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## WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER IN THE MARKET PROBLEM

Further investigation of the problem of marketing produce will be undertaken by the Springfield Development league and to this end conference will be held with the Springfield grange at some time convenient to the grange. The plan suggested by Hector Macpherson, director of the O. A. C. Bureau of Market Organization, was up for discussion at the meeting of the League Tuesday evening, and the secretary, W. A. Dill, was instructed to confer with the grange.

The League will also confer with other commercial organizations of the county with reference to a county exhibit at the Manufacturers and Lane Products show, which is to be held in Portland the last of October.

Receipt of a list of 600 names of persons who have signed cards at San Francisco asking information, from the Eugene Commercial club was acknowledged, as was also a fraternal letter from the Ashland Commercial club, announcing the opening of the mineral springs park there.

## EIGHTH GRADE PUPILS PASS EXAMINATIONS

County Superintendent Moore Announces Results

County School Superintendent Moreo Tuesday afternoon completed the work of grading the papers of the eighth grade pupils who took the examinations last week and announces the following as being successful:

District No. 19, Springfield—Hazel Brattain, Thelma Goble, Verdon May, Lila Miller, Frank DePue, Ila Shahan, Goldia Jones.

## PIERS FINISHED ON NEW COAST FORK BRIDGE

Messrs. Parsons and Soleim yesterday forenoon finished the pouring of the concrete for the piers of the new bridge being constructed across the Coast Fork of the Willamette between Goshen and Pleasant Hill. Timbers for the structure are now being framed.

## SPROULE ASKS THAT NATION TAKE COUNSEL WITH THE RAILROADS

Southern Pacific President Tells Bankers' Convention Influences of Government Should be Stimulative.

Seattle, Sept. 7.—The savings bank section of the American Bankers association listened today to an address on "The Railroads and the People," by President William Sproule of the Southern Pacific railroad. He said:

"When to the conditions of the present in the railroad business involving so many millions of men and money are added the uncertainties of the future; when to the cumulative force and effect of successive reductions, extending throughout several decades, there are added the uncertainties of reductions (none know how many or how great) which may come this year, next year or the year suc-

**STREET FLUSHER EXTINGUISHES FIRE**  
Monday noon, shortly after the alarm had been turned in for the grass fire on Emerald Heights another blaze was discovered in the grass on the east side of Seventh street, near the depot, between the driveway and the sidewalk. Arthur Vullier had just filled the street flusher at Seventh and Main streets, and upon hearing the cry of fire, drove that way and with a few well directed dashes of water, put out the flames. No alarm was sent in.

ceeding; is it any marvel that the business of the nation is repressed and that all business men stand in suspense and deep concern as to what the future holds for them?

"It is time for the railroads and the people to take counsel together, for the uncertainty which touches the railroads first has reached to all the people. This nation needs prosperity more than it needs anything else. No business prospers by repression. The effects and influences of government should be stimulating or they are a failure. The American people prosper together. When we prosper we are all prosperous."

## Crushing Rock To Fix City Streets

A crew of men under direction of J. F. Powers has been busy all week getting out crushed rock from the city's quarry for use in repairing the macadamized streets. Between 80 and 100 yards will be required for East main, which has been considerably cut by automobile travel, and probably as much more will be run out to patch other work over town. The bunkers will be left full of rock for use from time to time during the winter.

Four and five men were employed at the crusher, and two or more teams were used for hauling the rock.

## KELLY FINALLY WINS CASE

The supreme court yesterday denied the motion for a rehearing in the case of William R. Kelly against A. W. Weaver and Albert Weaver, and the \$3,000 judgment against the Weavers obtained in the circuit court in Eugene for damages will now have to be paid by them.

This is a case wherein the Weavers, father and son, while riding in an automobile, collided with Kelly on the streets of Springfield, injuring him badly. He died a year ago this month, his death being it is said a result of the injury. Before his death however, he sued the Weavers for damages, and was given a verdict for \$3,000. The case was appealed to the supreme court, and that tribunal sustained the judgment of the lower court. The attorneys for the Weavers then moved for a rehearing, but the supreme court denied this. The money will now be paid to Arthur A. Kelly, son of the deceased, and administrator of the estate.

North Bend raising \$2000 to celebrate completion of the S. P. bridge across Coos Bay.

Siuslaw jetty contractors having three large barges built at shipyard on Coos Bay.

## SPROULE MAKES NO PROMISES OF NEW RAILROADS

Portland, Ore., Sept. 7.—Continuation of the construction work on the Willamette Pacific railroad down the Oregon coast country, and the early electrification of the line from Whitson to Corvallis, were the most that could be promised Oregon in the way of new work by William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific company, who left last night for Seattle, after spending a day in Portland.

"The Willamette Pacific will be pushed to completion," said President Sproule. "Heavy bridge work across the Umpqua and the lakes between that stream and the Siuslaw are holding the work up somewhat. The bridge across Coos Bay is nearing completion and material is being distributed so that when the Umpqua structure is finished the gap can be closed quickly.

"We propose to proceed with the electrification of the line from Whitson to Corvallis as soon as desired franchises are secured. If granted, these will give us an electric road from Portland to Corvallis.

"Earnings in the passenger branch of the service have been very good during July. August figures have not yet been computed, but travel was heavy and September is promising. Freight earnings are doing little better than holding their own in comparison with last year.

"We hope to do better when we get freight rates adjusted to meet the competition of the Panama Canal. Details have not yet been threshed out with the interstate commerce commission. This takes time but it is in progress.

"Considering half the world is at war I believe we are doing remarkably well, taking the business situation as a whole. If these were times of peace we would not consider we were doing well, but, in view of the uncertainties we are making much progress.

## TO START SURVEY

Roseburg, Ore., Sept. 9.—A letter received from S. A. Kendall this morning states that work will be resumed on the survey for the railroad from Roseburg to Rock Creek on September 15. Mr. Snyder has been delayed by important private business, but will be here not later than that date. Work will then be prosecuted vigorously.

## SHIPS CAR OF CATTLE

E. E. Brattain this week shipped a carload of cattle to the Portland market.

## QUESTION AFTER QUESTION ASKED AT OREGON BOOTH

Oregon Building, Panama Pacific Exposition, Sept. 9.—What do the visitors to the Oregon Building inquire about? At the booth representing sections and counties of Oregon, the inquiries are for specific information covering the production and the possibilities of these sections. The inquiries want to know just how the products on display were raised, the climatic conditions the prices of land, the condition of the roads, the markets, the kind of towns and cities there, and all the other facts necessary to give them a comprehensive view of the section about which they are inquiring. In the center of the Oregon building is an "Information Booth," from which all literature is distributed, where the register is kept, mail delivered, and all other inquiries answered as far as possible. When the inquiry is about any particular section, the individual is taken to the representative from that section, the sectional booths being grouped about the information booth. Just to give Oregonians an idea of the questions with which an attendant at the Information Booth is pined, the writer of this tabulated each question as it was asked between 1 o'clock and 2:15 September 2nd, he happening to be in the booth at that time. The questions tabulated here represent one, the opening one, from each person who inquired.

Does Coos Bay grow corn? Have you any literature on walnuts? Where is the domestic science demonstration? Where is the moving picture theatre? Is there a restaurant in this building? May I have this Oregon Almanac? (A large sign on these says "Take one" 700 to 1,000 are taken daily.) Can I take all of this literature I want, I am an easterner and I am interested. Is Southern Oregon the Rogue River Valley? Where can I best see the fireworks tonight? May I have this booklet? Is there a public telephone in this building? Can I buy a box of those pears anywhere? May I have three of these little booklets to send to Eastern friends? Have you a booklet telling about this wonderful building? Where do I get the popcorn? Has Lake County an exhibit here? Where is the Portland exhibit? Have you a small booklet about the state—the Almanac is too heavy? Haven't you another register?? May I have one of those little pear booklets as a souvenir? Have you postcards of this building? Where will I find Director of Horticulture Ravlin? Please tell me when

## RAISES MANY BEANS ON A SMALL PATCH

From a tract of ground 36 by 42 feet in size, H. W. Renne, who lives on D street between Sixth and Seventh, harvested 80 pounds of white beans. The plants were of particularly uniform growth.

and where the Taft exercises will be held? Where is the live bird display? Have you a post card? May I have this Willamette booklet? Can you tell about an auto trip out of Portland? Where is the theatre? Can I find Mr. Hyland? May I have a Columbia River Highway booklet? Is this building made of the logs in the building at the Lewis & Clarke fair? Where can I find Ezra Meeker and his ox team? Where is the Canadian building? What can you tell me about Homestead land in Oregon? Have you a picture here of Portland—I have been in thirty-nine states and I think it is the most beautiful city I have ever seen? Has O. A. C. an exhibit? Where is that big statuary display? Do those loganberries grow everywhere in Oregon? Can you tell us where the big typewriter is to be found? Did Oregon win on Horticulture, farm products, mines and milk? (and the answer was YES.) What do you know about that big mill going in at Bend? Where is the best homestead land to be found? Tell me where the French building is? How large do the myrtle wood trees grow? Confidentially now, is Eastern Oregon a good place in which to locate? Is fish and game plentiful in the Willamette Valley? What kind of springs are those at Ashland? Where is the Art room please?

## Questions Vary From Time to Time

These questions represented one hour and fifteen minutes of inquiry, and from forty-nine different people. At another time the inquiries at this booth may double and treble, or be half as many and of an entirely different character. One day the crowd may be of a wholly holiday character, on another day the inquiry is all from serious people intent on finding out facts about Oregon. The crowds are very largely of eastern people, and the different sectional booths, and the men in charge of Oregon displays in the large palaces, say that there is great interest manifest in Oregon. Compliments have piled up at such a rate that they no longer bring a thrill. Much new fruit, grains, vegetables and farm products generally has been received, is of fine quality and attracts favorable attention.

## SCHOOL BOARD HIRES TEACHER FOR PLACE

The Springfield school board met in regular session Monday evening and adjourned until Wednesday, when it elected Mrs. J. A. Flanigan of near Goshen to teach in the third grade in the place made vacant by the resignation of Miss Veva Dunlap.

## HOPS HAVE BEEN SOLD

Eugene papers state that no hops of the 1915 crop have been sold in Lane county. This is in error, for over a week ago John Seavey sold his entire crop of early 1915 hops, some 16,000 pounds, receiving therefor 15c a pound.

## PAY RETURN VISIT TO SPRINGFIELD'S CAMPING GROUND

Out of the five camping parties who made use of the camp grounds in Springfield last Saturday night, three had been here before. Two parties had stopped here on their way up the McKenzie and again on the return, and the third man, returning from a business trip to Polk county, declared he would have driven until midnight in order to take advantage of the facilities here.

J. P. Fry and E. F. Bean went to Cottage Grove last Monday and placed a sign, advertising the grounds, in a very advantageous place.

The following have registered here in the past week:

M. N. Prather and wife, Buena Vista, Cleve Prather, wife and baby, Buena Vista, Ed Harmon, wife and baby, Buena Vista; E. W. Hammond, Merrill, Ore.; Mrs. E. W. Hammond, Merrill, Ore.; Willie Mammond, Merrill, Ore.; Frank L. Difon and wife, Vancouver, B. C.; Theo. J. Brandt, Portland, Ore.; Henry Heerd, Portland, Ore.; Treana Heerd, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. T. J. Brandt, Portland, Ore.; W. E. Lettquet wife and family, Seattle, Wash., to San Diego, Calif.; John H. Augstad and wife, Lake View, Ore.; Paul C. Garrison and wife, Bend, Ore.; W. M. LeFavor, Burk Idaho, Mrs. W. M. LeFavor, Burk, Idaho, Harry Youtsey, LeMoore, Calif.; J. Schade, Irvington, Calif.; Dr. L. Elwood and family of three, Reno, Nevada; E. N. McCaw, Mrs. E. N. McCaw, E. W. E. E. R., D. L. Bessie, Ruth, Marie McCaw, Prescott, Washington.

## JUDGE SKIPWORTH SAYS HE WILL BE CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION NEXT YEAR

"I will be a candidate for Circuit Judge at the next general election," was the statement of Judge G. F. Skipworth, of Eugene, who arrived here last night enroute for Coos County, where he will hold a term of court for Judge Coke.

Judge Skipworth is one of the youngest and best known judges in Southern Oregon, and it is the prediction of local politicians that he will poll a heavy vote. Judge Skipworth has spent considerable time in Roseburg during the past year, and his friends are numerous in this section of the state. In addition to presiding over the celebrated murder trial of Roy Farnam, Judge Skipworth considered the testimony and rendered decisions in the several actions brought by John Hunter, et al. against the city of Roseburg. His latter decisions were affirmed by the Oregon Supreme Court, following appeal to that high tribunal.

Judge Skipworth is probably one of the most efficient lawyers in Southern Oregon, and his record as a trial judge has occasioned much favorable comment. He is also a pleasing person to meet, and has the faculty of winning friends. That Judge Skipworth will receive generous support in Douglas County is the opinion of those who are close in touch with the political situation.—Roseburg Review.

## LEASES OREGON THEATRE

J. J. Bryan of Springfield and Mrs. M. E. Watson of Eugene, proprietors of the Oregon theatre, Eugene, have leased the house to the Rex and Savoy theatre managements, and will close the house.



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