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WILL HOLD COUNTY FAIR ON NEW GROUNDS

Driving Association and the Gale Grange Form Joint Committee to Perfect Necessary Arrangements

At a joint meeting of the directors of the Driving Association and a committee from Gale Grange, held Thursday afternoon, it was decided to hold a county fair on the new grounds of the association where one of the best half mile tracks in the west has just been completed.

While the plans for the fair are not yet completed, we are assured of a county fair of such a nature as will prove of benefit to our entire county, and at the same time prove of interest, and furnish plenty of amusement for those in attendance.

It is the purpose of those having the matter in charge to make it an occasion for family gatherings, where all can attend with pleasure and profit, and to weed out all objectional features, and to keep a strict oversight of all amusements, in order that nothing of a questionable nature be presented to the public.

Ample provision will be made for the display of Live Stock and agricultural products, while the

important feature of domestic art will by no means be neglected.

The race track will by that time be in the pink of condition, and with the number of good horses available in our own county alone, will doubtless see excellent races during the fair.

While those who will have charge of the arrangements will do everything in their power to make the fair a success, every resident of Washington county, who perform their duty as such, owe them hearty support in their efforts toward success. There are countless ways in which this support may be given, and if everyone will only keep the fair in mind, and plan to give the colt an extra pan of oats, the glass of jelly a little more attention, or even the pumpkins a little better hoeing, it will be possible for nearly everyone to have something of which they can well be proud and fit for an exhibit at the Washington County Fair this fall, and if everyone, as far as possible, will do so, we will have a fair that will not only be the pride of the county, but of the state as well, and of inestimable value to us.

Not only the success of the fair for the coming fall, but its future success, rests with the individuals; let everyone, on the many occasions which will present themselves, between now and the date of the fair, speak a word of encouragement. Let everybody realize it is their duty to get busy and boost, and if you have not public spirit or progress about you to do this, take to the woods, and keep your hammer muffled.

Another June Bride

A dainty wedding took place last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fitch, south of Dilley, when their daughter, Caroline Estelle, was united in marriage to Cecil Ward Tolson, Rev. Price officiating.

The house was decorated with Oregon grape and syringa, while vases of white lilies and maiden-hair fern carried out the color scheme. The bride was attractively gowned in white silk and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and ferns. She was attended by the Misses Ruth Fitch and Mary Morrissey, charmingly gowned in pale blue and pink mull. Enoch Will and Edward Henry were the attendants of the groom.

The newly wedded couple were the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents. They left on the evening train for a brief visit in McMinnville. After July first they will be at home to their many friends at Banks.

The bride is a graduate of Pacific University and has been a successful teacher in the public schools of the county. The groom is well and favorably known in this neighborhood.

Oregon Looks Good to Him

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Mink, who have been on an extended trip throughout the United States and Canada, visited in this city the latter part of last week with Mr. Mink's sister, Mrs. H. L. Deckert.

Mr. Mink, who is business manager of the Eugene Guard, declared to a reporter of the Press that Oregon looks better, in every respect, in his estimation, than any other section he has seen in his travels.

Last School Notes

The following pupils of the public school were neither absent nor tardy last term: Helen Corl, Emma Morgan, Thelma Mills, Elizabeth Seymour, Willie Burnsworth, Grace Rigsby, Evelyn Adler, Beatrice Davis, Alvin Adler, Frank Burlingham, Levi Christopher, Gertrude Hinman, Velma McConkie, Irene Sappington, Elzia Pierce, Gertrude Deckert.

The school piano is paid for and the district may feel proud that they have added to their school an instrument of so great value.

Several pupils are doing some extra work this summer to bring up back work that was missed during the term just ended. The total enrollment last year was 561 and yet some were out of school.

K. P. Grand in Session

The twenty-ninth annual convention of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias of Oregon is being held in Portland this week. Among those in attendance as delegates from Washington county are: H. B. Johnson and Ed. W. Wirtz, Forest Grove; W. G. Hare and George Schulmerich, Hillsboro; O. S. Hatch and A. Benson, Cornelius; George I. Darety and John Loftus, Glencoe; J. H. Wescott and J. W. White of Gaston.

OREGON MARBLE EQUAL OF EASTERN PRODUCT

J. C. Jones Investigates Quarries of Southern Portion of State in Search of Granite for Monument Purposes

J. C. Jones, who is an acknowledged authority on monumental marble and granites, recently returned from an extended trip through the southern part of the state where he inspected a number of different quarries which produce stone of that nature, and makes a report of his investigations which promise much for Oregon and is proof of the fact that this state is destined to be one of the leading producers of stone for monumental purposes in the entire Union.

Mr. Jones found one quarry that was producing a granite that was an exact duplicate of the famous Westley granite of Rhode Island, which is one of the most expensive in the world. The granite of this quarry is not only identical in appearance with the Westley granite but it is fully its equal in every particular. The ledge of this granite is a large one and is capable of producing an unlimited quantity of valuable stone.

Other quarries were found

President Eliminates Land Wallowa National Forest

The President has signed a proclamation eliminating 203,635 acres from the Wallowa National Forest, Oregon. The elimination is the result of a careful examination made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture during the past summer, which disclosed the fact that the areas now eliminated were either open grass land with very little timber or timbered areas so largely alienated that further administration by the Forest Service was considered impracticable. The lands released are not needed for watershed protection, and are not considered to be chiefly valuable for National Forest purposes.

The unappropriated portions of the areas eliminated by this proclamation will be restored to settlement and entry after having been advertised in the local papers by the Secretary of the Interior.

Odd Fellows Postpone Building Hall a Year

The local lodge of Odd Fellows at a meeting Monday night voted to postpone building operations of its new temple until next spring. The lodge planned the erection of a \$15,000 three-story brick this summer and bonds were ready and partially issued for that purpose, but owing to unforeseen impediments postponement was thought best. The lodge is one of the strongest in Washington county, having 127 members.

Robert Taylor, Ralph Mills and Prof. Boggers began work on the new M. E. Church this week.

whose products closely resemble the famous Barre granite, which is found at Barre, Vermont, and used more extensively in the manufacture of monuments than any other one granite. The products of some of these quarries, in addition to being a close duplicate of the Barre granite, is fully its equal in appearance and the quality is even superior. Samples of marble were found whose quality was superior to anything produced in the east, but the ledges had not yet been developed beyond the outer surfaces, which were checked too badly to make the stone of value for monumental purposes, but if the same quality of marble is found in a perfectly solid ledge, it will prove of immense value.

Some of the samples of granite from this section examined by Mr. Jones are fully equal to the Southern Oregon granite, but the ledges must be further developed before it will prove to be of much commercial value, as the outer surface is checked by numerous seams. It is more than likely that the ledges may be opened in another place where it will prove solid from the first, or other ledges discovered which will be of fully as good a quality. The owner of such a ledge would have an independent fortune.

The only reason that Oregon granite is not on the market extensively, with a reputation for the best of quality that is world wide, is a lack of capital by the companies that are working the quarries capable of producing it.

This, like other industries of the state, is in its infancy, and as soon as its possibilities, certainty of success, and real values are realized, unlimited capital will be produced for its development, and an industry will be born which will become so extensive, that it will, of itself, make our state wealthy.

Opportunities for profitable investment are indeed numerous, but no better opportunity can be found than along this line and this immediate section hold promises to the investor which are worthy of strictest investigation.

M. W. A. Camp at Banks

Wednesday evening witnessed the installation of an M. W. A. Camp at the thriving town of Banks, on the new P. R. and N. Railroad. Several members of the organization in this City have transferred to the Banks lodge, and these, with the Charter membership, gives a good roster at the start. This makes the sixth camp of the M. W. A. to be established in Washington County.

Adventist Lectures Saturday

Lectures Saturday and Sunday evenings June 25th and 26th at 8 p. m. at Seventh Day Adventist Church. Subjects—The Beast of Revelation, 13; It's Image in America and It's Mark. Learn of the Beast, Image and Mark.

Dr. O. S. Fowler of Portland, attended the funeral of his uncle Josiah Fowler, Wednesday.

JEFFRIES WILL HUNT ON SADDLE MOUNTAIN

With Party of Friends and Local Nimrods to Make Trip of Three Weeks in Wilds of Western Oregon

All arrangements are practically completed for the big hunt in which Jas. J. Jeffries will participate next August.

Chas. Miller is in receipt of several letters and telegrams from Sam Berges, and others, assuring him that Jeffries and party of seven or eight will reach Portland on August 23rd, and come immediately to this City, where they will be joined by J. H. Wescott, Mayor of Gaston; A. J. Winters, Con McNamer, Geo. Armentrout and Chas. Miller, the entire party starting at once for the well known paradise for sportsmen, Saddle Mountain, for three weeks of hunting, fishing and a general good time.

Two packs of the best trained dogs in the state will accompany the party, and a long train of pack mules will carry the necessary equipment.

Every one of the proposed party is an enthusiastic sportsman, and there is no doubt but what the "Big Fellow" will be given the time of his life.

Sues University for \$10,000

The suit of M. F. Hill against Pacific University, to recover the sum of \$10,000 for injuries sustained by his young son, Freddie, through the accidental discharge of an unguarded gopher gun, which had been set on the archery course, has occupied the attention of the circuit court at Hillsboro for the last two days.

The University presents as their defense, that the gun was set upon request of the archery club, and that they, the archery club, are therefore responsible for the accident.

The young lad was in the company of his mother, who was practicing on the course, and while engaged in play, sprang the trigger of the gun, causing its discharge, thereby losing an index finger. Mr. Hill alleges contributory negligence, and bases his suit on those grounds.

Josiah Fowler Dies Suddenly

Josiah Fowler, aged 52 years, and a well known resident of this city, died at his home early Sunday morning. Mr. Fowler was born at Kansas City, Kan., and came to Oregon when a child, with his parents. He was married in 1885 to Miss E. E. Melinger of Glencoe, Washington county, and is survived by his widow and the following children: Mrs. Mattie Wagner, Jenata, Clay and Yetta Fowler of Forest Grove, and Mrs. Cora Miller of Anacortes, Wash. Mr. Fowler was a member of the Highland Noble lodge of Waterloo, Iowa. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning in the Christian church, Rev. Stivers officiating, with burial in Forest View cemetery.