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J. PARDEE

Front Street, Grants Pass, Oregon

DEERING.

Hoch du lieber Josephine! Vat! Yaw! She bane purty good faller. We hear that our county has gone dry. Suppose that means Deering too. Will our family have to get use to going without whiskey? Too bad, eh?

Miss Julia O'Brien of Waldo and Miss Ada Morrison of Kerby were visitors at the home of Alfred Peterson Thursday.

D. L. Webb took a load of Statement No. 1 voters to Waldo Monday. Good boy Dave.

Tommie Gilligan has a crew of men at work on the Elk Valley road. We surely have a fine road and Tommie says it will be the best in the state when he gets through with it.

We learn that Mrs. E. M. Albright is suffering with a badly inflamed hand caused from a slight cut or bruise. We trust it may not prove serious.

We had several voters who were going to vote sure this year, but when the day rolled around they showed up missing. Such people should never kick if "proper men" are not elected and good laws enacted.

"XYZ" of Murphy, or the land of big Murphys, is making a noise like strawberries. Humph! Got a racket like that over in this neighborhood. Yep, got 'em as big as goose eggs and short cakes—er-ah-nuff sed.

Thomas Tantzler and son of Grants Pass are camped on the head waters of Elk Creek and are scouring the woods with pick and pan. Just watch the papers for another big discovery.

A certain good republican says "Uncle Ebe" has lost his head—just so aint it? That solves the Selma mystery. Sheriff Russell will please forward the same to our office for identification.

We would say to the poor sufferers from floods and tornadoes, in the middle west to come to Josephine county and get in out of the storm. We have rains but no cyclones or floods. Nary one.

Deering only gets its mail three times a week, therefore the Courier is received here on Tuesday five days from date of press, also the Oregonian arrives on that day. Seems a long time to wait for election news and anyway we heard that Statement No. 1 and Norton were elected and that's gratification of mind a few, bet yer boots.

A hand full of kind words spoken about a man while alive is worth all you can pile on a flat car after he is dead.

E. L. Hays and son Clyde of Sucker Creek Valley were in our valley on a visit to his homestead here today.

EBEN.

MISSOURI FLAT.

C. B. Hayes was a visitor of Grants Pass one day of last week on business.

W. B. York has been hauling baled hay to Grants Pass the past week.

S. A. Berry and John Slagle were at Grants Pass Tuesday.

Geo. W. Meek is helping Mr. Gentner of Murby to get his new house completed.

Everybody around this burg seems quite busy getting ready to harvest their first crop of alfalfa and clover.

The Missouri Flat school will soon close after a four months school conducted by Mr. McKeek, as teacher.

Bartie Davidson was a visitor of Grants Pass one day of last week.

Homer York made the city a visit Saturday.

Joe York, who has been at work in Grants Pass for Mr. McKoin the past three or four months, has been home visiting his parents and friends.

We understand there is to be a ball game on Missouri Flat Sunday.

Fred Knox of Provolt was a visitor

of our little burg last week. Mr. Knox stated that he had lost his best brood sow.

I. G. Roberts and wife made Grants Pass a visit one day last week.

J. L. Woodridge and wife made Grants Pass a visit one day last week and also Mrs. John Barrow.

W. B. York and children made Grants Pass a visit one day this week.

Meskie made Grants Pass a visit one day this week.

Raleigh Caris was in your city this week.

Mrs. Geo. W. Meek and son made Grants Pass a visit one day this week.

Jim Cook was a visitor of Grants Pass one day last week. LILAC.

SELMA.

We had a nice little shower yesterday, but needed more.

Mrs. H. D. Jones of Wilderville accompanied by Mrs. Geo. Lewis of the same place is now visiting friends at this place.

The basket social given under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. on last Saturday evening was quiet a success, the program being very good and there was netted a neat little sum of money with which to help them in their work.

A. B. Ragan and son Roy of whom we spoke last week have returned to their home and report Mr. Usher to be improving but not out of danger yet.

Mrs. T. G. Harmon and daughter Zella of Dryden were doing shopping in Selma Monday of this week also visiting at the home of G. E. Harmon near here.

Rev. W. S. Pepper of Wilderville preached in the Baptist church at Selma on Sunday evening, being entertained at the home of R. C. Churchill while in Selma.

Everybody so busy with work that news is scarce as there is no time to create anything sensational. Success to the Courier.

GREENBERRY.

Applegate farmers are beginning to make hay.

W. B. York took in the election returns from Murphy Tuesday.

Hurrah for Jackson, Josephine and Douglas and all the rest of them! Let's shut the lid and nail it down. Prohibition has come to stay. Long live prohibition!

O. M. Knox is busy with a crew of men moving the sawmill from its old site to a place about a mile east of the Provolt P. O. He expects the mill to be in operation again in a few days and will run the remainder of the season. About one-half million feet of lumber was cut at the former site this year, which as soon as dry will be hauled to town.

The North Side Applegate Ditch Co. have enlarged and otherwise improved their ditch until it carries a large head of water and is giving very satisfactory service to its owners. Irrigation will soon make the Applegate valley one of the finest in Southern Oregon. George Herriot is assisting in removing and rebuilding the sawmill.

A game of ball was played Sunday between Applegate and some of the boys from the Pass, won by the former.

George Knox has moved his family to the sawmill. He is driving team for Charley Roberts, who is logging for Knox & Angel.

J. M. Smith of Williams passed down the valley Tuesday en route to the county seat.

J. W. York of Missouri Flat was in town the day after election to hear the news. He seemed well pleased with the result.

Frank Sparlin has returned to Fort Jones, Cal. He was accompanied by Jess Lemon.

Quite a number of people visited the different cemeteries on Applegate and Williams on Decoration day to pay their respects to their departed friends, though no special exercises were held.

POLLY TICIAN.

On Tuesday evening, June 2, about a dozen men met at Geo. Hamilton's home and organized the Fruitdale Mutual Telephone Company. Mr. Hamilton was elected president, E. Wise, vice-president, Mr. Contant, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Bateham and Mr. Kincaid, executive committee. As there are 13 parties who want phones and only 10 are allowed on one line, it was decided to run two lines. The work of setting the poles was begun June 8 and it is expected to soon have the line in running order.

Mrs. Henry Huck gave a supper last Wednesday evening, June 3, in honor of the birthday of her mother, Mrs. M. J. E. Sturtevant of Grants Pass. Mr. and Mrs. Sturtevant and their

children and grandchildren were present.

A number from here attended the annual meeting of the Fruit Growers association in Grants Pass last Saturday afternoon. While discussing the bug pests Mr. Meserve said that Horticulture ought to be taught in our public schools. It was also suggested that it would be both interesting and profitable for the school children to make a collection of insects and bugs and learn their names and habits. Any insects not known could be sent to the entomologist at Corvallis for classification. We hope the children of Fruitdale will become interested in "bugology."

Regular semi-monthly meeting of Fruitdale Grange will be held next Saturday afternoon.

There will be preaching at the school house next Sunday afternoon after Sunday school.

The annual school meeting of District 28 will be held at the school house next Monday, June 15 at 7 p. m.

The Grants Pass Fruitgrowers Association will hold an open meeting at the Geo. Hamilton home on Saturday afternoon, June 20.

Excursion Rates.

Special rates are applicable to the following meetings, full information to be had by applying at the depot:

Northwest Conference Young Womens Christian Association, Seaside Oregon, June 19th to 29th.

Commencement exercises, State Normal School, Monmouth, Ore., June 20th to 23d.

Midsummer Meeting, Horticultural Association of Oregon, The Dalles, Ore., June 30th to July 3d.

Annual Campmeeting, Oregon State Holiness Association, Portland, Oregon, July 10 to 27.

Annual Campmeeting, Church of God, Woodburn, June 11th to 21st.

Annual Reunion Oregon Pioneers Association, Grand Escampment, Indian War Veterans, Portland, Oregon, June 8th to 13th.

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Convention Rates.

On the following occasions tickets will be sold on the certificate plan at Grants Pass for one and one-third fare for the round trip:

Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M., and Grand Chapter R. A. Masons of Oregon, Portland, June 8th to June 13th.

No stopovers given on above tickets.

For the conventions tickets may be purchased three days prior to or on the opening day, and are good to return any time within two days after meetings close. For further information call at the depot.

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LOCAL OPTION GOES INTO EFFECT JULY 1

County Court Holds Adjourned Session to Consider Bridge Matter.

An adjourned session of the county court was held this Friday. The vote at the recent election was canvassed and certificates of election ordered issued to the successful candidates. Local option for Josephine county having been carried the court ordered that all the sale of liquor be prohibited in the county on and after July 1, 1908, as provided by the state option law. This will allow the saloons the remainder of June in which to close up their business.

The matter of a new bridge across Rogue river at Grants Pass was up for consideration. In March the county awarded the contract to the Burrell Bridge Company, of Oakland, Cal., to put in a steel truss bridge of two spans across the river immediately below the present wooden bridge, which is to stand until the new bridge is completed. The Burrell Company gave bonds that they would have the bridge built by August 15, they appeared to have ignored their contract and the bond and are making no effort to begin work on the structure. The county court will endeavor to have the Company fulfill their agreement or give a reason why. The county though, can do nothing to enforce or cancel the contract until its termination on August 15 and by then it will be rather late to begin the work on a new bridge for this year. It is possible by some repairs the old bridge will be serviceable for another year.

Economy Fruit Jars at Hair-Riddle's.

During the slight electric storm last week of the telephone girls, Miss Emma Shaska, received quite a shock of electricity. Miss Shaska was working on the Portland line and while her hand was resting on one of the jacks, it was suddenly thrown up from the switch board, and she felt quite a heavy shock pass up her arm. The girls say they very often have experiences of this kind during electric storms.

Fruit thinners at Hair-Riddle's.

JUST NOTES.

Several new streets are being opened up in various parts of the city in response to the expansive tendency.

Preparations are being made for planting between 3000 and 3000 acres of grapes in Josephine county the coming season, principally Tokays.

The roads are such in Josephine county that the automobile will take you nearly every place you wish to go except the trail over which the ever patient and enduring burro still holds a monopoly.

There is not an unoccupied business building in Grants Pass its either buy or build. If you are looking for a place for a comfortable home and a good business town "Get wise and come to Grants Pass."

Josephine county offers special and very flattering inducements to the practical dairyman. The local demand is greater than the supply. The dairyman will find open range here and a strong market for all his products.

W. B. Sherman has had from ten to forty men employed in clearing the timber and stumps from his various tracts during the past winter. Next season he expects to use a donkey engine for the removal of large stumps.

There is said to be but three sections of country in the United States adapted for the production of the yellow Newtown Pippin apple—Long Island, where it was originated, Central Virginia and the Rogue River valley, with this latter section in the lead.

W. J. Storges, a mile and a half north of town has a fine 2 1/2-acre strawberry patch, two acres of which is now in bearing and from which he has been picking some berries for the past two weeks. He also has a half acre of Logan berries which are loaded with bloom, and promise a splendid yield.

The Oregon hen, that noble fowl which has more power than all the inventive genius of hydraulic engineering when it comes to lifting a mortgage, is another institution entitled to consideration in the Rogue river valley. Poultry raising here is both pleasant and profitable.

The shipment of fresh fish from Grants Pass amounts to \$30,000 to \$30,000 per season. This is no joke, and should stir those in other climes who have not forgotten how they used to play "hooky" to go fishing. Josephine county and the Rogue River valley are known as the paradise of the hunter and fisherman.

The Rogue River Nursery is putting in 18 acres of water melons and cantelopes this spring. S. J. Harmeling, the secretary and treasurer of the company, says they will ship to Portland for themselves and other growers of the county as well. He considers the Heckly sweet watermelon and the Rocky Ford canteloupe the best varieties to raise here.

As a town without a band may well be classed with the dead ones, so one with a good live band can readily be recognized as being up to the minute. Grants Pass has a boy band of 30 pieces under the able direction of Prof. Stanton Rowell, who are always in evidence when anything is doing and who are working hard on their summer concert program, soon to begin.

The old stage coach house in Tuff's park on Tokay Heights addition is to be repaired by Mr. Sherman this summer and preserved as a historical landmark, where the Jones family were massacred by the Rogue River Indians in the 50's. At present Mr. Sherman is utilizing the building as his home and that of a tenant at work on street grading on the Heights.

Yes, and Grants Pass has its share of automobiles, notwithstanding we are nestled in the pines and scenic grandeur of a portion of the Cascade range. There are 24 here now by actual count and enough more in transit to make it an even thirty. And there are a half score of motor cycles, and bicycles galore in and around Grants Pass. Moreover, we are all watching with a keen eye the development of the flying machine.

It has been estimated that there are nine billion feet of timber tributary to Grants Pass. Perhaps the greater portion is oak and laurel and the remainder fir and pine. The laurel is especially valuable for veneering purposes. It is significant in this connection that Muskegan, Mich., with only six billion feet of timber grew to 30,000 population within a very few years, while the land after the timber was cut off was planted to peaches and has since supported a city of nearly 50,000 population. Manistee was built to 30,000 on four billion feet of timber but the land when cleared would not grow fruit and the town went back. W. B. Sherman of this



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city has worked out the plan that 10 acres of cleared land in Josephine county planted to Tokay grapes will bring greater returns during a period of 15 years than 1000 acres of good timber. Don't overlook the Tokay.

It is pointed out that the Rogue River valley is the only locality in the state of Oregon where the canteloupe thrives. The Yakima valley supplies the Puget Sound country with all its watermelons and canteloupes and it is said that Portland looks to the Rogue River valley for her melon supply. It is conservatively estimated that melons will produce \$200 an acre while the cost of plowing and planting is not to exceed \$8 per acre. Another point is that watermelons and canteloupes may be raised in young orchards until they reach the age of bearing, thereby insuring a paying income from the ground up to the bearing of the apples. Portland will take all the melons that can be raised here. This industry has been given but little attention of late notwithstanding the splendid income assumed.

Their Rent." A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

We make a specialty of Friendship, Engagement and Wedding Rings at Letcher's.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will conduct a series of lunches at the Maus, corner 5th and C street, each week, on Wednesday, beginning June 17. Salad and strawberry short cake will be the special attractions at this time. Lunch will be ready at 6 p. m.

Russell McGalliard, the Merlin liveryman, returned Tuesday from Waldo where he had been summoned by the serious illness of his father, W. A. McGalliard, he having had an attack of paralysis last week. Mr. McGalliard is rapidly recovering from the attack and is now able to walk about his home.

Commencing on Monday, June 15, all the barber shops of the city will close at 7 o'clock each evening except Saturday.

Mrs. William Patton writes to friends in this city from their new home near Goshen, in Lane county, that they have a fine farm and are doing well. But what pleases Mrs. Patton most is that there are no saloons in Lane county and that Mr. Patton is now himself once more and that he is the man that he used to be when he was one of the most respected and prosperous farmers in Josephine county.

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Isaac Best of the Best-Fuller realty Co. arrived Friday from Washington where he has been several weeks with his family. He was accompanied by two daughters and he expects the rest his family soon.

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