

GREAT BENEFIT TO VALLEY FROM THUNDER STORM

Weather Observer Beveridge issued a storm warning this noon, predicting more thunder and lightning either tonight or Saturday morning. The barometer is dropping fast and a north wind is blowing the storm over the valley. The storm area is coming up from the southwest from off the Pacific ocean. Professor Beveridge says the approaching disturbance will be unusually severe.

A thunder and electrical storm, general over the Rogue River valley Thursday afternoon, inflicted slight damage and proved a godsend to growing crops, the dry earth, turning conditions in general and forestalled the possibilities of forest fires in the hill district for six weeks. In the country districts in spots the rain was accompanied by hail, and fell in other sections with near-cloudburst effects. It was the crowning rain of three days of thundery weather. The service of the California-Oregon Power company was demoralized in the valley, a half dozen transformers being grounded by the lightning.

Lightning raised havoc at the Edmedes ranch in East Medford, striking ten telephone poles, splintering them badly. The voltage put the transformers in the Edmedes pumping plant out of commission. Lightning struck in the garden, leaving balls of smoke where it struck. One of the horses was knocked down by a shock, but uninjured. The telephones of the district were out of commission for a time. This seems to have been the storm center.

The storm broke over Mount Wagner and spread west and northwest. At Mule Hill, on the Applegate road, a small cloudburst occurred, according to Ralph Griceom, who was driving to Jacksonville. Torrents ran down the hillsides, cutting deep furrows in the road. For a few minutes the rainfall was so heavy that he had to cup his hand over his nose to catch his breath. Further up he encountered heavy hail. He thinks many trees were hit by lightning and fired, but extinguished by the heavy rain. In Medford no damage was done. The wind attained a velocity of twenty-nine and one-half miles an hour according to weather bureau observations.

Wednesday afternoon Gold Hill was the center of a thunderstorm. Joe Beeman says it was the severest thunderstorm he ever saw in this section. Two inches of rain fell in an hour and rose bushes and gardens were bent down by force of the water. The streams were full of water and flooded. Hail as big as quail eggs fell. Medford precipitation was the lightest of any section in the storm belt, .27 of an inch falling. Most of the farmers reporting to Observer Beveridge say an inch fell.

MUST SECURE PERMIT TO MINE IN ROGUE

SALEM, Or., May 22.—That persons desiring to mine river beds in the state must apply to the state land board was an opinion rendered yesterday by Attorney-General Crawford at the instance of W. C. Hodges of Los Angeles. While the mining laws provide that any citizen may take up as a claim any unappropriated part of the public domain, they do not apply to river beds, which are owned by the state and are not a part of the public domain. The state land board has the exclusive right of disposing of state lands and the right to lease mineral lands. Mr. Hodges wrote in the interest of friends who desired to take up a mineral claim in Rogue river. It is understood they intend mining for gold if they can obtain control of the river bed at a certain point which has not been divulged.

CONTRACTOR LEAVES WITH \$3000 IN COIN

SEATTLE, Wash., May 22.—B. R. Sundall, contractor on a government building at the Puget Sound navy yard, left his home in Seattle Sunday morning with \$3000, and has not since been seen. A rowboat, containing Sundall's hat was found on the east shore of Lake Washington today. Sundall had hired the boat Sunday morning. Sundall was 36 years old, in good health and financially well-to-do.

WITH THE CAMERA IN VERA CRUZ FOLLOWING AMERICAN OCCUPATION

SCENES SHOWING FLEEING REFUGEES AND A MEETING BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND FEDERAL ARMY OFFICERS.



Scenes just before and following the cessation of hostilities attending the occupation of Vera Cruz by the United States are presented herewith. In one picture is seen an American army officer greeting Mexican Federal officers a short distance from Vera Cruz; another shows a number of refugees fleeing from the interior of Mexico to the American lines and safety. They were tired and footsore, having walked for miles through dense woods and on railroad tracks. The third picture shows a party of American soldiers on outpost duty outside of Vera Cruz, with a 3-inch field gun.

NEWS FROM COUNTRY CORRESPONDENTS

TABLE ROCK TABLETS

Rev. M. C. Davis failed to fill his appointment last Sunday but promises to be here next Sunday. A thunder shower accompanied by hail stones as large as quail eggs visited this section last Thursday doing some damage to gardens. The following from outside points were Sunday visitors in Table Rock: Merle Kandle, Carl Beebe, Weldon Sage, Sanford Richardson, Owen Wilson and family, Lorn Gregory and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Potts. James Pendland visited relatives in Central Point Sunday. Wren Byron is working at Marshfield.

At the tennis meet last Friday between the Agate high school and our tennis players Table Rock won the girls doubles and boys singles, Agate winning the mixed doubles. Considering that this is Agate's first season with tennis their playing was remarkably good. At the last meeting of the Table Rock Improvement association, Mrs. Washburn, Mrs. Chase and Marie Nealon were appointed as a fly swatting committee. Our ball team mixed with the Central Point team at that place last Sunday at the end of nine innings the score stood 6-14 in favor of Central Point. This is the first game the Table Rock team has lost this season and this should have been an easy game for them but the boys seemed to be glued to the ground. They couldn't hit the ball, couldn't run and could not even stop quick. More practice boys and out on the Saturday night frolics.

COKER BUTTE CRD.AKS

Ben Robinson and family of Medford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rountree. Dr. W. R. Stokes and D. E. Phelan have recently purchased Ford touring cars. Every ranch owner from the Guthrie orchard to the 401 ranch now own cars. Mrs. I. A. Pruet and family entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Anderson and Mrs. and Mrs. P. Burnberg, both of Medford. Mrs. Wilbur of Kalamazoo, C. H. Brown, of the Honola ranch. Professor C. Engelhardt of the Guthrie ranch has broken all records for hay making by beginning on May 20. A vote of thanks is certainly due the road supervisor of this district. During the past few weeks he has done more to improve the highway from Medford to the Philips orchard than has been done in the entire two years preceding. All holes have been filled, rough stretches dragged and low parts gravelled. With a little rain and use there will be no better stretch of road in the county.

PHOENIX PHYLERS

The general school exercises will be held Monday afternoon, May 25, and the eighth grade exercises will be held Tuesday evening in the school auditorium. Charles Roberts has moved his family just south of town, near the home of James Allen. Mr. and Mrs. A. Weiss of Griffin Creek transacted business and renewed old acquaintances in town on Thursday. The Presbyterians are preparing to hold a Sunday school and congregational picnic in the rose grove in the near future. The Civic club met Tuesday afternoon and decided to cooperate with the other societies in observing Memorial day. Dr. J. K. Balle will deliver the address. The band will furnish the music. A fine program is being prepared. Mrs. Arthur Purry was appointed chairman of the civic musical committee. The club also decided to observe next Tuesday, May 26, as a general clean-up day. The cemetery board will also observe the day, and all those in the surrounding community who are interested are invited to come with teams, wagons and shovels, as there is much work to be done. The following is the program to be given by the eighth grade Tuesday evening at the school house: Chorus, "Greeting to Spring," high school, seventh and eighth grades; address, J. Percy Wells, county superintendent of schools; music, Phoenix orchestra; recitation, "The Builders," Raymond Purry; dialogue, "The Moral Order," Berthold Heare; Wendell Gannall; piano solo, Mable Heare; recitation, "Courting at Injun Bay," Edith Johnson; class will, Mildred Elmer; class prophesy, Carl Newbury; presentation of diplomas by Mr. Stevens, chairman of the school board; music, Phoenix band.

The following are the members of the class: Edith Johnson, Lucy Carl, Wendell Gannall, Frances Henry, Mildred Elmer, Cynthia Horn, Maud Fry, Mabel Frost, Raymond Purry, Mabel Heare, Earl Miller, Berthold Heare, Carl Newbury and Ann Carl. County Superintendent J. Percy Wells has promised to be present and deliver the address of the evening. The program speaks for itself, and a full house is assured. A few weeks ago the committee appointed by Mr. Wells to have charge of the children's department of the county fair, met in Medford at the call of the chairman, Mrs. E. E. Gore, of that city. Mrs. Gore named each member of the committee that each should name in her district. Miss S. A. Cope, chairman of the Phoenix district, has named the following persons as members of the local committee: Phoenix, Mrs. Guy Thrasher and Mrs. W. Carlson; District No. 15, John A. Gannall and

PANAMA GRAFT GREAT MENACE TO LOCKS

PITTSBURG, May 22.—The indictment of five employees of the Carbon Steel company on a charge of conspiracy in connection with the steel furnished for the locks, in the Panama canal was voted by the federal grand jury here today. It is alleged that the steel furnished was of such an inferior quality that the immense locks at the dams in the canal are liable to collapse at any time, causing heavy loss of property and probably lives. The men named are Samuel W. Wetmore, David J. Simpson, Dennis K. Bullens, Henry Lutz and James E. Lacy. Two others, W. R. Warren and Fred Schoppe, were also named in the indictment, but the grand jury recommended that no indictment be found against them, as they gave valuable testimony. The grand jury requested the court to direct United States District Attorney E. Lowrey Himes to lay before it a bill for indictment, setting forth the alleged violations of law by the men named. District Attorney Himes said he would present the indictment tomorrow. It is charged that Wetmore, who was superintendent of the Carbon Steel company in 1911, and Bullens, who was metallurgist together with the other men, conspired to defraud the government by furnishing an inferior quality of steel to be used in building the canal locks. It is alleged that the ends of the huge beams and plates were tempered highly, that when the government inspector would chip off an end to analyze, he would get a sample that was of the best kind of steel while the balance of the beams and plates were of inferior quality.

At the 14s, The Battle at Elderbrush Gulch, two reel Biograph in-pan story. On the day of dog feast at the Indian campment, the waits arrive at Elderbrush Gulch. Their pet pups came with them, "now we eat," said the chief's son, when he saw the pup's fat little hides. But he met his death instead. "The blood of the whites," cried the Redmen, and all on account of two small dogs. The settlement at Elderbrush Gulch was wiped from the map, yet many strong hearts lived to tell the tale, along with the dogs, the waits and the baby. One comedy drama and two Reel comedies concludes the bill for Friday and Saturday.

Legal notices for sale at the Mail Tribune office.

Treatment for Rose Grub

(By George Manose of National Rose Society.) The most general plan for the treatment of rose grubs or bugs is to wait until we see the buds being eaten, the leaves ruined and then pinch the grub in the leaf and kill it. What we want to do is to prevent these creatures from doing any damage, and this can only be done by spraying with arsenate of lead early in the year, say the middle of April and not later than mid May. Perhaps this will have to be done twice, but at the same time we potter the foliage for many of the other rose caterpillars. During experiments carried out last year with nicotine for caterpillars on fruit trees, I at the same time tried it for rose grubs, and found it more successful on the young grubs than arsenate or lead, owing to its penetrative properties. (Note.) Bubaeh powder, which can be purchased at any drug store, is recommended for green aphids on small rose bushes and can be used in a common shower. Let us clean and make over your last year's suit or dress. We have the equipment and we know how. Have your work done by one of the largest and most sanitary plants in the country, the cost is no more.

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REBEL LEADERS TO SEND DELEGATES MEDIATION MEET

WASHINGTON, May 22.—President Wilson discussed with the cabinet today reports received from American Commissioners Lamah and Eshmann at the Niagara Falls Mexican mediation conference. Among subjects of particular interest to cabinet members was the report that the Mexican constitutionalist leaders had decided to send a representative to Niagara Falls. Further progress of the negotiations at Niagara Falls were received by the president during the night from the American commissioners, but nothing was made public regarding the nature of the dispatches. Secretary Bryan, before entering the cabinet room, said he had hoped that definite word will be received from Vice Consul Sullivan before night.

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