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## Promotion Fund Committee Do Good Work.

A committee of the commercial club appointed to secure subscriptions for the promotion fund visited the rich farm and orchard section south of town last Friday and everywhere met with a most cordial reception, as well as liberal subscriptions to the advertising fund. J. W. Myers, president of the club, J. O. Isaacson, Dr. E. Davis and E. A. Pattison comprised the committee, and everywhere they heard expressions of approval of the work the club has undertaken and is carrying through. During the day the committee secured the sum of \$280, while a large number of residents of the section visited were not at home and could not be seen. The list of those contributing follows:

J. W. Merritt	\$50.00
Ben Beall	30.00
Tyson Beall	5.00
J. M. Hurley	5.00
Victor Borsell	30.00
H. C. Maury	10.00
Alice Hanley	10.00
Ed. Hanley	30.00
Geo. H. Daggett	30.00
W. G. Goffe	5.00
L. P. Hubbard	10.00
M. W. Babson	5.00
D. McKillop	5.00
Hull & Traekler	10.00
Wells Lounsbury	10.00
J. W. Myers	25.00
Total	\$280.00

## Will Learn Their Own County First.

Members of the Roseburg commercial club are about to inaugurate a get-acquainted-with-your-neighbor campaign and propose to visit in a body all other towns in Douglas county with a view to securing the co-operation of all parts of the county in advertising their many advantages. Under the old system of "every town for itself and the devil take the hindmost" much advertising matter was sent out that was not borne out by the facts, and it is to remedy this evil that the new plan is to be tried out. The Roseburg club has employed a new manager for the year in the person of Mr. Darby Richardson, formerly financial reporter for leading New York newspapers and also recently connected with some of the leading magazines of the country. He is an expert in the line of legitimate promotion and it is expected his work for the Roseburg club will bring big returns.

## The Herald Faces a Libel Suit.

Olaf Olson, train dispatcher at Roseburg, an old-time Central Point and a never-quit booster for the little old town, writes the Herald that he is about to institute damage proceedings against this paper for defamation of character, in having published a picture of Central Point last week that did not measure up to the "stories" he has been telling his Roseburg friends about the "Hub of the Rogue River valley."

It is intimated by grapevine dispatch from Roseburg that Olaf has been telling those benighted Douglas countyites that it is always the full of the moon at Central Point, and that alpha berry vines have been successfully grafted on telephone poles here. It is also intimated that the dispatcher tells the boys around the office that when a Central Point man breaks an incandescent lamp he plants the broken fragments of glass in his garden and raises 32 candle power electric lights, which are used during the winter season when the moon is obscured by clouds. At least his letter says: "I have been telling of the wonderful things about Central Point, and here you come with this picture! The boys came back at me with the horse laugh, and I think I will have to collect from you for damaged reputation, as the office force all swear they will never again believe my stories of good about Central Point."

The picture was printed when the moon was obscured by clouds and the latest crop of garden grown electric lights had been nipped by a black frost. Otherwise the picture is all right.

## Magruder Farm Reported Sold.

A report was current on the streets yesterday that W. J. Freeman had bought the Mrs. M. E. Magruder farm of 33 acres, lying between the east line of the town corporation limits and Bear creek, the consideration being \$300 an acre, or \$10,000. When asked over the phone to verify the rumor, Mr. Freeman declined to give the Herald any information regarding the deal, but admitted that it was under way. Other street rumors claim that Mr. Freeman contemplates building a home on the east end of the tract and then selling his residence property in town in order to escape paying city taxes. Mr. Freeman was an unsuccessful candidate for mayor a year ago on a platform opposed to water works or other city improvements, and a desire to get away from present uncongenial conditions is not surprising.

## Town Council Holds Adjourned Meeting

At an adjourned meeting of the town council Monday evening City Engineer Osgood submitted his report which included the plans and specifications for the proposed water system. After some discussion the report was accepted and the recorder was instructed to have published in the Central Point Herald and the Portland Journal an advertisement calling for bids for the construction. The bids are to be opened February 15, when, if found satisfactory, a contract will be awarded. The recorder was also instructed to have 25 copies of the specifications printed and bound in pamphlet form for the use of contractors desiring to bid on the work and for use during construction.

## Westerlund Says Northwest Asleep

(From Medford Mail-Tribune)  
"The apple growers of the northwest have been asleep," said J. A. Westerlund, of the Western Orchard Co., when asked about the meeting at Denver. "They should have acted before this time in the matter of the La Fean bill. But they were relying on the quality of the fruit they were putting out, and failed to realize until it was almost too late that the eastern jobber was not in the business for his health."

"At the Denver meeting there were two representatives of the Rogue River valley, two from Wenatchee, two from Yakima, two from Idaho, two from Hood River and two from Montana, representing the fruit interests of the northwest. At the apple show the northwest was far in the lead, both in the pack and in the quality of fruit. Had the northwestern growers commenced the campaign sooner the Colorado people would perhaps have fallen in line. The difference between the close pack of Oregon and Washington, as compared with their shovel pack was so apparent that they couldn't help but see it."

"What should be done now is that every fruit grower in the valley who is acquainted with a member of congress or can reach him in any way should bring every possible influence to bear upon him. See that the side of the producer is as fully presented as is the jobbers' side. Bring to bear the arguments in favor of allowing the apple growers of the northwest, who inaugurated the close pack for apples and are selling their apples to the markets of the world, not in competition of the barrel apples of the east, but on their own merits, to continue to market their products without the handicap of a short box."

## Community Booklet Brings Good Returns

On Saturday of last week William Lewis sold the south 32 acres of his land in the Ross tract, west of Medford, to Ed Steep and Dr. W. M. Van Scoyoc, recent arrivals from Illinois, says the Mail-Tribune. They were attracted to the valley after many months spent by Mr. Steep and wife in inspecting the different sections of the western coast, including the best portions of Southern California. Early last spring they made their first visit to Medford, and after departing with a good impression of the valley one of the Medford booklets was sent him, and that fixed it. Mr. Steep still declares it is the best advertising booklet in print. The natural result was that the rest of the family came, too, and there are more who will follow. Mrs. Van Scoyoc is a daughter of Mr. Steep. The young orchard now growing on the 32 acres will be a source of satisfaction to all members of the family, as well as rapidly growing in value. The sale was negotiated by the Rogue River Land company.

## Binger Herman on Trial in Portland

Binger Herman, former congressman from this district and for some time commissioner of the general land office, is on trial in the Federal court at Portland for alleged conspiracy in his connection with the Blue mountain reserve land fraud cases.

Mr. Herman was indicted some five years ago, but by some hook or crook he has until now escaped trial. The prosecution is being conducted by Francis J. Heney, while a galaxy of legal lights, headed by Mr. Worthington, of Portland, are looking out for the defense.

## Pride of S. O. Ball Fans Here This Week

Henry (Jud) Pernoll, native of southern Oregon and pride of every live-lunged fan in the new state of Siskiyou, was here Monday visiting his old-time friend, Jim Grievs, before leaving for the winter practice grounds at San Antonio, Texas. "Jud," the strong-arm "southpaw," who mastered the art of fooling the best of them while playing toss with his brothers on an Applegate farm, was not appreciated by the Portland ball magnates, who first brought him "out of the woods."—Possibly because he came from southern Oregon and showed good promise of flooring the best of the northern products—is signed with Detroit for the coming season, and Siskiyou will go money, chalk or marbles that Henry will make good. "Jud" will always find a welcome in Central Point.

## G. P. Bank Declares 5 Per Cent Dividend

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Central Point State Bank last Saturday evening a five per cent dividend on the capital stock was declared, making 10 per cent dividends for the past year. In addition to this the amount required by law was placed in the surplus fund and a good big balance was left as undivided profits.

A splendid testimonial to the careful work of Cashier J. O. Isaacson may be found in the report of the directors, who, after carefully examining all the notes held by the bank, declared all to be gilt edged except two small notes amounting to \$65 which might be considered questionable.

## Commercial Club Holds Called Meeting

A special meeting of the commercial club was held Friday evening of last week to pass on the cover of the community book, which had been sent up from Portland for approval. The front cover as a work of art has not been eclipsed by anything yet issued in the way of community advertising. A group of Newtown and Spitzenberg apples and Bose pears from perfect specimens secured from Central Point orchards are reproduced in natural colors, while below in bold characters appears "Central Point, Rogue River Valley, Oregon." The back cover is a reproduction in colors of a young apple orchard, the picture selected as the most typical and best suited for the purpose being taken from the Fiero orchard. The cover is printed in four colors and is indeed a thing of beauty.

Four new members, E. B. Hanley, L. P. Hubbard, J. M. Hurley and E. C. Faber, were elected to membership.

## Crater Forest Improvements to Cost \$10,000

During the coming season the forestry bureau of the department of agriculture will spend \$5000 on bettering the road to Crater Lake, provided the appropriation by the state to build the new boulevard is not killed in the supreme court. Aside from this amount the bureau will expend some \$5000 on other improvements in the Crater forest, such as building trails, etc.

W. E. Herring, district engineer, is in Medford looking into the matters of improvement for the coming year and making his estimates.

"For some time," states Mr. Herring, "we have had the \$5000 available to expend on the Crater Lake road within the forest, but have awaited an outcome of the case. While this would not build a great deal of road, it would vastly improve the 17 miles within the forest."

The other \$5000 will be used this season to a great extent in building pastures in the forest into which rangers can turn their horses at night instead of picketing them.

## Twenty-seven Acres Brings \$25,000.00

K. S. Miller, who some three years ago bought 27 acres of the Hurley place two miles south of town, on the Jacksonville road, on Wednesday of last week sold the place to Dr. Dean, a recent arrival from the east, the consideration being \$25,000.00. Mr. Miller has no intention of leaving the valley, and will purchase another tract—probably in the same neighborhood—and build a home. Mr. Miller paid about \$7500 for the place three years ago.

## Old Boys of G. A. R. Elect Officers.

The following are the officers of W. H. Harrison Post, G. A. R., who were installed at the meeting held Saturday: S. M. Nealon, Commander; J. J. Grim, S. V.; Mathias Clark, J. V.; G. W. Vanderpool, Surgeon; H. J. Gardner, Quartermaster; W. P. Twomy, Chaplain; J. W. Hicks, Adjutant; Geo. A. Perkins, Officer-of-the-day; J. D. Pankey, Officer-of-the-guard; D. E. Jones, Sergeant-Major.

After the installation the comrades sat down to a bounteous dinner served by the ladies of the W. R. C., and, judged by the results, it seems the old boys still have their war-times appetites with them.

Try "Our Own Make" mince meat at Lewis & Sons' meat market. It is just like your mother used to make, only better.

## Judge P. K. Hanna Resigns Judgeship

Something of a surprise was sprung in legal circles last Thursday when the announcement was made public that Judge H. K. Hanna had tendered his resignation to Governor Benson, that the same had been accepted and that Frank M. Calkins, of Ashland, present court reporter of this district, had been appointed to fill the vacancy. While it has been rumored for several months that Judge Hanna might resign on account of old age and also because of the serious physical condition of his wife, the announcement was a surprise to the public, as well as to most of the members of the bar in Jackson and Josephine counties, but few of whom had been taken into the confidence of either Judge Hanna or Gov. Benson.

## Spipwrecked Sailors Are Saved.

The San Buena Ventura, a lumber schooner bound from Eureka, California, to Mexican ports, was wrecked off the mouth of Rogue river last Saturday and for several days it was feared that the captain, his wife and two children and seven seamen were lost. However, the steamer Fairhaven arrived at San Francisco Monday, bringing all safe to port. The Fairhaven came along in the nick of time, the wrecked vessel being rapidly breaking up when the crew was taken off.

## Snowy Butte Orchard Tracts Now on Market

The famous Snowy Butte orchard, recently sold by Fred H. Hopkins to John R. Allen, of New York, has been subdivided into small tracts suitable for ideal orchard homes and is now on the market. The place contained 300 acres, but has now been divided into 26 parts ranging in size from 8 1/2 to 48 acres, and prices range all the way from \$250 to \$1500 an acre. The soil is mostly a wonderful rich black loam and the past record of the Winter Nellis pear orchard in the way of phenomenal returns is evidence of what it is capable of. Returns of \$1000 an acre and better were received from portions of the property the past few years and there seems to be every reason to believe that all commercial varieties of pears will command even higher prices in the future.

W. E. Kahler and S. A. Pattison have been appointed sales agents for this property at Central Point, with their office in the Herald building. Call at the office and see plats of the property, schedule of prices, etc.

Try Heinz Pickles at the Quality Store.

## Burglary Insurance

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**CENTRAL POINT STATE BANK**

We are fully protected with Burglary Insurance, which not only covers loss by robbery at night, but also loss from daylight hold up

J. W. MERRITT, President      J. O. ISAACSON, Cashier  
W. J. FREEMAN      W. C. LEEVER,      I. C. ROBNETT

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Diamonds, watches, clocks, jewelry, optical goods, musical instruments, sewing machines and supplies, notions and stationery

Look at our Elegant line of China, Cut Glass and Silverware

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Drugs and Medicine  
Pine Street      Opposite Post Office

## Why Do We Keep Busy In The Grocery Dept?

Because we have the best clean fresh groceries and choice delicacies on the market, and so long as thrift is an active trait of human nature we will control your trade for our value is unexcelled for best quality

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