

IS GRANTS PASS & WESTERN A GO?

Road Will Only Be Built at Present as Far as Kirby, If at All—Information Comes From One High in Councils of Harriman System.

GRANTS PASS, Nov. 29.—Many rumors have been heard as to when the Grants Pass & Western will be built and as to what its western terminus would be.

The Courier is in a position to inform its readers authoritatively, however, that the fact whether or not the road will be built is still an undecided question.

The Courier's source of information is a gentleman high in the confidence of the officials of the Harriman system, who has recently returned from a trip to New York city.

This gentleman has interests in the Rogue river valley and he accordingly used his opportunities to find out what was doing, with the result above mentioned.

He learned that the surveyors of the line between Grants Pass and Kerby had been instructed to make a permanent survey and to do their work so completely that accurate estimates could be made from maps and profiles that will be filed.

The computations, maps and other data will be presented to the higher officials of the Harriman roads early this spring or this winter and a final decision will be made as to the building of a feeder to Kerby or some other point in the Illinois valley.

This is all borne out by the action of the corps of surveyors now on the job. They have located a line to a point a short distance beyond Kerby and have cross-sectioned that portion of the line and have made a complete and final survey. The party which left Grants Pass ran a hurried line across the decomposed granite territory a short distance from town.

When the work in the Illinois valley and over Hayes hill was completed the party changed its base of operations and it is now engaged in cross sectioning the line across the granite flats.

All the curves are being put in on permanent grade stakes of iron or being used. All these things go to bear out the truth of the opinions expressed by the man who has just returned from a visit to those high in the councils of the railroad.

DEMOCRATS GAIN IN WASHINGTON

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 29.—Results of the election of November 8, which have just been canvassed, show that the democrats have gained seven votes on joint ballot and the "wets" have gained seats in the house, while the "drys" have gained in the senate.

The democrats' strength in the legislature is now 16. The total membership is 47.

In 1909 there were three senators of democratic faith and six house members. In 1911 there will be four democratic senators and 12 representatives.

As the wet faction probably will control the house and the "drys" the senate, it is not believed that there will be any liquor legislation during the next session.

MILK TO BE GIVEN BABES OF THE POOR

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—A special milk fund for babies who are starving as a result of the labor war in Chicago was started today at a meeting in Hull house. Members of a committee appointed to investigate conditions in the strikers' homes reported that 5000 babies are in actual need of food, and that unless it is supplied at once they will die.

Not to "know" when buying is lit the better than not to care. Either failing in a housewife grows, sooner or later, into financial "trouble" in the home.

WALL STREET TO AID RATE GRAB

Such is Report in Washington—Club to Be Held Over Interstate Commerce Commission "Hard Times"—Financiers Pessimistic.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—That the railroads who have demanded freight rate increases which will amount to \$75,000,000 annually are in league with "big business" to force the rates through is a story in circulation here today.

The club that is to be held over the interstate commerce commission and the country in general is "hard times." Financial depression and panic, it is predicted, will be the outcome if the rate increases are not granted and the business interests led.

This is said to have intimidated plainly enough to be a Wall street threat. Big business men and railroad officials who have been in Washington during the discussion of the rate question are said to be very pessimistic in their views of the future financial outlook.

Prosperity seems to have lost its charm, according to the magnates, and the way in which they have said it has been tantamount to an expression of their intention of bringing about a financial depression, officials here say.

HILL INTERESTED IN STEAMSHIP ALLIANCE?

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 29.—It is believed by many on Coos bay that much significance may be attached to the fact that the steamer Alliance has been purchased by the North Pacific Steamship company to be put on the run from this place and Eureka to Portland. It is rumored that the steamer Eureka, owned by the same company, will also be put on the run. It is believed here that the Hill interests are closely allied to the steamship company and that the move is one on the part of the Hill interests to protect the business of this port, and that it means that the Hill roads will build into Coos bay.

The Alliance formerly made the run between Coos Bay and Portland, but at that time it was under the management of the Gray & Holt company of San Francisco, which sold the vessel to the North Pacific Steamship company. Since the Alliance was taken off the only boat service to Portland was the Breakwater, owned by the Southern Pacific.

LITTLE BUTTE CREEK A RAGING TORRENT

Henry J. Rosamond, who has just completed a fine bungalow for Geo. Von der Hellen at Eagle Point, arrived at noon Tuesday. Mr. Rosamond says that roads in and near Eagle Point are practically impassable, and that for a time the bridge across Little Butte creek was destroyed because of logs being jammed against it. The creek raised 12 feet in two hours and became a raging torrent, but had subsided to a considerable extent Tuesday.

The streets in Butte Falls also are reported by Mr. Rosamond as being in a deplorable condition, and a heavy fight is on for incorporation, that the town may be bonded for sidewalk and street improvement purposes.

Those who do not read the news of the day know little of what is happening in the world. And those who fail to read the ads know little of values or of what is happening in the store-world.

SCHOOL ELECTION IS CALLED BY BOARD

The Medford school board has issued a call for a special election in district No. 49 for the purpose of levying a special tax for school purposes during the coming year. The election will be held December 7.

For every dollar of his income the average man must render a full measure equivalent of service. For every dollar spent the adoring housewife will secure full-measure value.

MINER'S SHOT KILLS CARDWELL

Quarrel Between Men Over Slayer's Non-Employment Ends in Murder in the Galice District in Josephine County.

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 29.—Edward Cardwell, a well known miner of this county, was shot and killed Sunday afternoon by Lige Boyatt. Cardwell had been working with the construction company in building a wagon road from Leland to the Alameda mine in the Galice district, and was sent by the foreman to the Alameda mine to get men to work on the road.

In securing the men he did not employ Boyatt. Cardwell started back toward Leland, and when within eight miles of that place stopped in a construction tent out of the rain. Boyatt had followed him and a quarrel ensued in the tent. Cardwell started to leave. When Boyatt whipped out a revolver and shot him, the bullet striking Cardwell in the left shoulder and lodged in the spinal column, causing his death.

Sheriff Russell was notified and is now scouring the mountains in that vicinity with a posse, looking for Boyatt, who has disappeared. Cardwell was unmarried and well known here, having lived here all his life. Boyatt is married and has seven children, but little is known of him here, he having recently come here from Oklahoma. Cardwell's body will be brought to this city this afternoon.

INTERESTS ARE MANIPULATED

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 29.—"Women voters should remember that they are like the boys casting their first vote and are not capable of holding offices at the present time, and I would not think of supporting a woman for commissioner in case he commission form of government is adopted," said May Arkwright Hutting of Spokane, president of the Washington Political Equality league. In speaking of questions that have arisen since the right-to-vote franchise has been given to women of this state, adding: "Women must not abuse their privileges. Any right-minded woman will realize that she is in the class with a boy of 21 when casting his first vote, and the first thing to do is to study conditions and gain information, which will take much time."

When asked if she would favor a woman commissioner under any conditions, Mrs. Hutting said: "Absolutely not at this time. I was vas for votes for American women. The questions in such an office would be new to the women. My idea was not that women should immediately seek political honors, but that they should support honorable, capable men for such positions."

"MY POLICIES." The shades of night were falling fast as through a New York village passed some persons, who, through snow and sleet, bore something in a winding sheet—"My policies."

"MY POLICIES." All night they lay in snow and slush; No whisper broke the solemn hush; When morning came they still were there, As though their owner had not care—"My policies."

"MY POLICIES." A man came out and dragged them in at last, and said they yet would win; Since then he hasn't ventured out, Nor said a single word about—"My policies."

"MY POLICIES." Meantime a man whose name is Dix And others who threw sundry bricks At those dear policies are nix With sorrow at their grievous fix—"My policies."

"MY POLICIES." And those who in future delve "An see no hope in 1912 "Or anything that bears the label: (Now, isn't it pathetic, Mabel,)—"My policies."

"MY POLICIES." —The Spectator.

INSPECTORS HERE TOMORROW

I believe she has the finest depot on the entire route, including Spokane. At times there were five special cars in the party and at times only three. The inspectors, consisting of all the officials, superintendents, managers and others, will be in Medford tomorrow.

Mr. Rosenbaum brought back some fine samples of ore from the Bunker Hill mine, which he says is exceedingly rich, but he saw no country en route that exceeded the Rogue River valley.

GOVERNOR'S TALK 1912 CAMPAIGN

Big Gathering in Kentucky of State Executives Turns Into Sewing Bee With Presidential Chances in 1912 The Principal Question.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 29.—While 25 governors of states met here today ostensibly to discuss uniform divorce laws, conservation, a short ballot, and other weighty topics, it soon became apparent that the principal question of the conference was the presidential chances of the democratic party in 1912.

The intimation that the next democratic presidential nominee is in attendance at the conference lent increased interest to the gathering, and incidentally the men attracting the most attention were Governors Judson R. Harmon of Ohio and Thomas R. Marshall of Indiana and Governor-elect Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, all of whom have been mentioned as presidential possibilities.

In addition to the governors there are present four former executives of Kentucky—Beckham, Bradley, McCreary and Buckner.

WOMAN VOTERS TOLD THEY ARE LIKE BOYS

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CALIFORNIA PRISONS CROWDED TO LIMIT

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 29.—The California penitentiaries are crowded to the limit and the parole system is working remarkably well, according to the biennial report of the state board of prison directors filed with Governor Gillett today. At the close of the fiscal year June 30 last, 1192 convicts were in San Quentin, 1016 in Folsom, with 316 on parole, making 3254 in all, an increase of 375, or 1.2 per cent over the previous year.

More than 80 per cent of the prisoners are first-terminers. The report states that many prison evils have been overcome, including the opium traffic, which has been entirely stamped out.

WARD POLITICIANS BRUSH UP MANNERS

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 29.—Ward politicians are polishing up their rusty manners and are reading up on the art of making themselves pleasing to women in Washington state today, because the women are at last "equal" to men. When Governor Hoy appended his signature to the proclamation presented to him late yesterday afternoon, he enfranchised every woman within the state who has passed the age of 21 years.

Though the result of the suffrage amendment was known on the morning of November 9, the governor was prevented from issuing the proclamation on account of a delay on the part of several precincts to send in returns.

The suffrage amendment carried by a majority of 24,263. As the registration books have closed for the year, the attorney general has ruled that women who registered prior to the issuance of the proclamation are illegally registered.

Adequate advertising—frank informing, factual, frequent—being a part of a store's service to you, it follows that a good store is necessarily a well advertised store.

HIGH SCHOOL IS AGAIN IN SESSION

Fire Pit Drains of Its Own Accord and Studies Are Resumed After Forced Vacation Owing to Flood of Water.

The high school resumed its session as usual Tuesday morning after an enforced vacation Monday, the janitor finding that during the night the fire pit which was flooded by storm water, had drained of its own accord and no trouble was experienced in placing fire in the furnaces. The janitor and others of the school declare the sewerage to be inadequate to the needs of the school and that a drain from the fire pit should be connected with the main sewer in another direction, thus preventing the back pressure from the flooded main, which was the cause of flooding a part of the basement on Monday during the excessive water fall. There was no stench in the basement Tuesday morning, the janitor having remedied the evil by plugging up the hole caused by the leak pressure from the main.

The men to be arrested are not confined to any particular section, but are scattered over the entire city. The warrants were based on specific sales made to youngsters and witnessed by a representative of those fighting the tobacco traffic to children.

EDITOR LAMPMAN MUST HAVE SAMPLED THIS

Cider such as would make Baccus forsake his blushing goblet or Gambrinus his amber brew, the white Pomona smiled—such cider has been sold in Gol dHill the past few days by James Davis, the pioneer miner-orchardist—miner first and then orchardist, but wise as a hawk at both—of the Blackwell hills, says Editor Lampman in the Gold Hill News. He sells it at 25 cents a gal.—but, hold! this is no advertisement for Mr. Davis or the nectar that he crushes from his sweet, sound apples. But he sells all he can make and he makes more on his fruit than some growers who ship. Lest this intelligence should set cider mills a-creaking in every orchard and flood the happy valley of the Rogue with apple juice, we hasten to add that not everyone can make cider like Jim Davis' cider. He would sell his entire output before the bubbles began to rise, as he does now, and vinegar would be cheaper than Bear creek water.

SANTA CLAUS IS IN WRONG IN VERMONT

MONTPELIER, Vt., Nov. 29.—A conservation measure that strikes a blow at Santa Claus is expected to come before the Vermont legislature. The present tax of 5 cents on every Christmas tree shipped from the state will, if the measure is adopted, be raised to 25 cents. It is believed this will stop the exportation of pine trees to the larger cities of the east at Christmas time.

2197 BOXES OF PEARS FROM GRANTS PASS

GRANTS PASS, Nov. 29.—Complete returns received by Manager Eisemann of the Rogue River Valley Fruit and Produce association show that there were shipped from Grants Pass by the association 2197 boxes of pears of all kinds and grades, which netted the growers \$1.05 a box, after paying all shipping and marketing charges.

At this time there is but a small area of pears bearing in the Grants Pass district, but large areas have been planted in the past few years. This year another large number of acres will be planted in this fruit so that in a few years Grants Pass bids fair to become one of the largest pear shipping points in the country.

FLED AT FIRST, RETURNS AND IS ACQUITTED

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 29.—Thos. Jordan, who for three years was a fugitive from justice, is a free man today because a jury has decided that he shot and killed two men in self-defense.

Jordan, who since the killing has been hiding in California, voluntarily gave himself up to the Pittsburg authorities a short time ago, saying that he was ready to stand trial.

The modern store aims to make the housewife's shopping hour restful and interesting to her—no strenuous and nerve-wrecking. If the shopper is an ad-reader, this is easy to do.

FRISCO WARS ON TOBACCO TO BOYS

Thirty-five Dealers Will Be Arrested and Charged With Violating the Law in Dispensing of "The Makings" to Youngsters.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 29.—A crusade against tobacco dealers who sell goods to small boys culminated today in the application for warrants for the arrest of 35 men accused by Probation Officer Hatten with violating the law against selling tobacco to a minor.

According to Hatten, boys as young as 6 frequently buy tobacco, and boys over 10 are hardly questioned.

In the cases that have come before the juvenile court since it was established in this city, statistics shows that nearly every boy brought to trial was a cigarette smoker. This fact has led to the forming of an anti-cigarette association, which numbers some of the best-known educators about the bay in its membership.

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COMMISSION PLAN COSTS TACOMA MONEY

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 29.—Under the first six months of the commission plan of government the report of the city controller just issued shows that the city payrolls have been increased \$40,000 more than for a similar period under the old system of government.

During the campaign proponents of the commission system promised a saving of approximately \$240,000 annually.

According to the controller's report, salaries since the commission has been in power have totaled \$410,373.14 as compared to \$372,937.12 for the same period of time under the old governmental system.

PRIZEFIGHTER KILLED

LIMA, O., Nov. 29.—Curley Gerhardt, a prizefighter, is dead; Jack McHenry, another pugilist, is held by the police, and several citizens of Lima are being examined today as the result of a fight between McHenry and Gerhardt here last night. After the fight, which was a ten-round go, Gerhardt collapsed and died from cerebral hemorrhage without regaining consciousness.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

It is not believed that Gerhardt was killed by any blow struck by McHenry, but that he entered the ring out of proper condition and was unable to stand the strain of such a long fight.

WANTED—To borrow \$1000 on gilt-edge security; will pay 10 per cent interest. Address G 3, care Mad Tribune office. 215

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 134 E. Main. 215

FOR SALE—Limited number purebred Poland China hogs, 3 and 4 months old, eligible to go in the best herds and cheap enough for any farmer to buy. Berkeley Orchards, Geo. C. Osgood, mgr. Phone Farmers 7633. 41

WANTED—Party to do grubbing, also brush pulling. Inquire at Old Art Nicholson place, 5 miles north-west of Medford. 219

WANTED—Will pay extra good wages to competent girl for general housework; must go home nights. Call phone Main 2121, 215

LODGE OF SORROW TO MEET SUNDAY

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Will Hold Annual Memorial Exercises at Opera House Next Sunday Afternoon.

Medford Lodge, No. 1168, B. P. O. E., will hold their annual memorial exercises at the Medford Opera house next Sunday, December 4, at 3 o'clock. All Elks and their ladies are fraternally requested to be present, and the general public is cordially invited to share the services.

All members of the order are earnestly requested to meet at the lodge rooms promptly at 2 o'clock p. m., so that final arrangements may then be made before the services begin. Promptly at 2:45 p. m. the lodge and visiting brothers will march in a body from the lodge hall to the opera house. A splendid program has been arranged, consisting of the opening and closing exercises, double quartet by Messrs. Bennett, Johnson, Burgess, Colvig, Burgess, Lawrence, Wetzel, O'Brien, a tenor solo by Mr. Wetzel, a solo by Mrs. Hazelrigg, the reading of "Thanatopsis" by Ed Andrews and an address by C. L. Reames. The instrumental music will be furnished by Hazelrigg orchestra.

Providence has indeed been kind to the local herd, and their chain of membership remains intact without a single broken link; but in almost every other lodge of Elks throughout the United States some chair is vacant, and on Memorial day some brother's name will be thrice called without response.

BOOSTERS TALK OF ADVERTISING OREGON

SALEM, Or., Nov. 29.—The forenoon of the second day of the State Development league was devoted to practical talks on the best ways to advertise a community by half a dozen specialists, including an entertaining stunt in booster witticism by Mr. Batley of the Southwestern Washington Development league. John E. Gratie of the Astoria Budget got an ovation for his presentation of the Astoria centennial exposition project, which is to be pulled off in 1911. He announced that John Jacob Astor of New York would open the ball for that advertising event from which all Oregon would derive benefit.

The Portland Ad Men's club arrived by special car and gave a series of yells at the convention hall and at the hotel lobby.

H. G. Wells of the Sunset Magazine takes the place of R. B. Miller of the Harriman system on the evening program. At 8 o'clock this afternoon President Elliott of the Northern Pacific and party will arrive and will be escorted to the statehouse, where Elliot speaks this evening and will be given a dinner by the Salem board of trade at the Hotel Marion.

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