

SET OFF RED EIRE ON HOOD'S SUMMIT

Those of the party who touched off the red fire on the summit of Mount Hood on the night of July 4 were George Weister, W. M. Weygandt, H. M. Meeklen, E. H. Moorehouse and the guide, Peter Feldhausen. The party started on the fire at 10 o'clock in the afternoon. The ascent was accomplished without accident, the summit being reached at 6 o'clock. The time scheduled for the illumination was 9 o'clock, and the members of the party were, therefore, compelled to spend the three intervening hours on the peak.

The wind was blowing a perfect gale when we reached the summit, said Mr. Weister, in speaking of the trip, "and it was bitterly cold. We came near freezing and during the three hours we had to do the 'war dance' to keep ourselves in condition to accomplish the illumination. Peter Feldhausen, the guide, arranged the powder and set it off. He deserves all the credit for the successful event. Photographs were taken of the fire, but they were not very good, as the wind was blowing so strongly. We started on the descent about 10 o'clock. We would see the lights of Portland plainly, could distinguish the exposition grounds and could see the tower of the Greenian building illuminated. We could also see Hood River and The Dalles, and witness the fireworks in those towns. We clearly saw the rocket fire at the Fair grounds.

The descent, being made at night after the new land frozen, was very difficult. We walked down an incline of ice, in which footholds had to be cut at every step. It was very difficult, but we accomplished it successfully.

NEW LIGHT FROM MOUNT HOOD. Forest Grove Times.

The red fire on the top of Mount Hood was very plainly seen from here on Fourth of July night by those who were watching for it. The flash came almost exactly at 10 o'clock and lasted probably about a minute. It seemed like a bright red star in the sky, a very little larger than the brightest star visible, but nowhere near as large as the moon.

OREGON FRUIT IN GOOD CONDITION

Fruit conditions are now favorable throughout Oregon. While it is generally thought no fruit will yield a record breaking crop, the quality of the fruit bid fair to be good and the yield will be out of ordinary from the market standpoint. Apple orchards of the state will yield only half crop, but on account of this very fact the fruit will be of much better quality and a more marketable product than were it a full crop and the trees heavily loaded. In the eastern part of the state, peaches, pears, plums and plums will all yield a full crop. In Southern Oregon and the Willamette Valley, either of which sections produce more fruit than elsewhere, Oregon, pears and plums will yield a full crop, peaches about 60 per cent and pears half a crop. These figures are based upon careful estimates and are believed to be correct. Cherries are everywhere yielding about a full crop. Apples, yield, while small fruits are yielding a full crop in all parts of the state. Growers and dealers figure on 120,000 bales as Oregon a probable top yield for 1905. This is an increase of one-third over last year's yield. A part of this estimated increase is due to a larger acreage, but the crop is at least 50 per cent better in amount of growth than at this time last year. The change is very heavy, and the berries are blossoming out now in splendid shape. Of course, everything hinges on climatic conditions, and the estimate of 120,000 bales, which will be the largest crop Oregon has ever produced, is now in the support position that weather conditions will be favorable to the crop, is safely invested.

Good Roads is the Latest Hobby. More Observers.

From center to circumference of civil nations this topic is being discussed. The State of Oregon county deserves to pay greater attention to the subject. Everyone knows, if they want to have a good road, they should strive to make them good and keep them good. Some people say it doesn't pay to "waste your time" in making good roads. They have too much other work to do in town, an educated or sensible person will ask if it pays to have bad roads. The hard pull on the bus, wagon, harness, etc., does that pay? A man will start to town with a load of goods, and perhaps get to some notch. He has to get any better? Never, only getting worse, as time flies.

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ARRANGE TO FORM AN IOWA SOCIETY

W. F. Laraway, the Iowa Jeweler, located in the Sisson building, is arranging to form an Iowa society in Hood River. Dr. Laraway has a book on his counter in which he is asking all Iowans to register their names, date when they left that state for Oregon, and their present occupation.

Later in the summer a genuine Iowa picnic is being planned for. It is thought this will bring out the Iowans in full force. Over 40 names have been registered with Mr. Laraway, and he says only a beginning has been made. It is surprising how many residents of Hood River once lived in the state of Iowa.

Ten in a Family Group. The Gribble-Billings family at Mount Hood were in this city last Friday for a group photograph that shouldadden the hearts of Teddy Roosevelt. There were ten in the party. They are Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Billings, W. S. Gribble, R. N. Gribble, M. J. Gribble, E. W. Gribble, Mrs. Kate Cooder and Bruce Billings. Mrs. Billings is the mother of nine children, all of them being Gribbles with the exception of Master Bruce.

This is the first time in 15 years that all the members of the family have been together, and advantage was taken of the occasion to secure the group picture, of which all should be proud. All members of the party are native Oregonians with the exception of Mr. Billings. Mrs. Billings' parents, the Fish family, came to Oregon in 1847, the year she was born. Her former husband, Joseph B. Gribble, had preceded her from Missouri one year. They settled in Clackamas county near Canby, where all the present members of the Gribble family were born.

W. S. Gribble says he remembers attending school in a little house formed of hewed logs, where now stands a fine four-room building. He came to Hood River and settled in the upper valley 12 years ago in June. Mr. Gribble is now a successful merchant and postmaster at Mount Hood. Mrs. J. T. Cooper is a resident of The Dalles. R. N. Cooper is here from Montana, where he is interested in a large stock ranch. W. J. Gribble belongs to Wisconsin, where he is connected with a company manufacturing instruments for wireless telegraphy. He was general superintendent of the plant for a while.

Bills Allowed by the City. Claims against the city were allowed at last week's council meeting as follows: Bradley, printing ballots, \$4; Recorder Nickelsen, 3 per cent of licenses, costs in recorder court, expenses, etc., \$21.02; A. A. Jayne, preparing ordinance, \$10; Light and Water Co., lights, \$10; Oregon Lumber Co., \$1.03; Transfer Co., \$2; George I. Kennedy, supplies, \$1.75; C. C. Peck, special marshal, \$40; J. P. Jensen, street commissioner, \$51; J. P. Jensen, salary for June, \$6; J. M. Lakin, labor, \$1.

The report of Recorder Nickelsen for the half year ending June 30, showed the receipts of the city from licenses issued to be \$251.45; fines collected \$78.90; pound fees, \$105.50; dog licenses, \$62.50.

The report of Treasurer Smith showed the receipts of the city for the last quarter to be \$2382.33; disbursements, \$237.85; leaving a balance on hand of \$1684.54.

The road fund was augmented by \$103. Of this amount \$23.92 has been disbursed, leaving a balance on hand of \$133.28.

The water fund showed an overdraft of \$306.20, the receipts being \$250, and the disbursements, \$556.20. On motion of McDonald, a warrant was ordered drawn on the general fund to make up the deficit in the water fund.

Those who served on the election board were allowed a compensation of \$2 per diem. The following were then named as officers of the special election called for Friday, July 14: Hubbard, Hartley and Arnold, judges; Outhank and Osburn, clerks.

County Court Allows Bills. Checking up of claims against the county occupied the attention of the commissioner's court a greater part of the two-day session last week. If the clerk keeps up much longer, says Commissioner Hubbard, the court will have to resort to interest bearing warrants.

A majority of the bills this time were for expenses of the recent local election. As there was a light vote, and as the judges and clerks were on duty but a few minutes after the polls closed in the evening, the court has allowed them pay for but one day only, thus saving several hundred dollars to the taxpayers. Claims had been put in for a day and a half. Members of the election board about The Dalles were willing to accept the one day pay, and the court concluded other parts of the county would be willing to do the same.

Taxpayers in The Dalles and the eastern part of the county are inclined to feel upon the recent election as a "class expense. There are some who feel "sore." The total expense will be something over \$800.

Valuable Mine of Indian Relics. White Salmon Enterprise. We mentioned some time ago that William Wheeler found a couple of stone sinkers while digging a cellar; well, the other day there were found, but a few feet from the same spot a small mortar perfect in shape, and part of a pestle, and singly placed against a large rock, which was being blasted away, were two more very beautiful and perfectly shaped sinkers, about as large again as the first. All were three or four feet below the surface of the ground, having been there perhaps three or four generations. The flat around Underwood seems to be a regular mine where some of the most valuable Indian relics have been found.

A splendid building has been erected for entertainment purposes at the Lewis and Clark exposition by the Masonic order. The structure is located on Lewis and Clark boulevard, and faces the Oriental Exhibit palace and the Forestry building. The Masonic building is finished with green turpentine walls, Flemish oak wainscot, and handsome carpets of a pleasing shade of green. Longing rooms and apartments where sick persons may be given attention are located upon the second floor. The lower floor is devoted to large reception rooms. During the exposition period, the building will be the scene of many brilliant functions held under the auspices of the Masons and the ladies of the Eastern Star.

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