

TOTAL VALUE OF FRIDAY'S PERMITS REACHES \$70,000

List Includes Dozen or More Residences; Largest Issued to S. B. Coulter for \$12,500 Brick Structure.

New construction to the value of \$70,000 was authorized by permit last Friday, the list including a dozen or more dwelling houses, a brick store building, small office building, church and the usual list of repairs.

The largest permit in the list was issued to S. B. Coulter and provided for a one-story brick building on Derby street, between McClellan and Willis. It will cost \$12,500.

On that date a permit was taken out by August Gieke for a two-story frame office building, which he is building at East Gleason and East Eightieth street at a cost of \$5000.

One of the handiest of the many new homes recently begun is that of Mrs. Elvina Mulrhead for which a permit was issued Friday. The house is to be a two and one half story frame structure and will cost \$7000. It will occupy a quarter block on Welder street, near East Twenty-third.

The Third Presbyterian church is building a frame church on Virginia street, between Dakota and Nebraska streets, in south Portland. According to the permit issued last Friday, the building is to cost \$6000.

C. W. Boost has procured a permit for a two and one half story frame residence \$2000 which he will build on Grand avenue, between Franklin and Brooklyn streets.

Permits were issued Friday to the following builders for dwellings valued at \$100 each:

- R. E. Blaco, two story residence, East Sixth street, between Sherman and Caruthers.
- H. Gordon, two and one half story residence, Sandy Road, near East Thirty-third.
- John P. Sharkey, two story residence, East Thirty-sixth, between Kelly and Franklin.
- J. E. Dolan, two story residence, East Fifteenth street, between Brasse and Knott.

SECRETARY STIMSON MEETS OLD SUPERIORS

(United Press Special Wire.)

Washington, June 17.—Secretary of War Stimson is telling the following story on himself, since his horseback trip the other day with Major General Wood, his chief of staff, into Virginia, to the camp of the engineer and cavalry forces stationed near Washington.

General Wood and the secretary rode out to the camp, where they were received with much attention. The officers came up to pay their respects, and upon looking at their insignia, Secretary Stimson, who is a member of "Squadron A," the crack military cavalry organization of New York, discovered that the cavalrymen he was meeting belonged to the same regiment, the Fifteenth, with which his militia organization had been detailed during the maneuvers at Manassas, Va., in 1864.

Among the officers, Secretary Stimson discovered to his glee several whose horses he had held while serving as a private in the militia ranks at these maneuvers.

Though the secretary of war has since risen to the rank of lieutenant in Squadron A, and is forever relieved of duty of holding officers' horses, he declared it was worth it in the pleasure of meeting the fifteenth cavalrymen in his new position.

Artesian Well Still Flowing. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Mayville, Or., June 17.—The artesian well which was struck last week at Mayville is still flowing and the volume of water is not diminished in the least. The investment society, which owns the well, will put in proper casing and expects a steady flow of at least 100 gallons per minute. Waterworks will be installed in the near future and the water will be used for irrigation as well as for domestic uses.

Postal Bank at Roseburg July 1. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., June 17.—Postmaster C. W. Parks has been officially advised to prepare for opening at a postoffice in Roseburg on July 1 a branch of the United States Postal Savings bank.

Journal Want Ads bring results.



Residence of Rev. M. J. Bullard, East Twenty-fifth and Madison streets.

SNAKE HUNTING IS TEXAN'S BUSINESS

Catching Live Venomous Reptiles for Market Odd Means of Livelihood Employed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) San Antonio, Texas, June 17.—Hunting snakes for a living may not be an occupation that is really pleasant in all its phases, and it may not be attractive to all classes of men. However, there is one man in this city, a Mexican, who has made snake hunting a business for a number of years. He does not confine himself to the harmless variety, but makes a specialty of catching the cotton-mouth moccasin and the rattlesnake. These are caught alive and sold to a dealer in snakes, whose place of business is in West Commerce street.

This Mexican snake hunter has two methods of catching a rattler. If the snake is large he places a forked stick on its neck and holds it down until he can get a hold of it in such a manner as to drop it into a sack. But if it is a small rattler, a stick is not used. The hunter watches the reptile until it curls, ready to strike, and then with a swift movement of the hand catches the snake just below the head, grips it tightly and slips it into a sack.

Catching Water Moccasins. While catching water moccasins, however, he usually goes barefoot and when the moccasin is too large to be caught with the hand it is isoosed with a small harit attached to the end of a stick. Sometimes this is done by letting the reptile swim through the loop. At other times it is thrown over the head of the swimming snake with as much accuracy as a skilled marksman shoots with a gun. In the winter, when snakes are hibernating, the snake hunter finds a hole and thrusts a stick down it. Then he sits down to watch. If the stick moves he knows there is something below and proceeds at once to dig out the snake. But if there is no movement after watching for a half hour or so, the hunter seeks another hole and repeats the test with a stick.

It is not an uncommon thing for this snake hunter to bag 100 pounds of snakes in one day. These, if they be good specimens, bring 25 cents per pound, alive.

Snake Hunting Profitable. While this is the only snake hunter in this city, a number of men now in the Kingsville country, near the gulf, are engaged in the business and follow it all the year round. Recently 600 pounds of rattlesnakes were shipped into this city by express from one snake hunter in the Kingsville country, the man having made an unusual catch in one week. From the dealer here, rattlesnakes are shipped to all parts of the country for exhibition purposes, and in a few instances shipments have been made to other parts of the world. The Texas rattler is deadly venomous, and had to be handled with care. So



Handsome residence recently completed at East Twenty-fourth and Brasse streets, Irvington.

far as known, but one rattlesnake hunter has ever died from the effects of a bite while capturing a snake. It is not an uncommon thing in some of the wilder parts of the country to capture a snake having 12 or more rattles, showing that the reptile is 12 years or more old, since the first rattle appears when the snake is one year of age.

EMPEROR WILLIAM SUED FOR ESTATE

(By the International News Service.) Berlin, June 17.—An action has been commenced in the German courts by the descendants of the famous Russian General Muennich to recover the sum of 40,000,000 roubles (\$20,000,000) from Emperor William, as king of Prussia. The claim is based upon the gift of the estate to General Muennich by Frederick the Great as a reward for his share in bringing about the treaty between Russia and Prussia. The general refused to accept the proffered present, but the deeds of gift were later handed to his son. During the banishment of the Muennichs, which lasted 20 years, doubts seem to have arisen as to the ownership of the estate in question.

pronouncement from Frederick William IV, to the effect that the disputed estate had reverted to the Prussian crown, in virtue of the act of banishment. It is understood, however, that the present claimants have collected much fresh material for the substantiation of their case.

real estate business under such conditions is most agreeable and profitable. Instead of the great competition which may be found in other lines of trade and even in the real estate business where boards are not established, the brokers meet and greet each other in the warmest terms of friendship. "There is no doubt at all about the

REALTY BOARDS AID TO DEALERS

Friendly Relations Between Business Associates Help Sales, It is Said.

The advantages of real estate associations to realty brokers and property owners are better understood in this country today than at any time since the business of buying and selling real estate for a commission became a common vocation.

The National Real Estate Journal, discussing this subject, comments as follows:

"The difference between a transaction in the real estate brokerage business in cities where real estate boards are established and in those where there are no real estate boards is just this:

"Where real estate boards are properly organized, real estate brokers are contemporaries, friends, business associates, all helping each other and boosting the real estate business as a whole. If one broker is making a sale every broker in town will help him to complete it. If he has anything to sell that he can't sell himself he lists on the board and every real estate broker in town makes an effort to sell it and the commission is divided. The

value of an organization. Real estate is a staple commodity in communities where there are well regulated real estate boards. The business of dealing in it is light, profitable and agreeable. Where there are no real estate boards the real estate business is depressed. It is a poor investment and the business of dealing in real estate in such communities is extremely unprofitable.

The importance of the real estate business as a profession is impressing itself more fully at the time upon those engaged in the business as well as all classes of people interested, either in buying or selling real estate as an investment or for speculation.

The same publication refers to the profession of real estate and the benefits to be derived from membership in the national association, as follows:

"The real estate profession is not one that can be learned in college and there are no text books on the subject. It is, nevertheless, one of the most important lines of trade; one in which the most money is invested; one in which the largest number of people are vitally interested.

Learning Profession. "The profession can be learned only from those who are engaged in it. Real estate men can learn the work thoroughly from one another only. They have, therefore, more in common with each other and by organization than any other class of people in the world."

"The National Association of Real Estate Exchanges was organized by the states in order to bring all the real estate men, through the local boards, into the national association and through it give literary and musical broker the combined influence and prestige of all the other real estate men in the United States and help each to make sales."

LODGE CHAPTERS TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

The members of Martha Washington and Myrtle chapters of the Eastern Star are making elaborate preparations for the twentieth anniversary of the organization of these two bodies which will be held tomorrow night in the Masonic temple. A literary and musical program will be given, followed by a banquet and social hour in which there will be related reminiscences of the happenings in the two chapters since they were organized. Invitations have been restricted to the members of the two chapters and the grand chapter officers. The guests of honor will be Mrs. Miller, past grand matron, and her son, Robert Miller, past grand patron, who assisted her in the installation of the first set of officers of the two chapters.

Contributors to the program will be Miss Masie Foster and Miss Florence Gilmore, who will sing, and Miss Lottie Banfield, who will recite. Addresses of a historical nature will be delivered by Mrs. Robert Lutke of Myrtle chapter and J. H. Richmond of Martha Washington chapter. Following the banquet there will be toasts proposed to which responses will be made by various prominent members of the order.

The committee from Martha Washington chapter to arrange for the event is composed of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hurlburt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richmond, Mrs. Laura Keller and Mrs. R. R. Dingle. The committee from Myrtle chapter is composed of Mrs. Robert Lutke, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jellison and Mrs. M. C. Banfield.

LYLE WILL GET WATER SYSTEM

New Town on Columbia Forging Ahead; New Buildings Constructed.

Lyle, Wash., June 16.—The immense amount of work that has been done on the townsite of Lyle since its purchase by Portland interests, is becoming evident. Sixth and Seventh streets, Lyle avenue, Washington and State streets, in the business district, have all been graded and eight foot cement sidewalks and curbs have been laid. The plans for the water works have been drawn up and the reservoir site selected in the hills back of the town. A water system sufficient to supply a city of 3000 people will be installed at once with pressure water throughout the entire townsite.

The Lyle Washingtonian, the new newspaper started by Thomas Harlan, the veteran editor of Washington, has made a very favorable impression. A temporary newspaper building has been built which will soon be replaced by a modern printing plant, a brick and concrete building.

The bank building now being erected by the State bank of Lyle will be a model structure of its kind, the entire building to be devoted to banking purposes.

The dispute over the power development in the Kllickit river has brought into public notice the tremendous electric power soon to be generated within two miles of the townsite which will soon be harnessed and give to the industries located at Lyle ample power. According to the U. S. geological report, the power of the Kllickit river is greater than that of any other stream in the state of Washington.

The Lyle Business Men's club has arranged for an old fashioned Fourth of July celebration. The North Bank railroad has granted special rates from all points to Lyle. D. E. Kenney will bring his palatial houseboat to Lyle and summer there with his family. Among recent sales made is a business corner to Ledbetter & Wallace company, leading merchants of Goldendale, who will erect a two story department store building.

J. M. BARBER TRACT IS SOLD FOR \$10,000

H. D. Kilham and H. E. Ringer have bought the J. M. Barber tract of 56 acres eight miles west of the city and will plant and put it on the market soon. The consideration was about \$10,000. This sale was made by Neal Brown. Mr. Brown also reports the sale this week of a five acre tract at Lafayette for K. M. Borgen to Joseph Stephens, a new arrival from Minnesota, consideration \$2100.

Hurrying Laundry Building.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., June 17.—D. Duval of Portland is rushing alterations on the Kelly building to accommodate the new laundry which will be ready for business in about three weeks.

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TROUTDALE ACRES (5 and 10 Acre Tracts)

This acreage is located 17 miles from Portland. It is bounded on one side by the Columbia river, and on the other side by the Sandy river. Besides the river transportation, there is the main line of the O. W. R. & N. Co. and the Troutdale branch of the O. W. P. Co. This land is also reached by the Sandy and Base Line roads.

With the advantageous location and the quality of the soil in TROUTDALE ACRES, intensified farming can be carried on in the most profitable manner.

The scenes shown in this ad are not from land a mile away or land adjoining, but are actual photographs from the land we are selling—TROUTDALE ACRES.

From the water of the rivers of either side this land is sub-irrigated, and is out of the frost belt. This, with the richness and depth of the soil, makes this land very pro-



A Healthy Orchard at Troutdale Acres.

\$300 to \$400 Per Acre (Small Payment Down) (Balance 5 yrs. at 6%)

ductive to celery, onions, beans, cabbage, cauliflower, etc. We can show you land planted to celery that is netting the owner \$1000 per acre every year. Being out of the frost belt, with plenty of moisture, and the splendid drainage, this land also produces excellent fruit.

The man who tills a tract of land in TROUTDALE ACRES will not only make a handsome profit from his land, but will be enriched each year by the advance in value. This land, being so near to Portland, with its excellent transportation facilities to an ever-wanting market, assures our purchasers of a gilt-edge investment.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland said: "I always advise my young friends to place their savings in realty near some growing town. There are no savings banks anywhere."

Our automobiles run to the tract hourly. Phone or call at our office and make a reservation to see TROUTDALE ACRES.

Garden Land Co.

407-8-9 Merchants Trust Building

Phones; Main 8457, A2937

A Productive Field of Cauliflower and Cabbage.



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Should you want to take your automobile or the old family horse to the Beach for the use of your wife and children during their summer outing, you will not have to ship them by rail or steamer, and wait a week or ten days for their arrival, if you are fortunate enough to own a lot at TWIN ROCKS. You can drive every foot of the way from Portland to this Beach, leave your rig there, and return to Portland via the Pacific Railway & Navigation company, which railroad is rapidly nearing completion. But you will have to hurry, if you want a good lot, as they are going fast. We have sold over 300 lots to parties who have never seen them. Those who have since gone down to inspect their purchase have expressed themselves as being well satisfied with them. Come in and pick out your lot before the railroad is completed, and the rush is on, as you can get a better location, lower prices and easier terms now. We have been over every foot of TWIN ROCKS, and you can choose a lot through us just as well as though you were on the ground. A small cash payment and easy monthly payments, WITHOUT INTEREST, will do the rest.

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