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WHOLESALE TRADERS OF SAN FRANCISCO TO VISIT SPRINGFIELD

Party to Arrive at 8:30 A. M. Friday, August 25—Stay One Hour

ON WAY TO MARSHFIELD

Twelve Towns Are on List for Seven Day Tour in Oregon and Over Lane County

A wholesale trade excursion consisting of nearly one hundred representatives of the principal wholesale, manufacturing and banking members of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce will start for a visit to Coos Bay and Southern Oregon, on Saturday, August 19, in an eleven car special train of Pullmans, dining cars and observation cars.

The party will arrive at Springfield at 8:30 a. m. Friday, August 25th, and will remain one hour.

This wholesale trade excursion of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce is the ninth of such trips that have been run under its auspices, or of the former Merchant's Association of San Francisco which merged with the Chamber in 1911. The present excursion is the first to be run outside of the State of California.

Formal entertainments in the towns visited are not encouraged and instead the members of the party spend their time principally in personally visiting the different firms in their respective lines at their places of business, and in short rides around the adjacent country to see its resources. Order taking is barred on the excursion and the visit is solely in the nature of a social call. In this way the principals of the San Francisco firms are enabled to become personally acquainted with the men with whom they are doing business, to see their stores, and in addition to learn at first hand whether the local merchants have any complaints to make regarding prices, quality or deliveries.

Many complaints by local merchants have been quickly adjusted to the satisfaction of both parties when the principals got together, which perhaps would never have been settled otherwise because the matter at issue had never been brought to the attention of the head of the firm with all the facts clearly presented. Also in some cases ways have been found of the heads of the firms to a larger line of credit because the San Francisco merchant was able, through his visit to form a clearer idea of the growing importance of the community in which the store was established, and to realize the character and size of stocks that must be carried by the local merchant to meet his demands.

Besides the merchantile representatives, the Chamber of Commerce always has some of the heads of the passenger and freight departments of the railroad lines traveled accompanying the party for the purpose of studying a first hand the transportation facilities furnished the various places visited, and to receive and adjust, if possible, any complaints regarding passenger service or freight deliveries from San Francisco. This has resulted in several distinct improvements in service, the necessity for which has not before been clearly presented to the higher officials of the companies.

The present excursion will last seven days, the party leaving San Francisco Saturday evening, August 19, and will not return until Sunday morning, August 27. On this trip the party will visit the following places in the order named: Eugene, Marshfield, North Bend, Myrtle Point, Coquille, Bandon, Springfield, Cottage Grove, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, and Ashland.

The excursionists will travel in an eleven car special train consisting of four Pullman standard sleeping cars, two Pullman compartment cars, two dining cars, a buffet observation car, a composite observation car. The entire train is electric lighted and the party live on it en route, so that all the time possible can be spent at towns in visiting.

Miss Allie Sharp of Albany spent Sunday in Springfield. F. D. Barrett, chief clerk at the Oregon Power office spent Sunday in Dallas.

PUT IN NEW SCHOOL DESKS

Upper Camp Creek Directors Improve Educational Facilities for Children

Thomas Solem, a director of the Upper Camp Creek school district was in Springfield this morning for a load of new desks that are to replace the old ones at the school house. He had 20 new desks of the most modern plan that will be used instead of the old ones that have been doing service during previous years. Mr. Solem said that the school house would be painted, both inside and out before the fall term opens. The coat on the outside will be of steel gray and the inside will be a very light blue. He said the directors are determined to give their children a good education and they are going to have a good school house for them to attend.

Clarence Hill, who graduated from the Springfield high school in June has been engaged to teach at Upper Camp Creek this year. There will be a seven month term.

To Hold "Safety First" Meetings

Ben H. Williams of State University Will Come to Springfield Next Month

Ben H. Williams, of the extension division of the University of Oregon, W. A. Marshall, chairman of the Oregon Industrial accident commission, and O. P. Hoff, Oregon labor commissioner will make a tour of the state, starting in a few weeks, giving lectures on the prevention of accidents in the mills and factories of the state.

The first conference will be held at Springfield early in September, according to Mr. Williams. A. C. Dixon, manager of the Booth-Kelly company, will co-operate with the extension division and is eager for such a conference.

The conference will be held in the evenings and the general public, as well as mill and factory employes and owners, will be asked to be present.

A large traveling exhibit is being arranged to be taken on the trips to the conferences, showing pictures of properly protected and improperly protected machinery. It will be particularly applicable to sawmills.

From a list of 5000 injuries recorded yearly in factories and mills in Oregon, the number injured yearly has increased to over 10,000 now, according to Mr. Williams, who was with the state accident commission before accepting his present position at the University.

Lucky Buys Pool Hall

Tad Luckey purchased the Omar pool hall and cigar store from Pete Chase and Ed. Brigham last week. The former owners have conducted the Omar on Main street, between Third and Fourth for the last two years. F. A. Fischer, a local decorator is finishing the room next to the Peery drug store where Mr. Luckey will move next week. He will purchase new furniture and expects to have his new place of business fixed up in good shape.

News Subscription List Still Growing

The following names of residents in Springfield or from neighboring towns or farms have been added to the subscription list of The Springfield News since last Tuesday morning: L. Z. Queen, Marcola; D. M. Gentry, Marcola; S. M. Findley, La Pine; John Griffin, and H. E. Phetplace, Springfield; R. F. D. 2; B. T. Collins, Mrs. Sarah Penselin, Lee Hall and L. C. Helmer, Springfield.

Has Copy of "Daily Citizen" of '62

B. T. Collins, proprietor of the store at West Springfield station, is the owner of a photographed copy of "The Daily Citizen" published in Gettysburg, in the year 1862. The paper is reduced in size so that the whole is fitted to a card about 5 by 3 inches. The words making up this copy of "The Citizen" are quite distinct and may be read easily with the use of a magnifying glass. Mr. Collins is a veteran of the Civil War.

Woman Acts as Fire Patrol

Miss Hallie Hill has been appointed fire patrol for the Penn Lumber company, which owns large tracts of timber on the Willamette above Oakridge. It is her duty to patrol the section between the Hills ranch and Rigdon ranch station, a distance of 20 miles. Two days are required for the round trip and two trips a week are made during the fire period.

FIREWORKS SET BY REPUBLICANS FOR PRESIDENTIAL RACE

Hughes-Fairbanks Club Organized at Stevens Hall Friday Night

50 ALREADY LINED UP WORK

F. W. Walker as President Will Lead the Forces on G. O. P. Trail for Supremacy

A Hughes-Fairbanks club was organized in the Stevens hall Friday night at a meeting of Republican citizens. The prime object of this club is to promote the election of the Republican candidates for president and vice president of the United States. About 50 citizens have already signified their willingness to become members of the club.

F. W. Walker was elected temporary chairman and J. C. Holbrook was elected temporary secretary. After some remarks by the chairman a letter was read from T. W. Harris, of Eugene, chairman of the Republican central committee in which he urged the organization of a strong club. He also made some suggestions on membership as well as promising his cooperation.

The temporary organization was made permanent with the election of the following officers: President, F. W. Walker; vice president, C. E. Wheaton; secretary-treasurer, J. C. Holbrook.

The following standing committees were appointed: Membership—J. C. Mullen, Melvin Fenwick and C. E. Swartz.

By-laws—E. E. Kepner, Dr. W. H. Pollard and W. B. Wheeler.

Permanent headquarters—C. E. Wheaton, J. W. Coffin and Dr. N. W. Emery.

It was an enthusiastic gathering of Hughes boosters and it was the sense of those present that the ladies be invited to join the organization.

The next meeting will be held on Friday evening of next week and it has been suggested that E. E. Kepner's room on Main street be selected as a permanent meeting place for the club.

County Court Will Fix Many Bridges

Seventeen on the McKenzie River Need Attention and Will Be Repaired at Once

J. W. McArthur, county bridge inspector made his report to the county court Friday, of more than 100 bridges which he recently inspected, the majority of them being on the McKenzie river. He made an exhaustive report on each bridge giving the dimensions, class of construction, its location etc. He also made a sketch of each bridge showing the contour of the ground it covers, the depth of the water in the stream and other details.

Mr. McArthur's report will be indexed and filed in the office of the county court for ready reference and will be a very valuable record.

There are 81 bridges more than ten feet long on the main McKenzie road above Hendrick's bridge, and according to Mr. McArthur's report 17 of them need immediate repairing. A few of these need to be rebuilt and the others need new mud sills, and new decking and piling.

Arthur Stryker, county bridge builder, will begin at once to repair these 17 bridges. He will work up stream and repair those that need the most attention first, and on his way back he will repair the balance of the 17 bridges.

Mr. Stryker has been working on the Coburg bridge where he put in a new pier, new floor and new approaches, but a few days ago he moved his crew to the Camp Creek bridge where extensive repairs will be made.

Library Has 17 New Readers

Following is the monthly library report issued Saturday by Mrs. Hannah Hill, librarian: New readers, 17; books issued, 938; readers using reading room, 108.

JOLLY PICNICKERS WILL ENLIVEN OLD EMERALD HEIGHTS

Big Young People's Jollification To Be Best Ever Tomorrow Night, on Butte

TO SERVE BOUNTIFUL EATS

Afternoon Full of Furious Races and Contests, Evening Devoted to Program Under Peaceful Moon

The stage is set, the race course marked off, the fire wood chopped, and the pies will be baked, and sandwiches made, the band will be tuned up for the big young peoples' picnic that will be held on Emerald Heights tomorrow afternoon and evening. No time and trouble has been spared by the committees who are making the arrangements. The Springfield City Band will be there to serve music while the rest of us eat. Another band will also be there to furnish us with amusement later in the evening.

The committee on athletics will start their part of the program promptly at three-thirty with a game of prisoners base. They have outlined the following schedule to take place: A game of three-deep, 50 yard girls' race, high jump, boys' 100 yard dash, broad jump, girls' relay race, sack race, shot put, three-legged race, down hill race, girls' potato race, up hill race, boys' relay. There will be a continuous game of volley ball going on for all those who do not wish to participate in the more strenuous sports.

After this part of the Jay's events are over the band will play several selections and the supper will be served by the "eats" committee. The following (Me on You) will be served: la Cafeteria shortly after 6:30: Crepe napkin, Papier Platte, Bread with filling, Sweet Gherkins, Salad von Kartoffeln, Royal Navy Beans mit Speckselte, Pie a la Lybarger, Loganberry Saft, White Mountain Ice Cream on Cone. Doesn't that taste good? But remember it takes one of those blue tickets to get all of these good things. The committee has done all sorts of "joking" and shrewd buying to be able to serve so much for twenty cents. If you haven't a ticket get it at the Racket store or at the News office.

After the delicious viands are all safely stored away, the entertainment will haul forth some local talent of different stripes and will exhibit the performers to the audience singly, in quartettes and in groups. They will have the following program to offer: Speech by Walter Dimm; Male quartette, Norton Pengra, Randall Scott, Artie Sneed, Orson Vaughn; Reading, Bernice Cagley; Music by Orchestra, leader, Thurman Chase; Speech, Vance Cagley. This doings will be followed by games around the camp fire.

Remember this picnic has no strings on it. It is for every one who wants to go and have a good time. If you can't go early, go late—we'll be there.

Friends Aid Barbre Family

Willing Workers Tack Comforts and Other Townsfolk Give House Keeping Supplies

The Willing Workers of the Christian church met at the home of Mrs. James Laxton on Fifth and B streets last Thursday afternoon and tacked comforts for Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Barbre, whose home was recently destroyed by fire. The Workers also got different articles together which had been given by Mr. and Mrs. Barbre's friends.

"We don't want the credit of all this," said Mrs. Laxton. "People all over town have given bedding, clothing, cooking utensils, dishes, and some money. We only tacked the comforts and got together the things people brought. Mr. Barbre took the articles from here Saturday morning, and he was so pleased, and said that he and Mrs. Barbre had now almost everything necessary to begin house-keeping again." Mr. and Mrs. Barbre are at present living in a tent pitched at the back of their lot where their house stood.

FREAK TREE BEARS FRUIT

Seedling Has Peaches Knocked Off By Hail But Blossoms Again

When a hail storm knocked all the peaches off the trees in Melvin Fenwick's orchard at his farm near the McKenzie river there was one tree that refused to be baffled in that way. Almost as soon as the hail stones had melted and the sunshine appeared again this peach tree had decked itself in a second dress of blossoms. No attention was paid to the tree until Mr. Fenwick went into the orchard this morning. He examined his trees and when he came to this one that had the second crop of blossoms he found that it also had a second crop of peaches. It is a seedling tree and the new peaches are not so very far along but Mr. Fenwick thinks that he will probably be able to pick ripe fruit from the tree before the frosts come.

Rev. Moore Gives Interesting Talk

Minister Tells Congregation of Perplexities of Law of the Lord

Union services were held at the Methodist church last evening and there was a large congregation present to listen to the sermon preached by Rev. J. T. Moore. Other ministers taking part in the services were Rev. H. C. Ethell and Rev. E. C. Wigmore.

Reverend Moore took his text from the seventh verse of the nineteenth Psalm. "The Law of the Lord is perfect. Converting the Soul." In his opening remarks the speaker said the little word law is perhaps the most comprehensive of any word in the English language. Law governs the universe. Violation brings punishment. There is no escape. "The soul that sinneth, shall surely die." The elements of death are embodied in our every act. Law is that which is set or fixed. It is simply the method by which force operates. The world is not governed by law but according to law. There is no escape from its power.

There are the laws of man and the laws of God. In the material world we are continually brought in contact with laws that must be respected. There are the physical laws such as we see in the thunder and lightning. Natural law is the expression of the will of God relating to human nature. The natural law of man is binding upon all men and women alike. The moral law is the declaration of law to men in all ages. The law of God is the perfect law.

We have the natural law, the physical law and the moral law. Perfection is the law of God, but man subverts and perverts these laws. Only as the law operates unhampered by the obstacles of man will the law be perfect in man.

Many Shop in Springfield Saturday

Among the out-of-town shoppers in Springfield Saturday were: Stroud Long, Camp Creek; T. B. Carney, W. W. Carney, and H. B. Carney, Thurston; M. Butler, Thurston; Lathrop, Mr. Tallmon and V. Dunton from up the Mohawk; E. H. Denton, Thurston; W. I. Ring, from up the McKenzie; W. E. Knott, Vitus Addition; D. H. Masterson, from up the McKenzie; N. B. Mann, Vitus Addition; and Mrs. N. White from the Vitus Addition.

Many People Hear Concert

Perhaps the largest crowd that has yet greeted the band turned out last Thursday evening to the concert given by our musicians at the auto park at Second and Main streets. The seats in the park were all occupied and the streets on both sides were filled with automobiles and groups of people enjoying the music. Considering the short time the band has been organized much progress has been made.

Has Most School Districts

Lane county has more school districts than any county in the state, according to the annual report of County School Superintendent Moore to State Superintendent of State Instruction Churchill. It has 196 districts and seven of them are union high school districts. The school population is 11,721.

Vote Special School Tax

School district number 137 voted a three-mill tax for all purposes, including bonds, at a special meeting held Monday. On August 28 another special meeting will be held to vote on whether grades above the eighth shall be taught.

PRESIDENT TAKES HAND IN SETTLING RAILROAD STRIKE

Secretary Tumulty Takes Letter From White House to Conciliation Board

HOLDS CONFERENCE TODAY

Woodrow Wilson Takes Situation in Own Hands and Commands Delay of Action

New York, Aug. 13.—Whether or not there is to be a general strike on 225 railroads of the United States will depend on the result of a conference between President Wilson and representatives of both sides in the controversy to be held in Washington tomorrow.

Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the president; Judge W. L. Chambers of the federal board of mediation and conciliation; Elisha Lee, chairman of the committee of railroad managers; A. B. Garretson of the conductors, W. S. Stone of the engineers, W. B. Carter of the firemen, W. G. Lee of the trainmen, and 30 railroad delegates left New York at midnight tonight, over the Pennsylvania railroad for Washington.

Tumulty Arrives in New York Secretary Tumulty arrived in New York at 9 o'clock this evening bearing a formal letter from President Wilson requesting a personal conference with the spokesmen for both sides before a general strike was called.

The president's letter which was addressed to Elisha Lee and Messrs Garretson, Stone, Carter and W. G. Lee, follows:

"The White House, Washington, Aug. 13, 1916.

"I have learned with surprise and keen disappointment that an agreement concerning the settlement of the matters in controversy between the railroads and their employes has proved impossible.

"A general strike on the railroads would at any time have a most far reaching and injurious effect upon the country. At this time, the effect might be disastrous. I feel that I have the right, therefore, to request, and I do hereby request, a stay of the government, that before any final decision is arrived at, I may have a personal conference with you here.

"I shall hold myself ready to meet you at any time you may be able to reach Washington.

"Sincerely yours
"WOODROW WILSON"

Letter Presented to Both Factions

Copies of the letter were delivered to Judge Chambers, who presented them to both factions.

During the afternoon, the "Big Four" brotherhoods had refused arbitration in any form on the questions of the eight hour day and time and a half for overtime. They made their decision known to the board of mediation and conciliation and declined to suggest any plan for a settlement of the controversy.

"He WHO LAUGHS LAST"

Boys Order Supposed Bridegroom to Set up the Treats

Hearing rumor of a wedding of an employee of the Booth-Kelly mill, a number of Springfield boys decided to have some fun Sunday afternoon. An auto was hired and the supposed bridegroom was taken from his bride at the Coburg picnic to Eugene where treats were demanded. Steadfast refusal to "set up treats" caused the boys some uneasiness and they wondered if the wedding had taken place.

Discouraged at last, the boys started to catch the homeward bound car when they were informed that they were obliged to return the kid-napped man to Coburg. Again they hired a car, not for a joke, but to take the subject of their prank back to his friends. The boys are still wondering how much of the joke is on themselves.

Former Residents Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. L. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Asher and family of Colorado were visitors at the U. H. Park home one night last week. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are former residents of this section and are quite well known here. They are on their way to Leona in their car and plan to visit in Springfield again on their return.