

A VALLEY OF CONTENT

BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE TO THE WILLAMETTE COUNTRY.

Attractive in Scenic Charm and Agricultural Resources Is This Peaceful Spot.

"A broad valley, rich, prosperous, and beautiful to look upon, is the Willamette, and a valley of many moods. Neither in scenic charms nor agricultural resourcefulness is its heritage restricted to a single field. There are timberland and trout stream, hill and dale, valley and mountain; rural beauty of calm Suffolk is neighbor to the ragged picturesque of Scotland; there are skylines comparable with Norway's and lowlands peaceful as Sweden's pastoral vistas; the giant timber or their relic stumps, at some pasture edge, spell wilderness, while a happy, alder lined brook flowing through a boulder dotted field is reminiscent of the uplands of Connecticut. Altogether, it is a rarely variegated viewland, is this vale of the Willamette.

"You have seen valleys which were vast wheat fields, or where orchards were everywhere; in California and abroad you have viewed valleys dedicated to vineyards, and from mountain vantage points you have feasted your eyes upon the greenery of timberland expanses; all the world over you can spy, out valleys dotted with an unvaried checkerboard of gardens, or green with pasture lands. But where have you seen a valley where all of this is mingled, where nature refuses to be a specialist and man appears a jack of all trades? If by chance you have journeyed from Medford to Portland, with some excursioning from the beaten paths through Oregon's valley of content, you have viewed such a one.

"For nature has staged a lavish repertoire along the Willamette. There are fields of grain and fields of potatoes; hop yards and vineyards stand side by side; emerald pastures border brown corn fields; forests of primeval timber shadow market garden patches; natty orchards of apples, peaches and plums are neighbors to waving expanses of beet tops. In short, as you whirl through the valley, conjure up some antithesis of vegetation and you must wait but a scanty mile or two before viewing it from the observation car."—George Palmer Putnam.

FAVORS THE PROPOSITION.

Road Signs Along Pacific Highway Approved at McMinnville.

Under the caption of "A good suggestion by Dallas paper" the McMinnville Telephone-Register has the following:

"The Polk County Observer makes the suggestion that inasmuch as automobile travel from the south this year on account of the Panama-Pacific exposition promises to be heavy during the summer, there should be an effort made to induce that travel to proceed from Salem to Dallas and thence through Independence, McMinnville, Newberg and other points through which tourists might pass with profit to themselves and to the community. The Observer suggests that this movement could be accomplished through advertising and with the co-operation of the towns mentioned. The character of the advertising would be inexpensive and would be composed largely of sign boards distributed along the Pacific highway in conspicuous places from the California line to the state capital. The course mapped out by the Observer is certainly the finest scenic route that travelers could take, as undoubtedly the west side both for scenery, agricultural excellence and rural improvement is the most famous part of Oregon. The matter is respectfully referred to the local boosters who desire to do things worth while."

Addresses Student Body.

While at Tillamook last week Judge H. H. Belt, circuit judge of Tillamook county, addressed the high school student body and the eighth grade, and here is what the Headlight says about it: "He spoke for just a short time, but said a great deal that was of concrete value. Among other things he said that success of the right kind is to be obtained through hard work, through 'perspiration' rather than 'inspiration' or genius; that every one has an opportunity once, and that it is essential to be prepared to grasp it. The speech was keenly enjoyed, and a sigh of disappointment arose from the whole audience at its early conclusion."

Free Trips to San Francisco.

No inconsiderable interest is being manifested in The Observer's offer of two free trips to the Panama Expo. as second prizes in its subscription contest, now under way. A player piano is the first prize and will be awarded to the contestant having the highest number of votes in either of the two districts; then comes the

trips, which includes free transportation to and from San Francisco, with a thirty-day limit, \$25 in gold and admission tickets to the exposition grounds. While, of course, the piano is the most valuable prize and is being diligently sought, the trips are very desirable and are attracting attention. There are no blanks in this contest. Every active worker will get a prize, but the value of that prize depends upon the amount of work done. It is not too late to enter.

POLK COUNTY

INDEPENDENCE.

The Baptist church of this city has extended a call to Rev. W. S. Stewart of Richmond, Cal., and the reverend gentleman will assume his duties and preach his first sermon here on Sunday, March 28. The Baptist church has been without a pastor for several months and its members are pleased with the announcement that Rev. Stewart is coming. He is not a total stranger, having preached here several times while attending college at McMinnville.

There will be no trouble in getting labor to complete the building of the Siletz & Valley railroad to Independence, as already a number have been here in quest of jobs. No time has yet been set for the commencement of the work but as far as can be learned, dirt will commence to fly before May 1.

The home talent production, "The Liar and the Baby," which will be staged at the Opera house Friday evening, March 26, for the benefit of the Civic Improvement league, is a dandy and will be unusually well played.

The city council has passed an ordinance requiring property owners to "keep up" the parking in front of their places by planting grass and flowers and thus maintain the beauty of the streets of the city.

At the Boy Scout meeting Tuesday night, Keith Roberts was awarded the silver cup for having the highest average in the physical contest just concluded. He had a score of 80.—Monitor.

WILDWOOD.

The Joint Literary society gave their program at Alder Grove school Saturday night, March 13. It was well attended by Wildwood, Alder Grove, Kings Valley and Hoskins. Two handcars and a gasoline speeder were used by the Hoskins people. The old, as well as young, took part and that proves that by working together, something can be accomplished.

Miss Allen, Hoskins' teacher, and Miss Bliven of Wildwood, were recent guests of Miss Pratt of Alder Grove.

Mrs. Samuel Riker returned home a week ago Saturday from an extended visit with her daughter at Newberg.

Mrs. Charlie Oleman is the proud mother of a 7½-pound girl.

Eldon Price went to Wrens to get the brood sow, which was furnished by the North Portland Serum company.

Mr. L. D. Fry, with Emmett Mason and wife, went to Wrens to get a load of furniture. Mr. and Mrs. Mason will soon move to their new home.

Mrs. Mary E. Pugh and Misses Violet and Audrey Stewart left Thursday for Vancouver, Wash.

Quite a number of teams were put to work Monday grading the road to the Siletz. The work will be pushed as rapidly as possible in order to be ready for the summer travel. The rock crusher will begin operations as soon as possible after the contract is let for the crushing of the rock.

The S. F. C. & W. Ry. is putting in a train order signal switch at the depot.—The News.

Work commenced this week at Spaulding's camp 8. Several men left Tuesday for that place.

The following election judges and clerks have been appointed to serve at the April election: Judges, J. R. Moyer, D. L. Wood and Mrs. A. E. Seymour; clerks, G. D. Treat and Mrs. Emma Hinshaw.

CHERRY GROVE-PEDEE.

Cliff and Doc Burbank made a recent business trip to Independence.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dyer and John Dyer are at Wendling, Oregon.

Bill Astrander and Miss Elsie Bush went to Dallas recently.

Recent Pedee callers were Cliff Burbank, Adam Yost, Walter West, and Johnnie Yast.

Arthur West has gone to Portland. A. R. Burbank lost two calves last week.

Gets Civil Service Position.

Merle Meyer, a young man residing in Dallas who took the civil service examination about a year ago, has received orders to report for duty at the Indian school at Fort Peck, Mont., to work as a mechanical engineer.

FIRST SIGNS OF SPRING

EVIDENCES THAT ANNIE IS ENROUTE SHOWN BY STORY.

Lover of Piscatorial Amusement Falls to Appreciate Involuntary Bath in Waters of La Creole.

Friday last was a red letter day in the lives of Messrs. Boyd and Bloom, publishers of our esteemed democratic contemporary across the way, for on that day and date these joint disciples of Walton and Guttenberg went forth to fish. While prambulating the wooded banks of the picturesque La Creole, free from business cares, and secure in the belief that Woodrow Wilson was carrying on the affairs of state in a manner that would meet with their hearty approval, now and then landing a near-size speckled beauty, they gloated over their good fortune in being able to whip the stream while others of the profess. were forced by circumstances to stick to the grind. Bloom, whistling a fresh supply of "It's a Long Way to Tipperary," betook himself apart from his companion, and the severing of this temporary tie of guardianship is where he erred, as will be more fully appreciated by the reader as he proceeds down the column of this great moral educator and family journal.

The experience of every participant in piscatorial amusements has been that the best hole is just a little further on, or on the opposite side of the stream, and there was no exception in the case of Mr. Boyd, who, espying a pool thought to abound with beauties of the desired proportions, attempted to gain the other bank by means of a foothold of uncertain strength. Being a lightweight, however he deliberately ventured out upon it, feeling certain that if the plank would support any member of the human family he had no cause for alarm. Just as he approached the middle of the stream there was a crackling sound that sent the shivers playing tag up and down his vertebra, and before he could quiet their mirth the newspaper feller was gasping and grasping in water that tickled his neck. The plank in which he had placed so much confidence had been spliced, and from it protruded an unfriendly spike. This grabbed Mr. Boyd by the west end of his frail anatomy, ripped a hole something less than a yard long in his nankens, and tore the flesh so ruthlessly that he almost uttered an oath. After having succeeded in floating to the shore, he shook the water from his apparel, meandered to a secluded spot and—meditated long and loud.

In the meantime his fishing partner, patrolling the stream, discovered the severed foothold and immediately set forth in alarm to search the rifles below for what might be left of the daring one, at the same time giving voice to a whoop that he learned in the days of yore. Recognizing Mr. Bloom's exhaust the victim of the accident soon appeared upon the scene, only to get the merry ha-ha, and a discourse upon caution, which proved to be very acceptable. Hereafter when Mr. Boyd attempts to cross a plank over a stream he will previously test it with a rubber ball.

Hops at Standstill.

It has been a long time since the hop market was as quiet as at present. About the only demand since the first of the year was from England, and the shipping difficulties have brought this to an end. Fortunately but few hops remain unsold in this state. There are no indications that the demand will revive soon.

Indian Adjudged Insane.

William Allen, an aged Indian residing at Grand Ronde was adjudged insane before County Judge Teal on Friday and committed to the insane asylum at Salem. He was immediately thereafter taken to the capital and to the institution. Allen is about seventy-five years old. He was brought hither by a member of his tribe.

The Dailies Are Slow.

From a week to three years after the Polk county newspapers publish an item of news, it gets into the Portland dailies. While the daily papers, because of their frequency of issue, are supposed to beat the weeklies, it is not the case as far as Polk county is concerned.—Independence Monitor.

Driven by Electric Motor.

An electrically driven motorcycle recently brought out in California is built exactly like an ordinary motorcycle, but has an electric motor in place of the usual gasoline engine. A storage battery of compact design, which carries a large reserve of electric power in proportion to its size, is clamped above the motor and furnishes the current for operation.

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BULLETIN

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FOR SALE—Nine extra fancy registered cotswold ewes due to lamb April first, will sell cheap considering lambs and wool. Am not prepared to summer them. Also one grey mare nine years old, weighs 1700 pounds; sound, gentle and true. Agreeable.—W. B. Allen, Rickreall. 6-2t-x

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FOR SALE—One 5-horse kerosene engine; excellent condition. Guaranteed. A bargain. Dallas Warehouse & Manufacturing company, Barham & Son, proprietors. 6-tf.

FOR RENT—18-acre wired hop yard. Complete outfit tools. One good team and harness for sale. One Studebaker 5-passenger car in first-class condition. Edwin Jacobson. 6-2t-x

WANTED—More want ads. for this column. They give the desired results. The cost is slight—only one cent a word for each insertion. If you have anything to sell or trade, or want to buy, try a want ad. in The Observer. 9t-f

WANTED—Veal calves and chickens. Will pay the highest market price. Call 5 Shorts—A. D. Line. 89-tf.

FOR SALE—Three lots. See S. B. Taylor, civil engineer, National Bank building. 3-1t.

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FOR RENT—Good house, close in, to lease by the year to desirable tenant, from April 1st. Mark Hayter. 4-tf.

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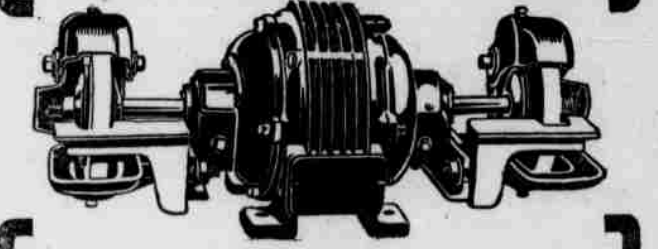
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