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OREGON CITY'S BUSY STORE

### ALFRED D. CRIDGE'S IDEAS

Ground rent is the value which a piece of bare land will rent for in the open market. A little chunk of land in Portland scarcely large enough for a small bunch of goats rents for \$20,000 a year. There are a great many such chunks. One plot, less than an acre, by no means the most valuable in Portland—rents for \$60,000. His tenant pays all taxes. Suppose that the people of Oregon taxed that ground income for 90 per cent—levied a "ground rent tax?" The people of Oregon made and keep that land valuable. Their labors, their commerce, their industry, their frugality, their honesty and their government. That ground rent must go to somebody. It is a part of the inexorable fitness of things that land where people come together to do business, to enjoy each other's society, to live and to work, shall be more valuable than any other land where they do not or will not go. Why should an old man with one adult child be allowed to seize upon this unearned sum every year? He and his offspring would be better off if he had only a tenth of that sum. The people of Oregon need it for schools, for roads, for bridges, for dredging, for warehouses—for themselves. They have but to reach out and take it—and \$90,000,000 more.

The people of Portland had no important issue before them at the recent city election and about 60 per cent did not vote. The candidates running for office had no fundamental issue between them. They wanted the office. "Who cares?" was the attitude of most of the people. "Any of 'em suits me." The measures on the ballot were of no importance except the "jitney" ordinance, and the people of Portland are very much inclined to do as the Portland Railway Light and Power Company asks them to do. In this case they did that very thing. The local transportation combine is sorry now that it did not ask for more. Probably it will.

Governor Withycombe looked very happy riding at the head of the procession last week in Portland at the Rose Festival. No doubt he was. But he was no happier than a lad I met on the street who had gained 85 cents selling boxes for seats on the line of the procession and was proceeding to enjoy all the delights of life, including candy, ice cream, picture shows and then more candy, ice cream and picture shows.

The most beautiful sight for the Rose Festival was thousands of children marching in the "Rosebud procession." There were many eyes dimmed as they saw them. There have been more children killed in Belgium and France in the last year by war than marched in that Portland Festival. There have been more women died from deliberate shooting, from privation, hunger, cold and nameless abuses in Poland than all the mothers of all the children in Portland. Then there are some people who are in a big hurry to get the United States into the game!

A newspaper that can deliver the people bound to the special privileged corporations is a valuable asset to any well regulated monopoly.

What is being done to prevent 10,000 idle men begging for food in Portland next winter?

"The laborer is worthy of his hire," says a dusty book on the shelf. The preacher that will fully tell what this means will not get any pulpit worth \$5,000 a year. It means that the laborer is entitled to ALL that he produces, and this leaves no room for titled and untitled lords of the earth.

### 45 GET DIPLOMAS

Large Class Matriculates at Oregon City Highschool

Two score and five students of the Oregon City highschool received diplomas last week in Shively's hall, at the most successful commencement ever held in the county seat. F. J. S. Toole, city superintendent, acted as chairman at the exercises, and to him is due a great deal of credit for the success of the occasion.

The Rev. Otto Schultz opened the evening with an invocation, while the highschool orchestra furnished music whenever it was needed. Miss Alene Phillips read the salutatory and Miss Sylvia Schultz read the valedictory. Miss Evangeline Dye was the class historian, while the class prophecy, presented by four boys, Ross Grimm, Otto Pfahl, Clarke Story and Arthur Farr, was one of the most novel and popular features of the program. The stage represented the local room of a newspaper with Arthur Farr as city editor. Each of the other three boys were reporters. The time represented was twenty years hence, and every member of the 1915 class of the Oregon City high school figured in the news of the day. The class poem was read by Miss Edith Parker. Miss Shirlee Swallow, who won the oratorical contest of the Clackamas County school league, delivered an oration. The class will be read by Miss Roberta Schuebel. Maxine Telford, with Miss Florence Grace as accompanist, offered a violin solo. Dr. A. L. Beatie, chairman of the school board, presented the diplomas.

The graduates were: Bernice E. Buckles, Emma Iona Derrick, Charlotte Evangeline Dye, Walter Dunne, Esther Lydia Downer, Maude Sylvester Davis, Leola Rose Fisher, Arthur N. Farr, Ethel May Green, Gladys Elizabeth Green, Florence Grace, William Ross Grimm, Myrtle Alvarett Henderson, Esther Harris, Cleora Pearl Heater, Helen Marie Hartke, Isabel Rebecca Hatton, Dora Grace Jackson, Marshall H. Jackson, Dorothy Elizabeth Latourette, Ada Maude Longley, Freda Edith Martin, Therlow W. McKune, Mary Opal Mattley, Ralph B. Madison, Milton Marion Miller, Eleanor Alice Miller, Marion Mudgett, Marjorie Jane Monyer, Ruth Dell Parker, Edie Mae Parker, Alene Margaret Phillips, Otto J. Pfahl, Opal Irene Rains, Grace Elgin Spiger, Roberta Margaret Schuebel, June Ruby Scott, Sylvia Luella Schultz, Shirlee Swallow, Robert Clarke Story, Donald Eugene Silcox, Maxine Virginia Telford, Della Woodfin, Alvin Frederick William Wiewiesiek, Bertha A. Wourms.

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### CITY GAS RATE SOON?

Rumor Has It that 50-cent Minimum Will be Offered Consumers Here

There is a well-founded rumor going about the lower Willamette valley that the Portland Gas & Coke company will, after July 1, place all consumers in its Clackamas county division on the same rates as are charged in Portland, and that the monthly minimum will be fifty cents. It is said that the company is voluntarily making this change in rates because it believes that its patrons in the lower valley are entitled to the same service, in every way, as are the city consumers; and because it is the policy of the company to treat all its patrons with the utmost degree of fairness.

During the past week the city of Willamette has given the company a franchise to lay pipes and give service in the northern county town. The franchise provides that as soon as a hundred subscribers have been secured the rate per thousand feet shall be one dollar. The company will immediately start the laying of mains, and will spend approximately \$5,000 in this work.

In Oregon City, and along the main feed line from Portland between the county seat and the metropolis, the gas company has been adding daily many subscribers to its service. Housewives in particular appreciate the advantages of gas, and the approach of summer is seeing many homes fitted out with gas ranges and lights. Gas makes an ideal fuel for the kitchen in summer, owing to its slight cost and the fact that it does not heat up the kitchen or the rest of the house; and the male members of families are enthusiastic over it because it does away with the daily chopping of wood and kindling.

### TIME TO CHANGE?

Correspondent Thinks Opportunity at Hand to Get Rid of Supervisors

Editor Courier: As it is up to the voters of the districts in the county as to whether we shall pay out approximately \$4,000 for three supervisors, we now have a chance to cut this item. I would suggest that all school districts take a vote on the matter as to whether we shall continue such office in the future. While a vote by the voters would not be in strict conformity with the law, I am sure that if there was a large majority recorded in favor of abolishing the three supervisors the board of education could not do otherwise than heed the call of the people. Then, if they do not, let the directors vote the matter at the annual meeting, thus making it doubly sure that this thing can properly be brought before the board of education if repeal is favored.

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# Witepskie's Royal Hungarian Orchestra



An event of the greatest interest to music lovers of this community is the coming of this company of artists. They are among the best in the entire United States, and the booking arrangements made by the Ellison-White Chautauqua System permits them to be here for two days, an extraordinary musical engagement. This is a striking group of musicians, every one a soloist of exceptional ability. The great music of various nations will be presented by this organization, and it will thrill and interest and stir you if there is any music in your soul at all. So don't miss these great concerts.

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## THE VITAL PROBLEM OF AGRICULTURE

By Peter Radford.  
There is no escaping the market problem and the highest development of agriculture will not be attained until it is solved, for a market is as necessary for the producer as land on which to grow his crop. Governmental and educational institutions have spent \$180,000,000 in the United States during the past ten years for improving soil production and improving seeds and plants, but very little attention and less money has been given to the marketing side of agriculture.

The problem is a monumental one and one which will never be solved until it gets within the grasp of a gigantic organization where master minds can concentrate the combined experience and wisdom of the age upon it. It is a problem which the farmers, merchants, bankers, editors and statesmen must unite in solving. The Farmers' Union stands for all there is in farming from the most scientific methods of seed selection to the most systematic and profitable plans of marketing, but does not believe in promoting one to the neglect of the other. We consider the work of farm demonstrators valuable and we ask that governmental and commercial agencies seeking to help us, continue to give us their assistance and advice, but we believe that their influence should be extended to the marketing side of our farm problems also.

We cannot hope to develop manufacturing by over-production of the factory; we cannot build up mercantile enterprises by the merchants loading their shelves with surplus goods and no more can we develop agriculture by glutting the market with a surplus of products.

## DARIUS

The neigh of a horse made Darius King of Persia, the six contending powers for the throne agreeing among themselves that the one whose horse should neigh first should possess the kingdom. This ancient method of settling disputes among politicians could be revived with profit today. If our partisan factions and petty politicians could only settle their disputes by the neigh of a horse, the bark of a dog or the bray of a donkey, it would be a great blessing and would give our citizens a better opportunity to pursue the vocations of industry free from political strife.

Let those who pick political plums by raising rows and who flash swords dripping in the blood of industry understand that they cannot turn the public forum into a political arena and by a clash of personal aspirations still the hammer and stop the plow and that their quarrels must be settled in the back alleys of civilization.

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ations or not as their fancy may suit them. They are thus able to form a pretty stiff organization, which may be for the benefit or detriment of certain districts. I hope to see every school district that has a vote on the matter vote on the same at the annual meeting and report the same to the county superintendent. I shall certainly vote against continuing the supervisor system, and in connection with this matter would like to request that all patrons get familiar with regard to the new highschool tuition law. If it is a good thing I want to be shown. LOUIS FUNK.

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### FOREST SERVICE NEWS

Assorted Items that Show What Uncle Sam Is Doing for Us All  
News print paper has been made by the Forest Service laboratory from 24 different woods, and a number compare favorably with standard spruce pulp paper.

The Forest Service is cooperating with 54 railroads, mining companies, and cities in making tests of wood-ens, timbers, poles, pling, and paving blocks which have been given preservative treatments.

In 1895 there were 15 wood preserving plants operating in the United States; in 1914 the number had increased to 122, representing all types of plant.

The 1914 figures, based upon reports from 94 plants, show that the total number of cubic feet of material treated with preservatives was 159,582,639 cubic feet. This was an increase of 5,968,751 cubic feet over the total for 1913. Of this increase, 103,980 cubic feet was made up of pling, and 3,577,571 more cross ties were handled than during the previous year. During 1914, nearly eighty million gallons of creosote were used by the preserving plants of the United States.

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### FREYTAG IS PRAISED

Bill Hanley Gives Local Men Credit for Oregon Victory at Fair

In commenting on the great show-making made by the Willamette Valley exhibits in the list of awards made by the exposition jurors, "Bill" Hanley, who is a fair visitor, paid a high compliment to O. E. Freytag, of Oregon City, who installed and is directing the valley exhibits for the Willamette Valley Exposition Association.

"While the awards speak a great deal for the products of our great state," said Mr. Hanley, "they speak even more for those who had charge of placing them on exhibition. Such men as you, Mr. Freytag, are worthy of all the praise the people of Oregon can bestow for you are not only showing the greatness of our state to the world but you are giving it a place in history. It is great that the valley exhibits made such a splendid showing in competition with all the other magnificent and wonderful exhibits here. The accomplishments are even more wonderful when taken into consideration that so many little details had to be observed in collecting and arranging the exhibits."

That Mr. Freytag has made a great success of his work here is without a doubt. Because of their unique arrangement and the thoroughness of the displays, the valley exhibits have attracted more attention than any of the other exhibits. Hundreds of Oregon people who have visited the exhibits have praised and marvelled at the cleverness with which they are set up. That they are attracting the profound interest of Californians and Easterners is indicated by the number visiting them and the interests shown by the visitors.

Mr. Freytag is more than gratified with the awards. They were issued by a thoroughly competent jury, which thoroughly judged every agricultural exhibit here before marking the final awards. Mr. Freytag is particularly pleased with the award of the grand prize for forage crops grown in the valley as special effort was made to display these products. The medal of honor for the products of the soil is a higher award than a gold medal. Of the other medals awarded to the valley exhibits, 18 are gold medals, 48 are silver medals, 61 are bronze medals, and there are 8 honorable mentions.

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### THE BITE OF A SNAKE.

How to Tell if it is Poisonous and the Way to Treat it.

If you should be so unfortunate as to be bitten by a snake and were not quite certain what sort of a snake it was, whether poisonous or of the so-called harmless variety, look at the injury.

If there are four punctures or even three the chances are that it was not a venomous snake, but if there are only two punctures it is probable you have been bitten by an extremely poisonous snake. While this does not always hold good, as a nonpoisonous snake may have had opportunity to make only two incisions with his four biting teeth, it is best to take no chances at all.

The poisonous snake has but two deadly fangs, generally in the upper jaw. But, no matter what sort of a snake bites you, the head of that snake should wherever possible be kept for identification. If, as is generally the case, the bite is on an extremity, tie one or more ligatures—preferably of broad rubber bands—above the injury. Incise deeply, cutting across the puncture for at least one inch and well beyond the depth reached by the fang. Next wash in running water, manipulating the part to promote free bleeding. If running water is not available suck the wound; then rinse the mouth thoroughly with a solution of potassium permanganate. Now wash the wound well and use in and around it the potassium permanganate solution or inject a 1 to 100 solution of chromic acid, being careful to infiltrate completely not only the wound, but also the surrounding tissues.

Do not give ammonia. Stimulate with small doses of whiskey if indicated, but do not overdo, as more persons have been killed by taking large quantities of whiskey than by snake bite. When positively certain the poison has been removed from the wound loosen cautiously the ligatures, that nearest the heart first, but do not remove them so that they may be again tightened if symptoms recur. In all cases the victim must have the best surgical care. The wound should be packed with antiseptic gauze.—Chicago Tribune.

### THE BETTER MAN.

Story of Two Aspirants For a Place on the Boat Crew.

A few seasons ago, says a prominent crew coach in Outing, two men were competing closely for a seat in the "varsity" boat. One day I called them together and said:

"Just now you two men are working equally well in the boat, but one has a better scholarship standing than the other, and to me that seems to indicate that one of you has a little more personal pride than the other."

As a matter of fact, the man who was not up to the scratch in his work was a bit the better of the two as far as smoothness in the boat was concerned. I thought the incident might cause him to pick up in his classes. It did not. When the time came to make a final selection of the eight I again called the pair in to see me.

"It's still hard to decide between you two. I would just as soon have you throw a coin to decide the winner," I said.

The man with the poor scholarship record was the first to speak. "That's all right with me," he said. "The other man thought for a minute. I saw his mouth go tight. Then he said:

"No, sir; that doesn't suit me. One of us must be the best man. I want to know which and to know why I am not the best man."

Some people would probably have thought that fellow conceited, but not if they knew what it means for a youngster to put in months and months of hard training for a crew. The second man was of a quiet type, but after he spoke I know the thing that every coach is most anxious to find out—that he was the kind who would be pulling hardest when his lungs were feeling like bursting in that last hard half mile. You can guess which man got the place. The man who did not was too easily satisfied.

### WHAT CATARRH IS

It has been said that every third person has catarrh in some form.

Science has shown that nasal catarrh often indicates a general weakness of the body; and local treatments in the form of snuffs and vapors do little, if any good.

To correct catarrh you should treat its cause by enriching your blood with the oil-food in Scott's Emulsion which is a medicinal food and a building- tonic, free from alcohol or any harmful drugs. Try it. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

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### A Mistake Made by Many

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