

PIONEERS AT COUNTY FAIR

Many of the citizens of Coos and Curry counties, will be pleased to learn that a move is being made to have a pioneer re-union at Myrtle Point during the county fair in September; many of the hearts of the first settlers of this coast county have been made glad at former reunions as the opportunity was given him to take by the hand the companion of early days, when danger was in evidence on every hand, and join in rehearsing the weird experiences that brought to the memory scenes long passed away. The directors of the fair association will no doubt set apart certain days for the use of the pioneers, suspending all other exercises for the time. If such an arrangement is made, the gathering should be distinguished by the presence of the few remaining gray haired men and women whose labors of a half century ago, formed the nucleus of the present advanced conditions now enjoyed in this region. The men and women who arrived in this wilderness and took possession of the beautiful Coos bay, and the adjacent picturesque and fertile valley, all situated on the extreme western border of the United States, deserve to be remembered by those that now enjoy the result of their energy and enterprise. They had followed the glint of the setting sun and established homes in its light.

The pioneers of this coast, with their sons and daughters, and others who have come to our salubrious and fertile region in later years, should be present on Pioneer day, and in tender memory of the days that were for a time, but now are not, and listen to the stories about homes that were far apart, and the hardships then endured. The cemeteries of Coos and Curry counties are holding the remains of some of those heroes and heroines, who helped to hew out the way for the establishment of the grand and important enterprises that are bringing fame to our country on account of its wonderful resources and to enable their posterity to enjoy lovely homes, surrounded by luscious fruits, and the comforts that tend to happiness. For this reason the native sons and daughters of this region should take an interest and make the meeting a success and a joy to gray haired argonaut, and let it be known that those of the early pioneers who have passed over the river are not forgotten. It is suggested that there should be a monument erected to the memory of that heroic band that now occupy the "city of the dead."

Myrtle Point is a very fitting place to rehearse experiences of the first adventures within this beautiful and prolific Coquille valley, because it is recorded that the first white man to make tracks in the Coquille valley left them near the fair ground. At that time there was a large army of Indians, who were hunting elk and catching eels in the vicinity of Myrtle Point. Tons of dried eels were hanging in the wigwams, and huge antlers ornamented their camps. Since then—only a half century—the delicious eels and the majestic elk have almost disappeared, and farm houses now occupy the grounds and glisten in the western sunlight. Let us come together and greet the survivors of the early settler, and honor the memory of those who have passed on before.—Judge Livro.

Diarrhoea Quickly Cured.

"I was taken with diarrhoea and Mr. Yorks, the merchant here, persuaded me to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After taking one dose of it I was cured. It also cured others that I gave it to," writes M. E. Ebbhart, Oriole, Pa. That is not at all unusual. An ordinary attack of diarrhoea can almost invariably be cured by one or two doses of this remedy. For sale by all dealers.

BRAIN WORK COUNTS

The farmers must get their heads into their work. I do not advise you to work longer hours in the day or to work any harder while you are at it. My text for the men on the farm is to get in more head work. Some men seem to slave away many hours a day and yet accomplish very little. I question if these men read the Bible. The Bible says, "A man shall earn his bread by the sweat of his brow." Most men leave their heads out of the game and make a poor living by the sweat of their backs and the sweat of the backs of all the rest of the family.—Professor A. E. Chamberlain, St. Paul, Minn.

WHAT ONE MAN HAS DONE

With "Wornout" Land Another Might Try Also With Success.

A farm of 100 acres, twenty-five miles out of Philadelphia and with good railroad facilities, was sold for taxes some years ago because the land was worn out. It had a thin, gravelly soil. Most of the land lies on the side of a ridge and has a moderate slope, but about five acres are level meadow, on which a fine spring is situated.

A market gardener purchased the farm at a tax sale. He cut trenches about 500 feet long and 20 feet wide across the meadow, the bottoms of which were covered with gravel, and diverted the spring water into them. A stand of watercress was then started, and by fall it covered the trenches, and the owner began to cut and ship it to the Philadelphia markets. As cold weather approaches the cress is protected from frost by rough houses built over the trenches. The north sides of the houses are of inch boards, against which corn fodder is stacked to keep out the wind. The south sides are of glass. The heat of the sun and the warmth of the spring water are sufficient to keep the cress growing rapidly all winter without resort to artificial heat. A portion of the beds is cut over each day, and in about ten days it is again ready for cutting. The returns the first winter were about \$100 a day from the cress. A narrow strip of soil between the back of the house and the edge of the trench is devoted to violets and has proved very profitable.

On the remainder of the farm French lilacs are set about four feet apart and kept well cultivated for four years. The bushes are then taken up and forced to bloom about the Christmas holidays. A handsome profit is realized each year, and steady employment is given to a large number of men. The former owner "couldn't make it pay."—Country Gentleman.

Killing the Country.

Agriculture on the newer sections is carried on at the expense of the fertility in the soil. A twenty bushel crop of wheat removes from the soil in the straw and grain \$9.30 worth of plant food per acre, or 46 1/2 cents per bushel. In selling wheat and burning straw this is actually removed. Last year's crop of wheat—150,000,000 bushels—removed from the soil \$70,000,000 worth of plant food. In other words, the state of North Dakota is worth less as a crop factory by \$70,000,000 than before the past season's crop of wheat was grown. Add to this all other grain sent out of the state, and the sum will be much increased.—North Dakota Experiment Station.

Where the Chicken Gets the Ax.

The following method of killing fowls is a neat and proper one: Set a square post about two feet in the ground and about two and one-half or three feet (or as desired) above the ground. After clipping the fowl's head off (for this I prefer a corn cutter or knife to a hatchet or ax) place the fowl in the box, where it will bleed freely. This method, to my notion, is more humane than to have it flopping about on the ground.—Farm and Fireside.

Silo Ought to Be Handy.

Build the silo next to the cattle barn where the feed can be taken right from the silo into the barn. A feed carrier makes light work in such a case.

THE BUSY LITTLE BEE.

Bees like music and are easily taught to gather at the call of certain strains, but they do not like harsh or loud voices or discordant sounds. An even temper is an absolute necessity in a beekeeper. Swarms have been known to "growl" because a loud talking man stood near the hives.

It is a mistake not to wire the sheets in the brood frames, for when it comes to extracting the frames, to say nothing of holding the completed frame at an angle, it is a great comfort to find that the combs are not continually breaking loose from the frames, which would otherwise be the case.

To transfer bees before swarming time remove the top of old hive and set a single story hive over it. Make all the joints bee tight. Now have foundation in new hive, and the bees will soon work up into it. After the queen gets to laying well you can lift off the new hive and do what you please with the old hive and comb. This is a quick way to get bees into a modern hive without much trouble.

MOVING TOWARD CHINA.

America, it is said, is being pushed westward by ice pressure.

It may be news to most people that North America has traveled from Europe across the Atlantic to its present position on the globe and that it is still moving toward China.

According to the calculations of Professor Wegener of Marburg, Germany, North America in the last twenty-six years has moved 256 feet away from Europe, and Greenland in eighty-four years has traveled the appreciable distance of 3,083 feet, also away from Europe. Professor Wegener believes that this movement westward is due to surface pressure exerted by ice. Not only does this pressure force the continent or island upon which it is exerted to sink; but, just as a lot of cakes of ice lying upon each other in a pan of water move the lower strata of the ice cakes sideways, so does surface pressure of ice force an island or even a continent to move sideways. Greenland, so much smaller than the North American continent and loaded down more heavily with ice because of its northern latitude, would move much more rapidly than our own continent, as it actually does, if Professor Wegener's computations be correct.

If Professor Wegener be right, then it is not merely possible, but probable, that America and Europe were at one time either one and the same continent or so close together that even the rude craft and meager seamanship of the early Hebrews and Phoenicians could carry men and women from one continent to the other.

The average breadth of the Atlantic ocean is about 3,000 miles. Each mile contains 5,280 feet. A simple arithmetical problem gives us the extraordinary result that, supposing North America to have traveled at the same speed in the past as in the present, it took our continent 1,390,000 years to accomplish the journey to its present site. The idea is a fantastic one. It suggests that in about 2,000,000 years, if the present speed be kept up, the Pacific coast of America may bump against Japan and China, thus obliterating the Pacific ocean or leaving it merely a chain of lakes.—New York World.

A HISTORIC BIBLE.

It is Bound in Red Leather and Used in the Supreme Court.

It is a tiny little book, only five and a half inches long and three and a half inches wide. It is bound in bright red morocco leather, with the word "Bible" printed in diminutive gold letters on the back. But one does not see that red morocco cover unless he removes the little black leather slip which protects it. Long ago the little red Bible began to show wear, and then the black leather slip was made to protect it—so long ago, in fact, that fifteen of those covers, made to protect the venerated little volume, were worn out in the service.

It is without doubt one of the oldest Bibles, if not the very oldest Bible, connected with the government and is certainly the most historical. It is the book upon which since 1800 every chief justice—with the single exception of Chief Justice Chase—and every member of the supreme court has taken the oath of allegiance when accepting his appointment to our highest tribunal. More than that, every attorney who has practiced before the supreme court since that date, 1800, has pledged his allegiance over the little volume—all, with one exception also, and that exception was Daniel Webster.

It is told even yet of the supreme court of that day that Mr. Webster's fame as an orator had so preceded him that on the occasion when he came to argue his first case before the court the clerk, Mr. Caldwell, in his eagerness to hear the great speaker, forgot to administer the oath.

Unmasked.

"Did you ever stop to think what little things betray one's station in life?" said a woman as she watched the crowd come and go in a restaurant.

Two stylishly gowned young women who had just come in had removed their gloves. When they entered every body took notice. When they took off their gloves they revealed cheap rings on their fingers. Had they worn no jewels there would still have been a doubt as to their position. As it was, their knowledge as to the latest cut in gowns did not make up for their deficiency of taste in the matter of jewels.—New York Sun.

Ears of Animals.

The ears of the tigers, foxes, wolves, cats and other beasts of prey bend forward, while the ears of animals of flight, such as hares, rabbits, deer, etc., bend backward. This is because the ears of beasts of prey are designed for the purpose of collecting sounds in the direction taken by the animal in pursuit of its prey. The ears of an animal of flight, by turning backward, enable it to hear the sounds made by a pursuer.

Particular.

"Why don't you want to go to Dr. Goodly's church, dear?" said Mr. Hicks. "Because I don't care to associate with that class of people," replied Mrs. Hicks. "The last time I went he told them they were all poor, miserable sinners."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Busy All the Time.

"What's the old man doin' now?" "Well, when he ain't votin' around he's applyin' for office, an' when that's no chance of gettin' the office he devotes his time to tellin' the government how it ought to run itself!"—Atlanta Constitution.

If You Are Going To Celebrate The White Cedar Festival

You Will Need Some Little Articles to Complete Your Dress

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Mens' and Boys' Outfitters

Smith-Takes up Hatching Job After Sitting Hen Dies.

Massilon, O., Aug. 23.—"The recent protracted heat hatched out a brood of chickens, the mother of which died long before the peeps were to leave their shells on the chicken farm of Lee Shilling, who teaches a country school near here.

Shilling when asked about it said: "The hen had been dead a week when I visited her nest and found ten Minorca chicks that had hatched out during the hot weather without hen or incubator. They were as lovely a lot of peeps as ever I saw."

Shilling expressed wonder, not so much because the blazing sun had hatched the eggs, which requires a temperature of 103 degrees, as he did that the eggs hatched without the daily turning process practised by hand in artificial incubation and done by the hen herself in natural incubation.

Notice to Contractors

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the First National Bank Bandon, Oregon, until 8 o'clock p. m. Monday September 1st, 1913, for the construction of a two story reinforced concrete bank building on Atwater Street at the end of Homer Street, according to the plans and specifications now on file with the owner or Benj. Ostlund, Architect. First National Bank Bandon, Oregon Aug 15-Sept 1

Wanted! Wanted!

To trade or buy all kinds of house hold goods at the furniture store on the hill.

Smith-Powers Road May Be Extended.

P. L. Burr, of the contracting firm of Willet & Burr, arrived on the Nan Smith from San Francisco Monday, and is personally inspecting the work on the Smith-Powers railway. He brought up a large gang of men and more came in via Roseburg, and construction work will be pushed harder than ever from now on until bad weather sets in.

Coincidental with Mr. Burr's presence in the city is that of a party of surveyors who for several months have been working in the country around Eden Ridge and beyond. They announce that they found and staked out an easy route through that country to the Rogue river valley. For whom the surveyors have been working they refuse to say, but their announcement has revived the oft repeated rumor (and suspicion in the minds of many) that the Smith-Powers road is but a connecting link for a longer road which the Southern Pacific intends to build to connect Coos Bay with its main line. Myrtle Point Enterprise.

Millionaire at Work Earns \$9 a week.

Boston, Aug. 23.—Elisha S. Converse, a nineteen-year-old boy with a million dollars in his own name, with a fifty-foot sailing boat, saddle horse and a motor car, is this summer working nine hours every day as an ordinary "hand" in a rubber shoe factory. He earns \$9 per week. "I am not ashamed of my job," said young Converse, and hurried back to his work.

It is his task to handle the hot rubber heels as they come rolling along from machine to machine, and it is a disagreeable and monotonous task.

Mother of Eighteen Children.

"I am the mother of eighteen children and have the praise of doing more work than any young woman in my town," writes Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va. "I suffered for five years with stomach trouble and could not eat as much as a biscuit without suffering. I have taken three bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and am now a well woman and weigh 168 pounds. I can eat anything I want to, and as much as I want and feel better than I have at any time in ten years. I refer to any one in Boone Mill or vicinity and they will vouch for what I say." Chamberlain's Tablets are for sale by all dealers.

Caught a Bad Cold.

"Last winter my son caught a very bad cold and the way he coughed was something dreadful," writes Mrs. Sarah E. Duncan, of Tipton, Iowa. "We thought sure he was going into consumption. We bought just one bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and that one bottle stopped his cough and cured his cold completely." For sale by all dealers.

Indian Killed on Track.

Near Rochelle, Ill., an Indian went to sleep on a railroad track and was killed by the fast express. He paid for his carelessness with his life. Often its that way when people neglect coughs and colds. Don't risk your life when prompt use of Dr. King's New Discovery will cure them and so prevent a dangerous throat or lung trouble. It completely cured me, in a short time, of a terrible cough that followed a severe attack of grip," writes J. R. Watts, Floydada, Tex. "and I regained 15 pounds in weight that I had lost." Quick, safe, reliable and guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

Wanted—Young ladies for telephone operators, 18 years or over. Coos Bay Home Telephone Co.