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Calendar for September 1908 showing days of the week and dates.

IT IS NECESSARILY COSTLY.  
If our farmers and land owners do not realize that irrigation will cost a goodly sum of money per acre they might as well wake up to the fact that you can not double and treble the price of land without having it cost something in proportion to the financial enhancement. The fact that it will be expensive should not deter any land owner from putting his holdings under water, for the land without the water is, to a large extent, of uncertain value, while with it, it will at all times command high figures; so don't hug the delusion that irrigation is inexpensive.

It is quite amusing to note the different opinions held regarding the cost of irrigation. One of our farmers assured the writer that it could be done for \$10 an acre; another, that it would cost \$25 per acre, and still another was willing to pay \$30 and would pay \$40 rather than not have it. Still another said that he did not believe that we could secure irrigation for less than \$5.00 per acre. These opinions, so much at variance will give a fair idea of how little is known as to the actual cost of applying water to the lands of the Rogue River valley. The writer does not pretend to know how much our farmers will be obliged to pay to have their broad acres covered with water during the growing season, but we do know that the very fact that part of the water will have to be pumped into a high line ditch and that only the bottom lands can be reached by a gravity line and this from off a 20-foot dam, would indicate that irrigation is expensive.

PAINT THE WAREHOUSES.  
It is said that the Southern Pacific Railway intends to lend its influence toward beautifying the towns along its line in the Rogue River Valley, at least so far as the warehouses along the track are concerned. The company will not allow the erection of new warehouses unless the builder agrees in advance to keep the structure well painted, and suggestions will be made to the owners of warehouses already built that a little paint be used. The Commercial Club and the City Council of Grants Pass will act in conjunction with the Railroad in this matter and it is quite likely that before many weeks pass by the paint brushes will be getting busy. A shipment of 4000 boxes of peaches arrived from Ashland Monday, consigned to the Grants Pass Canning Company.

MUST BE WIDE AWAKE  
Farmers are apt to consider themselves somewhat different from other people. Some of them are apt to think their life is harder than that of other classes and that consequently they should have separate laws bestowed upon them; that laws should be made providing them with extra safeguards against the wiles of those who would cheat them. An able-bodied farmer should be just as capable and ready to take care of himself as the able-bodied merchant, or lawyer, or banker, and the successful farmer is able to do this. A sleepy brain will have plenty of occupation in bemoaning the fate of its owner, no matter whether that sleepy brain belongs to a carpenter or trader or a farmer," says the Spokane Spokesman-Review

Advertisement for Levi Strauss & Co's Copper Riveted Overall, featuring an image of a man in overalls and text describing the product.

There is no danger of a man who hasn't the price, buying a gold brick.  
Once more Evelyn Nesbit Thaw is to be in the lime-light. She is out of funds and is going on the stage.  
Worse than biting into an apple and finding a worm, is biting into an apple and finding half a worm.—N. Y. Packer.  
Taft is running for president for the first time, Debs for the second time, Bryan for the third time and Chafin is just walking.  
The city council at Eugene has passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of near beer, presumably because it is getting to be too near.  
Aguinaldo is a candidate for alderman in one of the Manila wards. Pretty good start in his determination to learn the game of politics.  
It is a fact that Grants Pass is the most cosmopolitan city of its size in Oregon. More languages are spoken, more churches are in evidence, and more kinds of business are done than in any other city of its size in this commonwealth.  
Debs drew a large crowd Sunday evening to hear him speak, but he will draw a lot of blanks in Grants Pass when it comes to the election. Very few people want to cast their ballot for a losing man, and even Debs acknowledges that he has no hopes of winning.  
It has been a political axiom since the days of Hays and Tilden, that when Vermont shows a plurality of over 25,000 in her September elections, there is sure to be a republican victory later on. Vermont is there this year with a 29,000 plurality for the republican state ticket.  
The two shooting cases in this vicinity last week calls attention to the necessity for a deputy prosecuting attorney with headquarters at Grants Pass. We have plenty of lawyers competent to fill the place and would suggest to Prosecuting Attorney Mulkey that he select one of them to wear the mantle.  
In spite of the late frosts the fruit crop of this section is abundant and of the finest quality. Peaches, pears, apples and grapes are in evidence in all parts of the country. The summer has been very dry—no rains to speak of in June, July or August, and yet the fruit growing has been reasonably remunerative.  
Some of the smaller towns in Washington are fitting up rest rooms for the women who come in from the farms to do their shopping. Not a bad idea, that, and it might be followed in Grants Pass. Many a dollar comes from the farm to the city and such things as making the farmer folks visit to town pleasant, does no harm and might result in good.  
Most people think that anyone can run a newspaper without any special training and this belief is apt to be strengthened by the fact that the Oregon State penitentiary publication "Lend a Hand" is a very bright, spiky and well gotten up paper. The only other explanation for it is that there are more newspaper men in the pen than is supposed.

Up at Medford there seems to be only one subject discussed these days—irrigation. It is admitted that the future of that section as a fruit producer depends upon getting the water on the land. The future of Grants Pass likewise depends upon irrigation and the sooner we get the water the sooner we will begin to raise the fruit and vegetables that our soil and climate are so admirably fitted for. What is wanted here is water and it is wanted for next year.

So much has been said about knockers that we would not at this time presume to write anything on that subject, but honestly now, what do you think of anyone who lives in a place, never spends a cent other than for clothes and food, but simply draws a salary and goes out of his way to tell every new comer what a poor place this is compared with some place back east or up north or somewhere else? The wonder is that such people don't move on to one of those better places.  
Oregon butter averages a higher price than that of any other state in the Union.

SOME BARGAIN POINTERS

News Notes From the Business Men to Readers.

Dr. Flanagan, Physician and Dentist. Go to Coron for Plumbing.  
J. E. Peterson, Pioneer Insurance Man.  
Fruit Jars at Hair-Riddle Hdq Co.  
M. Clemens, Prescription Druggist.  
A splendid line of Royal Charter Oak Ranges at Coron's  
They have almost anything you need at the Little Wonder Store, but J. T. says the best thing they keep is an enviable reputation and a host of warm friends and these are not for sale! Also best wood in the world, \$1 a tier. 9-11 4  
Mammoth Pears.  
J. H. Robinson brought in a load of fruit Tuesday which would be entitled to the prize at most any fair, if the pears which came into the Courier offices were a fair sample. We measured one of the French Bartlett and found it 14 inches in circumference one way and 16 inches the other, and placed upon the scales weighed 28 ounces. The Bartlett pears were not quite as large but still had anything beat in size before noticed.  
Seventeen Miles of Lumber.  
Last Monday, no less than 27 four and six horse teams, loaded with lumber passed over the Rogue River bridge at the foot of Sixth street. This was box stock for the box factories of this city. If the pieces of lumber contained on these wagons had been laid down in a straight line, end to end, they would have reached a distance of 17 miles or from Grants Pass to the Greenback Mine.

WILDEVILLE.  
We are very sorry to announce the death of Jim Cooksey. He has been ailing for some time. He was an old timer, and much esteemed citizen.  
Chas Agee made a business trip upon Applegate last week. He was well pleased with the outlook and reports every thing flourishing.  
Hop pickers are returning to their homes after an absence of several weeks. Camp life seemed to agree with them as they combined money making with pleasure.  
Fred Britton made a trip to town the latter part of the week to visit his brother and family.  
Mrs. Riley Murray [is on the sick list this week, and is not improving very fast.  
Mrs. Joe Griffith has been visiting her children on Applegate and Cheney creek the past week.

UNCLE IKE.  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.  
Morning preaching service at 10:30; sermon on the subject: "Getting Another Start." Bible school at 11:45, conducted by Roy Hackett. Young Peoples Union meets at 7 p. m. Evening sermon at 8 o'clock on the topic "The Revelations of the Cross."  
M. E. CHURCH.  
Newman Methodist Episcopal church last Sabbath of the conference year. Preaching morning and evening as usual. At the morning service the chorus choir will sing an anthem entitled "Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord." Prof. McMurray will sing a solo at the evening service.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST.  
Christian Science Reading room, 117 E street, near Second. Services Sunday, September, 20th 11 a. m. Subject—"Matter."  
Wednesday meeting 8 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.  
BORN.  
PATTERSON—Monday, Sept. 7, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Patterson, of Grants Pass, a girl.  
MARRIED.  
LOVE—STEPHENSON—At Yreka, Cal., Thursday, Sept. 10, Frank W. Love of Gazelle, Cal., and Miss Gladys A. Stephenson of Grants Pass, Rev. J. E. Badger, officiating.  
ROSE—BAYNE—At Grants Pass, Monday, September, 7, 1908, Geo. C. Rose and Miss Maude M. Bayne, both of Kerby, Judge Stephen Jewell officiating.  
ALLEN—REHKOPF—At Grants Pass, Ore., Saturday, Sept. 12, 1908, Carl G. Allen and Lola M. Rehkopf, Judge Jewell officiating.  
DIED.  
BRADY—At Grants Pass, Oregon, Sept. 21, 1908, Mrs. Catherine Brady aged 73 years.  
Mrs. Brady, for many years a resident of Kerby, Oregon, was born in Ireland in 1835. She is mourned by three children Mary and John Brady and Mrs. J. F. Designer.  
Wagon load after wagon load of watermelon muskmelon and cantaloupes are being unloaded by our farmers these days, mostly for shipment to Portland.

LOCAL EVENTS.

Oliver Plows sold only by Cramer Bros.  
Fred Smith, foreman of the Courier office, has been spending a two weeks vacation with his brother and family at the coast and will be back the last of the week.  
Robert R. McLean returned Monday to his studies at Auburn Theological seminary. Berto occupied his father's pulpit at Bethany church last Sunday and gave an excellent sermon.  
Fireside Garland Heaters give satisfaction. Three sizes in stock at Cramer Bros.  
Mrs. John Ranzau returned to Port land Saturday to take up her real estate business. Mr. Ranzau will remain until he has taken care of his mother's hop crop.  
The Court room scene in "The Little Prospector" with its many ludicrous situations and funny characters will cause you to laugh as you never laughed before at the Opera House on Friday September 25. 9-18 11  
Benj. Guthridge and wife expect to leave the first of the week for Klamath Falls where they have a son, R. I. who has lived there for several years. Formerly he was superintendent for the transportation company but now is deputy sheriff.  
The trout are biting and you will get special bargains in Fishing Tackle at Cramer Bros.  
F. L. Gilman returned from Portland Wednesday and left for the company's works at Galice. While in Portland he purchased a 15 horse power gasoline engine and 8 inch centrifugal pump, which has been shipped.  
W. A. Paddock returned Thursday from a three-months trip with Omaha as the eastern terminus. He spent some time in the Yellowstone Park and also in the Yosemite, and visited many points in California. At Santa Cruz he purchased property and it is probable that he will spend his winters there.  
Fruit Cans at Hair-Riddle Hdq Co.  
DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills are prompt and thorough and will in a short time strengthen Weakened kidneys and allays troubles arising from inflammation of the bladder. Sold by Model Drug Store. 4-3 18t  
H. G. Colton, manager of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company for the Northwest, has spent the past week in Grants Pass and vicinity. He purchased the Elmer Shank ranch of 200 acres on the Murphy road and now is an enthusiastic booster for Josephine county. Mr. Colton also has a young apple orchard at Hood River.

An Oregon Booster.  
J. H. McMillan, now past 85 years of age and temporarily residing in Ohio, writes: "Having lived in Oregon 60 years and believing it to be the best country in the United States, I take pleasure in sending people there who are looking for a home. Rheumatism has a firm on grip me, and I am unable to labor, but I can talk of Oregon and spread Oregon literature and will be glad to receive same from

all parts of the state. I have been able to send many people to Oregon and they are glad they made the change."  
Packers Wanted.  
Parties who wish to pack apples for the new Rogue River Fruit Exchange, this fall should register their names and address at once with the secretary.  
H. C. BATEHAM,  
Res. 625, 4th street. Phone 645.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.  
WANTED—Woman or girl to do housework. Inquire at Herzinger & Mitchell's office, G street. 9-18 2t  
LOST—Near city park a No. 3 A Eastman Kodak. Initials on case "M. L. B." Suitable reward for return to this office. 9-18 8t  
A SNAP—Three lots, 5-room house and outbuildings, cor Oak and West.,—Inquire of Best-Fuller Realty Co., Grants Pass, Ore. 9-18 3 t  
TEAM—wagon and harness for sale cheap. Inquire of O. E. Moore, Rogue River Avenue, P. O. box 75. 9184 t  
FOR SALE—One new Mitchell wagon and work team. Call at camp ground near riveside school. 9-18 1t  
LOST.  
POCKETBOOK—Patent leather, square, containing money and valuable papers. Return to Martha Clanton. 9-4 1f  
FOR SALE.  
GENERAL store, stock and building, value \$2500 to sell or exchange for Southern Oregon ranch or city property. Address Box 187, Yaquina, Ore. 9-11 4t  
FOR SALE—Full Blood Brown Leghorn chickens. Hens \$6 per dozen, pullet \$8 per dozen, cockerels 50c to 75c each. First premium taken at the two fairs held in Grants Pass.—John Robinson, Route 2, Grants Pass. 9-11-4t  
COWS—Milk cow for sale. Call early and have your choice or address. T. J. Bidness, Merlin, Oregon. 8-14-1f.  
Window glass at Hair-Riddle's.  
ONE JERSEY Bull, 15 months old, for sale cheap. Hayden Close, Phone 887, Wilderville. 7-24 1f  
FOR SALE—One half horse power electric motor, nearly new, price \$25. Can furnish shaft and belt if desired. Enquire of W. P. Wright, Conklin building. 8-14 1f  
FOR SALE—Modern hotel in good, incorporated California town; on corner near depot, 27 rooms, bar in connection with large stock of liquors, cigars, and pool table; open night and day. License \$200 per year. Reason for selling, have been admitted to the bar and wish to enter practice of law. Will take \$2500 for furniture and fixtures and stock. Address H. E. M., Courier office, Grants Pass. 8-7 1f

Electric Theatre  
Front Street  
Program for Friday and Saturday  
The Mysterious Flames      The Gypsy's Revenge  
A Troublesome Theft  
A Kind-Hearted Bootblack  
Song—Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder

JERSEY Bull, 2 years old, for sale cheap. Inquire of or address J. R. Scovill, RFD No 1., Grants Pass, Ore. 9-4 3t  
FOR SALE—Single driving or riding horse. 1050 lbs. Address Box 631. 9-4 1f  
FOR SALE—Good sugar pine shakes. Enquire Kenney's Grocery, 5-8 1f  
WANTED.  
WANTED—Bids for clearing about 20 acres land which has been cropped and grown up in chaparral. Also plowing same. Work to be completed by February 20, 1909. John Rawley, RFD No. 2, Box 662, Crescent City Stage Road. 9-4-3t  
WANTED—10 rigging slingers, \$60 per month; 10 lumber pilers, \$2.50 per day; two lumber graders, \$75 per month; high wheel teamsters, \$65 per month Box factory men \$2. W. H. West & Co., Medford Ore. 9-18 1t  
WANTED—To rent small farm for year. Would buy after if suitable. Write K. W., Courier office. 9112 t  
WANTED—School girl to work for board. Address Box 410. 9-11 2t  
WANTED—75 Hop pickers by Sept. 1st. Hop yard known as Mrs. M. Ranzau; wages one cent pound. Apply O. C. Gilbert Grants Pass RFD No. 2. 8-21 1f  
PIANO Pupils wanted—20 years experience in teaching. Address Mrs. E. E. Foster J, N 6th St., next to F. Coron. 7-17 1f.  
FOR RENT.  
WILL rent you a good farm, seven miles of city. Best terms given.—Write Box 25, or see me, residence corner Oak and Park streets. J. M. Adams.  
MISCELLANEOUS.  
WE have several parties who are looking for homestead locations or relinquishments, also some good timber claims. If you know of any good homestead or timber claims, it will pay you to write us. Address Aetna Realty Co. 225 Failing Bldg., Portland, Ore. 9-4 1f  
F. A. 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. 8-27 1f  
FRANK BURNETT—Upholstering, mission furniture made to order.  
PIANO Organ, Violin, Guitar, Banjo and Mandolin classes now forming for fall and winter. For information see Prof. Staton Rowell, at the Music Store. 8-28 4t  
STRAYED.  
There came to our ranch nine miles from Grants Pass, down Rogue River, Thursday, September 10, four hogs, black with white spots, slit in each ear. Owner can have the same by proving property, paying damages and paying for advertising. Meals Bros. RFD No. 2, Grants Pass, Oregon. 9-18 3t

Going! Going!  
To Get Some of Those Snaps in Winter Wear at  
HARTH'S  
The Clothiers  
Quit Business Sale!