

### Home Seekers' Attention

George H. Currey asks you to look over this partial list.

18<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ACRES—Near La Grande, 50 acres in timber, 25 acres alfalfa, some grain, 60 acres fallow; splendid barn, 5-room house; in Mt. Glenn. \$2500 cash balance on liberal terms.

92<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ACRES—Stock and grain ranch; 200 acres cultivated, 160 in alfalfa and timothy; well fenced and watered. This farm rents for over \$1500 cash. About 15 miles from La Grande, on good road. \$8000 cash, balance easy payments.

160 ACRES—145 acres in spring wheat, fine stand. The water guarantee the crop will be worth \$6000; he is perfectly safe 20 bushels to the acre will do this; the largest crop ever reported grown in the valley was grown on this place—122 bushels to the acre; wheat crop of 45 bushels was raised on portions of it last year. Near La Grande, 7 miles. Entire tract can be irrigated. Was all in alfalfa three years ago. The price is \$21,000 and the guaranteed crop brings it down to less than \$100 per acre. This bears investigation.

100 ACRES—Two miles from Union, northwest; 85 acres in grain, 10 acres in alfalfa; good buildings. If you will estimate the alfalfa yield at only three tons and the price at only \$15 per ton, the grain at 20 bushels, deducting \$600 for harvesting—this splendid land will only cost you \$107.50. Water rights for the entire tract. Price is \$14,000.

185 ACRES—Near La Grande, 100 acres cultivated, more than 40 acres of the pasture land can be; 55 acres in grain; 34 in commercial apples, trees full of bloom, not injured by frost; a good 6-room house, large barn; water from large spring, piped to house; well fenced; some valuable timber; fine pasture. The price is \$11,000 cash. I will make you a loan of \$6000, either on short or long-time period. If you have \$5000 in cash and want a farm, don't fail to look this over.

25 ACRES—Eight miles north-east of La Grande; Sandridge land; improved. Price \$3000.00. Enough said.

40 ACRES—Near Summerville; improved; 4 acres in alfalfa, 6 acres in wheat, 5 acres in timothy, 3 acres in potatoes; nicely located. Price \$2000, terms.

150 ACRES—Right close to Union, all in crop. Price \$13,000. If purchaser is a substantial citizen the terms can be made most reasonable, \$2500 now, \$2500 this fall, and long time balance. Well improved, well fenced, water right nicely located; splendid land. Will bear investigation.

60 ACRES—330 acres in spring sown grain, 230 in fallow. Price \$85 per acre, \$15000 cash, balance on easy terms. With ordinary weather conditions the growing crop should more than make the first payment. This means after deducting harvesting expenses the land will only cost the purchaser \$65 per acre.

15 ACRES—In Fruitdale; all in grain; no trees on this tract. Owner also owns 10 acres, well improved and in crop. These tracts can be sold separate or together. The 10-acre tract is priced at \$1600 and is one of the best buys in that vicinity. The land on both tracts is the very best.

CITY PROPERTY. TWO LARGE LOTS—5-room house, bath, toilet, and wired; very close in, on Second street. 20 fruit trees, garage. Price \$1800, terms \$200 cash, balance FOR \$1200—Five-room house in good condition; garage, chicken house, two nice lots; toilet in house. \$200 cash, balance \$20 per month.

25 per month, including interest. FOR \$1250—Good 6-room house near Palmer mill; large lot; deep loan. Cash \$350, balance on terms.

\$250 BUYS THIS—Two acres right close in, on Second St., just a few blocks from P. O. Five-room house with bath and toilet, wired; small barn; one acre in alfalfa, fine stand. Price \$2500, terms \$200 balance \$25 per month.

ONLY \$1250—Four rooms, bath and toilet, wired; two nice level lots; close to shops. \$300 cash, balance \$15 per month.

\$2600 BUYS THIS—Large 8-room house, with a beautiful lot, 35-foot front, nice lawn and shade trees; bath, toilet, wired, fine large cellar, chicken house and park. Good location. Terms \$200 cash, balance \$25 a month including interest. Owner non-resident.

\$1000 BUYS THIS—House 3 rooms, bath, toilet, etc. Cash \$150, balance \$15 per month.

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### Changes Made in Water Laws

Some important changes were made by the last legislature in the water laws and irrigation and drainage district laws of the state. The abolishment of the office of Superintendent of Water Division No. 1 reduces the State Water Board to two members, the State Engineer and the State Water Superintendent. The State Engineer was given charge of the distribution of the water of the State, with authority of overseeing the work of the various water masters, which work has heretofore been under the direction of the division superintendent. The Superintendent of Water Division No. 2 was given charge of the adjudication of water rights in the entire State and was given the title of State Water Superintendent.

A constitutional amendment providing for the guaranty of the first five years' interest on irrigation and drainage bonds will be submitted to the people at the coming special election. On account of heavy discount on drainage and irrigation bonds this class of reclamation bonds has been under a severe handicap, which it is believed will be largely removed if this amendment passes.

A statute was enacted providing that irrigation districts may accept a part of the land of any land owner within the district as an offset against the reclamation charge on the remainder of his land. This will probably serve as a very convenient method of cooperating with the Federal Government.

The provision of the irrigation district law relating to the validation of the procedure prior to the issuance of bonds was clarified by the re-enactment of this portion of the irrigation district law.

Agricultural lands included within the limits of a municipality may now be included in an irrigation district. This amendment was deemed

necessary on account of the large area of agricultural land which is included within the limits of some of the municipalities within or adjacent to the irrigation districts.

Provision has also been made for the reclamation of lands in an irrigation district in that

it was necessary that every acre of irrigable land in a district should be assessed the same as every other irrigable acre. This brought about a tendency to exclude land from the district, which would increase the cost against the main body of land notwithstanding the fact that it might be entirely feasible to irrigate those lands at a higher cost. It will now be possible to include such lands in an irrigation district as a separate unit, and assess them according to the cost of reclamation.

Under the irrigation district law as enacted in 1917, the district could not require construction bonds in excess of 25 per cent of the amount of the contract. This has been cured as the statute now provides that no such bond shall be less than 25 per cent of the construction cost.

The irrigation district law was also amended in some important features so that it now corresponds more closely with the irrigation district law and all question has been eliminated as to whether or not the obligation of the district was an individual or a community obligation by fixing it definitely as a community obligation.

Another statute was enacted providing for the certification of drainage district bonds in the same manner as irrigation district bonds are now certified.

Summing up, therefore, much favorable legislation was secured affecting reclamation. In fact, the last legislature seemed to take a more favorable view toward reclamation than its predecessors.

### JOHN J. INGALL'S CELEBRATED TRIBUTE TO GRASS

Lyrics in the sunshine among the butterflies and the idleness of May, scarcely higher in intelligence than the minute tenants of that meadow wilderness, our earliest recollections are of grass; and when the fatal fever is ended and the funeral wrangle of the market and forum is closed, grassments over the seas which our descent into the bosom of the earth has made, and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead. Grass is the forgiveness of nature—her constant benediction. Fleets trampled with battle, saturated with blood, torn with the ruts of cannon, grow green again with grass, and carnage is forgotten. Streets abandoned by traffic become grass grown like rural lanes and are obliterated. Forests decay, harvests perish, flowers vanish, but grass is immortal. Beleaguered by the sullen hosts of winter, it withdraws into the impenetrable fortress of its subterranean vitality and emerges upon the first solatiation of spring. Sown by the winds, by wandering birds, propagated by the subtle agriculture of the elements which are its ministers and servants, it softens the outline of the world. It bears no blasphemy of bloom to charm the senses with fragrance or spender, but its homely hue is more enchanting than the lily or the rose. It yields no fruit in earth or air, and yet, should its harvest fall for a single year, famine would depopulate the world.

Good soda water drinks ice cream, the very best. Delicious fresh strawberry Sandays. Also sherbet served just right always at Silverthorns 5,23-1f

Daily Thought. Valor consists in the power of self-recovery.—Emerson.

The Observer furnishes and prints Butter Wrappers.

### Oregon Payrolls Significance

Who is it that may sit back and say to himself, "Payrolls in Oregon don't mean anything to me?"

Is it the salesman selling Oregon products?

Is it the salesman selling a jobber's line?

Is it the property owner, or the store-keeper, or the professional man, or even the undertaker, who is last in line to grab us?

No one, as a matter of truth, but who is affected directly or indirectly by industries in the community.

Oregon has as great potential possibilities in manufacturing as any state.

Our raw materials and undeveloped water power are almost beyond calculation in dollars and cents.

Even now we have far more to point to with pride and even boastful attitude.

What Western state equals us in furniture? None.

What Western state in woolen manufacture? None.

What Western state in candy, macaroni and crackers? None.

And our stove foundries and paper mills; flour and cereal mills. The largest broom factory west of the Mississippi is in Oregon.

The greatest saw and lily plant in the west is in this state of Oregon.

The only worsted yarn mill west of Ohio is in Oregon.

Our clothing manufacturers are setting a pace that will soon make us out-rank all Western states.

The largest copper-smith plant in the U. S. is in Oregon.

Ice cream cones and the machinery were invented and made in Oregon first.

Carbon paper is made here and is the only such plant in the entire west.

We now have manufacturers who advertise their products in national magazines.

These constitute a brief summary of leading lines in which Oregon excels. There are many other things in which this state easily equals any Western commonwealth.

Our successful manufacturers do not hesitate to get business on the basis of sympathy, sympathy or subside.

But upon the sound foundation of quality, service and price.

It is true that if our factories are given stronger support in their home territory.

It will enable them to make longer reaches into new fields and bring additional wealth to Oregon for distribution into all lines.

Because the payroll money, distributed to employees, goes to maintain more homes, schools, churches, libraries, amusements; property values are increased, population is increased and tax rates are lessened.

Other things being equal, preference ought to be shown the product of Oregon's factories.

THE NORTH SIDE CASH REPAIR SHOP

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