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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Will Work to Make Oregon Known to Millions

OREGON BANKS SHOW HEALTHY GAINS

Portland People Will Plant One Hundred Thousand Rose Bushes by Spring

An advertising campaign that will reach no less than 27,428,750 readers of newspapers throughout the country has been planned by the Portland Commercial Club and will be opened up in January and run for three months. The advertising will call attention to vacant lands of this state and the chances here for the newcomer. There is no question that this advertising will result in bringing many people to Oregon and the whole state, not any one section, will be benefited. The keynote of the advertising will be "Oregon is the place for you; 1910 the time; railroad the reason."

Oregon banks show a remarkably healthy condition, according to the report of State Bank Examiner Steel. Assets and liabilities of the private and national of the state at the close of business on November 16 are compared with the same statistics on November 27, 1908, much to the disadvantage of the earlier date. An increase of 21 per cent in loans and discounts and individual deposits is shown for the current year. Individual deposits in banks have increased \$16,103,678 over last year, certainly a strong evidence of the prosperity of the state. A gain of more than \$21,000,000 in resources of the banks in a single year is a striking proof of the advance Oregon has made during the past twelve months. This is partly due to the marketing of a large lumber cut but the high prices at which the agricultural staples were marketed had an even stronger effect on the figures. There has also been a great amount of money brought into Oregon during the past year by new settlers. This has gone into farm lands, timber and city property. Railroad activity now going forward in the state will undoubtedly have a strong effect in bringing the coming year's showing up to an even higher level than that disclosed in the latest report.

Everyone in Portland seems to be planting roses and to a greater or less extent the same is probably true of other cities of the state where the rose attains perfection. Never before has there been such a prevalent idea of beautifying cities as now and the upport lent the movement by the people in all walks of life shows that this feeling is genuine and wide-spread. Nursery-men estimate that Portland people will have planted 100,000 roses by the end of the 1909-1910 season. This includes the Fall and Spring planting. This stunt is believed to be unparalleled in the history of American cities. Estimating that each new rose-bush will bear ten blooms during the coming season, it means that Portland will have added 10,000,000 roses to its wealth of

bloom during the coming Summer. People of this city are determined to make Portland the "Rose City" in fact as well as in name and to show Festival visitors next June that this city has no equal in rose culture.

The State Railroad Commission in its third annual report just issued shows 35 miles of the Deschutes Railroad has been graded and that it is expected to have 90 miles of the new line in operation by next July. James J. Hill, who was in Portland during the past week, gives assurance that the Oregon Trunk will be in operation by next Fall so that the coming year will see two railway lines into the interior of the state.

Gaining Not Losing.

A Salem hop man just from the east reported to the Salem Statesman that "prohibition is, practically speaking, becoming a thing of the past. The prohibitionists have received blows the past two months that have staggered them." All of which is enough to make a keg of beer turn sour. Instead of prohibition being a thing of the past it is a thing of the future. Over half of the United States is under prohibition in different forms, and it has come to stay. It is true that a few cities that voted dry have now voted wet. This will occur in some cases; but it will not change the general result. The liquor traffic will continue to receive body blows that will stagger it now and down it in the end. The fight for the prohibition of a traffic that causes most of the crime and misery of the world, is not a sentiment, but a great moral issue, one for righteousness, and instead of being a thing of the past it is gaining ground by leaps and bounds.

Dallas retains its former postmaster, C. G. Code having been reappointed.

The carpenters and painters have finished their work in the new and handsome building for the Odd Fellows. Every room is finished in perfect harmony as to the color scheme and combinations. The library and ante-rooms are finished in a rich golden oak. The banquet hall is beautiful with the Mission wood-work and dark red walls softened and brightened by the ceiling in cream. The main hall is the most beautiful in the city. The floor is covered with a heavy green carpet that combines perfectly with the Mission wood-work and Mission furniture upholstered in real leather of a pleasing soft finish. The whole idea of color and harmony has been carefully studied and carried out and no expense has been spared to secure the most pleasing and lasting effects. The Odd Fellows are planning a house warming as soon as the rooms are completely furnished, possibly soon after the New Year. Great praise and credit is due the Order and committee for the grand building, which is a credit to our city as well as to the order, and for their untiring efforts in securing the present satisfactory results.—McMinnville Reporter.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ralph Chilcott and Walle Gohrke.

PROBATE

Estate of Thomas Denny, deceased—inventory and appraisal filed and approved; petition to sell personal property granted.

Estate of Nancy J. Taylor, deceased—estate admitted to probate; Clay S. Taylor administrator; bond fixed at \$400; F. M. Edgar, J. L. Jay and D. M. Pewtherer appointed appraisers.

Estate of Thomas Williams, deceased—additional bond for sale of real estate filed and approved.

REAL ESTATE

C. L. Crider to Ida Hinshaw, lot in Dallas, \$1500.

Cassius A. Smith to Hugh and Bertha Smith, right-of-way deed, \$1.

Percy W. Hibbard to Josephine Howard, lot 2, block 12 Levens LaCreole Homestead Add. to Dallas, \$10.

O. & C. R. R. Co. and Union Trust Co., of New York, to Charles K. Spaulding Logging Co., 4848.88 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$26,668.84.

C. L. Crider to Ida Hinshaw, lot in Dallas, \$1500.

Sheriff J. M. Grant to Minnie M. Massey, lots in Independence, tax deed, \$21.75.

James N. Ferguson to Catherine Cuthbert, lots in Independence, \$900.

A. M. Brock to J. H. McConnell, 160 acres, t 9 s, r 8 w, \$10.

J. E. Peck et ux to A. J. Finch et ux, 86.72 acres, t 6 s, r 4 w, \$5500.

T. V. B. Embree to H. G. Campbell, land in Dallas, \$10.

Monmouth High School wins over Dallas

Last Saturday night one of the most attractive events of the school year took place namely; a game of Basket ball between Dallas second team and Monmouth, as usual, was victorious, the score being 8 to 19 in their favor.

Three weeks ago a game was played between the same teams on the Dallas floor for which the High school reporters were criticised because Dallas won by a score of 21 to 23, and this was not reported. We would like to say, and to have you understand it was not because we were beaten that we did not report it, but because we could not get the particulars regarding the Dallas team in time to make a respectable write-up.

Christmas is Coming.

Perhaps you are wondering what to present your friends. They would like nothing better than a good photo of yourself, or of your children, as the case may be. We can supply you; good work and reasonable prices.

The Davidson Studio, College St. Monmouth.

Mesdames W. A. Tucker and Ed Fuller gave Salem a visit yesterday returning home in the evening.

Items from Falls City News

The planer whistle blew again Thursday morning calling the men back to work once more after a good long rest. The mills and camps are all working again.

Mr. James who bought the Noe place last fall has been in town the last week. He expects his brother here from the East in the spring to take charge of the place for him.

County Clerk E. M. Smith has been having a large prune orchard set out on his place northeast of town. He is planting about 1650 trees and expects to have one of the finest orchards in this section of the country in a few years.

Two boys were run in Monday evening for being in one of the public resorts. It has created considerable excitement and comment as to the justice of the law. The right of the marshal to enter certain places and send the boys out has been questioned.

F. M. Smith and W. Mizner were down from Lewisville yesterday.

Henry Yonke has sold his meat market at Dallas and was looking around Monmouth yesterday.

Ira C. Powell, cashier of the Polk County Bank gave Portland a visit, Wednesday.

Town has presented rather a lively appearance for some days and our merchants have been kept busy.

These are strenuous times for chickens; geese and turkeys. Many of them catch trouble in the neck.

The Falls City basket ball team defeated the Dallas team last Friday evening at Dallas by a score of 4 to 11.

H. S. Portwood and wife and son, Daniel, of Airlie were in town Wednesday on a shopping expedition.

C. F. Shoffin of Forest Grove was in town yesterday and as he was in company with one of our real estate men we conclude he is looking after a location.

H. D. Schmeltzer of Hillsboro was in town this week. His business is to buy up horses and he was looking around this section for that purpose.

J. W. Leonard and wife from The Dalles are visiting relatives and friends in this neighborhood. Mr. Leonard is cousin to our townsman, C. Leonard. Mrs. Girard of Independence, was with them in town Wednesday.

Frank S. Groshong of Corvallis is in town for a day or two. Mr. Groshong is a former resident of Monmouth.

The Hampton Hotel will be a good place to strike on Christmas about noon for the dinner table is going to have—who said turkey?

Old Santa Claus seems to have struck town, one night this week, and from the length of his strides, one would think that he had on a pair of the famous seven league boots, only 'twas a bare-foot track. Some of the youngsters were onto that track early in the morning trying to trail him down.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY.

Scan This Column For News on Importance From the Riverside.

Mrs. R. H. Knox was a capital city visitor this week.

Mrs. Tom Fennel was a visitor in Salem over Sunday.

Mrs. Wells of Frisco is visiting her mother, Mrs. Claget of this place.

LaDue Hill and a timber cruiser left for Black Rock on a timber cruise.

Mrs. Joe Hubbard, Fred Hooper and Charles Spurling visited Salem Tuesday.

Charley Fichard left this week for Utica, New York, where he will remain for several weeks.

Mrs. Charles Williams has returned from Salem after a visit of several weeks with relatives there.

A good program will be given by the public school Wednesday evening in the opera house. The proceeds will be used for the library.

H. Hirshberg has put the gasoline car on a regular run to Salem. It leaves Independence at 9:30 and Salem at one o'clock in the afternoon. The fare is 50 cents.

The ministers of Independence have rented the auditorium known as the skating rink for four weeks, beginning January 2nd. All the different denominations are to take part in this meeting. In the music line there will be two pianos and a large orchestra. Mr. George W. Taylor is a noted interdenominational evangelist, and his wife Carrie Beale Taylor, is a fine cornet soloist. The singing evangelist, Prof. F. F. Leonard Musical director, of New York, will have charge of the music. This is expected to be one of the greatest meetings Independence has ever had. The Methodists who have been holding meeting for some time will continue until January 2nd, at which time Union services will commence. The Methodists have been reinforced by Rev. Frank McCarthy and wife, of Port Angeles, Washington.

Merchant Riggs gave Portland a business call returning home Tuesday.

During the recent wind storm there were trees blown down, timber broken off and altogether it was rather unsafe to be abroad in the depth of the woods and each settler sought the center of a clearing as the safest place. Mr. Jeter, one of our genial 6-9 neighbors, thought at one time he was the best judge as to the best locality in which his house should stand, but now he says he will own up it couldn't have been in the right place or the Lord wouldn't have seen fit when the wind was at its height to coolly pick up and set it aside some seven or eight feet.—Sheridan Sun.