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THE GRANTS PASS CANNING COMPANY

One of the most important industrial institutions in Grants Pass and Josephine county is the factory of the Grant Pass Canning company. In a brief interview yesterday the manager, C. F. Sampson, said that in addition to the regular pack of fruit this season the company had contracts with the various farmers of the county for 80 acres of tomatoes, while the acreage out side of regular contract will easily make the aggregate of the tomato crop which the factory will handle this season 100 acres. Of the 80 acres W. B. Sherman is furnishing 20 acres. Mr. Sampson said the fruit pack alone this season will be 18,000 cases.

This company, in addition to the canning of apples, pears, peaches, etc. also does an extensive vinegar business and manufactures unfermented grape juice for sacramental and soda fountain consumption to an extent which renders this feature one of the essential factors of the business.

The company is now erecting a new building to be used as a process room which will double the capacity of the plant and thus increase its possible output to 30,000 cases annually. This structure will be 44x60 feet and two stories. The original factory is 60x100 feet two stories. The vinegar output of the plant is upwards of 1000 barrels per season. Another feature this season will be the handling of a limited amount of string beans, in addition to the berries and squash.

Manager Sampson and a force of men are busy in the preliminary work of the new building and the installation of new machinery recently received. He says they are counting on a heavy pack this year and that they will employ during the ensuing season 60 girls and 12 to 14 men.

Salmon Again Scarce.

Ten days of salmon fishing in the Columbia River show the salmon supply still on the wane. This is the season of the finest salmon of the river—the best in the world. Soon these fish will be an extinct breed. They are the fish that made the Columbia River famous. The few remaining specimens should be protected with closed season. The open season should be put off from April 15 to May 15. After that there should be the closed Sunday and rigid regulation of all kinds of gear—gillnets, traps, seines and wheels.

Master Fish Warden Van Dusen quit his office May 1, leaving the industry in a bad plight. It is too much to say that he is wholly to blame for this condition of affairs. But the faction with which he has been allied is as much to blame as any other, and is more grasping and none has defeated as much remedial legislation.—Oregonian, April 27th.

The United States Bureau of Fisheries has for a long time been endeavoring to secure just such remedial legislation as is being objected to by the lower river interests. A short time ago Secretary Straus, of the United States Department of Commerce and Labor, set forth a list of things necessary to save the industry. Initiative bill No. 318 yes—was framed to carry out their ideas. We commend it to your favorable consideration.

COUNTY TREASURER'S CALL FOR WARRANTS

There are funds in the treasury to pay all warrants registered prior to May 10th, 1908.

Interest will cease from this date. May 8th, 1908.

J. T. TAYLOR,
5-8-41 Treasurer of Josephine County.

See our window card and you will know what our Friday sale is. W. J. Garner & Co.

HUMAN SKULL FOUND OUT NEAR SELMA

Discovered by Prospectors Mile and a Half South of Selma. Last Week.

Prospectors made a gruesome find one day last week while at work south of Selma about a mile and a half. Near a swill filled with water a human skull was unearthed, but the water prevented further excavation for the remainder of the skeleton. This skull has a round hole in the top about the size of a .38-calibre bullet which seems to go down through the right eye, tearing away the lower cheek bone. The supposition is that the man must have been murdered many years ago as the teeth of the upper jaw are all gone and the lower jaw is missing. Tufts of curly sandy hair were also found near the skull.

While the discovery of this skull is at this time a mystery it is recalled by some of the old residents that a Jew peddler who was traveling through the country with a horse and buggy some 15 years ago, mysteriously disappeared in the vicinity of this discovery and nothing was heard of him afterwards. The sandy hair, found with the skull, however, would scarcely tally up with the Jewish race. Further excavations will be made as soon as the water recedes in the vicinity of the find, though there seems but little probability that the mystery will ever be satisfactorily solved owing to the elapse of time since the supposed tragic death of the man.

Sheriff Russell brought the skull and hairs to Grants Pass last Sunday and now has it at his office. It may be later turned over to the coroner.

SOME PEOPLE'S IDEAS OF SALMON FISHING

"The Astoria idea has contended that no closed season in tidewater was necessary. It has extended the open season for fishing by means of its influence in legislatures. It has required the Fish Warden living at Astoria to permit suspension of the closed season laws. It has allowed gillnets on the bar, thus setting up a barrier to entrance of salmon into the river. It has so amended the laws that they are now a nullity as far as protection through closed season goes. It has successfully resisted efforts to cut down the satch of tidewater gear. It has pursued the April, May and June salmon so hard that they are now nearing extinction. It has extended the open season in August by one installment after another, until the August fish have been almost cut off from Hatcheries."—Oregonian.

If you think the state has had enough of selfish greed,

VOTE 333 X NO.

to a continuance of the Astoria idea, and

VOTE 318 X YES

to further the U. S. Government Recommendation. 5-22 1t

Will Organize N. P. L.

The National Protective Legion, the Order whose advertisement appears on another page of this issue, while old and with an established membership and reputation in the Eastern states, is practically new in Oregon. It supplies however, in the ranks of fraternal beneficiary societies, a place long vacant in Oregon. There are none of us but at some time are disabled by accident or illness and but one out of 35 families, according to statistics, can have this misfortune without suffering hardship. The National Protective Legion gives the opportunity to draw \$15 a week at such time with a very substantial cash distribution each five years, which practically amounts to one's money back if no disability benefits have been drawn.

R. S. McLean, who recently arrived from Binghampton, N. Y., is district manager and will hold an open meeting in Redmen hall next Tuesday evening for the purpose of explaining the workings of the order.

"Mr. Bob", by Local Talent.

The graduating exercises of the High school promise to be unique and interesting. On Tuesday, May 26, as part of the Class Day exercises, a comedy in two acts entitled "Mr. Bob," will be presented by the class, charging an admission of 25 cents. On Friday, May 29th at the commencement exercises proper, Pres. P. L. Campbell of the University of Oregon will address the class, at which an admission of 15c will be charged to defray expenses. 5-15 2t

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SUNDAY'S GAME WAS A PHENOMENAL ONE

Fifteen Innings Result in Score of 3 to 2 in Favor of Grants Pass.

One of the most phenomenal games of base ball played in Southern Oregon for some years was that between the Ashland and Grants Pass teams here last Sunday afternoon when the score stood 2 to 2 up to the 15th inning, when the local team added one more to the sheet. It was a most interesting game from start to finish, and many are those who wanted to kick themselves Monday morning, when they had heard the result, because they had not attended the game.

Thrasher's batting was one of the features of the game, and in fact he seemed to be the only one who could wield the stick aright. Riggs was "there with the goods" in the box, striking out 17, and no bases on balls. Sales only struck out 11 and gave 10 bases on balls. Riggs only allowed four hits and Sales six and Sales hit two with pitched ball.

Sales' left hand delivery sort of nonplused the Grants Pass boys for a time, but they finally got next.

The home team made one score in the first, one in the fifth and the third in the 15th, while the visitors had a flock of goose eggs on each side of the seventh inning, in which they made their two runs. The local team will play a return game at Roseburg next Sunday, and though the Roseburgers have acquired a number of semi-professionals since they played here, the Grants Pass boys entertain the notion that they will win easily. The home team will be somewhat strengthened within the next couple of weeks by the substitution of new home stuff. The grounds here have been scraped and the grand stand repaired in a way that will appeal to the crowds who attend hereafter.

Open For Entry.

Sections 25, 27, 29, 34, 35, 36 in Township 36 south, Range 5 west, have been surveyed and the plat of survey will be filed in the land office at Roseburg, June 20th, after which applications for entry will be received by the register, Benjamin L. Eddy.

You will find Saymon's Vegetable Wonder Soap at Alfred Schneider's restaurant on G street. 4-24 1t

EASTERN SCHOOL MAMS SEEK BEAUTIFUL OREGON

As an indication of the trend of emigration it is significant that a majority of the 100 applications for positions in the Grants Pass schools this year have come from teachers in the east. At a recent meeting of the school board the following teachers were elected: High School—Zella Jewell of Aurora Neb., Fay M. Newton of Hallock, Minn., and Grace M. Wood of Hamibal, N. Y. The two first have accepted at a salary of \$65 per month. The Eighth grade is yet to be filled. Emily V. Calhoun of Dayton, Ohio and Cora P. McVean, of Hollock, Minn., have accepted positions in the Second grade; Margaret Williams of Ashland parts of the Third and Fourth grades and Mrs. Zoia V. Bryant of Mouthmouth, Oregon, the Third.

The principalship of the Riverside school has been given to H. B. Hartman of Napoleon, O., who will also teach the Seventh grade, and the principalship of the East school was given to J. A. Bish. The principals each draw \$65 and the others \$50 per month. The school levy this year is 7 mills, the greater portion of which is borne by Grants Pass.

W. C. T. U. LADIES BUILD A DRINKING FOUNTAIN

Street Supt. McLane, with a force of men, has been busy since Monday morning building a drinking fountain and cement platform in the northwest corner of Railroad park for the use of the stranger and the general public. This is a splendid improvement and a much needed public convenience, as after the stores are closed there is no public place where a drink of water may be had except at the saloons and hotels. The fountain, plumbing and necessary cement are furnished by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the Grants Pass, while the city furnishes the gravel and pays for the labor. A suitable ice chamber has been built underneath the walk cement around the fountain which will render the water cool at all times. The W. C. T. U. Ladies are to be highly commended for their enterprise and public spirit in furnishing this fountain. They are also to be congratulated in this preparation for the "dry spell" following June



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Fishways in the Dam.

Deputy Fish Warden J. D. Wilson of Yoncalla arrived in the city the latter part of last week to put a couple of fishways in the dam just below the bridge here. He succeeded in getting in one of them, but was stalled Monday on account of high water, the river having risen two feet as a result of the recent rains. Mr. Wilson was especially pleased while here to note in Wednesday's dailies that the supreme court had just affirmed the judgment of the lower court against R. D. Hume, the Rogue River Salmon King, whom he, Wilson, had arrested some time ago for fishing and canning without a license. The judgment is for \$500. By the addition of the fishways in the dam at this place, fishermen are forbidden fishing within 600 feet of the dam and the penalty for the violation of the law is from \$50 to \$500.

Please Call and Settle.

All those knowing themselves indebted to me on account will please call and settle the same at as early a date as possible. My residence and the most of my furniture having been totally destroyed by fire Wednesday, May 6th, I shall need the money now due with which to rebuild. Please do not delay. J. C. SMITH.

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Independent Candidate for Senator.

Editor of the Courier:

Dear Sir: Since I have consented to be an independent candidate for State Senator for Josephine County, many inquiries have come to me as to my position regarding the election of United States Senator. I desire to say through your columns, to those voters who may be interested to know that I believe in the election of United States Senator by the people direct, and if elected I will at all times during my term of office support and vote for the candidate for United States Senator who receives the highest vote of the electors of the State of Oregon at any election in which the matter may be submitted to them, regardless of who that person may be, or what political party he may represent.

By so doing, the legislature would become free during the forty days allotted to it, to legislate on matters pertaining to the welfare of the State and thus avoid the customary hold-ups of the past. Yours respectfully, H. D. NORTON.

Going Camping this Summer.

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