

SCHOOL MEETING FOR GRANTS PASS

C. G. Ament Elected Director—District in Good Financial Condition.

The annual meeting for the Grants Pass school district was held in the High School building, Monday at 10 a. m. The meeting was called to order by R. Thomas, chairman of the board. Mr. Thomas then gave a brief statement as to the condition of the city schools and their work during the year.

C. E. Maybee, district clerk, then read his annual report for the fiscal year ending June 19, 1905. It is given herewith in full and shows that the financial affairs of the district are in good shape:

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and DISBURSEMENTS, listing various school funds and expenses.

GENERAL Estimated value of school houses and grounds \$5,000.00 Estimated value of school furniture and apparatus \$6,500.00 Insurance on school houses and other property \$5,500.00

The number of persons in the district between the ages of 4 and 20 years is, male, 570; female, 575, total of 1145. Number of teachers, male 3, female 16, total 19. Number of school houses 8.

We have the ice cream kind of underwear for now—Geo. S. Calhoun Co.

EDITORS WILL NOT STOP

Left San Francisco Friday Evening for Through Trip

All preparations for the entertainment of the 300 or more members of the National Editorial Association party, which was expected to stop of a half hour at Grants Pass Monday morning, were called off late Friday afternoon on information received by the committee in charge.

This changing of time throws out Ashland, where they were arranging

to serve a breakfast to the editors, and Medford where some sort of a reception was planned.

Grants Pass had planned a very pleasing entertainment for a half hour which in brief was as follows: The party was to be met at the depot by a reception committee composed of 30 or more business and professional men and escorted to the mineral exhibit rooms where an informal reception would be held and an opportunity presented for showing Josephine county ores and products.

It is to be regretted that it is impossible for the editors to stop here but they will have a remembrance of Grants Pass as the gold quartz buttons furnished by the Womens Club will be put aboard the train and distributed.

NEW DAM BUILT OF SLAG

An Engineer Tells of This New Innovation in Dam Building.

Good progress is being made in the preparatory work for the smelter that is to be put in at Savage Rapids on Rogue river by the Rogue River Mining, Smelting & Power Company. The work of erecting the building will be begun within a couple of weeks, and a switch from the Southern Pacific track will be put in so soon as the right-of-way can be graded.

The manner of constructing a dam from slag is an original idea, but most of the details have been worked out at other places in different foreign countries, but never applied in this particular direction. The slag is not to be poured into the river and allowed to granulate as many might suppose. The water is to be deflected from a part of the river bed where the foundation is to be laid.

The weak points are to be reinforced by expanded metal and twisted scrap steel. Everything connected with the foundation of this dam is to have the greatest permanence possible in modern engineering practice. No wood whatever or any substance not indistinguishable will be used.

When finished it will be as one solid cast, one piece with all the relief water ways, spill ways, fish ways and moulled in 10,000 cubic yards of slag will be used. A ton of slag is worth a ton of cement for this work, or any work where it can be used near the smelter. Cement is worth \$22.50 per ton. This is the reason a concrete dam costs so much.

The river at this point has a high rock bottom which is easily dried and in the middle is a small reef or island so the water can be forced around to one side during construction, the only place so favorably located for 15 miles either way from Grants Pass. The conditions are here all present for development of one of the greatest water powers in the Rogue River Valley. One bank is 85 feet high, the other bank has a reef and natural channel 20 feet above the present for diverting the water, at any time this reef can be built up with slag and 20,000 to 30,000 ft. P. easily developed, all the slag will be used for development of this power for a great number of years, and never will be dumped into the river to granulate. The cost of the dam will be about \$100 per cent the usual cost of inferior constructions. All the important details worked out for construction will be fully protected by patents.

Mrs. Martine Lindsay, the beauty specialist arrived in Grants Pass this week on her way to Portland. She will be here for a few days with headquarters at Mrs. Pigney's.

RAILROAD MEN VISIT SMELTER SITE

Well Pleased With Location—Southern Pacific Will Give Every Encouragement Possible.

The Rogue River Mining, Smelting & Power Company held a conference Thursday with a number of railroad men relative to freight arrangements and to switch and other facilities at the smelter grounds. The railroad men embraced H. E. Lounsbury, of Portland, traveling freight agent for the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, R. L. Donald, of Portland, resident engineer for the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, and P. L. O'Conner, of Seattle, Pacific Coast general passenger and freight agent for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway.

The railroad men were much pleased with the location that had been selected for the smelter which they pronounced ideal. The space between the railroad track and Rogue river was ample for the smelter, ore bins and sidings, and the ore could be handled by gravity from cars to the bins and from the bins to the smelter. With the great dam and power plant immediately to the rear of the smelter, all the conditions would be very favorable for the successful operation of a smelting plant.

Holland Notes.

Mr. Chausse of Grants Pass arrived yesterday.

G. S. Calhoun of Grants Pass was here for a few days.

Mr. Fowler of the Gold Pick mine has gone to Grants Pass.

Messrs. Buell and Grant made a business trip to Holland, Saturday. Tom Dickinson made a very profitable mining sale at Oroville, and has returned to Holland.

Mrs. Smock has gone to Monmouth to attend the Normal Commencement exercises. She will visit the fair before returning.

Mrs. Sage left Sunday for Portland. Her two daughters will return with her and they will spend their vacation in the mountains.

Mr. O'Conner, and Mr. Dakota, were here looking over the valley. They were favorably impressed and will return again.

Mr. Miller, of San Francisco, who is interested in the dredger business, was here for a few days. He, perhaps, will return later.

Mr. Hall and his family from Eugene, who have been here for the last two months, returned today. He has a fine mine and they will return again in the fall.

Shooting Tournament the 4th.

The Grants Pass Gun Club will hold a tournament at their grounds in the Tufts grove on July 4 and 5. The shooting will begin at 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. of each day, on a range of 45 yards with shotguns, clay pigeons and under National Association rules. A purse of \$300 and prizes amounting to \$250 will be contested for. No admission charges and the public is invited to attend. Some of the best Pacific Coast and Eastern marksmen will be present, as well as a large delegation of local shots from Roseburg, Medford, Jacksonville, Ashland and Gold Hill.

The officers of the Grants Pass Gun Club are R. L. Bartlett, president; Thomas Harvey, secretary; A. C. Hough, treasurer and T. J. Armstrong, captain, and it has a membership of 20. The Club has fine grounds located in the Tufts grove, on which they have recently erected a club house 14x36 feet. A fine well of water is in the grove and it is a delightful place for an outing. The range for shooting is perfect with good light and background. The Club plan to hold another big tournament on the 14 grounds in October.

J. P. Edwards returned to Grants Pass this week after a year's stay at Edwards, near Sacramento, Cal. Mr. Edwards sold his home here and expected to remain permanently in California but since that time he lost his wife by death and had no desire to remain there longer.

OUR PERSONAL COLUMN

People as They Come and Go From Day to Day

Dr. and Mrs. Clise went to Gold Hill Saturday for a day's stay. Harry Carter of Kerby spent a few days in town this week on business.

Mrs. F. S. Myers of Portland arrived Saturday to spend a few days visiting friends.

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Sleeping Accommodations.

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Mrs. Martine Lindsay Here.

Mrs. Martine Lindsay, beauty specialist, is now in Grants Pass located for a short time at the Pigney house where she will give treatment. Her main object, however, is to establish an agency here for her beauty goods and to thoroughly instruct the agent in treatment for the beautifying of Form, Face, Neck and Hair.

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THE LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Brief Notes and Items of Interest and Importance.

Fourth of July Neckties just arrived.—Geo. S. Calhoun Co.

Splendid samples of wheat and oats were brought in this week to add to the Josephine county exhibit at the fair. The wheat was 7 feet high and the oats 7 1/2 feet and grew on the old Swinden place at the Appleton bridge now owned by J. D. Wiger. Mr. Wiger had a number of acres into wheat and oats a great portion of it being as tall as the sample brought to town. If a dozen shocks of this kind of grain could be on exhibition at the fair it would prove to all that Josephine county has as fertile land as can be found in any state.

Last Sunday the pulpit at the Presbyterian church was occupied by the Rev. Edward W. St. Pierre of Salem who is occupied in rescue work among the convicts at the Oregon penitentiary. Mr. St. Pierre's discourse was a plea for the support of this important work and he presented the cause very effectively and in a most interesting manner. Besides giving the men moral assistance and striving to place their feet in the path of rectitude, a very considerable part of his work is in giving practical help to the men who are discharged, finding them situations and otherwise helping them on their way. In the evening Mr. St. Pierre told of the reform school and the conditions there.

Grasshoppers in California Reports come to us of much devastation by grasshoppers about Marysville, Cal. and as far up as Redding. The Redding Free Press says: "It begins to look like the grasshoppers are going to eat up everything growing and green on the east side. And the pests are not stopping at green things. They are eating clothing and on several occasions have almost entirely devoured the washings hung on the line in dooryards of Eastern Shasta house holders."

A Berkeley professor says this variety of grasshopper is known as the winged "Melanoplus devastator," the most dreaded species of the grasshopper. He advises vigorous methods of exterminating them, such as burning off the pasture and dry fields in and around their breeding places and the use of the "hopper doser" or of troughs filled with crude oil, into which the insects fall and are held prisoners by the sticky oil.

The intervening mountain ranges, it is thought, will fence these hopper pests off from the Rogue River valley.

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