, \$2 for sugar pine, \$1 for yellow pine and 50 cents for other species.

The lower unit contains 1,931,000, 000 feet, made up of sixty-eight per cent of Douglas fir, twenty-one per cent of sugar pine, four per cent of yellow pine, and the rest of white and red fir, incense and Port Orford cedars. The stumpage rates are the same as for the middle unit. The Forest Service assumes that the private timber in the upper unit is equal in volume to the government timber, and that the lower unit contains very little privately owned timber.

All merchantable dead timber upon the area is included in the sale, and live timber that is to be cut will be plainly marked. Approximately seventy-two per cent of the stand on each unit will be marked for cutting. Upon every five-year period from the date of sale of this timber there will be a readjustment of stumpage rates.

The Forest Service estimates the original cost of plant and working capital for the three units as fol- lows: Upper, \$629,490; middle, \$465,790; lower, \$479,390. The cut- ting period extends from twenty to twenty-five years. The rate of profit allowed is seventeen per cent. The operating cost per thousand board measure is: Upper unit, \$11.28; middle, \$12.93; lower, \$12.28.

**Telephone Company
Expense Too Much**

Frankly telling the Home Tele- phone and Telegraph Company, which has local exchanges in Medford, Jack- sonville, Gold Hill and Rogue River, that it is so overburdened with in- vestment in useless equipment and with top heavy operating expenses that it cannot hope to have telephone rates that will bring a fair return, the state railroad commission has made an order allowing certain in- creases in telephone rates in those towns. The commission authorized the following schedule of rates: Business, one-party line, Medford, \$3; Jacksonville, \$3; Gold Hill, \$2.50; Rogue River, \$2.50; business, two-party line, Medford, \$2.50; Jack- sonville, \$2.25; four-party line, Jack- sonville, \$1.75; Gold Hill, \$1.75; Rogue River, \$1.75; residence, one- party line, in all four towns, \$2; two- party line, Medford, \$1.75; four-party line, in all four towns, \$1.50.

The Tidings is on sale at Poley's drug store, 17 East Main street.

L. S. Brown, F. G. McWilliams and Miss Susanne Homes.
The meeting was followed by a picnic lunch and all felt that the af- ternoon had been profitably spent.

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- One section of Nebraska land, \$12.50 per acre. Wants stock ranch in vicinity of Ashland.
- One-half section of Colorado land, \$15 per acre. Wants prop- erty in or near Ashland.
- 160 acres of North Dakota land, \$30 per acre. Wants prop- erty in or near Ashland.
- 240 acres of Canadian land at \$25 per acre. Wants cheap land in Ashland and vicinity.
- 480 acres of Canadian land at \$20 per acre. Wants stock ranch not too far from Ashland.
- 200 acres, about 16 miles northeast of Ashland, \$20 per acre. Wants land close to Ashland.
- 15 acres, 2 1/2 miles northwest of Ashland, \$2,500. Wants Ash- land property.
- 10 acres, improved, \$6,500. Wants cheap land or good Ash- land property.
- Small home and good business, about \$5,000. Wants good small ranch.
- Three Idaho residences, \$5,000. Wants Ashland property.
- Small ranch near Roseburg, \$4,000. Wants Ashland prop- erty.

We have one improved place of 18 acres in Ashland for \$2,100, but this property is not for trade. This place is a bar- gain. If you are interested in getting a home of this class, you can not afford to let it pass.

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