



BANDON BEACH

MOST BEAUTIFUL

Traveling Man Says It is
Finest on Pacific

Coast

HAS SEEN ALL OF THE COAST BEACHES

Mr. Fred M. Rowley, representing the Equitable Savings & Loan Association of Portland was in Bandon the latter part of last week and in conversation with a representative of the Recorder, expressed himself as being much pleased with the conditions surrounding our little city and among other things took occasion to say that he had visited all the beaches along the Pacific coast including the famous Redondo beach of California, and to use his own words "the Bandon beach skins them all a city block." Mr. Rowley was very enthusiastic over the surroundings and also stated that he had some property in Portland which he hoped to dispose of and if successful he has his eye on five acres along the beach which he hopes to buy and will probably invest more money here in the near future. This is Mr. Rowley's first visit to Bandon, but it was the same old story of "seeing is believing," and as all others have been who have taken the trouble to investigate, he is thoroughly convinced that there is no better place than Bandon and the whole Coquille River Valley to invest money. Mr. Rowley said he had great faith in the future of this country and was willing to take a chance on it.

Better Public Roads.

We are very much interested in getting a railroad into this part of our state and it is certainly a very important matter to us all, but we cannot avoid the fact that in that regard we are at the mercy of the capitalists who have the means to construct such expensive works and we have no choice in the matter. There is however a proposition vastly more important than railroads which is entirely in our own hands and within our power to secure and that is a system of public roads. This is the only portion of the Union that I have ever known, after being more or less in twenty-four states, where so little attention is given to a matter so vital to the welfare of its citizens and the development of the country. It is strange that farm products rot by the tons within ten miles of Bandon because of the lack of roads for their transportation while we are shipping the same products from San Francisco and paying exorbitant prices for them. How much better for the people, both farmer and merchant if the productions could be marketed at home and the money now sent abroad to enrich some other section be kept in circulation among us. We would all profit by such an exchange.

It is within the personal knowledge of the writer and certainly of many others that men have allowed the farm products of Coos county to decay on the farm where it was produced and we have sent the money that should have been paid for them to people who never spend one cent of it in Bandon or elsewhere in the county. Let us have a public road kept in fair condition penetrating every section of the country and the local farmer will find a home

market for his products and the merchant who now buys from abroad and sends his money where he never again sees one cent of it, will find it coming back to his store in the purchase of other goods.

An effort is now being made to secure a public road from Bandon southeast to the intersection of the Myrtle Point and Langlois road at or near the crossing of Cutching Creek. This will accommodate a large number of people living along the line of the proposed road and give them an outlet for their products which under existing conditions is impossible. It should seem a little strange that a stretch of ten miles of country now largely settled has no public, nor even a private road for the entire distance. The little that can be carried in on pack horses is all that they are able to secure, and some residents along this route have been living there for seven and eight years. Not one pound of their products have they ever been able to market, not one cent have they been able to realize from their land during all these years.

Let the business men of Bandon wake up to the importance of this matter and assist in securing roads and thereby help the country that helps them. The county court is fair and liberal where the home people are doing something for themselves. I have referred especially to this particular case because a few poor men have cut out this proposed road for a distance of some six miles and this at a heavy loss to themselves. They are trying to get a chance to trade with the Bandon merchants, let the merchants meet them part way and help them to get into town.

A. RANCHER.

Ball Game

The ball game of last Sunday between the married men and the single lads, and they so completely walloped the benedicts that all the sting of defeat was wiped out and now there is nothing but the glow of victory standing out before them.

The married men were so jubilant over their former victory and talked so much about it that they were all out of form and could not stop or hit a ball.

Billy Hohn and Tom Lewis did the twirling stunt for the single lads and had the benedicts on the water wagon all through the game.

The married men started out pretty well for the first couple of innings but were unable to keep up the good work. They showed signs of over feeding their wives having treated them extra well during the week as a result of their victory the preceding Sunday.

It had been hoped that another game could be played to decide the championship, but the benedicts are so chagrined over their defeat and were so completely conquered that they could not rustle up enough courage to try it again and so the ball season for 1908, so far as Bandon is concerned, is a thing of the past.

Perkins-Tupper

Last Thursday Sept. 17, 1908, at Gold Beach, Curry County, Oregon, Miss Jessie Tupper of Coquille became the bride of Kenneth Perkins of this city. The wedding came as a great surprise to the friends of both bride and groom though the contracting parties had been sweethearts off and on since early childhood.

The bride is twenty years of age and is the oldest daughter of Mrs. F. Tupper of Coquille while the groom is twenty-five years of age and the only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Perkins of Bandon.

ROCK SUCCESSFULLY

BLOWN FROM RIVER

Last Obstruction to Inside
Harbor Removed

Thursday

WORK ALREADY BEGUN ON PILE JETTY

On last Thursday afternoon the last rock on the inside of the Coquille River bar was blown out so that now the boats have smooth sailing up to the Bandon wharf after they once get over the bar.

This blast was under the direction of Bert Patterson, and the work was a complete success. Mr. Patterson donated his work to the harbor and he is entitled to great credit for his efforts.

The blast was fully as successful if not more so than the one which was made some time ago. Although he has been doing a little blasting for private parties this was his first attempt at such work for the public and the success with which he carried out his work will be of great value to him in the future.

The work of driving piling for the jetty has commenced and will be rushed to completion as rapidly as possible, this work is under the direction of M. F. Shoemaker and the piling is being donated by Col. Coach so that the expense will be lessened considerably and people of Bandon will extend their everlasting gratitude to Col. Coach for his generosity. The Cody Mill pile driver is being used for the work and citizens are taking hold with a helping hand to such an extent that the success of the whole venture is an assured fact and the already excellent harbor of Bandon is destined to become much improved.

When the work is complete there will be eighteen or twenty feet of water on the bar at high tide and from ten or twelve feet at low tide.

The Facts

Editor Recorder:
Allow me the privilege of your columns to reply to an article in your last week's issue concerning the ball game, more especially that portion referring to the band.

Most every citizen appreciates the fact that any local public organizations have no definite means of support, and depending wholly upon the influence of friends and its own power of attractiveness for its existence, needs the support of every citizen in order that it may exist without a severe struggle, and if meritorious, should have, if not the support, at least the good will of every citizen; anything which tends to destroy the good feeling toward any such organization, is demoralizing to its existence, destroys its social and economic benefit to the community, and serves no good purpose to anyone.

The article spoken of so far as it has reference to the band, though it may not have been intended as such if left unanswered and uncorrected can leave nothing but an undesirable, incorrect and unwholesome impression of that organization in the minds of the readers.

First, the band did not draw lots and select 6 or 7 of its members to do the music act, much to the contrary, every member of the band in town and able to attend was there, 16 in all being present, two of that number however were chosen to play in the ball game.

As to strolling to the ball park through the woods, will say that we were not requested to parade, and the writer fails to see anything derogatory in band men going there in the same manner as other people, which is the usual custom.

As to the number of times we played, will say that 8 numbers were played during the afternoon two of which were played on the street before going to the park; some of the marches were played in sections because it was impossible to finish a number between innings, and we understood from professionals that the band interfered with the game during an inning.

As to the rest of the band will say those not in attendance were either out of town on vacations or sick and unable to attend.

As to getting the money, will say for my part, I do not think anyone can accuse the band of grafting, we have played many times without charge and always feel repaid by the appreciation shown, and are always willing to do our best. However it must not be forgotten that individual members have rights and are also affected by the circumstances unavoidable, sickness and business which in turn affect the organization as a whole and make it impossible to carry out plans which it might otherwise gladly put into execution. Again I will confess that the management is not above the average of perfection, but our only prospects of improvement lies in the encouragement and support which we receive from the public.

I do not contend that the substance of that article emanated entirely from the writers own deductions, for it bore the ear marks of having some local suasion, but in conclusion will say if you can't help us don't hurt us and we will under all favorable conditions undertake to deliver the goods. It has been well said "to err is human-to forgive is divine."

G. O. P. TOPPING
For Trade.

Desirable town party in Bandon for a good team, weight about 1200 or 1300 lbs. each. Address E. M. FURMAN, Coquille, Ore.

At their regular meeting Tuesday evening the local lodge of Redmen were busily engaged in the transaction of business when a strange noise was heard from without and all of a sudden some "intruders" demanded admission. Consternation reigned supreme for a short time but when it was learned that it was only their wives, sisters and sweethearts, the Degree of Pochontas, and that they had come for the express purpose of giving them a big feed, the glad hand of welcome was extended. The Reds hurried through with their business and the remainder of the evening was spent in eating the sumptuous spread, playing games and having a good time generally.

Notice.

Any person found taking water from any fire hydrant or attaching hose to fire hydrant for any purpose other than for fire purposes will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

BANDON LIGHT & WATER CO.

Misses Mae Hamlin and Isabel Conger and J. H. Johnston went down to Port Orford on the Field last Thursday which stopped in at that place on its way to Frisco. They returned to Bandon on the stage Saturday evening.

W. J. Cantlin was down from Coquille Tuesday.

Birthday Party

In honor of his fiftieth birthday, E. Lewin last Friday evening was tendered a surprise party. All unknown to him his wife had made elaborate preparations for the evening's entertainment and shortly after eight, just as he was about to retire, the strains of the Bandon Concert band, greeted his ear. This brought Mr. Lewin to the realization of the fact that there was "something doing."

Accompanying the band was some fifty or sixty people who soon got possession of Mr. Lewin and hustled him off to the K. of P. Hall where some thirty or forty people had already assembled. Upon arriving at the hall the band played a couple of more pieces which were enthusiastically received.

Prof. Ostien was then called upon for a few remarks. In concluding he introduced to the assembly Miss Aura Conger who recited "The Way We Whipped the Teacher." This was followed by an instrumental solo played by Mrs. Willard F. Jones. Mrs. Jones was in turn followed by Mr. C. R. Wade, who sang that popular song entitled "Dreaming." Mr. Wade was well received and was compelled to respond to an encore.

Mr. Wheeler concluded the program with a few well chosen remarks, after which the assembly enjoyed itself in a social chat and a couple of quadrilles in which the younger generation, not knowing the changes, succeeded on several occasions in getting fairly "mixed." Luncheon was then announced and Mr. and Mrs. Lewin led the way to the banquet-room where a dainty repast was served. C. R. Wade presided as toast-master and in turn called upon Mr. Mast, Prof. Ostien and Mr. Wheeler to make a few remarks. These gentlemen each spoke of the high esteem in which Mr. Lewin is held, of his being a friend to all, and a jolly good fellow generally.

Shortly after midnight the party broke up after wishing both Mr. and Mrs. Lewin all kinds of good luck.

District Road Meeting

There will be a district road meeting in the town hall Wednesday evening Sept. 30th for the purpose of discussing a tax for road improvement. All voters are urged to be present. Meeting will commence at 8:00 pm.

SCHOOL HOUSE

CONTRACT LET

Main Superstructure to Cost
\$22,500 Exclusive of
Concrete Work

TO BE COMPLETED BY FEB. 15, 1909

At a meeting of the school board last Thursday night the contract for the superstructure for Bandon's beautiful new school building was let. The contract was awarded to local parties, namely, Melb Shields & Howell and the cost price is to be \$22,500. The building is to be completed by Feb. 15, 1909.

J. R. Williams, also a local contractor, had a lower bid than the one which was awarded the contract, but for some reason he was unable to furnish a satisfactory bond, and consequently withdrew his bid.

The work of erecting the building will be commenced just as soon as the concrete work is finished which will be in a short time.

Margaret Iles Co.

The Margaret Iles Co played to a well filled house here Wednesday night although the audience was not quite as large as usual.

The play of Rip Van Winkle was put on in the usual high standard of this excellent troupe. Mr. E. H. Meade as "Rip," was exceedingly pleasing to the audience and his impersonations were as nearly perfect as could well be imagined.

This is a hard play to put on a small stage but the troupe is to be congratulated very highly for their success under difficulties.

The comedy running all through the play was the occasion for many outbursts of applause and each member of the company came in for his or her share.

The Iles Co. will be here again next Wednesday night when they will play the Counterfeiters. This is a comedy drama, with comedy running all through it and all who attend are assured of plenty of opportunities to laugh as well as to see the fine art of acting, commonly known as "heavy."

AFTERNOON SPECIALS

COMMENCING October 1st and continuing as they last, each afternoon we will offer at an attractive price, one article only which we will have on display in our show-window. It will pay you to watch these sales as they will surely interest you if price is any consideration.

REMEMBER We carry a complete line of Furniture, Wallpaper, Rugs, Matting, Etc.

BANDON FURNITURE CO.