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A MONSTER CELEBRATION.

Grants Pass, the capital and metropolis of Josephine county, which has not celebrated the Fourth of July for four years, her people during this period having helped various neighboring cities to observe the nation's natal day, is preparing for a really "monster" celebration on July 4th and 5th.

Individual citizens of Grants Pass have raised several thousand dollars to defray the expenses of the celebration; the city, through its mayor and council, officially has donated a large sum; and the county of Josephine has given the affair its official sanction and an appropriation.

An aeroplane has been secured for two days for flights and exhibition and races with automobiles, motorcycles and horses, which events will be free to every one; the purses in the horse race events will be contested for by some of the best runners and trotters in southern Oregon; baseball will be furnished by clubs from Central Point, Weed, Grants Pass and probably Roseburg.

Foot races, motorcycle races, automobile races, log-rolling contests, parades, fireworks, band concerts by the famous Central Point band of 30 pieces, public speaking and a vocal program by a choir of 100 voices are some of the features that constitute two days of diversion during which every hour is filled by program.

Grants Pass is justified in its estimates that 10,000 people, from within a radius of over 100 miles, bordered on the north by Roseburg, on the west by Crescent City and on the south by Weed, Cal., will be its guests during the celebration.

BEAUTY AND UTILITY.

The 1913 Rose Festival was a distinct departure from the event of previous years, the annual gaudy parade giving way to the "Home Products" dinner and the public speaking on home industry topics at the park. The display of roses itself was fully equal to that of previous years, though the postponement of the date made the season a bit late for some of the roses to be at their best. The Home Products dinner was a banquet fit for any occasion, and proved that the thrifty housewife can set her table with the best the land provides and not go out of the Rogue valley for it.

The three subjects discussed at the park, the free library by Mayor Smith, the poultry industry by Dr. Wilcoxson, and co-operation by Representative Blanchard, are three that are closely allied with the present development of the community. The first, the library, was the central thought about which the events of the day rotated, as the proceeds derived from the various features of Rose Festival day are to be used as the foundation fund for the library.

In the larger subject of co-operation is embraced the greatest of the problems that are before us today, for none of the industries and advantages necessary to the upbuilding of the community can come without the complete co-operation. The producer and the consumer must be one assist the other, and all must join in bringing the Rogue valley into its rightful position among the producing districts.

The ladies of the Auxiliary are to be congratulated that they have brought out of the annual rose festival, wherein show and vanity were catered to, an event that combines both the beauty of the rose and the

utility of the cabbage, that brings into their proper degree of importance the aesthetic side of our natures and the utilitarian and the commercial sides, all of which are necessary to the making of proper balance of the every day life of the individual.

VALUE OF COAST RAILROAD.

The value of the coast line of railroad to the community was made plainly evident through the statement of Franklin Helm at the meeting of the Commercial club rooms last Saturday evening. He stated that a friend representing an eastern manufacturer of cream separators had been on the coast looking for a suitable location for a western factory, and had turned down southern Oregon when his attention had been called to it because it was "bottled up" and was at the mercy of a single line of railroad. When the possibility of the new road had been called to his mind by Mr. Helm, the man had then seen the possibility of Grants Pass as a center for his factory, and will investigate the field as soon as the road is definitely decided upon.

Mr. Helm stated that not only had a construction department been already organized, but that an industrial department was already at work, the duty of the latter being to develop industries along the line of the road and so build up traffic for the new road and bring in a larger population to be served by it, the success of the road being dependent upon the development of the territory traversed by the road. Mr. Helm also stated that the backers of the road had no thought of stopping their building operations at Grants Pass, but that undoubtedly the road would ultimately be built through to connect with transcontinental lines on the other side of the Cascades.

On the return of the delegation from Crescent City, definite proposals will be made to Grants Pass, and it is expected that those proposals will be such as can be readily accepted by the city. The men who are seeking to finance the road are especially desirous of making it as largely as possible a co-operative line, or rather a line in the success of which all the people along it will be vitally interested, and Mr. Helm assured the citizens who were present Saturday night that the influences that had been the undoing of previously contemplated lines would not be allowed to hinder the success of this one.

As a necessity, the demands which are made of the community must be within reason, and being such Grants Pass will surely bend every energy toward assisting the promoters in the building of the line.

RAILROAD SEEMS ASSURED.

The railroad party on its return from Crescent City was enthusiastic to a man over what they had seen during the progress of the trip. They had praise for the great bodies of standing timber, for the mineral deposits and for the stretches of fertile agricultural lands.

At Crescent City the members of the party were met by the citizens of the coast city in a great mass meeting Monday night, where enthusiasm held the crowd till past midnight, and where the visitors from the south put their proposition in definite form to the Crescent City interests. The spokesman of the California delegation said that in view of the fact that there was some very heavy construction on the line that would make the cost mount high, that they were asking that Del Norte county, aside from the lumber companies that had already made definite offers, raise a cash bonus of \$250,000, payment to be made when the road was constructed through to the coast from Grants Pass. They said that they were ready to proceed with the building of the road as soon as these details were arranged, and they guaranteed to complete it within three years, though it was expected that it would be

fully completed within fifteen months.

The sentiment at Crescent City was all one way, and under the terms that no part of the bonus was to be payable until the road was in operation, it was believed that no difficulty would be experienced in making up the amount, and the campaign will be commenced at once toward that end.

No public meeting was held at Grants Pass on the return of the party, and all the members left on the Wednesday afternoon train for the south. Other members of the delegation will return here, however, when the proposal which these people have to make to this city will be put in concrete form. No intimation has been given of what can be expected along this line, though those having made a study of the situation expect that the request for help from here will be along the same line as that made of Crescent City.

There was not a man in the party but was filled with delight over what he had seen in southern Oregon and northern California, and each had no hesitancy in saying that the road would be built. They found more in resources to furnish traffic for the road than they had expected to find, and the harbor advantages were fully adequate to meet all demands that could possibly be made for shipping facilities.

That these men of money and of business acumen should be of one mind in the essential features, all ready to lend their aid to the enterprise, asking only that the people along the line who are to receive the first and the greatest benefits join them in the matter, proves the merit of the railroad proposition. It assures the building of the line, for it goes without saying that such reasonable demand as they would make of Grants Pass and Josephine county will be fully and promptly met.

SOME EXPERT TESTIMONY.

All of the assets of southern Oregon can not by any means be loaded on a freight car and carried away, and while the lumber and the mineral and the fruit will fill trains of great cars for many decades and centuries of years, there will be built up here a tourist travel and trade that will be a factor in the material development of the country. John Shepard, the eminent Bostonian whose business acumen has permitted him to succeed much beyond the success of the ordinary man in a financial way, and to now be rated as one of the country's millionaire merchants, said after his return from the trip to Crescent City with other railroad builders that the trip was one of the greatest delight. "I have traveled all over the world," said Mr. Shepard to the Courier, "but never have I seen anything better than the scenic beauty of the country from Grants Pass to the coast."

Mr. Shepard had looked at timber till his eyes tired of looking; he saw more than enough of mineral and of horticultural and agricultural possibilities to warrant the building of the road to the coast, but with the trained eye of the accomplished world-traveler he saw that greatest of all our assets, the scenic beauty, the incomparable climate, the delight of life under Rogue river skies. And John Shepard has become an apostle preaching his faith in Sunny Southern Oregon. Shepard says "that road will be built."

The result of a college training is shown in the egg production of a hen owned by the Oregon Agricultural College, which laid 99 eggs in 108 consecutive days. This animated egg machine is three-quarters White Leghorn and one-quarter Barred Plymouth Rock and is a descendant of a long line of heavy layers bred at the college experiment station. It is expected that the results of the season's experiments in breeding poultry for egg production will be embodied in a report which will be of much value to practical poultrymen.

OBSERVE THE FISHING LAW.

If the evidence produced in court bears out the charge made against some of the commercial fishermen that they have been fishing in illegal waters, the men guilty should be given the limit of punishment. Those men know the effort that the citizens have put forth during the past two years in opening the river to reasonable fishing, and they know that the promise has been given that the laws will be rigidly enforced. The effect of a violation of the law does not rest upon the guilty alone, but every man who benefits through the open river, no matter how law-abiding he may be, suffers with the guilty.

Until it is shown, however, that men have wilfully violated the law and have fished below the limit or above the limit set by the statute, judgment should be withheld. The carping critics from Medford and a few other places are only too ready to accept a charge as evidence of guilt, and then when there is no evidence upon which reasonable men can base a conviction, they howl about the "Grants Pass perjurers" who turn law violators loose.

The people of Grants Pass are just as anxious that the fish law, in common with all just laws, be rigidly enforced as are the people of any other law abiding community, and where there is evidence upon which to base a conviction, the conviction will be forthcoming.

The fisherman himself, however, is the deeply interested party. Violations of the law will surely kill the goose that lays for him the golden egg. If the laws regarding commercial fishing cannot be enforced, the law itself should be repealed. The future of the fishing industry lies in the hands of the fishermen themselves. They have been given an open season, not perfect in all its phases by any means, but good as far as it goes. If it does not go far enough, a season would show where it could be bettered, and the legislature would be asked to make it better. But the people of this vicinity will hardly be in the humor to go before another legislature and ask for another law, or even for the retention of the present law, if the men who reap the greatest benefit are to wilfully violate its provisions.

The Courier has talked with the commercial fishermen, and knows that the sentiment is for proper observance and rigid enforcement of the law, and if there are those among them who are law violators, they will meet with small sympathy from their fellows. In addition to the fine provided, violators should have their licenses revoked and should be refused the privileges of the river in the future.

The Western Forestry and Conservation association has recently issued a bulletin predicting a dry summer and urging the utmost care and vigilance in preventing forest fires. Already about 800 men are in the field patrolling the various public and

private timber holdings and more men will be employed from time to time as the need occurs. It is estimated that nearly \$1,500,000 will be expended in patrolling the forests of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho.

That the dairy business in Oregon is growing at a tremendous rate and that in value it far exceeds the state's next largest crop—livestock—is the statement of State Dairy and Food Commissioner Mickel in a recently issued bulletin. The value of dairy products for 1912 was \$19,000,000 while that of livestock was \$12,000,000. Prospects for a material increase this year are good.

According to a statement by State Game Warden Finley, about 3,000 Chinese pheasants will be liberated this season in the various counties of the state, about 1,500 of them going to Eastern Oregon. In addition to this increase of the game resources of Oregon, about 12,000,000 young trout will be liberated by the state fish hatcheries.

CHICKEN DINNER FOR 25 CENTS.

Will be served each Saturday and Sunday at the American restaurant, formerly the Good Eats, opposite city band stand, Grants Pass. Prices for other meals as reasonable. Clean rooms and comfortable beds for 25 and 50 cents. Mrs. H. M. Parham, Prop. 6-13-1f

Tent and wagon covers at Cramer Bros.

COUNTY TREASURER'S CALL FOR WARRANTS.

All Josephine county warrants protested prior to March 1, 1911, are payable at my office and interest will cease on June 10, 1913. J. E. PETERSON, County Treasurer. 6-13-4t

CALL FOR BIDS.

District No. 57 asks for bids for the construction of a frame school house at the county ferry. Plans and specifications may be seen at the home of J. A. Rusk, R. F. D. 2. Sealed bids will be received until June 10. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Address J. A. Rusk, clerk, R. F. D. 2, Grants Pass, Oregon. 5-30-6t

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, June 5, 1913. Notice is hereby given that A. Echo Gaddis, of Kerby, Oregon, who, on June 6, 1910 and May 1, 1911, made homestead serial numbers 06342 and 07169, for 3 1/2 SE 1/4 and NW 1/4 SE 1/4, section 14, township 40 S., range 8 west Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Herbert Smith, United States commissioner, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on the 25th day of July, 1913. Claimant names as witnesses: R. P. George, Henry M. Pfeifferle, Wallace Kohler and Mrs. R. P. George, all of Kerby, Oregon. B. F. JONES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, June 16, 1913. Notice is hereby given that Otto Glen Boque, of Kerby, Oregon, who, on June 29, 1912, made homestead entry serial No. 08109, for NW 1/4 NW 1/4, section 6, township 40 S., range 8 west Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Herbert Smith United States commissioner, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on the 1st day of August, 1913. Claimant names as witnesses: Stanley Morrison, Lee Morrison, Quiney Woodcock and John Hill, all of Kerby, Oregon. B. F. JONES, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, June 13, 1913. Notice is hereby given that Martha N. Brown, heir at law of Martin V. Creecy, deceased, of Los Angeles, California, who, on July 31, 1908, made homestead entry serial No. 0595, for SW 1/4 section 26, township 36 S., range 5 west Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Herbert Smith, United States commissioner, at Grants Pass, Oregon, on the 1st day of August, 1913. Claimant names as witnesses: A. L. Cusic, of Medford, Oregon; S. Loughbridge, M. C. Findley and H. L. Gilkey, all of Grants Pass, Oregon. B. F. JONES, Register.

FASHION HINT

By JUDIC CHOLLET

The tucked blouse with soft rolling collar is a great favorite this season. This one is made of white crepe de chine, with collar and cuffs of Bulgarian silk, but the same model is good for voile, marquisette, linen and batiste.



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FOR SALE—Choice five (5) acres in Three Pines fruit district, two (2) roomed house, land ready to plow. Chas. Bee, Three Pines, Ore. 4-25-1f

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MISCELLANEOUS

ESTRAY—There came to my place one mile west of Grants Pass about four weeks ago, a white cow, brand "Circle R. L. L." on one hip and "L. L." on other. Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. Mrs. Ben Dimick, June 17, 1913. 6-20-5t

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