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Portlanders Come For An Outing.

J. Thorburn Ross, manager of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, and Wallace McCamant, general counsel of the Columbia Southern Railroad, came up from Portland and spent three days of this week rusticated in the neighborhood of Allen's ranch, 18 miles up the Deschutes. They drove in from Shaniko, going as they pleased and camping where night overtook them. Mr. McCamant has a 400-acre ranch in the Haystack country, which they inspected on their way up the valley. Saturday night they slept in the open air at the Swalley bridge and Mr. Ross says when he awoke in the morning he gazed into the mild red eye of a pig that was contemplating the scene with some emotion. At Allen's they fished and tramped about to see the country and get tired in new places. Mr. Ross did not have much success as a fisherman and he soon lost interest in that sport. On their return trip Wednesday they crossed at Dutch John's bridge to the west bank of the river, and from that point Mr. McCamant fished down to Bend, catching a fine string of trout, the finest of his life, which he presented to Commissioner Lawrence. Thursday morning the gentlemen left for the railroad by way of Prineville.

Mr. Ross is attorney for C. C. Hutchinson in his irrigation enterprises and he expresses the opinion that arrangements will soon be completed for a general advance along irrigation lines in this region. This was Mr. Ross's first visit to the Deschutes valley and he was greatly impressed with the country. Mr. McCamant sees great things for the Deschutes valley but was a little wary about making railroad promises.

High Class Theatrical.

The Junior Dramatic Club gave a popular exhibition at grant's hall

last Saturday afternoon. The program was mixed and so was the cast and the audience. The receipts were a large quantity of pins and 15 cents in cash. Hall rent and other expenses were paid with pins, and the good money was applied to the purchase of candy with which to regale the actresses and actors engaged in the histrionic production. Following is the

CAST OF CHARACTERS.
Bonnie May (also business mgr.).....Pauline West
Dolly Darling.....Margaret West
Baby Lane.....Marion Lawrence
Lord Fauntleroy (also stage mgr.).....Fred Lucas
Lord Lee.....Malph Lucas

As a curtain raiser the song "Forever and For You" was sung with much feeling by Dolly Darling. Then came a polylog entitled "Entertaining Her Beau" which served to introduce all the rest of the cast. It revealed a startling familiarity with the subject. Bonnie May sang "When the Leaves Come Drifting Down" which was followed with Lord Fauntleroy's razzling cakewalk entitled "Goo-Goo Eyes." Baby Lane made her first appearance in the song "Please Go' Way and Let Me Sleep." Lord Lee's recitation, "He Never Spoke Before," was followed with another song by Baby Lane, "Lilac Trees a-Bloomin'g," and then came a mixed pantomime and musical number in which all participated. A double cakewalk and a ragtime song closed the stage work.

There was a large and appreciative audience present. One of the crowd was so inconsiderate as to lean against the post that had been erected with much grunting and perspiring and at least one bruised thumb, to support one end of the mosaic curtain composed of mothers' shawls, and a general wreck was prevented only by the heroism of the stage manager and the leading lady, Bonnie May. After the show everybody took part in a dance.

Another performance is planned for the coming week.

EXPERT'S VIEW OF OUR TIMBER. Grows Faster Than It Wastes---Rail and River Transport.

Powers & Dwyer, the Minneapolis lumbermen, have about 22,000 acres of timber land, mostly on the west side of the Deschutes between Bend and Benham falls. Some of this was obtained as early as nine years ago and Mr. Powers has been a frequent visitor to this region since then. He spent several days here in the past two weeks, looking over the firm's timber possessions and examining into the general industrial situation. He left yesterday morning to examine the Pine mountain country.

Mr. Powers has had many years of experience in the lumber woods of the East and he has observed enough of the conditions here to know what is necessary to be done to handle the lumber of this section. He has made a careful examination of the river and says that for \$10,000 the Deschutes can be made a drivable stream from the head of Benham falls to Bend, and that that means of transporting logs is much preferable to railroading. The river needs no improvement whatever to be driven for a stretch of 40 miles above Benham falls. Mr. Powers says there is no doubt that Bend is the place for the mills that will manufacture the timber of this region. The matter of improving the river and driving the logs can be easily managed through the instrumentality of a boom company in which all the lumbermen will be interested.

Nine years ago Mr. Powers put a private mark on a number of pine trees on his claims. He finds that the growth since then has added more than two inches to the diameter of the trees. He notices that the number of fallen trees is increasing but he is consoled by the fact that the new growth is more than making up for the natural loss.

Mr. Powers does not profess to have any inside knowledge of the railroad prospects of this locality, but he has serene confidence that the transportation will be provided when the lumbermen get ready to operate in the Upper Deschutes valley. He says the lumbermen want a railroad that will give them access to the market of Utah, Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas; that our lumber will go there rather than to the coast or foreign. Mr. Powers also says the lumbermen interested in this region will provide their own railroad if they cannot get other transportation when they want it. Such names as Bliss, the big Michigan sawmill man; Scanlon & Gipsen, of Minneapolis; Muller & Co., of Davenport, Ia.; Bovee & Delatre, Powers & Dwyer, Baker, Joyce and others of eminence in the lumbering world carry weight in whatever field they choose to operate. They are all interested here and others, such as the Diamond Match Company and the Foley-Bean Company, will join them in any measures of development that may be for the common good of the operators in this region. Mr. Powers gives the impression that the development of the lumbering industry here is not so remote as many people suppose.

Fire caught in the wall paper over the kitchen stove in A. H. Grant's cottage in Garden Row Wednesday morning and but for the prompt arrival of help the place would have been consumed. Mrs. Broker tried to extinguish the flame and thought it was out when it was discovered that the fire had worked through the wall into a bedroom and was also in the loft of the main part of the building. Mr. George Schlecht responded to the alarm and was able to save the building, with the assistance of James and J. N. Hunter, who happened to be passing at the time. Before any men had been roused and while the women were trying to think what to do, little Marion Lawrence hustled up town and soon had a crowd of men with buckets and fire extinguishers on the ground, though by that time the danger had mostly passed. A few dollars will cover the damage. The presence of an ample supply of water in a stone reservoir at the kitchen door was an important factor in putting out the fire.

Noel Vaver and Floyd Marsh left Wednesday morning for the harvest fields of the Palouse country, where they will spend the coming two months.

Local Events of the Week.

Barney Lewis is a visitor in Bend from the Crooked river valley hay fields.

Miss Mary Riley has been seriously ill again, but is now able to be about the house.

You can obtain patent medicines and toilet articles at the drug store, opposite the P. B. D. Co.'s office, Bend.

J. W. Fisher, head man of the Shaniko Warehouse Company, arrived at Bend on the stage last evening and left this morning for the tall timber south of Bend.

Early in the week the Tumello ditch broke loose near the head-gates and it took two days to repair the break and confine the water in its proper channel. No considerable damage was done.

T. F. McCallister, of Crooked river, came up on Tuesday with a big load of much-needed fruit. He sold the load at a remunerative figure, apples at \$1.60 a box and peaches at \$1.10 a box.

Max Wurzweiler will leave next week to get ready to resume his studies at the Portland Business College. His place in the Bend Mercantile Company's store will be taken by Harry Broker.

Last Monday Ed Boyd surrendered his lease of the Staats hotel and Mr. and Mrs. Staats resumed control of the establishment. The illness of Mrs. Boyd made it impracticable for the Boyds to retain the management of that popular hostelry.

C. A. Dano and family and Will Foster left last Saturday morning for the Rosland country, where they will remain for the next six months. The party have homesteads and timber claims almost in a body and will prove to be quite a colony in themselves.

J. M. Keeney, proprietor of the Columbia Southern Hotel at Shaniko, and Miss Elizabeth Matlock, of Heppner, are visitors to their timber claims this week. They will prove up next week at Prineville and are out now making a final examination of their claims.

The Reception Saloon, Shaniko, offers the most tempting inducements to timber locators going into the woods. The very best brands of whiskies, such as Cyrus Noble, Old Pepper, Hunter Baltimore Rye and other standard goods, always to be had here. Call at the Reception.

G. M. Cornett is enthusiastic over the Prineville-Bend extension of his company's line and is on record as saying that it is a better paying line than the Shaniko-Prineville run, which is saying a great deal. The Vandeverts have all the business their tri-weekly stage can handle, as it comes in every trip loaded to the guards. No cause for complaint there, either.

Traffic, it was supposed, would suffer materially by the withdrawal from entry of so large a body of land in the vicinity of Bend, but so far the very contrary is the case. The hotels, indeed, have had to put on extra help to accommodate the sudden rush of business; the stages are overcrowded and extra rigs are run two or three times a week, as occasion demands; the stables are doing as big a business as the hotels; the blacksmith is overworked; and, in fact, everything points to a busy fall for everybody in Bend.

Last Monday night while Harry Broker was going toward his home in Garden Row he brushed against an animal that in the dark looked like a sheep. Considerably startled, having his .22 with him he took a shot at the unknown visitor, which thereupon climbed into a juniper. Harry called George Schlecht from his house and bidding him keep watch went and borrowed Charles Stanburrough's rifle. The animal never stirred from its roost until Harry returned and gave it the contents of a .32 cartridge, when it fell to the ground like a bale of hay. It was a porcupine, and the quills flew in all directions when it struck the ground. Harry has the pelt as a trophy, and we have heard that the soup made from the body next day was something great. The porcupine is protected by law in most of the Eastern timber states, as it is passable eating and is the only animal that a man, lost in the woods, can kill without a gun.

The Winnek Drug Company carry a fine line of prescription supplies. Opposite the P. B. D. Co.'s office, Bend, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunter and W. Y. King, who have been residents of Bend since spring, left for Burns yesterday, where they will be found for the next six months, after which they intend coming to Bend again. The Hunters have some property in Burns that requires attention, hence their departure.

William F. King, of the Prineville firm of Elkins & King, passed through Bend Wednesday morning with a camping outfit bound for Crane prairie. With him were Mrs. King, her mother, Mrs. Combs, and Miss Howard. The party was equipped for a pleasure outing and possessed of the determination to bring back a full supply of huckleberries.

Dr. J. H. Rosenberg and John Luckey, accompanied by Mr. Luckey Sr. and Lou Hodges, are at Crane prairie for a week or two in the interests of health, game, fish and olallies. They arrived at Bend from Prineville on Monday in two sections, the second section getting in here late that evening with a sick horse and two tires tied on the wheels with barb wire.

Mrs. J. A. Brown returned from Silver Lake Saturday on the stage. Her husband came in a little later from Rosland with Michael Morrison and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Brown left Monday for their home in Grand Rapids, Minn., and the Morrisons have taken up their abode in Bend. Mrs. Brown had a severe case of smallpox last month and was only last week discharged from quarantine.

The Columbia Southern Irrigation Company has this week built a cookhouse at the P. B. D. Co. lumber yard in Bend. It is mounted on wagon trucks and will be utilized this fall by the company in the construction of the laterals. The cook-wagon, together with a traveling office which is to be built later, will follow the construction crew from point to point, thus eliminating all delay in ditch work and at the same time will be the means of saving considerable money to the company before the canal is completed.

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