

MERRILL HAS INDUSTRIAL BOOM IN 1931

MERRILL, Ore. (Special)—In making an inventory of Merrill business for the year 1931 it was found that more progress was made in permanent improvements than in any former year.

First in importance was the entrance of the Great Northern to the Merrill and Malin section, giving Merrill its second transcontinental railroad.

In addition to the track laying crew, which numbered more than 50 at most times, 100 men were employed in this section for several months, grading and making other improvements for the advent of the Great Northern.

The Great Northern also constructed stock corrals, section houses and other buildings, in addition to putting up minor buildings along their right of way in the north section of Merrill.

At the present time the new line is being used only to convey freight, but it is rumored that passenger trains will be installed the first part of May.

Another major development project in Merrill in the past year was the entrance of the Columbia utility company, purchasers of the Tule Lake telephone line.

The Columbia Utilities company is also installing a modern water system in Merrill.

The Hodges building was completed the first of the year and is now occupied by the Hodges cash store, post office, cafe, Welch's drug store, Columbia utility company office and a barber shop.

Mrs. R. Kaitzenhorn, former owner of the Tule Lake Telephone company, has erected two modern duplex apartments which are now occupied.

The Dean apartments in the east end of town have been erected during the past year. Mr. Nelson has built a modern home, and several other residences and apartment buildings have been constructed.

A new meat market and two grocery stores are other 1931 additions to the business district of Merrill.

Ground has been purchased for a new high school and it is probable that the new building will be erected in the near future.

The Merrill post office has reported a large increase in business for 1931 over previous years.

A community club was organized in 1931 with Roy Tabor as president.

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Pioneer Observes Ninetieth Birthday

CEADARVILLE, (Modoc Co.)—The recent celebration at Porterville, California, of the 90th birthday of Mrs. Jesse Helen (Wing) Stiner recalled to mind the fact that Mrs. Stiner, pioneer resident of Modoc county was one of the early day teachers of this section.

She moved to the San Joaquin valley after the death of her husband, Henry Stiner in 1921. At her recent birthday party children and grandchildren all the way from northern Sacramento valley to the south end of the San Joaquin gathered to do her honor.

As a distinct surprise, Mrs. Stiner, who is a native of Maine, taught school in that state before moving to California over 50 years ago.

LANGELE VALLEY, Ore. (Special)—Miss Ruby Marchant spent Sunday with Misses Alma and Grace Brown.

Miss June Burns was a visitor at the Grover Mulkey home Sunday.

Miss Imogene Welch of Dairy was a visitor Sunday at the Dick Tew ranch.

Fred Peterson, superintendent of county schools, was a visitor at the C. H. Brown ranch and the Upper Langell school last Tuesday.

Mrs. Bill Campbell is visiting relatives in Washington.

Miss Georgia Gilman has been confined to her home for several days, with an illness.

Leo and Dan Hanks of this community played on the Bonanza team that met the Grants Pass basketball team in the valley city on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Berryman were visitors at the Gallord Loomis home last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mildred Grohs visited the Bonanza high school last Friday afternoon.

Bob Thew was a visitor at the Dyer home in Bonanza last Wednesday night.

MALIN, Ore. (Special)—The Malin grange entertained recently a vaudeville show at the Broadway theater. The program:

Violin solo—Rudolph Jesek, accompanied by Mrs. Taber.

Playlet—"Wild Nell, the Pet of the Plains." Cast: Mrs. Augusta B. Johnson, medicine woman; Mrs. Davis, Indian chief; Mrs. Haman, Indian chief; Mrs. Kester, Wild Nell; Mrs. Street, city girl; Mrs. Schultz, cowboy.

BIEBER WILL REBUILD AFTER \$80,000 FIRE

BIEBER, Calif.—The Big Valley Chamber of Commerce has in the last few weeks markedly increased its activities for the promotion of this community's improvement and development.

Following fires that did damage estimated at \$80,000 to business property in Bieber last month, the chamber of commerce sponsored a citizens' meeting that set up a committee to see what could be done toward preventing destructive fires in future.

A committee was named to enlist and organize a volunteer fire department, and it was voted to proceed with legal steps to organize Bieber into a taxing district for fire protection and water supply.

Another move at the annual meeting was to install a paid secretary for the chamber of commerce. J. H. Day, formerly of Klamath Falls, was elected to the position and opened an office in the Alm building.

Turtles are said to have a larger percentage of bone than any other animal. But that must have been said before the stock crash called attention to investors' heads.

Football Team Is Honored at Banquet

MERRILL, Ore. (Special)—Members of the high school football team entertained at a banquet at the school Tuesday evening, at which members of the team were honor guests.

Special guests were high and grade school teachers, members of the school board, fathers of the team members, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lewis and the football team. The evening was spent in playing games, after which dinner was served in the cafeteria.

H. J. Hendrickson, high school principal, presented the trophy won by the team. Chaburn coach, made the acceptance speech, after which the trophy was presented to Wendall Moore, captain.

Members of the team are Mr. Chaburn, coach; Wendall Moore, captain; Lawrence Frazier, Albert Blake, Lloyd Myers, Junior Anderson, Walter Thomas, Bob Gillispie, Warren Macintosh, Ford Kempton, Glendon Colwell, Bob Walker, Jack Roberts, Harold Wilson, Orin Stovey, Horace Moore, Marshall Arnold and Richard Craven.

FIFTH ANNUAL GRANGE SCHOOL FEBRUARY 5-6

Much interest is being evidenced in the fifth annual grange lectures school which will be held in the Henley Community hall on February 5 and 6.

Charles C. Hulet, state master, will preside at all sessions of the school, and Mrs. Marie Flint McCall, lecturer from the extension service of the Oregon State college will also be present.

The grange lecturers school is to be held all over the state of Oregon during the period of February 1 to 12. The itinerary and programs to be presented in each place is printed in full as follows:

Held under the auspices of Oregon State grange, Mrs. Marie Flint McCall, lecturer, and extension service Oregon State Agricultural college.

Eastern Oregon session, LaGrande, February 1 and 2. Central Oregon session, Redmond, February 3 and 4. Southeastern Oregon session, Klamath Falls, February 5 and 6.

Southwestern Oregon session, Grants Pass, February 5. Upper Willamette valley session, Eugene, February 9 and 10. Northwestern Oregon session, McMinville, February 11 and 12.

Jas. C. Farmer, national grange lecturer, the guest speaker. The following program will be presented at each of the regional sessions of the fifth annual lecturers' school: at LaGrande, February 1; Redmond, February 3; Klamath Falls (Henley hall), February 5; Grants Pass (Fruitdale hall), February 5; Eugene, February 9 and at McMinville, February 11.

Winter Carnival Will Attract Thousands to Fort Klamath Feb. 21

FORT KLAMATH, Ore. (Special)—The sixth annual winter sports carnival which will be held at Fort Klamath, February 21, under auspices of the Crater Lake Ski club, will attract thousands of Klamath county people and hundreds of other winter sport lovers from all parts of the Pacific coast to this district.

Preparations for all events, including the major race from Fort Klamath to Crater Lake and back, have been underway for months. Present indications point to a record breaking attendance and many more entries than previously are expected.

Last year the event was taken over by Emil Nordeen, veteran skier of Bend, who will be present at this year's event but will not compete.

Entry lists will be made up in the near future, and the complete program of events, including scheduled times of the races, will be announced within the next fortnight.

Amateur skiers have been making the winter playgrounds their mecca for many weeks. Snow conditions are excellent for tobogganing and skiing. Work on the new ski jump, now nearing completion, has caused much interest.

Anxious to be of service to all who desire to take up skiing the Crater Lake Ski club offers advice and assistance to any one who asks. The guide master of the club and several of his deputies, all expert skiers, are available at the winter playground every Sunday for the purpose of giving advice and instruction, without any charge, to beginners. These services may be procured at any time by special appointment.

Short scenic trips over easy ski trails leaving the winter playgrounds and extending through the timbered country adjoining are being suggested by the Crater Lake Ski club for the pleasure of visitors who might enjoy a short trip on skis. The trails

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Work on the new permanent jump which was halted for several days during the storms has again been resumed and the structure is rapidly nearing completion. Effort will be made to have the jump in readiness for a try out Sunday afternoon. Alf Ostmo of Klamath Falls, star jumper of Crater Lake Ski club, will probably be the first man to leap into space from the new structure.

Jumps of 150 feet should be made with safety by experienced jumpers according to the engineering staff of the Crater Lake Ski club.

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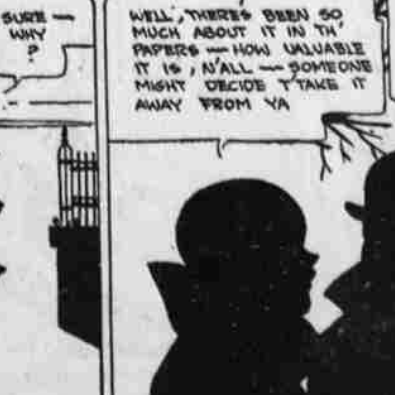
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DAIRY NEWS

DAIRY, Ore. (Special)—Mrs. Orin McCumber is here with her brother, Albert Burdett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Welch were Bonanza visitors Friday.

DAIRY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Welch were Dairy shoppers Friday afternoon.

Pierre Laval of France quit one job and got two. But for once France probably will not kick about being two-timed.