

INDEPENDENCE MONITOR

NEW WOOD WORKING PLANT POSSIBLE FOR US THAT EMPLOYS 100 PEOPLE

\$15,000 WILL FULLY AND COMPLETELY EQUIP THIS PLANT READY TO COMMENCE WORK

Incubators, Brooders, Ax Handles, Sash and Doors, Telephone Cross Arms, and Wood Fittings, in Fact Everything in this Line to be Developed at Independence is Plan

Mr. Myers Meets with the Commercial Club Tuesday Evening and Outlines Plan, Agreeing to Oversee the Work and Market the Output, Furnish Patents and Blue Prints for All Articles to be Manufactured by the Company

A new plant has been made possible for Independence through the plan proposed by Mr. C. M. Myers, who is now located in this city. He is an experienced wood worker and has a plan to employ from 60 to 100 men in this place if the people desire to cooperate in securing the plant.

It will require about \$15,000 to buy land, build and secure the necessary machinery for the plant proposed. It is to be a general wood working plant and

will make ax, hatchet, hammer, and all kinds of handles, sash and doors, incubators and brooders, in fact everything in the wood working line that can be manufactured in a plant of this kind.

Mr. Myers agrees to manage the plant, dispose of the total output to the markets and devote his time to building it up. Most of the money must be subscribed by local parties, the stock will be owned by them, and if the proposition will work out as it would indicate, it will pay a good inter-

est on the investment.

Messrs Bise, Goetz and Wiltse, who were present at the Commercial Club meeting, were appointed as a committee to confer with Mr. Myers and talk over the plans. Mr. Myers has his own patents for the manufacturing of many of the different wood materials that he plans on making, and these he would use for the benefit of the corporation.

His proposition is worthy of consideration by the business men.

of the State Grange, and until recently was secretary of the Portland Trust Company. He has always been identified with all movements that have for their object the betterment of the community.

Messrs Paget and Stillman were accompanied to Independence by D. H. Gill, of the County Prohibition Committee.

Mr. Stillman is an old acquaintance of the editor's in the Eastern Oregon country, where he was in charge of the extension work of the Congregational church. He has many friends in that section, is a man of good intellect and high ideals, and it was a pleasure to meet him at this time. Mr. Stillman is a forceful and logical speaker, and is impressed with the opportunity of the present time to pluck victory from the disintegrated condition of the political parties. Although not supporting him politically, we know him to be a man of ability and integrity.

HOP MEN REPORT LOSS

Winds Blow Down Some Acreage in Yards

Several of the hop growers report considerable damage as a result of the recent rain and wind storms. The hop vines are heavy this year and loaded with hops and the storms caused several of the yards to blow down. We are told Horst Bros. had about 70 acres to blow down. J. Pineus about 40 acres, and Walker's about the same. These hops are not damaged but it will cause some expense to get them in shape for picking and to keep them from the ground, where they would mold if not properly taken care of.

HAS LOCKET CLUB BACK

Back From the Mountain Thickets Refreshed

Dr. Butler returned home last Thursday from the mountains, leaving J. B. V., Geo. T. Boothby and Luther Grounds to follow Tuesday. Dr. Butler went out as chief but a big five point buck settled the question for them this year, and George T. Boothby is the lucky man. They were at their cabin looking around when they saw a fine buck passing by. They took their guns and excitedly commenced shooting but with practically no results. The deer climbed up the hill and the two Butlers could not follow it, so Boothby, being short on ammunition but long on energy climbed the hill and so killed the deer.

This club is called the "Hias Locket Lemont Club," meaning the big four mountain club. For twenty-five years they have been on these hunting trips. About twelve years ago they gave the club the name, and for thirteen years they have gone to the same hunting ground. They have their own cabin and plot of ground and it is located on the lower Alsea. In counting points a bear counts more than any game, a deer counts 150 points. They have never caught a bear. The most deer ever secured in the camp in a single year was 24, but the four chieftain did not get these all as a number of others were in the neighborhood that year. Each day they count up their score for that day and the one of the four having the most points for that day is declared chief for the following day. At the end of the season the count of points are made for the whole season, and the winner holds until the next season and orders out the club for the next year. Some of the relatives and friends of the big four call it the "Hias Tikias" club, which, translated, means the good for nothing club.

IS IMPROVING SCHOOLS

Independence Buildings to be Painted, etc.

The Board of Education of Independence is improving the appearance of the ward school on C street very materially by building new sheds, putting a new coat of paint on the building, and preparing the grounds for the coming school year. The library books have been selected from the state apportionment, several new dictionaries have been purchased and other detail work completed in preparation for the opening of the school.

Every indication points to a large attendance this year, and the improvements being made are absolutely necessary to give the people the school service needed. This school district is growing very fast and the increase in attendance is surprising, besides a better course is to be added as fast as possible, this school hoping to take a material lead in every branch possible to develop. Every care is used in selecting good teachers, with an eye to special work where possible.

TOWN IMPROVEMENTS AGAIN

Building News in and About Town Tells Story of Prosperity on Every Side

Frank Coquette just started a new modern bungalow on his lot just west of the Burres Estes residence last week. The building is to be 22x24, consists of four rooms, with porches and other modern conveniences.

W. B. Milhollen, who came here in April last, bought a lot about two weeks ago joining Mr. Coquette's place and started the first of the week to put himself up a neat little two-room residence. He is doing the carpenter work himself and states that this is his first experience in this class of work.

J. A. Martin is papering his new five-room bungalow in the southwest part of town. He has a very neat property, consisting of a sitting room and dining room connected by a large archway, a kitchen, two bedrooms, bath-room, pantry, toilet, and woodshed all under one roof. The place has hot and cold water connections, and is modern in every respect. Mr. Martin was working on the property the first of the week when the editor was

PORTLAND TO COME

Commercial Club Invites Them to See

The Commercial Club issued an invitation this week to the Commercial Club of Portland inviting them to Independence during hop picking time. A number of the business men of Portland have been anxious to make an excursion trip to this place during the hop picking season and plans are now on foot to satisfy them. They will be invited to come when the season is at the highest, and a big central dance in one of the hop yards will probably be pulled off in the evening to entertain the visitors. A banquet will be arranged and a half hundred Portlanders will see what a real live hop yard community is. Independence plans to entertain them in a royal manner and committees are to be selected by the president of the Commercial Club to take care of all the details.

Dr. R. V. Ellis, a friend of Dr. McIntire and a graduate of the Salem Medical College has located in Airlie where he will practice his profession.

OFFERS SOME MONEY

V. P. Portland Stock Yards Writes Club Offer

A matter came up before the Commercial Club Tuesday evening that deserves more than passing notice. D. O. Livesley, vice president of the Portland Union Stock Yards, sent a letter to this club stating that the crop extension committee had agreed to appropriate \$1000 towards paying for a soil expert man to be kept in this community for a year, if the citizens through their organizations would make up the balance. The man selected will come through the Oregon Agricultural College and would work among the farmers of the county along development lines. It would pay the club here and the business men to cooperate towards getting additional information regarding this matter.

PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN

Speakers Talk on Streets of Independence

B. Lee Paget, of Portland, candidate for United States Senator on the Prohibition ticket, and O. A. Stillman, of Salem, candidate for Congress from this district, presented the platform and principles of their party at a meeting held on Main street Monday afternoon. This was the eighth address made by Mr. Paget during the day. Other towns visited by his party were West Salem, McCoy, Perrydale, Rickreall, Dallas and Monmouth. In all of these towns there were well attended street meetings, indicating a growing interest in the Prohibition movement.

Messrs Paget and Stillman have visited more than 80 towns since their tour began August 4, at Sherwood, Oregon. The distance covered by them is approximately 1000 miles. The schedule prepared for them provides that meetings shall be held in every county in the state, making it necessary for them to be on the road for the next two months.

Mr. Paget has been a representative citizen of Portland for many years. He has been treasurer of the People's Power League for the past eight years. This organization has been responsible for most of the liberal movements in Oregon politics which are embraced in the "Oregon System." Its members include such men as W. L. U'Ren, Ben Selling, C. E. S. Wood and others. Mr. Paget is also a member

HILL INTERESTS AND HARRIMAN'S SUCCESSORS TO DEVELOP THIS SECTION SOON

HILL LINE TO GO DIRECT THROUGH INDEPENDENCE REPORT RECEIVED BY EDITOR THIS WEEK

New Depot, Freight and Express Offices, and a Branch to the Coast by Hill People while the S. P. Electric will Build a Fine Depot of Same Class as Planned in Larger Cities

Portland, Eugene and Eastern will Electrify Main Line Through Independence and Route All Fast Passenger Traffic This Way. Branch Lines be Run by Same Power. Hill Will Likely Bridge Willamette Here for Coast Line

Indications point to lively times in Independence if the reports we heard this week are true. Parties who have recently been in Portland interviewed railroad officials in that place, and we are reliably informed that the Southern Pacific, when they have the valley electrified through Independence, and the branch lines built from here will make this one of their central points of operation. All of their fast passenger travel from Portland to Eugene will be routed through Independence, this party stated, and this line will be made as up-to-date as any in Oregon. Not only that but a new depot, modern in every respect, will ultimately be built here, and this will be a leading center for railroad activity. In speaking of this town the party stated if you have any business interests in Independence, my advice is to stay right there as there is not a better opening for future growth and development for a live, wide-awake man.

Another party stated he had interviewed Hill officials in Portland this week and they had told him that the Oregon electric would go through Independence direct, and that freight, express and passenger depots would be built here. Regarding the method of getting here the party

would not give information. Whether we are to have a direct line from Portland on the west side or whether the river is to be bridged could not be ascertained, although the surveys to the coast from Independence by the Hill people are not to be abandoned, and we were told the saw mill would come here as soon as the timber was opened up to this place, which indicates that a line will go direct to the coast at Newport from here.

The coming year will see more real advancement in Independence than has been seen for twenty years, and the business that will be opened up to this town will be immense.

AN OLD PIONEER CALLS

Geo. H. Himes, Secretary Oreg. Hist. Society

Geo. H. Himes, Secretary of Historical Society, Capt. Wm. H. Pope, river pilot from ocean to the sea, his wife and grandson, William Allyn, on tour through the Willamette valley, will be at Dayton tomorrow at the dedication of Sheridan Block House removed recently from Grand Ronde Indian Reservation to Dayton and cleaned it up. He goes to Tillamook Thursday. This is Capt. Pope's first trip through the valley although a pioneer to Oregon in 1851 and Mr. Himes walked to Oregon from Illinois in 1853, but not to Polk County until October 19, 1864. But that trip paid him well as he found a girl who became his wife. Hurrah for Polk!

THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Robbed While he Sleeps Peacefully

C. O. Welker was taking the part of the good Samaritan Tuesday evening. He took a poor hobo home with him for the night, loaned him fifty cents in cash, and gave him a good bed. The next morning when he got up his friend had gone and a search of his pockets revealed the fact that he had been robbed during the night. An open faced Hampton gold watch, a gold chain and gold nugget charm, a \$200 note on his brother, five dollars in cash, two pocket books, and other valuable papers were among the missing valuables.

About two o'clock in the morning the man who accepted the hospitality of Mr. Welker was seen by the night watch and he started towards Salem. Sheriff Grant was notified Wednesday morning and the office put their force at work trying to locate the party. The man wanted wore a brown suit, had a light mustache, light complexioned, medium build, about 5 feet ten tall, and had a slouch hat.

PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Hubbard of Dallas Dies

Dallas, Or., Aug. 19.—Mrs. Mary Hubbard died in this city yesterday at the home of her son, John Hubbard, at the age of 87 years.

Mrs. Hubbard was born in East Tennessee, Aug. 23, 1825. In 1836 she moved with her parents to Frank County, Ill. In January, 1847, she was married to Charles Hubbard, and in the spring of the same year she and her husband crossed the plains to Oregon by ox team. They first settled in Yamhill county, where they took up a homestead claim. In 1854 they moved from Yamhill county to Polk county, locating near the city of Dallas. Mr. Hubbard died in Dallas in 1887, aged 64.

"Grandma Hubbard" was a member of the Baptist church. She is survived by four sons, all residents of Dallas: M. D. Hubbard, C. L. Hubbard, John Hubbard and S. D. Hubbard. Interment will take place in the private Hubbard cemetery, about eight miles southwest from here and near Falls City.—Oregonian.

HOP PICKING IS NEAR

Growers Getting Busy for Rush Season

Only a few more days and the town will be a busy place as hop picking time is drawing near. Four thousand people will be on the streets of Independence inside of two weeks and the town will be a humming. Hop baskets have come by the car load and extra cars will be necessary to bring the people to the city during the hop picking season.

S. B. Irvine expects to start the ball rolling this year and will start picking hops the 28th. He wrote all his pickers Monday to be on hand that date. The big yards will start about the 2nd, in fact two-thirds of the yards expect to start then.

The hops are looking fine, the best they have looked for several years, the weather having been just right to produce strong vines and fine hops. The Wigrich yard is looking better this year than it has ever looked and there will be a fine crop harvested there this year. The Clemens Horst ranch is in fine condition and will produce an immense crop. Mr. Pineus thinks he has the prize yard of the county, but others are looking just as well. The big bottom ranches on the Missouri bottom across from Independence in the Jim Hill annex, are a sight to behold.

RIVER BRIDGE MUCH TOO SMALL

Side Walk for Travel to Oregon Electric Boats to be Built at Once

The matter of improving the service between town and the river on C street came up before the council and statement was made that this was a county bridge. Parties reported that 186 teams had crossed that bridge that day, and that a half more would cross on an average Saturday, while during the hop picking season the traffic was immense. Mr. Damon stated the county court had unofficially inspected this bridge and while acknowledging that it was not adequate to the demands, they felt like making it do for the present as the bridge was substantially built and in good condition, although not of the required width. They had given Mr. Damon instructions to go ahead and put in a sidewalk along the side of the main bridge so as to accommodate the heavy passenger traffic that goes to the boats and to the river. The council thought this would do

although it would be inefficient for any length of time, as the growing trade from the Marion county side makes a standard sized bridge a necessity. Many residents here think the present bridge can be made to do with the side walk added until the matter of a bridge across the Willamette here is taken up and put through, which will undoubtedly be done in a short time.

Card of Thanks.

We desire hereby to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the many friends for their kindly sympathy and tender kindnesses in our recent sad bereavement.

DR. ALLIN AND FAMILY.

Mrs. Wallace while in Portland secured the services of a high class trimmer recently from the east. She will be at the Millinery Parlors next week ready to serve the patrons.