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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 1907.

'Rah for the fair!

Get in line and boost for the fair.

The success of the fair depends very much upon what we people of Grants Pass propose to make it. If it is a success this time, it will be easier to have the next one a greater success.

These are ideal fall days and they tend to make the newcomer feel as though he had come to the place he has been looking for these many days.

Portland's big bank failure did not effect the financial conditions of Grants Pass, we are pleased to note and what is more, we are glad to say that our financial institutions are so solid that it will take many such flurries in the money markets to even shake them.

Extend the glad hand to the many strangers who will be in our midst at the big fair, next week. Make them feel certain that they are welcome and thus you will aid them in carrying home most excellent impressions of Grants Pass and our enterprising citizens.

It seems the Law and Order people of this fair city are going to make a determined effort to see to it that there be no violation of the laws governing the closing of saloons and like places. If there is a law which has to do with such cases, it should by all means be enforced or else declare it a dead letter and strike it from the statute books. If it is a poor law and one that should not be enacted, one of the quickest ways to have it killed is to enforce it. On the other hand, failure to put the laws into force is nothing short of anarchy. We are a law-abiding people and we want to see that the proper laws are enacted and then that they are put in force.

That was indeed a very complimentary statement made by Professor Orton, the government plant expert, who has just been in this vicinity, investigating the melon pest, when he pronounced our yield and likewise the quality of the melons we raise as far superior to those grown

in the famous districts of the South. This should make us all more anxious to carry out his wise advice and do all in our power to eradicate the melon patches of this dread disease. Doubtless this is but another instance where a "stitch in time saves nine," and if we would retain our supremacy as the banner melon growing section, it behooves us to ward off any and all things which would tend to lower either the standard or the yield.

Soon the public schools will be opened for another year's work and both pupils and instructors will be ready for the important undertaking, by reason of a well earned and may we not say, a well spent vacation? Our public schools, like the home, are in very fact the backbone of our American civilization and there is no more potent factor for good than to have good schools conducted in the community. In this respect Grants Pass, and for that matter, the whole of Josephine county is to be heartily congratulated upon having a most excellent system of schools and let us guard well this matter. Let nothing come in to weaken or lower the standard. We owe it to the rising generation, as well as to ourselves to see to it that nothing is spared in the matter of providing the very best equipment and the most important that we have only the best of teachers. In both of these respects we are most fortunate in this city and county.

"The Spokane of Southern Oregon" is the way they are beginning to talk about Grants Pass, these days in mining circles and it sounds mighty good to hear such talk, especially to one who knows what it means for our city to resemble that thriving metropolis of the Inland Empire. If we can but emulate the example of people of that city, who have once and for all time been most loyal to their home city, giving home dealers the preference every time and all pulling together for the best interests of their entire community. Yes, it would do us good to have more of the real "Spokane Spirit" and then we would see our city and county go ahead with leaps and bounds in all that pertains to the welfare and future development of this, as yet, almost untouched rich section of Uncle Sam's vast western domain. We hail with delight the "like Spokane" idea and are more than pleased to find that the Spokane capitalists are already beginning to come here to invest their funds in our promising mines. This, of itself, is a no small item and it means much for the future growth of this great and growing region.

Vacant houses in Grants Pass, especially those of a desirable kind, are decidedly scarce, at least that is the opinion of the new assistant editor of the Courier, for he has spent a good part of last week, scouring the city, in quest of some suitable place where he might take his family to reside. He was laboring under the impression that inasmuch as Grants Pass has no "boom" on like some of its more boastful neighbors, that residences would be plentiful, but he has had his mind disabused of any such idea, for he declared that they are almost as scarce as the proverbial "hen's teeth," and this has set him to wondering why some of our public-spirited capitalists do not invest some of their surplus funds in erecting good residences for rent. He figures out that there would be good money in such investment for the builders and that it would undoubtedly bring many desirable residents to our city. The thought deserves more than a passing mention and we trust that those who have idle money and who have the best interests of the community at heart will

seriously consider the question of seeing to it that this long felt need is soon filled.

Now that the political bee has already begun to buzz in the ears of many a would-be public servant, it is time for the people who cast the ballots to consider well the fitness of each man who may be mentioned for public honors. The days when the party lash could force the election of the "yellow dog" candidate, are passed and thank goodness, only men of acknowledged worth and they who are eminently fitted for the places of trust stand any show to represent the people. Nowadays it has become the popular and sensible thing for the man, rather than the party to be considered by the voter. This is as it should be and the sooner this becomes known to the professional political office seeker, the better it will be for our American citizenship. May we not hope that the day is not far distant when the office will in very truth be seeking the man, rather than the obnoxious plan which is now in vogue? Let our officers be chosen strictly on their merit and stop all this political wire pulling.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.

FOR SALE—Roll Top Desk. Call at Williams Bros' Door & Lumber Co. 9-6 2t

Grain Sacks, Copper, Brass and Rubber bought. Highest prices at Moore's Second Hand Store.

Anton Heilberger requests all his creditors to call on him for settlement by October 15. 9-6 1t

COOK WANTED To take charge of hotel at Dothan, nine beds to care for no napkins or table cloths to laundry; about five to eight steady boarders, small transient trade. Middle-aged woman preferred. Wages, \$30 per month. Apply to Walter Crittise, Dothan, Ore.

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TIMBER RANCH—160 Acres small house, six acres under fence and alfalfa 2,000,000 feet good pine saw timber and wood timber for 300 cords wood; large creek through place fine dam and perpetual water a shingle mill and planing mill in full operation driven by a turbine wheel; an ideal place for saw mill fine water power 10,000,000 feet of pine saw timber adjoining this place three miles down haul to railroad and town, Jackson county, Oregon. All goes for \$6500. It's a snap; the water right is worth it, don't miss this. L. H. B. Taylor, & Co. Woodville, Ore. 9-6 1f

FOR SALE.

ENGINE—For sale cheap, one 300 horse power Corless engine fitted with four sterling water tube boilers of about 500 horse power all complete and in good condition; have been used but very little. For further particulars address Clarence Cornett, Riddle, Ore. 8-16 4t

WOOD—Phone Moody, No. 484 for dry wood.

STOCK for sale—7 first class milk cows, also two 2-year old bulls, one Jersey and Durham, the other Poll and Herford, five 2-year old heifers of the best milking strain. Call on or address C. A. Wallace, box 15, RFD No. 1, one mile east of Pleasant Valley school house. 8-2 4t

THOROUGHbred Poland Chinas. Six unrelated strains in stock, J. H. Robinson, R. P. D. No. 2, Grants Pass. 7-26 6t

LARGE Refrigerator for sale cheap, adapted for Hotel or Restaurant. White House Grocery. 7-12 1f

A. F. PIERCE—Registered Angoras, Fleck headed by one of the famous bucks of the "King Arthur" also other bucks of different strains of breeding. Does of the noted strains; bucks for sale, Merlin, Ore. 7-5 1f

40 ACRE FARM for sale or trade for city property. Mostly bottom land, 15 acres under fence, seven acres in cultivation, plenty of running water for irrigation, 5-room cottage, barn, small orchard, one half mile from school house, post office and railroad station. Price right—easy terms. Inquire of W. C. Henry, Hugo. 6-28 1f

FOR RENT.

SEVERAL fine suites of office rooms centrally located, STEAM HEATED and well lighted and ventilated. These are the only office rooms in town that will have steam heat this winter, so get in early and get first choice. W. L. Ireland, "The Real Estate Man."

ROOMING house snap—A good sized rooming house with bath and water, on large lot Main street close to mill guaranteed good title. Cheap for quick sale, terms to suit. Apply Mrs. E. Gange, Crescent City, Cal. 8-2 1f

WANTED.

WANTED—Two tons alfalfa, nine young Leghorn hens, roomers for three sunny rooms, centrally located. Inquire Jennings house, Sixth street, four doors north of M. E. Church. 8-30 2t

WANTED—Position as private teacher or governess, by young lady, High School graduate, during the winter. Address Box 565, Napoleon, Ohio. 8-30 2t

WANTED—Organizers, either sex, on salary of \$100 a month and expenses for an up-to-date Association, paying weekly sick and accident benefits and furnishing free medical attendants to all its members. Liberal contract will be made with producers of business. American Sick & Accident Assn., Buffalo, N. Y.

GIRL to do housework in small family. Mrs. W. S. Murray, North Sixth St., Grants Pass.

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STRAYED.

ESTRAY NOTICE—Taken up at our place, five miles west of Grants Pass, calf, three months ago, white and roan yearling. Owner can have same by proving property, paying for advertising and pastorage. Eisemann Bros.

BULL—Black, Jersey blood, about 2 years old, right ear cropped, left ear undercut. Came to my place about February, 1907. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. C. C. Gilbert on Van Noy place. 8-23 5t

MISCELLANEOUS.

FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.

MARRIED.

LEONARD—BROWNING—At Grants Pass, Ore., Sunday, August 25, 1907, Stephen A. Leonard and Mary E. Browning, Rev. C. O. Beckman officiating.

NOE—HUNTER—In Grants Pass, Ore., Wednesday, September 4, 1907, Leland S. Noe, of Gold Hill, Ore., and Miss Zoe R. Hunter, of Josephine county, Ore., Justice of the Peace James Holman, officiating. The happy couple left on a honeymoon trip to Douglas county point.

HAYES—JENNINGS—At the home of M. A. Jennings, on Fourth street, in Grants Pass, Ore., Thursday, September 5, 1907, Frank M. Hayes and Mrs. Mary S. Jennings both residents of Josephine county, Justice James Holman officiating.

The groom is a well known mining man of the Oscar creek district and the bride is well and favorably known in Grants Pass, where she has resided for some time. The couple will make their home out near Murphy, and the many good wishes of their many friends will accompany them thither.

DIED.

MAHAN—In Grants Pass, Ore., Saturday, August 31, 1907, Mrs. Nellie Mahan, aged 40 years, at the home of G. M. Caldwell, west of this city. Deceased was born near Applegate and has resided the greater part of her life in this county. She leaves her husband, Thos Mahan, three children, a brother and three sisters to mourn her departure. The funeral occurred Sunday afternoon, September 1, with the interment at Williams cemetery.

ROOTH—At the home of her son, Henry Rooth, near Merlin, Josephine county, Ore., September 3, 1907, Mrs. Isabella S. Rooth, aged 67 years, 11 months and 4 days. Thus passes another pioneer of this valley. Mrs. Rooth was a native of Monroe county, New York and was for a number of years a resident of Grants Pass, where she had a large number of warm friends. The funeral occurred Wednesday afternoon, and the interment was had at the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Free Methodist.
Corner Pine and Mill streets, Sabbath School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Services in the evening, commencing at 7:30.

E. D. BLACKMAN,
Pastor.

Christian Church
Bible School 10 a. m. Mrs. Bateman, Superintendent. Sermon at 11 a. m. A Study in Wood and Stone. Juniors at 3 p. m. Endeavor, 6:30. Evening services at 7:30. Subject: One thing thou lackest. "All are most cordially invited to these services."

Presbyterian Church.
"What is the Noblest Rule of Life?"—Some Reflections Suggested by the Passage of "Labor Day," will be the evening theme of Evan P. Hughes at the Bethany Church. This should have been the subject last Sunday evening, but was postponed to make room for the Saloon discussion and the failure to enforce the ordinances of "Grants Pass" regulating same. 11 a. m. Mr. Hughes will have for his subject: What is the Church For? To all a cordial invitation to attend is extended.

SPokane CAPITALISTS INVEST IN OUR MINES

They are Finding Our Promising Properties Inviting Field for Their Cash.

One of the most significant things which has occurred in these parts for many a day was the appearance in Grants Pass, the other day of Hon. Samuel R. Stern, a prominent, wealthy Spokane attorney. It has been gradually dawning upon people who are conversant with the facts that there is a striking similarity between the conditions which made Spokane the metropolis of the Inland Empire, the wealthy, lively, hustling place it is now and the conditions which prevailed in and around Grants Pass. Indeed, so striking is this comparison that there is a disposition on the part of many persons to refer to Grants Pass as the "Spokane of Southern Oregon."

Mr. Stern is a wide-awake capitalist and he is not slow at recognizing a "good thing," whenever and wherever he runs across it and so it is all the more encouraging to learn that he came here for the express purpose of investigating some very promising mining properties in which he and several other leading citizens of Spokane are heavily interested. That he was well pleased with what he found here, goes without the saying and this means that those wealthy men of that prosperous city will invest much of their wealth in developing this and other properties in the territory surrounding Grants Pass.

"There is all kinds of money in Spokane seeking investment," remarked Mr. Stern, and then he added: "Why I hardly can imagine what the people there are going to do with their money, they have so much of it." As Mr. Stern will take home with him a glowing account of the possibilities of this promising country, there is every reason to expect that many a Spokaneite will come either in quest of investments. They know what it means to "get in on the ground floor," up that way, for many a man of wealth who was formerly enjoying only moderate circumstances, has, by means of his judicious investments in mining stocks found himself in command of wealth and all the comforts and luxuries that go therewith. They are the people who will put in their money, and do much to develop this section, and their coming to Grants Pass is an event of no small importance to this entire region, for many reasons.

Grants Pass will welcome the coming of the Spokane magnates, for it is evident that there is need of just such hustling as those north-erners will produce to make this mining region fairly boom and the advent of the Spokane men in the local mines means much for all parties concerned.

Baptist Church.
The following is the program of services. Morning worship at 10:30 with sermon on the topic "John's Estimate of Jesus." Bible school at 11:45; Special Men's Department, Young Peoples Union at 6:30. Topic "God's Omnipotence." Evening song service and preaching at 7:30. The topic will be "The Measure of a Man." A cordial welcome is extended to all. F. C. LOVETT.

Newman M. E. Church.
In the morning at 11, the pastor, C. O. Beckman, will speak on "Man, and Why God is Mindful of Him." In the evening at 7:30, the topic will be "Peter's Great Repentance." Sunday school meets at 10 a. m. Junior League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 8:30. Electa Chapman, leader. A cordial welcome awaits you at these services.

M. E. Church South.
Next Sunday, September 8th, the following services will be held: Sabbath School, 10 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Evening worship 7:30.

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