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ROGUE RIVER FARMS
PLEASE RAILROAD MAN

Agricultural Resources of Josephine County a Surprise to S. P. Traffic Men.

H. A. Hinshaw, of Portland, the new traveling freight agent for the Harriman system of Oregon lines which embrace the Southern Pacific, the O. R. N. and the Oregon Short Line, was in Grants Pass Wednesday looking up freight shipments and familiarizing himself with the business conditions that obtain in Rogue River Valley.

During the forenoon Mr. Hinshaw called on the large shippers of Grants Pass and in the afternoon he made a trip of seven miles down Rogue River Valley to interview the big fruit, hop and melon growers in regard to prospective tonnage and to take a look at one of the handsomest and richest sections of the famous Rogue River Valley. He was accompanied by G. P. Jester, the Southern Pacific agent for Grants Pass and by Charles Meserve of the Courier. Among the farmers called on was T. P. Lee who has 65 acres to melons, etc., Eismann Bros., who have one of the very finest and largest orchards in Rogue River Valley and will have 12,000 boxes of apples and pears to ship, and Mr. and Mrs. John Ranzau, whose 100 acre hop field is the largest in Southern Oregon. Mr. Lee, who holds the honor of being the melon king of Rogue River Valley and the first farmer to grow melons in large quantities for shipment, has his 65 acres of land planted to a diversity of crops. Of it 30 acres are to water-melons, 15 acres in casabas, five acres to cantaloups, 15 acres to squashes, and two acres to tomatoes. The soil is extraordinarily fertile and though no irrigation is employed the melon and squash vines and tomatoes are making a vigorous growth and a big yield is certain. There are quite a number of other farmers raising melons, the largest growers being J. B. Burroughs having 15 acres, Lee Bros., five acres, H. Hulbert 10 acres, F. Caldwell 10 acres, Christie & Larson five acres and Mr. Elliott 15 acres. There are a number of other farms that have small patches of melons, that will bring the total acreage to melons in the Grants Pass section up to about 135 acres.

The market for Rogue River Valley melons is the Willamette Valley towns, Portland, Seattle and Tacoma and other northern cities. The demand is very good for Rogue River melons have gained the reputation of being among the best in those markets but the industry is not thriving and the shipments this year will be about the same as they have been each season for the past dozen years. The reason for the stagnation of this industry that could be one of the largest and most profitable in this Valley is that the commission men have taken such big profits that there was little or none left for the luckless growers. Several farmers who formerly grew large acreages of melons now grow none. Mr. Lee stated to Mr. Hinshaw that this would be his last year in the melon business if the Southern Pacific put into effect their proposed rule to no longer allow the shippers to deliver melons from town to town from the car until it was emptied, at such places as could not handle in car lots. Mr. Lee stated that to crate the cost of crating the melons and shipping by local freight or by express would be so great as to take up all the profits and to consign car lots to the commission men was sure financial ruin to the farmers. The other melon growers are also of the opinion that they can make nothing by shipping in crates or by consigning to the commission dealers. Mr. Hinshaw assured them that he would present the matter to the railroad company and get an equitable adjustment of the difficulty. The railroad men object to the melon peddling as they claim it retards their trains and as the freight traffic has become so heavy on the Portland and

San Francisco line that no interruption can be permitted. It is quite likely that if the Southern Pacific puts into effect this new rule that the melon industry will be given up in Rogue River Valley until such time as the towns north are large enough to take car lots and not be supplied by reshipments from Portland, and there is a Union to handle the melons and find out who are reliable dealers and consign only to them.

Mr. Hinshaw found a more encouraging outlook for the hop industry. The most of the yards inspected were in splendid condition, the big Ranzau yard being exceptionally fine and will produce over 100,000 pounds. The prospect for a better price than the starvation rate of last year is the expectation of the growers who think that they will get at least 15 cents a pound for their hops. Owing to several yards having been dug up and others not cultivated but indifferently, the yield of hops for Rogue River Valley will be from 20 to 25 per cent less than last year. The yards though that have been well cared for will have a large yield and a better quality than last year.

The fruit industry impressed Mr. Hinshaw as the one that would be the chief wealth producer for Rogue River Valley and he anticipates that the time will be not distant that instead of making shipments by car loads as now that whole trains of fruit cars will be sent from Rogue River Valley to the East. Mr. Hinshaw was shown through the Eismann orchard by F. D. Eismann, one of the owners and president of the Grants Pass Fruit Growers Union and he declared it quite equal in the care of cultivation, pruning, thinning and fine appearance of the fruit to the best Hood River orchards. So thorough has the spraying been done that Mr. Eismann estimates that of their 12,000 boxes of fruit that 95 per cent will grade as strictly first-class. The trees in this orchard look to a layman as though they would not yield half a crop for instead of limbs breaking and trees bending under the excessive load of fruit as seen in the average farmer's orchard, these trees show no weight of fruit. From 50 to 80 per cent of the young apples were picked off and the ground about the trees was yet literally covered with picked off apples. The trees were gone over the third time in the thinning operation and now the fruit averages about six inches apart and so thoroughly were they culled that the apples are of a surprising uniformity of size, they hardly varying an eighth of an inch in diameter, and none at picking time will run under four-tier. Another well cared for orchard is that of R. A. N. Reymers and it was found a close second to the Eismann orchard in the fine quality of fruit it bid fair to produce.

The result of the 14-mile ride through one of the fine farming sections of Josephine with the magnificent view that was had of the broad expanse of the famous Rogue River Valley brought a revelation to Mr. Hinshaw, who having only heard of the mineral wealth of this district and only seen the country from the car windows, drew the inference that mines, scenery and climate were the chief resources of the Valley. The splendid orchards, and hop yards, the fine fields of melons, grain, potatoes and other crops and the broad alfalfa meadows that Mr. Hinshaw saw were proof that Josephine county has agricultural resources that will make it one of the wealthy counties of the state. The large amount of land, both bottom and hill, that was lying idle yet had every appearance of being productive soil convinced Mr. Hinshaw that there was room in Rogue River Valley for thousands of settlers to make for themselves comfortable homes and develop profitable farms.

Notice.

To whom it may concern, that on and after the date of the publication of this notice I will not be responsible for the payment of any bills contracted by my wife, Emma J. Reynolds, cause of separation, malicious and dangerous threats made by her.
H. I. REYNOLDS
Eureka, Cal., June 20, 1906.

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DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE
HOLDS BIG RALLY

Ashland Royally Entertains the Leaguers on Tuesday—Big Crowd Present.

The splendid growth of the Rogue River Development League is indicated by the gathering in Ashland Tuesday being the largest yet held by the League, for there were fully a 1000 persons present besides the residents of the city.

At 8:30 a. m. Tuesday a special train of nine coaches pulled out of Grants Pass bound for Ashland. About 300 persons were aboard from this city and by the time the train reached Ashland it was well filled with delegates from Woodville, Gold Hill, Gold Ray, Central Point, Medford, Jacksonville, Phoenix and Talent. Arriving at Ashland the excursionists were met by the members of the Ashland Commercial Club and given a most cordial greeting. All then fell into line and marched up town, the Ashland and the Medford bands each at the head of a division of the procession. Arriving at the Club rooms an address of welcome was made by Major G. S. Butler on behalf of the city, and by President E. V. Carter on behalf of the Club. On behalf of the Development League Dr. Ray, the president, made a fitting response. Light refreshments were served to the visitors.

All then repaired to the Chautauqua auditorium where the regular program of the assembly was carried out.

The noon hour arriving a large number of the visitors, who had brought lunch baskets, repaired to the cool grove on Ashland creek and enjoyed a picnic dinner. The citizens of Ashland supplied coffee, sugar and cream to their guests.

The regular session of the Development League was held during the afternoon in the Chautauqua auditorium, and the large building was filled to its full seating capacity. President G. F. Billings, of the Chautauqua Association made the opening address and introduced Dr. Ray, who presided. The leading speaker was to have been Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, but he was ill and Dr. House of Portland filled his appointment and made a speech outlining the development work now being done over the state. Col. E. Hofer, of Salem, president of the Willamette Valley Development League spoke of the good results that had come of the efforts of his League in promotion work in the Willamette Valley. President P. L. Campbell of the State University at Eugene, advocated more attention to the development of the educational advantages of the state. These addresses were able and full of good points and were well received. Short addresses on behalf of the various towns of Rogue River Valley were made by H. L. Gilkey of Grants Pass, W. A. Carter, Gold Hill, S. A. Pattison, Central Point, J. D. Olwell, Medford and E. D. Briggs, Ashland. Capt. Jack Crawford, a lecturer for the Chautauqua assembly also made a telling speech. A ball game and a balloon ascension closed the afternoon features. The ball game was between Ashland and Grants Pass and was won by the latter in the 14th innings by a score of 6 to 5. The excursionists staid for the evening session of the Chautauqua assembly and were well pleased with the lecture of Capt. Jack Crawford, the famous scout and poet. At 1:30 a. m. the Grants Pass crowd arrived home tired but pleased with the days outing.

The Courier office was presented by Mrs. Frank Dorman with fully ripe tomatoes picked in her garden in this city on July 20. The plants had only ordinary care and were set out after the cold weather of Spring had passed. They show what can be done in growing early tomatoes, the first of August being as early as most growers ever have them.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to know that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
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JULY 28 THE LAST DAY

Their Big Sale Will Be the Talk of the Town.

Stanleys leave us soon, and commencing Monday, the 16th, will hold the greatest sale our city has ever known. Every piece of merchandise in stock must go, they say. It will be the place for bargains. Saturday, July 28, is their last day in town.

The Lesson That Nature Teaches

Life is often compared to a stream and many fine analogies may be drawn from the tiny rivulet which advances with oft-halting pace through the wooded shadows, yet taking unto itself from along the way greater beauty and strength, ever being merged into wider and deeper life until lost in the mighty ocean, there to find a home and bear a part in that grand consummation of centralized power on whose bosom float a world's navies and which in many ways so fully ministers to a world's needs.

Life is comparable also to those inequalities of surface the graduation of which in an ever ascending series is merged in the mountain range whose peaks appear to have well nigh reached the heavens, there in wondrous power and majesty pointing to the great goal of all human life and effort.

Indeed nature teaches us in a thousand ways that life to be true must be filled with a constantly widening activity with deeper growth—the immutable law is advancement on every line and we too have a part in all, for both animate and inanimate units are under this law of the great teacher who points us to the work of character building through taking unto ourselves of the wider and fuller life on every hand to the end that we impart the same. Let us not overlook the fact that the individual units of any great creation, however small they may be, have part in its fame—the tiny drop of water and the little grain of earth must ever share in the glory of the ocean and of the mountain. Thus it is with the constructive elements of the well rounded character, for that too is a noble fulfillment. R. H. L.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Fresh milk cow—inquire of Mrs. Ella Buell, 5th St., near river. 7-20 2t

ONE three-minute driving horse also racing cart. H. N. Mitchell, North 8th street, Box 454. 4 27 tf

FOR SALE CHEAP—Bicycle, new tires, coaster brake, in good order—inquire of Stevens at Grants Pass Grocery.

FOR SALE—Heavy pair of work horses and heavy harness and a 3/4 Studebaker wagon, nearly new. A dress P. O. box 195, Grants Pass. 5-25 tf

COWS FOR SALE—14 head of choice milk cows from Smith river dairies, and are in Grants Pass. Call on or address Joseph Russell. 3-30 tf

FOR SALE—New 5-room house and two lots, fence and outbuildings, good residence, Corner Walnut and Pine, No. 204. Price \$650. P. O. Box 178. M. J. Young.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—Good Store building and a good clean stock of general merchandise. Building contains nine residence rooms and a half acre of land goes with the property. Would exchange for Grants Pass residence property. For further information address J. P. McConnell, Merlin, Ore. 7-6 tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT or sale two good houses in choice locations. Address J. D. Drake, Seventh and A streets. 3-30 tf

FOR RENT—Suite of Rooms suitable for young couple, also single room with board. Home cooking and nice well water. Inquire Mrs. Ida Hurt, 719 D St. 7-20 tf

WANTED.

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

WANTED—A \$5000 improved farm of about 80 acres. Prefer to deal direct with owner rather than through an agent. Address J. E. Day, General Delivery, Grants Pass. 7-6 4t

WANTED—Man to take contract to clear 40 acres of brush land one-half mile from Grants Pass. Soil is loose and brush can be pulled with a team. Will let contract for from 10 to 40 acres. Enquire at Courier Office. 6-29 4t

PERSONAL.

DEARIE—Buy a copy of Clare Kummer's latest production "Dearie," the song that is now being sung all over the East—one of the most popular songs of the season. Price 30c at the Music House. Many of the other late popular pieces in stock.

LOST.

LOST—A black silk work-bag, containing glasses, thimble, scissors, and fancy work, by the river near bath houses. Return to Rev. F. C. Williams and receive reward.


FOUND.

FOUND—Boys and girls coats on streets of Grants Pass. Call at Courier office, describe property, pay for ad and get them. 6-15 tf

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J. T. TAYLOR,
Treasurer of Josephine County, Ore.

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