## INTERESTING LETTER ABOUT ROSELCRG, PAST AND FUTURE

## Editor News:

We wonder if the people of Rossburg, and especially those who are looking forward to the time when this city will have two, three or five times its present population, have ever stopped to consider the fact that Roseburg's trade area, or that of area which is available for the purpose of contributing to its development has been constantly shrinking during the last 30 years. Talk to some of the old timers who were here before the railroad from Roseburg south was completed, which was in the early eighties, and you will doubt seriously whether or not the volume of trade which passed through this city was not nearly as great, if not greater than the preent time. In those days, Roseburg Of course this will be deevloped in commanded the entire trade of the time. southern end of the state. Jacksonville, Grants Pass and Ashland all sent their wagon trains here, carrying loads of grain and other products, as well as gold dust and nuggets, and went back loaded with merchandise purchased in Roseburg. To sell an immense wagon load of merchandise to such a customer was not uncommon for those old time merchants. Three large grain elevatrs were necessary to handle the wheat and oats which were grown or hauled to Roseburg. It is on record that one of these large local firms loaded and sent to England a whole shipload of wheat in the seventies.

Now all of the commerce from which Koseburg can expect to benefit must originate within a territory which is bounded by the Cascades on the east, the Coast range on west, with perhaps Riddle as its southern boundary and Sinfaorlin or Oakland as the northern limit. Even in this small territory are many small trading centers and country stores which take some of the local trade from the Roseburg merchants. When formerly every one came to Roseburg to purchase merchandise for their daily needs, now there is a country store every few miles doing in the aggregate a fair business. Where formerly every dollar which was spent went at least to some one in the county, now many thousands go annually to swell the dividends of the mail order houses.

the conclusion that Roseburg in or der to justify her growth to the point which every loyal citizen expects her to reach, must make the to her, as a trading and commercial center.

In the old country, where population is dense and land scarce, the farmer applies himself to cultivation of the soil in the most intensive manner possible. This, sin a way, Roseburg must do. Every resource which can in any way contribute to her growth and prosperity must be utilized. Every industry which is suited to her environment and natural condition must be stimulated. Every means which will tend to increase the fertility of her soil, and

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ed. In what way can this best be There is one great resource done? which stands out before all others both in value and in availability, and that is her tremendous timbe supply, which must of necessity be made tributary to this city and contribute to aer prosperity and growth We have heard that said 20 years ago, and are, in fact no neare to it than at that time. The people of Roseburg, however, have now the opportunity to make this immense asset available at once.

By constructing a railroad from this city to the confines of the large timber belt to the east of us, they The can make certain the erection of a saw mill which will but be the forerunner of many more of the same kind of industries, and will stimulate the construction of other factories using our lumber as a raw He H material, and furnishing employment for hundreds of our citizens, as well as increasing our population by drawing others from the outside to satisfy the demand for labor which will thereby be created. We cannot expoct to grow unless we furnish employment to those whom we expost to swell our population. The most enthusiastic booster would not wish to see more people in Rose- Halle burg without furnishing the means by which they might secure a liveli-😁 want a larger city, hunce we must supply the factories and

payrolls which will justify it. Think this matter over and see if EAS you can discover any other opportunity than this one which will be offered to the voters of this city on May 22, to secure the future of chur Roseburg and that of its citizens.

> S. S. JOSEPHSON, Secretary Commercial Club

## All of these facts go to point out INVESTIGATE THIS; BEST FARM BUY IN DOUGLAS COUNTY.

120 acres of the very finest red shot soil. One living creek and sevmost o her opportunities which lie eral springs. 65 acres in cultivation. at her door and which are tributary 23 acres 6-year-old pears and walnuts, 2 acres mixed family orchard. Good six room house, barn-35x30, cow barn 20x16, 2 chicken houses hog house, root house, wood house granary 24x16, wagon shed. All these improvements in first class All Con condition. All fenced and cross-fenced. 10 acres timber, balance gently rolling pasture land. 2 miles from S. P. R. R. on good county Price reduced from \$8000 to Glorio in Excelsis (Ellwanger). road. \$4500 for quick sale. Some terms. SKIFF REALTY COMPANY.

Grand Hotel Annex, Roseburg 502a26

For Infants and Children.

**Mothers Know That** 

Genuine Castoria

THE EVENING NEWS, SAT	TURDAY, APRIL 22, 1916.
ER SUNDAY AT THE M. E. CHURCH.	tall. It has a loft with of 51 tons, an open drive self-supporting roof. There
Sunrise service, 6 to 7:15 a. m. ssional, consecration, reces-	for 12 cows and a spler ary, and Mr. Oliver is a pleased with the comple
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Cross of Christ I Glory Herbert Isher, Mr. Patters.on, Mr. Hef- fron , Mr. Gray.	FOR SALE AT A BARGA motor in good condition seen at News office.
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Mr. Walter Fisher. Easter Dawns. Lorenz Kisner, Miss Krohn, Mr. Hef-	NOTICE OF FINAL SET
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Miss Kisner and Choir. alem Parker Mrs. R. M. Brumfield.	Jeffers, deceased, has fil County Court of the Sta
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Mrs. Orcutt and Choir uncements or's Message	May, 1916, at the hour of a. m. has been fixed by
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M.r Patterson and Choir. it Our Passover. Schilling Mr. Fisner and Choir.	NOTICE OF INTENLO PROVE SECOND AVENU
TER SERVICES AT	Notice is hereby given meeting of the Common
ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH	the city of Roseburg, O on the 3rd day of April following resolution was
ch will be held at 6:45 and 11. e will be no Sunday school, nor evening service. The Rev. Mr.	Resolved that the Con cil decms it expedient an and proposes to impro Avenue North from the
will hold services in Oakland ight. On Monday evening the iay school Easter festival will be in the church at 7:30, follow-	East Third Street to the of East Fourth Street lowing manner;
by a party of the children and ag people and their friends, to dven in the parish house. t the 14 o'clock service the	First: By grading th the proper suu-grade; Second: By paving the said street twenty fee
ic will be as follows: cessional hymn, "Come ye Faith- il, Raise the StraTh" (Sir Arthur ullivan).	Third: By constructi
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re Hymn, "At the Lamb's High Feas We Sing," (Elvey). Offertory, "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" (Reade). basins and inlets.

Nune Dimittis, (C. A. Barry). Recessional Hymn, "He is Risen" (J. Neander).

CITY NEWS

Wm. Plaman made a business

visit to Wilbur today.

R. B. Porter, of Yoncalla, was in no part thereof shall be paid by the Roseburg for several hours today.

T. J. McCain, of Myrtle Creek, was a business visitor in Reseburg this improvement is the sum of \$2312.13. afternoon.

be and he is hereby directed to give



"Money Back, If You'r Not Satisfied"



City of Roseburg.

Resolved that the City Recorder