



MONEY IN GOOD ROADS

T. B. Wheeler Gives Statistics to Show That Land Value is Enhanced

CITES MANY IMPORTANT INSTANCES

MR. EDITOR:—Some time ago a very good editorial on the importance of and necessity for a better system of wagon roads for Coos county appeared in the columns of your paper. Seeing nothing further I have thought a subject of such vital importance to the development of our county should not be allowed to drop. In an article written by C. Carter for the Technical World Magazine some very significant facts and figures are given showing a remarkable increase in land value as a result of road improvements. I select only a few of the many instances given.

1st, Union County, New Jersey, with no road system found farming unprofitable and trade uncertain and each year found the people poorer. George Nevins, a farmer, offered his 123 acre farm for \$50 an acre on easy terms but found no buyers. Then a good roads craze broke out and sixty miles of Felford road was built by the county, poor as it was, passing the Nevins farm, he then sold it for \$200 an acre spot cash but soon regretted his haste as it advanced in a short time to \$300 an acre, and conditions changed from poverty and depression to prosperity and independence.

Madison county, Tennessee, invested \$300,000 in roads and found that two mules could haul ten bales of cotton to market over the new roads where it had required four mules to haul three bales over the old, and what was more to the point the farmers found that the actual cash market value of their lands had increased from 25 to 300 per cent.

In Park county, Indiana, one man at his own expense built one mile of improved road, from this started a road improvement spirit and the county experienced the first real social and intellectual upheaval and prosperity in its history and now the state has planned to spend \$8,000,000 on improved highways.

Daviess county, spent \$200,000 improving her roads and found that a million dollars had been added to the market value of adjacent property.

Evidence is on file in the agricultural Department at Washington showing that in many instances farm values have been enhanced from \$50 to \$500 per cent by road building alone.

In the face of these facts we seem to be asleep to this important subject till reduced to a final conclusion the situation resolves itself to about this:

The United States has the worst roads of any civilized country in the world, Oregon has the worst roads of any state in the Union and Coos county the worst roads in Oregon.

T. B. WHEELER.

Concluded next week.

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.

WIDE PUBLICITY FOR OREGON

Oregon Development League Advertising the State Extensively

Portland, Ore., June 29—"Oregon is the place for you," has been the slogan brought to the attention of 5,000,000 people of the country through a big advertisement in the Saturday Evening Post, placed by the Portland Commercial Club, and the same message has been sent to 1,000,000 more through other publications. Reasons why Oregon is the state of opportunity have been presented. The 92 commercial bodies of the state having membership in the Oregon Development League have been given an opportunity without cost to them to answer immediately thousands of new inquiries about Oregon. Never before has Oregon been so well known and interest in the state so generally aroused. All that is needed to get the best results is for the commercial bodies to take advantage of the opportunity and make those home-seekers familiar with their sections by sending them literature and answering inquiries.

That Oregon has immense trade possibilities with China, which offers a great market for the manufactures as well as the raw products of this country, is the opinion of Quan Kai, a wealthy Chinese merchant of Hong Kong, who has been a Portland visitor for the past few days. He believes an era of closer commercial relations with the United States is about to dawn for his country and he welcomes a larger commerce with the Pacific Coast. Quan Kai says his country is entering upon a period of expansion and must have railway materials, machinery of all kinds and manufactured products in addition to the lumber, wheat and flour, the chief commodities secured from this coast, saying that his people prefer to trade with this country rather than with the English and German exporters who have the bulk of this trade at present.

Bandon Concert Band

Following is the street concert which will be given by the Band Saturday evening July 3rd.

March, selected
Waltzes Golden Wedding (new)
Euphonium Solo "Image of Flowers," Chas. S. Kaiser. (new)
Operatic Melodies (new)
Recollections of the Civil War (arranged).

Synopsis
1 (Morning Gun) (Reveille)
(Parade of Regimental Band)
(Guardmount)

2 Evening in Camp on the Potomac representing the Union and Confederate Armies.

3 Union Band playing National airs.

4 Confederate Band responding with Dixie and Southern melodies.

5 Assembly

6 Battle of Gettysburg, July 1, 2, 3, 1863

7 Retreat of Southern Army

8 Surrender of Vicksburg, July 4, 1863

9 Victory and Rejoicing.
Star Spangled Banner
E. B. KAUSRUD, Director.

Returns With Bride

L. A. York, returned last Friday with his bride from Nehalem and they are now residents of Bandon. Mr. York is pushing his business as hard as ever and seems happier than ever in the pursuit of the same. Mrs. York was formerly Miss Johanna Large, and the wedding occurred on June 3rd at her home in Nehalem. The happy couple will have the hearty congratulations of hosts of friends.

BIG PREPARATIONS FOR CELEBRATION

Hose Race and Other

Sports, Fine Literary

Program

FREE BAND CONCERT IN THE EVENING

That Bandon will have a big celebration Monday July 5th is now an assured fact. Everything is practically in readiness, and those who have charge of affairs are determined to make it the biggest, grandest and best celebration ever held in Coos county.

A big list of sports has been arranged such as racing, jumping, tug of war etc. and in the evening there will be a hose race between the Marshfield fire department and the Bandon fire department. This race will be up town in the evening and will be free to all. This one feature in itself will be worth coming miles to see.

The Bandon Concert Band will give a free concert on the streets Saturday evening. It had first been arranged to give the concert in the opera house, but it was later decided to make it an open air concert and free to all. This will be another feature that will be worth coming a long ways to hear. In fact there will be one round of good times from early morn until late at night. Everybody should arrange to come and bring all their friends. Come real early and stay real late. You will be entertained every minute in the day.

There will be a ball in the Bank hall after the Band Concert Saturday night and a grand ball in Oriental hall Monday night. There will be plenty of music and a good time is assured to all.

Prizes For Sports.

Following is a list of the sports and prizes for the celebration next Monday:

Races	1st	2d
Boys under 15,	\$2	\$1
" " 10,	1	.50
" " 8	1	.50
Girls " 15	2	1
" " 10	1	.50
" " 8	1	.50
Ladies 50 yd free for all	2	1
Mens 100 "	3	2
Needle and thread	2	
Egg and spoon	1	
Sack race	1	.50
Greased pole	2.50	15 and under.
Greased pig	pig	
Mile race	\$5	\$2.50
Pie contest	1	
Evening, hose race		
100 yd dash, bicycle race.		

Notice to Redmen

All members of Lewah Tribe and all visiting members of other tribes are notified to meet at Concrete Hall in Bandon Monday July 5 at 9 o'clock a m to take part in grand parade.

By order of Commander of Lewah tribe.

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. CEO. ROACH, pastor.

THE MAN FROM HOME

A Story of an American by two Americans for the Americans

In this weeks issue on page five we begin the publication of a serial story, entitled, "The Man From Home" by Booth Tarkington and Harry Leon Wilson.

This is a story of an American, he is a man from Indiana and not all the traditions of European society can influence him. His triumph over the aristocracy of the old world is clever, humorous and patriotic enough to thrill every one of us.

It is a story that will appeal to all Americans. You should read it and not miss a single number. If you are not now a subscriber you should begin at once and get the full story.

We will give you this weeks issue so that you will get all of the story. The subscription price of the RECORDER is \$1.50 per year, 75 cents for six months or 50 cent for four months.

Big Attendance at Fair

The attendance at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition having passed the half million mark at the end of the first three weeks, means that the undertaking is an assured success from a financial standpoint. It is the experience of all fairs that the first month has the fewest visitors, so that July, August, September and October ahead, it is estimated that between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 persons will pass the big gates. The big travel from the East will be in next month, and according to railroad men, it is to be something unprecedented. Every one is boosting for the A. Y. P. It is a remarkable fact that all mediums of publicity have sounded its praises. The newspapers, periodicals and magazines are giving it space and crying for more stories and pictures. The exploitation department, under the direction of James A. Wood, is working night and day to supply the demand for press stuff. Director General I. A. Nadeau declares that the exposition is going to prove the best investment ever made by the people of Washington because of the visitors it is attracting here. The prediction is made that next years influx of newcomers will exceed all previous records as those who come this summer will go home and during the winter months they will spend their time talking about the Northwest to such an extent that not only they, but all their friends will be leaving the old home for a new one in this great land of promise in 1910.

MARINE

ARRIVED

June 26—Bandon, Ewart, from S. F. 4 1-2 tons mdse.

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June 28—Schr San Buena Ventura, Bergerson, light.

June 29—Wilhelmina, from Coos Bay, Christensen, 72 tons mdse

June 20—Fifield, Jensen, from S. F., 72 tons mdse, 10 passengers.

SAILED

June 28—Elizabeth, Olsen, for S. F. 2000 bbls veneer, 32 cords matchwood, 7 tons butter, 8 cases woolen goods 3 tons wool, 2 tons mdse, 225 m lumber, 13 passengers.

June 28—Bandon, Ewart, for S. F. 390 m lumber.

June 29—Wilhelmina, Christensen, for Coos Bay. 600 bbls veneer, 12 ton hides, 4 1-2 tons mdss.

STEVE GALLIER REELECTED MAYOR

Boak, Mast, Windsor, Ras-

mussen, Manciet, and

Morrison Councilmen

WADE FOR RECORDER, TOPPING JUDGE

The city election passed off very quietly Monday, and the vote was light, there being but 207 votes cast.

For Mayor, Stephen Gallier had a big lead over L. J. Radley, receiving 167 votes to 31 for Radley, for municipal judge, Geo. P. Topping, the only man on the ticket, received 136 votes and for recorder, C. R. Wade received 143. E. E. Oakes received one vote for municipal judge and A. D. Morse one for recorder. These votes were purely complimentary as neither of the gentlemen were candidates.

For councilmen, J. W. Mast received 168 votes; G. Boak 146; R. W. Windsor 139; Ne's Rasmussen 123; Herb Manciet 120; H. F. Morrison 107; M. Breuer 100; R. C. McKinnis 84; H. C. Ostien 71; W. F. Disher 43; E. Lewin, 45; J. C. Shields 13 and John Langlois 5. The names of Shields and Langlois did not appear on the ticket and Lewin had previously announced that he would not serve, hence their light vote.

The council as elected will be: Mast, Boak, Windsor, Rasmussen, Manciet and Morrison. According to the city charter the three receiving the highest number of votes will hold office for two years and the other three for one year. In view of this the two year men will be Mast, Boak and Windsor and one year men, Rasmussen, Manciet and Morrison. These are all good men and the city will be in good hands for the next two years at least.

Four Mile Notes

Miss Hazel Shields returned to town having spent a week at the Cope ranch.

George Cox's mill broke down last week, a wrist pin breaking causing about a ten day lay off.

H. P. Clausen has just completed a large piece of slashing, which will be of great value to his dairy ranch.

The rain was a welcome visitor but a number of the ranchers have hay down so did not care to see it last long.

Rube Gardner who has spent the past few months working on his Four Mile ranch, went to town the first of the week to accept a position in the L. S. S. at Bandon.

The telephone men of whom we made mention last week as repairing the main telephone line came up for a load of supplies and to spend the Fourth with their families.

The Whiticker Bros. well borers of Bandon, dug a well for school district 81 on Four Mile. The well is the deepest in this part of the country, being 42 feet.

PETE

Card of Thanks

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Ames.

RUNS THROUGH ISLAND OF OIL

Steamer Alliance Takes Petroleum Bath on Way to Portland

Portland, Ore., June 26—For a distance of 15 miles the steamer Alliance, Captain Parsons, arriving from Coos Bay, ran through a sea of oil, the contents of the cargo of Standard Oil Barge No. 91, which was wrecked near the mouth of the Columbia river several weeks ago. The liquid fuel has spread out until it extends from the latitude of Cape Mears to Tillamook, and the sheet is estimated to be nearly a mile wide.

Until the Alliance steamed through the sheet there was not a gap in it, and after she would proceed a short distance the dark oily product would again flow together and cover the path. When viewed at long range the material could easily be mistaken for a sand spit out in the ocean. It was slowly drifting to the southward and remaining intact. None of it stuck to the hull of the steamer. The captain says it can do no possible harm, but he intends to make a detailed report of the matter to the hydrographic office.

A gigantic uprooted tree was also sighted by the Alliance, which is regarded as a menace to navigation. It lies in the direct path of steamers plying between the Columbia river and Coos Bay. This obstruction was between Cape Mears and Look-out. Its exact position will be given Nautical Expert McNulty so that mariners may be advised to keep a watch-out for it. The tree was adorned with heavy branches, which extended far above the surface of the water, and at long range represented wreckage from a ship.

Obituary

Renich Robert Ocheltree was born in Cedar county, Iowa, June 25, 1855, where he spent his early boyhood days and in 1864, when but nine years of age, he crossed the plains with his parents and in 1877 he was married to Miss Sarah Virgil at Ashland, Ore. To this union nine children were born, all of whom are living except the oldest, who died in infancy. His wife preceded him to the home beyond about four years.

Mr. Ocheltree was an invalid for a number of years and death came as a sweet relief, although he was a patient sufferer and hopeful christian. He was a member of the Brethern Church of Myrtle Point.

Mr. Ocheltree died Saturday June 26, 1909 at the age of 54 years and one day. He was at the home of his daughter Mrs. A. N. Ames of this city when the end came.

J. R. Green of San Francisco president of the Bandon Creamery Co. was in Bandon a few days last week and this. He came up on the Elizabeth and returns on the Plant. Mr. Green went over the dairy district of Coos county and says he finds conditions much better than in California. He also says that dairymen here will realize twice as much per cow from their herds as the Californians, owing to the fact that grass here is much better and feed, consequently, more plentiful. He also stated that the Bandon creamery butter was receiving a fine reception in San Francisco, and was selling with the Humboldt, Calif. butter, which has always been considered the best on the Pacific coast here-to-forge. This certainly speaks well for Mr. Young the butter maker and Mr. Pressey the manager of the local creamery.