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PARADE FEATURE OF PORTOLA SHOW

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 24.—The big feature of the Portola festival was staged here today, when 18,000 persons marched in a great industrial parade.

Starting at 10 o'clock from the Ferry building, it required exactly four hours for the marchers and floats to pass a given point. The parade was composed of fifteen divisions, each, with its special features of historic or present day interest.

During the morning and afternoon, some of the world's best golf players, including Ray and Vardon, the English champions, played at the San Francisco Golf and Country club tournament.

Another feature of the day was the fact that the warships assembled in the harbor were opened to public inspection throughout the afternoon.

NOTHING SPECTACULAR ABOUT SERVICES

The evangelistic services at the Christian church conducted by Mr. Putnam are attracting favorable comment every where.

Mr. Putnam's methods are out of the usual revival kind. There are no demonstrations of any kind calculated to appeal to people who are looking for something new and strange.

To night is the last service of this week and Mr. Putnam preaches on the "Points of Personal Contact." Splendid song service every evening at 7:30.

ASHLAND ELKS LODGE IMPROVES ITS TEMPLE

The trustees of Ashland lodge, No. 944, R. P. O. E., have contracted with Frank Jordan for the completion of the basement of the Elks Temple along lines that will convert it into the spacious and beautiful banquet hall for which it was originally intended.

The improvements consist of laying a cement floor throughout the entire basement—including the big banquet hall, kitchen, storerooms, hallway, etc. The minor rooms are already plastered and the main banquet hall is to be similarly finished.

A pressed steel ceiling is also to be put in and the girders and columns are to be boxed and paneled. The whole will be finished in white enamel.—Ashland Tidings.

A LECTURE SATURDAY FREE TO ALL

Prof. Young of the University of Eugene will lecture on Saturday, October 25, at 10:30 a. m. in the Christian church. The public are invited to hear this lecture.

WESTON F. SHIELDS, Secretary of Class.

POSTMASTER AT BUTTE FALLS TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION

C. P. Briggs has sent in his resignation as postmaster of Butte Falls. F. L. Kneel has been deputy postmaster the past month and intends to qualify for the office.

There will be an examination of applicants soon as fourth-class offices are now under civil service rules.

TEACHING ROAD BUILDING

COUNTY JUDGE THOMPSON of Lane county is so convinced of his capacity and knowledge of road building that he is writing a text book on the subject, for use in the public schools.

Judging by Lane county roads, someone besides school children needs instruction in road building. Or perhaps it is figured that if the school children learn, by the time they have grown up good roads can be built.

While it may be an excellent idea to teach the young how to build roads, it would accomplish more for the present generation if county courts and road supervisors were taught first—few of them in Oregon know much about the subject.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been wasted in road building in Oregon. There is practically no maintenance provided. The idea of the average man who is building highways is to dump gravel in the center of a road and let travel smash it into shape.

The average supervisor looks upon road building as a graft for his own and friends' benefit—something to work his teams upon and bring in ready cash.

It would be an excellent idea if road supervisors were made to study the road problem and forced to pass an examination upon the subject before appointment.

Oregon needs road building instruction—but let's begin with the road builders. Then the taxpayers of the present will reap some of the benefits.

AN ORCHARD FEATURE

THE MAIL TRIBUNE starts an orchard column today in which news of interest to the fruit grower can be found. Co-operation of those interested is requested.

Brief articles by growers are desired, as well as statistics of orchard yield and returns.

News of both associations, as well as independent buyers and shippers, is desired. No favorites will be played and the policy of the Mail Tribune will be to give every one a square deal and the desired space.

Fruit raising is the great industry of the valley. It is still in its infancy. The Mail Tribune will do what it can to assist in its upbuilding.

Every grower is invited to record his experience and his ideas. It is a good way of informing his friends in the east and elsewhere and of heralding abroad what is being done in the world's best fruit belt.

The agate, a natural resource

To the Editor: The agate is one of Rogue river valley's great attractions. Why Because they stand in a class by themselves and are second to none in the world.

one seeking recreation can find anywhere. Deep sea fishing, surf bathing, mountain climbing, etc. And where one can sleep in flannel blankets the year around, and in July and August will seek the sunny side of the fence instead of the shady side.

Now get busy and get in on the ground floor and have something made in Oregon. A fine moss agate or cornetation to show your eastern friends that the Rogue river valley produces the finest to be found anywhere in the world.

W. I. MAPES, Eagle Point, Ore.

MRS. PANKHURST OFF FOR CLEVELAND LECTURE

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the English militant suffragette leader, left here today for Cleveland, the first stop on a lecture tour, which will include several middle western cities.

Call for Bank Statements

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—The comptroller of the currency issued today a call for the condition of national banks at the close of business October 21.

Coffee

A liquified smile; a fragrant cup of Schilling's Best coffee—as a hopeful send-off to the day's work.

John A Perl Undertaker

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Oregon Needs the University Which Needs the Appropriation

There are urgent reasons why every friend of good schools should be out on Tuesday, November 4th. The last legislature appropriated \$100,000 for a new building at the University of Oregon, and \$75,000 for needed additions and repairs to the buildings now on the campus.

As regards the question of consolidation, the great weight of reason rests on the side of developing the U. of O. and O. A. C. in two separate institutions; they are close enough so that they can co-operate; both are good schools and the expensive plants at either location can not be surrendered without great loss of the state.

A few years ago the state of Texas faced this same problem of consolidation. A commission was appointed and spent \$25,000 in a most thorough investigation covering the educational systems of the world. Their report was absolutely and unqualifiedly against consolidation in any form.

California and Washington are building up great universities which are the pride of the coast and compare most favorably with the great universities of the east. Oregon has to take a back seat because of just such petty politics as this.

Help the state of Oregon to get the name of being a good schools commonwealth.

Growing Apples in Semi-Arid Region

What May We Expect? 1. Areas receiving considerable runoff from higher lands or light sub-irrigation are found occasionally within the rainfall belt of five to fifteen inches that often produce two good crops amounting to three or four tons per acre, but are no guide to what may be expected with the natural rainfall.

2. Where the rainfall is less than 15 inches and there is no runoff or sub-irrigation, one fair to light crop annually is all that should be expected. If every precaution in the culture of the crop is observed. This is better than one fair wheat crop every four to six years.

3. With less than twelve inches rainfall, farmers are advised to experiment with small tracts until they learn what they can do. Considerable risk is attached to establishing the crop with less than twelve inches annual rainfall.

4. Seeding with a drill, as described in latest bulletin issued by the state college.

5. Very thin seeding, preferably in rows 30 to 42 inches apart for cultivation.

6. Thorough cultivation every year.

7. Care not to pasture close at any time.

We would strongly urge farmers throughout the semi-arid belt to give alfalfa a careful trial. As a forage and soil-improving crop for such conditions it is of the highest rank.

Popular bulletins Nos. 42 and 49 discuss the principles of dry land farming and Extension Bulletin No. 1 discusses the details of growing alfalfa without irrigation. These may be secured from the Experiment Station, Pullman, Wash., upon request.

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