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N. R. MOORE . . . . . Editor  
CHAS. L. SPRINGER, Business Mgr.

Coos Bay is to be advertised in the East with moving picture machines. Good idea.

Unfortunately for the development of many localities in Oregon, the land owners are slow to reach out. Do our tax laws encourage them too much in their indifference to progress?

A trolley line between Pendleton and Pilot Rock is a certainty, and the people owning land in Albee are anxious to be hooked up with it and not left to one side.

Medford expects considerable improvement in values of business lots from the completion of a railroad now under construction to Butte Falls.

The more rapidly the holders of large tracts break up their holdings and encourage the homeseeker the better social and financial development will follow. Where we already have railroads would not the development be more rapid if the idle acres were given over to small farm homes? And would not a system of making it unprofitable to hold land out of use in the hope of profiting thereby be beneficial to the entire state?

Stanfield is the new irrigation town in Umatilla county. Over a mile of concrete sidewalk has been laid, merchants are doing business in tents waiting for the completion of concrete buildings, over one hundred men are employed in the town proper and about seventy-five on the storage reservoir dam. Laborers are reported as scarce at \$2.50 a day. Water, capital and labor have increased land values around Stanfield from \$2.50 an acre to \$250.

Some farmers are opposed to the new agitation started by the Grange for better and more beautiful school houses and grounds for fear it will make taxes higher. Of course where the farmer permits assessors to impose upon them it will, for assessors seem prone to err against the man who cultivates and improves. But if the farmer is growing wiser, and there are positive indications that he is, then the assessor will be called upon to obtain the additional funds necessary to make the country schoolhouse attractive from the vast values of land held idle all over Oregon. They can do it easily enough.

Some of the people in the interior of the state cannot understand why Portland grows so rapidly. Water transportation attracts manufacturing enter-

prises. River joins deep water navigation. This brings population. Enterprises established giving rise to suburbs that would make small towns in the interior do not attract as much mention in the Portland press as a street fight. As an instance hardly any mention has been made of a new sawmill larger than any in Eastern Oregon. In proportion to advantages, interior and smaller coast towns charge more for real estate than in the vicinity of Portland. There is a better opportunity in a large city to dodge taxation on buildings and machinery. All these points count.

Woodburn wants to be a county seat. The public-spirited citizens of that town recently raised \$21,000 bonus to induce the building of an electric line. Some empty buildings in Woodburn indicate that closer connections are needed. It is not right that a few men should have to come forward with bonus money for public improvements that benefit land in proportion to value throughout a town like Woodburn. There should be some way to get the mossback and absentee owners of lots and acres benefited to come forward.

Railroads serving this territory are preparing estimates of travel during the colonist period, September 15 to October 15. They expect no less than 60,000 new settlers for the Pacific Northwest during the 30 days the low one-way rates are in effect. Extra equipment is being assembled by the various lines to handle the heavy traffic expected and the passenger agents believe they will have all they can do to care for the flood of new-comers. Inquiry at the Eastern ticket offices is reported to be wide and the westbound trains bearing the vanguard of this great colonist movement are heavily loaded. During this week the travel is expected to be at its height and will undoubtedly be heavy.

Portland's union stock yards in the Peninsula packing house district were opened during the past week and now this city, which is to be the livestock center of the Northwest, offers the most modern and complete stockyards in the country. Hundreds of business men of the city attended the opening, and all were forced to admire the perfect arrangement for handling livestock that have been provided. The big union yards will have a strong influence in developing the livestock industry throughout this territory.

According to the records of the Government Forestry Service and the State Board of Forestry, Oregon has been remarkably fortunate this summer in escaping the usual heavy toll taken by forest fires. The season has been marked by less destruction of timber than any in the past decade. Fires this year have been few and widely separated while losses have been small. This is thought to be partly due to an aroused public interest in preventing forest fires and a largely increased force of fire wardens throughout the forests this season.

## Portland Fair and Love Stock Show

For the Portland Fair and Live Stock Show held in Portland Sept. 20th, to 25, inclusive the C. & E. and S. J. P. will sell round trip tickets on Sept. 23rd and 24th, only, good to return not later than Sept. 27th, for \$3.50. Children between 5 and 12 years old half fare. Passengers can go either via Albany or west side direct returning same way as going.

R. C. LINVILLE Agent.

## REV. NICKLE NEW M. E. PASTOR

Cottage Grove Man to Succeed Rev. Leech in Local Church.

The Oregonian was wrong in saying that A. R. McLean, of Grants Pass, would take charge of the Corvallis M. E. pastorate. Instead, W. F. Nickle, of Cottage Grove, will take Rev. Leech's pulpit. Rev. Nickle will preach his first sermons in Corvallis next Sunday morning and evening. He is said to be a man of commanding appearance and a good talker, one of the best in the conference.

Rev. Leech will go to Grants Pass next week, preaching his first sermon there Sunday, Oct. 2. His daughters will remain in Corvallis and continue their studies at O. A. C. The Grants Pass church is said to be one of the largest and most prosperous churches of the denomination outside of Portland, and while the city is little, if any, in advance of Corvallis, the change is counted a step upward for Mr. Leech.

## ASHLAND SPENDS \$65,000 ON PAVING

Cost Runs From \$6.25 to \$7 a Foot, But Citizens Are Keen for it

The cost of the bitulithic street paving job now under way in Ashland by the Warren Construction Company, has been estimated at \$65,000 in round numbers. The city will pay \$15,000 of this amount for its proportion for street intersections and city property, leaving the remainder to be assessed to abutting propertyholders, the cost per front footage in the paved district running from \$6.25 to over \$7. The lowest cost is on Fourth street, where the width of the pavement is only 36 feet. The Main street paved area is wider and the expense consequently greater. A board of viewers has been appointed and is now engaged in apportioning the cost of the work to the various owners abutting.

The contracted job is well along, though it is doubtful if it can be fully completed at the expiration of the period named in the contract, October 1. It is likely that this particular improvement, covering most of the business district, is only a starter in the line of street improvement work, for adjacent districts having an object lesson of what such permanent street improvements mean, are already getting anxious for the improvement and petitioning the city authorities to have the bitulithic spread over a wide area. There is an agitation among propertyholders of the Boulevard, a hundred-foot wide street, along which is already one of the finest residential sections of Ashland, for the pavement.

### The Road to Success

Has many obstructions, but none so desperate as poor health. Success today demands health, but Electric Bitters is the greatest health builder the world has ever known. It compels perfect action of stomach, liver, kidneys, bowels, purifies and enriches the blood, and tones and invigorates the whole system. Vigorous body and keen brain follow their use. You can't afford to slight Electric Bitters if weak, run down or sickly. Only 50c. Guaranteed by all druggists.

# GRAND OPENING

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# THE ELITE

MILLINERY PARLORS

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 22

Pattern Hats and all the latest creations in millinery novelties will be on display. You are most cordially invited to call and see our

## Showing of Headgear

Extra salespeople will be on hand to attend to your wants. No matter if not ready to buy now, will take pleasure in having you visit our store.

L. & G. B. ANDERSON

Read Kline's ad. on first page. 9-20-tf

Oregon has contributed eight millions to the reclamation funds of the general government and gets back but three. The expenditure of the missing five millions in Oregon would create fifty in land values.

Walkover shoes for men, at Kline's. 9-20-tf

### For Sale

Fine residence property in center of city. Inquire 112 N-8th-St.

## PEARY VS. COOK

The Canadian government today checkmated Commander Peary, and involuntarily aided Dr. Cook in the controversy over priority of discovery of the north pole. It was learned today that the real reason for Commander Peary's stay at Battle Harbor, Labrador, is not to make repairs to the Roosevelt, but in the hope that Dr. Cook will arrive at New York and be interviewed, thus permitting Peary to get further details of his claims, and make further denials.

The Canadian government, however, sent the cable ship Tyrain, with 18 American and Canadian newspaper men aboard, and these were able to force Peary to talk first.

The chief of the department of the numerous interviews with Peary is that the commander largely based his statement that it is possible to make fake observations of alleged north pole geographical conditions is questioned by scientists here. Peary declares that he intends to maintain the negative side of Dr. Cook's exploit, and make Cook

take the affirmative. He said: "I do not feel that it is consistent at this time to give information of what I observed of conditions at the north pole. The issue is 'has Cook been to the pole?'"

Continuing, he said: "Now, I do not propose to answer that or produce proof until there is a properly authorized statement from Dr. Cook placed before reliable and disinterested parties."

Peary claims that his fast traveling was due to a new sledge that he invented, and intimated that, as Cook did not have this kind of conveyance he could not have covered the space in the time claimed.

## W. C. T. U. Delegates

(Continued from page one.)

The union will meet every Thursday afternoon at 2:30 in the Reading rooms on Second street. A committee to prepare a program for the meetings of the year was appointed. It is expected that the meetings will be of much interest.

Mrs. Harford addressed a good sized audience in the M. E. church Sunday evening.

Make Kline's your resting place when down town. Ladies' rest room second floor. 9-20-tf

Phonographs and all the newest records at Heater & Harrington's. 9-3-tf.

WANTED—Expert girl for general housework. Phone 4266. tf

### Letter List

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Corvallis Ore. P. O., for the week ended Sept. 18, 1909:

Mrs. W. E. Burgett, C. E. Hamilton, Mrs. L. W. Mulvany, Smith and Rodman, Miss Cora Wold.

B. W. Johnson, Postmaster

## REQUEST FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals to furnish supplies required by the Oregon Agricultural College, for four months ending December 31, 1909, will be received at the Business Office of the college until noon Saturday, September 25th. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, or to accept or reject any part of a bid. Envelopes should be inscribed, "Proposals to Furnish Supplies." Goods of Oregon manufacture or production will be given preference, other things equal. All goods must be delivered at the dormitories as ordered by the respective stewards.

Lists will be furnished on application at the Business Office.

W. HORACE KERR,  
Clerk.

Corvallis, Oregon.  
September 20, 1909. 9-20-6t

## NEW IRRIGATION BOOK FREE

"Well Irrigation for Small Farms" is a publication just issued by the General Passenger Department of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., and Southern Pacific lines in Oregon.

The booklet sets forth in a practical concise way the possibilities for profit of inexpensive irrigation, and should be in the hands of every farmer in Oregon.

Copies may be obtained free on application to Wm. McMurray, General Passenger Agent, O. R. & N. and S. P. Lines in Oregon, Portland, Ore. 9-17-7t

## Sunday Excursions to Newport

The C. & F. Railroad will run regular excursions to Newport every Sunday until further notice, leaving Corvallis at the same time as heretofore. Fare for round trip, \$1.50. 9-9-tf

R. C. LINVILLE, Agent.