

Local Lore

J. P. Tupper was down from Coquille yesterday to look after business affairs.

Ralph Moore, son of Geo. W. Moore, arrived from Berkeley, Cal., on the last trip of the Fifield, and will remain here during the summer.

McCormac mowing machines and hay rakes, sold by the Bandon Hardware Co. 37-15

There will be preaching at the Baptist church, both morning and evening, on Sunday, May 26th, by Bro. G. LeRoy Hall of Marshfield.

H. P. Sotheran, representing R. L. Polk & Co., publishers of city and state directories, is in the city working in the interest of a Washington and Oregon Directory. Mr. Sotheran reports an encouraging business here.

For Carpet and Rug weaving, address Mrs. J. L. Foster, Bandon. 28-11

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Lassen, of St. Louis, Mo., parents of Mrs. L. J. Butterfield, arrived in Bandon on the Fifield, Friday, on a visit and sight seeing tour. Mr. L. is very favorably impressed with the appearance and general prospects of this section and it is quite probable that he will decide to invest, and make Bandon his home.

FOR SALE—Eight room house. Price very reasonable. J. S. Tilton. 38-13

Clint Malehorn and Albert Garfield made a trip to Port Orford last Thursday in Malehorn's auto.

Thoroughbred Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for setting, also Barred Rock roosters for sale. Inquire N. J. Crain, Bandon Drug Store. 19-11

A delegation of the Grand Army of the Republic, Bandon Post, visited the schools on Thursday afternoon on their annual visit for patriotic instruction. Commander Felter gave a short address following which Rev. Hartman talked along the lines of patriotism. These annual visits are helpful and inspiring to the students.

For well recommended, practical nurse, address, Nurse, box 392, Bandon, Ore. aug 18x

The Socialist Local will give a June Day Picnic Dance, Saturday night, June 1st.

O. L. Hopson and Mr. Rohles, formerly of this city, but now of Portland, arrived here Saturday to look after business affairs.

FOR SALE—Term blood boys, seven years old, weight 2800, well mated.—E. B. Henry. 33-16x

There will be, Saturday, June 1st, a social dance and good music at the Fourmile hall. Bring your supper and pay the fiddler. You'll have a good time. Tickets one dollar.—J. R. Stillwell, program c.m.

After a residence in Bandon of 4 years, Dr. H. M. Brown is making a visit to Portland to renew the acquaintance of old friends and to be with them for a few days. He will return about June 10th.

If you want to hunt, fish, or get married, go to Oakes for applications for license. 24-11

Dr. Harry E. Herman, the eye-sight specialist will be at Hotel Gallier, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 23, 24, 25th. 35-15

Mills & Straubal have sold ten acres owned by J. J. Fry, to Geo. H. Faxce of Minneapolis, Minn. The property is located two miles south on the township, line road. Mr. Faxce bought for speculation but states he may return with his family and make his home in this vicinity.

Port Orford Tribune: A report has reached us that the extensive black sand plant at Gold Beach has not only closed down but has failed. This has so far been the fate of every such attempt on a large scale, and yet the assays show high values in gold and platinum. It will require a man to solve the problem who is both scientific and practical, and he will appear some day in place of the scientific dreamers and schemers who have failed in the past.

Mrs. C. M. Spencer has been on the sick list for several days.

Dr. S. C. Endicott, Dentist, Rasmussen Bldg. Phone 71. 85-11

One of the finest corner residence lots in Azalea Park on high ground and well drained, for \$225 00. Mills & Straubal.

Miss Ella Felter has accepted a position in the dental parlors of Dr. S. C. Endicott.

Have your eyes fitted with glasses by Dr. Harry E. Herman, at Hotel Gallier, Thursday, Friday and Saturday May 23, 24, 25. 35-15

Mrs. Adolph Haberly entertained the children of the 1st and 2nd grades at her home one and a half miles south of town last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Kopt and Miss Marsh chaperoned the party. Delicious ice cream and cake was served to all.

Mrs. Agnes Caldwell of Portland arrived in Bandon, Wednesday. Mrs. Caldwell will have charge of the alteration department of the Bandon Dry Goods Co's store and comes highly recommended.

WANTED—Watches to repair. H. Sabro, Atwater St. 76-11

Mrs. John Leneve of Coquille is a Bandon visitor, coming down to see friends off on the Elizabeth.

Mrs. L. J. Cody was a passenger to Coquille today to visit friends.

L. J. Cody is at Coquille, serving on the Grand Jury.

Gymnasium Lost.

Two times during the present month have the people of Bandon and vicinity shown a spirit of retrogression, rather than progression by their votes. The first was on Friday, May 3rd, when 28 voters representing property, probably to the amount of less than \$20,000, voted to remain out of the city limits, thus depriving the city of at least \$250,000 worth of property that should rightfully belong within the city. The second instance was last Friday evening, when by a vote of 169 to 85 the proposition to build a school gymnasium, for the purpose of establishing a domestic science and manual training department, was defeated.

It thus appears that whatever step of progression might be taken by those interested in the development of the city and community, there are always enough on the other side to vote the proposition down and thus remain in the same old rut.

We are constantly reminded of the fact that this is an age of practical education, but the first step taken to prepare for practical education is voted down by a two to one majority. If this spirit is kept up, where are we going to land in the future, and what will become of the rising generation of our community? Unless they are given opportunities equal to those of other communities we cannot expect them to keep pace in the great struggle for existence. Another point that should be mentioned here and that is, where were the 140 voters who signed the petition asking the school board to call the gymnasium election? Every voter who signed the petition should have shown interest enough to go and vote.

In the future let us begin to think seriously on these subjects of such vital importance and instead of two to one majorities against every progressive move, we will have practically unanimous votes for progress and then it will be that all people will be happy and there will be harmony in the community. Let us educate ourselves to see the greatest good to the greatest number instead of the narrow minded view that makes us squeal every time our pocket book is touched for fifteen cents.

The Aftermath.

The great ball had been given and Mrs. Noova was turning over the bills with her husband. When it was found that they had totaled \$10,000 Mr. Noova winced.

"By ginger, Maria!" he ejaculated. "\$10,000 is a pile o' money."

"We have to do it, Silas, to get into society," replied Mrs. Noova.

"Well," said the old man, scratching his head, "judgin' from results it don't seem to me that we're gettin' into society quite so much as society is gettin' into us."—Harper's.

Just Arrived From Africa.

A large Boa Constrictor, 27 feet long and weighing 259 pounds.

The Chinese Dragon, eight feet long, a strange fantastic bird-like creature.

The African Gilla Family, exhibited for the first time in the United States.

The big Python, the South American Ant Bear, assorted species of monkeys, and other curiosities.

All are being exhibited in a large tent on Homer St., Bandon, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 21st and 22nd. Come and see this strange collection of living wonders from all parts of the world.

This is an educational exhibition for ladies and children.

Good Roads Meeting at Fourmile.

The writer, together with E. E. Oakes and son Wallace, and J. Ira Sidwell, took a trip down to Fourmile, Sunday, and attended the Good Roads Meeting at Socialist Hall. The people of the Fourmile community assembled at the hall about noon and a fine basket dinner was served, consisting of chicken, roast beef, sandwiches, coffee, pie, cake and in fact, everything that is good to eat.

After a big dinner, the meeting was called to order about 1:00 p.m., and M. C. Pohl, of Bandon, who was present, was elected chairman of the meeting, while L. L. Page of Fourmile was elected secretary.

The proposition of good roads was discussed by those present and some very good ideas were brought out; some favored plank roads, some oil roads, and some rock roads, but all were in favor of good roads. The one piece of road, however, which was under discussion and in which all were particularly interested, was the Bandon-Langlois road from this city to the county line, and a committee, consisting of R. M. Pressey, M. B. Pressey, S. J. Wilson and L. L. Page, was elected to go with Bandon people in the near future to call on the county court and see what could be done in the matter of getting an appropriation for this road.

After this the meeting adjourned. It might be added here that any one who goes to Fourmile at any time, will sure be well entertained, as the people are certainly hospitable in every sense of the word.

Grand Theatre Installs Mercury Arc Rectifier.

A representative of the RECORDER noticing a new electrical apparatus in operation in the lobby of the Grand Theatre, decided to inquire of Manager Sellmer as to the purpose of the machine and what caused it to generate such a powerful greenish colored light. The RECORDER man was informed that this machine was called a Mercury Arc Rectifier, its purpose being to change alternating into direct electrical current, thereby producing an absolutely steady flickerless light for the pictures on the screen. This apparatus is the only machine on the market that will give these results, and although the cost is rather high, \$200, Manager Sellmer says that the improved pictures he can now offer the patrons of the Grand, will more than compensate him for the outlay. The scribe also noticed Otto Melcher busy repainting the front of the Grand getting the assurance that when the job was completed Bandon's Cozy Playhouse would certainly loom up some.

Prof. Beggs Juvenile classes in dancing will meet hereafter in The Wigwam Hall every Thursday. Good people, this is a chance you may not have again soon to learn dancing, deportment, music, time, and the graces. Join now.

Mrs. Fahy and daughter, Miss Mellie returned the last trip of the Fifield from a two months' visit with relatives and friends at San Francisco and Sacramento, Cal.

Graduating Sermon.

All the churches of the city are invited to join in the exercises of the graduating sermon on Sunday evening May 26th at the High School Auditorium at 8 o'clock.

H. L. HOPKINS, Supt.

The School Children's Garden.

State Superintendent L. R. Alderman has addressed a letter to the boys and girls of Oregon who have decided to grow some garden produce, raise some chickens, or pigs; or sew, or cook or carpenter for their local fairs or the state fair, in connection with the great state wide series of agricultural and industrial contests this year. The young people are reminded that their schools are closing, a hot and tempting summer is approaching, and that the rewards both in prizes and in good habit cultivation will continue as big as they are now although the number of contestants to claim them may grow smaller. In his letter the state superintendent says:

"Your schools are now closing and many of you will hear the call of the swimming pool and the shady woods. I hope you respond to these calls of nature with a right good will, but do not forget your gardens and your pigs and poultry. If you forget your gardens, the calves, the chickens, your little brothers and sisters are likely to disturb them. If you neglect your pigs they will squeal on you. Stand by the work you have started. The number of contestants may grow smaller but the value of the prizes will grow greater, for these little lambs, goats, and pigs to be given for the best vegetables are fattening; those Shetland ponies are getting more glossy, and that thousand dollars in cash is looming up like the mountains of Midas. At least \$20,000 in cash and merchandise will be given in prizes to the boys and girls of Oregon this year.

"Perhaps you would like to hear what the schools in the other counties are doing. You may easily guess this from the fact there are to be over 85 children's fairs. By county the number already reported to my office is as follows:

Baker 1, Benton 1, Clackamas 10, Clatsop 1, Columbia 2, Coos and Curry 1, Crook 2, Douglas 6, Gilliam 1, Grant 1, Harney 1, Hood River 1, Jackson 1, Josephine 1, Klamath 1, Lake 1, Lane 7, Lincoln 1, Linn 3, Malheur 1, Marion 2, Morrow 1, Multnomah 2, Polk 1, Sherman 1, Tillamook 2, Umatilla 7, Wallowa 1, Wasco 1, Washington 3, Wheeler 3, Yamhill 1.

"We think there will be several others but the first reports show the above as certain. From the middle of August to the middle of October the work of boys and girls will be the center of attraction at these fairs. Isn't this a fine race? Now that you are fairly into the game show your grit and stick to it to the end."

S. P. Buys Sumner Project.

Official confirmation was given Monday of the sale of the Sumner railway projects to the Southern Pacific. The announcement did not come as any great surprise, as it simply confirmed the statements of A. H. Sumner, chief engineer on the Coos Bay end of the project, in The Times last fall. At that time Mr. Sumner said that the Southern Pacific had acquired the project.

The only new phase of it is the announcement that McArthur Perks & Company, who were really the backers of the Sumner roads, will build the line from the Coast Range to Coos Bay. Some believe that this is practically all the promoters of the Sumner projects got out of the expense they went to on the project so far.

As near as can be ascertained, the project was originally started by the Porter Brothers, but they did not go far with it and the New York contracting firm was interested in it.

The deal is understood to have been practically closed when the operations were discontinued last fall, but a hitch came up over certain right of way which had been bought and which the Sumner people wanted the Southern Pacific to reimburse them for. This hitch resulted in the last visit of H. A. Sumner to Coos Bay to indicate that if the Southern Pacific did not come to terms, the McArthur, Perks & Company would go through with it.

According to rumors afloat here today, Sumner and his associates are now planning to promote a coast road. The plan is to build a line from Tillamook down the coast to connect up with the Western Pacific's line at or near Eureka.

Just how much there is to the rumor, no one here appears to know.

The following is a self-explanatory letter from H. A. Sumner to C. R. Peck, announcing the deal with the Southern Pacific:

My Dear Sir:

During the past month the interests I represent which have prosecuted a campaign looking to the construction of a railway from Eugene to your city, have been in conference with the Southern Pacific Railway officials, who are also contemplating a construction between the same points.

The outcome of these negotiations has resulted in the transference of our interests to the Southern Pa-

cific people an arrangement being made whereby Messrs. McArthur, Perks & Company Ltd., will construct for the said company the railway from the end of the Twoby Bros. contract near the Coast Range to Marshfield, with an organization of forces which will insure to your community the much desired railway for which it has waited so long.

The construction of this line through a region so bountifully endowed with natural resources, and to a harbor which will be a very important commercial port, is only what could be expected in the natural development of the state.

I will be pleased if you will extend to my friends who have so ably assisted me in the work I have been undertaking during the past year my thanks for their assistance.

Very truly yours,

H. A. SUMNER.

Vice President Pacific Great Western Railway Company.

Pacific Coast line Railway Company.

When informed of Vice-President Sumner's letter, C. J. Millis said that it was correct and merely confirmed advices already received by him.

Mr. Millis said that he had nothing further to add, except that the Southern Pacific would keep up continuous construction on the line and complete it at as early a date as possible.—Times.

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