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LAKE SEASON IS AT ITS HEIGHT

The Crater Lake season is now at its height from 15 to 25 machines arriving and departing from the lake daily, aside from the many camping parties who are visiting the lake in wagons camping along the route. The accommodations at the lake are taxed to capacity but the departure of parties each day make it possible for the Crater Lake company to care for all of the guests.

The season began to open in earnest last week when the first car reached the rim of the lake. This week will see a constantly increasing number of visitors at the lake and during the next two months thousands will view the great natural wonder.

The machines now arriving at the lake are for the most part from California although a number of local people are visiting the lake this year. Seven California machines were at the lake Sunday.

The roads are in good condition this year and it is an easy matter to make the trip to the lake in seven hours.

GENERAL HARVEST PEARS NEXT WEEK

With instructions to delay picking of Bartlett pears as long as possible in order that the California crop may get off the market as much as possible the harvesting of pears in the valley will not begin generally until next Monday or Tuesday unless it turns off very hot in the meantime. The pears are sizing up beautifully and are in excellent condition. One car from the Daggett orchard was shipped from Central Point last Friday. This was picked early for export trade and will probably go to London as an experiment.

The Southern Pacific anticipating the harvesting, has nineteen cars sidetracked in this city. When the fruit begins to move it will go forward rapidly. All of the orchardists are in readiness to start picking the moment the fruit gives evidence of being ready to come off the trees.

STRIPS INGRATE OF BRAND NEW SUIT

Boothblack Jones is offering a perfectly good suit of clothes for sale cheap today following a spree indulged in by Joe Wilson, colored, after a few days work at Jones establishment on Central Avenue. Jones stripped the glad rags from the trembling form of Wilson at the city jail this morning and by the way of getting even retained the loose change found in the aforesaid suit.

Wilson, a tramp porter, blew into Medford a few days ago and was given employment by Jones in his shoeshining establishment. Not wishing to have an assistant who was not properly clothed Jones staked Wilson to a new suit and other wearing apparel. Yesterday Jones went on a brief vacation leaving Wilson in charge. No sooner had he left than Wilson locked up the place and proceeded to go on a protracted spree. Jones returned last evening and this morning he stripped Wilson in the city jail and is now offering one suit, size 36, for sale cheap.

COUNCILMAN MITCHELL ILL. NO SESSION WAS HELD

Failing to have a quorum, the council adjourned last night until Thursday evening when the three weeks lapse since a meeting will be broken if a quorum can be found.

The regular meeting would have taken place last night but for the sudden attack of Councilman Mitchell with malaria. Councilmen Watt and Emerick both being in quest of recreation, Mr. Mitchell's illness stopped the municipal wheels.

Much important work was scheduled for last night's meeting and the regular city bills were to have been allowed.

"WHO'S LOONEY NOW?"

"THE moving finger writes, and having writ,
 Moves on; Nor all your piety, nor wit
 Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,
 Nor all your tears wash out a word of it!"

In the spring and summer of 1909 some irrigation experiments were made in this vicinity under the direction of Prof. C. I. Lewis, horticulturist of the Oregon Agricultural College. One of them consisted in pouring cold well water on Bartlett pear trees in the Bear Creek orchard. The water chilled the trees, brought up the lime subsoil, killed the crop and made the trees sick.

Commenting upon this the Mail Tribune remarked editorially on May 6, 1910:

"The Oregon Agricultural College is undoubtedly doing good work in many lines, but in their horticultural efforts there is altogether too much experiment."

"Whether it is the fault of the instructors or the fault of students seeking to acquire knowledge—one thing is certain—their experiments have proven very costly to the Rogue River valley."

"An example of some of their work is shown in one of the prize orchards near Medford, whose owner was persuaded to turn over a block of his greatest producers for experimental purposes. As a result, there is no fruit on this block this year, and probably will not be for several years, although these trees have produced upwards of \$1000 an acre in fancy pears."

"In reply Professor Lewis, had a column letter dated Corvallis, May 26, published in the Mail Tribune of June 1, 1910, in which he stated:

"I wish to state in answer to this charge, that the Oregon Agricultural College had absolutely nothing to do with this experiment in any way. We have a written sworn statement by the owner of the orchard above referred to that we had absolutely nothing to do with the irrigation of the block in question."

The orchard referred to was the Bear Creek orchard and the signed and sworn statement in repudiation was from C. C. Whisler, then manager of the orchard, from whom the Mail Tribune got its original information.

Prof. Lewis' statement and Mr. Whisler's sworn repudiation placed the paper in a rather awkward position, a not uncommon situation for newspapers whose informants frequently crawl out of a hole by placing the blame on the paper.

Over two years have since elapsed and in Bulletin No. 113, detailing "Orchard Irrigating Studies in the Rogue River Valley," of which Prof. C. I. Lewis is one of the authors, just issued by the Division of Horticulture, Oregon Agricultural College experiment station, the following excerpt is taken, from page 14:

"The practice of irrigating young pear trees on either the red or gray sticky soils is questionable. In some experiments carried on with eight year old Bartletts at the Bear Creek Orchard the results showed no advantage gained in either the amount or size of the fruit produced. Trees which were not irrigated produced as heavily as those which received a considerable amount of water. Seven hundred gallons per tree were applied about the middle of July. In fact, subsequent results have shown that it is probably a detriment rather than an advantage to irrigate trees of this character on the soils in question. The irrigated trees seem to be much more susceptible to blight. Just what changes are brought about in the tree to render it more susceptible, whether it is due to a coarser, more sappy growth, brought about by the irrigation, or due to some other factor, is still an open question."

Who belongs to the Ananias Club?
 The Mail Tribune which printed the facts?
 Prof. Lewis, who publicly denied them?
 C. E. Whisler, who swore to his repudiation of them?
 Or the Oregon Agricultural College bulletin No. 113, written by Prof. Lewis, which confirms them and flatly contradicts Prof. Lewis' letter of May 28, 1910 and Mr. Whisler's sworn repudiation?
 "Who's looney now?"

CAMPERS CROWD THE UPPER ROGUE

According to residents of the upper Rogue River district there are more campers in that section this season than for many years past. All of the favorite camping grounds are filled and from all reports everyone is having a great time. The weather has been all that could be desired and feed is plentiful on the ranges.

Most of the campers are enjoying venison. Especially true is this of the Prospect country. Nearly a dozen deer have already been bagged by the sportsmen camped at this place.

FIRST SPADE OF EARTH IN HIGHWAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 7.—With the turning of the first spade of earth in the construction of the new \$8,000,000 state highway through California near San Bruno the three days International Highway convention here came to a close today.

At the invitation of F. D. Russell, president of the Vancouver club, to hold its next meeting in Vancouver, and a scolding speech by A. E. president of the Victoria Automobile club, a unanimous vote by the delegates favored the proposal.

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BULL MOOSE MAY HAVE FULL COUNTY TICKET THIS FALL

Whether a full county ticket will be placed in the field by the National Progressive party for the election next November will be determined at a meeting of the Jackson county committee of the National Progressive party to be held this evening at the office of B. F. Mulkey in the Jackson County Bank building.

For some time the leading members of the local "bull moose" organization have been considering the advisability of placing a local ticket in the field. Sentiment is about evenly divided and the matter will probably consume some time this evening before a final determination is reached.

If the committee decides to place a county ticket in the field it is believed that A. K. Ware will be a candidate for the county judgeship.

"LOUISIANA LOU" PLEASING SHOW

The performance last night at the opera house was a beautiful pleasing show, with bright songs and a snappy, if not a thoroughly witty, dialogue. Musical comedies like Louisiana Lou can not stand the light of criticism from either a musical or a dramatic art standpoint. The entertainment is calculated to while away a pleasant hour or two and in that, it succeeded.

The caste was good throughout and the costumes were unusually pretty. The chorus girls were shapely little misses, with voices that were in tune.

There was quite a crowd from the outside towns Ashland being especially well represented.

Mr. McCallum has some good things for the coming theatrical season, among which are "The Merry Widow," "The Chocolate Soldier," "Modern Eve," "Bunty Pulls the Strings," "Fortune Hunters," "The Gamblers," "Officer 666," and "Pomander Walk."

This being presidential year, many of the best attractions will come west, where the political fight is supposedly not so intense. This, however, may be an exceptional season, even in Oregon.

ED ANDREWS.

FELT BAD ALL THE TIME Shellhorn Lady Suffered a Great Deal, But Is All Right Now.

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