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The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

OUR RIGHTS.

The vexed question of the rights of bicycle riders on public highways, says Harper's Weekly, bids fair to become one of the most vexing problems of civilization. To the local city father and the rural legislator it has opened up a boundless field of intellectual activity, a field in which we may expect to see the bucolic mind indulging itself in the most surprising and eccentric gyrations without let or hindrance. Already there is a very fair crop of bills on the subject, but the season in the western legislatures has evidently been a backward one, and it is feared that the general average may indicate a shortage. In this emergency it is gratifying to reflect that foreign ideas are on the tree list, and some recent suggestions on the subject from the Paris Figaro may possibly serve as seed-corn for future experiments. Among other needed reforms the Figaro proposes that all pedestrians shall be duly numbered and registered, and that they shall be compelled to ring a bell or blow a horn when crossing a street or meeting a bicycle on a public road. At night all unnumbered citizens shall wear a lantern depending from the neck by means of a stout cord, and be furnished with the regulation side-lights. No citizen shall proceed at a faster rate than one mile in two hours while within the city limits, and this provision will particularly apply to messenger boys and people who are in the habit of attending local confabulations. Any pedestrian who gets knocked down by a bicycle shall be mulcted in a heavy amount for the first offence, and for the second he shall be transported for life to a mountainous district. It is hoped that a strict compliance with these regulations may do away with the annoyance and danger now attending the use of the bicycle.

There is perhaps one view of the question that is entitled to serious consideration. The bicycle has an undoubted right to the use of public highways, but there is no reason why the riders should not observe the rules of the road, especially in passing ordinary vehicles from behind. Horses that have become perfectly accustomed to meeting bicycles may be startled by the sudden apparition of a rider who comes up noiselessly from behind and whizzes past on the wrong side. There is no excuse for this sort of thing, and riders and drivers may be justified in resenting it. Any road is wide enough if it is bounded by courtesy and good-will.

With the State Teachers' Association, lasting for three days, which is now in session at Gladstone park, and the county association which meets the last Saturday in this month at Harmony school house, and the annual county institute which begins a ten days session in Oregon City on the first Monday in August, the teachers of Clackamas county will have the opportunity to fully employ their vacation in brightening and polishing up for their school work during the coming year. The teachers of Clackamas county are noted for improving their opportunities, and each of these gatherings will be well attended. Their county association is credited with being the best working organization of teachers in the state. The good effects of this association is seen in the increased interest manifested by the teachers in their work and the greater efficiency of our schools.

The public at large is invited to attend the meetings of the State Teachers' Association, now in session at Gladstone park. No admission fee is charged to the grounds, and the special transportation rates hold good as a part of the Chautauqua contract. Many of the lectures and addresses will be of special interest to all classes of people. The music and recitations will be a treat in themselves.

Those unsightly billboards on the streets and side walks should come down. They add nothing to the appearance of the street and have no legal right on public property.

The fool and his money have parted; in fact several of them. They met the shell game and went down before its seductive delusions. The enigmas these fools presented was that they were without exception men advanced in years, not a single young man or beardless boy being of their number. It would have been bad enough had these fools been young and inexperienced who had not

yet learned that the eye can be deceived even by so apparently plain a thing as a shell game; but for these men of years no excuse can be offered that will be acceptable. The spectacle these fools presented was pitiful, had they been entitled to pity, as they rushed frantically about trying to find with an officer their late partner in their little game of chance.

In the statistics of the acreage planted to prunes in Oregon, as given in the last number of the Rural Northwest, Clackamas county is credited with 1800 acres, being exceeded by only three other counties in the state. It is only within the last five years that prune growing has come to be one of the industries of Clackamas county, and such success has attended the growers that the acreage will be more than doubled in the next five years. The soil of this county is especially adapted to growing prunes, producing a strong, healthy tree, with a crop almost a certainty every year. The nearness to Portland and the facilities for reaching the markets of the East, make Clackamas county one of the best counties in Oregon for the profitable growing of prunes. There is more money in prune growing than in wheat raising, and our farmers are beginning to find it out and to profit by this knowledge.

The rural and enthusiastic audiences that the Chautauqua association had at its late session, will enable it another year to secure the best talent of the land. The association will have the money and the prestige to secure speakers and instructors from all parts of the country, and the local state talent, instead of so many of them sending letters of regrets, will make it a point to be present, for they will have found that it is something of an honor to appear before the great audiences that gather on the Chautauqua grounds.

It is refreshing with what vigor the Courier demands that the county printing be let to the lowest bidder now that it does not have "the pull." For the last three years not a line has appeared in this reform journal with democratic proclivities favoring the contract system in the county printing, the reason being that it had the tax list at its own price regardless of the rights of the taxpayers. At the price the Courier received for doing the county work it would be well for it to hold its peace and wait and see how the taxpayers fare at the hands of a republican sheriff and newspaper.

The edition for July 15 of the Rural Northwest of Portland is devoted almost exclusively to prunes. It treats the subject of prune raising most exhaustively, the many articles it contains going into all the details of the industry, giving the varieties to plant for this climate and for different soils, how to plant and cultivate, and how to pick, cure and market to realize the best results. To any one engaged in, or contemplating going into the prune business, this edition alone is well worth the price of a year's subscription to the paper.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

There has been a time when a piece of farming land situated on a poor road would sell as well as a similar piece lying on a turnpike, says the Oregon Agriculturist. But these times have long since passed away. "What kind of a road have you?" is about the first inquiry made by a prospective purchaser of land. It is no exaggeration to say that good improved farms, situated on a good road so that the farmer can haul a load to town any day in the year, is worth and will sell for one-third more than an equally good farm situated on the average country road. Thousands of dollars are wasted every year in road work by men who are not qualified to superintend the construction of a road. They have no practical knowledge of what is required in making a road that will carry a load in the early spring as well as in the early fall. Better roads mean an increased value to farm lands, less expense in marketing produce, and less wear and tear to horses, wagons and harness. It will not take long for the intelligent farmer to realize that money intelligently spent in the building of good roads will return a direct profit by reducing the expense and cost of farming.

Letter List.
The following is the list of letters remaining in the post office at Oregon City, Oregon, 1:30 P. M., July 17, 1896:

Berry, A. H.	Mallory, J. J.
Brice, C. G.	Molloy, W. L.
Carter, E. R.	Noterin, Anton
Corby, E. E.	Newton, John
Emigh, Chas	Perkins, I. K.
Gifford, A. A.	Seltzer, W. H.
Geotling, Aug	Smith, A. A.
Lovejoy, Amos L.	Stower, W. C.
May, W. W.	

WOMEN'S LIST.
Collard, Maud
Croft, Clara
May, Mary
If called for state when advertised.
S. R. GREEN, P. M.

PLEASANT HILL ITEMS.
The Banner Hop Precinct—Extra Good Road Work—Successful Celebration.

PLEASANT HILL, July 13.—As I have not seen a communication from this part of the county for some time I will send you a few items.

Haying is almost done, and the crop is good. Grain of all kinds is good. Potatoes look well with a large crop planted.

Hard times have not stopped all improvements, as there are building and improvements of all kinds going on as if the times were good.

Wm. Scott has re-shingled his large barn. Cornelius Heater, Peter Heater, J. W. Graham, G. S. Bailey and D. C. Her are all building houses to dry hops.

The greatest improvement has been done by our roadmaster, E. S. Calkins, who is the most efficient in the line of road improvement of any we have ever had in this part of the county. We want him two years more, when by that time, if he does as well as he has this year, the county court can dispense with a road master in this precinct, as the roads will be as good as we want them.

We celebrated the Fourth at the Hood-

view church and had a delightful time despite the dew which fell most of the day. We had fire-crackers, bombs, jumping, foot-racing, and preaching by Miss Tillie Atkinson, a fluent speaker of the Friends of Newburg. Rev. Mr. Henshaw, of Sherwood, gave us an exceedingly fine lecture, which showed him to be a deep thinker.

This is quite a hop raising precinct. Following is a list, though not complete, of some of our principal hop growers, with the number of acres each has under cultivation:

Names.	Acres.	Names.	Acres.
J. W. Graham	75	Marion Young	10
Ives	10	Himes	10
T. W. Geer	7	J. P. Geer	15
G. Carmine	12	P. Heater	8
C. Heater	10	Gitley	10
Hubman	12	Wm. Young	16
E. & A. Baker	12	Koutz	12
Hillman	12	T. Baker	30
A. P. Atkinson	12	Chas. Baker	25
A. P. Todd	15	D. C. Her	17
Wm. Murray	25	N. McConnell	16
E. S. Calkins	10	J. E. McConnell	14
J. Roberts	8	J. Boston	8
J. Spicer	10	J. Spao	12
D. Herou	8	O. Westfall	12
Mathew	10	Schwartz	12

In all there are about 600 acres in hops in this precinct. NITKA.

CARUS NOTES.

Y. P. S. C. E. Picnic—New Method of Stealing Grain—Butter Stolen.

CARUS, July 13.—Most of our citizens have lately been occupied with preparations for, and enjoyment of picnic and camp meeting. Today the rush is toward Oregon City to view the circus. A few sober-minded folk remain with the haying and the wash-tub.

Fine weather for hay-makers since the Fourth. An abundant crop of good quality. In fact the promise is good for fine crops of all sorts.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, of the Clackamas First Presbyterian church, will hold a picnic July 24th, in the grove belonging to Edward Hughes. Complete arrangements will be made for an enjoyable time and everybody cordially welcomed.

While making alterations and repairs in his granary Mr. Spangler discovered that an auger hole, an inch and a half in diameter, had been made in the floor, plugged with a cork to which a string was attached on the under side for the convenience of some thievish prowler. Mr. Spangler understands now how his missing grain was spirited away. He will put a stop to this by underpinning the building.

C. H. Spangler is building a fine residence on his ranch.

Mrs. Edwards was greatly surprised and grieved one morning last week by the discovery that some one had stolen a hundred pounds of choice butter from her cellar.

George Graham and wife spent Sunday with J. K. Graham and family.

Horton Graham is quite ill with an attack of malaria.

David Hunter went down to Portland last Saturday to visit with relatives.

We learn that Mrs. Humphrey Jones is the recipient of a snug little sum, being her share in the estate of her mother, lately deceased. CALLA.

Sandy News.

SANDY, July 13.—Phillip Moore, an old pioneer, who lived alone on his ranch near Marmot, died on the 10th inst. He was found Tuesday morning by some one in the middle of the road near his place living there in an unconscious condition. He was removed to his house and a doctor sent for, but he remained unconscious till he peacefully breathed his last Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock. He will be buried Friday.

Sandy Ridge Sunday School will in the future give a picnic in the grove near the Sandy Ridge school house.

Miss Breightaupt, of Lentz, will open school at Sandy Ridge Monday.

Mr. Brown and family have moved out from Portland to their place to spend the summer.

A. Stevens, of Portland, is out on a vacation.

Miss Minnie Bruns has returned to Portland to spend the summer there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Seifer, of Damascus, were the guests of the Duncans Sunday.

Sunday a great bonny took place in Sandy. Mrs. T. Fischer presented her husband Sunday with a bonnying boy. Both mother and little one doing well. Born, to the wife of J. E. Stone, Sunday, July 7, a son. To the wife of G. Joinride, Sunday, July 7, a daughter. All doing well.

Mr. C. B. Reynolds, secretary of the Oregon and Washington State Secular Union, will lecture July 18 and 19 at Meinig's hall.

H. Bruns is making preparation to build an addition to his barn, 40x30 feet.

Messrs. Wiltner and Doyan will start a portable saw mill here and will be ready to saw in a few days.

There was a mistake made in my last news, as it said that Strauss's, Poe's and John Gibbons's family had the small pox. It is untrue. It is the chicken pox, and was so written in my copy. Please correct that mistake so as to give satisfaction.

Stafford Items.

STAFFORD, July 13.—Grain is getting ripe and harvesting will soon be at hand.

Cherries are almost a thing of the past; strawberries, gooseberries, raspberries and currants are also very scarce.

The main crop of hay has been harvested, and in a few instances a second crop has already been taken off.

H. C. Branch and family, of Portland, were the guests of his aunt, Mrs. Gage, over Sunday.

Otto Woehler and family, of Tualatin, and Mrs. Gracie Francis and children, of Oregon City, also spent the day with the Gages.

Henry Schatz broke up a small piece of clearing a few days since and reports the ground very dry and hard.

Sam Mayer and John Schiewer are busy on their slabbing contract for Mr. Wolfe. Fred. Nebauer is hauling hay to a milk ranch on Elk Rock.

Geo. Salm is slowly "getting there" with the material for his large residence, to be built on a prominence near his saw mill.

Baker Brothers' hounds pulled a coyote to pieces on the Fourth, and now boys and dogs are way up in spirits and ready to

tackle anything canine that runs wild in our woods.

The Deiker road is once more open to the public. It appears that some people have an idea that they can close a public road that runs across their land whenever they see fit, but after the road above mentioned had been reopened several times by private parties road boss Baker was notified, and he immediately had it opened up again, and then respectfully requested the owner of the property to leave it open, which, after having some sections of road law laid down to him, he reluctantly consented to do.

It is reported that Rev. Reichle has the banner corn of the neighborhood. Wk. Uss.

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