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BEEKMAN'S SPEECH

Made Before the American Mining Congress By Hon. B. B. Beekman Upon Presentation of Rich Gulch Gavel.

MUCH FAVORABLE COMMENT MADE

One of the interesting features of the American Mining Congress, which convened in Portland last Monday, was the presentation of a gavel to President J. H. Richards, of Boise, Idaho, by Hon. B. B. Beekman on behalf of the citizens of Jacksonville. The gavel was to commemorate an historical event, for the wood and gold of which it was made were from Rich gulch, where the first big gold find in Oregon was made and which built up the first mining camp in the state and out of which Jacksonville grew. Mr. Beekman did himself credit and honor to Jacksonville, his native town, in his address, which, though covering an historical event, gave the members of the mining congress a very comprehensive idea as to the extent and richness of the Southern Oregon mining district and opportunities for profitable investments that are to be had here. His address created a most favorable impression on the assembled mining men and it will doubtless result in many of them directing their attention to this section with a likelihood of their making investments that will be of much benefit to Jacksonville and other towns of Southern Oregon.

In his response Judge Richards expressed his inability to say that which the heart prompted, in appreciation of the token of good will and interest in the congress, and said in part: "An occasion of this kind is always one of appreciation and embarrassment. It is nearly always one of those instances where the heart prompts so much and the tongue utters so little. The gift of this gavel, I think is more to commemorate a historical event in the industry this congress represents. It speaks of the miner, of the prospector, of the great Northwest.

"We hope the time has come when the Nation must recognize the importance of mining, and I trust the fall of this gavel and power of this organization shall be felt at least as far as the National Capitol." (Applause.)

"I hope this meeting will be the turning point and that it will bring, through its influence, that general good-will of the miner that is willing to recognize merit for merit. In that way I hope it will bring about the development of that higher manhood that is of greater value than gold. In behalf of the Congress I thank the donors for this gavel."

ADDRESS OF B. B. BEEKMAN IN FULL.

Upon the Southern border of this state there is a happy valley
 "Where the sky is a dream of violet,
 And the days are rich with gold,
 And the satin robe of the earth is set
 With the jewels wrought of old;
 Where the woodlands wave in choral
 seas,
 And the purple mountains loom,
 And 'tis heaven to come, with birds
 and bees,
 To the feast of apple bloom."

Encircled by wooded hills and verdure-covered mountains it forms a scene of rare and varied beauty. To the east a hoary monarch of the Cascade range rears its majestic form—snow clad and helmeted—and keeps unceasing watch and ward o'er that choice spot of nature's realm. To north and south and west great rugged mountains rise in serried ranks bearing upon their extended slopes abundant forest wealth and untold treasure within their rock-ribbed walls. It is indeed, a land of apple bloom,—a veritable garden of Hesperides, whose fruit of

mellow gold and shining red would tempt the jaded palate or a sydarito.

It is a land of cereal and fruit, of field and pasture, of farm and mine, of stream and wood, where Nature, with prodigal and lavish hand, has set a scene of beauty and abundance to charm the eye and captivate the mind. There Spring and Summer weave their witchery of divers hues and Autumn yields its rich and plenteous harvests. There the delicious nectar of the peach is brewed and on the sunny hillside grows the ensurpuling grape and Ceres and Pomona scatter wide their richest gifts. There civilization has set its seal and happy homes and busy towns attest the presence of peace and plenty. There the industry of man has amply supplemented Nature's bounty, and there happy fruitful valley—the valley of Rogue River—is, in very fact a land flowing with milk and honey,—the home and seat of plenty and contentment.

Early in 1848 James Marshall, an Oregon immigrant of 1844, made his memorable discovery in California, in Captain Sutter's historic mill race on the American river, a discovery that electrified the world and brought the magic word, gold, to myriad tongues and lips. The news of the discovery was received in Oregon in the summer of that year and the effect, as elsewhere, was electrical. Hundreds of Oregonians, with bright visions of wealth and high hopes of fortunes, hastened to the new-found fields of gold. Some went by sea and some by land and they formed a prominent part of the vanguard of the mighty Oregon that swept over the California hills and vales in the succeeding years. In the scenes that ensued and the events that followed Oregon and Oregonians were conspicuous. Familiar with the beneficent result of their own provisional government there, while Peter H. Burnett,

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Brief and Breezy Notes on Happenings In and Around the County Seat of Jackson County By the Only Paper in the Field.

NEWS WHILE IT IS STILL NEWS

Ice Cream at the Model.

William Reames of Berkley, California is spending the week with relatives in Jacksonville.

Mrs. E. B. Watson of Portland and Mrs. Phil Metschan, of Heppner, arrived in Jacksonville Saturday to spend a month with their mother, Mrs. E. J. Kubli.

Harly Swagerty and his sister Miss Lucy and Howard Morris and his sister Miss Blossom, left Monday by hack for Crescent City for a two weeks outing at the beach.

Rev. Father Lane will hold his usual services this Sabbath at Jacksonville at 8:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. and at Medford at 10:30 a. m. At the suggestion of Father Hendrickx Father Lane will institute the question box at the close hereafter of the evening services, but only religious topics will be considered.

Ed. Dunnington, who owns a quarter block on Fifth street north of the Court House on which is standing one of the ~~prominent~~ houses in Jacksonville, has decided to replace the old house, which he will have torn down, with a modern seven room cottage. Fred Fick will have charge of the job and work will be begun next week. The location is a very desirable one and Mr. and Mrs. Dunnington will have a home they may well be proud of.

President B. F. Mulkey, of the Southern Oregon State Normal, at Ashland, was in Jacksonville Thursday looking up prospective students for the Normal. President Mulkey stated that the outlook was very promising for the largest attendance of scholars at the Normal of any year since it was established. Under President Mulkey's administration the Ashland Normal now equals both in attendance and work accomplished the Monmouth Normal which has long held the lead in the state as a teacher's training school, and it now has a successful future before it.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Newbury and children returned last Sunday from a two weeks camping trip at their ranch at Squaw Lake. Mr. Newbury killed a black bear on one of his hunting expeditions back in the hills, but was unable for the lack of a heavy knife to secure the pelt or a paw as evidence of his prowess for being an attorney and consequently of uncertain veracity he knew his story would be doubted, but with a penknife he amputated a claw which he is proudly exhibiting as proof that he did kill a bear. They had venison and fish in abundance and lived sumptuously. As their camp was on the border of the lake they were able to enjoy boat riding and Mrs. Newbury learned to be quite an expert oarswoman.

School Begins on Monday, Sept. 12.

Prof. S. P. Robbins and Mrs. Robbins returned Thursday from Nimshew, California, where they have spent their vacation since the close of the Jacksonville school and are again occupying the Reames cottage on East California street. Prof. Robbins has the position of principal of the school here and is now arranging the details for school which begins on September 12th. A. C. Freel, of Central Point, will act as assistant principal, Miss Frances Donegan and Mrs. Mary Peter will resume their former positions, the former the intermediate and the latter the primary grade.

Lecture By An Eminent Divine.

A series of highly instructive and entertaining lectures was given in Jacksonville this week by the Rev. W. Hendrickx of The Missionary Union of New York. His subjects were taken from science, history and religion and were handled with great force of logic interspersed with wit and humor. Father Hendrickx is certainly a man of wide and deep learning and the earnestness of his purpose and missionary zeal cannot be doubted. His ready and quick handling of the questions—some 218—was a source of real enjoyment as well as solid instruction to all present. In presenting questions of controversy which are so often a cause of strife. The lecturer sought simply to enlighten his hearers on the vital questions of the Bible and was careful to avoid anything like abuse or censure. From here Father Hendrickx will go to eastern Oregon and will return some time in September to lecture at Medford and Ashland.

Circus Excursion.

Excursion to Ringling Bros. Shows to exhibit at Medford, Sept. 3rd 1904. Trains will leave Jacksonville as follows: 7:00 A. M. 9:45 A. M. 1:00 P. M. 3:30 P. M. 7:15 P. M. 25 cents Round trip. Trains return after the show.

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