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

### A JUST DEMAND.

After nearly four years of patient waiting for the East Side Railway Company to do something toward a settlement with Oregon City for their proportion of the cost of improving Main street, as provided for in their franchise, the mayor and the city council have taken the matter up and propose to see what can be done in the case. The claim now amounts to some \$6,000, principal and interest, and is just that much of an addition to the city's debt, the burden of which is already as heavy as the taxpayers can stand. The city authorities, as well as the citizens of Oregon City, have realized that the East Side Railway Company has had serious financial difficulties to contend against ever since the opening of the road, and consequently the greatest leniency possible has been shown the company that they might not be further embarrassed. But forbearance cannot be further endured and justice to the taxpayers of Oregon City demands that the city authorities force a settlement of this claim.

It is admitted by all who are posted that the franchise of the East Side Railway Co. is one of the most valuable in or about Portland and its value will steadily increase as Portland, Oregon City and the Interurban district through which it passes shall grow. This company by the terms of their franchise, which gives them the exclusive right to operate street cars on Main street for 50 years, is placed in absolute control of the Oregon City-Portland traffic, both passenger and freight, for no other line can successfully compete with them and be debarred from entering Oregon City and the \$6,000 which it is required to pay is a very, very low price for so valuable a franchise. Now that the glamour and glory of having a street car line has subsided, there is little doubt but what the people of Oregon City would willingly assume this debt the company owes the city, if the former would relinquish its exclusive control of Main street and allow competing lines to enter the city, as they will desire to do in the years to come. But of such importance is this article of their franchise to their future control of the traffic of Oregon City, that there is little likelihood of the company surrendering it, for even twice the amount of its debt to this city.

While in a sense the East Side company has got Oregon City bound hand and foot, yet with all this advantage, the good will of the people of this city is a most important factor in the prosperity of the company and to lose it will be a very serious matter. The people of Oregon City now realize what they have given to this company and they expect and demand that the company fulfill its obligations to them. The city authorities make no exorbitant demand on the company, only asking that their claim be placed in a shape whereby a settlement is assured and to attain this they are willing to allow the railway company any reasonable additional time in which to pay off the claim, for it is no more the interest of Oregon City than it is of the East Side Railway Company to inaugurate expensive law suits with the attendant ill-will that will be sure to grow out of them, the effects of which will fall more heavily on the railway company than on this city.

U'Ren, the legislator that was to have been, is having troublous times in the ratification meetings he is holding over the state. They don't seem to ratify worth a cent, developing more censure than praise for his work in the Simon-U'Ren hold-up. So spirited was the discussion at the recent meeting held at Medford that E. J. Kaiser, the editor of the Ashland Record, the populist organ of that section, and Representative Hower indulged in a knock-down argument and but for the timely interference of the city marshal a free fight would have been precipitated. Editor Kaiser was in command of the anti-endorsing forces, while Representative Hower was officer of the day under U'Ren. After the city marshal had succeeded in restoring order Mr. U'Ren took the platform and made his little speech which was met with cheers and jeers from the two factions. The populist members of the legislature from Jackson county who, with U'Ren, were anxious to be endorsed, had packed the meeting so well that their resolutions were passed and

also one censuring the Record and the kickers. The latter gentlemen, after passing the compliments of the day, withdrew and soon after the meeting harmoniously adjourned. Verily and the work of the reformer for revenue only is little appreciated.

HAY is now selling in the markets of Oregon City at \$20 per ton and the startling fact, to a person who has been led to believe that Oregon is one of the best farming states in the Union and Clackamas county one of the best grass counties in the state, is that this hay is nearly all imported from California. Much of the butter and vegetables sold here also come from California, while the greater part of the cured meats come from the East. During the winter months California supplies us with eggs, and will again so soon as the spring rush is over with Oregon hens. When we add to these importations sugar, canned goods, dried fruits, soap, starch, vinegar, syrup, shoes, clothing, agricultural implements, tools and the innumerable other articles, which could be easily manufactured here, it is little wonder that Oregonians complain of the scarcity of money and hard times. Sending out as much cash each month as does Oregon City, and every other town in Oregon, would bankrupt any ordinary community. With this great drain on its resources Clackamas county is only able to maintain its prosperity by reason of its great natural wealth. Yet were it possible to keep at home the thousands of dollars that are sent abroad each month for products that could be produced here, what a prosperous community this would soon become.

THE ENTERPRISE is favored this week with eleven new advertisements from business men here in Oregon City, besides those which are enlarged by the persons carrying them to make their spring announcements. This flattering recognition of the worth of the ENTERPRISE as an advertising medium has been brought about by the fact that its advertising patrons always secure good returns on their investment, which is not always the case where indiscriminate newspaper advertising is carried on. An important point which advertisers are quick to note is that their advertisements in the ENTERPRISE are not vitiated and brought into disrepute by being placed along side questionable advertisements whose presence give the readers a distrust for all announcements the paper may contain, for it can be said, without fear of contradiction that no newspaper in Oregon carries cleaner advertising columns than does the ENTERPRISE. The preference the advertisers give the ENTERPRISE is but the reflection of the sentiment of the people of Clackamas county who, regardless of politics, look to it as a paper that is well edited, new and free from the scurrilous and trashy matter so often found in newspapers, and one that is well worthy of their support.

WHAT an awful shock it is to the reformer, who is a reformer because he believes in reform, to find that the man whom he shouted for, worked for and voted for, as the incarnation of political integrity and personal honesty, is only after all an ordinary human being susceptible to the same influences as any other man. Mr. U'Ren was sent to the legislature because he was reputed to be incorruptible and unobtainable, but he, like many another reformer, sold his mess of pottage to the anti-Mitchell gang for "\$50." But the hardest shock of all was last week when the populist county surveyor put in a bill for \$125 to the county court for measuring the weight and wind pressure of the suspension bridge, a job that would have taken any ordinary engineer much less than a month to do, for the measurements of the bridge are all on file at the court house with original plans, while the weight and wind pressure are calculated and given in tables in books on engineering for sizes of timbers and wires, just as interest tables are made for the use of bankers. When a populist goes after revenue he distances an ordinary man so bad that there is no comparison.

THE suit between Oregon City and Clackamas county for possession of the road fund was decided Thursday by Judge McBride in favor of the city, the judge remarking in his decision that it was not in accordance with his views, but that he was following the rulings of the supreme court. If the county finally loses this road fund it will be the means almost sure of putting to an end the cash system in this county and then Oregon City will have no road fund or roads. So far under the cash system there has been two dollars spent for the direct benefit of Oregon City to one dollar contributed by the city. But then ward politicians are never satisfied—they want the earth.

THE war between Turkey and Greece appears to be about to an end. The Greeks, who started out so bravely and self-confident, have collapsed after the first battle and they are now giving more attention to getting up a revolution at home than to defending their country against the Turks. In the meantime the Turks are calling out more men and steadily advancing and unless the powers interfere they will soon completely overrun Greece. Having gotten Greece humbled and convinced that she cannot become the ruler of the Eastern Mediterranean, the powers will doubtless come to her rescue and save her from total annihilation.

THE importance of the sugar beet industry to a community where a factory is located is illustrated by the simple statement of the Chino Valley Champion that the company at that place has contracted for 6,500 acres on the Chino ranch, 4,500 acres in Orange county and over 2,000 acres in Ventura county, making a total of over 13,000 acres. Ten tons per acre is the estimated yield this season, which would give the factory 130,000 to work next fall. At four dollars a ton anyone can figure out the value of the crop.

NO ONE seems to have cared to hear Mr. U'Ren talk about the late legislative farce. People are tired of the nauseating subject and few who participated in it will ever be given an opportunity to again betray a public trust.—Roseburg Review.

THERE is a great big split in the populist party in Jackson county, and all over the question of whether the 100 members of the late lauded did right in refusing to perform their constitutional duties. It will be found that that same split exists all over the state. The populist party is too big for the heterogeneous elements of which it is composed. It can't hold together.—Roseburg Plaindealer.

### The May Midland.

"Lincoln Entering Richmond," Thos. Nast's latest and greatest historical painting, also Nast's thrilling picture "Defending the Flag," appear in the May Midland Monthly (Des Moines) engraved from copies supplied by the artist himself. "The Dalles of the St. Croix," are beautifully pictured in this number. Charles A. Gray, the Chicago artist, well illustrates "The Building of a Violin." Mary Avis Scott's "Across Country in a Van," invades Texas and captures the state capital. "The Club Movement in Kansas," by Lillian Walker Hale, with numerous portraits, inspires profound respect for the better halves of our Kansas neighbors. "Inland Pirates," by Frank Calkins, is a true story literary full of fire. The fiction of the number includes a prize story, "Lieut. Burton's Wooling," by Captain Romanes of the regular army; "A Most Remarkable Case," a detective story, by Claire St. Claire, a Chicago writer; "The Book Collector," an artistic character sketch by a new writer of promise, Mabel Bradley Fuller. The literary paper of the number is "The Humor of Whittier," by J. L. Pickard, LL. D., with an autograph sonnet by Whittier. Colonel Emerson's "Grant's Life in the West," closes Grant's career in Mexico. The Midland's editorial departments abound in interesting reading.

### Home Beautifying.

There is nothing that adds more to the attractions of a home than flowers. The flower-surrounded home is always a happy one, for cross tempers and the "blues" are quickly dispelled by the cherry faces of the bright flowers. At the Gladstone greenhouse the finest collection of carnations ever grown in Oregon City is now ready for the market, as well as that prince of flowers, the sweet perfumed hyacinth which is potted and ready to bloom. The primroses are also in their perfection and in a vase make a most pleasing present to a friend. Other standard flowering plants in stock. Cut flowers for sale. Prices reasonable. JAS. WILKINSON, JR.

### Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says "Dr. King's Discovery is the only discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it: it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at Charman & Co.'s Drug Store.

The 2½ cent fare to Gladstone is unprecedented in motor line fares, 12½ cent fare to Portland.

**CANDIES  
NUTS**

**FRUITS  
FINE CIGARS**

None but the very best carried in stock.  
Mrs. Wanda Zimmerman,  
Next door to Oriental Hotel.

**A. W. PHILLIPS,  
EXPRESS  
AND  
DELIVERY**

Prompt attention to hauling to any part of Oregon City.

Moving attended to promptly and carefully.

Special rates given on hauling to and from Gladstone and Park-place.

**FARMERS . . .**

Your team will have the best of care and

**Full Measure of Feed**

At the  
**City Stables.**

**W. H. YOUNG, Prop.,**  
Successors to W. H. Cooke.  
Livery Rigs on Short Notice.  
Telephone No. 42.



KELY'S CREAM BALM is a positive cure. Apply into the nostrils. It is quickly absorbed. 50 cents at Drugstore or by mail; samples 10c, by mail. KELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren St., New York City.

Clarence Porter. Geo. C. Kinney  
**Blacksmiths  
Wagonmakers**  
Horseshoeing a Specialty.  
Any design of an iron or steel shoe fitted up. All kinds of repairing at reasonable rates.  
Shop opposite Pope's hardware store, Oregon City, Ore.

**H. W. JACKSON,  
Machinist  
AND  
Repairer.**

**Umbrellas, Guns,  
Sewing Machines,**

And all kinds of small machines put in good order. No work too difficult to undertake. Prices reasonable.

Shop in Canfield building  
Near Court House.

**HELLO!**

1800 miles of long distance telephone wire in Oregon and Washington now in operation by the Oregon Telephone and Telegraph company.  
Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma, Salem, Walla Walla, Pendleton, Albany and 96 other towns in the two states on the line.

Quick, accurate, cheap. All the satisfaction of a personal communication. Distance no effect to a clear understanding. Spokane as easily heard as Portland.

—Oregon City office at—

**Huntley's Drug Store.**

J. H. THATCHER, MANAGER,  
Portland, - - - Oregon.

**NOBLITT'S STABLES**

Livery, Feed and Sale Stable  
**OREGON CITY.**

LOCATED BETWEEN THE BRIDGE AND DEPOT.

Double and Single Rigs, and saddle horses always on hand at the lowest prices. A corral connected with the barn for loose stock.

Information regarding any kind of stock promptly attended to by person of letter.

**Horses Bought and Sold.**

Horses Boarded and Fed on reasonable terms.

**THE POPULAR  
STR. RAMONA**

will run between Oregon City and Portland daily except Sunday as follows:

Leave Oregon City: (sth. Street Dock.)	Leave Portland: (Taylor St. Dock.)
7:30 a. m.	9:30 a. m.
12:00 m.	2:00 p. m.
4:30 p. m.	6:00 p. m.

### SUNDAY TIME

Leave Oregon City:	Leave Portland:
9:00 a. m.	10:30 a. m.
1:00 p. m.	2:30 p. m.
4:30 p. m.	6:00 p. m.

**ROUND TRIP 25c**

The Steamer Altona from Independence and Salem each Sunday will connect with the Ramona at the basin in Oregon City; leaves on her return trip at 1 o'clock p. m.



## South Oregon City

A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE

Beautiful scenery and health giving air, high level land with good productive soil and pure water, a first-class public school building attended by nearly a hundred pupils on the premises; and a good plank road (one of the main thoroughfares in the county), connects with the macadamized streets of the city. This beautiful tract adjoins Oregon City and no portion of it is beyond a mile from the heart of the city and but a 15 minutes walk on plank walks to the business houses.

Some attractions of South Oregon City. Now is the time to think of the place to build your home or a good place to lay by an investment that will increase in value. The easy terms on which this property is sold should not embarrass any thrifty person. Lots are 50x100 and prices range from \$100 to \$150. Terms, \$5 down and \$5 per month until paid, without interest or taxes, a liberal discount for cash, and inducements to build. Every lot clear and ready for the garden. Quite a number of lots have been sold and there are several houses already occupied on the tract and quite a settlement in the neighborhood.

Oregon City with her big monthly pay roll, great woolen mills, large pulp paper and flouring mills and massive electric station, her fine public schools and all the modern improvements, is bound to increase her growth. Where can you find a better place to live in or a safer place for an investment? For further information call on or address

**T. L. CHARMAN, Trustee,**

**Charman Bros. Block, Oregon City, Or.**

## Blooming Plants

We wish to state that we will place on sale, the finest lot of plants at the lowest price ever offered in Oregon City.

Carnations, large plants in bloom, 12 varieties, 20 cents each. Geraniums, large plants in bloom, 10 cents each. Roses, two-year-old bushes, 25 cents each. Chrysanthemums, all prize winners, including Eugene Dailedouze, Geo. W. Childs, Mayflower, Mrs. E. G. Hill, Philadelphia, and twenty-five others, 10 cents each, 75 cents per dozen. A large variety of other plants. Cut flowers in season.

## Greenhouse at Gladstone, on Electric Car Line.

Visitors Welcomed.

Hardy cabbage and other vegetable plants for sale.

**Wilkinson Bros.**

P. O. Address, Box 238, Oregon City.

## The Marketing Point

OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY

The factory towns of the East are noted for affording the best market to the neighboring farmers and gardeners in proportion to the population of any of the towns in that section. The reason for this is that the people of these towns have a fixed income upon which they can always depend, and, as a consequence, they are liberal buyers, paying cash for all their purchases.

As the Great Manufacturing Center of the Pacific Coast

## .. OREGON CITY ..

Is Coming to be One of the Best Marketing Towns in the State

This is proven every day by the number of farmers, who are to be seen on its streets selling their produce, who, until just the last few years, sought the markets of other towns. The system of macadamized roads that is being built into all parts of Clackamas county, will enable all the people of this county to share in the profitable market that Oregon City affords. If, as it is sure to do, the demands of Oregon City increase in the next five years as it has in the past five years, this city will rank next to Portland as a market place for

THE PRODUCE

of the Farmer