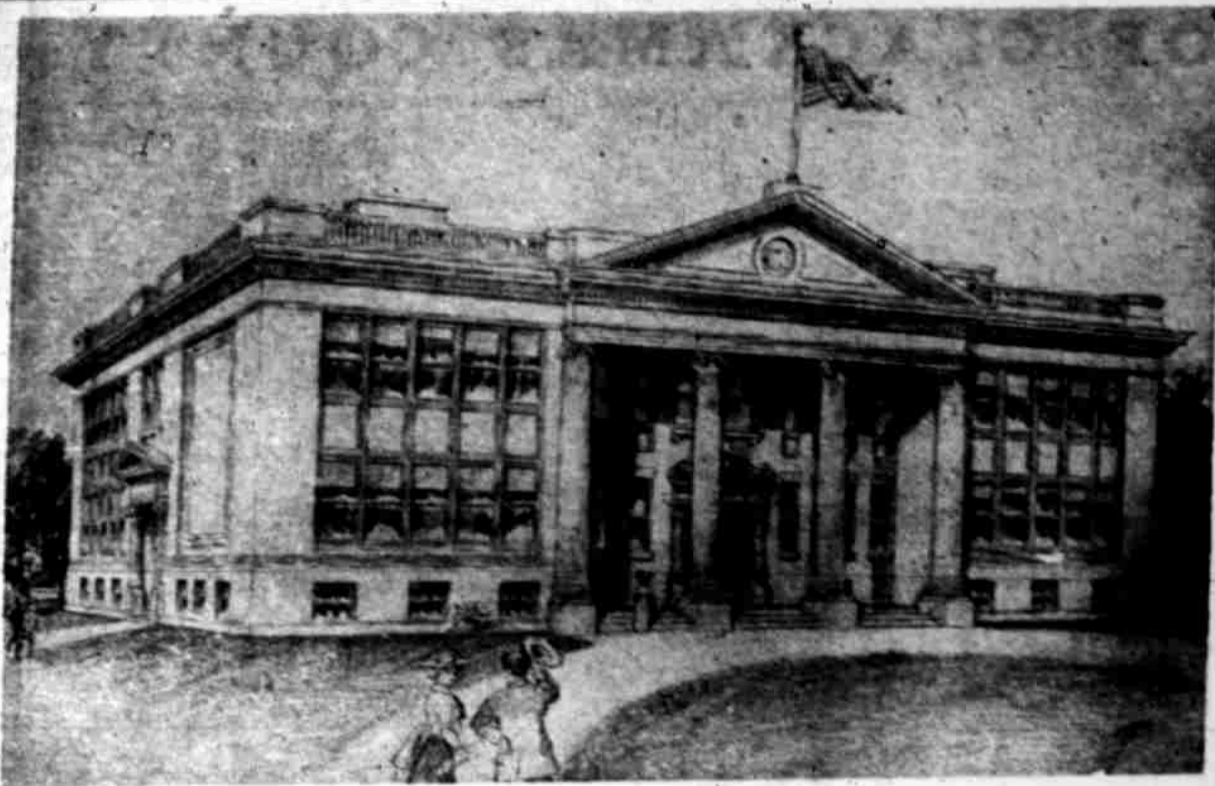


Clackamas County Has Splendid School Facilities



Oregon City's New High School.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY SCHOOLS

By T. J. Gary, County Superintendent of Schools.

Clackamas county is divided into one hundred twenty-eight school districts in which more than two hundred earnest teachers are shaping the destiny of its youth.

The buildings and grounds in many of these districts are in good condition. During the last three years there have been thirty-two school houses erected in the county at a cost of many thousands of dollars.

All of our schools have libraries and many of them have the walls decorated with works of art.

The climate and topography of this country make it an ideal place for schools. The climate is so mild and equable that a child can attend school every day in the year without being dwarfed by the cold or enervated by the heat.

can, without leaving the confines of the county, see the different forms of vegetation from the semi-tropical figs are grown in Oswego and almonds in Willamette) to the frigid (arctic vegetation is found about Mt. Hood). Here we have all kinds of soil from the rich alluvial of the river valleys, which produces vegetation in abundance, to the volcanic ash of the foothills, which is unsurpassed for the production of fruit.

The effect of the tides on the ocean may be seen in the Willamette river. One of the most magnificent water falls to be found anywhere is the Willamette Falls of Oregon City.

In the southern portion of the county are level plains extending for miles. These are bordered by the rolling foot hills, while back of these are the forest covered mountains, and above all stands the peaks covered with perpetual snow.

At Oregon City are found extensive woolen mills, an electric plant which supplies much of the electricity for the city of Portland, and some of the largest paper mills in the country.

If the children from the Middle West could travel over Clackamas county for one week they would learn more geography than they could in a life time at home.

Clackamas county has an excellent library law which provides that ten cents shall be apportioned each year for each pupil of school age in the county. This enables the boys and girls of the country districts, as well as those of the cities, to obtain some of the best in literature each year.

Our compulsory Education Law is especially good, as it requires the attendance of children until they are sixteen years of age unless they have completed the course of study or after the age of fourteen, are engaged in some useful occupation.

All schools are required by law to maintain school for at least six months each year. Each school must have at least three hundred dollars for maintenance.

A law has just been passed providing that certificates to teachers will hereafter be issued by the State Board. A certificate obtained in this way will be good in any part of the State. Diplomas from accredited Normal Schools and accredited Colleges and Universities will be accepted here.

A law has been recently passed which will give this county two Supervisors who will work in conjunction with and under direction of the County School Superintendent. It is their duty to visit the schools in their district as often as they can and to help, aid, and instruct the teachers

in their work. This law is based upon the theory that country children and country teachers are just as worthy as those of the city. Cities have long known the need of competent supervision and have had it, but the country schools have been left to shift for themselves as best they could. With all the advantages the country schools in Clackamas county now have there will be no need for people to drift to the cities in order that they may educate their children.

Clackamas County has four High Schools with four-year courses. There



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are sixteen schools that are doing less than four years of High School work. Estacada, Canby and Stone not only give a higher education for their own boys and girls, but they are convenient centers for surrounding districts. These schools are doing good work. Oregon City is building a forty-thousand-dollar High School. With more than one hundred students, five instructors, a most competent superintendent, and modern equipment, it ranks as one of the best schools in the State.

The High School Law provides a means whereby practically all of the boys and girls of the county can get an education without leaving home to get it. Clackamas county will doubtless be working under this system in a short time.

Eastern people hesitate to go to a new country because they fear the school facilities are not adequate. The writer has lived in four Eastern states and can cheerfully say that the educational outlook of Clackamas county at the present time is better than that of any Eastern county he has known.



McLoughlin Institute.

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To the untiring energy and unceasing efforts of Rev. Father A. Hillebrand the people of Oregon City are largely indebted for the consummation of plans which he entertained for many years and which culminated in the erection of McLoughlin Institute—an educational institution which has attained to a high position and whose future is fully assured. Rev. Hillebrand undertook the seemingly impossible task of raising funds for the erection of the present buildings, but success crowned his efforts, and in 1907 they were completed. McLoughlin Institute is the outgrowth of St. John's school and is under the direct supervision of Rev. Hillebrand as principal. He is assisted by a corps of six Sisters of the order of St. Benedict. While nominally a Catholic institution, pupils of any religious

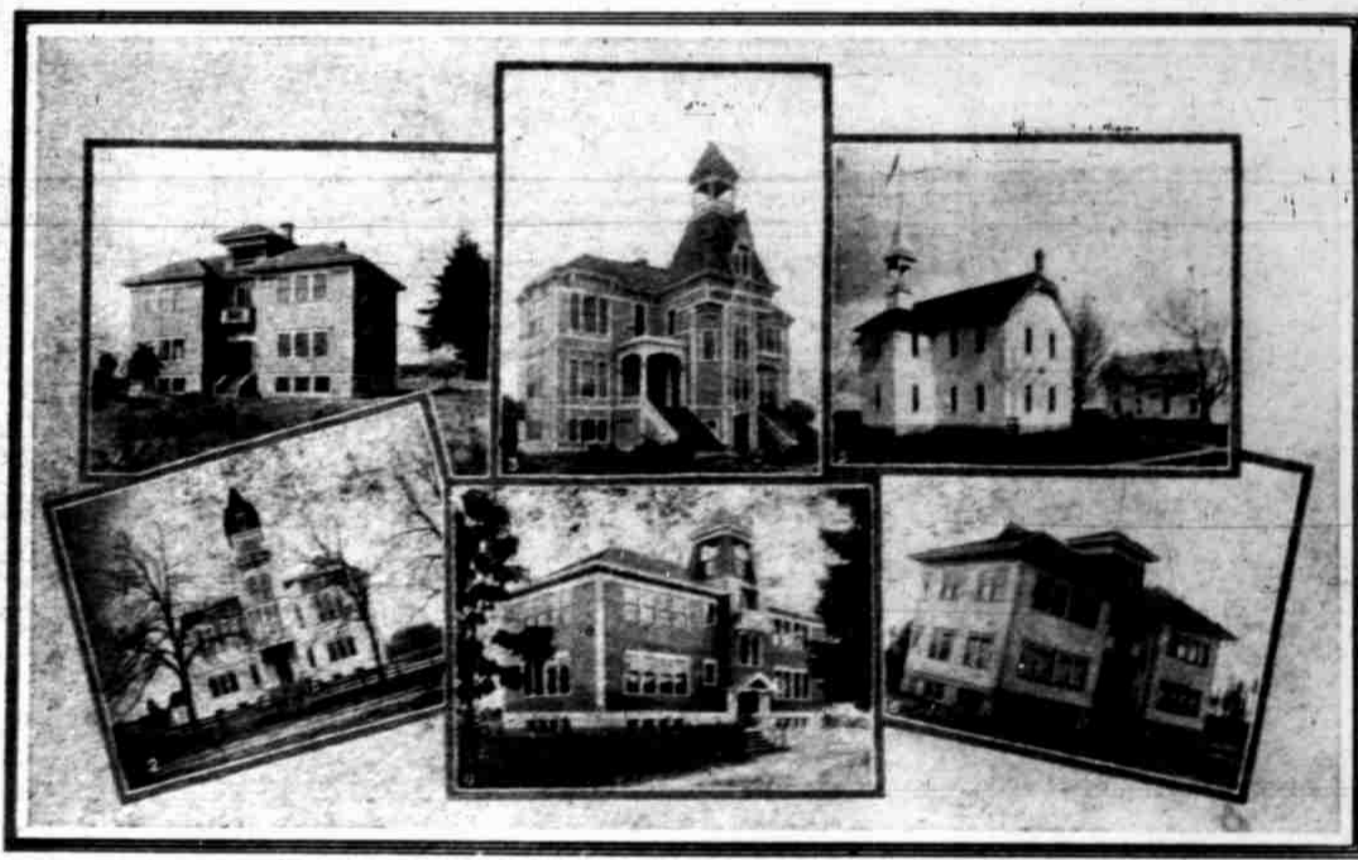
belief or creed are admitted and no attempt whatever is made to influence them along theological lines. McLoughlin Institute includes in its curriculum both grammar and high school courses as provided for schools under State supervision and furnishes the further very material advantage of more individual attention to each pupil. Vocal and instrumental lessons are furnished by the painstaking, patient and loving Sisters, any instrument selected by parent or pupil being taught with equal facility. Then, again, the mental and moral environment at McLoughlin Institute is all that could possibly be desired. Complete control of pupils is retained by the Sisters while they are within the building or on the grounds, a fact which has influenced many parents to choose this institution in preference to any other. There are at present 225 pupils enrolled, an evidence of the high standing of McLoughlin Institute in the esteem of those having children

of school age. The new building is well equipped, large, light and airy, while ample play grounds have been provided to insure a sufficient amount of outdoor exercise. Both boys and girls are admitted as day pupils. Tuition charges are very nominal, being \$1.00 per month for the grammar course and \$1.50 per month for the high school course. Additional charge is made for special instruction in music or vocal culture. The people of Oregon City and the part of Oregon that just pride in the McLoughlin Institute, not alone because it was founded in honor of the founder of this city, but also, because of its educational worthiness and high standing in educational circles. Father Hillebrand has been pastor of St. John's church since 1888 and is not only widely and most favorably known to our people, but is regarded as distinctively one of the most public spirited and enterprising residents of this part of the State.

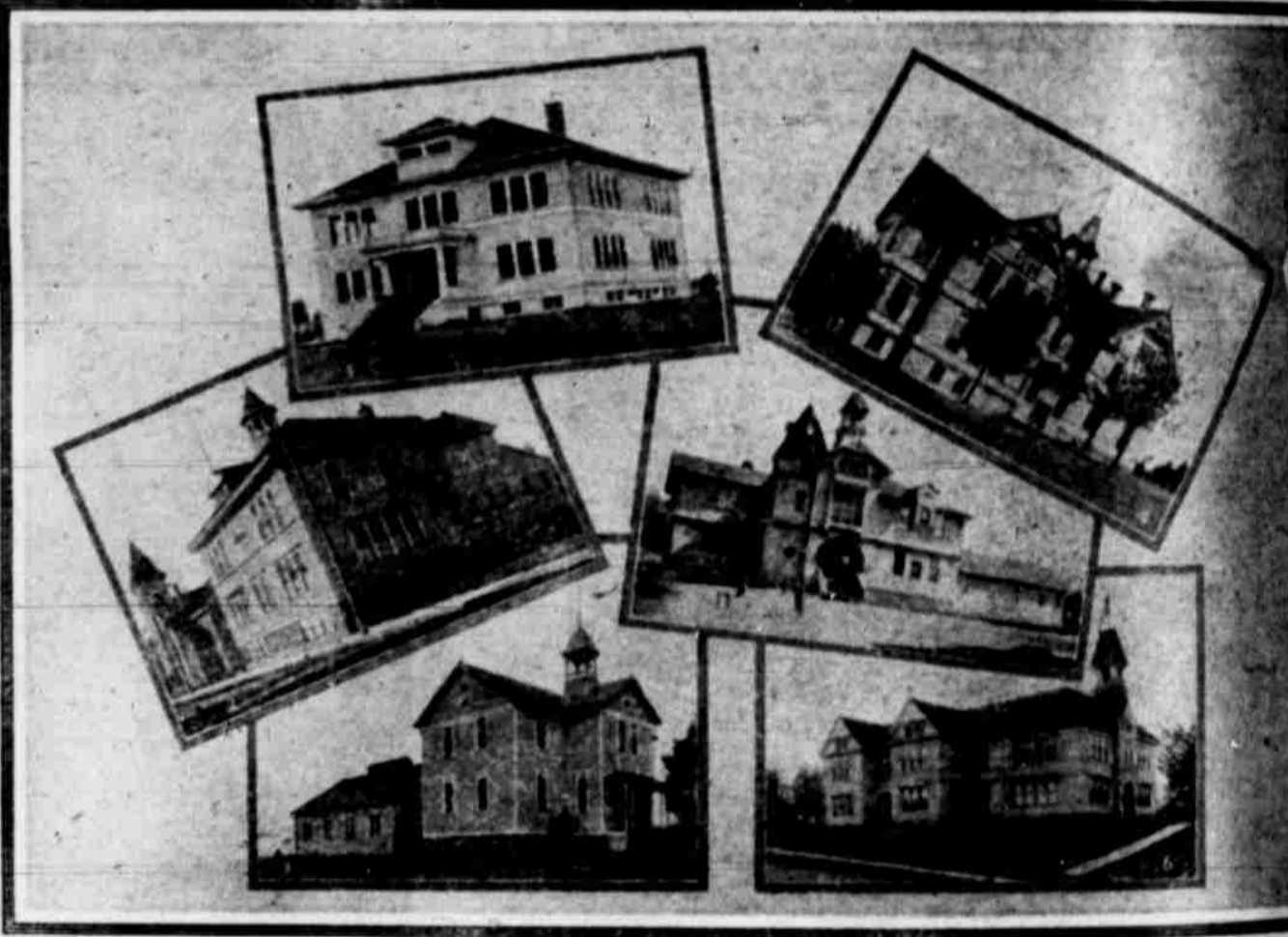
The greater part of the year in Western Oregon the weather is such that people thoroughly enjoy themselves out of doors and in consequence they enjoy better health than

in those sections where they are forced to remain housed up for at least six months of the year because of the extreme cold. Come and enjoy the fine climate.

Be sure and send some of these papers back East to people who are seeking information about this part of the country, and who may be induced to come to Clackamas County.



School Buildings of Clackamas County.



Schools of Oregon City and Clackamas County.

SCHRADER'S BAKERY.

There are few cities in the country the size of Oregon City which can boast of a bakery such as the one so ably conducted at 515 Main street by Mr. H. Schrader and whose product is in such demand as to necessitate the employment of a number of competent and expert workmen to supply the trade. Mr. Schrader has been connected with the business interests of the city for a considerable length of time, having been a resident of the city for the past thirty years, conducting his present business for about eleven years. The bakery is splendidly equipped and only the purest ingredients are used in the preparation of all food stuffs. A distinctive feature of the business is their home made bread, this bread being raised with home made hop and malt yeast, and this is the only bakery in this section known to prepare home made yeast. Mr. Schrader is a pleasant

gentleman with whom it is a pleasure to trade, and he has always maintained the highest reputation for strict honor and integrity and in consequence his trade is constantly and rapidly increasing. The demand for Schrader's home made bread far exceeds the output at all times, while the cakes, pies and other articles find ready favor with particular people. Wagons are employed to deliver goods to any part of the city. Mr. Schrader is in every way a model citizen, never losing an opportunity to boost for his home town.

CYRUS POWELL—REAL ESTATE.

There are a number of local people who are putting forth their utmost endeavors to make known to the outside world the many advantages and opportunities in Oregon City and Clackamas county for investments and home building and one of the most successful of these is Mr. Cyrus

Powell, who maintains an office at 716 Noble Bldg., Main street. Mr. Powell has located a large number of people in this section of the Willamette valley, and all seem to be satisfied with their investment, largely owing to the fact that Mr. Powell is able to give expert advice to all who have any idea of becoming residents of this part of the State, or even those who have resided in the immediate vicinity of Oregon City for he is generally known to be one of the best posted real estate men in the field. He has made a careful study of this section and is familiar with all conditions and his advice is extremely valuable to any contemplating the purchase of property, either for home building or for investment. Mr. Powell is a man of fine business ability and anyone corresponding with him will find him absolutely reliable. Thoroughly imbued with the idea of a rapid development of the surrounding country, Mr. Powell is exerting his best efforts along these lines, and his influence has been strongly felt in this direction.

P. M. HART—PHOTOGRAPHER.

There is probably no city of equal size anywhere in the country where such a complete photograph gallery may be found, or a photographer of such ability as Mr. P. M. Hart, of this city. Without exception his work is of the highest character and quality, being fully equal to that done in the largest cities, while his photographic work of children is a matter of wonder to all who see it. Mr. Hart keeps closely in touch with all of the latest discoveries in the photographic world, and has all of the latest appliances, including the finest lenses to be secured, resulting in the highest class of work. However, prices charged are no more than those asked for the work of inferior artists, and consequently Mr. Hart enjoys a constantly increasing trade. He is in every way one of the most progressive and enterprising citizens of Oregon City, always taking an active interest in affairs pertaining to the welfare of the community and lending

his best efforts to all plans calculated for her benefit. In the studio special attention is given to enlarging and grouping, and there is no finer work done anywhere than that done by Mr. Hart and his assistants, and no resident of the city need feel that they are obliged to go to Portland for first class work of this character, for it would be impossible to secure better work than is turned out at this up-to-date studio.

J. W. COLE'S PLACE.

For the greater part of twenty years J. Wallace Cole has been identified with the business interests of Oregon City, and notwithstanding that there are some people who entertain an idea that a man engaged in the liquor business must lose his respectability and standing, nothing of the kind has happened to Mr. Cole. He is "built" along different lines. At all times his place is maintained at the highest standard possible, rowdiness is not tolerated—in other words it is a refreshment resort catering to the more discriminating trade. Mr. Cole buys his liquors in large quantities direct from the government bonded warehouses and dispenses pure goods to everybody alike. He has a large jug trade, his older patrons, friends and acquaintances realizing that it is not possible to secure better goods than he furnishes, or at lower prices, quality considered. Mr. Cole has always shown a disposition to take a front place among those business men striving for a Greater Oregon City, and is regarded as a public spirited and progressive citizen. His place is at the corner of Main and Sixth streets, and is conspicuous for the well known and popular Olympia Beer sign. He keeps that famous beverage on draught, acting as agent of the company in Oregon City. All of the well known brands of whiskeys, brandies, wines, etc., are carried in bottles and in bulk. Just as good as at J. Wallace Cole's place and always at right prices.

OREGON CITY SCHOOLS.

Oregon City is strictly in the front rank of Western cities which maintain their schools at the very highest standard and taxpayers are always more than willing to bear the expense of ample provision for needed buildings and equipment. Furthermore, only the best known and most successful educators are employed, resulting in better work in the Oregon City schools than is usual in cities of this size and comparing most favorably with the largest cities in the country.

There are enrolled in the Oregon City schools about 1000 pupils, while the total enumeration in the district is about 1400. T. C. Toole is principal of the city schools and under his most efficient direction splendid progress has been made. Twenty-three teachers are employed in the various school buildings.

People who are coming West need not hesitate about locating at Oregon City so far as educational facilities are concerned, for they are fully the equal of those of any section of the East.

Truck gardening brings immense returns in all parts of Western Oregon and Clackamas County is especially adapted to that branch of industry because of its close proximity to the best of markets and good shipping facilities.

Many farmers have finished their seeding this spring. Have you farmers of the Middle West and East got started yet? What is the use of spending one's time in a climate where winter constitutes the greater portion of the year? Come to Clackamas County and be happy.

There is no part of the United States where the natural scenery is more magnificent than in Western Oregon and Oregon City and Clackamas County certainly here their share and thousands every year visit this part of the State simply for pleasure. Think of living right in the midst of what people come thousands of miles to visit for a day or two.

TOWNS IN THE COUNTY.

In addition to the towns and villages which have been mentioned elsewhere there are in Clackamas County a number of flourishing commercial centers which furnish the people of those sections with trading and shipping facilities and whose merchants and dealers are fully alive to conditions and keep their stocks up-to-date and sell at low prices.

Among these towns may be mentioned Milwaukie, Barlow, Molalla, Estacada, Sandy and Willamette. These towns vary in size but all exert a strong influence upon the prosperity of Clackamas County and its people, and are destined to rapid growth in the immediate future.

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View of Grandstand and Racetrack at Clackamas County Fair Grounds.



Residence of George A. Harding.