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The fair was a great big success.

Who said Grants Pass people were not good entertainers? Why, they did themselves proud this time, sure.

Next time it will not be nearly so hard to work up public sentiment in favor of such an enterprise and the next one will be even more successful than this effort.

One of these days Grants Pass will be entitled to have free delivery. We already have the required population and the receipts are also near the amount needed, while some minor conditions are being met and before we know it we will be the first city in Southern Oregon to have this great modern convenience. It is a consummation devoutly to be desired.

That "irrigation is king," is still more impressed upon our minds as an undeniable fact. The convention this week has greatly emphasized the truthful assertion and impressed it upon our minds as nothing else could possibly have done. Yes, water, right fully applied will produce wonders in this rich, fruit-growing belt and who can foretell what startling developments along this line the future has in store for us?

We cannot over estimate the vast amount of good such judicious advertising as the Rogue River Valley received by the convention and fair will do our region. Now, we should not fold our hands and await results, but let us follow this up with a persistent effort to enlighten the outside world as to what wonderful resources we really have in this favored section. We should all become optimists and boost for Grants Pass, Josephine county and the whole of the Rogue River Valley.

Speaking about Grants Pass merchants having a fine line of trade, have you noted how many people are coming this way from cities and towns in far away districts? Every day these people come in here and they invariably find that they can save good money by coming here to trade, for our merchants are willing to charge only living prices and by so doing they are succeeding admirably in giving Grants Pass the reputation abroad as an excellent trading point.

They wear and wear and wear



STOCKINGS FOR CHILDREN
Levi Strauss & Co.
SOLE DISTRIBUTORS

Such a reputation is invaluable to any community and it will result in great good to our entire city and surrounding country.

Grants Pass business men, especially those who advertise, report a very fine fall trade already getting in and this is one of the very best indications that our people are enjoying a good degree of prosperity. It is a splendid comment upon the way the common people are having things come their way and such facts very favorably impress the newcomers in our midst. Quite naturally they size up the community by the general condition of the people, as worldly possessions. So we say, we are more than pleased to know that our merchants are having a 'good business,' for they are as a general thing, public-spirited and can always be relied upon to do their part when it comes to doing anything for the advancement of the community.

When our county officials deserve words of commendation, the Courier will not be backward in sounding their praises, no matter what their political faith may happen to be, and this leads us to mention the fact that our board of county commissioners succeeded in transacting a vast amount of important business in two short days, at its recent session and then it adjourned. This is what pleases the taxpayers all over the county and with the practice of such economy and a determination to transact the county's affairs on purely business principles, there is every reason to believe that Josephine county can be kept at the head of the procession of counties where the officials are actuated by an earnest desire to serve the people faithfully and well.

It is truly gratifying to have mining men of wide experience come to here from other more widely known districts and tell us that our mines are beginning to attract widespread attention all over the mining world. Who can guess just what that kind of talk may bring forth? It will eventually result in bringing upon this locality such a condition of affairs as every citizen of the valley desires. Before we know it we will have a veritable mining boom. Then, coupled with that comes the other most welcome fact that our fruit is becoming recognized as being second to none in the whole land and it is no wonder that successful growers are flocking in here from other older fruit growing districts, where prices are soaring high, in order to get in on the ground floor and secure some of our choice land at such reasonable figures. Yes, we do certainly live in the land of promise and it does not take a prophet to imagine what rapid progress in the growth and development of this great and growing valley is bound to take place in the no very distant future.

The Courier is proud of its fine corps of efficient correspondents. These weekly budgets of news, coming as they do from all parts of the county, are doing much to make us all acquainted with each and every part of this favored spot. The writers are not only helping the Courier by thus chronicling the neighborhood happenings, but they are also doing much to tell the outside world that the irrespective localities are on the map. It is a fine opportunity to give your vicinity some very fine far reaching advertising, for we have requests for sample copies from easterners who are looking this way for a suitable place in which to make their future homes and they peruse these papers and obtain all the information possible regarding each part of the county. Indeed, we have known of their selecting their choice of the county, just from reading the items which the correspondent from that locality has

sent in to the paper. So, it would seem that every part of the county should be represented and we hereby extend a cordial invitation to those parts not already being heard from to join our circle. Send us the items and we will gladly provide place for them. But if they are occasionally unavoidably crowded out, we trust that the writers will exercise some patience and endeavor to put themselves in our place. It will be our utmost endeavor to print all such items promptly as they come in.

Although it is just possible that there may be nothing come from the visit to Oregon of Harriman, the railroad magnate, yet after all it has given us a chance to see him at a shorter range and perhaps some of our ideas regarding him may experience somewhat of a change. Certain it is that he is a practical financier and he does not take many things for granted. He may have concluded that his days for having a monopoly on Oregon transportation facilities are numbered and that he had better get more closely in touch with the masses, or lose his prestige. As a matter of fact, the people of this great commonwealth are just about ready to welcome any wholesome railroad competition, no matter from what source it comes. They realize only too well that the future development and growth of the state are dependent very largely upon this very matter and that the sooner we have good competition, just so soon may we expect things to go ahead. There can be no gainsaying the statement that we need and must have more and better means of carrying our products to the great markets.

MAYOR SMITH MAKES EMPHATIC PROTEST

Declares That He is Being Basically Misrepresented by Anti-Saloon Workers.

Mayor Smith takes exception to an article which appeared in the last issue of the Courier, the purport of which was, he declares, to make out that he was not doing his duty as Grants Pass Mayor in the matter of enforcing the city ordinance which expressly states that the saloons shall not be kept open for business on Sundays.

He expressed himself in rather forcible language, as he talked about the "gilded hypocrites in the churches, who dare not come out and make their charges openly, but sneak around and make these insinuating attacks" upon him. He attributes much of the agitation to Mr. Hair, of the city council and he pays his compliments to that gentleman in a not very mild manner. Mayor Smith emphatically says that he was not elected with the understanding that he was to enforce the Sunday closing ordinance. On the contrary he feels confident that the people who elected him did not want him to meddle with that matter. He further avers that his oath of office does not state that he shall regard it as his duty to enforce the city ordinance.

"Why don't these hypocrites proceed about this matter as they should? If they will comply with the law and go before Recorder Clements and make out their complaints if they find any violations of the city ordinance. That's the way to go about it and if they really mean business, which I very much doubt, let them do as any law-abiding citizen has to do in such cases," was the way His Honor put it.

He then took occasion to say that he gave Mr. Hair credit for much of this discussion and he said Mr. Hair had the power for six months, when he was acting Mayor to enforce this same ordinance, but that he did nothing whatever to have the places comply with the law. He even went so far as to say that Mr. Hair was to blame for the "tin horn" gambling fakes which are here to fleece the people during the fair even though the city attorney had given a written opinion that it was in direct violation of the law governing such matters, all that the management of the fair might have more funds for use." He reiterated this charge and frequently emphatically declared that Mr. Hair's oath of office was as far reaching as the one he himself took upon assuming the office of mayor and that Mr. Hair, while acting mayor, failed to do any more than he. (Mayor Smith) was now doing with regard to such matters.

Mayor Smith seems to rather want the people who are finding fault with his administration to come out in the open and make good their claims. "If you can find one unlawful act I have committed since I became mayor you are at liberty to expose it," said he and then he proceeded to again lambast the "hypocrites" who are causing him so much worry.

WANTS LOTS OF MONEY

ATTORNEY GENERAL PLANS FOR THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

Washington, Sept. 11.—Well-advised officials of the Department of Justice say that they believe Attorney General Bonaparte has in mind an enlargement of the Department such as will make it commensurate with the demands upon it.

It is said that the Attorney General will ask Congress for a much larger appropriation than usual. The exact sum is not known but there is no doubt substantial arguments can be made to Congress why the Department of Justice should be provided for on a more liberal scale. It is pointed out that the demands on the department are constantly increasing and yet the appropriations made for it are extremely low.

A high official of the department today talked about conditions that demand an enlargement of the Department of Justice. It said that the activities of the Government against the trusts, rate-giving railroads, and the like, were constantly growing. Just now the Government is engaged in grappling with the most powerful monopoly in the world, the Standard Oil Company. This case is virtually a test of the Sherman anti-trust law. The Interstate Commerce laws alone, by reason of exerting a greater degree of Government control over railroads, are developing much important litigation, and are certain to develop more. This litigation, in no small part, is bound to find its way to the Supreme Court, and will require the most careful attention of the Department of Justice, even if much work is done by special counsel.

The determination of the Government to break up the large land frauds of the West and to recover property wrongfully obtained from the Government is another sphere of activity that is requiring more and more work on the part of the Department of Justice. It is necessary also to consider meat inspection and pure food legislation, the increasing importance of insular affairs, and the important fact that the administration is exerting every energy to secure strict Government control over all interstate corporations and stricter control over railroads.

All these things make the demands heavier on the Department of Justice. Attorney General Bonaparte is said to realize this fully and to feel the department must expand to meet the expansion of Government activities in numerous directions. Talk of Mr. Bonaparte's retirement from the cabinet has about died out. Mr. Bonaparte has taken a lease on his Washington residence for another season, and this is cited as pretty clear evidence he is to remain.

Burned Herself on Funeral Pyre

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 11.—Imagining that the Lord commanded her to share the fate of Jean d'Arc, Mrs. Joseph Lalonde of St. Lazare, a small French Canadian village, burned herself to death on a funeral pyre of her own making. While her relatives were at high mass she built the pyre from fence logs and tree branches, undressed herself entirely and climbed on the pyre, to which she set fire. The people coming out of church saw the smoke and the woman's clothes hanging on branches of near-by trees. Her body, partly consumed, had fallen from the pyre. She left letters explaining why she committed the deed.

Chicago Woman Found Dead in Bed.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—The dead body of Miss Maud Westerfield, 26 years of age, was found in bed at her home at 151 Indiana street, with a bullet wound over the left temple. The police are searching for Edward Hildebrand, who had been boarding at the house.

The Failing Memory.

The memory is the most easily fatigued of all our mental faculties. This would seem almost to follow from the very nature of this faculty. To recall an impression already stored up in the brain necessarily involves effort. Every student knows that after a few hours' work the memory loses its power and further effort becomes unprofitable. It is consistent with this view that the memory is the faculty which first decays with the advance of age. With many persons this enfeeblement sets in before middle life is past. Events known to us in youth, when memory was fresh and strong, can be recalled in old age, while the things that happened yesterday readily slip into oblivion.

Wire strings for all instruments at the Music store at mail order house prices. Better strings at higher prices.

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CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.

COOK—Woman cook wanted for camp work near Leland. Inquire at Grants P. Iron works. 9-13 11

TREES—14 varieties of peach trees, black walnuts, Japanese walnuts for sale. John H. Robinson. Grants Pass, Route 2. 9-13 4t

STRAYED—2-year-old gray mare, branded L under half circle on left shoulder, wears bell; brown Indian pony with white face, spotted white on both sides, wears bell; both came to my place at Williams, September 3. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges J. A. Gotcher, Williams, Ore. 913 5t

FIRST CLASS dressmaking done by Mrs. Alice Weiser. Also has electric corsets, electric hair brushes and other articles for sale on E street opposite Presbyterian church. 9-13 1f

FOR SALE.

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

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 Corant, Riddle, Ore. 8-16 4t

WOOD—Phone Moody, No. 434 for dry wood.

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

A. F. PIERCE—Registered Angoras, Flock 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, Hogo. 6-28 1f

FARM for Sale—160 acres, 50 in cultivation, good house and barn, etc., family orchard and berries, 30 acres more easy to clear, all ideal fruit and farm land, 40 subirrigated bottom. Oak, pine and fir timber to make 300 cords of wood three miles all down haul to railroad and town; miles outrage fine for hogs, cattle and poultry; three horses and harness, buggy, spring wagon and lumber wagon, \$100 Jersey cow and heifer, 20 hogs, full blood poultry, farm implements, household and kitchen furniture complete, all seen; splendid water at door, no malaria in miles, daily mail, in Rogue River valley, Jackson County, Oregon, finest climate on earth finest fruit land in state. All sees for \$2500, address Box 17, Woodville, Ore. 9-6 1f

TIMBER RANCH—160 Acres small house, six acres under fence and alfalfa 2,000,000 feet good pine saw timber and wood timber for 3000 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. I. H. B. Taylor, & Co. Woodville, Ore. 9-6 1f

FOR RENT.

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. Gauge, Crescent City, Cal. 8-2 1f

WANTED.

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 Critese, Dothan, Ore.

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

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.

WANTED—Salesmen. Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean; grown on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Toppenish, Washington.

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 pasturage. Eismann 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 Nooy place. 8-23 5t

MAN'S BEST FRIEND

Isn't exactly his pocket-book; it's the money he has in bank. Because money in pocket generally evaporates and always earns nothing. Whereas, money banked is out of the reach of both robber and owner's hand. Spending money is often temporary insanity, when we buy something we don't need, or generously help a friend "in a tight place." If you believe this, you should begin to bank today. Remember, your pass-book awaits you at the

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The improvements being made are sweeping ones. The faculty, already a strong one, has been increased to 15. Mrs. Catharine Sloan of Portland, author of the Sloan Readers, is among those added.

Tuition has been reduced to \$12 per year.

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