

### IOWANS OF VALLEY ENJOY PICNIC AT ASHLAND PARK

Iowans to the number of nearly three hundred held their second annual southern Oregon picnic at Ashland yesterday.

Registration commenced at ten o'clock and was featured by a map of Iowa being used and each Iowan registering, was given a tag as well as a card bearing his name and former Iowa home. Each county contained a brass tack in the center and each party placed his or her tag over the tack over their former Iowa county. Considerable rivalry was shown as to the county having the largest number. The contest was close between several of the counties.

Promptly at 12:30 all partook of a bounteous basket dinner by groups and families.

After the basket dinner, President C. D. Hoon called the association to order and presented the business of the hour and the program of the day, in a few well chosen words.

After the reading of the minutes of last year, the association proceeded to elect officers for the coming year: President, F. J. Shinn of Ashland; secretary-treasurer, Will Day of Ashland; district vice-presidents, W. D. Holdridge, Talent, F. M. Sheets, Phoenix, E. V. Coffin, Medford, Geo. Hilton, Central Point, E. E. Blanchard, Grants Pass.

The program then opened with the song "Iowa", followed by five minute talks, interspersed with songs and recitations. E. H. Hurd, Medford, Fred W. Mears, Medford, E. E. Blanchard, Grants Pass, W. W. Carpenter, C. M. Thomas of Medford, responded to toasts, proposed by the toastmaster and president, C. D. Hoon of Medford. "Posey Dick" Campbell of Ashland rendered two of his choice humorous poems. Mrs. Lundy gave a solo. The next in order was the races and sports of the day. While the day was exceedingly hot all enjoyed the park and the cool inviting Lithia day of Ashland, and voted the event a success.

E. E. Blanchard of Grants Pass rendered a parody on the song "Iowa."

F. Butts of Ashland, who was born in Van Buren county in 1838, came to Oregon in 1845, is the oldest Iowan in Oregon.

### BUSINESS MEN OF SAN FRANCISCO DUE SATURDAY

A special train carrying more than 100 representatives of San Francisco wholesale firms and business houses will arrive in Medford Saturday, August 26, at 11 a. m., and will remain until 3:45 p. m., visiting Medford's merchants and bankers. In accordance with the request of the San Francisco chamber of commerce, no entertainment will be offered the members of the excursion other than to pilot them around and introduce them to Medford's merchants and bankers, who are requested to remain in their places of business during the time the excursionists are here. Following the Medford visit, the excursionists will be taken in charge by Ashland citizens, taken to Ashland in automobiles and entertained in Lithia park.

The special train of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, carrying the wholesale trade excursion to Coos Bay and Oregon cities, left San Francisco last Saturday night. The first stop was made in Eugene on Sunday night, and the party spent all Monday noon visiting with the merchants of that city, who tendered them a reception in the rooms of the Commercial club. Leaving Eugene, the trip was over the new railroad to Coos Bay, where Marshfield and North Bend greeted San Francisco with entertainments at their clubs. Tuesday was spent in visiting the merchants of these two towns, and Wednesday they proceeded to Myrtle Point, Coquille and Randon. Thursday Coos Bay celebrated the opening of the new railway at North Bend and the San Francisco party devoted themselves entirely to the many entertainments which had been provided for the occasion.

### SEEK ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS NEXT WEEK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Administration leaders in congress were today planning adjournment next Friday or Saturday. Senator Simmons, chairman of the finance committee, said he believed it could be done, unless unforeseen developments arose.

### OREGON TO RECEIVE TWO MILLIONS FOR FEDERAL HIGHWAYS

SALEM, Or., Aug. 25.—During the next five years Oregon will receive from the federal government approximately \$1,820,000 for the building of roads under the provisions of the federal aid road act. State Engineer Lewis said today on his return from Washington, D. C. If this sum is met by the state and counties of Oregon it will mean \$3,640,000 for roads.

Mr. Lewis went to Washington to attend a conference to discuss rules and regulations under which \$85,000,000 of federal money will be expended in co-operation with states.

"The secretary of agriculture is anxious that each state adopt a comprehensive road program and apply available funds direct to such end and that a substantial showing can be made during the five-year period," says Mr. Lewis. "As the federal funds will largely be expended by the states under the direction of the United States office of public roads, there will be a strong tendency toward uniformity in state legislation and the building up of businesslike state departments to administer road funds."

**Two Methods Provided.** "The federal act provides two distinct methods for expending this enormous sum. Under section 6, \$75,000,000 is to be expended in co-operation with the states upon the dollar for dollar basis, on rural post roads outside national forests during the next five years, both state and federal money to be expended by the state highway departments under federal supervision.

"Under this section, \$78,687 is now available to Oregon. On July 1, 1917, \$157,375, or double the amount, will be available. The following year three times this year's allotment will be available, and so on until the fifth year, when the amount will be \$393,437. Allotments will revert if not expended within two years. Funds contributed by counties for state work can be used to offset federal funds."

**National Forests Included.**

"Under section 8 of the federal act, \$10,000,000 is to be expended in co-operation with the state or counties upon roads within national for-

ests. Co-operation must be had on some equitable base, and the secretary of agriculture will probably hold this to mean a dollar for dollar basis. The federal funds are to be expended by the federal road department, and state or county funds are to be expended by, or under the direction of that department. Co-operative work may be done by the state or county upon roads outside national forests, but which connect with forest roads.

"The sum of \$127,794 will be available to Oregon each year under this section. If not expended within the year it will be available until the end of the third year.

"Oregon's allotment under both sections will thus be \$266,480 for the fiscal year ending July 1, 1917, and \$285,170 additional will be available on such date for the following year, or a total of \$491,650.

**Oregon Needs Money.** "Oregon's quarter mill state highway fund has practically all been pledged by the highway commission for 1916 and the \$240,000 available in 1917 will not be sufficient to meet and secure all the federal money available. Counties may meet and secure part of such funds, but preference will doubtless be given to those county projects to be constructed under the supervision of the state highway department.

"In addition, the state and counties must agree to properly maintain co-operative roads, and must provide rights of way necessary therefor.

"Project statements must be submitted upon forms provided by the secretary of agriculture. As a basis for approving projects, the secretary will require the state and local federal authorities to agree upon a general plan for the improvement of highways throughout the state. All of the \$3,638,500 which will thus be expended in the next five years by the state and federal governments in co-operation can thus be applied toward the construction of through and connected routes, and not be frittered away on disconnected projects."

Lewis says he believes that the federal aid act will force the various state and county road departments to adopt higher standards of engineering and accounting, and apply all available funds toward the completion of definite projects, with provision for maintenance.

**DIED** PATTERSON—Mrs. May Sutton Patterson, wife of J. E. Patterson, daughter of Mrs. R. K. Sutton and sister of Mrs. George F. King, formerly of Medford, Or., died in Thermapoli, Wyo., August 3, 1916, peritonitis being the cause of her death.

### NO PREFERENCE RIGHTS TO O.-C. RAILROAD LAND

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Secretary of the Interior Lane, in an announcement says it is utterly useless for any person to attempt to secure any preference right to the Oregon-California railroad lands. He adds:

"The attention of the department has been called to the fact that there are already at work, in the field, locators who are claiming that through their services rights can be secured, for the payment of a small fee. The department desires at this time again to warn the public that no such preference can be obtained at this time, and that any money paid such locators will undoubtedly be money thrown away.

"It is the policy of the department that when the lands are ready to be thrown open for settlement and entry, the public is to be notified hereof, so that every one will have an

equal opportunity and an equal chance. This policy will be strictly adhered to."

### TWO TRIPS DAILY MEDFORD and EAGLE POINT

S. H. Harnish's auto will leave Eagle Point at 8 A. M. and 1 P. M. daily, except Sunday; leave Medford 9 A. M. and 5 P. M. Will call for passengers at hotels in Medford and hotels and business houses in Eagle Point.

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Boys' Sport Blouses, Kaynee Brand, 50c.  
Boys' School Shirts, Kaynee Brand, 50c.  
Boys' Best Grade Work Shirts, 45c.  
Men's Dress Ties, 13c, 23c, 25c, 35c and 50c.

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Men's Union Suits, summer weight, 59c.  
Men's Union Suits, summer weight, regular \$1.00, 89c.  
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Men's nearly All-Wool Union Suits, \$2, \$1.69.  
Boys' Winter Weight Union Suits, 50c and 65c.

### Men's Hosiery

Men's Dress Hose, 9c, 15c, 25c and 35c.  
Men's Work Hose, cotton, 10c, 3 for 25c.  
Men's Work Hose, in wool, 25c and 35c.  
Men's Cashmere Hose, 25c.

### Men's Hats

One lot of Good Felt Hats, regular price \$2.50, at 98c.  
Men's Fall Styles in Dress Hats, \$1.39, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$2.00 and \$2.50.  
Men's New Fall Caps, 25c, 39c, 50c, 85c, 95c.  
Boy's New Fall Caps, 39c and 50c.

### Men's Pants

Men's All-Wool Dress Pants, \$3.50.  
Men's Mixed Wool and Cotton Pants, \$2.50.  
Men's Corduroy Pants, \$2.50.  
One lot of Men's Work Pants, \$1.75.  
Men's Kahiki Pants, best grade, \$1.15.

### Men's Bib Overalls

220 Weight Denims, German dyed, union made, \$1.15.  
Men's Overalls, American dye, heavy denims, 95c.  
Waist Overalls, Levi Strauss brand, 90c.

### Men's Clothing

We can save you from \$2.50 to \$4.00 on your fall suit.  
Young Men's Suits, all wool, from \$8.89 to \$10.  
Men's All-Wool Suits from \$10.00 to \$19.80.  
Men's All-Wool Gray Serge, \$12.50 to \$13.50.  
Men's All-Wool Blue Serges, \$11.50, \$13.50 and \$16.50.

### Men's Shoes

Men's Dress Shoes, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.25 and \$4.50.  
Men's Work Shoes, Peters' make, \$2.70, \$3.03, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$3.90 and \$4.00.

### Boy's School Shoes

Sizes 9 to 13 1/2, \$1.48, \$1.65, \$1.85.  
Sizes 1 to 2, \$1.90, \$2.00, \$2.15.  
Sizes 2 1/2 to 6, \$2.25, \$2.35, \$2.60, \$3.00.

### Gloves

Men's Canvas Gloves, 5c, 8c and 10c.  
Men's Leather Work Gloves, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.  
Men's Leather Work Gloves, gauntlet, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

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Boys' Suits from \$3.00 to \$7.50.  
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In patent, both button and lace, \$3.75, \$3.60, \$2.75 and \$2.50.  
In kid, button and lace, \$3.50, \$3.15, \$3.00 and \$2.75.  
Misses' School Shoes, in button and lace, \$3.50, \$3.00, \$2.75 and \$2.35.

### Children's School Shoes

Buster Brown line—sizes 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.95 and \$2.00; sizes 11 1/2 to 2, \$2.35.  
Other lines—5 1/2 to 8, \$1.15, \$1.35, \$1.48; 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.45, \$1.55, \$1.75; 11 1/2 to 2, \$1.65, \$1.85, \$1.90.