

## Editorial Page of Bandon Recorder An Independent Newspaper

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WE WISH TO INVITE the visiting veterans and pioneers to call and get acquainted. Our dailies are at their service, and the first to cross the plains and the wearer of the little bronze badge is always welcome at this office.

COOS AND CURRY COUNTIES educational facilities are with us this week. The teachers of these two best counties are holding institute in the school building under the supervision of the best and ablest instructors in the State, this week. The yearly teachers institute is and has been recognized for some time to be of great mutual advantage to all of the teachers. The lectures on school work are not only practical and instructive, but are often based on experiences. Nearly a hundred teachers are in attendance, and the lodging facilities of the town are taxed to the utmost.

MALICIOUS INTENT TO DESTROY can not be too severely treated. The river boat Liberty sank at the wharf Monday evening this week and the cause is supposed to have been from some meddler opening up the water valve on the dock, which would speedily fill the vessel and sink her. In consequence the transportation company will lose considerable as the service is badly crippled on account of the condemnation of the Dispatch and Antelope. Coming as it did, the accident delayed shippers and travelers to the Teachers' Institute.

THE LAUNDRY PROPOSITION for this place seems to have died away, but the Commercial organizations are now on the outlook for an energetic industry of this kind and promise the support of the town and to help secure baskets from down the coast. Bandon should by all means have her own steam laundry. The idea of a place the size of this to depend on another town for laundry work is almost preposterous! We can support such an industry to a paying advantage for the proprietors and it will not be many days before something is done toward an enterprise of this kind. Less faith will be given to hot air propositions in the future, and the qualification of being able to show up the "goods" will be necessary to secure the support of any enterprise. The Coquille wagon that was to commence making regular trips last May, has never made its appearance and there is very little stain on the eyesight waiting for it, as it was given up some time ago. While a "Chink" would not be welcomed with outstretched arms here, he would probably do a land office business should he open a "washee washee" establishment.

IF THE FIRST PRIMER on the art of figuring up freight rates was forwarded to the persons that figure up the freight on merchandise that comes into town from Portland, and a proper application of the same is made, the entire community will be greatly benefited. Just an incident that occurred last week will suffice to show that something is radically rotten somewhere. Mr. Irwin had three tons of wood fiber shipped in from Portland a few weeks ago. The charges were \$17.25, which he paid and thought things under his breath, but this last week he received only a ton and a half over the same route and from the same place, and had to cough up \$16 for freight charges. It stands to reason that these charges are wrong somewhere. According to this last figure, the freight on the three tons would have been \$32, or nearly \$11 a ton. Here is a first class opportunity for the board of inspectors for the Railroad Commission, to get in a little of their good

work and relieve us from these outrageous charges.

THE SOUTHWESTERN VETERANS Association and the Pioneers Re-Union will be held in Bandon next week, August 28, 29, 30. Every effort should be made to make these three days ones of pleasure to the many visitors that will camp here. It has been three years since the re-union was held in our town, and we have been progressing along many lines in that period. Why not arrange an arousing celebration, one that will be remembered by these early pioneers and veterans as long as they remain with us, and let the place put on a gala attire. If you are not on the program, you can help make this re-union a glorious success by doing a little decorating. The main streets should be lined with evergreens, as it was on the Fourth of July, business houses and residences should decorate with flags and bunting. If the Fourth was an incentive to decorate and celebrate, why should this re-union not be even more so, as we will have the old soldiers and the early pioneers with us. Last year Myrtle Point was chosen as the point for celebration. They decorated their streets and buildings and the celebration was a big success. We will not be outdone and if all will help, these grand old men and women will feel that they are indeed welcome.

THE FARMER is able to sit back, away from strikes and the strife of the world and is not dependent upon anybody, and his crops have a ready market the world over. Some years he has his set-back in bad crops and low prices, but in the long run he is amply protected. The following from the Oregonian states the crop conditions in the North West this year and a flattering report is made for the farmer:

The Washington grain inspector estimates the wheat yield of the Evergreen State this year at 41,000,000 bushels. This is fully 7,000,000 bushels more than was ever produced in Washington, but we trust that the inspector has made no mistake. If Washington can show up a 40,000,000 bushel crop, it will mean fully 65,000,000 bushels in the North West, or nearly 15,000,000 bushels more than have ever been harvested in the three states. This amount would be sufficient to meet all of the heavy Oriental and California demand that now seems assured, and would also admit of European exports the palmiest days of the trade, before the oriental business became a factor. Prices have been declining for the past few days, but the figure is still sufficiently high to leave a margin of profit for the farmers.

THE NATION IS HAMPERED and is being greatly retarded on account of the strike of the Western Union employees. A few thousand men are holding business interests in which everybody is interested. It is a corporation monopoly against the labor union, and in struggling for victory the public, the toll payers who enable both organizations to exist, must suffer the loss. The telegraph officials state they are already paying all their business will permit and on the other hand the strikers declare they do not receive sufficient wages and are required to work too many hours. The telegraph company will undoubtedly attempt to conduct their business without settling with the strikers, putting new operators to work. Then the strikers will cut wires and destroy property to attain their end. In many cases the striker is in the right, but the past few years have been prosperous for the laborer as well as the corporation. Wages are higher and there is more demand for skilled labor than ever before. Agitators

traveling through the country have been the origin of this strike. Many operators that do not wish to lay down their jobs and join the strikers are compelled to do so by the union, their income is suddenly cut off, and even if the demands of the strikers are acceded to, it will take a long time before they will make enough additional to pay them for the loss of time while they were "out." All commercial business transacted over the wires is practically at a standstill; the press reports from all over the world are withheld and the public in general are have to pay for it all. Both the telegraph company and the labor organization are sufficiently backed to prolong this strike, but will the public stand by, their interests all at stake, and permit this? Government ownership is urged by some political factions, and the advocates of this doctrine are growing as the condition strikes them. Let a way be provided for speedy arbitration so the wheels of progress may again run smoothly.

### An Assured Success.

Mr. Irwin tells us that wood fiber is nothing new on the market, and has long been demonstrated as a positive success. He introduced this new finish at the bay nearly two years ago, and since then it has become very popular for inside work. A number of masons are now using this material; many use a lime with it which takes the durability out of the wood fiber. It is the cheaper mixtures that give the genuine plaster a hard name. Mr. Irwin tells us that he can finish a house inside and out with the fiber and guarantee it will last a life time. He uses no lime whatever, and the results obtained are best demonstrated by his work here in Bandon.

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To keep ants from the pantry sprinkle powdered borax upon the shelves.

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To remove freckles—Take two ounces of lemon juice, one half drachm of borax and one drachm of powdered sugar. Mix well and let it stand four hours. Apply once each day until the freckles disappear. If too strong, it may be diluted with a little rain water.

To remove tan—One tablespoonful of water, one teaspoonful of glycerine, one-half teaspoonful of powdered borax. Mix well and apply daily with a soft cloth.

To clear black lace—Sponge it well with a weak solution of borax, rubbing it on with a piece of old black silk or a black kid glove.

To wash flannels—Wash them in tepid water to which has been added a teaspoonful of borax to each pailful of water used. It keeps them soft and prevents in a great measure undue wrinkling and fulling.

To wash black cashmere—Wash it in hot soapsuds to which has been added one teaspoonful of borax to each pail of suds. Rinse in strong bluing water and iron while still damp.

To cleanse nursing bottles and tubes, wash them in weak borax water. If two are used—which is the best plan—keep the one not in use full of weak borax water.

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