

July 3-4-5

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Mrs. F. D. Eismann visited her sister at Merlin Thursday.

Chas. Short, of Merlin, is in town again this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford, of Enterprise, Ore., arrived here Thursday to visit with friends.

Miss Vivian Dimick, who has been attending school at Chicago, Ill., for the past year, returned Thursday to her home in this city.

Vern Launer, of Dallas, arrived here Thursday to visit with his brother, Lloyd. Mr. Launer expects to remain in our city for some time.

John Patrick went to Williams Creek Tuesday to spend a few days with his son, Dick, and enjoy country life awhile.

Newt McGrew had the misfortune to lose one of his fine large dray horses last Monday. The animal was sick about a week before it died. Newt had refused \$400 for the horse only a short time before it died.

Miss Pearl Dyer left Wednesday evening for Portland, where she will be joined by her cousin, Mrs. Bertam Stone, and they will then go to Seattle to attend the fair.

Our citizens are requested not to congregate upon the old bridge across Rogue river or we will have too many entries for the swimming races.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patrick and family left Saturday for their home at Roseburg, after a week's visit with Mr. Patrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Patrick, of this city.

If you haven't heard of the great celebration, July 3, 4 and 5, at Grants Pass you are living in darkness. Come to Grants Pass and on Sunday, July 4, at the city park, Dr. J. Whitcomb Brounger will show you the light.

The good citizens of Leland are invited to Grants Pass on Monday, July 5. If you spend all your money at home on Saturday telegraph the Commercial Club at Grants Pass and perhaps we will wire you a railroad ticket for Monday.

Mrs. F. G. Nelson, of Checto, Cal., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Crow, at Medford, arrived here Thursday to visit two other sisters, Mrs. Amos Smith and Mrs. F. D. Eismann, of this city.

The new S. P. booklet, "Outing in Oregon," is now out and a large supply is on hand at the S. P. depot, where they may be obtained. The book is very neat and is handsomely illustrated, there being many Southern Oregon scenes among the pages with interesting sketches pertaining to each.

Thursday afternoon one of the clerks at the Gibson & Vincent store was showing some clothes baskets to a lady customer when a large tarantula jumped out of one of the baskets onto the floor and was captured and put in a jar where it can be safely seen without danger of being "bit." The insect is an unusually large one and is being viewed with much interest by customers at the store.

DIED.

RUCH—At Grants Pass, Oregon, Wednesday, June 30, 1909, Viola, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ruch.

Funeral services were held from the residence at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, with interment at Granite Hill cemetery.

MASTERSON—At Grants Pass, Oregon, Sunday, June 27, 1909, Miss Jane Masterson, of pneumonia, aged 32 years, 1 month and 15 days.

The body was taken to Gold Hill, where the funeral services were held cemetery there.

Church Services Sunday.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon at 11 a. m. No service in the evening.

Christian Church.

Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. At the 11:00 o'clock hour Mr. Hensey, of Bolengi, Africa, a co-laborer with Dr. Dye, will speak. On account of union services in the evening, there will be no services in this church at the 8:00 o'clock hour. Frederic M. Brooke, Minister.

First Christian Science Society.

Christian Science services will be held Sunday, July 4, 1909, at 11 a. m. in W. O. W. hall. Subject, "God." Wednesday evening services at 8 p. m. in same hall. You are cordially invited to attend.

Oregon Day at A-Y-P.

Oregon Day will be celebrated on July 9, at the Oregon building, A-Y-P. Exposition. This will be an important event and every citizen of this state should be interested and all who can make it convenient to visit Seattle and be present on the date mentioned, should do so.

The Sunday Services.

On Sunday, the Fourth, there will be two services at the city park, afternoon and evening. The best of music will be furnished by orchestra and chorus. Rev. J. Whitcomb Brounger, D. D., pastor of the White Temple, Portland, will deliver patriotic addresses at both services. Grants Pass is to be congratulated on the opportunity of hearing Dr. Brounger, who is widely known as a brilliant and forceful speaker. Everybody is urged to attend these services at the park, and to come prepared to stay till after the evening service. Picnic suppers will be the order of the day; and for those who desire it, a lunch counter will be installed so that all may be provided for at the park. This is such a delightful place for an afternoon's outing that it is expected that all who can do so will be there.

The Big Parade.

M. J. Anderson, chairman of the parade committee says it is plain that the parade on Saturday, at 10 a. m., will exceed all expectations.

Among the important features are the Grants Pass float that advertised our horticultural resources at Portland Rose Festival, a liberty car, floats from the civic societies, a body of horsewomen 50 strong, representing the states; an entire division given to floats representing our neighboring town of Merlin; juvenile exhibits of carriages drawn by goats and dogs; handsome display of blooded horses, numerous floats representative of our business houses, and other attractive features. With two bands, and sundry noise making groups, Saturday will be a loud day. In order to get the parade off on time from the court house at 10 a. m., those who are to take part are requested to notify J. E. Hair, Ralph Looney, or M. J. Anderson by phone, note or in person by Friday noon so the parade can be as nearly as possible arranged without disorder.

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Progress on the Steel Bridge.

The steel bridge at the foot of Sixth street is rapidly approaching completion. The two main spans are up, while the third and last one will soon take form and shape. This structure was under the contract to have been finished six months ago but high water and other causes interfered until the public had become nervous over the delay and yet there had been comparatively little fault finding. The anxiety has been rather of the kind that hopes for the best. Everybody wants a good bridge and from the present outlook we will have one of the best steel structures to be found in any state. The contractors, as well as the taxpayers, are to be congratulated.

The Hardworkers.

The committees who are engaged are working hard to insure the success of the big event. Acting-Mayor Jim Tuffa is giving the celebration the benefit of his knowledge of how to get up a royal, up-to-date Fourth of July. He will, as the highest city official, extend a welcome to everybody who may honor the occasion with their presence. Harry Andrews, the secretary of the Commercial Club, is giving every moment of his time to getting things ready for the big show, and other men and women are doing likewise. From the present outlook all things will be in readiness when the sun comes over the eastern hills on Saturday morning.

Many New Homes.

Investigation shows that many new buildings will soon be under construction in Grants Pass during the summer and fall. These for the most part will be put up by new comers who are already arriving. These people have been attracted by our superior climate and the constantly increasing popularity of Grants Pass as a residence city. Our schools and churches have much to do with bringing to us desirable people. Grants Pass will be noted within a year as being a city of beautiful homes, as the residences are tending each year towards a better class. With the introduction of cheap irrigation our lawns and gardens will vie with each other in making beautiful places.

New System to Be Cut In.

It is officially announced that the central energy telephone system will be cut in on July 10 and Grants Pass will then have an up-to-date service and in this respect will be the equal of any other city in the country. A good telephone service is all important and will go far to help in securing other up-to-date civic improvements. With this new telephone service the old style calling of central will be done away with. Taking down the receiver rings your bell in the central station and the operator ask for the number you wish. This number will be repeated by the operator after you so that you may know that you have not been misunderstood. All this is done and you have your party before you could get central under the present system. Another very important thing is that the new system will be more distinct than the present. The complicated ten-party line will also be done away with and this of itself will be a blessing. There are other advantages too numerous to mention which will be ours as soon as the new system is cut in.

Improvements at the Old Colby Place.

Ed. E. Warner, with his wife and daughter, who arrived from Everett, Wash., about three weeks ago, has a force of carpenters and painters at work remodeling and making extensive alterations in their home, the place until recently owned by J. H. Colby on N. Sixth street. The have four acres of bearing apples and will make a specialty of small fruits. Mr. Warner and family left Everett in their automobile expecting to make the trip to this place, but when they struck the Columbia river they had to abandon the trip on account of high water, and shipped their car by freight.

Francis J. Heney in the City.

Francis J. Heney, the prosecutor in the Calhoun case at San Francisco, with Mrs. Heney, two friends and a chauffeur, were in the city Monday evening and took supper at the Western hotel. They arrived in town about 7:30 and after a hasty meal the gentlemen left for Jump-Off-Joe where they camped for the night, continuing their journey toward Roseburg in the morning. Mrs. Heney remained at the hotel for the night and left on the morning local to rejoin the party at a point further north. She has avoided the mountain trip several times by taking the passenger train. The party was en route from San Francisco to Portland.

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CARROLL CORNELL FALLS FROM A TREE

Word was received here Monday morning of the injury of Carroll Cornell, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cornell, of this city, who is spending the summer vacation with J. C. Mattison at the Oriole mine at Galice. Carroll had nailed slats across a tall madrone tree and in this manner formed a ladder which he climbed to place the stars and stripes in the top of the tree for the 4th of July. When he was about 35 feet up, the board on which he was standing gave way and he fell to the ground, breaking both ankles and injuring his back. The accident occurred at 7 o'clock Monday morning and Mr. and Mrs. Cornell were notified by telephone and at once left by automobile for Galice, taking Dr. Loughridge with them. Although all possible speed was made, it was 2 o'clock in the afternoon before the broken bones were set by Dr. Loughridge, assisted by Dr. Smith, of Galice. Carroll is a bright boy, 13 years of age, and it was most unfortunate that his patriotism should have caused him so much suffering. He passed a bad night Monday, and Tuesday he could not move his fingers, the jar from the fall having been so severe as to cause a shock to the muscles all over the body. Mrs. Cornell remained at Galice to take care of her son, who will remain there for the present. He is getting along as well as can be expected and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

FOREST FIRES ARE TO BE WATCHED

Working along the line of securing the greatest results in protection against fire, with a minimum of expenditure, the Forest Service has decided to establish on the most advantageous points of the National Forests in the west a series of look-out stations from which news of the breaking out of forest fires can be telephoned to forest officials.

Since all of these stations will command a view of the country for miles around the work of detecting and extinguishing fires in their incipency will, by this plan, be greatly expedited, with the result that many thousands of dollars worth of valuable timber will be saved annually.

In most of the National Forest states the climate is very dry, and the rainfall light. Conditions, therefore, are remarkably favorable for the spread of fire and extraordinary diligence is necessary in patrolling dangerous areas. To administer the

vast area included in the National Forests, approximately 195,000,000 acres, the government has about 1,400 men in the field. If each man could be used for fire patrol, he would have to cover approximately 138,000 acres. As a matter of fact, however, the volume of business on the National Forest has grown to such proportions that less than twenty-five per cent of the force is available. This makes it necessary to spread an average man's service over nearly four times 138,000 acres, decreasing fire protection far below the point of safety in many cases.

In the face of this, however, fire losses on the National Forests are kept at a point where they are trivial when compared with the damage which would be caused were the lands contained in the National Forests unprotected.

Arming for Thieves.

During the last few days there has been an active and unusual demand for shot guns and bird shot. It is noticeable that the buyers are fruit growers and they are acting in concert in this matter with a view, it is said, of protecting their orchards against thieves of all sorts. One fruit grower bought three double-barrel guns and they have been placed in the hands of members of the family with instructions to use them on sight against the thieving classes. This sort of petty thieving has grown to be an annoyance of a serious character and it has at last brought about united action. The thieves as a rule are determined to rob trees bearing early fruit and this year they will be obliged to employ the services of a doctor to pick out from their fleshy parts a load of fine shot. The men who have worked hard to plant and care for choice fruit are unwilling to have thieves rob them of their earnings. These growers say it is difficult to protect themselves against thieving of this sort as the depredators are, of course, for the most part unknown, and consequently it is almost impossible to punish them in the courts. They have armed their households this year and guns have been placed in the hands of the women as well as the men.

NOT UP-TO-DATE.

The Myrtle Point Enterprise remarks that a woman always gets cross when she has to get up to let her husband in, but she doesn't mind it at all to get up and let the cat out.

That editor is certainly a close observer, in fact, a philosopher of the old and most reliable school. He undoubtedly acquired his knowledge through experience, but that household is not of the most modern type or he would be home minding the

baby ready to let his wife in when she comes from the club, then there would be no occasion for any one to be cross.

The Ugliest Man Contest.

The contest for the ugliest man stirring up much interest and one of the homeliest are vying for the honor of assignment to a prominent place in the parade.

The winner of this contest is to accept without argument the place assigned him in the parade by a committee.

The following is a list of those entered at this time:

- Ed Van Dyke
John Lance
Warren Bert
Marcus Robbins
Geo. P. Cramer
Ralph Looney
Fred Blackman
James Tuffs
E. T. McKinstry
George Snow
Mike Clemens
A. N. Parsons
T. E. McKoin
Jos. Wolke
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Joe Moss
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Geo. Beck
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New Real Estate Office.

A. N. Parsons, of Omaha, Neb., has arrived in this city and will open a real estate office and will do business in a large way. He was here a year ago and purchased some property and since that time has succeeded in inducing a number of investors to purchase Josephine county property. Mr. Parsons has for 25 years been a general agent of the American Express company, being located during these years in Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Mo., and Duluth, Minn. He has a wide personal acquaintance back east among influential people and will become a useful citizen in this community—the kind of man that we need. He has shipped his household goods and will soon as they arrive he and his family will commence housekeeping in Grants Pass.