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A COMMERCIAL CLUB SUBJECT.

It is very gratifying to note the character of the men who have of late been arriving at Grants Pass in search of investments and homes. They are, for the most part, persons of means and know just what they want. The majority of them find satisfactory investments and are sending good reports back to their old homes regarding this country. It is true that we need more advertising and the encouragement for us to do this is in the fact, as has been stated, that the men who come are of the right sort, only more of them are needed. With a country like ours, abounding in opportunities for the homeseeker to secure health and wealth, it will pay to make known more extensively what we have to offer. We are certainly not doing enough at Seattle to insure our share of the business that might be secured in that quarter. This subject might advantageously be taken up at the regular monthly meeting of the Commercial Club next Monday night. Time is flying and if we are to do anything more, now is the time. It can be truthfully said that little or no effort has been made at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition to make known the advantages possessed by Josephine county for those who are looking for homes on the Coast.

GO AFTER IT NOW.

The mining interests of Josephine county are looking up and keeping pace with the prosperous times which are promised the country generally. There are strong indications that the whole county is to enjoy better times in the future. Capital, which is always timid and never ventures to invest a dollar unless certain of returns, is now offering millions for railroad construction and industrial investments. These conditions call for those having mining properties in this county for the development of which they need capital to make known their wants without delay. The money for all good mining propositions is waiting the call of the man who owns the mine.

If the men who have the money know what Josephine county has to offer there would be no delay in the development of our good mining propositions. This is also the time to commence railroad construction in this county. No better investments can be offered than the construction of the Illinois Valley railroad or one down the Rogue river; both propositions offer almost unlimited demand for transportation. This is certainly the time to call the attention of the capitalist to conditions as they exist in this section of Southern Oregon. Here is a demand for a committee to be appointed by the Grants Pass Commercial Club to look after these most important matters. There are members of the club who have the ability to secure the capital needed to build our railroads and develop our mines. Mining men and those interested in having railroads built should join the Commercial Club and then all these things will come to them.

SECOND NATIONAL APPLE SHOW

An important event is to come off in Spokane during the entire week commencing November 15, 1900. This will be the National Apple Show which is of the highest importance to the apple growers of Josephine

county. Last year, it will be remembered, our display of apples at the first exhibition of that organization took a large number of first premiums and won high rank for the king of fruit grown in this county. Our fruit growers had short notice to prepare their exhibit and the display was made under discouraging circumstances, but this year time must be taken by the forelock and an exhibit made which will astonish and please the many thousands who will visit the second national apple show.

This year there will be premiums amounting to \$25,000 offered and the apple growers of this county can take enough of this sum to pay the expense of making the exhibit twice over. The Southern Pacific railroad can be depended upon for assistance in the way of transportation for products we may wish to send to the show. It is time this subject should be taken up by our apple growers and preparations made for a choice selection for an exhibit.

SECESSION AND TRADITION.

"The Rogue River Courier, alone among the papers of Southern Oregon, opposes secession and the creation of a new state. It says: 'We hope that 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.'

"The Rogue River valley is certainly claimed by the secessionists, and if put to a vote tomorrow, there would be an overwhelming majority for secession, not only outside of Josephine county, containing three-quarters of the valley's inhabitants, but in Josephine, and also in the city of Grants Pass.

"From Ashland to Wedderburn there is a wide-spread disgust with barnacle rule, with taxation without representation, with the narrow, selfish, hogish, apathetic character of the Willamette Valley dictation.

"What have the 'glorious traditions' of Oregon done for Southern Oregon? What have they done for Grants Pass? Has Grants Pass ever been recognized in the slightest degree, ever been helped in any manner, no matter how small? Has a cent of the taxes Josephine county has been paying into the treasury since its creation ever been spent in the county? Has it ever received recognition of any kind? NO.

"When it comes to 'glorious traditions,' the Rogue River valley furnishes more than all the rest of Oregon. Here hunted the French and Hudson Bay trappers. Here were fought the Indian battles, and the aborigines of the Rogue were worth while—they were fighters and killed more of the invading whites than all other Indians of the Coast in their struggle for liberty that ended only in extermination. Here came the argonauts and washed out twenty millions of gold—many times more than all the rest of Oregon ever produced. Here the sturdy pioneers laboriously ox-famed their way across the continent to fill blood-stained graves. And here, in later days, came the pioneer commercial orchardists—to show the world how to grow perfect fruit—while the orchards of the rest of the state grew moss to match that on the inhabitants.

"But 'glorious traditions' butter no parsnips. It is not what grandpa did, but what we ourselves do, that counts. Grandpa was a fine old man, but he went to bed with a candle, and our achievements should as far outshine his as the electric light we use does the candle of his time.

"Grants Pass' interests are identical with Medford's. Both seek fullest opportunity to develop resources that surpass those of any section of the world, and do not want their path of progress continually blocked. If by secession and the creation of a new state, the recognition and attention necessary can be secured, both cities will vote as a unit for secession, the Courier included—and to make another 'glorious tradition' to 'point a moral and adorn a tale.'"
—Medford Daily Tribune.

Our esteemed contemporary of the Bear Creek valley grows eloquent to a degree that entitles it to words of praise. The argument is unanswerable and the matter is now practically settled. Along about Solomon's time there was a rugged school of philosophers who were harsh in their treatment of mind disorders and were, in our opinion, brutal in their advice given on such occasions. For instance, "Answer a fool according to his folly." A later school has better success by temporizing, in fact, agreeing with the patient in all his vagaries and thus being able to turn the current of the sick mind in healthier channels. When convinced of the presence of the dis-

ease we prefer the modern treatment.

But let us come back to the subject which our contemporary of Bear Creek valley has discussed with such magical eloquence. We can see plainly that this threat may do some good to Medford. For instance, it may make the Supreme Court tremble as it reviews the Crater Lake appropriation case. If the court can be made to believe that Southern Oregon under certain circumstances will secede, it will hesitate to confirm the decision of the lower court; and then there are other things.

With the aim and intent of the Tribune we are, of course, in accord, but we are old fashioned and don't like that word "secession." Shakespeare says "a rose by any other name would smell as sweet." Give it another name, brother, for there is a glorious tradition to the effect that during the Civil War it was for a time uncertain whether Oregon would or would not secede; indeed there were people who favored it most earnestly, but the friends of the union, including some of the founders of Grants Pass, in the name of Lincoln and Grant threatened to hang every northern son of the seceders caught, and that put a stop to it. So much for tradition and secession. Let's see, call it—well call it most anything but this forceful reminder of a lost cause. Since the above Tribune editorial appeared, the Grants Pass Observer has come out and calls it "Secession nonsense," and further on it speaks of it as "this foolishness." The Bear Creek organ should make a note of this.

Baptist Church for Hugo.

A subscription paper has been circulated for some time past and a considerable amount of money subscribed toward the building of a church edifice to be known as the First Baptist church of Hugo. Mrs. Caroline Sexton has donated a plot of ground near the postoffice for the church and it is expected to commence the construction within the next 30 days. The size of the building has not been definitely decided upon but will depend upon the amount of money raised. Those who have the matter in charge feel much encouraged at the way the funds are being subscribed and Hugo is to be congratulated with having such progressive people.

Closing out Refrigerators at 20 per cent discount at Hair-Riddle Hardware Co's.

Church Services Sunday.

M. E. Church, South.

Preaching at 11 a. m. Topic, "The Power of Speech." Bible school at 10 a. m. No services in the evening on account of the union services at the Baptist church.

First Christian Science Society.
Christian Science services will be held at 11 a. m., Sunday, August 8, 1900, in W. O. W. hall. Subject, "Sprit." Wednesday evening meeting at 8 p. m. in the same hall. You are cordially invited.

First Baptist Church, Sun., Aug. 8.
The morning service will be at 10:30 and the pastor preaches on the topic "Life Farming." The session of the Bible school at 11:45 is in charge of R. K. Hackett. At 7 o'clock occurs a union Young People's meeting led by a member of the Christian church. At 8 o'clock is the union evening service with sermon by Prof. Sutton. A cordial welcome awaits you.

Presbyterian Church.
Bethany Presbyterian church morning services at 11 a. m. The pastor will take for his morning theme "The Drawing Power of Jesus Christ." Sunday school at 10 a. m. Union service will be held in the Baptist church in the evening. The Young People's society will also hold a union service in the same church at 7 p. m.

Notice for Bids for Enlargement of School House.

The School Board of District 13, Josephine County, Oregon, will receive sealed bids for remodeling and building on 10 feet addition to school house, and painting the same. Also moving wood house. Contractors to furnish all material. All bids must be in by September 1, 1900. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

C. E. PARKER,
Clerk District 13.
By Order of Board.

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FOR RENT—Second story over C. F. Dixon's store, consisting of four rooms, large hall, bath room and closet. Partly furnished. Enquire of E. W. Chiles or C. F. Dixon. 8-6-1t

WANTED—Man and wife on ranch. Fine chance for right person. Don't apply unless hustler and understand ranching. Apply at Fruit Exchange office. 8-6-1t

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FOR RENT—or Sale, a 5-room cottage with small barn, 3 lots. Inquire Mary E. Dodge, 211 W. A street. 8-6-1t

LOST—Last Sunday between the Newman M. E. church and Seventh and M streets, a plain gold bracelet. Finder please return to chief of police. 8-6-1t

WARRANTS FOR SALE—\$10,000 Josephine County warrants for sale. Inquire Columbia Bridge Co. or First National Bank, Grants Pass, Oregon. 8-6-2t

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

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

FOR SALE—One open buggy, one sulky, one light skeleton driving wagon. Call at 738 N 5th 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—Man and wife on fruit ranch; lady to run boarding house for help. Address "A" Courier. 7-30-1t

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. 7-16-4t

MISCELLANEOUS.

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cus Robbins, lawyer. 1-8-52t

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