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News of the Sumpter District. Railroad Construction Pushed.

Messrs. Carner & Keiser, who have lately been purchasing irrigated lands in the vicinity of Grants Pass have bonded and are operating the Gem mine at Susanville. A substantial cash payment has been made on the bond and intelligent mining is being carried on. The bonders who represent South Dakota capital are much pleased with the appearance of the property and to show their entire faith in the District have purchased 2000 acres of ranch land and 12,000,000 feet of timber. The custom mill at Susanville is shipping all its concentrates to the Sumpter Smelter. The Standard mine in the Quartzburg district is operating its 100 ton mill regularly. The product of which is also being handled at the Sumpter Smelter.

Other mines shipping to the smelter are the Columbia, North Pole, Mt. View, Cornucopia, Compton and Badger. These will be augmented in the near future by the Imperial, United Ekhorn and several others.

One of the copper prospects near Baker City was bonded a few days ago to New York Capitalists for a large figure. Should this district prove good, Eastern Oregon will soon enjoy a copper boom of considerable magnitude. Times are very lively on the Snake River.

One thousand men are employed in railway construction and building the tunnel at the Oxbow for the installation of an immense power plant. Among the principal mines working are the Iron Dyke, Ferrell Group, Congar, Centipede and McDoughall group. The railway will be completed to Homestead by June 1908.

W. S.

Modern Methods in Teaching

Book-keeping and business practice will probably be taught with much more satisfactory results in the future than in the past, for the Text-book commission adopted what is known as the budget system of teaching. Briefly stated, this system places in the hands of the pupil a series of lessons on sheets of heavy paper, with the sheets placed in a pile and the corners fastened together. Each day the student tears off a page or sheet and finds underneath the blank forms of bills, notes, checks, drafts, mortgages, deeds, etc., that are to be used in the day's work. He can get the blanks without tearing off the sheet of paper. Tearing off the sheet of paper is equivalent to opening his office in the morning or receiving his daily mail. The forms are exactly like those used in actual business practice, and the transactions are as much like those of actual business as possible. The budget system is used in most of the business colleges and in many of the high schools of the country. Its adoption in Oregon is considered one of the most important changes made by the Text-book Commission.

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IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION

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biggest of its kind ever held in Oregon. By holding it following the meeting of the National Congress at Sacramento a very large number of the speakers and delegates at that gathering could be induced to attend the Oregon Association in this city. By sending a large delegation from Grants Pass to Sacramento many of the men of national renown could be secured as speakers for the meeting here and many of the Eastern delegates be induced to return to their homes by way of Oregon and make a stop in Grants Pass.

By having the Oregon Irrigation meet in Grants Pass and the attendance of a big delegation from the National Irrigation Congress it will give Rogue River Valley and Grants Pass a splendid advertisement such as could not be gained by the expenditure of \$1000 in literature. The holding of an irrigation convention in Grants Pass will be the means of giving a strong impetus to the movement to get an irrigation system for this section of Rogue River Valley. With the showing of profitable results had from the small plants in operation in this valley it will be possible to interest capital in the undertaking of taking water from Rogue river and distributing it by means of a canal along each side of the Valley on the lands that are naturally very rich, but now of little value for the lack of water.

The Courier gives all the county news.

Southern Oregon Normal.

Miss Kaiser and Mrs. Wickersham are busy this week preparing records of student teachers.

Members of the Eighth Grade of the Training School are taking the final examinations this week. The examinations are submitted by Supt. P. H. Dalley.

On Wednesday the members of the Y. W. C. C. A. gave a social in Memorial Hall. The chief feature of the evening was "The County Fair." The Association reports the amount received \$35.36.

James Martin, a graduate of 1906 and principal of the Woodville schools, visited the Normal Monday and Tuesday.

Members of the Elocution and English Literature classes will present Shakespeare's Julius Caesar in the Opera House June 21st at 8 p. m. The cast of characters is as follows: Julius Caesar..... George Martin
Antony..... Perry Corum
Brutus..... Myrn Bailey
Cassius..... Bert Stancliffe
Caesa..... Howard Carmichael
Trebinius..... Hinsley Herdricks
Decius..... Emil Broppy
Portia..... Daisy Jackson
Cicero..... Edith McCune
Metellus Cimber..... Frank Allen
Lucius..... Will Allen
Servilius..... Robert Bagley
So thisayer..... Earl Moore
Maids, servants, attendants soldiers.

The following officers of the student body were elected Monday for the ensuing year: President, George Martin; vice-president Clara Sylvester; secretary, Emily O'Brian; treasurer, Stanley Wood.

A faculty picnic was given Wednesday noon, in honor of Miss Ida Case, it being her last day with us for this school year. All report an enjoyable time. Miss Case left Thursday morning for New York. She will be joined by friends in the east, who will form an independent tourist company and visit Europe Naples is the first point of their destination; from thence they will visit other Italian cities, Switzerland, France, Germany, England. Miss Case will return late in September to resume her work in the Normal.

The last meeting of the Y. W. C. C. A. was held Friday when business was attended to for next year and a Summer delegate, Miss Pina Benedict, elected. Stanley Wood was chosen delegate of the Normal Y. M. C. A. and left Friday morning for Gearheart to attend the State convention held at that place.

The Road to Mule Creek.

Subjoined is an article by Alex Watts, giving practical information as to the location of a feasible route for a wagon road down Rogue river from Grants Pass to the Mule Creek mining district. Mr. Watts is a pioneer of this Valley and a veteran of the Rogue River Indian wars and thoroughly knows every section of this Valley. He states that it would be no difficult matter to build a wagon road to the lower Rogue river section and that it would not be so expensive of construction as to make the undertaking unprofitable:

Murphy, Ore, June 16th, 1907.

Editor Courier:
I see in your last issue that there is a proposition to build a wagon road from Galice to the mouth of Mule Creek with the estimated cost of \$10,000. As I was employed by the county in 1890 to look over that route, perhaps my experience may be of sufficient value to pay for publication.

From Galice to the Yank ledge there is but little work needed for three or four miles, then comes the big canyon of seven miles to Whiskey Creek, which is the most expensive piece of road building between Grants Pass and Gold Beach. From Whiskey Creek to Mule Creek there is nothing particularly bad on the north side of the river say 15 miles more. I should lay out the road just above high water mark as to keep higher up the side of the mountain would cause snow slides besides being longer and more up and down hills.

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EISMAN BROS. BUILDING A BIG PACKING HOUSE

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The packing room will be well lighted and have a stove to take the chill off during cold weather so as to make it comfortable for the packers. Every convenience will be provided for rapid work and for economically handling the fruit. With this new warehouse Eisman Bros. will be able to hold each Fall a large part of their apple crop until the rush of the market is over and cars can be readily had and prices stiffen. A well equipped packing and storing warehouse is an essential adjunct to every orchard and the fruit growers who build such a house will find it one of their most profitable investments.

Grants Pass Weather.

Following is a summary of the weather observation at Grants Pass during the month of May, 1907, as reported by J. B. Paddock, local voluntary observer for the Oregon State Weather Service:

Date.	TEMPERATURE			Precipitation inches.
	Maximum	Minimum	Range	
1	74	28	46	
2	75	31	44	
3	64	46	18	
4	73	33	40	
5	82	34	48	
6	65	40	25	0.05
7	76	43	33	
8	69	41	28	
9	62	48	14	0.14
10	62	32	30	0.02
11	56	40	16	
12	66	40	26	
13	76	32	44	
14	88	42	46	
15	80	39	41	
16	80	41	39	
17	81	38	43	
18	69	41	28	0.06
19	60	42	18	0.75
20	71	43	28	0.01
21	67	37	30	
22	65	47	18	
23	72	42	30	
24	72	50	22	
25	75	47	28	
26	84	40	44	
27	84	44	40	
28	80	42	38	
29	90	42	47	
30	98	44	54	
31	82	52	30	

Summary: Mean temperature 70°, maximum temperature 98°, date 30th, minimum temperature 28°, date 1. Total precipitation inches 1.13. Snowfall 0. Number days clear, 14; partly cloudy, 6; cloudy 11. Prevailing wind, S. W.

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