



NEW SCHOOL BUILDING NEAR COMPLETION

Work of Finishing is Being Rapidly Pushed by the Contractors

A DECIDEDLY IMPOSING STRUCTURE

The new \$30,000 school building is now nearing completion and the contractors are putting on the finishing touches as rapidly as possible. The building is an exceedingly imposing structure and will be a source of pride to Bandon citizens.

The contractors have done their work well, and every part of the building shows substantial construction. The architect even going so far as to say that they were too honest to ever make much money out of the business, as the work is all well done and nothing slighted.

Like all other public buildings the structure has cost more money than the first estimate, but it is worth every dollar that was put into it and the school board have shown good judgement in carrying out the plans. It will not cost as much to finish it all up now, while the work is being done, as to wait until later, and it is much better to have it all completed. All people who have inspected the building, even those who voted against the bonds, are highly pleased with the new structure and it is the consensus of opinion that it was the proper thing to do. Bandon never does anything by halves and the new school building is another evidence of our progressive spirit.

The Mystery Explained

Considerable excitement was lately caused in Myrtle Point, and in fact throughout the county generally, by the appearance at Myrtle Point, quantities of quartz gold, which was supposed to have come from the Enchanted Prairie district. The Enterprise stated that many believed that the mother lode, so long sought in that section, had at last been discovered, and everybody was hoping that it would prove true. Nothing was definitely known regarding the supposed "find," it was all conjecture; nevertheless the gold, which had evidently been panned out of the rocks by the use of a mortar, was in evidence, but its mysterious source was a problem. We are sorry to learn from a reliable source that the bright hopes of the mother lode having been found are doomed to disappointment. The quartz gold referred to was brought to Marshfield a few years ago by a Bay man who procured the specimens in California—our informant thinks Siskiyou county was the place. He moved some time ago to the Upper Coquille country, and lately sent to Marshfield for the specimens, which were in keeping of a relative here. They were promptly forwarded, and as the specimens in their original state were of no value to him, he extracted the gold and realized in the neighborhood of \$100 from it.—Coos Bay News.

Ladies' and babies' and children's furnishings, post cards and stationery among other things. Towels, notions and dishes galore may be had cheap for cash at the Racket Store.

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GRAND ARMY TO HOLD SERVICES

Mother's Day, School Program and Decoration Day Services to be Held

Following is a part of Gen. Order No. 6 by General Henry M. Nevins Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Through the instrumentality of Miss Anna Gasvis, of Philadelphia, Penn last year the second Sunday in May was observed or set apart as Mother's Day and services were held in many churches, and between five and six millions of people



throughout the United States celebrated the event.

The Second Sunday in May this year which is next Sunday May 9th will be universally observed throughout the land and will be a universal fete day for filial worship. The white carnation has been selected to be worn in memory of mother.

Comrades, there is no class of men living whose mothers were as patriotic, loyal and heroic as your mothers from '61 to '65. No mothers ever made such sacrifices as your mothers did and the Commander in Chief requests you, and all patriotic citizens of America on the second Sunday in May to wear in the lapel of your coat, a white carnation or some other white flower to honor the memory of your own mother, if deceased, and in reverence for her if living.

All of the schools, public and private at Bandon and in the vicinity thereof, are by request of Gen. Nevins, Commander in Chief of the C. A. R. cordially invited to hold Patriotic exercises in their several schools and grades on the afternoon of Friday May 28th—rendering patriotic exercises of songs recitations etc as the principals and teachers may arrange, with the assistance of the local G. A. R. Members and members of the Womans' Relief Corps one member of which will assist each school or grade.

This being Friday preceding Memorial Day and a part of Memorial exercises, it is hoped that it will be universally observed.

Memorial Divine Services at Bandon will be held at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday May 30th at 11 o'clock a. m. Memorial sermon will be preached by A. Haberly, Rev Geo. H. Roach expecting to be absent. All other churches and their pastors and the public are cordially invited to unite with us and make this a union memorial service occasion.

In memory of and reverence for the soldiers, sailors and mariners who gave their lives for their country and their flag, and for us who survive them, and for those who come after them.

By special invitation the choir of the Presbyterian church will render music for the occasion, assisted by the choirs of all the other churches in Bandon, who are hereby cordially invited to meet at the Presbyterian Church at 7:30 p. m. on May 12, 19 and 26, respectively or practice. C. B. ZEEK, Commander Bandon Post G. A. R.

FIRE DESTROYS WAREHOUSE SUNDAY

Freight All Removed and Loss Confined to Building Only

ORIGIN OF FIRE IS NOT KNOWN

The large warehouse occupied by the A. F. Estabrook Co. was destroyed by fire at an early hour Sunday morning. The fire was discovered about 3:30 o'clock and at this time had gained considerable headway, having leaped to the hay in the upper story and was also burning the roof.

The origin of the fire is not known but it evidently started in the west end of the building, either on the second floor or leaping to that place in very short order.

Fortunately the fire was discovered in time so that all of the freight was removed excepting about ten tons of hay which was destroyed.

The building was badly damaged but it was not a very substantial affair and the loss will not be exceedingly heavy.

The fire boys did excellent work, and the pressure at the hydrants was good so that there was plenty of water at all times. The fire engine did good work after they succeeded in getting up steam but the general opinion is that it was the city water that saved the day.

There was no wind and consequently it was much easier to hold the fire under control than it would have been, had the nor'wester been coming in at 25 or 30 miles an hour, however, the affair was bad enough and all breathed a sigh of relief when it was seen that the blaze was completely under control.

The fact that we will have fires no matter how careful people may be is a reminder that every preparation possible should be made for the successful fighting of the terrible fiend.

The new hose recently purchased came in good play and the wisdom of the council in buying it was much in evidence.

Mr. Scott's Declination

Washington, April 30—The following letter was obtained for publication today:

"Office of the Associated Press, 195, Broadway, New York, April 23, 1909—To the President: Since you did me the honor several weeks ago, to offer me the Embassy of the United States to Mexico—the appointment to be made some months hence—I have carefully considered the matter and have reached the conclusion that I must decline the honor.

"It is solely the state of my own business that induces me to this conclusion: for I assure you that I am deeply sensible of the honor as well as of the complimentary manner in which the offer was made.

"It has seemed proper and even necessary that I should make an early declaration of my decision, in order that my name, so kindly suggested by yourself for this highly honorable distinction, might not stand as an obstruction to such future action in the premises as the President may desire to take. Very respectfully,

"HARVEY W. SCOTT."

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SPECIAL ELECTION ON JUNE FIRST

Will Vote on the Incorporation of Outside Platted Additions

At the regular meeting of the city council Friday night, among other important business transacted, an ordinance was unanimously passed, designating Tuesday June 1st as a special election day to vote on the proposition of incorporating the outside platted additions adjacent to Bandon.

In conversation with a number of the outside residents, a representative of the RECORDER was informed that most of the voters were in favor of coming in, as they see the advantages that would naturally come to them by being residents of the city, and the extra taxes would be exceedingly small.

To enumerate the many advantages that would come to the proposed district such as the extension of the electric light system, the city water, the fire protection, building of sidewalks, building and grading of streets etc. would take a long time, but suffice to say that it will be much better for both the city and the proposed district that the vote be favorable to annexation.

The election is called on June 1st so as to give the newly incorporated district an opportunity to vote for city officers at the regular city election which will be the fourth Monday in June or the 28 day thereof.

The proposition should, and no doubt will carry by a good majority.

County Ball Meeting Soon

At a meeting of the Marshfield baseball fans at the Blanco last evening, it was decided to call a conference of representatives of the various towns in the county with a view of reorganizing the Coos County Baseball League for the coming season. A. F. Burkhardt being elected manager of the Marshfield team and the representative of this city to the conference. It is likely that the conference will be held within a week or so. Chas. Baxter of Coquille, has given assurance that Coquille will be in sure and Fred Johnson has announced that North Bend will be ready. There is some question as to whether Bandon will be in again this season, R. E. L. Bedillion not desiring to assume the management again and no one there being able to take his place. Myrtle Point is talking of organizing but of course nothing definite can be done until the county session is held.

North Bend so far has assembled a better home talent team than any of the towns, unless it is Coquille. Several of last year's players are still in Coquille and Harry Gardner, Coquille's star pitcher of a year ago, is expected back there soon.

Sunday, North Bend had its team out for practice. Burkhardt expected to have the Marshfield candidates out up there but owing to a misunderstanding only four of them showed up. However, those four were recruited and a practise game played. McFarland who was imported as a pitcher for North Bend the latter part of last season is still a resident there and is ready to pitch again.—Times.

City Transfer

All kinds of draying and transferring FOR SALE—mill wood from Cody's mill \$2.00 per load. Coal sold and delivered at lowest prices. J. Jenkins, Prop.

RIVER MAY GET DREDGE OREGON

Congressman Hawley Working With Chief of Army Engineers on Project

FROM THE BAR TO MYRTLE POINT

The following telegram was received from Congressman W. C. Hawley, by Orvil Dodge, in reply to a letter recently written by Mr. Dodge to Mr. Hawley. The telegram reads: Washington, D. C., May 1, 1909: Hon. Orvil Dodge, Myrtle Point, Ore. "Have urged engineers to use Dredge Oregon in opening Coquille river. Engineers from here leave for West Monday, and will look into the matter, think we can get use of dredge if engineers be shown that needs of commerce require it." Signed W. C. Hawley.

It would seem from this that it will be an easy matter to get the dredge if the proper effort is put forth and now is the time to get busy. Some one should be sent to Portland to meet the engineers when they arrive, and as Mr. Dodge has been gathering data and information showing the commerce and wonderful products of this river and valley, as well as the capital invested, he would probably be as good a man to send as could be found. Something should be done at once, now that the government shows a disposition to help us, we should immediately do something to help ourselves.

Now is the time to work for the Port of Coquille River with a diligence that spells success. If the dredge can be secured and the Port Commission is organized, the future of the Coquille river as a great seaport is assured.

The question that now confronts us is whether we will sit idly by and allow our opportunities to slip or whether we will take advantage of them and thereby greatly enrich ourselves. The tax to keep up the port, which would not be over three mills at the outside would not be a drop in the bucket as compared to the wonderful growth and development of the valley, and the money paid out for taxes would be restored to the property owners ten fold in ten years. In fact it would simply be an investment that would insure 100 per cent on the outlay and then double that up two or three times.

Should Have Fruit Cannery

Among the other rapidly growing industries of Bandon we should have a fruit cannery as this is one of the greatest fruit countries on the face of the earth, just as much money can be made here as in Hood River, valley, Yakima valley or southern California, if the proper attention is paid to the work, and a market for the product is furnished. Owing to the limited means of transportation it would be almost impossible to compete with these other places on account of their excellent transportation facilities, but with the addition of a cannery the problem would be easy. It would be thousands of dollars in the pockets of the fruit growers and a great dividend payer for the capital invested.

Seed grain at the Bandon Cash Store.

BANDON CONCERT BAND TO CELEBRATE

Arrangements Already Under Way for Big Time on July Fourth

The Bandon Concert Band has decided to celebrate the Fourth of July in this city and arrangements are already under way for the big event. That it will be a success goes without saying as there is great enthusiasm over the event, and Bandon has the finest park in Coos county.

We are unable to give out the program at this time as that part has not been fully decided upon as yet, however we can say that the program will be one, fitting to the great day and that nothing will be left undone that will insure the success of the project.

The citizens of Bandon should and will take hold of the proposition and help boost it to a successful culmination, and Bandon will retain her reputation of being the most hospitable and best entertainer of any city in Coos county.

Hume Estate Gets New Boat

Fureka, Calif., May 3—The power boat Katata, recently purchased by the R. D. Hume Company to be operated between this city and the Klamath in the place of the Dawn, which was wrecked a year ago, was taken off the Foundry ways following an overhauling made necessary by damages sustained in a rough trip up the coast from San Francisco.

It is expected that the Katata will make her first voyage from this port to the Klamath, soon. She will take on part of her cargo from the wharf of the Pacific Fuel Company.

Lumber Trade Has Inning

Washington, D. C. May 3—The lumber schedule and the income tax amendment to the tariff bill received special attention from the Senate today. Senator Piles replied to Senator McCumber's appeal for free lumber and represented the views of the timber states of the Northwest and the Pacific coast. Senator Borah will maintain the constitutionality of an income tax in a speech later.

Carried Long Ways

About fourteen men carried Cleve Cox from Sixes on a stretcher Friday, it being impossible to move him otherwise owing to the condition of the roads. Cleve stood the trip "like a man" and now being near medical assistance we hope he will soon be well.—Langlois Items in Port Orford Tribune.

Notice to Trespassers

Notice is hereby given that all persons found trespassing on the premises known as Queen Ann Cottage will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

15-4t Rasmussen Bros.

Presbyterian Church

Services will be held at the Presbyterian Church, the first, second and third Sundays of each month at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School and Christian Endeavor at their usual hours. All are welcome.

G. H. ROACH, Pastor.

Our Historical Society
Cody H. Hall