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OREGON WEATHER

Today and tonight and Tuesday snow or rain; warmer west portion; winds becoming westerly.

A PROMISING OUTLOOK.

A new year never opened more auspiciously for any city than does 1916 for Grants Pass. There is no adjustment of business conditions necessary because of the becoming effective of the prohibition law, municipal affairs are in a satisfactory shape, and industrially there could be little else to be asked for at the present time than the good things that are assured. The railroad has passed the stage where doubt entered into its future, and the details for its continued construction are progressing as rapidly as engineering skill can outline it. There seems little doubt in the minds of those best informed concerning an opportunity to be given before the end of another summer to celebrate the advent of the railroad to the mines of the Illinois valley. The sugar factory is also practically assured to the valley, and Grants Pass is making a strong campaign for its location here, though that is a matter yet to be decided by the builders of the enterprise. If a central location, proximity to the largest acreage of beets now guaranteed to be planted for a five-year period, satisfactory transportation facilities with a new territory of the best of beet lands about to be opened by the new railroad, availability of cordwood, lime, water, building materials, and other things that must appeal to the man who is putting his capital into the enterprise, determine the location, this city will surely be in at the final accounting. But regardless of its definite site, the fact of its coming to the valley is second in importance only to the railroad projected toward the sea. In the material development of the district agriculturally the sugar factory will be of untold value, while the railroad will make available the wealth of the forest, the mine and the farm.

But better even than these material things is the spirit of the people that is now manifest. There is a unity of feeling and a lack of pessimism that will go far toward placing Grants Pass in the very lead of southern Oregon cities. Grants Pass will do to tie to.

FRISCO FIREMEN OVERCOME BY SMOKE

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—Three firemen were overcome by smoke in a fire in Chinatown early today and were dragged from the path of the flames by fellow firemen and a policeman. Patrolman Peter McIntyre, who discovered the fire, ran into the blazing structure and rescued Fireman W. Strickland, who had been overcome by smoke.

Fire Captain Brennan was also overcome, and was pulled from danger by Fireman Lichner. Recovering consciousness, Captain Brennan went back into the building and saved Fireman Benjamin Durham.

TEUTONS ARRESTED BY ALLIES IN SALONIKI

Athens, Jan. 3.—The allies at Saloniki have arrested 350 Teutonic civilians, despite a protest by Greece. Turkey protested through American Ambassador Morgenthau and threatened reprisals if they were not released.

JOSEPHINE POMONA GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS AND FEASTS AT BANQUET

For the fifth time, Hon. E. E. Blanchard was on Saturday elected master of the Josephine county grange when, without protest, other than his own voice, he was continued in the office he has held during the past four years.

The annual meeting of the Pomona grange was one of the most interesting ever held by the organization, and the rooms of the Moose lodge were filled with grange members and their families and a few invited guests. At the business session a number of grangers were initiated into the Pomona degree, following which came the annual election of officers, the new officials for the year 1916 being as follows:

Master, E. E. Blanchard.
Overseer, H. M. Gorham.
Lecturer, Mrs. U. D. Mihills.
Steward, U. D. Mihills.
Assistant steward, J. L. Stanbrough.
Lady assistant steward, Mrs. J. L. Stanbrough.
Chaplain, H. B. Alverson.
Treasurer, Fred Reynolds.
Secretary, W. G. White.
Gate-keeper, W. B. Terrill.
Ceres, Mrs. W. B. Terrill.
Pomona, Mrs. E. E. Blanchard.
Flora, Winnie Osborn.
Executive committee — Andrew Crow, L. M. Mitchell, A. J. Green, master and secretary ex-officio.

The big feature of the day was the banquet spread in the assembly room at noon, at which 400 members of the grange and their friends were fed with the many delicacies brought in by the ladies. Following the banquet, a program of short speeches, interspersed with musical numbers and readings, occupied the attention for most of the afternoon, and wit and wisdom were handed out in chunks, the way being cleverly paved by the toastmaster, Dr. Wilcoxon, of Murphy grange. Dr. Truax, the new mayor of Grants Pass, first welcomed the Pomona to the city, the freedom of which he freely offered with the compliments of the season. Other speakers were A. C. Allen, of Medford, horticultural commissioner for the district; C. C. Cate, county agriculturist for Jackson county; M. O. Evans, assistant leader of extension work form the O. A. C.; Wilford Allen, president of the Commercial club; E. E. Blanchard, master of the county grange; F. S. Bramwell, of the Oregon-Utah Sugar Co.; President Robert Twohy, of the C. & O. C. railroad; R. B. Miller, of the same company; C. E. Spence, of Oregon City, master of the state grange; L. M. Mitchell, of Murphy grange, and W. B. Terrill, of Rogue River Valley grange. The orchestra from the Fruitdale grange gave a number of selections, Mrs. H. K. Clarke, Miss Harter and Mr. Nielsen sang, and Miss White gave a reading, all of which were received with applause.

TERRIFIC STORM OF WIND SWEEPS OVER CALIFORNIA

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—One death and nearly a dozen injuries stood today as the toll of a terrific windstorm that swept San Francisco and environs overnight.

Henry Chilson, a retired Los Angeles druggist, lost his life after a signboard buried him and his wife.

The storm, regarded as the worst in a quarter of a century here, ripped its way through the city at close to a 75-mile clip. In its wake signboards, wires, electric signs, fences, and even an uncompleted house, crashed down in the path of pedestrians. Flying timber and crashing glass hurt several persons.

On Market street a big electric sign crashed from the top of a 15-story building, injuring a woman and narrowly missing others. Pedestrians made scant headway against the gale.

Off the heads the storm lashed the ocean into a white foam. Steamers stuck to port. Several broke loose from their moorings. Lumber loads on a few were picked up and whirled away like paper.

The Whitesboro Lumber company's steamer from Greenwood crept in through the heads and reported the wildest weather on the seas her captain had seen for 27 years. The French bark Dieppendalle found it terrible going, but struggled through to safety after a Red Stack tug had picked her up off the lightship.

While property damage was comparatively small, wires and wireless suffered extensively. Communication overland, and up and down the coast, today was in a badly demoralized condition. The big Marconi tower at Hillcrest went out of commission at the height of the storm. This is the main station, receiving calls from the sea.

Chilson, the storm victim, died shortly after being caught beneath the debris. His wife secured a fractured hip.

At the exposition the LaFayette statute was partly wrecked.

Electric lighting and power service for street railway lines were inconvenienced for a time. Crossed wires rang in a number of alarms and kept firemen busy for hours answering needless calls.

Fears for the safety of two young men who put out of Burlingame were entertained when they had not returned from a hunting trip on the bay at a late hour.

The steamer President, from Seattle reported heavy seas and a hard battle after coming in many hours late. Fears for other craft were felt along the water front today.

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—A survey of the waterfront today showed that many vessels suffered damages, amounting to thousands of dollars, in accidents resulting from the storm which swept over the bay Sunday.

The schooner Robbie Hunter was blown from her moorings off Butchertown and was swept out toward Goat island. She was picked up at a late hour.

The coal barge Wellington dragged her anchor and crashed into the barge Kinney, causing several thousand dollars damage.

The yacht Cyprus was blown down the bay, dragging her anchor, and narrowly escaped several accidents.

GENERAL HUERTA FREED ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 3.—General Huerta, whose indictment was expected from the federal grand jury convening today, has been released from custody on his own recognizance at Attorney General Gregory's suggestion, District Attorney Camp announced today. This action followed a serious operation on the alleged conspirator.

Story of a Fortune.

Peter Thelussen, a London merchant died in 1797, leaving a fortune of £700,000. By his will £100,000 went to his wife and children. The rest of his fortune was committed to trustees, with the stipulation that it should be allowed to accumulate during the lives of the sons and grandsons. When they were all dead the fortune was to go to the oldest living great-grandson, or if there should be no great-grandson it should go to the government and be applied on the national debt. The will was contested, but the heirs were unable to break it. The last grandson died in 1859, and the fortune was delivered to Charles Thelussen, the oldest living great-grandson. At the time the will was made experts figured out that the fortune would amount to something like £1,000,000 by the time it should be turned over to the great grandson, but the expenses of litigation and administration had been so great that he received only about the amount of the original fortune, £700,000.

How Cotton Varies.

Cotton is usually differentiated in ordinary classification by the length of its staple. "Ordinary cotton" in the United States is of several kinds, chief among them the upland cotton, with a staple of from seven-eighths to one inch in length, and gulf of Texas cotton, of which the staple is not usually quite so long. The longest stapled cottons among the "ordinary cottons" here are the bottom land or bender cotton, with a staple of from one and one-eighth to one and one-fourth inch, and the special fancy staple cotton, one and three-eighths to one and five-eighths inch in length. The sea island cotton, which is grown on the sea islands off the coast of South Carolina, has a staple of from one and a half to two and a half inches, the average length being one and three-fourths. Egyptian cotton is being grown in southern California, New Mexico and Arizona. Its staple is not so long as the sea island cotton, but compares rather with the upland cotton here.

Trespass notices, printed on cloth, at the Courier office.

LOCALS BEAT MEDFORD

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but their backfield loomed very formidable with Perry Ashcraft and Sampson Garrett, of the O. A. C. 'varsity, alternating at the line and at ends. Hansen struck his gait and played a love set with his opponent until the last quarter, when he burst forth with a brilliant recovery of a punt fumbled by Ashcraft. The ends were down the field and almost crossed the goal line every time, and smothered the return of punts effectively, and in this Clarke Morey has lost none of his old high school cunning.

A comparison of the playing of Harvey and Garrett in Saturday's game compels me to say that Dr. Stewart overlooked a bet when he didn't have Harvey in the first squad at Corvallis. He plowed and wiggled and ripped and tore through Medford's defense like a mad bull in a china shop, and on the other side Milliken skimmed and skipped, schottisched and waltzed like a Vernon Castle, always there at the right place at the right time, all of which shows he knows and plays the game.

Either of the teams could have given any of the secondary colleges in this state that I have seen a good race for the money Ashcraft to Pelouze was a good aerial attack, and it worked at least twice for good gains for Medford. MacDonald played a bang-up game as last defense, with the one exception that cost a touchdown.

The high school boys showed the results of good teaching, and not a fumble shows the class of Bearss and Cornell. Cornell's logical position, because of his rugged physique, is half-back, though this is no discount on his pivotal playing. Underwood played a good game at guard, but is too good-natured to step on the toes of his man.

All in all, this annual event should call out 1,000 people next year and should take its place with the big dates of the year, an established institution for Grants Pass.

The Medford line-up follows: Center, Stuart; guards, Wilson, Radcliff and Marvin; tackles, Vilas and L. Ashcraft; ends, Pelouze and Alder; quarter, MacDonald; halfbacks, Shuchard and Garrett; fullback, P. Ashcraft.

Grants Pass: Center, Bearss; guards, Dean, Caldwell and Underwood; tackles, McCracken and Allen; ends, Hansen and Morey; quarter, Cornell; halfbacks, Harvey and Milliken; fullback, Bestul.

Referee, Seely Hall, Medford. Umpire, James Brown, Grants Pass. Head lineman, Charley Gilmour. Time-keeper, Paul Blanchard.

MASON TELLS WHAT WAR MOVES MEAN

New York, Jan. 3.—With the Russians now 35 miles inside of Galicia, their offensive is assuming serious proportions. The center of their offensive at Buczacz is within 25 miles of the main railway to Lemberg. The Bukovina campaign is moving toward the Carpathians, but the Russians must first occupy Czernowitz. Then the Teutons must retire from the Roumanian border to the positions where they withstood Russian attacks last winter.

In this manner the first condition governing Roumania's participation with the allies will have been met, for after the Carpathian passes are in Russia's power the czar may buy Roumania's assistance. Operations before Czernowitz are preliminary to such a situation.

There is, however, no promise of success yet, though all evidence shows that a major effort is intended.

FREE WEDDINGS FOR GIRLS WHO PROPOSE

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Police Magistrate Walter Taylor, Waukegan's 300-pound cupid, will marry all couple's free of charge in leap year if the girls do the proposing.

CALIFORNIA AFTER JOHN BARLEYCORN

Sacramento, Jan. 3.—Signatures on dry petitions filed with the secretary of state to date total 92,021 for total prohibition in 1920 and 87,312 for partial prohibition in 1918.

CONFISCATED BOOZE IN AUTO RADIATOR

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

Aberdeen, S. D., Jan. 3.—Chief of Police Hurst is using 35 gallons of booze, confiscated from bootleggers, in his auto radiator. It won't freeze. A special officer guards that radiator whenever the machine is at a curb.

Location notices, Courier office.

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