

### GROWING FROM TOWN TO CITY

#### Eugene Is Entering Upon an Era of Great Prosperity.

#### STORE ROOMS ALL TAKEN

#### Street Paving, Electric Lines, New Buildings, Activity in Farm Lands, Timber, Real Estate Make People Prosperous.

EUGENE, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Eugene is experiencing the greatest era of prosperity in her history and this property is doing more in the development of the town into a city than any former period of good times has done. The old resident of Eugene does not recognize half the faces he meets on the streets every day, so rapidly is the population changing and increasing through the immigration that has set in, and seems certain will continue at a greater rate in the future. But it is not the appearance of a few new faces here that alone means growth to the town and surrounding country. The actual work of improvement in the business section and the construction of fine residences, the good wages paid for labor and the constantly increasing interest in timber lands, are among the things that are making prosperity here and inducing new people to come into the country. But aside from these general causes, and recent move here of Honors Palmer and his associates and the investment of thousands of dollars by other well-known capitalists and investors, has added to the splendid condition of affairs and has especially turned public attention toward this city and community.

#### Vacant Saloons Soon Filled.

A year ago, when the local option law was passed, 12 of the best business houses in the town were made vacant. Today every good store room in the town is occupied, several others that have been recently built have been taken and there is a demand for more good business house rooms. A new brick block will be constructed at once where the fire occurred a few days ago. James Sanford will build a three-story brick on part of the block and Cherry Brothers will place a brick building on the balance of the block. J. B. Coleman is asking for bids for the construction of a second story of brick on his building on Willamette street, between the Seventh and Eighth streets. The preliminary work on the Government building on the corner of Sixth and Willamette will be commenced soon and the Southern Pacific officials have promised Eugene that active work on the construction of the new station will be started next month.

#### Rushing Work on Street Railway.

The streetcar line has been completed through the business section and work is now progressing rapidly on Eleventh street toward the University. It is guaranteed in the franchise that cars will be running to the University in less than 60 days, and the managers of the railway say there will be no difficulty in carrying out the conditions of this contract. The recent sale of this line, together with the other railway interests in Springfield and the McKenzie Valley to Messrs. Storey, Bracher and others, is a change that assures sufficient capital back of the organization to carry out any plans which the company have made for the completion of the city line and the Springfield and Suburban line and the road that will be extended up the McKenzie River.

#### Paving the Main Streets.

The work of paving Willamette street will be finished in probably less than 30 days. The pavement will extend from the Southern Pacific depot to the intersection of Eleventh street with Willamette. Ordinances have been passed providing for the paving of Eighth and Ninth streets, in the business section, and if possible that work will be done as soon as the other is finished. The prospect of paving Willamette has had a considerable influence on the value of property along that street and the same thing is being felt now along Eighth and Ninth streets. In the residence section of the city more good houses are under course of construction and contract than in any other former period in the history of Eugene. Stone, which is abundant here, is being used for residences, and the new Presbyterian Church will be built of local stone. The Eugene Divinity School is erecting a building of Southern Oregon stone at a cost of \$30,000.

#### Labor Demand Exceeds Supply.

There is a steady demand for the labor of every able-bodied man, woman or child and the material building of the city could utilize at good wages twice the number of laborers available. The hop yards will make another strong demand on the laboring classes next month, but the coming of the Eastern Oregon Indians will help out. A sign of prosperity among the men and women who are not classed as capitalists and who depend principally upon their daily efforts for their incomes, is that quite a number of these are making small investments in property and other interest-bearing properties.

#### Money in Farms and Real Estate.

In the country everything that the farmer raises has been in demand at good prices for the past several months. The splendid fruit and agricultural lands that has been bought and can still be purchased at such prices that will pay much more than a big interest. If given any attention, in the fall, is coming to be appreciated and will likely in another season increase in value. The cutting up of some of the large land holdings into smaller pieces has demonstrated the productiveness of the soil and has caused an activity in country real estate in the past few months that has been the wonder of old timers. Both in and out of Eugene the activity in real estate has been remarkable, more land having changed hands in the past six months than in any previous period of twice the time. It is expected among real estate men that the interest will increase toward fall. And while the interest in town property and agricultural land has been at its height, timber lands, the greatest asset of Lane County, have just as actively changed hands, leaving thousands of dollars to people here who have used their rights to timber claims, and by this means have been placed in comfortable circumstances. In addition to the sale of single holdings in timber, there have been a number of large tracts sold, some for speculation and others for logging within a short time.

#### Large Yield From All Crops.

The crops which have not been harvested promise a large average yield. With the exception of the apple crop, the

late fruits will make a good showing. Peaches will be ready within a few days and a good quality and quantity is promised. There will be a large crop of pears and, while there are not many vineyards here, the grape crop will be large and of fine quality. Grain will be about on the average. Hops will be heavy and of fine quality. It has been an especially good season for vegetables and the recent rains will turn the potato fields into dollars. The establishment of a twice-a-day passenger service to Wendling and other points in the Mohawk is a splendid thing for the people of that section and the merchants of Eugene. The business men have had a good summer and the Fall and Winter trade will doubtless be the best in the history of the country. But not only are conditions number one at this time, but projects which cannot fail and which mean still more to the town and country, are well under way for the coming season.

#### ABERDEEN MAY HAVE A PARK

#### Rumored That Mrs. James Stewart Will Donate Land.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Aberdeen is in a fair way to get a park. Persistent report that Oregon City is to have rail connection with Portland and the Upper Willamette Valley on the west side of the river continues to agitate the minds of the people of the Tualatin and Willamette sections and it is now stated that the new Portland-Salem line of the Oregon Traction Company will be tapped by the Willamette Falls Railway, a local system owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, running from West Oregon City to about one mile beyond Willamette. The line from West Oregon City to Willamette has been practically rebuilt within the past two years and not more than four miles of new track would have to be constructed.

#### Line Built to Carry Wood.

Many years ago the Portland General Electric Company, which controls nearly all of the property along the west bank of the Willamette from this city to the town that bears the name of the river, constructed the little railway line, extending it past Willamette to the wood camps that until two years ago supplied cord wood for fuel to the paper mills, but oil-burning apparatus was installed and the days of the wood camp were over. Since then the cars have been run only for the accommodation of the local passenger traffic and a little freight, and local officials of the company are positive that the parent concern intends using the line along a greater scope. The spur extension to a point near Tualatin would give the people of Willamette and vicinity direct connection with Portland and the Willamette Valley.

#### HARD TO OBTAIN A LOAN

#### McMinnville Hopgrowers Cannot Borrow on Their Crops.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Hopgrowers on rented yards are considerably worked up over money matters, finding it hard to borrow money at the banks to defray the expense of preparing the crop for market. An estimate of five cents per pound is made for getting the crop in the bale, and the amount that must be borrowed on the crop. Previous expense will bring the total up to six or seven cents. Renters are paying from a fifth to a fourth the price in the bale, and at the present state of the market they must be able to give the best of security in order to obtain loans.

Comparatively few of them have contracted, although many would doubtless be willing to do so if they could get as high as ten cents, which would put them on the safe side. A contract has been filed for record within the last few days, wherein R. N. Magnus sold to Elms & Fritz 12,000 pounds of the coming crop at ten cents. Hops are promising a fair crop, and those on the uplands especially are said to be remarkably free from vermin.

#### BETTER THAN IS ESTIMATED

#### Yield May Run 50 to 100 Per Cent Over What Was Hoped.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—The yield of grain in this section is much better than was estimated earlier in the season. A Braly has just finished threshing two large fields near town that averaged 25 and 30 bushels to the acre, machine measured, the two fields making over 3,000 bushels. The grain is clean, plump and heavy, and will overrun in weight the measure at the machine. Mr. Braly will have more than 6,000 bushels of wheat on his farm. Some other crops of wheat have gone 25 bushels and over.

W. H. Fletcher, one of the threshermen, estimates that this year's grain crop, oats and wheat, will average 50 to 100 per cent better than first estimates gave it. The acreage in this county is considerably below that of last year. One reason of this is the increased interest in dairying, the land being sown to clover and forage crop. But the greatest reason is a large acreage lying idle on account of the utter impossibility of farmers to obtain enough help at planting time to put in the crops.

#### ARRESTED FOR FAST DRIVING

#### Mrs. F. C. Platt Speeds Her Motor in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Mrs. F. C. Platt, wife of a Portland attorney, was arrested here charged with excessive speed and carelessness in driving an automobile. She and her party were taken to police headquarters but were allowed to go upon deposit of \$25 bail. The trial was set for 2 P. M. Wednesday.

Mrs. Platt was driving an automobile along Fifth street toward Main and almost collided with a rig in which was a 12-year-old boy. The horse attached to the rig became frightened and dashed down the street and only the greatest good fortune avoided a fatal catastrophe. This is the first arrest made here for fast driving and the Councilmen are talking about an ordinance limiting the speed of automobiles.

#### Farmers Buy Warehouse.

DAYTON, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—A number of the farmers of this section have bought out the Interior Warehouse Company at Turner and Whistler and have formed a company under the name of the Whetstone-Turner Warehouse Company (Inc.).

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The City of Portland and the State of Oregon are both growing rapidly. There are lots more people who will come to enjoy our natural resources, beautiful surroundings and exquisite climate if we offer any inducements whatever. Our greatest high in the line of utility of goods and LOYALTY to our home industries. Manufacturing keeps our money at home and gives employment to our own people. Let us get in and patronize everything we possibly can made in our own country. We will guarantee that manufacturers producing goods here will fully guarantee them equal to, if not better than foreign brands. We do in the shoes we manufacture, and, in fact, make the flat assertion that we do produce a BETTER article for the money than can be had elsewhere. We do not ask your patronage. Why? Because we are here on the ground and know what this country wants in a shoe. Ask your dealer for our Shoes. If he does not supply you, you know what he is doing in the way of advancing the city and state. Our name—"The J. A. Reid Shoe"—is stamped with a steel stamp on the bottom of every pair.

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### LINE ON WEST SIDE

#### Oregon City Looks for Connection With Salem.

#### FOUR MILES OF NEW TRACK

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There is no doubt that the Oregon Traction Company is either owned by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Com-

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pany or that intimate business relations are maintained. The new line from Portland to Salem will be a great factor in the development of the West Side and at the present time there are men and teams working on every foot of the 45 miles over the route, which is four miles shorter than that of the Southern Pacific on the East Side. The Portland-Salem line was first broached two years ago by Henry W. Goods, the late president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and he had Charles A. Miller, superintendent of the Willamette Falls Railway, go over the territory and select a route with his eye. Mr. Miller journeyed to Salem by train and walked from Salem to Portland, taking about three weeks for the trip. He spent his time looking up possible grades, obtaining statistics as to the business to be secured, both freight and passenger, and his report was favorable. He says that the road will pay from the start and will eventually be a fine property.

#### Fast Time Possible.

The run from Portland to Salem will be made in one and one-half hours. From Wilsonville to Woodburn the track is a marvel, being nearly as level as it is possible to make, which is four miles shorter than that of the Southern Pacific on the East Side. The Portland-Salem line was first broached two years ago by Henry W. Goods, the late president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, and he had Charles A. Miller, superintendent of the Willamette Falls Railway, go over the territory and select a route with his eye. Mr. Miller journeyed to Salem by train and walked from Salem to Portland, taking about three weeks for the trip. He spent his time looking up possible grades, obtaining statistics as to the business to be secured, both freight and passenger, and his report was favorable. He says that the road will pay from the start and will eventually be a fine property.

#### "OH, SLUSH!" SAYS RAMSBY

#### Clackamas Recorder Defendant in Novel Suit Brought.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—It is a far cry from Slush to Shish, as County Recorder Chauncey E. Ramsby, of Clackamas County, has discovered, and he now stands as defendant in a suit instituted today by Charles E. Hannan and Matthew Slush, who charge him with wrongfully interpreting the name of Slush for Shish. Mr. Ramsby, acting within the law, proposed to record the signature of Slush as Shish just as it was written by Mr. Slush, who was evidently careless or in a hurry. The trouble had its inception through a deed to Clackamas County lands that were sold to the plaintiffs by the Nehalem Timber Company on July 17 of this year.

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#### MILL PROPERTY IS RAISED

#### Assessor Increases Values in Gray's Harbor County.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—County Assessor Carter has made a material increase in the assessment of some kinds of property, particularly mill property, and the millmen will probably make a big fight before the Board of Equalization for a reduction. The increase is as high as 20 per cent in some cases. The Gray's Harbor Mill Company properties in Cosmopolis are raised from \$50,000 to about \$120,000. The Northwest-ern Mill Company properties at Hoquiam are increased in about the same ratio and the Slade Mill Company and all other mills of Aberdeen have been subjected to substantial increases. There has been a 20 per cent increase also in timber

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