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NEW SCHOOL HOUSE FOR GRANTS PASS.

Dead towns do not have to build additional school houses, extend streets, increase the light and water service, or be to the expense of the betterment of any of the public utilities as is the good fortune of the live, progressive town, for prosperity is the inseparable companion of prudent public expenditures.

Grants Pass is certainly prosperous and has every certainty for a large and steady growth in the years to come, judging by the increase and betterment of its public utilities. The streets are being extended, sidewalks built, preparations made for paving the business streets, the light and water service both increased and bettered, the schools and churches enlarged and the commercial activities expanded. That this forward movement in the building of Grants Pass into a city is based on sound reasons is proven more especially by the increase in the attendance in the schools. It was 23 years ago that Grants Pass was founded and a school started employing one teacher. There are now 21 teachers on the roll, showing that the school has averaged a gain of almost a teacher a year. In the last five years this gain has been greater than that, the present year bringing an increase of three teachers. It is certain that at least four more teachers will be required for next year.

The enrollment of scholars as shown by the city superintendent's report, shows that the schools of Grants Pass have increased more than 11 per cent over the attendance for last year. The enrollment on the first day after the Christmas holidays for this year was 107 more than for the same day in the last school year. While early in the present term a room was rented in a building on West F street and another teacher employed to handle the overflow of pupils, this did not relieve the crowded condition of the schools and now a room has been rented in the Moss building on E street near Sixth and Miss Mazella Mulkey has been employed to take the extra scholars from the second and third grades, beginning with next Monday.

Even this will not greatly reduce the enrollment in the other grades, many of which have 50 and 60 in a room. It is a fact conceded by all who are posted in school work that 40 children is the highest number that should be under one teacher. To bring the number of scholars in each room down to the limit that will enable the teacher and pupils to do the best work and the taxpayers to receive the fullest returns on the expenditure will require not less than five additional rooms for next year.

This problem of additional school room has been under careful consideration by the school board for some time. This board is composed of five of the leading citizens and taxpayers of Grants Pass and it can be depended on that they will incur no needless expense, neither will they pursue a niggardly policy and to save the taxpayers a few dollars and thereby wreck the schools, that are now a pride to the city and among the best in the state. Grants Pass being a district of the first class the board has full power to make such expenditures as they may think best for the betterment of the schools.

have an unsightly, inadequate school house, that would make the progressive taxpayers pronounce maledictions upon the board every time they saw it. This rebuilding of the old South building would add but four rooms to the city schools. Two of these rooms would be required for the two grades now in the rented buildings, leaving but two rooms to accommodate the increase in scholars and for the relief of the present over-crowded rooms. As it is imperative that there be four additional rooms with the opening of school next Fall the district would still be short two rooms, and these would have to be rented at a cost of \$50 to \$40 a month. This would make necessary another building the following year. With a growth for the next two years no greater than that of the last two years every room in a 10-room building would be filled.

Fully 60 per cent of the scholars in the city schools reside in that part of the district south of the railroad. The growth of this part of the district will be very rapid in the next five years. The rich bottom land farms to the east and west of the city will be cut up into one to five acre tracts with a home on each. The nearly three square miles of the district south of Rogue river will, so soon as an irrigation system is installed, which will be within the next two years, be one great garden and fruit tract with a home on every 10 acres at least. The Dimick district, with its school house but a mile from the South school, will be annexed to Grants Pass in the near future. Thus it is that a 10-room school house is an imperative necessity and it would not be in keeping with the general good appearance of the metropolis of Southern Oregon to have a patched up wooden building as a makeshift for this important part of the city.

RANGE FREE TO STOCKMEN.

Inquiry has been made of the Courier as to whether stockmen will be required to pay for pasturage on government land in Josephine county or not. The law as now in force provides that pasturage shall be collected on stock that range on forest reserves, but the government makes no charge on stockmen for pasturing on lands outside of the forest and park reserves.

There is no land reserve of any kind in Josephine county consequently the range is free to all. The greater part of Siskiyou and Del Norte counties lie in the Klamath forest reserve and all stock that range in the Siskiyou mountains, south of the California boundary will be subjected to pasturage charge, also all stock that range in the Cascade forest reserve and Crater Lake park in the Cascade mountains.

Stockmen should be sure that they are dealing with government officials in paying for range privileges, for strangers riding through the country are as likely to be swindlers working a smooth game, for the opportunity is very favorable for getting the stockmen's money on a forged credential. Stockmen should pay no money to a stranger on a mere letter stating that he is a government official authorized to collect pasturage.

Courier sample copy sent free to any address.

FOR SALE REAL ESTATE
Ranch of 35 acres; 10 acres hops, 10 acres alfalfa, fine fir groves, 3 wells, never failing spring; buildings and fences in good repair, price \$4,000.
Four 100 Acre Ranches.
No. 1. 10 acres, no buildings, price \$1,000.
No. 2. 10 acres, fair buildings, fruit and shade, \$1,500.
No. 3. Buildings all new, 3 wells, greatest variety of fruit in Rogue River Valley; an ideal home for \$2,000.
No. 4. Good buildings highly improved for \$2,100; also ranch of 20 acres, good buildings and lots of fruit, \$3,000. 25 acres, fair buildings, \$3,000; or 15 acres hop land and and houses for \$1,500.
All of the above situated close in—good roads and good soil.
Personal Property
4 horses, \$25, \$30, \$75, \$125 00
1 New Milch Cow, 3 yrs old, \$50 00
1 horse power and gasoline engine, \$50 00
1 pump and pipe, \$50 00
1 Thrasher, 1 horse power, \$25 00
1 Cider mill (power or hand), \$25 00
2 good vinegar bbls, each, \$1 00
10 vials of bees, \$15 00
White Star seed Potatoes, \$15 00
2 B. L. locks, each, 1 00
1 Heavy L. wagon, 25 00
1 Extension Top Sarry, 40 00
1 Canopy Top sarry, 20 00
1 Top Buggy, 20 00
3 Hoes, 5 00
2 Harrows and cultivator, 5 00
1 Tank, 16 feet long, 5 00
1 standard mower, 10 00
Household Furniture
Kitchen Grand Piano, fine toned, little used, 50 00
Eucalyd Carpet nearly new, 15 00
Velvet Carpet, nearly new, 15 00
Brussels, 14x18, 5 00
Bicycle, 8 00
Spring bed, 2 00
Student's lamp, 1 00
Lot of furniture and garden tools cheap.
Heavy Oak Cabinet, 20 00
Heavy Oak bed, 4 1/2 ft. wide, 10 00
springs and mattress, 10 00
Oak Extension Table, 10 00
4 Tables and stands from 50 cents to \$2.50 each.
Call on or address,
H. B. ALVERSON,
Box 122, GRANTS PASS, OREGON.

Candidates Announcements.

JAMES WITTHCOMBE
of Corvallis
Republican Candidate for Governor
"An honest and fearless performance of public duty—a greater and united Oregon."

STEPHEN JEWELL
of Grants Pass
Democratic Candidate for County Judge.
Favors Progressive Ideas in Road, School, Probate, Taxation, Sanitary and Liquor Laws.

T. B. CORNELL
Grants Pass
Republican Candidate for County Judge.
Business methods Applied to County Government. County to build Good Roads.

L. A. HEBERLIE,
Grants Pass, Oregon. 2-9 tf
Candidate for Sheriff.
I hereby announce my intention of placing my name before the voters of Josephine county at the primary election, April 29, 1906, as a candidate for nomination to the office of sheriff by the democratic party.

MARCUS W. ROBBINS,
Chairman.
JOHN B. PADDOCK, Sec'y.
Hawley for Congress.
No higher compliment could be paid to any candidate for office than to be given the support of both factions of his own party. This is the honor accorded to W. C. Hawley, candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress, in his own County. Leaders of both factions are openly advocating his nomination. Support of this kind means beyond question that Hawley is strong with the people at large and that the men who know him best recognize him as a man of high character, clean record and peculiar fitness for the office. His supporters are not only prominent politicians but substantial business men who would not give him their aid unless they had full confidence in his ability and integrity.

Edison Phonograph Records at the Music Store.
1700 copies of sheet music at 10c—Music Store.
M. O. Warner, the piano tuner is in town and will remain as long as there is tuning for him to do.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE.
FOR SALE—Five H. P. new gasoline engine for sale cheap. Inquire of Ike Davis. Also organ for \$20. 1-19 4t

FOR SALE—Grain Sacks, Tools and other second-hand goods. Harrison Bros., Second hand-store, corner Sixth and J streets. 2-9 tf

A 5x7 POCO Camera and developing outfit, new and little used. Camera cost \$35, will take \$25 for entire outfit. Address, Camera, care Courier. 2-9 tf

A GOOD 10-acre ranch on Applegate river, 90 acres under ditch for irrigation, good buildings, 40 acres in cultivation. Sold at a bargain. Address, Farm Bargain, care Courier. 2-9 4t

FOR SALE—5 to 40 acre sub-divisions of a 1900-acre Rogue River ranch, 80 rods from Southern Pacific depot; small payment, 5 years time and 6 per cent interest. Come early and get the choicest of land. Also 20 acres best apple land to exchange for house and lot in Medford, Ashland or Grants Pass. Ben A. Lowell, Woodville, Oregon. 2-9 9e

FOR SALE—88 acres River Bottom land, 4 1/2 miles down Rogue river from Grants Pass on county road, known as the Turner ranch. Two houses, one a 5-room frame, large barn, hop house and all out-buildings, 9 acres hop, 10 acres orchard; winter apples. For sale at \$2500. A bargain for 60 days. Inquire of A. N. Hulbert, Sams Valley, Oregon. 2-9 tf

FOR RENT.
FOR RENT—A suite of fine office rooms. Address the Courier. tf

FOR RENT—Six room-house, west C street for rent or sale. Inquire of A. C. Hough. 2-2 1t

SITUATION WANTED.
COOK—Situation wanted by woman with small child, as cook in a mining camp. Address Mrs. E. S., care Courier. 1-26 4t

MINING PROPERTY
PARTIES wishing to buy or sell mining property will do well to correspond with S. Meyer, Merlin, Ore.

TO EXCHANGE.
FOR EXCHANGE—I have city property to exchange for good work team, wagon and harness.—W. E. Sherman, Masonic temple 2-2 2t

WILL EXCHANGE Portland suburban residence property for Grants Pass residence property—A. E. Voorhies.

LOST.
LOST—Fireman Barger's gold watch at the wreck. Finder please leave with Station Agent Jester or at this office and it will be forwarded to Mrs. Barger. 2-2 tf

MISCELLANEOUS.
IF YOU want to buy or sell horses, harness or wagons, see J. E. Childs, Sixth street near J. 2-9 1t

ORDERS taken for fine cookies and bread. Mrs. E. B. Brown, 408 Second street. Tel. 255.

FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.
Grants Pass Post Cards at the Courier office.

Typewriter supplies, ribbons, paper, etc., at the Courier office.

TWENTY CENT meals, well cooked and in plenty at Mrs. C. Brandt's restaurant on West F street, opposite the Depot. Good board by the week at reasonable rates. 1-26 tf

Justice blanks at the Courier office.

FINE dressmaking, shirtwaist suits and other sewing done in first-class style. Children's suits a specialty. Prices reasonable. Moss' Addition, Josephine street, between Eighth and Ninth. Mrs. W. E. Williams. 12-29 tf

NOTICE.
IT HAVING become necessary that I retire from business in order to prove up on my homestead, I take this method of thanking my many friends and customers for all their kindness and liberal patronage during my entire period of business. All who are indebted to me will confer a lasting favor by seeing me or calling at the feed store and settling same as I also have some obligations to meet at once. Agitations to meet at once. Agitations to meet at once and all I am, Respectfully, F. M. WICKMAN. 2-2 2t

SHOE REPAIRING.
SHOE repairing done by John Hackett at Harb & Son's, Ice store.

STRAYED.
DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

WE this day have dissolved partnership. All book accounts are to be paid to J. E. Kerley.
J. E. KERLEY
CHAS. McCAULEY
Grants Pass, Dec. 20, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned as Livery men, and the firm name of Hayes & Heck, has been dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due the late firm are payable to F. Heck, by whom the business will be continued and by whom all debts of the firm will be paid. F. HECK.
Grants Pass, Jan. 22, 1906.

LOST.
LOST—Thursday night at or near the Guild Hall after the receipt a ladies gold watch, set with pearls, one pearl missing in the face now blue enamelled back with silver flowers attached to a job chain with pendant brown chain, initials E. L. P. engraved on pendant. Return to Mrs. Gilbert Taber, 312 South Fifth and I return and receive suitable reward. 2-9 1t

A. U. Bannard's
Big Furniture Store on North Side
After invoicing we find a lot of goods broken in assortment we will dispose of at Special Prices. Also Remnants of CARPETS, MATTINGS, and LINOLEUMS must be sold regardless of cost. Cut in price of WALL PAPER for January and February to make room for new stock. A full assortment of everything in our line.
Goods sold on the installment plan.
A. U. Bannard
North Sixth Street
One block North of Josephine Hotel.

WATCH THIS SPACE.
Mrs. E. Rehkopf & Co.

The Club Stables
FRANK HECK, Proprietor
Successor to Hayes & Heck
Special attention given to mining men and commercial travelers.
Sixth street, Grants Pass, Oregon

RURAL TELEPHONE IN APPLGATE VALLEY
Will Cover the Valley and Connect with Jacksonville and Grants Pass.
The settlers of Applegate Valley have under consideration the organization of a rural co-operative telephone company. The subject will be considered at the farmers institute at Provolt on Saturday of next week and it is the plan to form a preliminary organization on that date. The plan is to have telephone lines to all sections of Applegate Valley and to extend to Jacksonville and Grants Pass.
In the East there are thousands of these co-operative telephone companies and almost every important farm community in the Willamette Valley has this telephone service. The service is as efficient as that of the big telephone companies and more than one half cheaper. Many of these co-operative companies give their members a telephone service at 25 cents a month for rural lines and 50 cents a month for town lines and on none of them is the rate higher than \$1.00 a month. Such has been the success of the Willamette Valley co-operative companies that a meeting was held in Portland last month of all the managers to formulate a plan for connecting the various systems and making it possible for the members to have common action with all parts of the Valley.
Wherever installed these co-operative telephone lines have put in a success and the Applegate line will be sure to lead to an extension until the entire Rogue River Valley is covered with a network of rural telephone lines. The rural telephone has come to a success on the farm, and no investment that the farmer makes will give him more profitable returns than this expense. The farm telephone enables the farmer to save many trips to town and errands to neighbors. In case of fire or other danger to someone help and to the women it takes away much of the loneliness of farm life, for they can have a social talk with their neighbors without wait-

ing for the mud to dry out of the roads or for the man to get time to take them by team to make calls. And the rural telephone is a big factor in keeping the boys and girls contented with farm life.

COMING EVENTS.

- Feb. 13, Tuesday—Central Point farmers institute under auspices of State Agricultural College, afternoon and evening session.
- Feb. 14, Wednesday—Eagle Point institute, forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions, with basket dinner.
- Feb. 15, Thursday—Talent institute, forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions, with basket dinner.
- Feb. 17, Saturday—Provolt institute, forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions with basket dinner.
- Feb. 19, Monday—Kerby institute, forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions with basket dinner.
- Feb. 20, Tuesday—Wilderville institute with afternoon session only.
- Feb. 21, Wednesday—Lee School House institute, forenoon and afternoon sessions, with basket dinner.
- Feb. 22, Thursday—Merlin institute forenoon and afternoon sessions.
- February 14, Wednesday—Teachers examination for Josephine county begins at Grants Pass.
- Feb. 19, Monday—Special meeting of Josephine County Stockmen's Association at Kerby. All stockmen invited.
- Feb. 23, Friday—Ellsworth Plumstead in a medley program at the opera house.
- Feb. 24, Saturday—Local teachers institutes at Grants Pass in High School room. Opens at 10 a. m.
- Mar. 12, Monday—Adjourned term circuit court.
- April 20, Friday—Oregon primary elections for all parties.
- June 4, Monday—Oregon state and county elections.

Failed.
All-Tons have failed to find a better remedy for rheumatism, colds and lung troubles than Dr. F. H. Hony and Tar. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. J. N. Pattersen, Nesham, Iowa, writes: "Last Winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended F. H. Hony and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." For sale by H. A. Robinson.