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**LOCAL WETS MAY GET BUSY**

**PLAN SPECIAL ELECTION FOR NEXT NOVEMBER.**

**Community Somewhat Divided on Liquor Question—Ballots Would Express Public Sentiment.**

There is a movement under way in Cottage Grove to call an election in November for the purpose of voting on the liquor question under the Home Rule bill, and petitions will probably be placed in circulation within a short time. This question was up last spring, when a petition with a sufficient number of names was ready for presentation to the proper authorities, but at that time it was held that an election could not be held until this fall. Those persons interested in having the town "wet" have been canvassing the situation among citizens of the community, and have reason to believe that were an election called the result would be favorable to them, though it is candidly admitted that it would not be a walk-away. If it is decided to test the matter at the polls it is highly probable that the liquor interests of the state will give the undertaking its support, sending missionaries into the local field to create sentiment for the cause. This was planned for last spring, but the campaign, as stated, did not materialize.

There is a difference of opinion among the business interests of the city as a whole regarding the liquor question. Some contend that it would prove advantageous from a business standpoint, were saloons permitted to deal on credit and the brown beverage that increases the revenue to the municipality would be derived from licenses, while others are equally firm in the conviction that better results are attainable under the condition which now obtains. The champions of the "wet" cause aver that much coin of the realm that should naturally find its way into legitimate business channels now goes abroad, never to return, and that saloons would come nearer solving the question of how to build a fence around the home dollar than any other scheme yet devised by mortal man. They claim that thousands of dollars annually go to Portland, and other "wet" towns in the valley, because King Booze attracts the owners of the coveted simonians. Thither, thus depriving the community of that which it should rightfully possess.

The "drys," on the other hand, admitting the argument, contend that "there is no great loss without some small gain," that Cottage Grove today is a well-regulated, peaceable and law-abiding community whereas under the former order of things it was a hotbed for vice and crime, immoral and indecent; that money that once went over the bar now finds its way into the cash register of "the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker" for the necessities of life and such luxuries as can be afforded, thus eliminating want, distress and poverty, and creating a happy and contented condition. There are merchants who transacted business under both reigns who want saloons, feeling that their financial condition would be bettered, and there are others who contend that under the present modus operandi they are more prosperous. But the law provides that an election may be called to decide the question, and if the "wets" have a desire to test their strength they have a pe feet right to petition for such an election. It would mean a bitter local fight, but it would settle a question concerning which there now appears to be doubt.

**Hophouse Destroyed By Fire.**  
The hophouse of Chas. Walker, located near Saginaw was destroyed together with 6000 pounds of dried hops at an early hour Thursday morning. The cause of the fire is unknown, but the blaze is known to have started in the top of the building between the cupola and the chimney. Fifteen minutes after discovery of the fire, the building was a heap of ruins. Mr. Horton, Edward Lajoie and John Wright were at the hop house at the time, and succeeded in taking out all moveable articles. Another half day of picking and Mr. Wright would have finished up his yard. The insurance is \$1500 and the loss is at least twice that amount.

**Fixtures Have Arrived.**  
The interior finish, furniture and fixtures for the First National Bank have arrived, and work is progressing as rapidly as possible. It is not probable, however, that the banking room will be ready for occupancy much before the tenth of October.

**Benton Wins Again.**  
Benton county, for the fourth time in succession, walked off with the capital prize of \$300 for the best county exhibit at the State fair. The display was collected and arranged by W. F. Groves, and the exhibit was financed by the Corvallis Commercial club. The other winners in the order of award were Clackamas, \$250; Polk, \$200; Columbia, \$200; Clatsop, \$100 and Coos \$100.

**GRAIN CROPS ARE BUMPER PLAN TO BAR ALL HUNTERS**

**VALLEY FARMERS ARE REALIZING IRRIGATION'S AID.**

**Double Amount of Return Given to Farming Community Well Watered During Dry Season.**

The conditions in Cottage Grove and vicinity were never better than they are this year. The grain crops are all harvested and nearly all the threshing done. The yield is good. The hay crop was never better. There has been a large immigration to this territory in the past year, that has caused many large tracts of land to be cut up into smaller tracts, and the result is that fourfold more has been raised on the same land than before. The farmers are just beginning to realize that with irrigation, even in the Willamette valley, more than twice the crops can be grown on the same land with water during the dry season.

Last season three farmers, Currin, Stocks and Spray, put in an irrigation ditch three miles long, running through their farms, that covers about 800 acres of good farming land. Stewart & Porter Bros. have put in a ditch this season that covers 300 acres on Mosley Creek and have set out a large tract of this land to apples and pears. At Lorane, 12 miles west of here, the Churchill-Matthews Company and the Milwaukee Orchard Company have set out over 1400 acres of apples and pears.

Many smaller orchards of from 10 to 20 acres have been planted here in the past three years.

Cottage Grove is an important point along the Southern Pacific system. It enjoys terminal rates on its exports of lumber and in all the important matters of passenger transportation is accorded distinct advantage. The mining industry has aroused considerable interest this summer on account of the rich ores that have been discovered in the West Coast properties. There are 31 lumber mills tributary to Cottage Grove, a score of which are within 20 miles of town. The employees of these mills trade in town and the monthly payroll exceeds \$50,000. Timber experts estimate that there is 160,000,000 feet of standing timber tributary to Cottage Grove, and it is \$7.50 per thousand for logging and milling expenses, paid to labor, will involve an expenditure of \$125,500,000 and will take 30 years to move it.

**ELKS PLAN MINSTRELS.**

**Rehearsals Under Direction of One Experienced in Blackface.**

The Antlers' Club has completed arrangements for holding a minstrel show sometime in November. The rehearsals will be under the direction of F. H. Hall, who has had considerable personal experience with blackface. The first rehearsal will be held next week, and from that time until the rising curtain on the opening night drill will be the order of things with the participants. The songs and jokes, all of which are a year's vintage, will have a local atmosphere with gentle quips on local men and conditions. The announcement of the names of the members of the club who will tread the boards as blackface artists will be made later.

**Navigating the Coast Fork.**

Albany Herald: Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Burrows of Portland arrived here yesterday afternoon by canoe from Cottage Grove on their way home. Mr. Burrows is a mail clerk in the city department of the Portland postoffice and he and wife are taking their annual summer outing. They shipped their canoe and outfit to Cottage Grove Friday of last week and started down the river, reaching here yesterday. Both Mr. Burrows and his wife are very skilful with a canoe and despite the bad weather have enjoyed the trip. Below Cottage Grove they encountered bad water and Mr. Burrows had a tip over and lost his coat and one shoe.

**Schools Open Monday.**

The public schools opened on Monday, and the increased attendance is but another evidence of Cottage Grove's substantial growth. The schools never opened under more favorable conditions than this year. The teachers were elected with great care, and perfect harmony will doubtless prevail in all branches of school work throughout the year. Superintendent H. E. Inlow is confident that good results will be accomplished.

**Barney O'Neil Demented.**

Marshall Snodgrass Saturday received a letter from the authorities of Oregon City, asking information concerning Barney O'Neil, who, it was stated, is in that city in a demented condition. Mr. O'Neil went to Oregon City some time ago to look after some property interests, and was not of sound mind then.

**PLAN TO BAR ALL HUNTERS**

**PROVISION FOR PROTECTING OF LAND AGAINST FIRE.**

**Contract With State Game Warden, Making Property Game Preserve, Does the Business.**

There is a law in the State of Oregon which may be made to serve a wonderfully valuable purpose, if its provisions were more widely known. The recent agitation requesting the governor to suspend the hunting season, to the end that the damage from forest fires might be minimized, calls attention to the above mentioned provision. It is one of the privileges of the State Game Warden to make private reservations. When once this is done, it is unlawful for any one to hunt game birds and game animals on the land so set aside.

An impression has prevailed that private owners would suffer some inconvenience, were they to take advantage of this act. On the contrary, there is no expense involved, on the part of the owner, nor is the land withdrawn from any useful purpose. It is merely contracted between the owner and the State Game Warden that the land described shall be regarded as a private reserve, upon which no hunting, either by outsiders or the owners himself, shall be lawful. The hunting and killing of varmints, however, can be carried on by special permit from the warden in charge. The owner merely agrees to act in the capacity of Deputy Game Warden for that particular piece of property, submitting such evidence as he gathered to the proper authorities.

There are millions of acres of timber land in the state that could be withdrawn under contract with the State Game Warden, as well as hundreds and perhaps thousands of other large tracts.

Under this law, the danger from forest fire could be almost entirely eliminated, so far as its origin is due to careless hunters. This law is not only a protection against forest fire, but can be made to serve the farmers a useful purpose by making it unlawful for hunters to trespass on their land, damaging their grain and killing their stock besides making the game protection laws of the state of some consequence.

**AND THE BLACK CAME BACK**

**ALLEGED CANNIBAL TAKES ISSUE WITH CITIZENS.**

**Calls Attention to Conditions That, He Says, Obtains in Our Very Midst.**

Swackhaner, the cannibal who insinuated his presence about Cottage Grove a fortnight since, takes exceptions to The Sentinel's article of last week in which it was stated that he had been "stopped" while addressing the Adventists, and later had been excluded from the Christian church. The black writes us from Brownsville, but as we are unable to decipher the communication we herewith give it to the reader unaltered:

Brownsville Linn County, Oregon, 9, 13, 11.—To the Hon, Editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel Publishing Comp You printed in your horse papers that I was not allowed to Lecture in the S. D. A. and the Campbrites sects and der man if you will go out to the immoral park from 7 p. m. till 12, m. you will see Girls Boys who are committing crime and that it is affright that is all to that if you hold devils are so much you should clean up the immorality that is going on in that city you do more than rake me over the back that is all to that so then if you will if the S. D. A. got hot for me saying that if they could prove that the Saturday was the day that the jew kept then they was 500 miles from the teaching of the Jews. That made that one legged edward Hot I said that there were not one out of every 100 church members in the United States was Converted to Christ 75,000,000 Heathens in this country that did not go to no church and many of them that was in the Church did not have nothing but the devil in them and that is I said where is any proof that the men of any tribes ever kept the Seventh Day, except by Special request before the mount Siania Time en, 2, 2, 3, ex, 16, 1, 30, 19, 25, 20, 1, 17 verses if you are in with them you cannot prove to saved you if you was going to be bug that is all to that if you can show me any place in the New testament Where ever the Lord commanded the Gentiles world to keep Saturday I will eat your hat that is all to that you said that Marshall Snodgrass said that he ranmed me out of town last year and he went beyond his Authority but he did not do it he said that he lied and you tell Him so for me will you mister one horse Editor Gates they should have An Carfew laws in that city and they have not and that bloody Park Put light into it that is all to that if you will look around and see The Immorality in cottage groves you will have your hands full see One man in Business There told me that more Girls Women was wrong in Cottage Groves that they was When they had the Saloons and Harlots that is all to that he is busy, there that is bad but that As far as the sects the ministers would not stayed in that city Five Min, if they did not get that salary that what they are for the cash An not souls now I hope that will hold you devils for an while Elkins leaving for they were not able to pay him \$1500 Per year so he is Going yo Lebanon Oregon that is all to that Then you will see what Mean the camberlites are not converted and they do not want to hear the Truth as it is taught in the Bible they are nothing but Skeptics They dont know nothing about Change of Heart an scoff such things as Repentance that what you old devils will have to have in order To get to Heaven that is all to that By mahogany hue k'nyk loks, see that was printed in the Guard 9, 2, 11 That is all the Cannibal from Hayti West Indies Islands

By David John Henry Allyn Zamboas SwackHaner Junior Hayatin Cannibal

**REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.**

**Porter Bros. and Stewart Sell Eighty Acres Up Mosby Creek.**

Porter Brothers and Stewart have sold, through the Hemenway & Lockwood agency, eighty acres on Mosby creek to Mr. Lancaster and his son Joseph B., the consideration being \$6,400. Previous to this purchase, Mr. Lancaster sold his twelve acres just east of town to Jesse Thornton for \$2500.

W. P. Tucker of Newport has bought the F. F. Crowell place of six acres, west of Latham, the consideration being \$650. He took possession on Saturday.

**Stickers Are Tabooed.**

Orders have been issued by the postal department at Washington, D. C., and forwarded to the local postoffice, prohibiting the use of advertising stickers on the front of all envelopes and mail matter. This action, according to a government bulletin, was due to the confusion it caused in foreign countries the postal clerks there mistaking them for the regular stamp, and to curb the advertising activity of charitable and other organizations. The order does not affect the placing of printed matter or stamps on the back of envelopes. Letters being a violation of the order are returned to the sender if the address is known, or to the "dead letter" office at Washington, D. C.

**After Venke With Gun.**

Roseburg News: "H. Venke of Cottage Grove, the contractor who is constructing the South Roseburg sewer system, was forced to abandon work shortly after noon today, when he was confronted by John Stanningear and O. O. Jennings, and warned against trespassing on their property. In order to make their demands better understood, Jennings and Stanningear carried a gun which they threatened to use in the event the contractor persisted in entering upon their property. Councilman Joseph Micelli stated that the trouble was the result of a misunderstanding, and that Mr. Venke, as well as the members of the council, supposed the necessary right-of-ways for the sewer had been secured."

**Another Big Sawmill.**

One of the largest lumbering plants in the state is being built at the village of Mabel, on the Mohawk river, by the Coast Range Lumber company, which bought out the holdings of the Sunset Lumber company early this year. The Sunset company for a year or two operated a small mill but went into bankruptcy. A company was organized in Portland to take over the property and the plant and timber land adjoining was bonded for \$350,000. With this money the new mill is being erected and the village transformed into a modern milling town. The mill will have a capacity of 150,000 feet every 10 hours.

**No Grange Store This Year.**

It is not probable that the proposed Grange store will materialize this year, although the undertaking has not been abandoned. Considerable stock has been subscribed, but not a sufficient amount is forthcoming to warrant the enterprise at this time. Thos. Pearce, who introduced the proposition and undertook it, has moved to a ranch near Eugene, and hence the enterprise is at a standstill, temporarily at least.

**Overflows Pipe Clogs.**

One day last week the overflow pipe from the new reservoir became clogged, and great volumes of water poured out over the top of the huge tank and down the hill upon residence lots. Green Pitcher, the water commissioner, was forced to take up about sixty feet of pipe before he located the trouble.

**Mill Will Resume Monday.**

The new sawmill of J. H. Chambers, constructed to replace the one completely destroyed by fire this summer, is practically finished and operations will be resumed on Monday. The mill has a capacity of 40,000 per day. Mr. Chambers has kept a woods crew busy during the summer and has a large number of logs on hand.

**Fire Escapes Wanted.**

The board of directors will on Sept. 27 open bids for furnishing and erecting two fire escapes for the west side school building. Each bidder will be required to furnish plans and specifications. The board will meet on this date at the office of A. H. King.

**MARKERS HAVE TRIALS.**

The Pacific Highway markers had a tough time getting through Pass Creek Canyon, while enroute south last week,



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