

OREGON CITY.

G. W. H. Miller went to Molalla on business Wednesday. Harry Ferguson, of Astoria, was visiting in this city Sunday. J. H. Powers of Molalla, was in Oregon City Monday and Tuesday. R. E. Morrow, of Hillsboro, was in Oregon City Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. Joy, a school teacher of Molalla, was in this city Monday on business. Mr. R. Boyles has returned to Molalla after spending a few days in Oregon City. D. L. Trullinger of Union Mills, was transacting business in Oregon City Wednesday. J. V. Hallers, one of the prominent residents of Molalla, was in Oregon City Sunday and Monday. H. C. Tozier, of Molalla, returned to his home Monday morning, after being in this city on business. Arthur Schneider, of Woodburn, a former resident of this city, was in Oregon City Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Case and two children, who have been visiting in Portland, returned to their home at Molalla Tuesday. Mrs. M. C. Ganong, one of the prominent pioneers of the state, whose home is near Ganemah, is very ill at her home. Mrs. Mary Maxwell, of Melanite Falls, Washington, was in Oregon City Tuesday and Wednesday, registering at the Electric Hotel. L. H. Kirchem, a well known farmer of Logan, returned to his home Monday, after several days visit in this city on business. Fruit trees, rose bushes and fancy shrubbery at half regular price. Best two year fruit trees at ten cents each. H. J. Bigger, 9th and Centre Street, Oregon City. The people generally will heartily commend the city council for its unanimous action in taking hold of the matter of a pure water supply. Thomas Lovett, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lovett of Thirteenth and Washington Street, who has been ill with typhoid fever for the past six weeks, is rapidly improving and is now able to leave his room. "The Younger Set" Club was entertained by Miss Florence Grace at her home on Eighth and Washington Street Friday evening. The evening was devoted to cards, the prize being won by Miss Ruth Brightbill. Refreshments were served. Miss Alice Moore will be the hostess of the next meeting. The city council has given permission to Charles Schram to enlarge and improve his show house. He will remodel and include the adjoining building formerly the Hub Saloon, will have a seating capacity of 600, a stage 22 by 30, concrete operating room, aisles enlarged, asbestos curtain, etc. Mr. Schram knows how to run a motion picture house and has made the Grand a most popular place. Mrs. John W. Loder, assisted by Mrs. Lydia Olmstead, was the hostess of the Derthick Club at the former's home on Ninth and Center street on Friday afternoon. The opera "Hansel and Gretel" was read by Mrs. J. W. Moffat. Selections from this opera were rendered by Mrs. Van Bankle on the piano, and Gustave Fleckner on the violin. Refreshments were served by the hostesses. Those in attendance were, Mrs. Anna S. Hayes, Mrs. C. H. Meissner, Mrs. Walter A. Dimick, Mrs. Theodore Osmund, Mrs. Carl Joenke, Mrs. John F. Clark, Mrs. L. Adams, Mrs. Leon DesLarzes, Mrs. E. A. Chapman, Mrs. J. E. Hedges, Mrs. M. D. Latourette, Mrs. S. O. Dillman, Mrs. J. W. Moffat, Mrs. F. Olmstead, Miss Muriel Stevens, and Miss Marjorie Caulfield. The mysterious disappearance of Carl Hodes, a saloon keeper, and well known resident of the city, is the topic of much comment in the city. Without a word to his family that he was to leave he mysteriously disappeared last Saturday and no trace of him had been found up to Thursday night. Wednesday of last week he purchased a half interest in the saloon at the corner of Eighth and Main streets, and he had but \$84 when he disappeared. Chief Shaw has notified all the cities and towns up the valley where he had relatives. No reason can be found for his disappearance. He stood high as citizen and had no family troubles. Mrs. John R. Humphreys entertained in a most delightful manner at her home on Twelfth and Washington Street Wednesday afternoon, the members of the Wednesday Afternoon Bridge Club and a few friends. The afternoon was spent in playing bridge, the first prize a handsome cut glass dish, was won by Mrs. H. E. Hendry; the second prize a Venetian glass vase, by Mrs. C. H. Meissner, and the guest prize a bouquet of carnations, was won by Mrs. Rosina Fouts. Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon. The rooms were prettily decorated with red carnations and Oregon Grapes. Mrs. Humphreys' guests were: Mrs. C. D. Latourette, Mrs. C. H. Meissner, Mrs. M. D. Latourette, Mrs. H. E. Hendry, Mrs. A. A. Price, Mrs. H. L. Clark, Mrs. Theodore Osmund, Mrs. Rosina Fouts, Mrs. Henry O'Malley, Mrs. L. A. Morris, Mrs. J. P. Lovett, Mrs. Don Melndrum, Miss Nell Caulfield, Miss Marjorie Caulfield and Miss Helen Lovett.

Albert Lindsley, of Beaver Creek, was in Oregon City Wednesday. Sam Bailey and brother of Eldorado, were in Oregon City Wednesday. Jack and Ellis Graves, of Eldorado, were Oregon City visitors Wednesday. Peter Bohlender and wife of Beaver Creek, were in Oregon City Wednesday. Joe Studeman, a well known resident of Shubel, was in Oregon City Wednesday. Mrs. E. C. Warren, of Oak Grove, was visiting friends in Oregon City Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Casto, of Union Hall, was transacting business in this city Wednesday. Mr. Fisher, and son Herman and daughter Elsie, of Carus, were in Oregon City Wednesday. Henry Stevens of Beaver Creek, was among those transacting business in this city Wednesday. Mrs. Peters of Eleventh and Jefferson St., who has been ill for the past two weeks, is improving. J. S. Short, of Portland, was in Oregon City Monday, taking the Waldron stage for Molalla, where he went on business. N. M. Ober, a surveyor of Portland, was in Oregon City Monday on his way to Molalla, where he will engage in surveying. Valentine Bohlender, of Beaver Creek, one of the well known residents of that place, was in Oregon City Wednesday. Judge and Mrs. Charles N. Wait, prominent residents of Canby, were in Oregon City Wednesday on their way to Portland on business. Miss Rosa Mulvany, of Union Mills, was visiting in Oregon City Friday, but was not able to return to her home until the following day on account of the snow. Mr. and F. G. Barlow are moving to their beautiful new home at Gladstone, which was recently completed by Clarence Simmons, the contractor. The house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Barlow on Seventh and Water Street, will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Godfrey, who are now occupying one of the apartments of the Farr flats. Two Good Bills. Representative Schoerr of this city, has introduced two bills of county interest, one providing for county election precincts and one to require county officials to publish semi-annual reports of the financial conditions of counties. Remove Chief Shaw. Chief Shaw should be fired, for conduct unbecoming a police officer and for aiding and abetting the violation of ordinances. Last week he was caught, caught with the goods on him, and there is plenty of evidence. He took active part in snowballing with a bunch of 8-year-olds instead of arresting them. They chased him and he ran. That Equity Department. On page 3 is a department devoted to the Farmers' Society of Equity, but every reader will find it good stuff, for the reason it is an open forum, where the farmers and others, whether members of the Society or not, will express their opinions on the Society's aims and plans. It is an interesting page, and you should not skip it. A society that has in the past three months doubled its membership in this country, is a society to take notice of. County Court Ignores Petitions. Editor Courier:— I have been reading the articles in the Courier advocating the township system of government to take the place of the present county court system, and I have become a convert to the change. The reason of the conversion was: January 7 I presented a petition, with 22 names, from District No. 44, and 24 names from Canemah District No. 45, asking that I be permitted to pay my road tax in Dist. No. 15. I live three miles from Dist. 44, and live in Dist. 15. But the Court turned it down, and I must continue to pay in a district three miles away. I do not think this is justice to me, and I want to make an open protest against the county court's action. L. GEIGER.

Show Coming to Oregon City. There will be one of his best plays that has been given in this city this year at Shively's Opera House, on Thursday evening next January 30, when the play "Along the Kennebec" will be given at this theatre. This company is accompanied by a band and orchestra and no doubt they will be greeted with a large crowd. Popular prices will prevail. Get your seats reserved early.

BOOSTS FOR BETTER ROADS. People go to places where there are good roads and avoid places where there are bad roads. In order for you to get the benefit of a good road it must be built before you are dead. Build them now. We must get politics out of our road building. Our universities must thoroughly equip many highway engineers.

STATE ROAD WORK IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Giant Strides Made by Keystone Engineers Since July. Over 4,700 miles of state highways in Pennsylvania have been repaired and put in good condition since they came under the state jurisdiction in June of this year. Practically all of this work was done in three months, considerable time being required by the state highway department to get its repair work under way. It was not until July 1 that systematic operations were possible. One of the first things accomplished was the elimination of the old fashioned water breaks which used to be a serious impediment to travel throughout the state. All these have been removed, and it is stated that there is not one left on the 4,700 miles of roads which have received the attention of the state department. Next in importance has been the work of ditching, underdraining, the removal of underbrush and overhanging bushes at the road sides in order to allow the roads to dry up quickly after rains and the recrowning of the road surfaces. Most of the work has been done with the materials at hand, although in some instances macadam construction has been used. All of these roads will be gone over again before the winter sets in, the present work being to a considerable extent of a temporary character designed to keep the main highways in the best possible condition until the money to be derived from the proposed \$50,000,000 bond issue shall provide funds for the more thorough repair of the highways.

GOOD ROAD PARAGRAPHS. Some one said, "A good road, serviceable throughout the year, enables the farmer to watch the markets and not the roads." The paralyzing effects of bad roads run through business and social life. The spreading of the doctrine of good roads will bring a large increase in the volume of business for everybody.

VALUE OF GOOD ROADS. They Would Tend to Lower the Cost of Living. The 2,000,000 miles of unimproved roads which the country has to its discredit are as heavy a burden upon the unfortunate "ultimate consumer" as is an excessive tariff. Every pound of produce hauled from the farm to the market bears an inflated price because of the excessive cost of its transportation from the farm to the point of shipment. For instance, it costs an average of almost 2 cents more to haul a bushel of wheat from the farm to the station nine miles away than it does to ship a bushel of wheat from New York to Liverpool, 3,100 miles away. This excessive transportation cost must be made up by the farmer in charging more for his wheat, by the miller in charging more for the flour, by the baker in charging more for bread and finally, of course, by the "ultimate consumer" in paying more for his bread. As the farmer and the miller are also consumers, the excessive cost of road transportation really levies a tax upon all. Whatever doubt there may have been about the need for systematic road improvement in the United States facts and figures such as these finally dispelled it. If there was ever any work calculated to fill the proverbial "long felt want" it was the work of the office of public roads.

Remove the Mud Tax Burden. No plan for spring work is complete which does not include dragging the roads. If this is attended to at the proper time it insures good roads for the season and removes the larger share of that awful burden, the mud tax. In this matter the towns and cities are equally interested with the farmers, and their co-operation is not generally hard to secure if the matter is handled rightly. Road dragging is one of those things that must be secured through co-operation if widespread benefits are to be enjoyed.

Use of a Drag on Gravelly Roads. In soils full of loose stones or even small boulders the drag has done good service. The loose stones are drawn into a windrow down the center of the road, while the earth is deposited around the boulders in such a way that the surface is leveled. The loose stones in the center of the road should of course be removed. Where there is a large proportion of small stones or gravel the drag will keep down the inequalities in the surface.

Good Roads. Good roads are the reward of common sense applied to the local management of town or county affairs.—Kansas Industrialist.

THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW, Chairman, N. Y. Editor of the New York State Grange Review. MAINE STATE GRANGE. Problems of Interest to Farmers Being Discussed Without Bias. Whatever prestige and standing we have attained in Maine, said State Master Stetson in his report to the national grange, have been brought about by the stand we have taken and the influence we have had in the right solution of economic, moral and progressive problems, and we feel that if the work in Maine is to grow and thrive it must take upon itself the solution of great problems as they arise, unfettered by partisanship or sectarianism. Mr. Stetson said that every grange should select some problem to solve and stay with it until its solution is accomplished. The demand for our energies in the field of finding and interpreting facts was never as pressing as at the present. In no other way can co-operation be better used than in uniting the members of the grange in thrashing out the problems that perplex the farmer. Referring to the problem of road construction, Mr. Stetson urged that a more businesslike system be adopted. He remarked that the great needs in this state today are not so much to get more money for maintaining roads, "but to expend what money we have to the best advantage, and by a scientific study of conditions in relation to road traffic and the relations to towns to each other we shall ascertain our road needs." Maine has 25,000 miles of roads and the grange contention is that roads must be built and maintained for the purpose of affording a means of transporting the commerce of the state at the least possible cost. Referring to the direct election of United States senators, Mr. Stetson said that the grange has for many years championed this amendment to the constitution of the United States, and he believed that the next meeting of the Maine state grange would heartily endorse the joint resolution of senate and congress authorizing this amendment. The grange in the Pine Tree State is also vitally interested in securing legislation controlling forest areas and conserving water powers, and it fully believes that the development of the state depends largely upon reducing the cost of transportation and bringing the producer and consumer nearer together.

BEST KIND OF TREES TO PLANT ON STREETS.

Japanese Poplar Seems the Best of Quick Growing Varieties. The poplar family is used very extensively to make a quick showing along streets or newly laid out land near cities. The Carolina is perhaps the favored one. Next to this is the Lombardy, and, of course, the maples are frequently seen. The maple, says the Agronomist, is beautiful and will always be used in spite of the fact that many varieties are afflicted with blight and bugs, and it is a very difficult proposition to coax an individual, much less a community, to properly spray and care for its shade trees. The Norway maple is undoubtedly the best of the species for our conditions. Of the poplars the Carolina is certainly not worth while. It has too many troubles. The Lombardy is merely weird, as we see no beauty in it. It is the spindling straight up and down thing that is so often seen in European landscapes, painted or otherwise. All we have seen in this country were filled with dead limbs, were unsymmetrical and scrawny looking generally. The Japanese poplar has proved a wonder of remarkably rapid growth, has a beautiful clean bark, grows very thick, has a beautiful foliage, is not injured by anything, was in full leaf this year over two weeks before any other tree, and its leaves remain after most other foliage trees are stripped. Catalpa speciosa makes quick growth sometimes. It comes out very late, has a leaf like a palm leaf fan and is not pleasing in the winter. Therefore we most heartily recommend the Japanese poplar as the best of all quick growing trees.

FINANCES OF THE GRANGE.

The National Treasurer's Report Shows Substantial Resources. The treasurer reported the total resources of the national grange Oct. 1, 1912, as follows: Balance with the Farmers' Loan and Trust company, \$13,979.36; Deposits in savings banks, with accrued interest, \$1,169,020.00; Railway and other bonds, with accrued interest, \$5,765,762.43; Loans on real estate with accrued interest, \$1,427,623.00; Unexpended grange extension fund, \$65,712.00; Unexpended deputy fee fund, \$19,000.00; Total, \$89,190.75. The various state granges have paid for dues as follows: California, \$126.88; Colorado, \$125.44; Connecticut, \$66.28; Delaware, \$89.39; Idaho, \$100.75; Illinois, \$123.44; Indiana, \$82.32; Iowa, \$126.57; Kansas, \$96.41; Kentucky, \$123.44; Maine, \$241.21; Maryland, \$114.43; Massachusetts, \$117.90; Michigan, \$246.22; Minnesota, \$82.32; Missouri, \$24.00; Nebraska, \$4.35; New Hampshire, \$198.11; New Jersey, \$47.50; New York, \$474.11; Ohio, \$149.98; Oregon, \$78.32; Rhode Island, \$111.11; South Dakota, \$37.78; Tennessee, \$1.94; Vermont, \$25.00; Washington, \$127.50; West Virginia, \$25.00; Wisconsin, \$6.30; Total, \$30,771.13.

A Good Selection.

Patrons everywhere will be interested in the fact that the national lecturer, N. P. Hull of Dimondale, Mich., has been chosen secretary of the National Dairy union and has assumed charge of the work. The National Dairy union is an association of the allied dairy and creamery organizations of the country for protection and progressive purposes. This organization came into special prominence last winter in the oleomargarine fight. The secretaryship was made vacant by the death of George M. Whitaker, whose work in various dairy organizations is known from one end of the country to the other. Much of last winter he spent in Washington directing the fight against the oleomargarine interests. The National Dairy union and the grange have worked hand in hand to secure good dairy legislation. Mr. Hull has had much experience in legislative work, last year being appointed a member of the legislative committee of the national grange. His official position in both these organizations will enable them to work in unison in their fight for good dairy laws. The oleo legislation was tabled last winter, but will come up again this winter. National Stockman.

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HOME TRADE TALK. Have something to say. Say it. Stop talking. A man who does big things is too busy to talk about them. A tactful man can pull the stinger from a bee without getting stung. An appeal to reason is oftentimes less effective than an appeal to the pocketbook. Every man looks with suspicion upon any plan necessitating his giving you money. He has to be shown. The truth is mighty and must prevail. Just tell the truth, but tell it as if you yourself believed it too. Don't fight your competitor by cutting prices. Instead go over and have a heart to heart talk with him. Your signboard must read, "This Road to Wealth With Safety" and it must stand where all can see it. "Talk is cheap." Therefore don't hand out too much of it. It makes you and your proposition look cheap. You've got to know your proposition from A to Z. You've got to know it like a young mother knows baby talk. Correct mistakes of clerks or delivery wagon drivers promptly and cheerfully and customers will then forget to lose their temper. Wrangling over the matters is as bad as refusing to do anything at all.

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CIVIC PRIDE. The autumn days go drifting by at Pook on the Crick. The branches stand forth bare where once the leaves were green and thick. And, though we miss the music and the blossoming so fair, The campaign speaker tries to make us all forget our care. He tells us of the duty that we owe our fellow men, And one man in particular he mentions now and then. He sort of tries to make us discontented with our lot, Reminding us of things old Pook hasn't got. We haven't automobiles that go racing up an' down. We haven't a police force to start shootin' up the town. We haven't any airplanes to give us thrills of fear. Nor public works whose cost gives rise to rumors rather queer. It's just a lot o' houses, barns and haystacks that it shows, Our city with its days of toil and nights of sweet repose. I've seen the electric lights and buildings high of stone and brick, But you couldn't trade 'em all to me for Pook on the Crick. —Washington Star.

TOWN SEEKS A SLOGAN.

Elizabeth Offers Prize For Phrase to Advertise Its Exposition. The city of Elizabeth, N. J., wants a slogan to be used in promoting the big industrial exposition to be held in that city next February. The board of trade has announced a prize of \$25 in gold for the best phrase suggested, and already more than 200 suggestions have been received by the committee. Great Value of Trees. That town is rapidly being made beautiful particularly where the people are awake to the value of trees, which are invaluable. They increase the value of property, enhance the beauty of architecture, cool the air in summer and radiate warmth in winter and purify the air. They create sentiment, counteract the unnatural conditions of city or town life, promote education of children and encourage outdoor life.

The Best Cough Medicine.

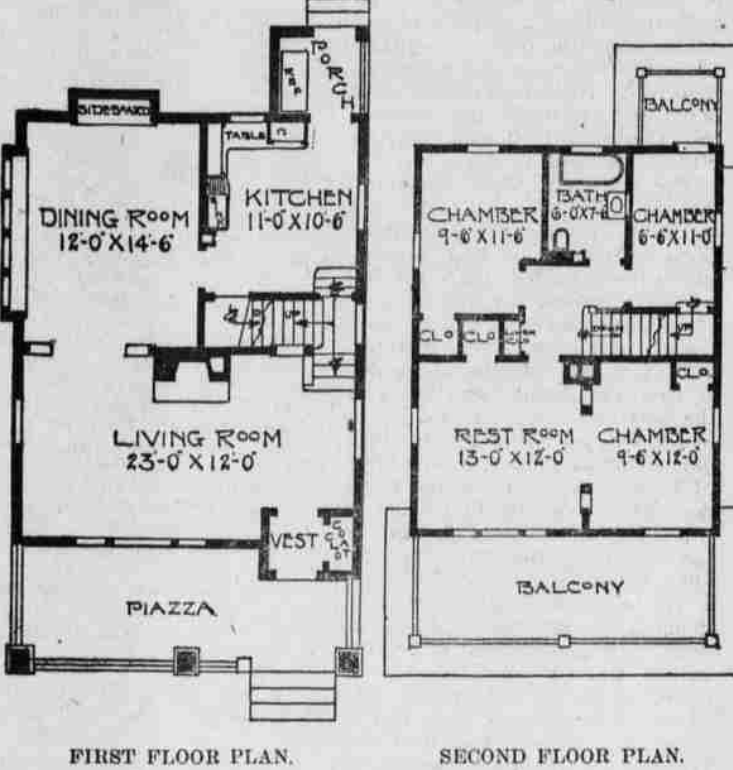
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Upon receipt of \$1 the publisher of this paper will supply Saxton's book of plans, "American Dwellings." It contains 254 up-to-date designs of cottages, bungalows and residences costing from \$1,000 to \$8,000.

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A WOMAN'S GOOD LOOKS

Depend on her general health and freedom from pain. Many a woman looks old before her time because of those irregularities which are essentially feminine. Starting from early womanhood, she suffers from frequently recurring derangements that upset her womanly health. If she be beautiful she grows into that mellow age without wrinkles and crowfoot about the eyes or the blue circles underneath. It is invariably the rule that such women suffer little, or not at all, from womanly derangements which sap the health and leave in the face the tell-tale story of pain and suffering. Dr. R. V. Pierce, the famous specialist in the diseases of women, found a prescription in his early practice that soothed the human system—and helped the woman to pass those painful periods that scar-lined and aged her face. This remedy became the well-known Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, that has benefited thousands of women and saved them from misery and suffering at different periods in life. "I am now a well woman after suffering for three years and doctoring charting. For the last one, after putting me through a thorough examination, cancer, and said I would not live more than two years if not operated on the operation as I was too weak and too much afraid, but as last, through the advice of a friend, I tried Dr. Pierce's medicine, and after using two bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription,' I immediately felt a change. I also used two boxes of 'Healing Suggestives' and Dr. Pierce's medicine to all who suffer from any female disease, for these medicines are all they are claimed to be, and I hope will help others as they have helped me."