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GRANTS PASS MADE  
CLEAN AND HANDSOME

Inaugurates Clean-up Day to the  
Betterment of the Appear-  
ance of the Town.

The inauguration of clean-up day in  
Grants Pass, through the efforts of  
the Commercial Club, has proven a  
success and the city now presents a  
much cleaner appearance. Every  
business house in town except two  
closed Wednesday afternoon in com-  
pliance to the request of a committee  
appointed by the Commercial Club to  
stir up interest in the affair and  
everybody took part in the work of  
cleaning streets and yards. The busi-  
ness streets were made quite present-  
able and sections of the residence  
streets and many of the alleys were  
relieved of their accumulation of old  
rubbish and growth of weeds and  
grass. The depot grounds and park  
have been given an extra polish and  
no grounds along the railroad are  
nastier than those of this city. The  
rubbish is being hauled away by the  
city team and the quantity fairly up-  
set the calculations of Street Commis-  
sioner Gillilan yet he expects to have  
all removed by the time Rogue River  
Development League meets here this  
Saturday.

It is the plan to make clean-up days  
permanent events in Grants Pass and  
to thus stimulate civic improve-  
ment that Grants Pass will yet become  
noted for its clean, handsome streets  
and its beautiful yards. This city  
now is commented on by strangers  
for its tidy, substantial appearance  
and it is the plan to continue the im-  
provement until Grants Pass is one of  
the handsomest cities in Oregon.

Rev. McLane Returns From Porto  
Rico.

Rev. Robert McLane, the popular  
pastor for many years of Bethany  
Presbyterian church in this city and  
for the last four superintendent of  
Presbyterian missions in Porto Rico,  
arrived in Grants Pass Tuesday morn-  
ing. He was met at the depot by a  
number of his former parishioners and  
most cordially greeted. Rev. Mc-  
Lane was accompanied from Portland  
by Mrs. McLane, wife of his son,  
Roy McLane, who recently entered  
the employ of the Hair-Riddle Har-  
ware Company, who comes to join  
her husband and to reside in this city.

Rev. McLane is off on a leave of  
absence from his work in Porto Rico  
to take a rest from four years hard  
work in a tropical climate and he  
will spend the greater part of this  
Summer recuperating in the mild  
climate of Rogue River Valley. He  
was a delegate to the recent Presby-  
terian general assembly in Des  
Moines and for the past two weeks he  
has been in Portland, a guest of mem-  
bers of the Third Presbyterian church  
of that city of which he was pastor  
for several years.

Fine Program For Chautauqua.

The Fourteenth Annual Session at  
Ashland, Oregon, July 11th to 20th.  
Fine lectures, concerts, music, schools.  
Partial list of speakers—Bishop Moore,  
Dr. Locke, Captain Jack Crawford,  
Mrs. Gielow, Miss Belle Kearney,  
Prof. Baumgardt, (science), Bosani,  
the famous juggler and the California  
Quintette Club. Fine camping,  
beautiful scenery. Make your plans to  
come. Write for printed matter.  
G. F. BILLINGS,  
President.  
PROF. T. A. HAYES, Secretary.

Logging Donkey For Mill

The Swede Basin Lumber Company  
received from Portland an 8x10 donkey  
engine on which they had hauled to  
their mill at Swede Basin Tuesday. It  
was so heavy that it had to be taken  
apart and the sections made loads for  
three teams. This is the second donkey  
in use in this county hauling logs,  
the other one being operated by Will-  
iams Bros. at their mill on Chaney  
creek.

The mill at Swede Basin has a capa-  
city of 40,000 feet per day and is being  
run to its full capacity. Lumber haul-  
ing to Grants Pass will not be com-  
menced until the last of July.

TWELVE STRAWBERRIES  
FILL A BERRY BOX

Williams Valley Farmer Raises  
Strawberries of Great Size  
and Fine Quality.

C. A. Hoxie of Williams Valley was  
in Grants Pass Monday with a load  
of strawberries for the local market.  
Mr. Hoxie grows principally the New  
York Beauty and he finds it a profit-  
able berry. It is of very large size  
and fine flavor, its only fault being  
that it does not color perfectly one  
side usually being white or a very  
pale red. It though is a salable berry  
and being prolific and very early  
makes it a good market berry. In  
size it is one of the big varieties and  
Mr. Hoxie thinks New York Beauties  
can excel the big Sixteen-to-One ber-  
ries grown by R. F. Lewman, one of  
his neighbors, a box of which was  
made up of but 16 berries and pre-  
sented to the Courier office. Mr.  
Hoxie with his load Monday brought  
a box that was made up of but 12 ber-  
ries which he placed on exhibition at  
Pike & Dean's grocery store.

It is a proven fact that Rogue River  
Valley has perfect conditions for  
growing the best of strawberries and  
when profitable and extensive markets  
are made attainable through a fruit  
growers union then this valley will  
become as noted a berry district as  
is now the famous Hood River. The  
soil and climate of Rogue River Val-  
ley make it possible to grow straw-  
berry to perfection having the five  
qualities essential to a profitable straw-  
berry of size, color, symmetry, flavor  
and firmness. Rogue River berries  
stand shipment fully as well as those  
of Hood River and when it is possi-  
ble to ship in car load lots to the  
Eastern markets Grants Pass will be-  
come as big a strawberry exporting  
point as now is Hood River.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere  
thanks to the friends who so kindly  
assisted us during our recent bereave-  
ment, in the death of our daughter  
and sister. MRS. W. S. WOOD  
AND FAMILY.

Advertisers get results in the  
Courier.

There Are Few

people who know how to take care of  
themselves—the majority do not. The  
liver is a most important organ in the  
body. Herbine will keep it in condi-  
tion. V. C. Simpkins, Alba, Texas,  
writes: "I have used Herbine for  
Chills and Fever and find it the best  
medicine I ever used. I would not be  
without it. It is as good for child-  
ren as it is for grown-up people, and I  
recommend it. It is fine for La  
Grippe." For Sale by Rotermund  
and National Drug Co.

Men Wanted.

Saw mill and lumber yard laborers,  
\$2.25 per day. Woodsmen \$2.25 to \$3.  
Steady work. Apply to Booth-Kelly  
Lumber Co., Eugene, Ore.

Poultry Netting in all widths at  
Cramer Bros.

AN IOWAN DELIGHTED  
WITH SOUTHERN OREGON

Thinks Rogue River Valley an  
Ideal Section—Hot Weather  
and Storms in East.

Indianola, Iowa, June 2—Editor  
Courier—I arrived home the 28 ult.,  
as I expected, and with the exception  
of a severe cold contracted in South-  
ern California, I had a fine trip,  
stopping a few days at Salt Lake, also  
in Colorado. The first thing I got in-  
to in Colorado was a whirlwind and  
thunder storm. I spent last week in  
Omaha, Neb. When I left there for  
the west last August it was dreadfully  
hot and I returned to find the temper-  
ature about the same. Nebraska was  
visited by several disastrous storms  
last week and since my return home  
this week we have had a succession of  
thunderstorms. The lightning flashed  
around here like whiplackers.

I am glad I can say I was not home-  
sick a minute since I left here last  
August, but I am homesick to go back  
to Oregon. California is beautiful,  
but Southern Oregon is nearest my  
heart. I expected people to ask me,  
of all the places I visited which I  
liked best. So they have, and I do  
not hesitate to say Southern Oregon,  
all things considered.

Enclosed you will find the amount  
of my subscription to the Courier. I  
must have the news and in that way  
keep in touch with Grants Pass  
people.

I promised to write personal letters  
to some of my friends there but I  
hope this note will suffice until I get  
time.

There has not been a surplus of  
rain here this Spring, yet crops look  
pretty well. Yours truly  
MARY B. WADSWORTH.

Aetna Insurance Company.

The above company makes the fol-  
lowing statement:  
"After paying all of the San Fran-  
cisco losses, which will probably not  
exceed \$3,000,000, we will still have  
available for policy holders \$11,036,-  
011."

For further information, see Joseph  
Moss, Local Agent.

Smoking in a Powder Magazine

Is courting death more suddenly  
but not more surely than neglecting  
kidney disorders. Foley's Kidney  
Cure will cure a slight disorder in a  
few days and its continued use will  
cure the most obstinate cases. It has  
cured many people of Bright's disease  
and diabetes who were thought to  
be incurable. If you have kidney or  
bladder trouble, commence taking  
Foley's Kidney Cure today, before it  
is too late. For sale by H. A. Rotermund.

It pays to advertise a useful article.  
Nine times out of 10 there'll be a  
buyer before the ink is dry. Try it.

Posters, placards, dodgers, all sizes  
and kinds, printed at the Courier office.

The Courier, one year \$1.50; six  
months, 75 cents.

DISLIKED BY NATURE

Towns That Seem to Be Chosen  
Marks of the Elements.

Where Rain Falls Heaviest, Snow  
Lies Thickest and Thunder and  
Lightning Exhibit the  
Greatest Violence.

There is more than one town against  
which Dame Nature seems to harbor  
a curious spite, as if she would say:  
"This site is not meant to build upon."  
Langtoft, a little place of some 600  
people in the East Riding of Yorkshire,  
England, is one of these. Over and  
over again has the weather all round  
been fine and clear, yet the valley in  
which Langtoft stands has been  
shrouded in heavy clouds and drenched  
with rain. The snow in winter always  
seems to lie thickest on the wolds  
above the town, and to cause floods  
more or less disastrous as it melts in  
the spring.

The climax came on a Sunday even-  
ing two summers ago, says the Chicago  
Tribune.

After a hot day a violent thunder-  
storm broke. Then there appeared in  
the west an inky cloud, from which  
hung four long, twisting black col-  
umns.

Suddenly, just after six o'clock, a wall  
of water came roaring down the hill-  
side above the village. When it struck  
the upper end of the street it was seven  
feet high. In a twinkling it had dem-  
olished a number of houses, and torn par-  
titions from others, and swept away  
everything in its path. What was left  
was so plastered with mud and earth  
as to be almost useless.

No one was killed, but the destruc-  
tion of domestic animals, of houses,  
property and roads was complete. Gar-  
dens and grazing lands were ruined.  
Even the parish well was utterly  
choked with mud and dead animals.

Southbourne-on-Sea, four miles on  
the east of Bournemouth, has far bet-  
ter air than the latter town, and looks  
as if it ought to be just the site for a  
health resort. Tens of thousands have  
been spent in the effort to make it so,  
yet nature had said no, and man's ef-  
forts have proved unavailing.

A handsome pier was built, support-  
ed on the shore by immense cement  
walls. The pier is now only ap-  
proached by a single plank. Its center  
supports are gone, and it is the resort  
only of two or three fishermen. The  
cement wall looks like a wave-eaten  
cliff. Further along the shore a neat  
row of houses was built in a great re-  
cess, cut back at vast expense in the  
cliff. The sea cut in below them, and  
the owner was forced to raze them  
and carry the material away.

There is no great city in Europe  
which nature so evidently wishes to  
be rid of as St. Petersburg. Built in  
the first place on a low-lying swamp,  
which was filled in at a cost of hun-  
dreds of lives and hundreds of thou-  
sands of pounds, fevers reduced its  
population and gave it a death rate  
higher than any other European cap-  
ital. Failing so to oust its builders,  
nature used a new weapon. The ice came  
down in spring out of Lake Ladoga,  
and, piling against the new wharves  
and bridges, dammed the Neva and  
flooded the city. Every spring saw a  
repetition of these disastrous floods,  
which, even after they dried away, left  
the streets mere quagmires. The St.  
Petersburgers now defeat the flood  
by setting to work thousands of men  
at the first spring thaw, who cut and  
blast the river ice, and leave free pas-  
sages for the lake ice to sail down  
stream unhindered.

Yet still the struggle goes on. For  
some years past it has been apparent  
that St. Petersburg is becoming a city  
of toothless people. Dentists ascribe  
this curious fact to the effluvia from  
the rotten vegetation deep buried un-  
der the new suburbs of the city. So  
serious is the matter becoming that  
there is a strong agitation in favor of  
once more removing the capital of Rus-  
sia to some other site.

Russia has another town against  
natural forces are waging a terrible  
war. This is Schemacha, in the Cau-  
casus. When Schemacha was founded  
it was for long impossible to get a sup-  
ply of drinking water. The difficulty  
was overcome by bringing water from  
a distance. Next came a series of ter-  
rible epidemics—first smallpox, then  
cholera, and then smallpox again. Yet  
the city grew, helped to prosperity by  
the petroleum trade, and began this  
year with 35,000 people.

In February last the town was hum-  
ing with industry, when one dull but  
warm morning came suddenly a terrific  
crash of thunder. The solid ground be-  
gan to vibrate. A few seconds later  
there was a horrible cracking sound,  
and the whole of the Mohammedan  
quarter was thrust upwards bubble-  
like, till its houses were reared high  
upon a hill. The bubble burst, and  
instead of a town there lay a formless  
heap of ruins, from which red flames  
leaped and crackled toward the giant  
pall of dust which hid the sky.

Within a week Schemacha's survivors  
determined to rebuild their ruined city.  
They had hardly reached the decision  
when once more the ground began to  
tremble and the night sky grew ruddy  
with flame. News came that a new  
volcano had burst out in the moun-  
tains nearby. No plainer warning  
could be given. Extinct volcanoes have  
often burst out afresh, and with shock-  
ing and terrible results, as in the case  
of the recent disaster at St. Pierre,  
whose thousands of inhabitants have  
entirely perished.

Lost.

Diamond-Opal scarf pin. Liberal  
reward for its recovery. Leave at  
Courier office.

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ALL AMERICA  
SHOES  
FOR MEN



We have received a large shipment  
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They can be had in all the latest  
toes, and in hid, patent colt and  
tan. They await your inspection at

\$3.50 and \$4.00  
**R. L. Bartlett**  
Howard Building Sixth Street

BIG DEVELOPMENT  
LEAGUE MEETING  
In Grants Pass This Saturday—  
Special Train From Jack-  
son County.

This Saturday the Rogue River  
Valley Development League will  
meet in Grants Pass and it promises  
to far surpass in attendance any pre-  
vious session of the League. A  
special train has been chartered to  
bring the Jackson county contingent  
and big delegations are to come from  
Ashland, Talent, Phoenix, Medford,  
Jacksonville, Central Point, Gold  
Ray, Gold Hill and Woodville. This  
train will leave Ashland at 8 a. m.  
and arrive at Grants Pass at 10  
o'clock. The visitors will remain all  
day in the city and start on the re-  
turn at 9 p. m. It is expected that  
every citizen in Grants Pass will be  
at the depot to greet the visitors.  
The forenoon will be devoted to ad-  
dresses by prominent speakers at the G.  
A. R. encampment grounds and the af-  
ternoon to a ball game and athletic  
exercises at the A. A. C. grounds and  
the evening to a band concert. It is ex-  
pected that citizens will show the  
visitors about the city and do all pos-  
sible to make the event a splendid  
success.

New Home Sewing machine agency  
at the Music Store.

STRAYED.

ESTRAYED—From Allen pasture,  
May 12, light bay mare, black  
points, 4 years old, white strip in  
forehead, no brand; right front hoof  
white, weight about 1150. J. B.  
Lindsay, Murphy, Ore. 6-8 tf.

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Pacific Northwest and  
from our own  
practical ex-  
perience in  
dairying that  
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Cream  
Separator is  
the best and  
most practical  
separator for every-day  
farm use. It is such a  
well-made piece of ma-  
chinery that it will last  
a lifetime, giving every  
day the quickest, easiest  
service. It is the best  
value for the money and  
we guarantee it our-  
selves, in addition to the  
guarantee of the  
factory. To show our  
confidence in this sepa-  
rator we will ship you one  
on ten days' free trial.  
If it doesn't prove as  
represented the best and  
most practical for your  
own use, you may return  
it at our expense.  
Handled today stands  
with its guarantee  
behind thousands of U. S.  
Separators, and there  
has never been a day  
when we have regretted  
having guaranteed this  
separator. We are thor-  
oughly and practically  
familiar with the  
advantages and disad-  
vantages of every  
separator on the market  
and we are handling  
the U. S. Separator  
because we know it to  
be the best there is.

SKIMS CLEANER—In addition, the U. S.  
Separator skims the milk cleaner than  
does any other machine. This has been  
demonstrated over and over again. The  
record for clean skimming has been held  
by the U. S. Hand Separator for many  
years. No other hand separator has been  
able to equal the record made five years  
ago at the Pan-American Exposition,  
and yet this record was lowered by  
the U. S. Separator in the official test  
at the Lewis and Clark fair last year.

It will outwear any other separator,  
it is more easy and simple to operate,  
it is easier to keep clean and it will  
keep right on year after year doing its  
daily work, giving perfect satisfaction.

PAY FOR ITSELF—The U. S. Separator  
will pay for itself in one year in extra  
cream saved over what could be skimmed  
in the old-fashioned way. If you don't  
believe it take advantage of our free  
trial offer and make the test right on  
your own farm. Return in both ways  
and sign out the result in your own  
words. You will find the separator will  
pay for itself in a year. We sell it on  
easy terms and will take care in pay-  
ment, so you need not pay one cent  
for the separator, and at the end  
of the year the machine will all be  
paid for. Write today for catalogue and full  
particulars. U. S. Separator Co.,  
Grafton, Vermont.

WANTED—Good work horse. Apply  
John Nale, Grants Pass.

WANTED—Set single work horse. Apply  
John Nale, Grants Pass, Ore. 6-8

WANTED—One good work horse. Apply  
John Nale, Grants Pass, Ore.

WANTED—Grain Sacks, Tools and  
other second-hand goods. Harrison  
Bros., Second hand-store, corner  
Sixth and J streets. 2-3

LOST.—A gold cuff button. Finder  
please deliver to Courier office and  
get reward. 6-8

FOX TERRIER, one ear black, let  
my place on Sixth street, May 8.  
Finder notify E. T. Thompson,  
Grants Pass, Ore., and receive re-  
ward. 6-1

MISCELLANEOUS.  
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