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DONATE LANDS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Salem, Or., April 28.—(Special.) That the Oregon & California land grant, if recovered by the United States Government, should be donated to the State of Oregon as an addition to the irreducible school fund, is the opinion of Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, who will head a movement to have the Oregon delegation in Congress take steps to have such a grant made as soon as the land has returned to the ownership of the United States.

"No better disposition of the land could be made," said Superintendent Ackerman today in discussing his idea. "The land was granted by the Government to aid the development of the State of Oregon through the building of a railroad. The Government fixed a maximum price and established other restrictions as to sale of the land.

"As I am informed, the railroad company sold part of the land for practically enough money to make the total to which it would be entitled at the maximum rate on the whole grant. The company has therefore no further claim to the land, especially in view of the fact that it has refused to carry out the terms of the grant and aid in the development of the state. Having once granted the land, there is no reason why the Government should now desire to retain it. It could not use land for the development of the state to better advantage than by turning it over to the public schools of the state.

"If the land were so donated to the state, proper restrictions could be made to prevent its sale to speculators. So much of it as is located on the headwaters of streams could be withheld from sale by the state and made a forest reserve for conservation of water. The state could adopt the plan of selling the mature timber, and not the land, thereby protecting the young growth of timber and preserving the forests for future generations.

"At the same time, the irreducible school fund, which is now only about \$4,000,000, would be practically doubled. All the children of the state would get the benefit of the grant, and the improved condition of the public schools would very appreciably aid in the development of the state. The original purpose of the grant has been accomplished through the building of the railroad. The progress of the state has been retarded because the land was not placed on sale under the terms of the grant. The Government should make such disposition of the land as will most nearly remedy the wrong that has been done."

Perished in Snow

Gold Beach, Or., May 4.—The body of W. J. Archibald, who disappeared last February, has been found about a mile and a half from where he was last seen alive.

On February 29, Mr. Archibald, accompanied by Judd Green and Col. I. N. Muncy, Republican nominee for State representative, left McKinley mine and started to W. W. Wren's place, about three miles distant. There had been a heavy fall of snow during the night and a little way from camp the men saw fresh deer tracks leading off at right angles to the trail. Archibald, with Mr. Muncy's gun, left his companions and started after the deer. The two went on expecting him soon to overtake them, but he did not, nor did he come to camp that night.

It is not known just what caused his death. The position of the body would indicate that he had fallen while climbing the mountain. His gun was at a little distance from the body, as if thrown.

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Circuit Court Proceedings.

- 2508 Smith Powers Logging Co., vs Frank N Myers, writ of review. A J Sherwood for pltf and C R Barrow. dft. Writ allowed. Judgment reversed without cost.
- 2509 Smith Powers Logging Co, vs M J Nichols, writ of Review. A J Sherwood for pltf and C R Barrow for def. Demurrer withdrawn and answer filed.
- 2512 E M Hoffman vs Fred Hoffman, action at law. L A Roberts and A J Sherwood for pltf, C R Barrow for def. Demurrer withdrawn and answer filed.
- 2514 The Pioneer Hardware Co, a corporation, vs Geo N Farrin, action at law. Hall and Hall and C F McKnight for pltf, Farrin and Farrin for def. Demurrer withdrawn and answer filed.
- 2515 E M Rockwood vs G W Grant, Stephen Gallier, W W Gage, W T Kerr and J P Tupper, suit in equity. Guerry and Hollister for pltf, N C McLeod for def. Demurrer sustained. Amended complaint filed, to which deft filed demurrer.
- 2518 F S Dow vs Courtney Lumber Co et al, suit in equity. Clarke, Blake and Liljeqvist for pltf, A S Hammond and R C Emmons for def. Demurrer overruled. Default as to Smith & Watson Iron Works, Marshall Wells Hardware Co, A J Paul and J R Borden. Demurrer to second separate answer overruled.
- 2521 Josephine Hirsch, Marcus A Mayer, Samuel Simon et al vs T R Sheridan, action at law. S D Pulford for pltf. Default. Judgment for pltf for \$360.46 with interest. Order of sale of attached property.
- 2522 Pearl Bossen vs Andrew Bossen, suit for divorce. E D Sperry for pltf. Default. Decree for divorce granted.
- 2523 D W Small vs C B, R and E R R and N Co, action at law. C F McKnight for pltf, J S Coke, J D Goss and A J Sherwood for def. Demurrer withdrawn. Verdict for def.
- 2525 P N Reberg and Wm J Smith vs L D Kinney, action at law. N C McLeod for pltf, C A Sehlbrede for def. Amended complaint filed. Judgment for pltf.
- 2526 Timothy Billings vs Chas W Anderson and Augusta Anderson, action at law. L A Roberts for pltf, C R Barrow for def. Motion to strike out part of complaint. Pltf permitted to file amended complaint. Verdict for pltf for \$162.
- 2527 L D Kinney, M J Kinney and Horace Kinney vs J H Guerry, writ of review. C A Sehlbrede for pltf. Settled and dismissed.
- 2529 John H Jones vs Robt Wakefield and William Jacobsen, action at law. C R Barrow and J J Stanley for pltf. Demurrer withdrawn. Deft permitted to file answer. Motion to strike out part of answer.
- 2530 M C Horton vs L D Kinney and M G Kinney, and Belt Line Railway Co, suit to foreclose mortgage. J S Coke and J B Goss for pltf, C A Sehlbrede for def. Judgment for pltf for \$3,553.33 and \$300 attorney fees. Decree of foreclosure.
- 2531 Charles E Jordan and E O Hall vs City of Marshfield, a municipal Corporation et al, suit in equity. J S Coke and J D Goss for pltf, Farrin & Farrin for def. Demurrer withdrawn and answer filed.
- 2532 Martin O'Neil, vs A VanZile, H Hoock, L F Falkenstein et al, Petition for writ of mandamus. N C McLeod for def. Demurrer overruled.
- 2533 Emma G Dillon vs John Dillon, suit for divorce. Hall and Hall for def. Continued.
- 2534 E Don McGrary, Jr. vs L D Kinney, action at law. R H Smith for pltf and C A Sehlbrede for def. Judgment for pltf for \$100.
- 2535 Anton & Anders Anderson, Alfred Brunell, plaintiff vs Coos Bay Lumber and Coal Co, writ of review. Clarke, Blake and Liljeqvist for pltf and Bennett and Swanton for def. Dismissed.
- 2537 L D Kinney vs Frank Dunn, writ of review. C A Sehlbrede, for pltf. Dismissed.

THE DISTRICT FAIR.

Fifteenth Annual Exhibition of Second Southern Oregon Agricultural Society.

The Fifteenth Annual Exhibition of the Second Southern Oregon District Agricultural Society is to be held in Coos county. The Fourteenth annual show was held at Roseburg last year. The Board decided upon Marshfield for this year and extensive preparations are now under way to make the Fifteenth Annual Exhibition the greatest ever held in the district.

The district is composed of Coos, Curry, Douglas and Lane counties. The dates for the 1908 Exhibition have been set for August 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th. The grounds and race track at Marshfield are being put in condition and a premium list is now being made up.

While there will be some fast races, including some of the best runners in the State, the fair this year will be, by no means confined to a racing meeting. The premium list being offered for agricultural and horticultural products, live stock, etc., should be sufficient to bring out exhibits of everything produced in this district.

Under the head of Live Stock there will be premiums on Horses, thoroughbreds and all grades. Cattle including Shorthorn, Herefords, Jerseys, Holsteins, Polled Angus, Ayrshire, Guernseys, Brown Swiss, Devons, Red Polled, including a premium for full blood and grades of each class.

In the line of sheep there will be premiums for Merinos, Lincoln, Leicester, Cotswolds, Southdowns, Shropshires, Dorset Horns, Rambouillets and Oxford Down. There will also be premiums for Angora Goats of all ages.

There will be prizes for Swine including the Poland-China, Chester White, Duroc-Jerseys and Large Yorksires.

Recognizing the opening for Poultry raising in this district and to encourage improvement of the stock, prizes will be offered for every breed of chickens known. Prizes will be awarded for single chickens, for exhibits of three and for pens of chickens.

There will also be awards for turkeys, including Bronze, Narragansett, white turkeys. Buff turkeys, Black turkeys and Slate turkeys.

Premiums will be awarded for flocks of ducks, including the Pekin, Crested-white, Muscovy, Colored-Muscovy; for Geese the Toulouse, Embden, Brown-Chinese, and white-Chinese, Guinea-fowls and Peafowls will also be recognized.

Under the head of Farm Products there will be prizes offered for best samples of wheat, Rye, Barley, Buckwheat, Sweet-corn, Pop-corn, Tobacco, Peas, Beans, Flax-seed, Timothy-seed, Clover and Grass.

Under the head of Horticulture, there will be as a starter, premiums of \$25.00 offered for the best display of Gravenstein Apples. There will also be prizes offered for Pippins, Waxen, Golden Russet, Baldwins, Alexander and Pearmaines; Ben Davis, Spitzenburg, Grimes' Golden, Gloria Mundi, Tompkins County, Delaware Red, Northern-Spy, Rambo, Bell Flower, Smith Cider, Virginia Greening, Red Astrachan, Rhode Island Greening, Red Canada, Roxbery Russet, Winesap, Maden Blush, Wolf River, Coos River Beauty.

There will be awards for the best Pears, Sugar pears, Swans Orange Pears, Vicar of Wakefield, Winter Nellis, the Idaho and other varieties.

There will be awards for all the different varieties of Plums, Peaches, Quinces, Grapes and Berries, the latter including Black-berries, Raspberries, Gooseberries, Strawberries, Loganberries, Cranberries. Prizes will also be offered for Dried Fruit.

A large display in the line of vegetables is expected and there will be prizes for specimens of beets of various kinds and various vegetables, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Carrots, Parsnips, Potatoes, Kale, Kohl-

Rabi, Melons Onions, Sweet-potatoes, Squashes, Pumpkins, Celery, Turnips, Pepper, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Egg-plant, Pie-plant, Beans, etc.

There will be prizes for the best exhibit of any of the different varieties of Flowers.

Suitable prizes will be offered for the different Oregon manufactured articles, such as Agricultural implements, wagons, Hacks, Buggies, Woolen blankets, Matches, Articles of tinware, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Furniture, Barrels, Buckets, Churns, Drain-tile, Gates, Harness, Saddles, Soap, Excelsior, Mattresses, Paints, Bee-hives, Brooms, Candy, Oregon Woolen Goods, Oregon made Cutlery, etc.

Recognizing the importance of the Dairy interest, there will be suitable prizes awarded for the best specimens of butter, Creamery butter, Dairy butter and butter made on the farm. There will also be prizes for Cheese, new and old.

The different wood grown in this section will come in for suitable prizes.

To stimulate interest in the Culinary art, premiums will be offered for the best Cakes, Pies, Bread etc. and prizes will be offered for the best get-up of Millinery, Sewing and Knitting, Point lace, Battenberg, best embroidery, darwn-work, crocheting, etc.

There will be prizes for the best exhibit of paintings. Photography and all departments of art.

Liberal prizes will be offered for the best display of Coal, for collection of Minerals and geological selections; of Oregon Marble, Blue-stone, Limestone etc.

The race course, in connection with the fair-grounds at Marshfield are now in good condition and horses, with their trainers are on the ground. Last week there was a dozen of the thoroughbreds and trotters champing their bits in their stalls, and three more, including the well known runner, Snark, are on the way from Grants Pass.

The purses offered this year are about 75 per cent more than was given at Roseburg last year and fastest aggregation of track horses ever brought together in Southwestern Oregon, will be seen at the Fair in August.

Application for concessions are already coming in and every foot of ground will be taken with different attractions from the outside.

The Board also expects to make music a feature of this Fair and a brass band tournament will likely be introduced, giving one day to each band in the district.

There will be four races each day, with the prospect that every one will be filled.

Following is the racing program that will be presented.

WEDNESDAY.

Race No. 1, Trotting, eligible to 2:15 class, pacing, eligible to 2:20 class, best 3 in 5, purse, \$400.

Race No. 2, Pacing, 3-year olds and under owned in district, best 2 in 3, hobbles barred, purse, \$200.

Race No. 3, Running, 7-8 mile dash, purse, \$150.

Race No. 4, Running, 3-8 mile dash, purse \$150.

THURSDAY.

Race No. 5, Trotting, 3-minute class, best 2 in 3, horses owned in district, January 1, 1908. Purse \$200.

Race No. 6, Pacing, 2:40 class, best 2 in 3, hobbles barred, purse \$300.

FRIDAY.

Race No. 8, Running, 5-8 mile, 4-year-olds and up, purse \$200.

Race No. 9 Trotting, 3-year-olds and under, best 2 in 3, purse \$100.

Race No. 10 Merchant's trotting and pacing, free for all, best 3 in 5, purse \$500.

Race No. 11, Running, 1-2 mile, best 2 in 3, purse, \$200.

Race No. 12, Running, 1-2 mile, 4-year-olds and under, owned in Coos county, entrance closing Aug. 15, purse \$200.


SATURDAY.

Race No. 13, Trotting, 2:40 class, best 2 in 3, purse, \$300.

Race No. 14, Coos county Derby, running, 1-1.8 mile, owned in district January 1, 1908, purse \$400.

Race No. 15 Running 3-8 mile, 2-year-olds, owned in district, purse \$100.

Race No. 16 running, 1-2 mile, Consolation for Non-winners, purse, \$150.



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