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WHY WAS HE CREATED.

It is the men of ideas who rule the industrial world and build up communities. It is the ideas of these men that give prosperity to states, counties and cities, but there is another class who are quite as important and these are the men who discern the ideas and know how to put them into use. There is still another class who are always to be found working against the two mentioned and these are known in vulgar parlance as knockers. The force and energy of this class is by no means to be despised. Theirs is a negative force, it is true, but they have the power often to blight whole communities. They are the stumbling blocks mentioned in scripture and are always present when opportunity offers for them to declare "the railroad will never be built" or it will go up another creek and hills us altogether. And again, "the irrigation ditch will never amount to anything." And that the city in which they live will never be a place of any importance as prices are too high and buyers are driven away. One would think that when they see they have been mistaken they would get into the band wagon and proclaim the glory of the coming army of progress which is doing the world's work, but nothing of the kind. Beaten at one point they soon find another place to block the wheels of progress and ply their damnable avocation. Will we ever get rid of this class? They are like political office holders; they seldom die and never resign; and so we must be content and be thankful that once in a while one of the fraternity moves away, or becomes convinced and joins the builders of empire. God works in ways that are wonderful and creates many animate things the beauty or usefulness of which it is hard to discern, but of all these none are more puzzling to us than the "knocker."

ALL YEAR AROUND SCHOOLS.

Chicago is to have "all the year around" schools for those who desire such opportunities. It is reported that 10,000 children are now attending the summer schools of that city. This is a step of the highest importance for those who have a desire to complete their educational term in less time than is required under the old system. The idea has been that the scholar's health demanded a vacation of two or three months and while this is necessary in a small percentage of cases, it should not apply to all. This was evidently the way the Chicago board of education looked at it and this accounts for their action in establishing the "all the year around" schools.

It is quite certain that other great cities will follow the example of Chicago in this matter. The poor who find it a burden to spare time to educate their children will favor the new idea and there is much to be said in approval. In great cities the children of the poor cannot have the benefit of a vacation in the country. In the new order of things the parents have the opportunity to choose between the street and the school room. It is not to be wondered at that they prefer the school and its moral influence, in preference to the contaminations of the street.

BUILD GALICE BRIDGE.
The members of the Grants Pass Commercial Club heartily endorse



the proposition for the county to build the Galice bridge, as it will assist in the development of the mines which in turn will increase the assessed valuation of the district half a million dollars annually for many years to come. This will be a good investment for the county and there should be no hesitation in undertaking the work. Good roads and good bridges are valuable assets for county officials to show to taxpayers.

MEDFORD'S IDLE TALK.

For advertising purposes a story has been started in Medford that Southern Oregon favors secession from the northern part of the state and the creation of a new commonwealth out of Southern Oregon and a strip of Northern California. The reason given is that the Willamette Valley did by its vote in the legislature, kill the normal school at Ashland, and, after allowing Medford to get through an appropriation for the Crater Lake road, they permit a Salem lawyer to block the appropriation. This is primary school boy talk and the originators of it can make more money pumping thunder at three cents a clap than they are likely to make out of this. We hope the name of the Rogue River valley, which means Grants Pass, is not claimed by the secessionists. This valley is loyal to the whole state and its glorious traditions and if there be any who feel that they do not like to stay with Oregon they have the privilege of withdrawing themselves from these parts. They will never be missed.

LOCAL ITEMS

Misses Ada and Annie Smith left Thursday evening for a month's visit with relatives at Portland.

Mrs. G. L. Satchwell left Wednesday evening for Portland, called there by the serious illness of Mr. Satchwell's mother.

Misses Clara Cramer and Hazel Kuykendall arrived here Thursday from Roseburg to visit with Miss Bessie Davis.

Read the Ashland Commercial College display ad and secure a nine-months scholarship beginning September.

Mrs. Alice Carlson returned Thursday from Portland and Roseburg, where she has spent the past three weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

Ralph Davis returned Thursday from his vacation trip which he spent at Roseburg and other northern points and will again resume his duties at the S. P. depot.

Mrs. R. L. Disbrow started Monday evening for Victoria, B. C., to be at the bedside of her son, Stuart, who is seriously ill with typhoid fever. Stuart went to Victoria shortly before the Fourth.

E. J. Blain and W. R. Loomis, from Redfield, S. D., arrived here Tuesday for a few days' visit with the families of G. D. Carner and S. H. Riggs, and also to look over the city and surrounding country.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wheeler, of Medford, who have been attending the Seattle fair arrived here Thursday and stopped off for a few days' visit with Mrs. Wheeler's sisters, Mrs. Eclus Pollock and Mrs. J. D. Fry.

The open season for hunting deer begins August 1 for buck deer and closes November 1. Beginning with this year there will be no open season for female deer. Spotted fawn or young deer of the first year closed at all times within the state.

Roper & Praxell have moved their tailor shop from over the Cathlamet Clothing store to No. 509 1/2 Front street, where they have neat tailoring parlors fitted up and will be glad to see all their old patrons as well as new ones.

Prosburg Perfect Fence, rabbit-proof, 5 1/2 inches high, 60 cents a rod, at Cramer Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Morris and son, Stanley, and daughter, Miss Florence, who have been visiting here with the Misses Lillian and Laura Riggs and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Carner, left Tuesday evening to visit the fair at Seattle, after which they will return to their home at Mitchell's, S. D.

Explanation.

An article on another page of this issue, headed "Grants Pass Not Responsible," was written and printed before it transpired that two Oregon City men had been arrested, charged with fishing with a boat without a name on it. This is hardly a great victory for the officials. It cannot be claimed that Grants Pass is in anyway responsible for these "terrible criminals" than it would be if they had come from Medford.

SOCIAL EVENTS

The Amity class of the Baptist church and friends adjourned to the Rogue River park Wednesday evening and whiled away the hours by the riverside with games, boating and ice cream and cake. Quite a large number were present and judging from the sounds of mirth and good cheer, the evening was without doubt a most enjoyable one.

Miss Dessie Cole entertained in honor of Miss Stella Kane Wednesday evening from 7 to 10 o'clock, the entertainment being in the form of a picnic at the White Rocks. Twenty-four young people were present to partake of the generous hospitality of Miss Cole and join in the merry making. A sumptuous repast was served and partaken of with keen relish, after which the young people gave themselves up to the enjoyment of the occasion, the only regret being the near departure of Miss Kane for her home in California, she and her mother, Mrs. L. M. Kane, leaving for San Francisco this Friday evening.

Mrs. Geo. Riddle and Mrs. J. H. Hathaway accompanied the members of their Sunday school classes on a picnic excursion to the Riverside park Tuesday evening. There were about 12 of the young people in attendance and everyone enjoyed the event immensely. Supper was served in the cool shade by the riverside, and after engaging in games and other pastimes, they returned to their homes at a seasonable hour.

A party consisting of between 12 and 14 people left this city last Sunday by carriages for Hugo to visit Mr. and Mrs. Randolph and enjoy a picnic in the shady woods adjoining that village. The party departed from Grants Pass at 6:30 a. m., and after enjoying the day at Hugo and eating dinner in the woods, returned to their homes here about 11 p. m., having thoroughly enjoyed the outing and wishing for many more just like it in the near future.

A delightful little informal picnic was given in honor of Miss Florence Morris in the park across Rogue river Saturday evening. There were 12 young ladies present and Mrs. C. P. Bishop acted as chaperone. The evening was pleasantly spent by the girls in spite of the fact that the sterner sex were conspicuous by their absence. A dainty lunch was served and the gasoline launch was pressed into service and Miss Morris will always have a pleasant remembrance of the event held in her honor on the banks of old Rogue.

Mrs. Brook's class of the Christian church held a very pleasant little picnic near the White Rocks Thursday afternoon of last week. The young folks were taken to the White Rocks from the bridge in the gasoline launch and then wended their way to a cool, shady nook on the bank of the Rogue and partook of a sumptuous lunch, and after a jolly good time spent along the river, the party returned to the launch and were brought back to the bridge, where they departed for their several homes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Donnell entertained 12 of their friends at Five Hundred Friday evening at their pleasant home on C street. Mrs. Bertram Stone was the guest of honor and the evening passed all too quickly to the assembled guests. Dainty refreshments of ice cream and cake were served and at a late hour the guests departed for their homes. This event was made all the more pleasant by the fact that Mrs. Stone, who was formerly Miss Adelle Cony, was a resident of this city in her girlhood days and this evening of old-time friendships, together with the delightful entertainment by the host and hostess, made this one of the pleasantest functions of the season.

The members of the Fishermen's Union held a jolly picnic on the river near the fish house Wednesday evening. There were about 35 present in all, consisting of fishermen and their families and a few invited guests. Games were indulged in which kept every one in a good humor all evening, the one most enjoyed by the gentlemen being the initiation of the men into the mysteries of the sewing circle. Every man joined the circle and took the first degree and when he recovers from that he will probably take the second. There were lots of ice cream and cake and everyone fared royally and expressed themselves as having had the time of their lives. The fishing season closes this week, the last shipment of fish from this city for the season will be on Sunday, August 1.

Wednesday afternoon and evening the members of the National Protective Legion dispensed with business cares and went in body with well-filled lunch baskets to the shady grove on North Eighth street where they gave themselves up to the delights of the outdoor sports in a manner not soon to be forgotten by those participating. There were about 75 present and both young and old joined in the sports with a zest which left no doubt as to the genuine pleasure derived. The ladies, however, positively refused to take part in a game of baseball against the "scrub men's team" as they beat them so badly the last time they played, they were thoroughly disgusted and told the gentlemen they would have to work up a swifter team before they would again cross bats with them. In the evening the grounds were beautifully illuminated with Chinese lanterns and the good time continued until late in the evening. When it comes to entertaining, the National Protective Legion gets a front seat—they are hard to beat.

Bicycle Repair Shop at Cramer Bros.
Croquet Sets at Cramer Bros.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

NEW TODAY.

LOST—On Tuesday last a solid gold watch and fob with the initials "H. A. C." on the case. The finder will receive a reward by returning the same to the office of the Courier. 7-30-1t

FOUND—1-year-old bay colt with star in forehead, in very poor condition. Owner can have it by paying charges and applying at 308 Dimmick St., Grants Pass. 7-30-1t

WANTED—Man and wife on fruit ranch; lady to run boarding house for help. Address "A" Courier. 7-30-1t

FOR SALE

Window Glass at Hair Riddle's.

PONY FOR SALE—I have for sale a gentle pony, good for either saddle or carriage use; will drive single or double; is safe for either women or children; weight about 900 pounds. Apply at the Rosebud confectionery store. 7-16-1t

FOR SALE—Two good milk cows. Inquire of C. M. Morpheys, R. F. D. 1, box 29A. 7-9-4t

GASOLINE—Chas. Costain sells gasoline at the park. 6-25-1t

FOR SALE—One open buggy, one sulkey, one light skeleton driving wagon. Call at 738 N 8th street, Mrs. T. P. Judson. 6-25-1t

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

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. 5-21-1t

WANTED

WANTED—10 wood cutters at Hugo, good timber. See Cahill, 605 West C. St., Grants Pass. 7-9-1t

WANTED—Intelligent man or woman to take territory and appoint

canvassers to sell our water filters. Exclusive territory and nice, profitable work for the right party. Seneca Filter Co., Seneca, Mo. 7-16-1t

MISCELLANEOUS.

MONEY to loan on irrigated lands by C. G. Ament. 7-16-1t

I PAY cash for copper, rubber and old brass. C. C. Daniels. 7-23-1t

DESIGNS, Cut flowers, potted plants, bulbs. Medford Greenhouse, phone 606. 11-6-1t

RANNIE, the plumber is ready at any minute to repair your plumbing. 609 H street. Telephone 555. 4-2-1t

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

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