

# WeeklyRogue River Courier

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### LOCAL BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Speaking of present financial conditions in Grants Pass, President L. L. Herrick, of the Grants Pass Banking & Trust company, said yesterday that the proceeds of the \$50,000 in bonds issued by the city have been of great service to a large number of people. It paid many obligations and eased up financial pressure in many quarters.

There is another matter he mentioned which he felt satisfied had served to ease the demand for money in the rural districts and that is the returns being received by farmers for produce marketed. The Courier can say from a careful investigation of conditions that there is a marked improvement along business lines and from present indications there will be more activity from now on.

### WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH MEXICO?

One of the big New York financial papers says that the only cure for the periodic disturbances in Mexico is annexation to the United States. We have in the past had opportunities to annex a large amount of territory and have not done so, but in the settlement during the Mexican war we did take a considerable amount of country which proved to be of little benefit. It was 60 years and more before Mexico was deserving of statehood, and it would be a greater length of time, say 200 or more years, before any of the present territory of Mexico could be made worthy of annexation as a commonwealth.

The whole truth of the business is that Mexico needs to be straightened out and if Mr. Taft would like to redeem himself, it will be well for him to undertake the job. It is barely possible that if he will get mixed up with our southern neighbor in the way of defending our interests in that country, it might help some toward his re-election. Most Americans would be perfectly willing to see the republic of Mexico brought to a realization of the respect she owes to American citizens who have put their money into that country and Mr. Taft would be justified in sending a few soldiers over there to help one party or the other secure peace, but when it comes to annexing that country, it is quite another thing.

### INFANTILE PARALYSIS SPREADING.

Infantile paralysis is raging in some parts of Illinois and as a result strict quarantine precautions have been ordered and every effort has been made to check the further spread of the disease. In Leroy the churches and schools have been closed indefinitely. The same has been done in Pana and there appears to be a general panic throughout the state.

In St. Louis this terrible disease is spreading daily and threatens to become epidemic. The chances are that it will need the strong arm of not only cities but the states to stop its course. The states named are not the only places where infantile paralysis has been raging. California and even some parts of Alaska have had their share. As it is a contagious disease, it can only be stamped out by strong methods.

### REGARDING FOOD VALUES.

No more important information for people generally can be found than those subjects which relate to food values. This matter should be

better understood than it is at present.

Food, shelter and clothing are the three requisites for man, the greatest of these is food.

The first question to be decided in foods is their value for building tissue, developing heat and energy.

Gelatines are a topgap between health and disease, and are excellent for tissue building. Starchy foods are a slower source of energy. To reduce fatness eliminate them.

Potatoes are better than bread for stout people, but it is unwise to establish any diet without the direct advice of a physician.

Beef is the king of meats, in that it is most digestible. Meat without bone, like rump steak, has less flavoring extract, is less palatable therefore, but otherwise nutritious.

Veal is less easily digested because it is not always cooked in a simple way. The simpler the method the more easy for digestion.

Chicken is also excellent food. School girls need two meals of meat a day.

Rheumatic or slow people should avoid too much meat; nervous and active ones should eat it.

### SEND FARMERS' SONS TO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

There is one subject which concerns the farmers of the Rogue river valley more forcibly than any other, and that is giving opportunity to their sons to attend the agricultural college. It is true that not every boy should be sent to that kind of a college, but as a general thing such an education will help him select for himself an occupation. The Northwest Farmstead gives some good thoughts along these lines as follows:

"Just two kinds of boys attend college—those who come and those who are sent." So spoke the president of an agricultural college. "With the former the faculty have no trouble. Such boys mean business and, as a rule, they make their mark in the world."

"This thought should be of great assistance to the farmer confronted with the question: Shall I send my son to college? College may be the making or the marring of a career—so may staying upon the farm. Every normal father desires the welfare of his children. How decide? Watch the boy. Give him a chance in the direction his taste naturally lies. Many a boy cut out to be a merchant fails because his parents won't give him a chance. Many a boy fails as a farmer because he should have been a blacksmith or a lawyer. His heart is not in the farm, therefore he can not succeed. Every normal boy is by nature better equipped for some one thing than for anything else. Here is the father's cue. If the son has a mania for making things, cultivate and educate that mania.

"The boy will largely train himself up to a certain point. Then if he wants a college education enough to work his way more or less he may safely be trusted to make a start. If he is half-hearted about being sent, it is not safe to send him. The safest college for such a boy is the agricultural college, because he will there associate largely with farmers' sons, and be in contact with farm subjects. Should he return to the farm he will not have departed so far from the farmers' line of work as he would had he been sent to a different kind of college."

There comes from the Oregon Agricultural College some important information which should interest not only the boys of this county, but their fathers and mothers. Here is the item in question:

"At the Oregon Agricultural College last year there were 253 students who earned every cent of their expenses, 160 more who worked for half the money they spent and 243 others who earned some part of the money for their college course."

"For the boy who wishes to go into the business world, there are both two and four year courses. In the school of commerce; for the boy who would like to become a blacksmith or a carpenter there are special courses in forge work and carpentry; in the school of engineering; for the boy who has an aptitude for electricity, surveying, mining or road building there are also special engineering courses."

"Farmers' sons and those from the fruit and cattle lands, however, are offered a wide choice of agricultural branches of training, in which they can prepare themselves either for special work in some one line, or for general farming, either under the conditions of the moist western part of the state or those of the dry-farming regions of the east."

### SOME OFFICIAL FIGURES.

The following statement and figures have been furnished by the city treasurer at the request of the Courier, as reports quite confusing to the taxpayers were on the street. It will be seen that Mr. Jester makes the matter plain, so that even "he who runs may read."

"Editor Courier: It has been reported that the late issue of \$50,000 refunding bonds sold will still leave the city on a warrant basis and something like \$15,000 behind.

The following figures should clear up any such idea any one may have regarding this matter.

"The outstanding warrants on the first of September were \$70,637.62. Of these there had been called, but not presented for payment, \$1,598.76, which would leave the actual amount drawing interest \$69,038.86. Interest on this amount at the date of call was \$4,579.22, or a total of \$73,668.08. To retire this we have the following: \$80,000, premium \$595.50, interest on bonds April 1st to Sept. 5th \$1,711.11, total \$82,396.61, cash on hand in hands of treasurer September 5th over all warrants previously called \$4,631.25, or a grand total of cash \$86,937.86. In addition to the above there is still due from the county treasurer \$7,000 in round numbers.

"G. P. JESTER,  
"City Treasurer."

### FRUIT DISPLAY NOTES, JOSEPHINE COUNTY GRANGE FAIR.

A perfect score on Bulge requires not less than 1 inch nor more than 1-2 inches, combined top and bottom bulge.

A perfect score on Style of Pack will require a diagonal pack with apples laid on cheek.

Apples packed directly on top of each other or with stems turned to cheek will be penalized.

Boxed apples must be packed and wrapped exactly as for commercial shipment, except that the wrappers must be left off of the top layer.

For sizes 100 and smaller, the "3-2" pack will be regarded as high as the "2-2."

In the past there has been a great variation of judgment in scoring for "size." To clear up such uncertainty and for the purpose of this show only, the following size list will govern:

#### Sizes.

80 to 113 inclusive.

Arkansas Black,  
Delicious,  
Ortley,  
Spitzenburg Esopus,  
Winter Banana,  
Yellow Newtown.

88 to 113 inclusive.

Baldwin,  
Ben Davis,  
Black Twig,  
Gano,  
Gravenstein,  
Hydes King,  
Northern Spy,  
Red Cheek Pippin,  
Rome Beauty,  
R. I. Greening,  
Stayman,  
Tompkins King,  
Vanderpool Red,  
Wagener,  
Yellow Bellflower.

88 to 125 inclusive.

Duchess of Oldenburg,  
Grimes Golden,  
Jonathan,  
King David,  
McIntosh Red,  
Missouri Pippin,  
Wealthy,  
White Winter Pearmain,  
Winesap.

Perfect score for size will be as above.

One point will be deducted on each box for each regular size larger or smaller than above.

All boxed apples must be in Standard Northwest boxes, 10 1/2 x 11 1/2 x 18 inches inside measurement, but no penalty will attach if boxes are 1-4 inch longer inside, as box factories vary that much.

A plate shall consist of 6 apples.

### WANT NEW COUNTY ROAD IN SUCKER CREEK.

The Sucker creek residents are interested in a movement in road building, which, when completed, will shorten the distance which it is necessary to travel to reach Grants Pass by from twelve to fifteen miles.

The proposed plan is to bridge the Applegate below New Hope and improve the county road up Chaney creek, crossing the Mooney mountain divide into Deer creek. The road will then follow down Deer creek to near Dryden, when it will continue up the Thompson creek branch of Deer creek and through Little Gray-back pass to the Sucker creek settlements. Fairly good roads are already constructed through most of the territory, only eight miles of new road being necessary to connect the two ends. A trail now runs through that portion.

The building of the road on this plan would make it unnecessary for the Sucker creek travel to come around by Kerby and Selma, reducing the distance by many miles, with no very serious grades to go over. It would make more accessible some rich agricultural districts in the territory traversed.

The farmers of the upper Sucker creek are enthusiastic in support of the proposed improvement, and expect soon to present petitions bearing on the subject to the county court.

Another improvement that is being agitated is the opening of a road to make a short cut from the Rogue valley to the Applegate, this project being advanced by the Savage creek residents.

The two valleys are only a matter of seven miles apart, with a wagon road already built up Savage creek to near its head, and three miles of trail connecting the Savage creek road with the Miller creek road from the other side. By completing the road through this gap, travel between the two valleys will be greatly facilitated.

County Judge Jewell, accompanied by Commissioner Barlow, has recently visited the Deer creek country while out investigating road matters, and the county court has approved a change in that district that will be a great improvement.

The old road survey followed around on the section line at the Geo. Christie property, but Mr. Christie agreed to give a right-of-way diagonally across his farm, following the base of the hill instead of going over it as the old survey did. In return for the right-of-way the county is to fence the road on one side. The grading of the highway has already

# The Greater Golden Rule Store

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been done by Mr. Christie in a workmanlike manner, and it not only gives an even grade, but shortens the distance by more than half a mile. Work of gravelling the road from Sissy's gap to Kerby was commenced this week, and when this stretch of three and one-half miles is completed, it will finish a gravelled turnpike from Love Station to Kerby. Cider mills at Cramer Bros.

# FREE! FREE! FREE!

During the week of the Josephine County Grange Fair we will conduct a special Monarch Malleable Range Sale, and with every Monarch Range sold during the week we will give free a set of dishes.

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