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RAILROAD MEETING

Money is Being Rapidly Subscribed for Road

FARMERS SUBSCRIBE LIBERALLY

Good Speeches Were Made—Nearly Enough Money Secured to Guarantee That the Road Will be Built.

Everyone in Lane county and all Western Oregon is deeply interested in the proposed road from Eugene to Siuslaw. An enthusiastic meeting in its interest was held in Eugene Wednesday afternoon, the following account of which is taken from the Register of that place.

A very enthusiastic railroad meeting was held at the East Park yesterday afternoon. More than 300 people were present and showed their appreciation by their hearty applause and ready subscriptions to the enterprise.

The meeting opened with a lively musical selection from the Eugene military band and then Dr. D. A. Paine presented the matter in a masterly and really eloquent address, showing the boundless resources of Lane county and their need of development. He earnestly besought the people to give all the encouragement both financial and otherwise that was in their power, as it would greatly aid in getting our products into the markets of the world.

He was followed by the Hon. J. M. Shelley, who, upon the invitation of Mr. Carver, the prime mover in the enterprise, made a full statement of the project and also Mr. Carver's connection with other railroad enterprises. He stated how enough rails to build about fifteen miles of road on an extension of the Medford-Crater Lake line had been ordered by Mr. Carver and then he found he had been overbid by Portland parties, presumably agents of the S. P. Co., in the sale of the road already built, and that these rails were now enroute for Eugene and had passed Council Bluffs. That they were paid for and would be used in the construction of this line as soon as they arrived.

The speaker stated that Mr. Carver was now ready to put \$60,000 into the line; that our citizens had already subscribed \$40,000 in stock, and that only \$20,000 more was needed to be raised to make the matter a certainty. In no uncertain words he stated if the curses and kicks that had been hurled at the Southern Pacific could be transformed into dollars, there would be enough money to build the road and have 40 miles hanging out to the Pacific ocean. And that if this road were built it would be a most powerful incentive to get congress to make an appropriation to open up the Siuslaw harbor. He wanted to celebrate Independence day as the day when liberty was secured from the tyrannous oppression of British domain and also from the oppression of the Southern Pacific in Lane county.

He was followed by Dr. W. Kuykendall, who also made a stirring talk along the same general line stating that if the people ever expected relief they had to rise in their own might and throw off the yoke. The gods help them who help themselves, and if the people take hold with the right kind of spirit and push the road can be easily built, and the speaker said he was in so great earnest in the matter that he would double his subscription rather than see it fail.

The chairman then jocularly called on "Farmer" Woodcock to make an

address and he made a first class talk, setting forth the reasons why the road should be built, viz: The securing of emigration and capital, and the development of our natural resources. He said this county had received the same consideration at the hands of the Southern Pacific that the vulture gives the lamb, and it was high time to take some steps to help ourselves.

RECEIVED SUBSCRIPTIONS.

At this point F. L. Chambers and J. W. Kays moved down in front of the platform with tablets and when the call for subscriptions was made there was a hearty response, over \$10,000 having been subscribed. Many of the subscriptions being only for one share, or \$100. One woman, Mrs. Rein of Fairmount, having made such a subscription.

Louis Osberg of Cottage Grove, who had charge of the construction of the Oregon & Southern and who now looks after its condition, came in after the meeting was over, but subscribed \$1000 for stock. He came down especially to make the subscription and returned on the local. This shows he has great faith in the enterprise.

There is very little doubt but the entire \$20,000 asked for yesterday, or a total of \$60,000 will be forthcoming by this evening, and that before many days the railroad from Eugene to the Siuslaw will be under actual construction.

SILK CREEK ITEMS.

Mrs. Bunch and Mrs. B. H. Lee and daughter Mrs. Frank Taylor also Earle and Floy Lee of Divide, attended church service Sabbath.

Miss Winnie Dresser of Lynx Hollow is the guest of Miss Amy Owens this week.

Mr. Fritz Schlie killed a very nice young beef creature Tuesday.

Mr. Sanborn went away from here the first of the week.

Mrs. A. D. Owens went to town Monday.

Mrs. Kendsall and son Willie went visited Mrs. W. N. Wheeler Tuesday.

Many of the people from here attended the funeral of Mr. W. N. Crow held at Lorane Saturday. We were all saddened at the news of his death and we wish to extend our heart felt sympathy to his bereaved family in this their sad loss.

Mrs. I. N. Dresser and daughter Miss Varien returned to their home in Lynx Hollow Saturday after attending church service here.

Mrs. Mary Bunch was a guest of Mrs. M. F. Babcock Friday night.

Wednesday morning while logging one of A. D. Owens' horses fell and received a bad cut on his breast. We think it pretty tough luck.

The Babcock brothers team ran away Friday from the Medley place to Curtis Veatch's where they were stopped by "Uncle Ves" Veatch.

The closing exercises of the district school were held Saturday evening, were well attended and much enjoyed and Miss Amanda Foster had the honor of receiving the first diploma from District No. 48. The program was a very pleasing one and showed much thought and training by Miss McQueen to her pupils who on their part must have profited by the training. There were dialogues, songs and recitations, tableaux and pantomime till some expressed themselves as "tired laughing." "Women's Rights" was represented in first class style. All enjoyed Miss McQueen's songs very much and the dialogue wherein Miss Amanda Foster figured as a typical "black mammy."

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GAME LAW REVOKED

No Protection for Fish Except in the Umpqua.

LAW REVOKED BY AMENDMENT.

Through Somebody's Blunder There Is No Closed Season for Trout or Other Game Fish in Any Other River.

There is no longer a closed season for trout fishing in the state of Oregon except in the Umpqua river and its tributaries, and anglers may fish for trout at any time of the year in any river or creek in the state except in the Umpqua river and its tributaries.

This condition of affairs was brought about by the last legislature by an act which amended the old law. Its effect was not discovered until lately when Robert Shaw, Judge Webster's private secretary, discovered the effect of the amendment while noting in the judge's code the changes in the laws made by the legislature.

The closed season for trout was formerly November, December, January, February and March and was prescribed in section 2034 of the code. By an act of the last legislature this section was amended, so that now the only statute providing a closed season for trout reads as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill or have in possession any trout except salmon trout, during the months of December, January and February of any year taken from the waters of the Umpqua river or its tributaries, or at any time to take, catch, kill, or have in possession any trout, char or salmon less than five inches in length, or to take, catch or kill the same by any means whatever except with hook and line, commonly called angling."

It is held that the closed season provision of this amendment of the old law applies only to the Umpqua river and its tributaries, leaving no law whatever providing a closed season for trout fishing in any other stream in the state. The bill was introduced by Representative Jackson of Roseburg and was passed without change. The amendment is found on page 54 of the 1907 session laws.

The old section, which was superseded by Jackson's bill and is no longer in force, was:

"Section 2034.—It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill or have in possession any trout, except salmon trout, during the months of November, December, January, February and March of any year, and it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, kill or have in possession at any time any trout, char or salmon, less than five inches in length, and it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch or kill at any time in the waters of this state any trout by any means whatever except with hook and line and any one fishing with hook and line who, upon lifting the same shall find any trout, char, or salmon less than five inches in length caught or entangled thereon shall immediately, with care, and the least possible injury to the fish, disentangle and let loose the same, and transmit the fish to the water without violence."

It is generally believed that it was the intention merely to shorten the closed season, but the effect was to give the Umpqua a three months closed season and other streams no closed season at all.

The law cannot be remedied until the next legislature convenes in 1909, and many believe that by the

time an amendment could be made effective trout in Oregon streams would be nearly all fished out.

How to Kill Your Town

Fight on the streets.
Oppose improvements.
Mistrust public men.
Run the town down to strangers.
Go to some other town to trade.
Refuse to advertise in your paper.
Do not invest a cent; lay out your money somewhere else.
Be particular to discredit the motives of public spirited men.
Lengthen your face when a stranger speaks of locating in your town.

If a man wants to buy your property ask him two prices for it.
If he wants anybody's else, interfere and discourage him.
Refuse to see merit in any scheme that does not exactly benefit you.
Run down your newspapers.
Run down your officers.
Run down everything and everybody but Number One.
Talk in the barber shops and loafing places of how bad times are, of how everything and everybody is going to the "demnition bow-wow."

To Get Data on Car Supply.

The Oregon Railroad Commission has issued a circular letter asking co-operation on the part of shippers in an effort to secure reliable statistics on the subject of car supply and service, the object being to discover the cause for the car shortage. The letter is addressed to newspaper editors and is as follows:

Shippers are advised to make their applications for cars in writing and to specify in their orders the items lettered "a" to "c" inclusive in paragraph one of the regulations. The records are to be public and any shipper will be entitled to inspect the record at his station or the dispatcher's office at any time during business hours. If the record is not kept at bona fide shippers, this commission will undertake to see the practice corrected if the facts are reported to it at Salem.

At each station on every railroad in this state where an agent is maintained, and where freight is received and delivered, there shall be kept and preserved a register or record of all applications for cars by shippers, and said register or record shall give substantially the following information: (a) Name and address of the applicant for car; (b) number of cars applied for; (c) when cars will be required; (d) kind and size; (e) kind of freight to be shipped; (f) destination of freight; (g) date cars are furnished and set for loading; (h) number furnished; (i) kind and size; (j) initials and numbers of cars furnished.

All applications for cars made at any such station shall be immediately and correctly recorded in such register or record in chronological order of application. Such record shall be kept in a suitably bound book, and be subject to the inspection of any bona fide shipper during business hours.

Loggers Take Thousands of Dollars to Portland.

A large number of loggers from the Mohawk country arrived in Eugene last night and a great many more will be down tonight on their way to Portland to celebrate the Fourth of July. Each man has from \$50 to \$200 in cash, and they all declare they will spend every cent of it before returning. On account of prohibition in Lane county every bit of this money will be spent in Portland, whereas in former years it was kept in Eugene and surrounding towns. The loggers are all free spenders and create prosperity wherever they do their trading.

It is estimated that from \$20,000 to \$30,000 will be taken out of the county by the loggers with which to celebrate in Portland.—Guard.

Grass Widower But Three Days.

After having been divorced from his second wife but three days, Daniel Hanna, son of the late Senator Mark Hanna, has been married a third time, and declares that he is perfectly happy at last. Hanna's bride is Mary Elizabeth Stewart, a divorcee, formerly the wife of Frank Skelley, a hotel clerk.

STATE AND COUNTY

Items of Interest in a Condensed Form.

AS TAKEN FROM OUR EXCHANGES

A Resume of the Week's Local Happenings of the State and County Briefly Told.

A Eugene man picked 38 gallons of cherries from one tree.

A Marion county man claims to have billygoats that climb trees and browse on the leaves.

"Dam Fourth of July Celebration," is a Hermiston Herald headline. But this is not profanity; the celebration is to be held at a dam.

A Benton county man with a four-horse team hauling a ton of cream all went over a grade. One horse was killed, another injured and the cream was lost.

Fifty-eight dwelling houses have been built in Dallas since January 1, says the Observer; 10 are now in process of construction; strangers are coming to town every day, inquiring for houses and seeking places to locate; the sawmills are asking vainly for more men; every incoming freight train brings a long line of empty cars and every outgoing train draws those cars away, loaded.

With a pump that will supply to the consumers of Roseburg one million three hundred and seventy thousand gallons of water per day there is little doubt but that this city will receive excellent service during the summer season and consumers will have no cause to complain of the scarcity of this commodity.—News.

Coos Bay Times: Two schooners are unloading cement at the Gardner Mill Company warehouse for the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, which makes over 20,000 barrels of this material to be shipped there by the Southern Pacific. It is estimated that the cost of the cement now on the grounds amounts to more than \$120,000.

Eugene Guard: The Springfield Banking Co., recently incorporated in Eugene, will erect a one-story brick and stone building at Springfield this summer to be occupied by the bank which the company intends to establish there and by the Hampton Bros. dry goods store.

While crossing the S. P. R. R. track at the myrtle grove, two miles south of Roseburg, Saturday afternoon, George Turpin, of Leland, Josephine county, lost a running horse, valued at \$300, which he was leading on account of the animal's lameness. The horse was struck and killed outright by the northbound flyer, No. 14. Being almost totally deaf, Mr. Turpin did not hear the approaching train and

had barely cleared the track with another horse which he was riding when the train struck the runner behind. Mr. Turpin was returning with the horse from Independence, where a racing meet was held last week.—Review.

Grants Pass is to have but one saloon for each 500 of its population. The mayor and city council believe that one liquor house can easily satisfy the thirst of 500 citizens and an ordinance has been passed restricting saloons to this number.

Eugene Register: A sale of two timber claims belonging to R. R. Hays, by John M. Pipes, his guardian, was made at the front door of the court house on Monday evening for \$4500 to Darwin Bristow. The next morning Mr. Hays died and of course, Mr. Pipes, office of guardian ceased and it will probably be six months before the estate is administered on and the debt, can now be pretty well paid up from the income of the lumber sale.

Eugene Register: The universal report is that collections have been better this month than for many previous ones. Scarcely a man who had a bunch of bills to collect but was gratified with the ease with which they came.

He Didn't Advertise.

A Medford merchant, who doesn't believe in advertising his business nor even in reading the local newspapers "went up against" an old bewhiskered con game the other day and speedily became the possessor of a bogus check drawn for \$50. A stranger entered the store and confided to the ice cream merchant that he was about to lead a blushing Portland widow to the altar and that by way of celebrating the happy event he would need several gallons of ice cream and other confections. The merchant was delighted and took the order with alacrity. He also took the \$50 check which was tendered in payment and gave the stranger his change and a two-bit cigar, just to show that he was a good fellow. The stranger took the merchant's good coin and cigar and the trail south but later was apprehended by the sheriff and brought back.

The up-to-date con man always studies the advertising columns of the local newspapers and goes after the merchant who doesn't advertise as a dead easy game. There are still a few other merchants in the Rogue River Valley who should take warning from this story. The Summer rush of confidence men is just beginning to arrive.—Central Point Herald.

Here's more evidence that prosperity is hard to stand: In a single day, a Pennsylvania laborer dropped dead when told that he had inherited \$100,000 and a Connecticut man drowned himself after learning that \$40,000 had been devised to him. Still there are lots of us willing to take a chance at receiving that sort of news.

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