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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF GRANTS PASS

Interesting Facts of Early Days as
Told by a Former Editor
of the Courier

Editor Courier: In the early days
Grants Pass had some very beautiful
trees in it and the Courier made a
stand for their preservation. There
were the oaks, both black and white,
often full of large acorns and then
there was the laurel or madrone.
Some of those trees yet remain and
one of the most beautiful oaks in the
town is upon the property of Assessor
W. H. Fallin, which I trimmed and
saved when I had that piece of land
cleared of brush and timber.
The Courier poet in those times was
Louise B. Wade; she was not so far
famed as Joaquin Miller nor was she
as selfish as the poet of the Sierras.
One of her poems had reference to the
past, present and future, being also
somewhat prophetic. I reproduce a
few of the verses. It was entitled,
"Little Josephine," By Louise B.
Wade.

They've named this county Josephine,
'Tis a pleasant place as may be seen,
Though many hills and mountains high,
Will quickly greet the traveler's eye.
Here 'mongst the pleasant vales and
hills,
Are found cool springs and sparkling
rills;
And quartz leads in the hills abound,
And here are mines where gold is
found.

The red man fished and hunted here,
And killed full oft the frightened
deer;
Here did he build his hut of bark
And left his squaw to do the work.
To cook his soup early and late,
And watch him, hungry, while he ate,
And that for which he had no use,
She ate, or gave to their papoose.

But they are gone, the white man
came,
And then his quiet, gentle dame;
The warriors' whoop no more does
sound.
And peace and plenty here abound.
Though years ago in large pack trains,
The weary traveler crossed the plains,
Now their rapidly growing need,
Is well supplied by the iron steed.
And now of churches we can boast,
And other blessings quite a host.
Throughout the county schools are
taught,
And eagerly is learning sought.

Its beauties and improvements grand,
Its handsome streams by bridges
spanned,
Its factories and quartz mills, too,
And other things both old and new.
Of which I'd speak, had I the time,
And could I but command the rhyme.

Wherever in this world we stray,
As time shall bear us on our way,
Our hearts will fondly turn I ween,
To our own lovely Josephine.

An error crept into my last article
in reference to the writings of J. C.
B. Boyd in the Courier while A. A.
Allworth was managing it. Those
articles criticized some of Grants
Pass most estimable ladies because
they appeared in several dramas the
proceeds of which went to the public
good; they were written over the
non de plume "Pilgrim," but proved
to be a grim pit for their author.
Two replies were published in defense
of those worthy women one of which
was signed "Sentiments" of one of the
old girls, as it were. An idea of the
drift of these replies can be got from
one sentence as follows: "We as a
society in Grants Pass, dwell together
amicably and peacefully until you
cast your lot among us."

Announcement was made in the
Courier of Aug. 6, 1886, of the or-
ganization of the first library with
the following officers: Mrs. C. M.
Stone, president; Mrs. J. K. Pigney,
vice-president; Mrs. M. C. VanDyke,
secretary; Mrs. K. M. Kinney, treas-
urer.
The Courier of September 24, 1886,
speaking of the State Board of Immi-
gration at Portland and the samples
which its editor had forwarded for
exhibit from Josephine county, says:
"On Monday night we sent the second
lot of samples to the State Board of
Immigration as follows: Sample of
corn, 12 feet high, large and fine with
two ears to each stalk, and sample of
Amber cane single stalk 12 feet, from
Holman Peters; cane sample 11 feet
high and a very choice sample of
Pearl Millet, 8 feet high with heads
16 inches, long from Lewis Hayes of
Applegate and last but not least a
water melon weighing 48 pounds from
Sandford and Christie. These sam-
ples were measured and weighed by
us.—Ed."

On Friday, Nov. 25, 1886, the town
was shocked by the news that "Joseph
Moss had been caught in the machin-
ery at the factory of the S. P. D. &
L Co. and had been fearfully and
probably fatally mangled."
The first successful harness shop
was opened by A. J. Strohecker.
Some good horses were kept in

Grants Pass in those days; a race
track was built and speeding trotting
stock was a common occurrence. H.
B. Miller, F. W. Van Dyke, T. P.
Judson and A. J. Strohecker owned
the best horses, in fact Mr. VanDyke
brought out from the East a fine Ham-
iltonian stallion. Before the race
track was built there were some scrub
races on Sixth street; at one time the
Gipsies did quite a bit of business
running their fastest horses against the
horses of J. E. Hutch and others. It
was not unusual to see Mr. Hutch,
who was a man over 70 years old,
dash up and down Sixth street on his
race horse.

The Courier makes a plea for a
bounty on coyote scalps of \$5 each,
saying that they had wiped out the
sheep business in the county and
would eventually, as the brush got
thicker, clean out the hogs.
At the regular election, June, 1885,
John Goodell and John Hannum made
a bargain by which if Mr. Hannum
voted for Goodell for justice of the
peace and he should be elected he was
to marry Hannum free at any time
during his term of office if called up-
on to do so. Goodell regarded it as a
joke, but on Sunday, Nov. 7, 1886, Mr.
Hannum was married by Mr. Goodell
as agreed.

The Courier of August 27, 1886, says
that R. D. Sanford whose farm was
on Rogue River about five miles be-
low Grants Pass, sowed samples of
onions raised on his farm that yielded
20,000 pounds per acre. He was at
that time cutting his third crop of
clover and without irrigation.

J. S. McFadden of Applegate wrote
the Courier, September 17, 1886, say-
ing, "Two years ago this Spring I
planted an orchard of plums and
peaches and the growth of the same is
simply marvelous. Plum trees 12
inches in circumference with shoots
of this year's growth of 10 feet in
length and plums that measured seven
inches in circumference. Peach trees
1 1/2 inches in circumference and
peaches 11 inches in circumference. I
have two grape vines planted, eight
years ago from cuttings, that cover a
trellis 80 feet square and have this
year at least 7000 bunches of grapes.
The largest vine as near as I can
measure is 80 feet. One new growth
last year was 35 feet long. In the or-
chard there is a cherry tree seven
feet in circumference, apple trees 4
feet, 8 inches, pears 3 feet, 8 inches,
plums 3 feet, 1 inch. I have raised
five tons of oat hay to the acre; I
have samples of rye 9 1/2 feet long,
oats 8 1/2 feet long. Some years ago I
had two potatoes that weighed 15
pounds, three squashes that weighed
respectively 124, 111 and 108 pounds;
a mustard stock 14 feet high and corn
18 feet high but it did not ripen."

In the hope that some old timer
more capable than myself will con-
tinue and complete the past history
of Grants Pass and Josephine county,
I am yours truly,
W. J. WIMER.

Waldo, Ore.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY PURE SORGHUM SYRUP

Applegate Farmers Find Cane a
Profitable Crop and Will
Increase Acreage.

K. J. Kubli, postmaster and mer-
chant and farmer at Kubli, was in
Grants Pass Monday accompanied by
James Cook, who has an adjoining
farm. Both these farmers raised
sorghum last year and found it so
profitable that they will plant a larger
acreage this season. Each expects
to plant three acres and Isaac Vin-
cent, an adjoining farmer, will plant
three acres to cane. Their land is on
rich Applegate bottom in the Missouri
Flat district which is famous as one
of the best corn growing sections of
Rogue River Valley.

By going into sorghum raising on
a large scale these Missouri Flat far-
mers plan to be able to put a better
article of syrup on the market and in
a more attractive shape. With im-
provements in their mill and the pro-
cess of treating the juice they expect
to make syrup that will be of a
beautiful golden color and to be of
smooth flavor and no injurious
chemicals will be used in clarifying
the syrup, as is the case of so much
of the syrup on the market. Last
year both Mr. Kubli and Mr. Cook
sold their syrup in five gallon cans,
but this year they plan to also have
gallon and half gallon cans so that
customers can take a small quantity
if they wish.

On the warm, sandy soil of the
streams in Rogue River Valley, sor-
ghum cane grows very thriftily and
produces a large quantity of juice that
is quite sweet. It is neither difficult
nor expensive to manufacture the
syrup and at the price that the
glucose and sugar refinery syrup sells
for in the local market it can be made
a profitable product to the Rogue
River Valley farmers. Mr. Kubli
states that he has found sorghum
syrup to be a more profitable product
than hay, grain, or hops at the prices
ruling the past year for these com-
modities.

NEW LAW TO ENFORCE KILLING OF FRUIT PESTS

Compels Farmers and Town Peo-
ple to Spray Their Trees or
Cut Them Down.

In order to let those who are not
familiar with the laws in regard to
the sale of and handling wormy fruit
and trees know what they are in re-
gard to this matter, we publish the
following:

Section 1. It shall hereafter be un-
lawful for any person, firm or corpora-
tion owning or operating any nursery,
fruit orchard of any kind, hop yards,
flower gardens or ornamental trees, to
throw any cuttings or runnings from
any fruit trees, nursery, stock, orna-
mental trees or hop vines into any
public road, highway, lane or other
inclosure, or into any water course of
any kind; but shall destroy such cut-
tings or prunings with fire within 30
days from the time such cuttings or
prunings are made.

Section 2 requires that any nursery,
fruit orchard, hop yard, or garden or
ornamental trees infected with any
kind of insects, pests or disease, must
be immediately sprayed or destroyed
in such manner as the fruit commis-
sioner of the district may direct.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for
any person, firm or corporation to im-
port, or sell any infected or diseased
fruit of any kind in the state of Ore-
gon.

Section 7. Any person, firm or cor-
poration violating any of the pro-
visions of this act shall be deemed
guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon
conviction thereof, shall be punished
by a fine of not less than \$25 nor more
than \$100.

County Inspector.

Section 1 of the law of 1905 provides
for the appointment of a county in-
spector, whose duty it shall be to in-
spect the apple or other fruit orchards
in this county and to enforce all laws
applicable to the growing, handling,
and selling of fruit.

Section 7 provides that the county
inspector may cause an inspection of
any orchard, tree or vine, or fruit
packing house, store room or sales
room, at any time, and if found in-
fested with any pests or disease of an
injurious nature, shall notify the
owner or person in charge to eradicate
or destroy said insects or pests, or to
treat said disease within a certain
specified time. Such places or fruit
thus infected shall be deemed a public
nuisance, and if not abated by the
owner within the specified time, shall
be abated by the inspector, the ex-
pense of such abatement shall become
a lien on the property from which
said nuisance shall have been re-
moved, and may be recovered in the
circuit court.

Settle Up.

The Garmen-Hemenway accounts
have been placed in my hands for
collection. All persons knowing
themselves to be indebted to the above
firm are notified to call at the Grants
Pass Banking and Trust Co., and
make immediate settlement.
2-30 4t E. S. VEATCH.

Rural Mails and Good Roads.

The rural free mail delivery is be-
coming a strong power in pushing the
cause of good roads for the postoffice
department will only grant rural routes
in sections where the roads are in such
condition at all seasons of the year
that the mail vehicle can readily make
the required speed of four miles an
hour.

On this ruling of the postoffice de-
partment the St. Louis Globe-Demo-
crat has the following to say:

"In the last report of the postmaster
general is this strong incidental argu-
ment for good roads: 'The require-
ment precedent to the establishment of
rural delivery shall be a possible patron-
age of 100 families on a standard
route of 24 miles; that the roads be
kept in good condition, unobstructed
by gates and with all streams fordable
at all seasons of the year.' The world
is getting to be a poor place for neigh-
borhoods with mudhole roads."

Grip Quickly Knocked Out.

"Some weeks ago during the severe
Winter weather both my wife and my-
self contracted severe colds which
speedily developed into the worst kind
of la grippe with all its miserable
symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Egleston
of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees
and joints aching, muscles sore, head
stopped up, eyes and nose running,
with alternate spells of chills and
fever. We began using Chamber-
lain's Cough Remedy, aiding the
same with a double dose of Chamber-
lain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and
by its liberal use soon completely
knocked out the grip." Sold by M.
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ing money for the buyers.

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fever, and after taking two bottles of
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