

# MADRAS, OREGON

## THE GATEWAY CITY

### MADRAS

is the business center for the entire Northern Crook County district, and is the first town of importance reached via the O.-W. R. & N. and the Oregon Trunk Railway after the Columbia River is left behind. Since the coming of the railroads its growth has been steady and substantial. It offers to its residents the comforts and facilities of modern civilization--numerous churches, progressive grade and high schools, well-stocked stores and a substantial bank, close communication with the outside world, a city water system affording adequate fire protection and an abundance of pure water for domestic uses, and, soon to be installed, electric lights and power. A flouring mill manufactures a most excellent quality of flour, and numerous warehouses provide marketing and storing facilities for the products of the district.

Madras and vicinity offer exceptional attractions to the homeseeker and the investor. Present values are in keeping with production.

Situated at the Gateway to the vast Oregon interior, in the heart of the most fertile dry farming country in the Northwest, Northern Crook County, whose products have received prize after prize at the Dry Farming Shows

Wherever Madras products have been exhibited they have taken the lion's share of prizes. They have entered into competition with the best specimens that could be procured from the fields of the most productive dry farms in the west, from localities where dry farming is a much older industry than it is in Northern Crook County. The transformation of this great territory from range to farm is a process that has occupied far less than a decade.

The prize-winning products of Northern Crook County are not limited to grain alone. Under the methods of scientific tillage practiced by the farmer of today, the diversified crops of the American farm are produced in like profusion and quality. Alfalfa, the richest of forage crops, is an important factor in making the farmer's profits, and Corn, Fruit, Potatoes, and Vegetables of all kinds are sure and profitable. Poultry and Live Stock thrive, and animal health ranks high.

### CROOK COUNTY WON SWEEPSTAKES AT LETHBRIDGE

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will take pleasure in furnishing you with any desired information concerning Madras and the Northern Crook County country from which the prize-winning dry farmed products come

### MAY MAKE BUSINESS MAGIC.

Edison Likely to Turn Mind to Managing His Corporations.

The recent resignation of Frank L. Dyer, president of the Edison company and allied interests, which make one of the largest business propositions in the world, caused the rumor that Thomas A. Edison would become the commander in chief of the whole corporate machinery. While holding financial control of the many corporations that have been built around his inventions, the "wizard of electricity" has always permitted others to conduct the business and devoted himself solely to laboratory work.

The great inventor has earned the title of the "sleepless man," and indeed he has recently advanced the proposition that the average man sleeps overmuch; that the division of the day into three periods of eight hours--for sleep,

## Farm and Garden

### HANDLING THE YOUNG BOAR.

Proper Feeding is the Big Factor in Causing Growth.

Young boars that are to be sold for breeding purposes need extra care. The buying public asks for ones that are larger than their own pigs and that are in good flesh and pleasing to look upon.

Feeding is of course the big factor in securing growth. Because the pigs are to be sold for more than regular market price a little more expensive feed may be used if it will secure

makes a vast amount of difference in selling to have them clean and sleek.--National Stockman and Farmer.

### TO BECOME A WISE FARMER.

In farming do not theorize, do not philosophize too much. Live the life of a farmer, keep in sympathetic touch with the plant and animal life about you, and the philosophy will take care of itself. It is astonishing how wise a farmer can become who is willing to be taught by what he sees and experiences. But this one thing he must remember--that the deductions of science have been obtained the same way, and so it is well to make friends of these deductions.--Hoard's Dairyman.

### How to Test Your Soil.

Secure a small sample of soil free from roots and grass and put it in a glass. Insert two strips of blue litmus paper in the soil so that they are half covered. Then add pure water very carefully until the soil is thoroughly saturated. After the test has stood for several minutes the paper is removed and rinsed thoroughly. If that portion of it which was in contact with the soil has become red, then the soil is acid and would be benefited by liming. The litmus paper may be bought at almost any drug store.--Iowa Circular.

### Dip Your Posts Before Setting.

A circular of the Missouri experiment station says: Thoroughly seasoned posts will last much longer than those that are not green. Good results have been obtained by charring the ends of the posts over an open fire. The posts must be thoroughly seasoned to prevent splitting or checking, and the charring must extend at least six inches above the surface of the ground when the post is set. Dipping the post in some preservative substance like tar, petroleum or creosote will help to keep out the moisture and will also tend to prevent the entrance of fungi.

### Taking Out the Posts.

In pulling mortised fenceposts do you wish to do it with ease and dispatch? Loosen the earth a little around each post. Insert a lever through a mortise in the post; use first the wheel, then the dashboard of your wheelbarrow as a fulcrum, and the trick is done.--Farm Journal.

### Plant Many Trees.

In an article in the Woman's Home Companion on "The Friendly Summer Trees" the author, Frank A. Waugh, professor of horticulture in the Agricultural College of Massachusetts, lays down the general rule that only one tree out of every twenty planted ever grows to maturity. He therefore advises those who plant trees to plant liberally.

### Here's a Good Combination.

In this hunt for the profit dollar keep an eye on the combination of ensilage and clover or alfalfa hay. There is no other combination of feed like it for results in milk. A farmer could take these two pieces of forage and with good cows and no grain he could come out at the end of the year with a fair profit. Of course a few pounds of grain feed a day is a good investment.--Hoard's Dairyman.

### GORGAS GOING TO ECUADOR.

United States Sanitary Expert to Make Guayaquil a Healthy Port.

Because insanitary Guayaquil, the chief port of Ecuador, menaces the shipping of all the Pacific the government of Ecuador has invited the United States to lend what assistance possible in bringing about the cleaning up of the port. Colonel W. A. Gorgas, sanitary inspector of the Panama canal zone, will head the United States commission. Guayaquil is the only remaining source of infectious disease on the



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western coast of South America. Colonel Gorgas is thoroughly familiar with the project.

Colonel Goethals, in charge of the canal construction, whose valuable aid Gorgas has been, has already declared that the sanitation of Guayaquil is of great importance not only to Ecuador, but to the interests of the canal.

Colonel Gorgas will take with him a group of officers who have shared in his experiences in eliminating yellow fever, bubonic plague and typhoid from the canal zone. They will make an exact survey of the situation at Guayaquil and draw up a program of work necessary in order to bring about the desired results. It is probable that congress will be asked for authority to carry out this program.



Mrs. A.--They say your Ned's wanted by the police.  
Mrs. B.--Well, there's no accountin' for tasts.--Punch.

### Celebrates His 74th Birthday

The Homestead takes great pleasure in extending hearty congratulations to Cyrus Hamlin Walker, of Albany, Oregon, who, on last Saturday, the 7th of December, 1912, celebrated his 74th birthday.

Mr. Walker is the oldest living white child born west of the Rocky mountains, and now three score and fourteen years after is enjoying most excellent health and a goodly share of prosperity.

He has contributed a splendid article for the annual holiday number of the Homestead, which will be issued next week, his subject being "Oregon Sixty Years Ago." It is written in his usual happy manner and should be read with much interest by those subscribers of the Homestead who are enrolled on the list of pioneers to this Oregon country.

Mr. Walker was born December 7, 1838, at the Whitman Mission, near Walla Walla, Wash., his father, Rev. Elkanah Walker, being a missionary to the Indians.

He came to this state when young and has lived in Oregon all his life. He is now serving his second term as grand commander of the Indian War Veterans of the North Pacific Coast. He is also serving his second term as chaplain of the Oregon State Grange and has been chaplain of Grand Prairie Grange, near Albany, most of the time for the past fifteen years. He has the record of having organized forty three new granges in Oregon. Most of these were formed in the past few years. During the past twelve months he has instituted seven new granges.

The above article was taken from the Pacific Homestead as indicated in the beginning of the article, we will say that Mr. Walker is well known by many of the older residents of this section, having been connected with the Indian service at Warm-springs for several years, soon after the setting apart of the Agency in Crook County.

TO LOAN--\$50,000.00 on farm lands. See Brenton Jones, Metolius, Ore.

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### No Reason To.



"Jones' wife learned dressmaking."  
"Yes?"  
"And now Jones doesn't work any more."

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARMS. See Madras State Bank.

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### THOMAS A. EDISON.

for work and relaxation--was due to the primitive fact that man ceased work at sundown for lack of proper light. But now with the noontday radiance of the electric light man could do with as little sleep as Napoleon and still keep up his physical and intellectual efficiency. He cited himself as an example.

And surely Mr. Edison seems to have tapped some boundless source of energy. For he dislikes to rest in the fashion of ordinary men--in fact, he cannot--and finds his sweetest relaxation in turning to some new work.

Who knows what he might accomplish in bringing the originality of his great mind to business problems? The effect of the assumption by Mr. Edison of the active control of his vast interests--interests which embrace large corporations in England, France, Germany, Spain and Mexico besides the many companies in this country--is a matter of world concern.

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### HANDY TYPE OF INDIVIDUAL HOG HOUSE.

better gains. The youngsters need an abundance of nutritious green feed. This keeps them healthy, gives them an appetite and causes them to take exercise. Clover and alfalfa are the most satisfactory, of course, but anything that is green and succulent will do. Skim milk is very nearly an ideal feed for growing pigs. There is nothing that is liked better, and it seems to make a growth of frame and muscle as no other feeds will do. Any hog man who can have an abundant supply of skim milk is fortunate indeed.

A thick slop made of mill shorts and a little oilmeal does very nearly as well. Corn or corn and cooked barley are very acceptable for the basal part of the ration, it being always essential to furnish plenty of protein to balance the lack of it in corn and barley. Tankage and meat meal in the proportion of about one part to ten of corn or corn and barley will make up the deficiency nicely and will bring more rapid growth and more finish to the pigs. Very satisfactory feed may be secured from the crops of any locality, it being necessary to balance it up with some protein concentrate only.

Of course the pigs will sell better if they are clean. They will thrive just as well if they have a cool, clean place as if they have a mud wallow, and it