



### FIVE HUNDRED HOBOS IN GRANTS PASS

More Than That Number Pass Through Each Month - A Serious Danger.

Neither weather nor financial conditions affect the migration of the hobos, for they come and go with a never ending procession along the Southern Pacific, the heat of the Summer nor the snow of Winter disuaying them. In order to form an estimate of the number of tramps that pass through this city each month, Night Marshal George Woodbridge kept tally on them during January. During the month he counted 269 hobos, that he saw, and there was probably as many more hid in box cars, on brakebeams, on tops of cars and those who jumped off the trains as they entered the yard limits and sneaked on through. The day trains also carry many tramps so it is safe to assume that between 600 and 800 tramps passed through Grants Pass during January. Owing to the weather of that month being the severest of the year the hobo travel for January is without doubt lighter than for the other months of the year. There is no doubt but that there are 1000 tramps a month passing over the Southern Pacific road in Rogue River Valley.

These holders of passes that are not revokable by railroad officials, except by means of the heavy boot of a husky brakeman, have no preference or scruple as to where they will ride on a train. Their usual place is inside a freight car, but if an open car is not handy they will swing on the truck-frame, breakbeam or stayruds under a car. They also ride on top of passenger cars, lying flat to keep from being observed and to prevent being blown off. On the "blind baggage," is another place where the tramp rides in safety and free from molestation of the trainmen. This "blind baggage" is on the drawheads between baggage cars that are not vestibuled and between the mail car and tender. And they are not loth to riding on the pilot of the locomotive, the cold wind and the possible danger having no terrors for them.

This regiment of tramps that are passing through this Valley each month usually have no money but that does not mean that they go without eating. They eat, and live well, for who ever saw a hungry, emaciated hobo? What they can not beg of women, through the pity or fear they arouse, they steal. Thus each railroad community has to feed a large number of able bodied men, who are seeking work and never find it.

The tramp element in the United States is steadily increasing and how to check it is the problem of today. Alabama has solved it so effectually that there is not a hobo in the state, and a tramp would sooner cross the dead-line about a pest house than to go into that state. Alabama has the chain-gang system of working convicts in coal and iron mines and on other contract work, and life in an ordinary penitentiary is a picnic beside that in a chain-gang. As every man who is caught beating his way on a train in Alabama is given a long term in the gang the hobos keep clear of that state. Oregon has a law that makes it a misdemeanor for a person to steal a ride on a train, but it is not enforced, as the tramps would retaliate and cause so many wrecks in the sparsely settled sections that the railroad men bear with them the best they can.

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#### Woman Suffrage Meeting

Miss Laura Clay of Kentucky, one of the ablest lecturers of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, will be heard in Grants Pass the coming week. Miss Clay, who is at present engaged as a lecturer for the Oregon State Equal Suffrage Association is a woman of superior attainments. She is a member of the celebrated Clay family, so prominent in American History. It was her kinsman, Henry Clay who uttered the ever remembered statement, "I would rather be right than be president!" Her father, Cassius M. Clay, while minister to Russia, negotiated the purchase of Alaska, and her brother, Brutus J. Clay is at present minister to Switzerland. Miss Clay's gift of oratory is an inheritance, and her ability and earnestness make her a most delightful speaker. Grants Pass should give her a large audience.

### THE MODERN FARMER A PROGRESSIVE MAN

He Attends Institutes and Learns New Methods for Profitable Farming.

The Oregonian, as well as the other big papers of Oregon, are of late devoting considerable space to farmers institutes and doing all possible to arouse a stronger interest in them by the farmers. The following article appeared in the editorial columns of the Oregonian last Saturday and it makes so many strong points in favor of the farmers institutes that the Courier herewith publishes it in full: Members of the faculty of the Oregon State Agricultural College will tour the Rogue River Valley during the present month, lecturing at various points for the benefit of farmers and stockmen. The importance of these meetings and of the lectures given upon various topics of interest to farmers cannot be over-estimated. We are living in a world of industrial change, and in no department is this more apparent than in that of agriculture. Old methods of farming have literally passed away, and where they have not—the worse for the farmers.

This first of all industries has been prone to follow lines set for it by the necessities that waited upon primitive conditions—to tread year after year the same furrows, plowing and sowing them with constantly dwindling crops. Wheat was the staple product in Oregon for so long that it was difficult to make farmers realize that they could grow any other crop. There was a good reason for this in the old conditions. First of all, it was impossible to ship perishable products by slow methods of transportation to our far-distant markets. Wheat was the only product that would bear the strain of the long voyage and find at the end ready market. Isolation brooded over the great Pacific Northwest and its farmers accepted the situation and raised wheat until it came to be second nature to plow and sow and reap and thresh and gather this cereal into barns. Habit is hard to break, and this habit had become ingrained into the very nature of Oregon farmers. Hence they were not quick to respond to the overtures offered by a widening market and quick transportation for diversified agriculture.

Within recent years, however, this habit has yielded to persistent and intelligent instruction in the better way and many Oregon farmers have learned the secret of making farming pay by having something to sell every month in the year. That others may learn this lesson and profit by it is the object of these farmers' meetings—the basic purpose, indeed, of the State Agricultural College.

The Grange supplies, and in years past supplied, almost exclusively, the social features of rural life. It went beyond that and essayed to instruct farmers in their interests as to prices, the time to sell, methods of transportation, etc., but it remained for a later day to give instruction based upon careful experiment in regard to widening the scope of agriculture to meet the demands of a broader market.

#### A Menace to Health.

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#### Mule Farm for Rogue River Valley

Jackso county is to have a mule farm, such as are becoming common in Eastern Oregon and Washington and which are among the big money makers of these sections. J. W. Dodge from Starbuck, Wash., has bought a fine 455 acre farm near Talent, so the Tidings states, and will at once stock it. He brings with him from Washington a car load of brood mares and a fine jack, and also a car load of young mules.

The mines and timber in Rogue River Valley will make for years to come a big demand for freight teams, and on long, hard hauls mules are far better than horses. This was proven last Summer in hauling matte from the Taklima smelter. The horse teams when they arrived in Grants Pass from the 43 mile trip through the heat and dust would be jaded and almost worn out, while the mules not fretting at all and sweating but little, would come trudging into town but little the worse for the stifling dust and sweltering heat, and by the next morning be all fresh for the return trip. At the opening of the season Capt. McIntire had some of his wagons hauled by mixed teams of horses and mules, but soon all mules had to be put in as the horses could not stand the work like their long-eared cousins.

### VOLCANONES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Were the Last in the United States—Burned Trees Still Standing in Cinders.

Mount Shasta and Lassen Peak, in California, together with the several score of lesser volcanic cones and vents, have ejected an enormous amount of material in the past. The accumulation of volcanic rock is several thousand feet in thickness, filling a great pre-existing basin which once separated the northern end of the Sierra Nevada from the Klamath mountains of Northern California and Southern Oregon. The latest volcanic eruptions in California, and probably in the United States, is that at what is known as the cinder cone, about 10 miles east of Lassen Peak. In the bed of cinders and ashes which surrounds this cinder cone still stand the snags of pine trees, killed by the heat and gases accompanying the last eruption of volcanic debris in this country. Just how long ago the last outburst occurred is not positively known, but is placed within 100 years. Although no eruptions has occurred since the settlement of the state by white people, there is no assurance that an eruption may not recur in the Lassen Peak region at any time, though there is no indication of any such approaching catastrophe at present. There are numerous hot springs and steam vents in the region which indicate that the fires are only slumbering.—Mining and Scientific Press.

### DAVIDSON

According to the fine weather prevailing it begins to look like gentle Annie had come early this year.

Doney Brothers are preparing to set out a large vineyard on the land which they recently bought of J. S. Jensen.

Geo. W. Bailey has secured the contract for carrying the mail for the next four years from Davidson to Applegate.

Our farmers are busy as bees plowing and sowing grain and if this weather holds out for awhile there will be a big crop raised here this year.

R. F. Lewman and Leslie Bailey were at Davidson this week on business connected with the Farmers Institute to be held at Provoit on the 17th inst.

J. H. Tompkins and several others in this locality will set out quite a number of fruit trees this Winter and Spring consisting principally of apples. As we have the soil and favorable climate here there is no reason why our foot hills and upland should not be producing thousands of boxes of nice red apples.

#### Group

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Nicholas Toss, who has a fine ranch on Applegate near its confluence with Rogue river, was in Grants Pass Monday, and he was among the first at the sheriff's office to pay his taxes. Mr. Toss is engaged in raising stock and hay, and he also has 12 acres to hops. Last year he leased his hop yard to Frank Mauchat and H. Dean for five years. Messrs. Mauchat & Dean are not discouraged over the hard luck of the hopmen last year and are now at work putting their yard in shape for a big crop for this year. Mr. Toss stated that his wife, whom he had left in Grants Pass some time since for medical treatment has so far recovered from a severe attack of rheumatism that she is able to walk about the house. With the coming of dry weather she hopes to fully regain her health.

#### Failed.

All efforts have failed to find a better remedy for coughs, colds and lung troubles than Foley's Honey and Tar. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. J. N. Patterson, Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last Winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least half a dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey 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. Rotterdam.

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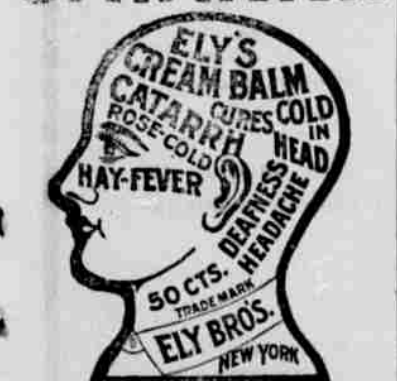
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