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AN IMPORTANT EVENT.

One of the important events of
the year was the visit of the members
of the Commercial Club to Galice
and Merlin. The members of the
club have possessed themselves of
information that will be of great
service during the months and years
to come. They have learned that
the Galice mining district possesses
great wealth and that it is to play
an important part in the prosperity
of, not only Josephine county, but in
the growth of Grants Pass. The
Galice mining district which has in
the past furnished between \$30,000-
600 and \$40,000,000 in gold is des-
tined to supply millions annually
within the next few years. From
this on the district will greatly aid
in the development of the county.
It will, to a large extent, build up
a home market for our produce and
add in a substantial way to our
commercial prosperity. A mining
district is a great help to any com-
munity and it is quite evident that
the success of the Galice mines will
make Josephine county one of the
richest in the State of Oregon.

DECORATIONS FOR THE FOURTH

It is needless to say that all busi-
ness houses and blocks will be ap-
propriately decorated on the Fourth
and to some extent the private resi-
dences will be covered with bunting.
This subject is brought up at this
time in hopes that our citizens gen-
erally will take an interest in the
subject and make a display of the
red, white and blue. Remember,
this is our town and the only one we
own, therefore, let us make it beau-
tiful, not only in the eyes of stran-
gers, but our children and ourselves.
The one great study should be to
make the home attractive for the
young and for all beneath the roof-
tree. The committee of arrange-
ments will do well to take up this
subject and urge people generally to
decorate.

PUMPING WATER--- STEEL PIPE ARRIVING

On Thursday afternoon the big ir-
rigation pump at the Ament dam
commenced the work of filling the
200-foot contour ditch on the south
side. The pump took hold as if it
knew by experience all about irri-
gation and was anxious to do its whole
duty. The water was received at
the intake and hurried away down
the ditch, soaking the banks as it
went. When it reached a point about
a mile and a half down the line there
were some obstacles that interfered
with the free flow of the water and
at some few places the bottom of the
ditch needed to be lowered and at
other points the banks needed cut-
ting down. To permit this work to
be done the pump was shut down
and a force of men was put along
the ditch to do the needed work. As
soon as this regulating is done, the
pump will again be started and the
water delivered to the water users
under the ditch.

On Friday teams were at work
hauling the big pipes to be used in
crossing the river and reaching the
intake of the Fruitdale line. The
carloads of this pipe have arrived
and others are expected every day.
The placing of this pipe in position
will not take long after it once gets
on the ground.

New Advertisements.

The Peerless Clothing Co. uses
nearly a page of this issue to telling
our readers of some bargains they
are offering in order to make room
for new stock. J. F. Klein announces
that he is to open up soon in the Al-
bert block, while Curtis & Co. tell of
jewelry for sale and the diamond
ring for the queen. Gus Karner
gives a long list of prices of meats
which he carries. M. E. Moore is re-
ducing his stock of furniture to make
room for another carload.

Jos. Harper is building a five-
room bungalow on North Fifth street
for Edward Van Dyke, and has com-
menced the foundation for a house
for Mr. Wolfersberger on Iowa St.

SOCIAL EVENTS

The Azalia Circle, Women of
Woodcraft held its regular meet-
ing Monday evening, June 21, with
quite a large attendance. After the
business had been attended to, a
social time was enjoyed and refresh-
ments of ice cream and cake were
served.

Bethany Presbyterian Sunday
school are today picnicing at Savage
rapids, about six miles up the river
from the city. About 75 children
and older people left at 9 o'clock
this morning for the picnic grounds,
where they will spend all day, the
younger children returning at dusk.
One feature of entertainment will be
a game of base ball with Robt.
McLean and Prof. Turner as cap-
tains of the opposing sides.

Wednesday evening the Christian
endeavorers of the Presbyterian
church packed their lunch baskets
and went over to the park across the
Rogue river to enjoy the evening by
the riverside. This was the regular
meeting of the Christian Endeavor
society, but they planned to have an
open air meeting with a picnic as a
side issue. After the business was
attended to the young people, to the
number of about 50, plunged into
the enjoyment of the evening and a
most delightful time was had by all
present. Boat riding and games were
indulged in until a late hour, when
the party returned to their respective
homes. This novel way of combining
pleasure and business and enjoying
the pleasant summer evenings out-
side is much to be preferred to the
inside meetings and it certainly as-
sures a larger attendance.

The Park Fund dance given by the
Ladies' Auxiliary of the Commercial
Club at the skating rink last Friday
evening was one of the most success-
ful and enjoyable dances ever given
in the city. The decorations were un-
usually attractive, the walls and ceil-
ing being completely covered with
evergreens, giving the room the ap-
pearance of a beautiful evergreen
forest delightfully cool and fragrant.

In addition to this, the floor was in
fine condition, the music splendid
and the floor managers thoroughly
understood their business. Ice cream
and cool, refreshing drinks were
served to the dancers during the en-
tire evening and the large number
of guests who attended this dance
will remember it as one of the best
ever given in this city. This marked
the closing event of the Rose Week
and the members of the Ladies'
Auxiliary having this event in charge
are certainly to be congratulated up-
on the great social success they
achieved. The patronesses were
Mesdames Clevenger, Sampson, Hale,
Clarke, Moss, Carner, Hough and
Gunnell.

COMING EVENTS.

June 26, Saturday—Opening of
Bell's Piano and Sewing Machine
Emporium.

July 3, 4, 5, Saturday, Sunday, Mon-
day—Celebration of the Glorious
Fourth.

July 7-17—Southern Oregon Chau-
taqua at Ashland.

July 9, Friday—L. T. L. Medal Con-
test.

Announcement.

I wish to announce that on July 1,
I intend to enter into the real estate
business with main office either in
Merlin or Woodville, and with a
branch office in Grants Pass.

It is my intention to adopt some
new methods for the exploiting of
our locality. I will undertake to
work on the plan of going out after
business instead of waiting for busi-
ness to come to me.

It will be my plan to advocate the
subdividing of all our outlying
cheap lands into 20 acre tracts, not
fives, tens, nor 40s, as I believe one
family can keep a twenty acre tract
in a high state of cultivation.

I wish to solicit more especially
the business of property owners who
will sell their lands at a reasonable
price; prices that I can subdivide and
sell in twenty acre tracts at from
\$15 to \$50 per acre.

Within the past few months I have
spent considerable time looking over
our outlying districts and I find
that there is at least 100,000 acres
of brush lands, which, owing to soil
and climatic conditions, are espe-
cially adapted to the growth of Tokay
grapes, pears, apples, peaches, cher-
ries and all kinds of berries, which
if planted to such fruit would pay
their owners from \$100 to \$500 per
acre annually. And if these 100,000
acres were cut into 20 acre tracts and
a family residing on and cultivating
each tract, the population of our
county would be doubled; the values
of the taxable property would also
be doubled, thus lessening the taxes
on other properties. The business
of our county would be quadrupled

by thus quadrupling our resources.

It will be my plan to settle these
remote districts with people who will
become bona fide settlers and will
clear and plant these lands to fruit.

It is useless to hope for success
in this undertaking without the
heartly co-operation of the business
and resident people of Grants Pass,
Merlin and Woodville, together with
our farmers and fruitgrowers, which
I hereby respectfully solicit.

Temporarily I will continue to oc-
cupy my present offices, 10 and 12
Masonic Temple, Grants Pass, Ore.
W. B. SHERMAN.

Wireless Telegraphy Train.

The first railroad train to be
equipped with a wireless telegraph
apparatus passed through Grants
Pass last Saturday. The train car-
ried the California Promotion Com-
mittee, 100 strong. The Commercial
Club had arranged to have a large
number of its members at the depot
to receive the party, but as the train
arrived and departed a half hour be-
fore its time, only a few persons
reached the depot in time to see
the visitors. This mistake in the
time of arrival of the train was un-
fortunate as the Commercial Club
would have been pleased as a body
in having an opportunity to meet the
Californians and to have extended
to them congratulations. The club
can only do good work by taking ad-
vantage of every opportunity to ex-
tend its acquaintance among the
business men of other localities in
our own state.

Fourth of July Committees.

The arrangements for the cele-
bration are in charge of committees,
the chairmen of which are as fol-
lows:

Music, Joe Wharton; advertising,
H. L. Andrews; Sunday, J. E. Hair;
sports, L. R. Steelhammer; autos,
E. L. Churchill; parade, M. J. Ander-
son; speaking, Geo. Durham; con-
fetti, C. C. Hall; light, C. L. Clemen-
ger; concessions, M. J. Anderson;
soliciting, G. C. Calhoun; fireworks,
R. L. Coe; decoration, Tom Galvin;
shooting, R. L. Bartlett; horse and
pony races, Antonio Muratto; log
sawing, John Banfield; field and
aquatic sports, F. B. Bartlett; god-
dess of liberty, E. T. McKinstry; tug-
of-war, Claude Hildreth; rock drill-
ing, Frank South; base ball, P. P.
Proctor; rest rooms, Mrs. G. W. Don-
nell; lunches, Mrs. H. D. Norton;
dance, Mrs. A. H. Gunnell; commit-
tee, Mrs. G. C. Calhoun; log rolling,
Henry E. Hefner.

H. L. Cahill last week returned
from the interior of South America,
where he had been employed for the
past two years with a railway com-
pany at that place. Mr. Cahill
brought with him some very interest-
ing articles made by the natives near
Brazil. Among some of the curios
are walking sticks which are very
handsomely fashioned and carved
with representations of native rep-
tiles and birds. The only article
used in the manufacture of these
sticks is the common hunting knife
which the native carries in his belt,
and it only takes about two or three
evenings to make and varnish a
stick. There were also two spears
in the collection. These were about
seven feet long and the bows with
which they were used are said to be
about 10 feet long and are held by
the natives with their feet when be-
ing used, the native lying down.
These canes and arrows will be on
exhibition until after the 4th of July
in one of the windows of the Geo. S.
Calhoun Clothing house and it is
worth the time and trouble of any-
one to take a look at them.

Mrs. Fred Cheshire, who is the
teacher of one of the young ladies'
Sunday school classes in the Baptist
church, took her class, about 14 in
all, to the park across Rogue river
to spend the afternoon and evening
enjoying a picnic this Friday after-
noon. The Christian church mem-
bers are also enjoying outdoor exer-
cise this afternoon at the park in
the same way. Picnics are the
fashion these warm days.

Window Screens for 40 cents at
Cramer Bros.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.

FOR SALE—One open buggy, one
sulkey, one light skeleton driving
wagon. Call at 738 N 5th street,
Mrs. T. P. Judson. 6-25-tf

LOST—Lady's handbag, black, con-
taining small amount of coin and
gold rimmed glasses. Reward if
left at Courier office. 6-25-1t

TEACHER WANTED—Must have a
first grade certificate and experi-
ence; good wages. C. R. Fiffeld,
clerk District 11, Leland, Ore. 6-25-3t

ESTRAY—There came to my place

at Merlin one spotted red and
white steer with swallow fork in
left ear, smooth crop off right
ear and branded 70 on right hip;
now three years old. The owner
can have the same by proving
property and paying charges. Mrs.
Mary J. Tyler, Merlin, Ore. 6-25-5t

FOR SALE—160 acres red land, 2
houses and lots, 20 residence lots.
Inquire of W. A. Paddock at City
Hall. 3-26-tf

GASOLINE—Chas. Costain sells
gasoline at the park. 6-25-tf

Window Glass at Hair-Riddle's.

WANTED—One young or middle-
aged woman to do chamber work
in hotel at Hilt; German prefer-
red. Write to Northern California
Lumber Co., Hilt, Cal. 6-25-2t

DESIGNS, Cut flowers, potted plants,
bulbs. Medford Greenhouse,
phone 606. 11-6-tf

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Span of draft or brood
mares, weight about 1300 lbs.,
color bay; also harness and wagon.
2 3/4 Studebaker. Apply or write
to Dr. H. Klopfer, Kerby, Ore. 6-18-2t

FOR SALE—Two horses, harness
and wagon. Apply Mrs. M. Ran-
zau, R. F. D. No. 2. 6-18-10t

FOR SALE—or trade, an American
Box Ball Bowling Alley, new, a

FOR SALE—2 White Leghorn cock-
erels, thoroughbred, fine; 2 fine
brood sows; 9 fine brood pigs
from 2 to 6 months old. Geo. A.
Hamilton. 5-23-4t

FOR SALE—160 acres bottom land,
70 acres under cultivation, house,
barn and outbuildings, fruit and
shade trees; seven miles from
town. A snap if sold at once. See
Geo. Cronk, address Box 580.
Phone 1025. 5-21-tf

GOOD second-hand rubber tired bug-
gy, one 3 3/4 Shultz wagon, one
3 3/4 Studebaker, one second-hand
one-horse wagon for sale cheap
for cash. Inquire at G. P. Feed
Store. 4-23-tf

SAW Gumming and Turning at
Costain's. 4-30-tf

NEW goods at second-hand prices at
"Headquarters," City Hall, South
6th street. 3-26-tf

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houses and lots, 20 residence lots.
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Hall. 3-26-tf

Window Glass at Hair-Riddle's.

WANTED

WANTED at once an upright steam
boiler, 10 to 25 horse power. Par-
ticulars at this office. 6-18-1t

WANTED—Second-hand goods at
"Headquarters," City Hall, south
6th street. 3-26-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

RANNIE, the plumber is ready at
any minute to repair your plum-
ing. 609 H street. Telephone
555. 4-2-tf

MONEY to loan on real estate.
Mortgages bought and sold. Mar-
cus Robbins, lawyer. 1-8-52t

Blue Flame Oil Cook Stoves
Perfection Oil Cook Stoves
Alcohol Cook Stoves
Screen Doors
Screen Wire

Plumbing and Sheet Metal
Electrical House Wiring

CORON-BOOTH
HARDWARE CO.

Grants Pass Hdw. Co.

Plumbing and Heating
a Specialty

Hammocks
and
Refrigerators

Rubber-tired Buggies
Road Wagons

Everything in
General Hardware

J. F. Klein
Will open a
Tailoring Establishment
in the new Albert Bldg. with
a line of up-to-date goods
about July 1st.

School election was held Monday
afternoon, there being but two can-
didates for director of school board,
T. P. Cramer and Geo. S. Calhoun.
Of the 147 votes cast, Mr. Cramer
received 84 and Mr. Calhoun 63,
thereby electing Mr. Calhoun to
office.

Visitors to Grants Pass

—ON—

The GLORIOUS 4th

Should make it a point to visit Curtis & Co.'s Jewelry
store. We can sell you anything in the jewelry line
and at prices consistent with quality.

We would particularly like to show you a re-
constructed Sapphire ring, the nearest approach to a
diamond for lustre and hardness, and at one-tenth the
cost.

The Goddess of Liberty Diamond Prize Ring

On exhibition at Clemens Drug Store, was sold by

Curtis & Co. Jewelers

on 6th Street