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The one marked exception is lumber, which can be bought cheaper today than for many a year past and is retailed in Eugene in many instances for less than wholesale prices.

This means that your dollar will buy more now than at any other time and this is therefore the time to spend it.

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MEETING OF HORTICULTURAL STATE SOCIETY

The following circular letter has been issued by the state board of horticulture:

Corvallis, Ore., July 15, '08.
The Oregon State Horticultural Society will meet in Portland, Oregon, December first, in annual session. It will likewise introduce the sixteenth annual convention of the Northwest Fruit Growers' Association, which organization will deliberate during the three following days.

This "Horticultural Week" in Portland will be the biggest mid-winter fruit growers', packers' and shippers' meeting ever held on the coast. Representative horticulturists from all parts of the Pacific Northwest will be in attendance, while eminent teachers, experimenters and authors from various sections of the continent will favor the convention with addresses, lectures and demonstrations.

An especially attractive feature of the occasion will be the very large display of delicious fruits including pears, apricots, prunes and nuts in both commercial pack and plate display. The Oregon State Horticultural Society will offer an exceptionally fine selection of cups for best displays, commercial pack. This in itself will bring out a lively contest and many splendid exhibits, besides there will be several most excellent non-competitive displays from the leading orchard districts.

There are a dozen first-class fruit growing sections in the northwest each one of which is just as good or better than the others. At this meeting these sections promise to outdo all former displays of winter fruits thus assuring a rare treat to our visitors from the east and over across the seas, for this is really an international event at which consumer, buyer and producer will meet for conference, discussion and good fellowship.

This announcement is for the purpose primarily of enlisting your support in behalf of the display. It is time you were thinking about what part you will take on this feature of the convention. Do something; just as much as you can. Exhibit standards in commercial packs or new or little known varieties on plates or otherwise, but for the good name of your district, do something, the best you may to keep the community credit at the top.

In a few weeks the horticultural and farm papers will have a full list of awards together with the conditions of competition. Do not lose sight of the fact that this is one of the very best places at which you can do good work for your locality. Thousands will visit the fruit exhibit and will gather from it a far

better opinion of your products than it is possible to obtain from any amount of printed matter.

As an educational event there has never been any occasion in the northwest to approach it in comprehensiveness. The association had a grand time at Vancouver last year, the best up to that date. This year the association is a year older and in consequence must be bigger, better and entitled to a greater respect. This is the most comprehensive organization of its kind on the continent and Portland is going to entertain the visiting delegates in a style befitting their rank and their glorious occupation.

You will miss a great big enthusiastic educational meeting if you are not in Portland, Oregon, December 1-5, '08.

E. R. LAKE, Secretary.

LOWELL NOTES

(Special Correspondence.)
Lowell, July 15.—A great many people are crossing the mountains now, making for Eastern Oregon and going to the Kitson Springs.

Last week four boys passed Lowell bound for Eastern Oregon horseback, and two of the boys were phoned for and overtaken by their parents and turned back. They were all minors and were hunting new pastures in which to sow their wild oats.

The railroad surveyors are still reinforcing and making preliminary surveys. They will strike the right route soon, as they are getting close to the required grade.

W. F. Gilstrap and F. R. Wetherbee, of Eugene, passed Lowell on a fishing and pleasure trip up the Middle Fork, taking in the sights and wonders of the mountains.

Grant Hyland and Clarence Melroe are pushing their barns to completion at a rapid rate, as hay-cutting time is here and they will soon be needed to store away their hay and grain.

An electric storm passed over Lowell on the 13th, and a heavy shower of rain followed, which was a great help to late potatoes and growing vegetation of all kinds. Above Rush Island it is said two inches of rain fell in two hours. There was no damage done.

The government phone line from Lowell to Hazel Dell is being put up, and it will soon be "Hello, Hazel Dell." Next will be the toot of the locomotive.

A. R. Black, of Eugene, has a force of men constructing a first-class trail to Waldo Lake.

I. E. Stevens, of this city, who attended the Democratic national convention at Denver last week, has returned home, delighted with his trip and with the convention. He states that this was the trip of his life and that he wouldn't have missed it for anything. His niece, Miss Stella Armitage, of this city, who attracted national attention by participating in the demonstration in favor of Bryan by waving a huge American flag on the platform of the convention hall, recommended Mr. Stevens as far as Portland.

JUDGE J. T. CAPLES DEAD OF PARALYSIS

Portland, July 17.—Judge John F. Caples, of this city, formerly American minister to Chile, died here today of paralysis. He was formerly widely known in the Northwest as a successful criminal lawyer.

PROHIBITIONISTS ADOPT PLATFORM OF PRINCIPLES

Columbus, July 16.—The report of the committee on resolutions of the Prohibition convention provides for the following platform:

1. The submission by congress to the several states of an amendment to the federal constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale, importation, exportation or transportation of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes.
2. Immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes in the district of Columbia, in the territories and all other places over which the national government has jurisdiction; repeal of the internal revenue tax on alcoholic liquors and prohibition of interstate traffic therefrom.
3. Election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.
4. Formation of graduated income and inheritance taxes.
5. Establishment of postal savings banks and guarantee of deposits in banks.
6. Regulation of all corporations doing interstate commerce business.
7. Creation of a permanent tariff commission.
8. Strict enforcement of the law, instead of official tolerance and practical license of the social evil which prevails in many of our cities, with its unspeakable traffic in girls.
9. Uniform marriage and divorce laws.
10. An equitable and constitutional employers' liability act.
11. Court review of postoffice department decisions.
12. Prohibition of child labor in mines, workshops and factories.
13. Legislation basing suffrage only upon intelligence and ability to read and write the English language.
14. Preservation of mineral and forest resources, and improvement of highways and waterways.

IF YOU KNEW

The merits of Texas Wonder you would never suffer from Kidney, bladder or rheumatic trouble. \$1 a bottle (two months' treatment) sold by O. J. Hull, or by mail. Send for testimonials. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is especially good for piles. Recommended and sold by all druggists.

WHO'S THE MOTHER OF THESE BIRDS?

John Baker, ex-game warden, is devoting a great deal of time to the raising of Chinese pheasants these days, and he is up against a hard proposition. He persuaded an ordinary barnyard hen to set upon a setting of China pheasant eggs. The hen proved fickle and went out on a strike. John put the eggs into an incubator. The machine was faithful to the trust and hatched out a fine brood. Then John, with his persuasive charms, secured the services of another barnyard hen to take care of the hatch. Now the question that is stirring John's mind is, who is the mother of 'em?—Cottage Grove Western Oregon.

COTTAGE GROVE NEWS

Elmer Ritchey, who has been confined in the Eugene hospital for some weeks with typhoid fever, is recovering nicely and is expected to return home next Sunday.

Wm. Van Gordon, of Mosby Creek, last week purchased the property of Tom Lee in that district. This is a valuable piece of property, containing 50 acres, 30 of which is cleared and the balance covered with a good growth of timber. The buildings are second to none in the district. Mr. Van Gordon is to be congratulated on getting possession of this property.

One of the hottest baseball games of the season is advertised to take place next Sunday at the old baseball grounds. The Garman-Hemenway Company's baseball team will take on Oakland. The boys are looking forward to the hardest fight of the season, and it will be worth any one's while to walk out to the grounds and see the game.—Western Oregon.

NEWPORT PERSONALS.

J. B. Hopkins and wife, came in from Eugene last evening.
L. H. Hale of Eugene, was among the new arrivals last evening.
J. B. Willoughby of Eugene, was one of the Eugene party who arrived last evening, to remain a month.—Albany Herald.

J. Beebe, who accompanied the Lane county cherry exhibit to the cherry fair at Salem, wired J. O. Holt, secretary of the Lane County Fruit & Vegetable Growers' Association this morning that the exhibit seat down by the association won second prize. The winner of the first prize was not mentioned in the telegram. The exhibit was a splendid one and Mr. Holt, who superintended its arrangement, was confident that it would receive recognition from the judges. Nearly every county in the valley as well as those in other parts of the state competed for prizes.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup acts gently upon the bowels and thereby drives the cold out of the system. Sold by all druggists.

STATE REVENUE FROM NATIONAL FORESTS

Washington, D. C., July 20.—In addition to the benefits secured by fire protection and by regulations which control the use of timberland and range so as to insure permanent supplies for local wants, the states having national forests now receive, under the new agricultural appropriation bill, 25 per cent of the gross proceeds derived from the sale of national forest resources. This amount, according to law, goes to offset any taxation, and is devoted to public roads and schools.

Several years ago complaints were made that the withdrawal of timber lands for forest purposes reduced the taxable areas of the states in which withdrawals were made. The forest service, quick to see the justice of these complaints, recommended at first that 10 per cent, and later that 25 per cent of the gross proceeds from the national forests should be paid to the states. As a result, the states are assured of school and road funds, doubtless more certainly than they otherwise would have been, since the permanence of the forest resources is now secured by conservative management. Had the forests never been established, their resources would undoubtedly have been exhausted by hasty and improvident methods of exploitation, leaving the land wasted and unproductive.

PROHS NAME CHAFIN AND WATKINS TO LEAD

Columbus, O., July 17.—For president, Eugene W. Chafin, of Chicago.

For vice president, Aaron S. Watkins, of Ada, Ohio.

The above ticket was nominated today by the Prohibition National convention, both men being chosen unanimously. The full endorsement of the convention, however, was not given to Mr. Chafin until after three ballots had been taken. On the first two ballots Mr. Chafin received but 195 out of 1983 votes on the first and 376 out of 1987 on the second ballot. His nomination was practically assured, however, when the roll call began for the third ballot. His own state, which had voted largely for Daniel R. Sheen, of Peoria, Ill., and the New York delegation, followed by those of Indiana and Wisconsin, came over to Mr. Chafin and on the third ballot he received a total of 836 votes. The strongest competitor of Mr. Chafin was Rev. William B. Palmrose, of St. Louis, who received 274 votes on the first ballot and 418 on the second ballot, and a comparatively small vote after that. It was evident that the nomination of Mr. Chafin could not be prevented.

Tangle Over Vice Presidency
The convention up to this time had

run smoothly and without the slightest friction. It was decided to make Mr. Palmrose the vice presidential nominee and he was named by acclamation. He declined to accept the nomination, however, and persisted in his attitude despite the strong urgings of his friends.

The convention, finding itself confronted with the necessity of naming another vice presidential candidate and many of the delegates, being anxious to catch the early night train for their homes, became involved in a deep parliamentary tangle. The rules were several times suspended and the suspensions immediately revoked. Finally it was decided that Professor Aaron A. Watkins, of Ada, Ohio, should be named by acclamation.

EX-SENATOR VILAS IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Madison, Wis., July 20.—William F. Vilas, former U. S. senator and a member of Cleveland's cabinet, is suffering from an attack of hemorrhage of the brain. His condition is reported serious.

BUILD L. O. O. F. BLOCK WITH WHITE BRICK

The brick work on the Odd Fellows' five-story brick block was to have begun early this week, but word was received from the brick works at Newburg by Sherman & Hunter, who have the contract to lay the brick, to the effect that the new kiln of red pressed brick which they had ordered for the building, upon being opened, was found to be a complete failure. The brickmakers stated, however, that they had a large supply of white pressed brick on hand and they could begin sending them right away if they were wanted. The building committee of the Odd Fellows was at once notified and a meeting was held. It was decided to take the white brick and they were ordered. They will begin to arrive within two or three days and the work of laying them will commence immediately thereafter.

The white brick will make a much better-looking building in the mind of most people than the red brick. Most of the new blocks in Portland are now being built of white pressed brick and their superiority over those built of red brick, as far as looks are concerned, is apparent to almost everyone.

WANT TO LIVE IN CITY.

(Albany Democrat.)
A couple of men bought property in Eugene this week, paying \$4,000 and \$2,500 for residences, one after being in Albany. They took that city because of its paved streets and electric cars. People are hunting for that kind of a city.

STATEMENT OF PROSECUTION IN BOOTH CASE

Portland, July 20.—That James Henry Booth, when receiver of the Roseburg land office, paid I. Thomas Agee \$300 for a timber claim which the latter deeded to the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company was the opening statement made to the jury this morning by T. C. Becker, who is prosecuting the Booth-Kelly conspiracy case in the federal court. Becker explained that while only 169 acres—a quarter section—was involved in the transaction, it was the method of acquiring the land by the lumber company and not the acreage that resulted in the indictment of ex-Senator R. A. Booth, J. H. Booth and their brother-in-law, T. E. Singleton.

Becker will complete his statement this afternoon and will be followed by either L. R. Webster or D. J. Malarkey with a statement for the defense. It is possible the first witness for the government may take the stand at a late hour today, this depending on the length of the opening statement of the defense. The government prosecutors say they will submit all their evidence by Saturday but as there are several points which will require argument, it is not believed that the government will be through with its witnesses before the middle of next week.

Thus far the defense has given no inkling as to the character of the defense to be set up, although it is believed they will explain that the conspiracy transaction was legitimate and in the nature of a loan.

AMERICANS WINNERS IN OLYMPIC WEIGHT CONTESTS

London, July 16.—In the Olympic meet today the weight-putting contest was won by Ralph Rose, of the Olympic Club, San Francisco; Morgan, of the United Kingdom, second; J. C. Garrells, of the Chicago A. A., third. Rose's distance was 46 feet 7 inches.

The final in the 400 metre swimming contest was won by Taylor, of the United Kingdom; Beaurepaire, Australia, second; Scheff, Austria, third. Time, 5 minutes 36 1-5 seconds.

The discus-throwing championship was won by Martin T. Sheridan, Irish-American A. C., New York, 134 feet 2 inches; M. H. Griffin, of the Chicago A. A., second; and H. F. Holt, Irish-American A. C., third.