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## TOKAY FESTIVAL HELD ANNUALLY

FIRST CELEBRATION IN HONOR  
OF GRAPE ON TODAY.

## MOVING PICTURES MADE

Parade Includes Automobiles and  
Trucks, With the Fruit Used  
in Decoration.

The Tokay grape will be king in Grants Pass Friday, and on one day annually hereafter our people will do honor to the fruit that is born to the purple.

The Grants Pass Annual Tokay Grape Festival has been inaugurated, and the first celebration of the event will occur Friday, when the occasion will be especially marked by the presence of the official photographer of the Southern Pacific railway who will make moving pictures of the event for exhibition throughout the east.

A meeting was held Wednesday afternoon at the office of the Riggs-Lucas Land Co., at which the idea of the festival was first broached, and so popular was the idea that the organization was effected within a short time, and Friday was selected as the most available date because of the development of the grape, it now being ready for harvest, and because of the presence of the city of Mr. Weister, the photographer, who was desirous of photographing the event.

It is proposed to have an automobile parade at 2:30 o'clock with the machines decorated with the grape, or in other ways made representative of the industry. The school children and other organizations will also be asked to participate, and a moving picture of the parade will be made. L. L. Herrick was appointed to see that all the autos in town were in the parade and properly decorated.

It is also desired that the business houses decorate, using the Tokay as largely as possible in the decorative scheme, and Messrs. W. B. Sherman, E. L. Churchill, R. E. Kroh and Joe Calhoun were appointed a committee to boost the matter of decorations.

The parade of the school children will be looked after by Messrs. H. C. Kinney, H. L. Gilkey and Jos. Moss.

The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of southern Oregon will be here in convention Friday, which will make it doubly a day for celebration.

The moving pictures to be made will represent all phases of the grape industry. Mr. Weister being in the orchards and vineyards today making pictures of the work there, as well as picturing the bearing vines.

Friday, October 11th, at 2:30 o'clock. Remember the number, and help start something that in the years to come will be the big day of the year, a new independence day, for a Tokay vineyard properly cared for in the Rogue river valley will bring independence to you.

## EQUAL SUFFRAGE MEETING OCTOBER 12.

On Saturday evening, October 12, there will be an equal suffrage meeting at the opera house.

George H. Parker will speak on "Plague Spots Along the Trail of the Serpent;" "The Cancer Upon the Breast of the Body Politic;" will have the X-ray treatment given it; "The Serpent on the Hearth;" will be discussed in all its loathsomeness and menace to the spiritual, mental and physical nature by Mrs. Nicholas, and Mrs. Prescott, at one time missionary teacher among the Mormons of Utah, will give an address on "Mormonism versus Americanism."

Mrs. J. E. Coffey, who has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Cheshire, left Thursday for Gold mill.

## SQUAW BASIN COAL EXCELLENT FOR COOKING

O. L. Hilles, of Coos county, who recently accompanied M. R. Campbell, chief of the coal department of the United States Geological survey of Washington, D. C., Prof. Roberts, head of the school of mines of the Washington State University at Seattle, and Mr. Powell, a coal expert of note, in their examination of the new coal fields of Squaw Basin, 40 miles west of Grants Pass was in the city Tuesday. He reports that these experts were very enthusiastic over the coal which they coked on the forge and otherwise experimented with, and that it was the common opinion that this was the best body of high grade bituminous coal found in the west; or as one expressed it, west of the Mississippi. The importance of this to southern Oregon, which only needs coke to start its smelters, can hardly be appreciated.

The proposed railroad down Rogue river to the coast will pass directly through the coal measures mentioned above. The time will soon come when Grants Pass will need a large amount of coal. The price is now excessive. This new road will make better coal available at half the present price.

We repeat, that the people of Grants Pass should not overlook any opportunity to assist in bringing about direct communication with these coal fields, which are only 40 miles away.

The efforts now being made are meeting with success, and the committee appointed by the Commercial club, Messrs. H. C. Kinney, E. L. Churchill and A. A. Porter, deserve great credit.

## HONOLULU PLANTER TO LOCATE IN VALLEY

Chas. Meserve, who is in charge of the interests of W. R. Buchanan, the Honolulu sugar planter, in this region, has just been instructed by Mr. Buchanan to proceed this winter with the clearing and planting of the property purchased last fall in the Savage creek district.

Mr. Buchanan, who is a well-to-do citizen of that territory, owns a 160 acre tract of the old Savage donation claim located at the rapids, which he proposes to develop into a modern country seat to which he will remove in two or three years, or when it has been developed under the expert direction of Mr. Meserve. It is the plan to clear some twenty acres this winter, and to plant it out to fruit or seed to alfalfa. The place will be irrigated by pumps, electric power being used to lift the water from the Rogue, and no expense will be spared to make a model home place of it.

An oak grove of several acres on the banks of the Rogue will be trimmed out and landscaped, and the residence and other farm buildings will be erected there. All varieties of fruit will be planted out, as there are parts of the farm that are especially adapted to the culture of all the various kinds that come to such perfection in this valley, and pears, apples, grapes and apricots will each be grown.

## WILL HAUL LUMBER FROM SWEDE BASIN

H. B. Eaton, who has been hauling lumber from Schmidt Bros.' saw mill on Evans creek to Rogue River during the past season, has completed his contract there, and has brought the engine and trailers to Grants Pass and will commence hauling from the Swede Basin mill, that mill having cut more lumber than its present tractor can haul.

This will give the Swede Basin mill two big outfits for bringing its cut to this city, the immense engine that has been doing duty all summer has hauled in its load of four great trucks each loaded with ten thousand feet of lumber in the rough, or forty thousand at each trip, completing a trip every other day. The new outfit that will now assist in getting the product of this mill to market will consist of the engine and four trailers, each trailer with a capacity of five thousand feet. The distance to the mill is about twenty miles, and the outfits require a day for the trip each way.

## DR. ANNA HOWARD SHAW TALKS IN GRANTS PASS OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Noted Woman Lecturer Seems Confident That  
Oregon Will Join Coast States in  
Giving Woman Ballot.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, the leader of the woman suffrage movement in the nation, is confident that the state of Oregon will take its place along with its coast neighbors, and at the coming election give to her women the right of franchise.

The great minister-physician-orator advocate of woman's cause was listened to by an audience that filled the opera house Friday night, and a more attentive audience was never brought together, and a more forceful or logical plea for any cause was never presented in the city.

Dr. Shaw handles her subject in a dignified and scholarly manner, yet her speech is punctuated with wit and sarcasm that serve as the seasoning to an intellectual feast of the highest order.

Upon the wall at the rear of the speaker's stand was a map in which Oregon was shown in black surrounded on the three sides by states that had already conferred upon the women the privilege of the ballot. In voicing her belief that Oregon would be next, Dr. Shaw said "If Oregon does give the women the ballot she will be following in the footsteps of Washington, California, Idaho and Colorado, but she will be simply catching up with China—just think of it. When the constitution of the new Chinese republic was framed a few months ago, it included a provision putting women on the same plane with men in governmental affairs, with educational qualifications.

"I'll tell you why the great west is adopting woman suffrage and the east is not. It is because the virility of the nation, the flower of the manhood and the womanhood of the nation, and the higher class of the foreign immigration are living in the west. In the past we have the dregs of that foreign immigration, while it was the progressive citizenship that came here and people the Pacific slope. In the east we hear of Oregon through the Oregon apple and the Oregon system. The Oregon system has come to stand for progression in those things political that go toward the betterment of the condition of the human family. Woman suffrage is the next step in the development of the Oregon system.

**Not Like Grandmother's Time.**  
"Industrial and commercial conditions have changed," said Dr. Shaw, "and with them woman's position has likewise changed. The average man today wants to ride in an airship and his wife to ride in an ox-cart, like grandmother did. The women couldn't do that if they wanted to. The hand of progress moved by man's desire for financial gain, has taken from the home the spinning wheel, the loom, the preserving kettle and other ancient household facilities and substituted labor-saving machinery. And now if a woman wants grandmother's job she must go into the store, the factory or the sweatshop.

"In the olden days grandmother could regulate the hours of her labor according to her personal wishes. She was supreme in that. Her granddaughter of today can't do that. She has nothing to say about man-made laws that force her into the commercial world, and that's why she demands the ballot. Woman does not want the ballot simply to vote; she wants the ballot because it's the only medium by which she can secure social and economic justice. She does not want the ballot simply for the sake of voting; but does want what the ballot will bring her."

**United States Not Yet a Republic.**  
Dr. Shaw said that the United States, which purported to be a republic, was not a republic at all, and would not be till all the people were a party to its government.

"Women are people the same as men," she argued, "and a government is simply its people. When you make laws in which only one-half the people are represented you have not placed the country in the class of a republic; you have simply exerted the power of sex aristocracy. You have an insuperable barrier against one-half of your citizens and as long as such a condition exists your claim of being a republic is false. Who will dispute that if a new constitution were to be framed for the United States today that there would be no hesitancy in granting suffrage to women?"

"Woman's right to the ballot is now generally recognized all over the United States, and the politicians can not much longer deprive us of that right. And three of the presidential candidates are having a sorry time trying to conciliate the elements of their parties who are divided on the question. Mr. Taft has been ordered to favor equal suffrage west of the Mississippi and to oppose it in the east; he is obeying orders. Mr. Wilson has been ordered to keep still about it, and all we heard from him so far on the question is that he has been debating it for the past nine months, and he is still debating. Mr. Roosevelt was ordered to come out and shout boldly for it all over the country and he, too, is obeying. Four years ago he was afraid to express an opinion on it. None of these men are fooling us a bit. They are all out for office, and they'll have to reckon with female voters sooner or later. If all the western states give women the ballot, which they are sure to do, it will give those states such a powerful influence in national elections that the east will be forced to fall in line."

The woman who did not want to vote was taken to task for her dog-in-the-manger attitude, and Dr. Shaw thought that because some might not want to vote, those who did should not be deprived of the right.

"Along with this antiquated argument we still hear such assertions as household quarrels and neglect of family in event equal suffrage. My friends, married couples who are prone to quarrel will quarrel whether they discuss politics or not. And such persons usually quarrel about the most trivial things on earth, when a little patience would avert such unpleasantness. This has been my observation in my 25 years of traveling as a lecturer, during which time I have been in thousands of houses and some homes. As to a woman's neglecting household duties if she were to vote, that is rank absurdity. Do you think a woman can not take a few minutes' time two or three days out of each year to drop a piece of paper in a box, after working the rest of the year for several hours a day, without injuring the welfare of her family?"

"I only ask the men to put themselves in our places for a moment if they can, and see themselves governed by Chinese, negroes, Dutch, French, Italians, every race and color, without an opportunity to say what the laws which govern us shall be; paying our share of the bills without saying what the bills shall be.

"Some people argue that women do not want the ballot because it would not be safe for her to go into the madly excited rabble about the polls on election day. Is it possible that men who are so amiable and pleasant and civilized 364 days of the year that we are glad to live with them, will become on election day such raving beasts that we dare not walk the streets? Do we lock our doors and hide ourselves away on election day now? No; it is merely the old unreasoning fear of the unknown, and a false conception of man of what government really

is. The government lies neither in the gilded dome at Salem nor in the men who sit beneath it, any more than the kingdom of God lies there alone; like the kingdom of God, it lies within ourselves. Take us away, and all the other 'uses,' and there would be no government.

"Woman suffrage was defeated in Oregon in the past chiefly through the floating vote—that is the vote of unmarried and childless men, and men who had no permanent place of residence. The home owner, the permanent resident and the fathers, the class who are doing the most to build up the community, are with us. Give women the ballot and the floating vote will be outnumbered. Its influence will go.

"The men know lots of things the women do not; the women know a lot of things of which the men are ignorant. But the men and the women together know everything. Let them vote together as they live, and you'll take a tremendous stride toward the betterment of government.

"In the old colonial days of the United States a man had to be a member of a particular church before he was allowed to vote. The church, not the man voted. Later the revolutionary eraser was applied and the religious qualification was displaced by the word 'tax-payer;' the money, not the man voted. Subsequently the revolutionary eraser was again used and the word 'white' was placed before the word 'male.' After the civil war the eraser struck out the word 'white' and left the word 'male' unmodified. Now, at this date the woman ask the men to use the eraser once more, strike out that word 'male' and substitute the words 'good citizen 21 years of age or over, otherwise qualified.' This would not be revolutionary; it would be evolutionary; it would be the last step in evoking an acruat republic out of a monarchy ruled by sex aristocracy."

## VIC SMITH WRITES OF KILLIN MOUNTAIN BEARS.

Columbia Falls, Montana.

Editor Courier.

Dear Sir: On September 28, Bert Bush of your city, and your humble servant took to the mountains in search of big game. We went up the north fork of the Flathead river, which is the eastern boundary line of the Glacier park. We had a cook, two saddle horses and three pack horses. On the first of October Mr. Bush succeeded in killing a fine 12-point elk which weighed 780 pounds. The next day we went to pack in the elk and found a good sized black bear lurching on the carcass.

The bear dog that Mr. Bush brought with him from Grants Pass proved a hummer and promptly nipped the bear at the haunches. The underbrush was very thick and Mr. Bush followed dog and bear nearly half a mile before he could get a shot at the bear, which, in the throes of death, seized one of the three dogs and ripped it so severely that Bush was obliged to shoot the poor animal to put it out of its agony, as it could not possibly live. Two mountain goats and three mule deer were killed on the trip; also several fool hens and ptarmigan.

When the hunt was over there was over one foot of snow on the ground. Silver tip bear tracks were plentiful as also were those of black and brown bear.

It has been snowing more or less for several days here.

Just shoot us up a little Grant's Pass weather if you please.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bush will return to Grants Pass next spring and I will follow.

I am going out with a party of English tourists on October 12, who wish to secure one head each of moose, elk, goat, sheep, deer and bear.

There is plenty of game here, but as the season for game does not open until October 1, peek-a-boo underclothes, as one can wear in Josephine county at this season, won't do to hunt in. VIC SMITH.  
Oct. 5, 1912.

C. F. Foss of the Tom East Mining Co., at Placer, spent Thursday in the city on business.

## ERECT BIG MILL AT CHETCO MOUTH

SAN BERNARDINO COMPANY TO  
CONSTRUCT GREAT PLANT.

CAPACITY 125,000 DAILY

Crescent City Co. Will Also Increase  
Cutting and Put in Cable to  
Deep Water.

Another great lumbering industry is to spring up on the coast to the west of Grants Pass, and this, with the extension of the interests already engaged in lumbering in that direction, will witness an activity that will have a direct and immediate influence upon the prosperity of the coast counties of Josephine, Curry, Coos and Del Norte.

Messrs. H. P. Welter, Geo. Henry, Court Wright, Frank Casson and J. D. Wædman, the two first named accompanied by their wives, arrived in the city Thursday morning, and left a little later for the coast by auto, where they will be in charge of construction work on a mill of 125,000 daily capacity to be erected by the Brookings Lumber Co. of San Bernardino, Cal., at Harbor, at the mouth of the Chetco.

This company has already built a small mill on the Chetco, with which it is cutting the timbers for its development work for the building of the big mill, houses for employes, etc. It is proposed to build the mill on the north side of the Chetco, where the output can be loaded on the boats direct from the mill by the use of a cable to be erected out to deep anchorage.

The Brookings company has holdings of 30,000 acres of timber lands in the Chetco and Pistol river districts, with many other thousands of acres contracted for, and to reach these bodies, railroads will be built up both the Chetco and Pistol rivers. The plan for the immediate future calls for a road of ten or twelve miles up the first named creek, and later a road along the coast through the great body of timber there will connect the Pistol district with Harbor. The lumbering road up the Chetco will ultimately reach nearly to the head of that creek, tapping the timber within twelve miles of Kerby, but on the west slope of the mountains.

**Development at Crescent City.**

Along with the other lumbering that is in view along the coast, the Hobbs, Wall & Co. people are making extensive additions to their plant at Crescent City. Heretofore it has been possible for only medium sized coasters to come into the bay to load, but the company is planning to erect a cable, anchored to one of the big rocks out from the beach at the edge of the deep water, and to load the larger vessels by means of this cable. The span will be half a mile long and the slings will carry a car load of lumber at a trip. This company is also planning to increase its cutting capacity, and be prepared to put its great bodies of redwood and fir on the market with the opening of the Panama canal.

The starting up of these lumbering industries, together with the larger work that is to be accomplished with the building of the road from Grants Pass to Port Orford, and the lumbering that will follow will bring about an era of prosperity for all the interior country. It will make markets for the production of the soil, give employment to labor, and cause land values to rise.

**Shipping From Merlin.**

Fred N. Robertson was in from the fruit ranch near Merlin Tuesday after box material for the boxing of the apple crop. A number of cars of apples will be loaded out at Merlin this season, the yield and quality both being excellent.

J. E. Walker and family left Wednesday for Los Angeles.