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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Portland, Or., July 4—Great benefit is expected to result to Interior Oregon from the selection during the past week of an experiment station site in Harney County near Burns. The location was picked by experts from the Oregon Agricultural College and a tract of 160 acres was selected. A capable man from the college will be placed in charge and soil problems of the interior will be solved. Proper dry farming methods will be shown and the station will serve as a nucleus for a number of other experimental farms throughout Harney County. Later it is hoped others will be established in Eastern Oregon.

A new industry has been started near Gresham, where a Japanese woman has a thriving colony of silk worms that she has raised from imported cocoons this spring. The worms are now spinning their silk and will soon develop to the butterfly stage.

September 1 is the date set for opening the railroad from Portland to Tillamook and people in that corner of the state will have a big celebration when the first train reaches Tillamook Bay from Portland.

The Pacific Highway Convention will be held in Portland August 4 and 5 and arrangements will be made by the Portland Automobile Club and representatives from every prominent city on the Coast are expected to attend. A number of automobilists will come down in their cars from Seattle. Some good work may be expected for good roads as a result of this convention and particularly for the great highway projected along the coast line from Canada to Mexico.

That the whole state will be represented in framing proposed good roads legislation is assured now that Governor West has named a commission of prominent men from all parts of Oregon to assist in the work. It is believed this will prevent a flood of hasty legislation at the next election and will give the entire state just what is needed for highway betterment.

Mining men will meet at Grants Pass on July 18. The recent finds of rich gold ore in Southern Oregon will probably make the coming convention a very interesting one. Invitations to attend the gathering have been sent to commercial bodies and mining organizations of the whole Coast.

Surveys of the mouth of the Columbia River, completed during the past week, are expected to show an increased depth of the ship channel at the river's mouth. A gain of 18 inches, or a total depth of 27.5 feet, is unofficially reported. The measurements just made show that the sweep of the river current and the tides are effective when confined to the channel and the increasing depth demonstrates the value of the jetty work at the mouth of the river.

Portland expects to send two

special trains to the Seattle Potlatch on July 21. The excursion will be made up of prominent business and professional men. Besides, the Automobile Club and the Press Club will send delegations north in a flying squadron of autos.

NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

Court House Notes.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lonor S Compton, of Independence, and Nettie L. McNeil.

Thomas Claud Huston, of Heppner, and Marietta Phillips.

FARM NAMES REGISTERED.

Cherry Grove—Wes M Elliott, Dallas.

PROBATE

In the estate of J H Burton, deceased—Ivy G Burton appointed administratrix; bond fixed at \$3000.

REAL ESTATE

Ella S Croisan et al to S W Nichol, et al, lot in McNary Orchard, \$500.

J L Bell to Alice Bell, land in Dallas, \$10.

J C Peterson et al to James H Peterson, land in t 6 s, r 7 w, \$10.

George F Peterson et al to J C Peterson, land in t 5 s, r 7 w, \$10.

O A Knox to E L Knickerbocker, 346.25 acres, t 6 s, r 6 w, \$10.

A L Goodnough et ux to Wm J Dixon, 5 acres, t 7 s, r 6 w, \$10.

Martha A Hill to Nettie E Bohannon, lot in Independence, \$167.50.

Jeter Hanson et ux to H G Bedient, 23 acres in Polk county.

Isabel C Eborall to Belinda Patee, 40 acres, t 6 s, r 8 w, \$800.

M L Thompson et al to Ray Werton, 23.25 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$10.

C J Pugh et ux to A F Courter et ux, 24.02 acres, t 8 s, r 6 w, \$1.

A F Courter et al to C J Pugh, land in Falls City, \$10.

Roy H Campbell et ux to C J and Sarah C Parsons, land in Independence Fruit Farms, \$25000.

J S Ashbaugh to Myrtle G Govro, lot in Dallas, \$900.

E L Sperry et ux to W W Ulrey, land in Dallas, \$100.

Salem.—The discovery of wholesale forgeries of names on the referendum petition attacking the University of Oregon appropriations may yet save those appropriations. Burns' detectives, working under the direction of ex-Supreme Court Justice Slater, declare that 8000 names are tainted with fraud and that at least 4000 are self-evident forgeries.

Otto Newman, who was indicted in Portland for forging signatures to the Ellis paving petitions, and is now out on bail, is named by Slater as being evidently connected by the alleged forgeries. Slater says that there are 20 more under suspicion.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.—Ancona's, R. C. Rhode Island Reds and White Plymouth Rocks. Philo system. 15 eggs \$2.00 Moore's Poultry Yard, Independence, Ore.

SCHOOL ELECTION

As a slight irregularity was found in the ballot of the school election held to bond the district for the purpose of building the new school house, the work has to be done over again and the school board has posted notices declaring a special election July 21, 1911, for the purpose of re-submitting the bonding of the district.

Now if Monmouth was infested with a class of people who took delight in placing persons in an undesirable situation, or as it is sometimes expressed, "In a hole," they might try to defeat the bonding proposition. But, we do not believe that Monmouth district has that kind of residents, neither do we think such purpose will be instituted, but that the question of bonding will carry again, and this time it should be unanimous from the fact that the school board have gone ahead in good faith, made the contract for the building and since it is done it must be paid for, and if we are not mistaken in the construction of the school law under such circumstances, the board could make levies upon the district to meet the obligations when it become necessary to do so.

However, we think such action will not be necessary nor that any such disposition is or will be manifest. The way to succeed and build up a town is to work together.

POLK COUNTY STATISTICS

Superintendent H. C. Seymour of Polk County was the first superintendent of the state to file his annual county report in the office of the department of education at Salem. Among other things the document gives the following statistics of the schools of Polk County for the year ending June 17.

Total number of pupils on register: Male 1549, female 1426, total 2975.

Number of teachers employed: Male 25, female 112, total 137.

Number of eighth grade diplomas issued: Male 86, female 90, total 176.

Average daily attendance, 2,683.40

Number of districts, 60.

Number of schoolhouses, 76.

Number built during year, 9.

Number legal voters, 2,291.

Library books purchased during the year, 833.

Total number of library books, 7,505.

Number of private schools, 2

Receipts, \$193,340.36.

Disbursements, \$179,028.19.

Cash on hand, \$14,312.17.

Estimated value of schoolhouses and grounds, \$203,250.00.

Estimated value of furniture, etc., \$21,290.00.

Average monthly salary of male teachers, \$71.21.

Average monthly salary of female teachers, \$50.00

Eggs For Sale

Full blooded Ancona, 15 eggs for \$1.50 at Mrs. J. L. Murdock's, Monmouth, Oregon. 25

County Fire Warden Appointed By State Forester

Under the authority given him by the Oregon Forest Fire law enacted by the last Legislature, State Forester F. A. Elliott is actively engaged in perfecting his campaign for the prevention of forest fires during the approaching dry season. Aside from the local fire wardens, of whom there will be about six hundred in the state, supervising wardens are being appointed in each of the heavily timbered counties. In that portion of the State having but a small amount of timber, two or more counties will be looked after by one supervising warden. Mr. Frank Heydon, of Falls City, Oregon, has been appointed to the position of supervising warden for Polk county. This appointment was made by the State Forester after a very careful consideration of the recommendations received from the principal timberland owners of this territory. Persons residing in localities not covered by a local fire warden should consult him in regard to burning of slashings and information concerning the fire law.

The supervising wardens will have general supervision over the county or district placed in their charge. They will be expected to keep in touch with the local fire wardens, whether serving voluntarily or under pay for the timber owners, county courts or otherwise, and to lend them every assistance in their power for the enforcement of the laws. They will be empowered to issue burning permits where the territory is not covered by a local fire warden, and to act as referee in cases where there is a difference of opinion between any local warden and a resident or company relative to the advisability of issuing a burning permit. Logging camps, sawmills, railroads, etc., where steam engines burning other than oil for fuel are being operated, will be inspected from time to time to see that proper spark arresters are kept in use. In addition, supervising wardens will advise with farmers, loggers, and others who have slashings to burn, instruct campers concerning camp fires, distribute copies of the law, post fire notices in places where they will do the most good, and keep the State Forester fully informed in regard to the fire situation in their district.

It is not the intention of the forest fire law that the State should be called upon to fight forest fires, and there is no appropriation made for that purpose except in extreme emergencies. The real intent, however, is to prevent fires and in case fires do get started to see that the proper persons, that is, those who are the most interested in the locality of the fire, whether timber owners, sawmill men, loggers, farmers or others, do get an adequate force of men on the ground immediately to properly handle and extinguish the fire.

Abstracts promptly furnished at reasonable rates, by L. D. Brown, Dallas, Oregon. if

PROVIDE COMFORT TO WOMEN

Special provisions for taking care of babies and their mothers upon arrival at a railroad station is the latest experiment that is being tried by the Southern Pacific Company at its Sacramento, California depot. The idea is only an experiment and is at the suggestion of one of the patrons of the Southern Pacific Company.

A special room has been furnished for the purpose just off the main waiting room of the depot and two women attendants, practical nurses, are always present to look out for the needs of the women travelers who have their infants with them. Couches have been provided for the convenience of the mothers and a number of specially constructed cots for the babies have been installed.

In this manner, when a woman traveler with a baby is compelled to wait in the depot for her train or for those who should have met her at the station, she is provided with all the comforts she would have in her own home. The nurses in charge of the room prepare a bed for the baby and for the mother and they are allowed to rest for as long a time as may be necessary. Apparatus is to be installed to facilitate the heating of the food for the infants and if the experiment proves to be a success it is possible that it may be extended by the Southern Pacific Company to all its principal stations.

The idea is not original with the officials of the company. It was offered by a woman traveler and is being experimented with, as all suggestions that are offered in this way if they appear to the officials to be practicable.

Result of Piano Vote

The result of the Chase Brothers Piano Contest is shown in the following list of names with their accompanying figures, which give the result of the ballot up to Wednesday evening, July 5.

Ruby Frame	413975
Mrs. E. Yeater	391415
Mrs. L. Mason	384565
Ruth Murdock	306580
Myrtle Withrow	239150
Ina Fishback	129794
Mrs. Mary Nott	131350
Mrs. Wm. Jones	82120
Lillian Bogert	71925
Clara Brant	61580
Hazel Lorence	60940
Lorraine Haley	51125
Dora Zook	46580
Ethel Lucas	44915
Emma Parker	41095
Mrs. J. M. Tedrow	38270
Marie Morlan	26525
Florence Burton	23110
Fay Shipley	21830
Lidia Powell	21720
Harold Haley	16315
Lora Craven	14525
Agnes Clark	12340
Erma Brown	11200
Gladys Parker	9300
Wilda Fuller	8960
Mrs. J. F. Smith	8075
Stella Chute	6330
Minnie Wunder	5750
Edith Wolverton	5070
Vern Gibson	4125
Mrs. F. Y. Mulkey	3750
Esther Moreland	2425
Amy Chaney	2100
Francis Quisenberry	1370
Mrs. R. W. Coulter	750

Zook the Painter, will hang your paper for you.