

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

A Daily Chronicle of those who come and go, and events of local interest.

Go to Caves—Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Baughman, accompanied by Miss Nell Purvis, left yesterday on a trip to the Oregon Caves, returning at night. They report a fine and good roads.

Is Improving—Mrs. Agee, a tourist who has been ill at the local hospital for some time is much improved. Her husband is here, working as a carpenter at the Southern Pacific depot. They expect to be able to resume their travels within a month.

Completely Recovered—Mrs. J. J. Murphy of the Boulevard, who has been ill at the Community Hospital is now recovered and was discharged from the hospital yesterday afternoon.

Interesting Party—A party consisting of H. W. Gardner and wife, their two sons, R. K. Gardner and wife, Miss Thelma Searles and Horace W. Gardner were registered at the Hotel Ashland last night. The party, who live at Berkeley, made the trip north over the Roosevelt route to Portland and on the return, came to Ashland from Medford by way of Crater Lake and Klamath Falls. Mr. Gardner is the Western Union chief at San Francisco.

Here on Business—Mr. Wm. Bailey and daughter of Weed were Ashland visitors yesterday and today. Mrs. Bailey having made the trip in the interests of the Weed hospital, with which she is connected.

Swift Man Here—E. D. Agnell of Portland, who is a representative of the Swift company and the man who decorated many local store windows with Swift exhibits, was a business visitor here today.

Weed end Guests—Mr. and Mrs. R. W. White, of Independence, Oregon, are weekend guests at the home of A. L. Sherard, on East Main street. They are former Ashland residents, having lived here 11 years ago. They declare that Ashland has improved and grown wonderfully since they were last here.

Returns from Salem—Mr. John Dill returned home yesterday from a trip to Salem and Portland, where he took an examination for admission to the Oregon Bar. Mr. Dill states that over seventy aspirants took the two-day examination, and that the results may not be available for several months.

Plan Trip to Lake—A party consisting of Ray and Elmer Dix with Mrs. Ray Dix and Ruth Purdy plan a trip to Crater Lake tomorrow, returning Sunday. They intend to go as far as Prospect tomorrow, and complete the trip and return on Sunday.

Makes good Catch—Charles Rush, a well known local boy, was in Ashland last night, having returned from a fishing trip. He refused to state where he made the catch but declared the fish were so thick they fought over the bait.

Back from Lake—Rev. Judson Oldfield and his wife, who recently took a trip to Crater Lake, returned yesterday. They report a most enjoyable time and state that the roads are in fine condition.

Buys Car—Mr. Le Blanc of Oak street, is driving around in a 1918 Buick car which he purchased yesterday from the Dix and Son garage.

Here from Berkeley—H. C. Shaw, with his wife and daughter, of Berkeley have been visiting in Ashland since Monday. Mr. Shaw is superintendent of the Postal Telegraph company in San Francisco and is a close friend of Mrs. C. M. Summers of Alameda, formerly of Ashland.

Plan Long Trip—A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Dom Provost, with Clyde Young and Esther Kleinhammer, will leave tomorrow morning in the Provost car on a vacation trip. They plan to go as far north as the Canadian border, returning by way of coast points. They will probably be gone for two weeks.

State Pay Here—Members of the Ashland unit of the Coast Artillery Corps that attended the summer camp at Fort Barry, will be glad to know that the state pay for the trip, amounting to \$8.50 per man has

at last arrived and will probably be issued at the regular drill next Monday night.

Calls on Police—W. Blake of Grants Pass was a visitor at the local police office today, checking up on records. About a year ago, pilferers stole some articles from Mr. Blake's car, and ever since, he has been checking up in an effort to locate the thieves.

GOVERNOR HART CHIEF SPEAKER AT LONGVIEW LONGVIEW, Wash., July 12.—Governor Louis F. Hart, was the principal speaker at the dedication ceremonies of the city of Longview today. The entire community here and at Kelso declared a holiday and joined with the hundreds of visitors in making it a gala occasion.

A free barbecue at noon, Hawaiian singers and dancers, vaudeville stunts, airplane maneuvers, fireworks and athletic contests were held. The Hotel Monticello will be dedicated in the evening.

CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY MEN TO MAKE STATEWIDE TRIP

RED BLUFF, Calif., July 13.—Preparations are going rapidly forward for the trip of California Highway Commission members and other officials both federal and state, together with a large delegation from Tehama county, over the Susanville-Red Bluff Road through Lassen Volcanic National Park and various sections of this region en route to Alturas, where on July 21st, a big road meeting is to be held. The proposed trip will bring to Red Bluff members of the state highway body, Congressman John E. Raker, C. H. Sweetser of San Francisco, district engineer of the federal bureau of public roads; Paul G. Reddington of San Francisco, head of the federal forest service for this district, and Dr. E. F. Able of Alturas, president of the Modoc Development Board, and others, all of whom will join the party.

GRANTS PASS "CAVEMEN" EXPRESS APPRECIATION

A letter received early this week by Secretary Fuller of the Chamber of Commerce from the "Wild and Woolly" Grants Pass Cavemen expressed great appreciation for the entertainment they were shown while here during the celebration on the Fourth, and thanked the secretary for the prize they were awarded as being the most novel costumed group in the parade.

BIG GOLD STRIKE MADE IN SHASTA COUNTY MINE

REDDING, Calif., July 13.—One thousand dollars in gold mortared out of fifty pounds of ore is the showing claimed by Charles J. Heath of Trinity County during the last few days. He said he made the find in a new prospect, four miles down Trinity River from the Five Pines Mine, between Leviston and Trinity Center.

The strike has caused a flutter in that part of Trinity county akin to the Coffee Creek excitement in 1896 following the finding of the famous nugget by the Graves brothers. Heath pounded out the gold in a hand mortar, and has shipped it to the mint. He estimates that the ore he found near the surface averages \$50,000 to the ton. While there is not a great quantity of the very rich ore, he has prospected the ledge enough to show that he at least has a lot of low grade gold quartz.

Only week before last, Heath took out a quantity of ore in a single day and mortared out nearly \$600 worth of gold.

G. Forrester of Los Angeles was an Ashland visitor yesterday. Grants Pass—Tokay grape crop to reach 35 carloads this year. Not—New 25,000-foot daily sawmill started here. Siuslaw sawmills tap new timber supply for 50,000 feet daily. Roseburg—\$17,745 contract for Mill Creek section of Loon Lake road let.

COMING EVENT Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 17.

ESOP'S FILM TABLETS THE MOUSE CATCHER



At Felix had no peace nor rest. The rats proved such an awful pest. So he gave Henry Cat the job to rid him of the rodent mob. Ben went to work and in a trice he had a tank swarmed full of mice; too full in fact, it burst in twain and rats and mice were free again. The moral is: "What'er you do is not complete until you're through." —Esop, Jr.

WOMAN ACCUSED OF HUSBAND'S DEATH

LOS ANGELES, July 13.—Mrs. Walburga Oesterreich, widow of Fred Oesterreich, a former Milwaukee manufacturer, is held in jail here while police again investigate the circumstances surrounding Oesterreich's death. The hysterical woman emphatically denied the stories told to the officers by two men that she asked them to dispose of two revolvers which she is supposed to have had in her possession. She maintained that burglars shot her husband a year ago.

MANY TOURISTS REGISTER AT ASHLAND AUTO CAMP

The Ashland Auto Park was nearly filled to capacity last night, as the usual large number of motorists were registered. The following drivers of cars were registered last night:

- Miss Lucy Cassidy, Berkeley. J. N. Failing, Porterville. C. Dalen, San Francisco. J. W. Sloop, Redlands. G. Hunter, Long Beach. A. R. Jones, San Francisco. J. McKee, Perrysdale. H. Koch, Portland. D. Black, Glendale. A. Austin, Pasadena. D. T. Andrews, Pasadena. A. P. Rhoades, Longmont. L. Alward, Redding. Mrs. A. L. L. Voigt, San Francisco. J. W. Anslan, Portland. C. Lambers, Portland. A. Dunn, Mullinsville, Kansas. A. Compton, San Jose. C. Boart, Los Angeles. M. Parker, Manhattan, Montana. F. C. Bailey, Los Angeles. F. J. Fallmon, Los Angeles. F. Chesmon, Puyallup. C. P. Richardson, Seattle. Dick Chalemon, Spokane. L. M. Kickey, Soledad. R. Hanna, Pullman. E. J. Tibbets, Roseville. A. A. West, Pocatella. S. Cullen, Hercules. R. West, Seattle. E. Thompson, Los Angeles. G. Mesman, Albany. J. Sellers, Albany. J. M. Wiley, Portland. J. Whittaker, Medford. J. R. Andrews, Palo Alto. F. T. Herick, Beckley, Calif. D. Hubb Cottage Grove. B. J. Garrett, Glendale. J. Bonneau, Oak. H. Chally, Albany. A. P. Harrison, Portland. H. Bonchett, Portland. J. M. Byrne, Seattle. Elmer Hough, Wellsburg, West Virginia. O. R. Orendoff, Portland. J. G. Honye, Vancouver. B. C. Dr. L. A. Strak, Shenniston, West Virginia. H. Hucheliff, Vancouver. B. C.

In addition to this, about ten cars remained over from the day before.

Salem—First car loganberries shipped east.

Hoo River—First market road south paved at \$25,000 per mile.

Marshfield—New bank costing between \$25,000 and \$40,000 to go up.

Astoria—Lumber cargoes past week totaled 4,000,000 feet.



SUNBURN

If your skin is so tender that you expect sunburn, rub it with Vicks before exposure. After sunburn, apply Vicks gently—do not rub in. It soothes burn and often averts blisters. For any outdoor vacation, Vicks is "standard equipment." It eases attacks of hay fever, asthma, catarrh and summer colds. Fine for sore feet, too.

VICKS VAPORUB OVER 17 MILLION JARS USED YEARLY

WEED COMPANY BUYS LARGE TIMBER AREA

YREKA, Calif., July 13.—The biggest business deal in the history of Siskiyou County was believed to have been concluded this week when the Weed Lumber company filed a deed to a vast area of forest land in the eastern part of the county, bought from the McCloud River Lumber company.

While the amount involved in the transaction was not made public, the revenue stamps on the deed indicate that the price paid for the McCloud River company holdings was \$2,750,000.

The timbered area acquired by the Weed Lumber company is in the territory of the company's plan at Weed, said to be the largest lumbering and lumber-manufacturing camp in the world, and the purchase of the area means that the company has acquired sufficient material to keep the Weed plant in full operation for the next decade.

Whether the company plans to enlarge its plant to take care of its increased holdings, has not been announced. However, it is known that help is being constantly added and that the timber-cutting force has recently been considerably enlarged.

The consummation of this deal marks the second big lumber transaction within the past two months, the Pickering's having acquired the Dwinell holdings in Butte Valley, at an outlay of more than \$1,000,000.

Smaller transactions in both the eastern and western part of the county since the first of the year have involved more than \$5,000,000 worth of Siskiyou county timbered property.

FIND GOLD NUGGETS IN RAINBOW TROUT STOMACH

YREKA, Calif., July 13.—It is reported here that Fred Cleland, of Garretson Springs caught four rainbow trout in Beaver Creek and that each trout gave up several gold nuggets of diminutive size. Frequently fish caught in Beaver Creek or near its juncture with Klamath River, have gold in their stomachs.

HARDING BELIEVES ALASKA NEGLECTED

ABOARD THE U. S. TRANSPORT HENDERSON, en Route to Alaska with President Harding.

Charter No. 104 Reserve District No. 12

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE STATE BANK OF ASHLAND

At Ashland, in the State of Oregon, at Close of business on June 30, 1923.

RESOURCES

- 1. Loans and discounts, including redactions shown in items 29 and 30, if any \$131,360.48
- 2. Overdrafts secured and unsecured 50.96
- 3. U. S. Government securities owned, including those shown in items 30 and 35 if any 15,400.00
- 4. Other bonds, warrants and securities, including foreign government, state, municipal, corporation, etc., including those shown in items 30 and 35, if any 8,657.80
- 5. Banking house, \$6000.00; furniture and fixtures, 3,209.01 9,209.01
- 6. (a) Cash on hand in vault and due from banks, bankers and trust companies, designated and approved reserve agents of this bank 32,891.19
- 10. Exchanges for clearing house and items on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank 2,639.76
- 11. Checks on banks outside city or town of reporting bank and other cash items... Total cash and due from banks, items 8, 9, 10, and 11, 37,000.57
- Total 201,678.82

LIABILITIES

- 16. Capital stock paid in 25,000.00
- 17. Surplus fund 5,000.00
- 18. (a) Undivided profits 5,836.74
- (b) Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 5,102.93 733.81
- DEMAND DEPOSITS, other than banks, subject to reserve:
- 23. Individual deposits subject to check, including deposits due the State of Oregon, county, cities or other public funds 80,867.23
- 24. Demand certificates of deposit outstanding 430.00
- 25. Cashier's checks of this bank outstanding payable on demand 1,391.90
- Total of demand deposits, other than bank deposits, subject to reserve, items 23, 24, 25, 26, 32,689.13
- TIME AND SAVINGS DEPOSITS, subject to reserve and payable on demand or subject to notice:
- 27. Time certificates of deposit outstanding 5,527.80
- 28. Savings deposits, payable subject to notice Total of time and savings deposits payable on demand or subject to notice items 27 and 28, 88,255.88
- Total 201,678.82

STATE OF OREGON, County of Jackson, —ss.

I, G. G. EUBANKS, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. G. EUBANKS, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of July, 1923. G. H. BILLINGS, Notary Public, My commission expires June 5, 1924.

Correct Attest: W. J. MOORE, W. E. BLAKE, J. H. FULLER, Directors.

July 16.—President Harding believes that the "Alaska problem"—what is to be done with this vast territory now lying dormant and stagnant because of years of Government neglect—is destined to become one of the paramount problems confronting the American Government for the next fifty years.

Obviously, he believes, the present policy of letting things drift cannot be long continued, else Alaska will again be abandoned to the natives from whom it was wrested.

Fifteen thousand American settlers have left Alaska in the last ten or twelve years—due largely, according to officials, to the difficulties which the Government placed in the way of their making a living, and to the lack of governmental support.

Red tape, the centralization of authority in Washington, lack of roads, and the inability of pioneers to "get action" from Washington, 5,000 miles away, are the principal causes assigned by Alaskans for the decline in population and the dwindling of commerce and industry.

Country Is Neglected The history of Alaskan administration since it was acquired from Russia by purchase in 1867 is one of neglect. That much is frankly admitted by officials of this and other administrations. The only reason has been lack of public interest and unwillingness of Congress to appropriate enough money for pioneer work.

The total area of Alaska is 590,384 square miles—about one-fifth as large as the United States proper. In those nearly 600,000 square miles are mineral, food and timber wealth that is inestimable. All it needs is development.

Only a small part of Alaska actually has been surveyed under the rectangular system used to throw public land open to homestead entry. Out of the 378,165,760 acres comprising the Territory only 1,600,000 acres have been gone over and surveyed by the General Land Office.

Population Dwindles The population of Alaska presents an interesting problem. For years after America acquired the Territory there was a steady increase in population. Ten years ago, as a result of long neglect, the population began to dwindle. Its permanent population is now fixed at about 55,000, of whom only one-half are whites. The other half are Indians and Eskimos.

Along with the decrease in population has come a corresponding loss in commerce and trade. In 1920 the total commerce of Alaska was \$106,000,000. In 1921, only a slight recovery, although the figures are not yet available. Alaska's greatest resource is its mineral wealth. No one knows—

the experts can only guess at how much gold, silver, copper, zinc, antimony, tungsten there is concealed in the towering mountains that march in serried ranks across the face of the Territory. Tremendous quantities of coal and lignite have been expertly estimated.

Oil there seems to be in abundance, and the prediction is not infrequently heard that it will not be many years before American motorists will have to depend upon Alaska to furnish their fuel.

The principal commodity furnished by Alaska, aside from minerals, is fish. Salmon, herring, clams, shrimp and other sea foods are taken from its waters in immense quantities, resulting in a great canning industry. Last year there were shipped from Alaskan ports more than \$31,000,000 in fish products.

Not Always Icy The popular conception of Alaska is that it is a great, cold, forbidding place. As a matter of fact, there are many months in the year when straw hats are worn, and in the southern valleys crops are grown just as in the American Middle West.

The principal difficulty in agricultural development is not the climate, although that is a big factor, but clearing the ground. There are few roads, and the difficulties of transporting machinery are enormous.

The forests of Alaska have been described as the most magnificent in the world today. The value of the timber runs into many millions of dollars, and it has scarcely been touched, owing to difficulties of transportation. They cover an area of more than 20,000,000 acres, and estimates of the merchantable timber standing along the coasts of the Territory have run around 75,000,000 board feet.

It is estimated that with careful management these forests can be made to permanently support a pulp and paper manufacturing industry, with an output equal to one-third of the present consumption of pulp products in the United States.

Congress authorized its building in 1914 and appropriated \$56,000,000 for the job. The route was chosen and officially approved by President Wilson in 1915.

It begins at Seward, at the head of Resurrection Bay, runs over the Kenai Mountains, across

the Metanuska Valley and up the Tanana River to Fairbanks, 467 miles away.

Including branch lines, there are now 543 miles of railway operating—carrying passengers, freight, express and mail. The Alaskan railroad has erected a hotel at Curry, the half-way point of the system, for the benefit of tourists and it is expected the Presidential party will stay there one night.

The road has not been a financial success, showing a deficit of approximately \$1,000,000 a year. Its existence, however, is absolutely necessary.



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