

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN

Next Week Sees Railroad Building to Siletz

ENGINEERS ARRIVE SUNDAY

Part of Work will Start from Siletz East, Part West from near Airlie

A welcome report reaches the Monitor office this week when we learn that actual construction on the Valley and Siletz Railroad is to begin at once. This means the building of the big saw mill at Independence by the Falls City Lumber Company and the employment of probably 200 men the year around in the mill.

Sunday morning a crew of surveyors arrived in Independence on the Southern Pacific and they immediately left to take charge of the survey work for the new railroad, for which most of the right of way has already been purchased, the balance of which is now being secured through condemnation proceedings in the circuit court.

Construction material is being assembled and actual construction work to be commenced Monday is the report given us. The building as now projected begins near Airlie on the Southern Pacific line and will extend to the timber of the Siletz, later it will probably be extended on to the coast. Work is to begin at both ends of the right of way and the road will be built as fast as possible. It will be a standard gauge line and built of a good weight of steel and made a first class road for all purposes.

This new line means much for this city and this part of Polk county and marks an era of development for Polk county that will mean much added wealth and an increased population in this section of the county.

NOT WHAT HE WANTED BUT JUST AS GOOD THOUGH

Well Doctor is it a boy or girl were the words credited to "Ted" Cooper Wednesday morning at his home when a new arrival was handed over by Dr. Stork. "It is a girl" said the doctor. Well that is not what I planned on, but it is just as good though. The new arrival weighed nine pounds, the mother and babe are doing nicely and "Ted" is able to be about. The editor of the Monitor wishes to congratulate him and hopes his next will be a fine boy.

MORE STREET IMPROVEMENT

City Council Orders Work Done on Many Streets

New cement sidewalks, curbing, and the graveling and grading of streets to grade has been ordered in all the streets south of Monmouth street and west of Fourth street. The city council made this order at their last session and also set aside a day to give the property owners an opportunity to appear before the council regarding this matter.

Part of this territory was covered by a petition asking for the above improvements signed by the people living in the territory to be improved. A movement is also under way to have C street paved, and quite a number of the property owners have stated they were in favor of the paving.

Louis R. Glavis, who was a spot light player at the time of the Pinchot affair in Washington, D. C., jumped into the public eye

again when Eleanor Fay, a 22 year old Portland girl attempted to commit suicide by taking carbolic acid, August 11, leaving a note beside her saying "Louis, you wronged. Your life ought to be happy at the expense of mine. Burn my body. Don't tell the folks." She was rushed to the Oakland hospital and may recover.

IMPROVEMENTS GOING ON IN TOWN

O. A. Kreamer has made arrangements to put in a fine new plate glass front to his store on Main street and expects to have as good display windows as are in the city. The whole front of the store will be remodelled.

London & Kibby were awarded the contract for filling in the abutments to the county bridge on C street. The cement bridge was completed Tuesday and the big cement mixers was shipped out by the contractors.

C. A. Dossett of the Endolane orchards farm shipped out a trio

NEWSPAPER MEN COMING

Oregonian, Journal, Telegram and Other Representatives to Be Here

PORTLAND, EUGENE, EASTERN

Officials Sending These Men on a Special Three Day Trip Through the Valley

The train will reach Independence at 9 a. m. Saturday and leave at 5:30 is the announcement sent out by the publicity agent Mark Woodruff of the Portland, Eugene and Eastern electric.

The train is being sent out that the newspaper men of Portland may become better acquainted with the industries and develop-

Harry Block, while working on the mixer for the Linden & Kibby Construction Company, got his hand caught in the machinery, badly mashing his hand.

Miss Laura Bain of Albany and Miss Lillian Molson of Portland were guests of Mrs. J. Fetzer this week.

Hop tickets printed at the Monitor office.

THE LEGHORNS BEAT THEM ALL The Plymouth Rocks are dandy fowl; The Reds and Whites ditto; The Buckeyes and the Dominiques And Javes the also.

The Brahmas, Cochins and Langshans Are not to be sneezed at; They are the sultans of the coop And built on rusted fat.

The Dorkings, Red Caps, Orpingtons, Are English, don't show know; And when they're fattened up with milk They really aren't show.

Then come the Polish and Hamburgs, The Houdans and Crevecoeurs; We mention also the La Fache And Gamecock with sharp spurs.

The Cornish, Malays, Sumatras, Are in the Standard job; You'll find also some just for show If you the look look through.

Minorcas, Andalusians, Anconas and Spanish, too, Are near the tip for laying eggs; But all their legs are blue.

The Leghorns we have left to last, Because those other birds, When you keep 'em on laying stunts, Are seconds and slow thirds.

White Leghorns don't wear feather legs, They don't put on much meat; But when it comes to laying eggs, You bet they can't be beat.

C. M. BARNITZ

DESTRUCTIVE APPLE BLOTCH.

Disease That Costs Thousands of Dollars to Fruit Growers Each Year.

Apple blotch is the most destructive fruit disease in Kansas, causing thousands of dollars' loss every year. It can be almost entirely prevented on fruit the first year, even to badly infested orchards, says Dr. E. Lewis, who is assistant in horticulture at the Kansas Agricultural college at Manhattan, Kan.

It is impossible to control blotch after it has gained entrance to the fruit. No blotch can be seen at the time of the first spraying, but if the spores are present on the twigs in cankers it means you will have blotch on the fruit unless it is sprayed. Blotch is not visible to the naked eye for two or three weeks after it has entered the fruit.

The solution used in spraying for this fungous disease is Bordeaux mixture. This is made from three pounds



Photograph by Missouri state fruit experiment station.

APPLE BLOTCH.

of copper sulphate, four pounds of lime and fifty gallons of water. It is important that all the copper sulphate be mixed with one-half of the water and all the lime with the other one-half and these two dilute solutions allowed to run together at the same time into the tank. Bordeaux mixture made in any other way is less effective and may be even injurious to the fruit.

The first application should be three weeks after the petals fall, the second two weeks after the first, the third, in bad cases, will be required about four to six weeks after the petals fall, and the fourth eight to ten weeks after the petals fall, or at the time of spraying south. In mild cases the second application may be applied from three to four weeks after the first, and the third may be omitted. Bordeaux mixture must not be used during wet weather. If the weather is damp at the regular time of spraying apply lime and sulphur and spray with the Bordeaux as soon as the weather becomes settled.

ANOTHER BIG STORE

To Be Built on Main Street at Once For New Firm

MENS FURNISHING STORE

Geo. L. Whiteaker to Build the New Building to be Ready for Occupancy November 1st.

Another big improvement to Main street is announced this week in the building of a new \$1x70 foot brick on Main street, joining the old Star Theatre building on the north. The tenants occupying the old wooden structures at this location are to vacate the premises at once and the old buildings will be torn out probably next week to make room

We Need Some Form of Old Age Pensioning by Law



By JOHN MITCHELL, Chairman Trade Agreement Committee, National Civic Federation

I HAVE no hesitation in saying that a system of old age pensions GRANTED BY LAW would be infinitely better in this country than the present haphazard old age pensions that are dependent upon private generosity or upon the agreements between employers and employees.

American workmen and workingwomen prefer that their wages should be sufficient to enable them to lay aside enough to provide for their old age. But in the absence of a wage scale that makes this condition possible OLD AGE PENSIONS FROM THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE OF INESTIMABLE VALUE.

SOME FORM OF OLD AGE PENSIONING BY LAW IS A NECESSITY HERE. THE TRADE LIFE OF THE AMERICAN WORKINGMAN IS THE SHORTEST OF ANY WORKINGMAN. THE INTENSITY AND SPEEDING OF THE PACE SET HERE ARE SUCH THAT MEN WEAR OUT, ARE INJURED OR OTHERWISE INCAPACITATED FOR FURTHER LABOR MUCH MORE QUICKLY THAN ELSEWHERE.

It has been said, of course, that the higher wages here and the consequently better food and living conditions offset this strain by fortifying the worker against it. This DOES NOT NECESSARILY FOLLOW.

We hear a good deal about the pensioning of aged employees by corporations. Such pensions usually come from a fund to which the employee and the corporation have jointly contributed. There is always one great drawback to the actual practical value of old age pensions as a private beneficence—when the man or woman is nearing the age at which the pension should go into effect he or she may be dismissed. Therefore it is a MERE PRETENSE in some cases.

for the new building.

The new structure will be of brick, with a fine press brick front and modern plate glass display windows. The building will have a width of 31 feet and a depth of 70 feet and probably more.

Mr. Whiteaker has leased the property to Missal & Knapp, a gent's furnishings firm, who will move to Independence from Albany. They are to have possession of the new building November 1, but as their lease in Albany expires September 1st, they will probably open in temporary quarters here before that time.

Chas. G. Irvine, a former Independence business man, spent

several days in this city this week visiting his brother C. W. Irvine.

Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore will run one of the stores that will be fitted up to furnish supplies locally to hop pickers in the American Bottom section.

Ray Russell returned to Independence this week to undergo surgical treatment, as the result of getting two of his fingers badly hurt by a timber falling on his hand.

TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS

I hope you are all having a good time during vacation, playing, working some, and reading some; and not forgetting to prepare your exhibits for the school fairs. Had you thought about how soon they will be here? Only a few short weeks now, and the time will pass quickly. Procrastination is said to be the thief of time. Do not let it be the thief of those prizes you have no doubt had your heart set on winning. It is so easy to waste time and get slack in our habits, especially during vacation. Everyone ought

THRESHING HAS BEGUN

Ridders Started Threshing Their Grain Friday

CROPS WILL BE FAIRLY GOOD

First Threshing Starts near Wells and Buena Vista All Will Soon Be at Work

The usual early morning whistle of the thresher is with us again. Friday morning Ridder Brothers started threshing their wheat and oats and Monday saw the machines at work in different sections of the county. At Buena Vista E. B. Gobat started his thresher on the M. C. Anderson farm and then moved to the Harley Prather place where he threshed about 2000 bushels of wheat and oats. We are also informed that threshing is now in full force in the Wells section and the machines now out all have plenty of grain ripe enough to keep them running until the threshing season closes.

State Treasurer Kay and Secretary of State Olcott publicly announced that they would support Plimpton and stood for him at the meeting. The Governor, it is understood, refrained from voting.

The Board also decided to acquire a plant, and appointed a committee of three members to negotiate with Mrs. Duniway for the present plant. Should the Board be able to acquire it at a price which it feels that it can pay it will purchase it. The members of the committee appointed are: George Putnam, editor of the of the Medford Mail-Tribune; Carey Hayter, of George M. Orton of Portland.

Washington, Aug 12—Senate-Democratic steering committee today assigned Chamberlin to the chairmanship of the military affairs committee. Myers of Montana succeeds Chamberlin as chairman of the public lands committee, Smith of Arizona succeeds Myers as chairman of the irrigation committee, and Vandaman of Mississippi succeeds Smith as chairman of conservation.

tirely deprived of a vacation, but as to having to work hard, you really ought to be thankful for that. Hard work does not hurt you if you do not chafe and worry about it. Our best and greatest people had to work hard. Surmounting difficulties brings out the best that is in you, and develops strength of character. The best exhibits at the school fairs last year were generally made by children who had to work hard. Loafers do not win prizes at fairs nor in the battles of life.

Perhaps you are not acquainted with Mr. Churchill, our new State Superintendent, but you will have an opportunity to meet him some day, I hope. I am sure you will like him; he says he is very much interested in the boys and girls of Oregon, and especially in seeing them learn the practical things of life. He is anxious to see definite results from the Industrial Department. It is up to you to show such results, boys and girls, and I am sure you will do your part.

Very truly yours, N. C. Maris, Field Worker Industrial Fairs.

Separate Business From Politics

By THOMAS R. MARSHALL, Vice President

THE sooner all the great interests close their headquarters in Washington, cease the practice of maintaining representatives at the capital, the sooner will it be possible to get business down to a basis that will enable every man in trade to CONDUCT HIS AFFAIRS WITH A MINIMUM OF ANXIETY, yet with a maximum of profit.

IF THEY WILL ONLY FIGURE OUT HOW MUCH MONEY THEY ARE SPENDING IN FINANCING CAMPAIGNS, HOW MUCH THEY ARE PUTTING INTO ORGANIZATION AND HOW MUCH THE WASHINGTON BUREAUS COST, AND IF THEY WILL ONLY THEN SIT DOWN LIKE SENSIBLE MEN AND COMPUTE THE AMOUNT OF WORRY AND HOW THEY ARE SHORTENING THEIR LIVES BY THIS CONTINUOUS TURMOIL THEY WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT THEY WILL BE FAR BETTER OFF IF THEY WILL TAKE THEIR BUSINESS OUT OF POLITICS.

You cannot count in dollars and cents the element of WEAR AND TEAR UPON THE HUMAN FRAME AND MIND in the worry that comes over election results.