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WOOD PAVING.

The first attempts to pave streets with wood, three-quarters of a century ago, were failures, and for years after that no satisfactory progress was made. The blocks were round, which left large, unequal spaces between them. Their edges broke down and wore off, the wood rotted, and the pavement was soon uneven and rough, and therefore difficult to clean and insanitary. At the present time, through the selection of suitable woods, cutting the blocks into rectangular shape so that their edges may lie close together, and treating them chemically to increase their durability, wood pavement is better in many respects than any other in common use. It is smooth, quiet, resilient, easily cleaned, and easily repaired. In wearing qualities it is superior to macadam, brick, or asphalt, and inferior only to granite and sandstone. In sanitary qualities it exceeds all but asphalt. No road surface is easier to draw a load upon, or, as it is put in technical language, none offers a lower "traction resistance," and none is easier to keep clean. Creosoted wood pavement stands above the average in smoothness, freedom from dust, mud, noise, reflection of light, radiation of heat, and ease of maintenance.

The first cost of creosoted wood is greater than that of macadam, brick, or asphalt, but not so great as granite or sandstone. On the other hand, it must be remembered, it exceeds any of the first group in wearing qualities. Too much weight is sometimes attached to the initial cost of creosoted wood and too little to its counterbalancing durability, which is equally important in calculating investment returns. It costs from \$2.40 to \$3.50 per square yard, laid as compared with an average of \$3.50 for sandstone, \$3.26 for granite, \$2.30 for asphalt, \$2.06 for brick, and \$0.99 for macadam, in a number of cities in which a study has been made.

Cedar has been extensively laid in the Middle West, and oak, cypress, white pine, hemlock, western red cedar, cottonwood, mesquite, Osage orange, redwood, Douglas fir, and tamarack in various cities of the country. Untreated American red gum, tried in England, raised great hopes, but it finally proved unsatisfactory. Pavement of Australian eucalyptus has lasted for from fifteen to twenty years in the streets of London. It is more slippery, however, than American woods, and its cost, about \$5 per square yard in the United States, is prohibitive.

In recent years the difficulties which attended the use of wood pavement have been largely overcome by better methods of handling, treating, and laying the blocks. Creosote is the best of the preservatives in common use for wood pavement. Since it is insoluble in water, it does not leach out, and if a sufficient amount is injected into the blocks it prevents the entrance of water, which weakens the pavement.

The blocks should be rectangular in shape. For heavy traffic their depth should be not less than 4 inches. The usual width is 3 or 4 inches, and the best length from 6 to 10 inches. They should be laid with the grain vertical, on a concrete foundation having a thin surface cushion of sand or other material.

The Forest Service has recently issued a publication, Circular 141, which deals with wood paving in the United States. This publication can be had upon application to the Forester, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

SHIRT WAIST SALE, Friday and Saturday at the Ladies Emporium.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

An obstinate man does not hold opinions, but they hold him; for when he is once possessed with an error, it is like a devil, only cast out with great difficulty.—Bishop Butler.

The Coming Topic.
We might as well begin right now And memorize again The list of Presidential votes In Arkansas and Maine, And learn to trip them glibly in Our everyday debates, For that's the coming topic In our United States.

We might as well get at it, As we've often done before, And learn if Indiana has Eighteen or twenty-four, For that's the great essential That immediately awaits The art of conversation In our United States.

If Bryan lost New England, New York, and Idaho, What others would he have to get? Is what we've got to know, For that's the sort of thing to which All talking gravitates With proper provocation In our own United States.

The fellows who are posted Are the men that win cigars And drink their booze for nothing At the few remaining bars, For they've memorized the figures, And they're loaded for debates In a Presidential season In our own United States. —Post Dispatch.

It is usually the bald-headed duffer who makes the most fun of a girl's red hair.

When a Coos Bay man can see through a shirtwaist, he doesn't know what it is he sees.

It doesn't pay to keep as friends those who love you for themselves a loan.

Why do we say, "He follows the sea for a livelihood?" Doesn't the sea stand still?

The charge of the light brigade at Balaklava was nothing compared to the charge of the light brigade at Coos Bay. I know for I paid the bill.

A Coos Bay man says he would not mind wearing mourning if he could choose the subjects for which the crape might be worn.

The usual topic was being discussed in Geo Goodrum's store. The usual topic of course is "girls." There were two representatives of the topic present. "Pacific coast girls," remarked one of the fair callers, "are taller than Southern girls." "Yes," replied George, "and," he added, as if in compliment, "they are heavier also," and then he wondered why they laughed and they wondered how George was so expert on the weight of girls.

COQUILLE CULINGS.

Coos County Seat News As Told By The Sentinel.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Schroeder of this city, June 2, a son.

Fred A. Linegar and J. B. R. Shelton delegates from Lyeurgus lodge K. of P. of this city and Frank Schroeder from the Myrtle Point lodge, have gone to Portland to attend the grand lodge of that order. A. H. Bender of Myrtle Point, will be in the postoffice during the absence of Mr. Linegar.

Assessor T. J. Thrift has been circulating a petition this week asking the county commissioners to hire a responsible cruiser and have each piece of timber land gone over so that a more equitable assessment could be obtained. This plan is being followed in other parts of the state and in Washington. The plan has given perfect satisfaction as it is the only way to assess timber.

The Sentinel has been informed that J. A. Reeve, one of the firm of the Coquille Shingle Co., which burned a few months ago, intends to return to this city by the first of July from Seattle where he has been on business trip and will erect a shingle mill on the Coquille river. We were not informed what location he has selected though we understand that he has been offered a site at Myrtle Point. We believe the business men of this city should offer him some inducements to locate the mill near this place.

HOTEL NEAR DRAIN BURNS

Single Guest at Captain Boswell's Place Escapes Without Wardrobe.

DRAIN, Oregon, June 18. — Fire tally destroyed the hotel at Boswell Springs, two miles south of here, together with all of its contents. While the origin of the fire is not definitely known, it is reported that it was caused by the upsetting of a lamp.

This famous health resort, which was owned and operated by the late Capt. Ben D. Boswell, for about twenty years previous to and up to the time of his death, which occurred a year ago last May, and since that time by his widow, was originally known as Snowdon Springs, a name derived from the first settler on the premises. It is quite unlikely that Mrs. Boswell will try to rebuild. The property loss, all things considered, is probably not less than \$15,000. There was only one guest in the hotel when the fire occurred, a lady, and she lost her entire wardrobe.

MAN GOES FISHING; NEVER COMES BACK.

Young Married Man of Roseburg Disappears From His Home Under Peculiar Circumstances.

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 18.—Taking along a rod and line and saying he was going fishing, Charles Troub, aged 21, married and the father of two children, left the home of relatives, one mile south of this city, last Sunday morning about 9:30 o'clock, and has not been seen since. The rod and line were found yesterday morning on the bank of the river, one mile below the house, and it was at first presumed that in some manner Troub had been drowned. The river, which is very low at this time of the year, was searched and dragged, but no body was brought to light. It is now believed that Troub simply left the neighborhood, which belief is supported by the fact that he ran away from his former home in Ohio shortly before coming West three months ago. So far as known he had no family troubles or any difficulties that might have induced him to destroy himself.

TO MARRY WOMAN HE BLINDED.

COLUMBUS, Ore., June 18.—Patrick McCarthy, a Cleveland convict serving a twenty-year sentence for throwing acid in the face of Mrs. Anna Harlem, of Cleveland, who was paroled, will immediately marry Mrs. Harlem, who is totally blind as the result of his act. He was drunk when he threw the acid.

CARD OF THANKS.

We the undersigned wish to express our thanks to the many friends who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement and especially for the many beautiful floral offerings.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, up to 8 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, June 23d, for the improvement of Sixth street from the north line of 'H' street to a point twelve feet south of the center line of 'E' street, town of South Marshfield, according to the plans and specifications on file in the office of the recorder and open to the inspection of all persons interested therein. Also for the improvement of that portion of Sixth street from the north line of 'H' street to the south end of said street, town of South Marshfield, according to the plans and specifications of said improvement on file in the office of Recorder and open to the inspection of all persons interested therein. Separate bids will be received for grading each part of said street, also for the planing, drain boxes, curbing and sidewalk per lineal foot on each part of said street. Certified checks for five per cent of the amount of the bids must accompany each bid. The council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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