

# CENTRAL POINT HERALD

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## The Ashland Meeting

The development league meeting at Ashland, last Friday, was well attended. Representatives were present from Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Gold Ray, Central Point, Jacksonville, Medford, Eagle Point, Ashland and other towns and precincts of the two counties and the meeting was at once harmonious and enthusiastic. The gathering was primarily a meeting of the executive committee, held for the purpose of adopting a constitution and by-laws for the government of the new organization, which is now officially known as the Rogue River Valley Development League of Southern Oregon. Dr. C. R. Ray presided at the meeting and Capt. M. F. Eggleston, of Ashland, acted as secretary. The constitution and by-laws, as prepared by a sub-committee appointed for that purpose, were read by sections, discussed by members and, with some slight amendments, adopted.

After routine business had been disposed of, the chairman called a number of gentlemen to the floor for short addresses and every speaker urged unity of action among all sections of the valley in making known to the world the wonderful resources and opportunities of the valley of the Rogue. W. C. Leever, of this city, made a forceful address that was full of vim and hustle and the spirit of progress as an egg is of meat.

William McMurray, assistant general passenger agent of the Hariman lines in Oregon, and H. E. Lounsbury, district freight agent of the same company, were present and favored the league with short addresses in which they pledged the hearty co-operation of their company in any movement tending to build up and develop the Rogue river valley.

The delegates and other visitors were royally entertained while in Ashland by the Commercial club of that city, a splendid mid-day dinner being served to the visitors at the hotel Oregon. The next meeting of the league will be held at Grants Pass, June 9, and arrangements are being made by the citizens of that city to entertain the greatest promotion gathering ever got together in southern Oregon. The valley of the Rogue will be heard from plenty in the near future, and once the new league gets down to business the material advantages, scenic beauties and general attractions of this favored section will no longer be a sealed book to the home-seekers of the world.

## Fifteen Years Ago.

Through the courtesy of Mr. I. C. Robnett, we were shown a copy of the first issue of the Central Point Enterprise, the other day, which was issued exactly fifteen years before the Central Point HERALD made its appearance. The paper is dated April 23, 1891, and contains many items of interest to the old settlers who were here at that time. The advertising columns were not very liberally patronized, which may account for the fact that the span of life of the publication was not long. The names of the business men who advertised their wares in the initial number of the Enterprise were as follows: G. T. Hershberger, J. C. Sheridan, J. W. Merritt, F. T. Fradenburg, A. A. Whitman, W. B. A. Temple, C. C. McClendon, Dr. Jesse Hinkle, Rippey & Harvey and Wm. Carey. A May Day ball is advertised, the floor managers named being Lou Hale, Geo. Bloomer, Chas. Rippey and J. C. Hall. In the local news columns the following news items appeared:

"Lost—On Tuesday evening, about 50 pounds of bacon. The party will please return and get the balance. C. Jeffers was warm enough to fry the bacon when he discovered the loss and says the thief is not more than 1000 miles from here.

"Scott Griffin, of Tolo, sold 20 acres of land to Mr. Counts, Tolo's section foreman, last week, the consideration being \$75 per acre.

"About Saturday F. T. Fradenburg expects to receive a second deer from the mountains, thus making a pair, and we expect some day to see numerous fawns scampering about this vicinity.

"Mr. R. Cox paid us a friendly visit Wednesday. He is the great threshing machine man. He says he threshed about 90,000 bushels in the valley last year."

## Blacksmiths Meet

A regular meeting of the Blacksmiths and Woodworkers Association of Jackson county was held in the town hall in this place last Saturday evening. Those present were: Jeffers & Peart, F. A. Hawk and W. E. Price, Central Point; Messrs. Wilson, Boeck and Higgenbotham, Medford; Pat Donegan and C. H. Basey, Jacksonville; Marion High, Ira Reeder and Mr. Gale, Ashland. The association is of a protective nature and the members of the craft in

this county find it of much advantage to their business. The next meeting of the association will be held at Ashland on the last Saturday in May.

## Eagle Point Boosters Organize

EAGLE POINT, April 22, '06.

Acting on the principle of "the better the day, the better the deed," a goodly number of Eagle Point citizens congregated at the Watkins hall Sunday for the purpose of organizing a development league to act in harmony with the Rogue river valley development league, our townsman, John R. Cook, temporarily in the chair. Mr. Cook delivered one of his spell-binding talks of five or six minutes which fairly electrified the audience, after which it was "dead easy" to organize, which was done by electing Jay Grover as president on permanent organization. J. F. Brown was unanimously chosen as secretary and J. F. Brown, T. E. Nichols and Jay Grover were elected delegates to meet with the Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Central Point, Medford and Jacksonville delegates at Ashland on Friday, April 27.

After short talks by Geo. Brown, J. H. Carlton, Jay Grover and others, the meeting adjourned to 8 p. m., Saturday, April 28.

Everyone was loyal and expressed themselves as determined to work for a greater Rogue river valley.

## ONE WHO WAS THERE.

### Real Estate Transfers.

John V. Chandler to Robt L. Hale; lot 6 blk 1 Davis add to Medford, \$205.

Herman M. Standinger to Robt L. Hale; lot 7 blk 1, Davis add to Medford \$150.

Sands W. Bouton to Jefferson Brumback, 38 acres in tp. 37 3W; 7.60 acres in sec 8 tp 37 2 W and one-fourth interest in 10 acres in sec 8 tp 37 2 W, \$2200.

Wm. Scott et ux to F. F. Billings et ux, n half s e quarter sec 32 tp 35 2 w, \$800.

Mary M. Parker to Big Bend Milling Co., land in sec 24, 25 2 e, \$10.

State of Oregon to Jas Kershaw, nw q r ne q r sec 16 tp 37 1 e, \$100.

D. C. Irwin et ux to W. Penning; lots 2, 3 blk D, R. R. add to Ashland.

E. M. McIntire et ux to M. E. Sargeant; lots 2, 3, 34 blk L. R. R. add to Ashland, \$200.

State of Oregon to W. I. Vawter, w half sec 36 tp 33 1 e \$400.

State of Oregon to Big Bend Milling Co.; e half sec 36 tp 33 1 e, \$400.

Est. of John Orth to John S Orth; general power of attorney.

Ben and Anne Beall to J. C. Wilson et al lot 8 blk 70 Central Point \$25.

U. S. to T. R. Magruder; patent 40 acres sec 3.

Sarah E. Downing to Catherine C. Gibson; lots 7, 8, blk 34, Central Point, \$150.

Ben Beall to Esther Sinclair; lot 1 blk 5 Central Point \$10.

Catherine C. Gibson to Geo B. Ross, part of lot 5 Cooksey add Central Point, \$1000.

Josiah W. Hinkle to Geo B. Ross; lot 16 blk 13 Central Point, \$180.

J. W. Merritt, trustee, to Booth Lee lot 2 blk 51 Central Point \$10.

Ben and Anne Beall to Booth Lee lots 3, 4 blk 51 Central Point \$20.

Geo B. Ross to Warren H. Norcross; 30.46 acres, near Central Point \$2800.

Ben Beall to S. A. Pattison and J. E. Lancaster; lots and blocks in Central Point \$2500.

## A Good Show

That favorite, grand old historical drama, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," which is always welcome by all true American people and endorsed by the pulpit and people of every nationality, will be presented at the opera house on next Monday evening by Beeson Bros.' Big Double Uncle Tom's Cabin company, presented by a first-class company of white and colored artists, numbering 25. This company, which has been playing to crowded and delighted audiences, carry a complete outfit, consisting of special scenery, electrical effects, a pack of Siberian bloodhounds, etc.

## Fire at Medford

Medford narrowly escaped a disastrous fire Tuesday afternoon when flames were discovered in the big plant of the Iowa Lumber and Box company. The fire was making rapid headway when discovered, but some quick work on the part of the fire company soon extinguished the flames. The loss of this plant would have been a serious blow to the city as the company's pay roll is an important asset to the business interests of the town.

## Asks for Franchise

A communication was received yesterday by the city officials, from Dr. C. R. Ray, general manager of the Condon Water and Power company, asking for a franchise for constructing and operating an electric railway line on the streets and alleys within the corporate limits of Central Point. The matter will be taken up at the next regular council meeting next week.

Things are beginning to "go some" in this ballwick, thank you.

Kapoline will make your marred furniture as good as new. 4-25

## Fable Rockets

Central Point being our nearest town, we are glad to note the evidence of its growth and prosperity. Until we read the advertisements in your first issue we did not know it had so many business establishments. Nothing can do as much to advance the interests of a town as a live, well patronized newspaper, and we trust your venture may live long to Herald forth what Central Point and the section of country surrounding has to offer and what they need.

Mrs. Roberts, who carried our mail, has resigned and Miss Richardson now performs that service.

S. M. Nealon went to Ashland Monday in the interests of the coming reunion of the old soldiers, which will be held at Grants Pass, June 18.

There is a project being agitated here to build a road around the lower Table Rock to Gold Ray.

Our citizens should take up the matter of telephone connection and your town should assist us as it would derive much benefit by being in speaking distance with us.

The Washburn orchard presents a fine appearance and promises a fine crop of fruit.

The Messrs. Mae and Margaret Nealon, who are teaching the schools at the Meadows and Long Branch, spent Sunday with home folks.

The Messrs. Bissell and Hertzler are kept pretty busy putting in a crop and working on their houses, which, when finished, will add much to the appearance of "Pummy Avenue." RUSTIC.

## Beagle Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Houston have gone over to Jacksonville to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Alberta Stacy, who has been attending the Central Point school, has returned home.

The Beagle baseball team played a very interesting game last Sunday.

Miss M. Van Velle, who is teaching the Mountain school, was the guest of Mrs. W. L. Jones Sunday.

Monroe Gordon, accompanied by Jesse Richardson, made a business trip to Medford and Jacksonville Tuesday.

Mrs. A. D. Houston, who has been visiting relatives and friends here, has returned to her home in Jacksonville.

George Stacy and son Roy were in Central Point Monday.

Brisco brothers, accompanied by their sister, Miss Ella, spent a few days with their sister, Mrs. John Rodgers.

Born—April 24, to the wife of Frank Rodgers, a nine-pound boy.

Percy Chatman, son of Walter Chatman, was seriously injured on the 21st by being thrown from a horse. His jaw was broken and also dislocated. He was taken to Medford, where he is being treated by Dr. Cameron. At last reports he was somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Flemming were the guests of Mrs. Flemming's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, Sunday.

Rumor says "wedding bells will soon ring in our neighborhood."

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, jr., of Trail, were visiting their cousin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Richardson, sr., Sunday.

John Cox, of Medford, spent three days in our neighborhood.

## Agate Nuggets

We are having a fine rain, which makes the farmers smile.

John Cox passed through Agate the other day interviewing the farmers who have hogs for sale and is offering five cents per pound for spind hogs and barrows that will weigh sixty pounds or over, fat or poor, to be delivered at the Crane ranch, near Medford.

The Agate Orchard company has put out about 40 acres to fruit trees, which are leafing out nicely, and also about two acres of strawberries, which are already in bloom. We expect to have plenty strawberries and grapes to eat, providing they don't build their fences too high.

Agate is improving right along. When you are passing out our way don't forget to stop at the Agate post-office and take a look at what will grow on the desert and also take a drink of some of the best water you have had in a long time. You will find plenty for your horses.

Mr. Harvey Richardson is going to build a large barn so as to accommodate the traveling public. He has already let the contract to Mr. Gray, of Medford.

Ira Grigsby is very busy summer-fallowing for fall sowing on the old home place.

Frank Clute, foreman at the Agate Orchard company's ranch, is plowing and cultivating and living up to the desert, preparing it for irrigation.

## Jacksonville Notes

(Crowded out from last week's issue.)

Miss Mollie Scott, of San Francisco, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Mary Peter. Miss Scott is nearly frantic by not hearing any news from her relatives in regard to the terrible catastrophe in San Francisco.

E. L. Cass, who has been with the Penn surveying crew who have been at work on Elliott creek, is in Jacksonville this week.

Mrs. Eugene Thompson, who now

lives in the Watkins' district, spent a few days with relatives in Jacksonville this week.

Mrs. A. M. Berry, for many years a resident of Jacksonville, left Tuesday for a visit with her brother in Muncie, Ind.

C. L. Reames left for Berkeley Wednesday to be with his mother during this terrible crisis.

The Jacksonville baseball team will cross bats with the Ashland nine on the grounds of the former, next Sunday.

The Junior team will play Gold Hill on their grounds Sunday.

Eric Anderson, who has extensive mining interests at the Blue Ledge copper mine, returned from San Francisco a few days ago. He says he is thankful he is living in Southern Oregon.

Judge H. K. Hanna, who has been in Grants Pass holding court and getting in readiness for the Jennings trial, adjourned court Wednesday and in company with his son, Hubert, left Thursday morning for San Francisco in hope of getting tidings of his two sons and daughter who were living there.

H. C. Bowers, of Ashland, was in our midst this week.

## Outlaw Smith Killed

Outlaw Frank Smith, who for the past week has been running amuck in Clackamas county, during which time he has killed three men, was brought to bay with bloodhounds near New Era Tuesday and killed by Frank Draper, of Spokane.

## School Report

Report of the principal for the year ending April 27, 1906:

Number of days taught, 157; number of holidays, 3; number of school days, 160; days attendance, 29,550; days absent, 1517; times tardy, 337; number enrolled on register, boys, 117; girls, 116; total, 233; average number of pupils belonging, 194; average daily attendance, 185; number of visitors, 100.

A. J. HANBY, Principal.

## The Public School the Hope of Our Nation

(Communicated.)

That our nation becomes strong or weak, enduring or transient, pure or impure, depends more upon our public schools than upon any other one social force. Destroy our public schools; nay, destroy the moral power of our public schools in child training, leaving, if you please, all their power to train intellect, and the nation would, in a few brief generations, sink to a level with the most degraded people.

Then let us foster education and extol good citizenship. Then the perpetuity of our government is assured. More firm becomes her foundation; more stately, more grand and more beautiful stand her walls; ever upward, upward towers her spire, until, piercing the skies, it receives the sunlight of heaven and reflects rays which, when other lights flicker and cease to burn, illumine the path of posterity and guide the course of nations yet to rise.

## Local and Personal

F. M. Amy spent last Saturday in Grants Pass, where he was called to look after business matters. He says the Josephine capital is busy and prosperous, with business good in all lines.

A small blaze started Saturday evening at 4 p. m. on the roof of Fred Hamlin's cottage at Sunnyside. By the good work done by the Sunnyside fire department, however, the fire was soon extinguished with small loss.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a lawn ice cream social on the parsonage grounds, next Wednesday, May 9. If the weather is unfavorable, the social will be held in the parsonage.

J. F. Brown and Jay Grover, prominent citizens of Eagle Point, passed through town Friday en route to Ashland, where they represented the Snowy Butte development league at the Rogue river development meeting.

An exciting ball game was played at Medford Sunday between the Medford and Grants Pass teams resulting in a victory for Medford by a score of 11 to 6. There was a large attendance and the Medford band helped to entertain the crowd.

Carpenters are engaged this week repairing and improving the opera house. The front will be finished and the entire structure will be painted. Central Point is a good show town and the stage in the local play house is one of the largest and best in the county.

Percy Chapman, son of W. C. Chapman, of Beagle, was thrown from his horse the other day, the animal becoming frightened at a hog jumping from a fence corner. His jaw was broken and he was otherwise seriously injured. He is under the care of a physician at Medford.

J. H. Gay, the lumberman, received a big shipment of stock for his yards the first of the week. The eastern de-

mand for lumber is so great this season that local dealers have trouble getting their orders filled promptly at the big mills and have to rely for their supply on the smaller plants.

R. C. Hensley, the biggest pork packer of the valley, whose home is one-half mile east of town, was a pleasant caller Saturday. Mr. Hensley is the official candidate for state senator for this district and he expects to take the stump for that party in this county during the campaign.

The Union Young People's society held a social at the home of Mrs. Sanderson on Tuesday evening, April 24. There were about 40 people present. The evening was passed very pleasantly with games, music and social intercourse. Light refreshments were served. A collection was taken for the San Francisco Relief fund, amounting to about seven dollars.

S. S. Aiken, who has been in the mercantile business at Prospect for many years, was in the city the first of the week. Mr. Aiken recently sold his store to Mrs. M. Hollenbeck and he was here assisting her in selecting a new stock of goods for the store. Central Point enjoys an extensive wholesale trade with interior merchants, which indicates the importance of the town as a commercial center.

At a meeting of the school board held last Friday evening the following teachers were elected for the coming school year: Prof. A. J. Hanby, principal; Miss Carrie Martin, 7th and 8th grades; Mrs. A. J. Hanby, 5th and 6th grades; Miss Elizabeth Gibson, 3rd and 4th grades; Miss Stella Purkeypile, primary. With the exception of Miss Martin, whose home is in Harasburg, this state, all of the teachers have been

employed in this school for some time and have excellent records for proficiency in their profession. Miss Martin comes to us highly recommended.

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## CHURCHES.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

E. A. La Dow, pastor. Preaching service at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Ladies Aid Society meets regularly every Wednesday afternoon at 3 p. m. at the home of its members. Choir practice every Friday night.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Geo. L. Burbank, pastor. Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and every other Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Preaching at Gold Hill on alternate Sunday evenings at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m.

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