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BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS IN FLORENCE SINCE JAN. 1

More Than Twenty New Residences
Have Been Finished or Started
Since First of the Year.

Florence, located as it is, and much of the property covered with small pine trees, huckle berry bushes, and rhododendras can be having considerable improvement going on in the residence section without much notice being taken. Handsome bungalows and cottages are hidden among the evergreens, making cosy and enjoyable homes for the owners.

A canvas of the town brings to light that about twenty homes have been completed or are now under construction, representing an improvement valuation of over \$30,000. This represents a good healthy growth and indicates that there are people who are quietly expressing their faith in the future of Florence by investing their capital in homes.

POPE DIED THURSDAY

Rome, August 20.—Pope Pius X died at 1:20 o'clock this morning. He had been ill for several days, but alarming symptoms did not develop until Wednesday morning.

Throughout the day Drs. Marchiafava and Amici devoted their utmost energies to stimulating their patient and keeping him alive. The cardinals were informed of the Pope's grave condition and some of them who entered the sick room described the impressive scenes, especially when the pontiff, rousing himself from time to time, spoke.

SOMETHING IN THE WAY OF A CORN STALK

C. A. Lander, who lives near Mapleton on the Siuslaw river has sent to the Pilot office a corn stalk that shows an immense growth and proves the possibility of the soil in this country. It measures twelve and one-half feet.

This issue is made a special of the Siuslaw country and is worth sending away. The special features are the work I. J. Walcott and M. S. O'Neil. A worthy compliment to Western Lane county.

The railroad construction crew have finished the depot grounds and are now finishing the work of drainage through Mapleton.

Why all this talk about hard times being produced by the war now going on in Europe. While it is a recognized fact that in some lines of business a loss will result, and in many a readjustment must take place, yet the general trend should be of benefit and should create a more prosperous condition. Already some lines of industry have received an impetus that predicts this. At Coos Bay the announcement has been made that the first order for 250 tons of pulp has been placed with the Coos Bay pulp mill and that inquiries have been pouring in thick and fast the last few days.

This is a direct result of the European war, as much of the pulp is produced in Finland, Sweden and other sections of Europe and with the present condition of Atlantic shipping it means that the American and Japanese and Chinese paper mills must seek elsewhere for their pulp supply. Just now they are turning to Coos Bay and it is not unlikely that the big mill will soon be running double shift to supply the demand.

In the matter of labor it stands to reason that if the world war is prolonged, and reservists continue to return to their native countries to serve in the armies, a demand will be created that will offset to an extent the difficulty in this country.

Financial authorities say there is no reason that hard times should prevail and A. L. Mills, president of the First National Bank, of Portland, and the Clearing House Association, and a member of the reserve board, in an address to 300 business men gathered in Portland Friday night, among other things remarked:

"That there would never be another panic such as that of 1893, and he told why there should not be, announcing in tones that carried conviction that the country finances had never been on a sounder basis.

"America has two and one-half times as much gold on hand as any other country in the world. America has parted with \$148,000,000 in the last five months, and could part with another hundred millions without noticing it.

"Europe would have to have our crops and Europe would have to pay for them. England had already guaranteed them safe transportation. The recent currency bill has provided Portland with \$11,000,000—\$11,000,000 on which she may never have to draw.

"We should combat with all the power within us the dismal croakings of the confirmed pessimist, who, whenever there is the smallest cloud in the sky, believes the sun will never shine again. Such calamity howlers are a pest in society, of value neither to themselves or to others, but rather are a drag upon the wheels of our nation. There should not be even standing room for the pessimist in this great country of ours.

"In the meantime, however, for the next two or three weeks there will be unrest, and fear and excitement. It therefore devolves upon us all to practice and maintain our courage, for there is nothing to fear in the future.

"In conclusion, let me beg of you to be of good cheer. Financial conditions are sound and will remain so. The prospects for a period of prosperity in the near future are bright."

Locally the conditions in the western part of Lane county is shown by the financial report of our one bank to be above other communities with about the same population and territory.

GERMANS HAVE TAKEN BRUSSELS AND LIEGE FORTS

Japan Expects to Begin War as Soon
as Ultimatum Expires—Spain
Will Join With Allies.

(Special to The Siuslaw Pilot)

New York, Aug. 21.—The German army in its forward movement have taken Brussels. Their occupation of the Belgian capital met with very little resistance. The German troops are encamped outside the city and will continue on toward Antwerp, which is in a state of siege. The allies are massed in force south of Waterloo where it is expected the greatest battle in world's history will occur. The battle line extends eastward through Alsace and Lorraine where the French are forcing the Kaiser's warriors back on Strasburg.

The Liege forts have fallen and three German army divisions have formed a junction at Brussels.

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It is rumored Spain will join allies against Germany.

MAPLETON NEWS NOTES

School opens in Mapleton Monday, September 7th with H. M. Mabrey of Eugene as principal. Miss Gwendolyn F. Dickens, of Mohmouth, in charge of intermediate classes, and Miss Viva Kanniff in the primary department. The school house has been repainted and decorated, and the seats resurfaced and varnished.

The work on Kirby Bros. residence is progressing nicely. The roof is now on and carpenters are working on the inside. It will be eight rooms and be 1 1-2 stories high.

Poles for the electric light system are now placed and Mapleton will soon take on Metropolitan airs.

Martin Noffsinger is building a scow.

An effort is to be made to incorporate Mapleton soon, and the proposition is being strongly advocated.

BROWNIE THE KODAK



That Gives
Pleasure

Rexall

Store

Morris & Son

Joe. Morris Jr., Norman G. Morris.

THE LEADERS

WAR! WAR!

War is a condition under which opposing factions engage in combat. (This is not the definition as credited to General Sherman.)

The whole of Europe is engaged in warfare of the kind that kills. Morris & Son have started a war on the price of hog and chicken feed. Read our manifesto: We are backed up by the highest authority in Lane county. Read these letters, then carefully read our ultimatum.

Mapleton, Or., July 20, 1914.

Mr. F. W. Rader, Eugene, Oregon.
Dear Sir: I am sending you by mail this date, two samples of damaged grain, one of wheat and one of barley. This grain was damaged recently by fire in Portland, and I can get it considerably cheaper than grain that is not damaged, but what I want to know, is the value of this grain for feeding value, compared with undamaged goods.

We usually handle wheat here for chicken feed only, and it retails here at from 2c to 2 1/2c per pound. I can sell this damaged wheat at 1 1/2c per pound here, and would like to know if it will not be cheaper and better for chicken feed than clean wheat.

The barley would be good for hogs, and I want your opinion as to the relative food value of this damaged barley as compared with undamaged barley, and what other grain would make a balanced ration with the barley for fattening hogs.

Thanking you in advance I am yours truly,
MORRIS & SON,
Per Joe Morris Jr.

To our good friends and patrons. Owing to the fact that we received in our warehouse at Mapleton, Oregon, on August 5th and 6th, fifteen tons of wheat and barley as referred to above in the two printed letters. We do declare and insist that you do not have to pay to exceed \$80.00 per ton in lots of one ton or more, for this feed at our warehouse at Mapleton while these or any part of these fifteen tons of feed remains.

MORRIS & SON, Mapleton, Oregon.

FIVE KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

(Special to the Siuslaw Pilot)

Marshfield, August 21.—Five men were killed and two were slightly injured while riding in a touring car owned and driven by Burford Davis, a wealthy rancher. The car dashed off Pony slough bridge about three miles from here at five o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The dead are Burford Davis, a wealthy rancher of Marshfield; James Wasson, proprietor of the Fish market; Bill Wirth, a rancher; John Negethson, a rancher; Cliff Peterson, proprietor of the Union saloon at Marshfield. The car was going at a tremendous speed and in making a short turn knocked the railing from the bridge and falling twenty feet into the water and pinning the five men under it where they died like rats in a trap.

Three miles of water main will be laid on the Portland peninsula. Millwaukee gets an additional school house.

JAMES L. FURNISH CHICKEN ENTHUSIAST

It is no unusual sight to meet J. L. Furnish with a chicken or two under his arm when in town, and Thursday he was to be seen carrying a small box and in it a fine specimen of the white Wyandotte strain. This chicken was from a lot of 60 that he had raised this year, and Mr. Furnish was delivering it to a purchaser. Last year he secured a pen from G. A. Griffin, of Eugene, and the two hens will have a record of over 200 eggs each before the season is over.

But while J. L. is figuring on white Wyandottes, Mrs. Furnish has a years record for just a flock of common birds, showing a mixture of leghorn that is interesting. Last year she had 26 hens to start with, and a record of the twelve months shows a production of 3069 eggs. They had killed and used 14 chickens, and had left a flock of 54. The cash income was \$80.79, while \$54.45 was expended for feed. This leaves at the end of the year a surplus from the 24 hens, of \$26.34 in cash, 18 chickens, and 14 chicken dinners.

WAR!

In Times of Peace
Prepare for War.
After Every Dry Spell
Comes the Rain.

We are now showing a complete line of

MEN'S & BOYS' Rain Coats

Men's AND Boys' Mackinaw Coats

In plain and fancy weave.

Men's and Boys' Dress Shoes,
Heavy Shoes and Rubber Boots.
We invite your inspection.

WOOLEN MILL STORE,

FLORENCE, OREGON.