



## FAST WORK ON FAT ELK DRAINAGE

Large Ditch Will be Completed by Middle of Month

## RECLAIM LARGE SECTION OF COUNTRY

Report comes from the Fat Elk Drainage District that work on the big ditch is progressing very rapidly and will probably be finished by about the middle of the month after which work will begin at once on the smaller ditches leading into this one and draining the land from various points.

By this drainage system about 2,500 acres of land, which has heretofore been a swamp will be reclaimed and put under cultivation, and it is some of the richest land in this section of Oregon, it will be a big accession to the productive soil of the valley. This district lies along the Coquille river, near Coquille City, and while it is directly in the territory of the county seat, it will be of great benefit to the whole valley because of the extra productivity of the soil.

The first estimate of the amount of dirt to be removed was 186,000 yards, to cover the entire system. Over 50,000 yards of this has already been removed and the big machine which was constructed in the shipyards at this place is removing dirt at the rate of two yards a minute, which means about 1200 yards a day of ten hours.

The dredging company is supposed to have the work completed by January 1st, but owing to a number of difficulties to be surmounted, they may not finish quite so soon, but it will all be completed before spring, unless something unforeseen happens.

This is one of the biggest projects that has yet been undertaken in the valley and will be of inestimable value. The promoters should receive every encouragement from the general public.

## About the Game Law

Cal Wright, deputy game warden for Coos county in reply to a communication in the Times has the following reply which will be of interest to the hunters of Bandon:

Editor Times:—In regard to a communication which F. W. Reeder had in the Times yesterday relative to the game laws, I want to say that he is clearly mistaken in their interpretation and I wish to warn sportsmen not to be led astray by them. The new game law is very explicit on the point he discusses and I will merely have to quote a couple of sections for the benefit of those who may not have ready access to the laws. They are as follows:

"Section 18.—Sinkbox, Sinkboat, Sneakboat, Skiff, Steam or Gasoline Launch or Other Boat.—It shall be unlawful at any time to use any sinkbox, sneakboat, skiff, steam or gasoline launch or other boat on the Yaquina Bay below Mill Four Slough, or Coos Bay or its tributaries, or on the Columbia River or any of its tributaries (except the Willamette and its tributaries above Oregon City), in the state of Oregon, for the purpose of shooting wild ducks, geese, swan, or other water fowl therefrom. It shall be unlawful at any time to use any sinkbox, sinkboat, sneakboat or powerboat on any waters of the

## NEW EMPIRE PRESENTED PUBLIC

Exposition at Seattle Places Alaska in New Light Before the World

Seattle, Oct. 5.—The introduction of Alaska, at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, shorn of its perpetual snow and glacial ice, presents a new empire to the commercial world, and one whose strength and richness is already being felt.

The exposition will long be remembered for its beauties of architecture, its magnificent floral features and its hundreds of other pleasing and educational features but the benefit to the great district of Alaska from the holding of the 1909 fair will be lasting.

Thousands of visitors came to the Exposition believing that Alaska was nothing more than a barren waste with a few gold and copper mines scattered here and there.

In the Alaska building they found the exhibits of the mineral wealth of the district, the fisheries, the forests and the agriculture products.

It is this same exhibit that President Taft inspected and pronounced a most comprehensive display from the North. Each year Alaska opens to the farmer larger fields of grain and the opportunities for the future for everyone are greater right now in Alaska than anywhere else in the world.

## Hazing in Coquille

The Coquille Sentinel says: "Roy Watson, son of Charles Watson charged with fighting on the street was up before the Juvenile Court. The case is the outcome of what may be called hazing on the part of the school boys and the victim in this case was Jimmie, the little son of Prof. Anderson of the Business College. The boy was severely reprimanded by the judge and allowed to go on his promise of good behaviour in the future. There have been several complaints of a like nature from newcomers and the patrons of the school are becoming rather indignant. Therefore a crusade against this sort of conduct on the part of the younger generation will be begun and it is to be hoped that it will result in the suppression of hazing in our public schools."

## Ladies Attention

Mrs. Tipton will be at Trowbridge's store with a line of ladies coats and suits, Saturday October 9th and Monday October 11th. This will be your opportunity to get the latest fashions at a minimum cost.

## Start Saw Mill

Rockwell Bros. and W. H. Dopp have erected a portable mill on S. S. Little's ranch southeast of town and have begun the manufacture of lumber they pay Mr. Little so much a thousand for his stumpage.

State of Oregon for the purpose of shooting wild ducks, geese, swan or other water fowls therefrom."

"Section 21.—Blinds.—It shall be unlawful for any person to build or use any blind, or any other structure in any public lake or river in the State of Oregon, or in the Columbia River, or in any lake in the state of Oregon which is not wholly owned by himself, his lessor or licensor, which stands more than the one hundred (100) feet out from the shore or margin of such lake or river for the purpose of shooting wild ducks, geese, swan or other waterfowl therefrom at any time."

## GOES PEARY AND COOK ONE BETTER

Divine Healer King Schlatter

Dealers He Found

Both Poles

## MAKES STATEMENT OF DISCOVERY

From Francis Schlatter, divine healer, who arrived in San Francisco recently, there comes a C. Q. D. message for Dr. Cook and Commander Peary, who are now quarreling over the discovery of the North Pole.

"I have discovered both the North pole and the South Pole," announces the latter modestly. "I found the North Pole in 1877 and the South Pole in 1892." Schlatter's modesty is also typified in his strange signature on the register of the 'Planters' Hotel at 298 Second street. He signs himself simply as King Francis Schlatter and with him is registered Prince August. Prince August officiates as affidavit man.

"We did not give our story to the world before declares" the King "because we did not think anyone would believe it." The King is evidently imbued with the idea that the world is becoming credulous. He believes that the "I'm from Missouri" spirit is rapidly dying out.

"Now that Cook and Peary have reached the Pole and described conditions that do not and could not exist there, we do not intend to let the American public be imposed upon when we know from actual experience that neither man's story could be true."

"It took us until April 7, 1877, to reach the North Pole," said Schlatter. We went to Upernavick, Greenland, where we got sixty dogs and some provisions and a couple of Esquimaux. After terrible hardships we reached civilization again in 1900."

Here is the wonderful part. The King tells just how it feels to stand on the pole in these words:

"Within twenty miles of the Pole the air becomes very rare; so rare is it that at first it causes the blood to come to your face and makes your ears bleed. The conditions are so strange that it sounds like fiction to one who has never been there. So strong is the wind that it is a case of almost creeping to get to the Pole. It took us seven days to reach the Pole itself and three days to come back.

"The Pole itself is a small area around which the wind circles and within which there is no mind at all. We deposited a small American flag within the circle and photographs of ourselves.

## Presbyterian Church

Sunday October 10th  
10 a. m. Bible Study in the School; 11 a. m. preaching, subject, "The Vision in the Castle of Antonia." 6:30 Christian Endeavor; 7:30 preaching, subject: "The Second Son"

It is very gratifying to see the increased attendance at the Services of the church. Still there is room. You will find the sermons profitable for doctrine and practice. Meet with us.

M. E. COEN, minister.

—FOR RENT—Stock and dairy ranch. Apply to this office. 37f.

## ENTHUSIASM AT ROADS MEETING

Representatives From All Parts of County at Coquille Last Week

A number of Bandon citizens went up to Coquille last Thursday afternoon to attend the good roads meeting held in that city Thursday evening.

The representatives from this city state that there was much enthusiasm at the meeting and that the consensus of opinion was in favor of making rapid strides toward the construction of permanent good highways throughout the county.

Representatives were present from North Bend, Marshfield, Bandon and Myrtle Point. A. H. Hammond was elected temporary Chairman and Geo. Moulton temporary Secretary. The question of county roads was immediately taken under discussion, and especially the building of the road from Coos county to Roseburg by way of Coquille and Myrtle Point. This route seemed to meet the universal approval of those present, and although it was conceded that other highways should be and would be built, this road was the most necessary and should be built first. It was decided that, as it was impossible under the law to bond the county for the necessary funds to build the road, the most feasible plan would be to tax the residents, with their consent, on each side of the right of way, and thus secure the funds.

Road building and road material was thoroughly discussed. Crushed rock appears to be the best material for permanent road work, and as there is plenty of the proper kind of rock along the proposed route, there will be no scarcity of material. Such a road it was estimated, would cost \$5,000 per mile.

A permanent organization was effected to be called the Coos County Good Roads Association. A. H. Hammond was elected permanent chairman, Geo. Moulton permanent secretary and A. J. Sherwood, treasurer. This organization will work at all times for better roads in Coos county and for a good wagon road to connect with the railroad at Roseburg.

Committees from the various towns were appointed to look after the interests of better roads in their immediate community. The committee from Bandon is composed of R. M. Pressey, C. R. Wade and G. T. Treadgold.

## Foot Ball in High School

The Bandon high school has organized a foot ball team with every indication that it will be a winner, and with the introduction of foot ball into the athletics of the high school, there comes a demand for more enthusiasm on the part of the people. No team no matter how good it may be, can win without the support of the people it represents. And this is especially so in the case of this team because it is new and inexperienced.

For the past week the team has been practicing faithfully, and before many days are past the Bandon High School will have a team that will make someone sit up and take notice. There will probably be some of the fastest games of the season played here as the team will, of course, play better on its home field. The team will play games with every high school in the county that is represented by a team. If you want to see Bandon win attend the games and "Root"

The RECORDER one year for \$1.50

## BIG MEETING OF W. O. W. LAST NIGHT

Head Consul I. I. Boak of

Denver Delivered the

Address

## VERY GREAT ENTHUSIASM PREVAILED

For the first time in the history of Coos county the National officer of a fraternal organization is now in the county.

This distinguished gentleman is Head Consul I. I. Boak of Denver, head officer of the Woodmen of the World, one of the largest insurance orders in the United States. At a public meeting in K. of P. hall last night, Mr. Boak addressed a large audience on fraternity and his remarks were greatly applauded by those present. Mr. Boak is a forceful speaker and can hold his audience with ease. F. B. Tichenor, of Portland general organizer for the W. O. W. was also present and delivered an address after which a banquet was served by the local lodge.

It had been intended to initiate a large class of candidates last night, but this had to be abandoned owing to the fact that the degree staff from Portland could not be present however, there will be a big initiation later as about 35 candidates have already been secured and the campaign is going right on under the direction of Mr. Smith, district organizer. There was also a program carried out last night by local talent.

## Closing the Rogue to Fishing

An order has been made by the county judge of Curry sanctioning the sale by the widow of the late R. D. Hume of the salmon cannery plant at the mouth of the Rogue and the business will probably pass to other hands.

For thirty years or more the Hume interests have held an absolute monopoly of fishing at the mouth of the Rogue, through ownership of twelve miles of land on either side, and for a distance of miles on either side along the ocean. From this monopoly a large fortune was created, spent mostly in California, where the late "lord of the Rogue" resided.

The Rogue is more important to the 50,000 or more people along it and in its tributary valleys as an angling stream than as a commercial fishing proposition for the benefit of a monopoly. Hundreds of tourists from all parts of the country come annually to fish for its trout and this influx of money spending pleasure seekers, increasing in volume each year, means a greater revenue to southern Oregon than the salmon. The angling is a source of recreation and pleasure to the residents.

Were the commercial fishers to confine themselves to salmon, there would be little complaint, but since the erection of a cold storage plant a few years ago at Wedderburn, the fisherman are exterminating rainbow trout, erroneously classified under Oregon laws as steelhead salmon. These rainbows or steelheads are of little value for canning, hence are refrigerated and shipped to eastern markets.

Legislature after legislature has refused to listen to the voice of the people of southern Oregon, to reform the situation and save the trout

## GRANGE LODGE ORGANIZED HERE

Big List of Charter Members and Much Enthusiasm Among Ranks

Bandon Grange, the most westerly in the United States, was organized last Saturday by State Deputy Cyrus H. Walker, with 40 charter members.

There are now five granges in Coos county; the four lately organized by the above deputy, and the one at Myrtle Point organized several years since. Coos county is now entitled to two sets of delegates to the State Grange which meets at Oregon City the second Tuesday of next May.

The following are the officers of Bandon Grange: Master, Frank F. Eddy; Overseer, J. A. Cope; Lecturer, M. G. Pohl; Stewart, Emma J. Hite; Assistant Stewart, Ella Young; Chaplain, F. M. Sanderlin; Treasurer, R. M. Pressey; Secretary, D. H. Jackson; Gate Keeper, J. R. Burnett; Ceres, Fannie Eddy; Pomona, Pauline Hunt; Flora Della Cope; Lady Assistant Stewart, Polly C. Randleman.

Coos county will certainly be heard from as never before in grange circles, and Bandon will be famed all over the U. S. Deputy Walker returns to Albany, Linn county, this week, well satisfied with his work and gladly willing to help boost our county.

We are glad to announce at this time, that beginning with our next issue we will begin the publication of a Grange Corner, which will be in charge of F. F. Eddy, Master of the newly organized Grange and he will have something of interest to say each week.

## Dissolution of Partnership

We the undersigned doing business under the firm name of Young & Parker at Parkersburg, Or. have this day dissolved partnership by mutual consent. All accounts due or against said firm to be settled with W. C. Parker.

Signed:  
J. E. Young, W. C. Parker. 39 5t

## 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.

by permitting a short season and the Hume interests still enjoy the longest open season of any fishers in the northwest. Hence an initiative petition will be submitted to the people of Oregon at the next general election to close the Rogue to commercial fishing entirely, and restore natural conditions, making the Rogue the greatest fly fishing stream in the world.

There need be no conscientious scruples about putting the Hume fishing monopoly out of business. Ten times, yes twenty times, the cost of the improvements have been realized as profits by the Hume monopoly, which has never shown any scruples in its dealing with the public, paying its halfbreed fishermen about a quarter of the wages paid on the Columbia.

If the rapidly diminishing supply of trout in the Rogue is to be saved from total extermination, commercial fishing, the use of seines, gillnets, traps and other devices for the destruction of the finny tribe must cease, and it will cease if the voice of the people of southern Oregon is heeded.—Medford Tribune.