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ELECTRIC LINE COMING

Mr. Moffat Says Road Will Be Extended Southward.

COTTAGE GROVE ON ITS MAP

President Now on the Ground Making Plans for Contemplated Extensions. Work Will be Done in Stretches of Fifty Miles at a Time.

George B. Moffat of New York, president of the Oregon Electric Railway Company, is now in Portland consummating plans for proposed extensions of the company's lines, and gives assurance that Cottage Grove will eventually be given the road. While it is not certain how soon the work will be done, Mr. Moffat said in an interview that the present plans of the company is to ultimately extend the main line as far south as Roseburg, and to send out branch lines to the most important points in the valley. The company's line that is now being operated to Salem, Mr. Moffat said, is proving even more profitable than has been hoped for at the time it was constructed. One thing that may cause delay is the scarcity of labor, which exists here at present. And then there are the rights of way to be secured, and if the company meets too many obstacles in getting them, it will have to delay work. It is the policy of the company to make its extensions piecemeal, completing about 50 miles at a time and getting it in operation before another extension is made. Extensions have been planned and surveyed from Salem east, south and west to various points. It has been intimated that the first branch to be built will be from Salem to Albany, and that it may extend to Eugene, and possibly Cottage Grove, a distance of twenty miles further.

FORCED TO BORROW CARS.

Heavy Passenger Traffic on Southern Pacific Railroad.

So heavy has been the passenger traffic over the Southern Pacific lines this season that it has been forced to borrow equipment from other roads in order to satisfactorily handle the increased business. The Cottage Grove local came in on Sunday with cars borrowed from the Astoria & Columbia railway, and although plush was absent from the seats and the varnish bedimed by age, they answered the purpose, and under the circumstances satisfied the traveling public. The Cottage Grove local is of great convenience to the people of this section, as well as traveling salesmen, and that it is being well patronized is gratifying. This train takes produce from the farms along the 144 miles it traverses to the Portland market. Arriving there late at night it makes it possible to ship fruits and vegetables to that point fresh for the opening of the markets at 3 a. m.

GETS A LARGE ORDER.

Mr. Shortridge Will Ship Railroad Ties to Colorado.

W. C. Shortridge, who has a sawmill one mile north of London, has just received an order from the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad company for all the ties he can furnish before January 1 next, and he will forthwith set to work to get out at least 25,000. These will be floated down the Coast Fork to Latham, and from there shipped to Grand Junction, Colorado. Mr. Shortridge is sawing on an average of 15,000 feet of lumber a day. This product is hauled to Latham by wagon, and shipped eastward. He has in his employ eighteen men at present, but expects to quite materially increase the force this fall. Mr. Shortridge has resided in this locality for twenty-seven years.

YOUNG MAN SUICIDES.

Had Railway Rebate Check From Cottage Grove on Person.

Seating himself on a pile of ties near the railway station at Ashland, an unknown man who had evidently hailed from Cottage Grove, shot himself through the head with a revolver, dying instantly. Beside the body was found an empty whiskey bottle, and on his person \$67 in money, and a rebate check on a railway ticket from Cottage Grove to Roseburg.

Some Potatoes.

John Allen has sold to the Rees-Wallace company 120 bushels of potatoes averaging nearly one pound each. These tubers, the Mills Prize variety, were raised on hillside land without fertilizing of any nature.

Look Out for This Ten.

A warning has been sent to banks and others to examine closely all \$10 gold certificates of the series of 1907, check letter D, as a number of counterfeit notes are in circulation. Counterfeiters, thought to be operating in the

east, have devised a way of bleaching ordinary \$1 notes, and of reprinting them, raising the amount to \$10. Thus the original paper manufactured by the treasury department is used. However, the workmanship on the \$10 note plates used by the counterfeiters, is declared to be crude. Examinations of the counterfeit notes under a microscope will show marks where the bleaching process has not been completely successful.

ANOTHER PLAT PLANNED.

Alderman Lawson Will Improve Property When Crusher Arrives.

Cottage Grove's continued growth is evidenced by the fact that another plat will be opened near the city park. Alderman B. K. Lawson, who there owns six acres of land, will divide the tract into twenty-six residence lots as soon, he says, as the municipality gets crushed rocks for its streets that he may make modern improvements before placing the property on the market. It is Mr. Lawson's intention to grade and macadamize every thoroughfare in the plat, making 30-foot streets, a park of eight feet on either side, and sidewalks six feet in width. Shade trees will be set out immediately upon the completion of this work, and each lot sold will be improved ready for building. These advance improvements will necessitate an expenditure of something over \$2,000, but will be money well invested.

LUMBERMEN TO MEET HERE.

Oregon-Washington Association Convenes in Cottage Grove Next.

At a meeting of the Oregon & Washington Lumber Manufacturers' association, held in Portland on Saturday, the question of holding occasional meetings "out of town" in order to give the valley lumbermen a better opportunity to participate in the work, was discussed and met with favor. It is probable that the next session of the association will be held in Cottage Grove, this city being headquarters for many millmen. Tributary to Cottage Grove are thirty-one sawmills, the larger proportion of which number being within twenty miles. From this will be seen the importance of the lumber industry in this section, and the appropriateness of the association in meeting here. One of the principal resources of southern Lane county, of which Cottage Grove is the center, is its extensive forests of standing timber. There are quarter sections that carry 22,000,000 feet of merchantable timber. The grade of this timber is excellent, running as high as 54 per cent clear.

The citizens of Cottage Grove will extend a hearty welcome to the visiting manufacturers of lumber at the approaching meeting, which will probably be held about the middle of November.

MAY BUILD PLAYHOUSE.

Oklahoma Man Coming Here With That End in View.

W. E. Gilkey of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, is considering the advisability of erecting an opera house in Cottage Grove, and is expected here in the near future to further his investigations. For some time past Mr. Gilkey has been in correspondence with Manager Conley of the Commercial club in regard to the project. That a modern opera house would prove a paying investment there can be little doubt. Few cities of the proportions and importance of Cottage Grove are without a commodious and well appointed playhouse, and certainly we should not be in the background in this, or any other, respect.

PROTECTED BY HIS WIFE.

Eugene Man Saved From a Thief Who Was Rifling His Pockets.

While in Portland Sunday night J. S. Maglady of Eugene, and well known in Cottage Grove, would undoubtedly have been compelled to borrow money from some brother Hoo-Hoo had it not been for Mrs. Maglady, who accompanied him for the protection of her liege lord and master. An unregistered guest entered Mr. Maglady's room at the Imperial hotel and was rifling his trousers pockets when the faithful wife nabbed the intruder, screamed for help and awakened her husband, who throttled the thief and called for the police.

Want Additional Room.

There is now under consideration a plan to finish the basement of the Presbyterian church, the additional room to be used for Sunday school purposes and by the Brotherhood. The work will probably be undertaken by the Brotherhood and the room will be nearly as spacious as the main auditorium. The Brotherhood is an organization of men either affiliated with the church or members of the congregation, and is rapidly growing in numbers. Meetings are held once each month.

The best fruit exhibit at the Seattle fair came from Oregon.

IDEAL FOR WORKERS OF WOOD

Cottage Grove Presents Grand Opportunities for the Establishment of Manufactories of a Varied Character.

That Cottage Grove is an ideal location for wood-working institutions of various characters is at once made apparent by the almost inexhaustible supply of raw materials at its very threshold. The only mystery is that long ere this capitalists have not sought this favored locality for the safe investment of their wealth in manufactories of this kind. The peculiar adaptability of the woods found on the sloping mountain sides and in the valleys of this region for the manufacture of thousands of articles of commerce should attract attention, and bring to us a tin-pail brigade numbering hundreds, if not thousands. And The Sentinel believes that if our resources in this direction were intelligently made known to the world this end could be attained. Capital is ever seeking new fields for investment; the timber resources of the eastern states have practically been depleted, and other locations must be found for the successful prosecution of numberless businesses requiring the very woods found here in such magnificence and in such great abundance. Furniture of almost every description, wood-ware, cooperage, veneering, willow-ware, buggy boxes, baskets, and a thousand and one other articles of every day use might be profitably made in Cottage Grove and shipped to every section of the country, transportation facilities of the best being at command. It may be interesting to learn minutely of the magnificent timber resources of this immediate section and we therefore append detailed explanation of the different kinds of forests most common here, and their adaptability to various uses. One of the most common and valuable trees growing in this country is the Red Fir. It is a slender grained tree, ranging from one to two hundred feet in height, and one to three feet in diameter, with a smooth, white bark, and wood pale brown, sap wood nearly white, hard and close-grained. Lumber from this species is in splendid de-

mand, and of superior quality for building purposes. It takes a very nice finish.

The Noble Firs, sometimes called Larch, are the giants of the forest, and grow from two to three hundred feet in height, and three to eleven feet in diameter, with rough, dark gray bark, which reaches a thickness of several inches; wood, reddish brown to nearly white, close grained, compact, light in weight, hard, strong and elastic. Lumber from this wood is of high commercial value, and will increase rapidly in price because of the growing scarcity throughout the timbered sections of the country. It takes a high polish, is used extensively for inside finish, furniture and for fuel.

Red Fir is the most abundant, most useful tree in the Pacific Northwest. In fact one of the world's greatest trees, is the Red Fir. This tree grows in great abundance here, and adds materially to the wealth of the country. It reaches a height of over three hundred feet, and two to fifteen feet in diameter; heart wood, red; sap wood, nearly white, hard strong, difficult to work, but extremely durable. This timber is used for construction and dimension timbers, ties, piling, lath, lumber, doors, flooring, masts, spars, furniture, barrels, railway cars, ship building, veneering. It is admirably adapted for the construction of agricultural implements, excepting those requiring great tensile strength. The pitch is used in the manufacture of balsam, turpentine and pyroigneous acid.

Our Hemlock is a large tree, a hundred to one hundred fifty feet high, and two to three feet in diameter, with rough, dark bark, and wood reddish brown, light, hard, and strong. It is used for building lumber, and is valuable for flooring, joists, ceiling, lath, siding, roofing, boxes, turned work, newell and panel work, waterworks, wood pulp. The bark is used in tanning leather. Concluded on twelfth page.

COST OF STREET WORK

Prices Paid for Paving in Various Nearby Cities.

THE WARRENS HAVE A CINCH

Bitulithic and Asphalt-Concrete Considered Most Durable Pavements for This Locality—Comparison of the Two Relating to Cost.

Inasmuch as Cottage Grove contemplates paving its principal thoroughfare in the spring, arrangements for which improvement are now being made, it may be interesting to know that Corvallis has just awarded a \$72,000 contract to the Warren Construction Company for bitulithic hard surface pavement at \$2.15 per square yard; excavation 60 cents per square yard, and curbing sixteen inches deep at 40 cents. These figures are somewhat lower than other cities have paid, but this is explained by varying conditions. A representative of the Warren company gives the cost of paving in other cities as follows: Ashland, \$2.52 and \$2.42; Medford, \$2.50 and \$2.40; Eugene, \$2.25 and \$2.20; Albany, \$2.50, \$2.25 and \$2.18; Salem, \$2.13 to \$2.17; The Dalles, \$2.03; Twin Falls, \$2.52; Nampa, \$2.52.

The low price at the Dalles was made possible because the company was given the use of rollers and rock crusher and laid a four-inch macadam base before pressure, while at the other places a four-inch base after pressure was required.

Oil macadam, says an authority, is costing from eight and a half to ten cents a square foot for pavement seven inches thick, with rock at about 70 cents a ton at the quarry, the cost depending on the amount of grading and distance from transportation. For this work oil containing not less than 75 per cent asphalt or a carefully prepared residuum of Southern California oil, containing 80 per cent asphalt and not more than .02 per cent of organic matter, nor more than .25 per cent of sulphur. Asphalt-concrete pavement, laid in almost the same manner as the Warrens, has been had, royalties satisfied, for 15 and 17 cents per square foot for pavement five inches thick, with very light street grading. The Warrens have, it is understood, stopped the laying of this class of pavement without royalty, which amounts to about one and a half cents per foot.

father of the Wisconsin idea—the restoration of government to the people—which was not destined without a bitter struggle. But "Bob" La Follette is nothing if not a fighter. We have seen him in battle array. His set jaw, blazing eyes, and figure instinct with energy are in themselves convincing evidence that his cause is just and right. His battles, both in state and nation, are unparalleled, and he will live in memory as the most splendid type of fighting citizen this generation has given to the commonwealth. Every intelligent student of civic reform and political purity should hear him upon his visit to Cottage Grove.

Messrs. John Bell and Bert Cantonwine of Eugene having leased the C. C. Case building on Main street have been busily engaged during the past week fitting it up for an electric theatre, which will be opened to the public tomorrow afternoon. It will be known as the Star Theatre, and will have a seating capacity of 200. The screen will be large, and their aim will be to give entertainments of a high character. Both gentlemen have families, and they will take up their residence here.

The Margaret Iles Company is booked for the Armory October 28, and will doubtless be greeted by a large audience, as it is unquestionably one of the very best attractions on the road. Manager Johnson is endeavoring to bring here only the best to be had on circuits of this importance.

HOPE FOR A BIG TIME.

Woodmen of the World Arranging for the Grand Session.

Although the head camp session of the Woodmen of the World will not be held until next July, the Portland members of the organization are already making arrangements to tender their fellow lodgers a hearty welcome. There will be forty-two drill teams, among others the crack team of this city, in Portland during the session, and the parade of these alone will make a long procession. The committee expects to welcome 5000 Woodmen to Portland at that time. A campaign for new members is being launched, and the committee expects to beat the Mount Tabor initiation, by which 200 new dates were initiated in one night. Mr. Reid had charge of the work at that time, and again he will be the man behind the ax. It is hoped to initiate a class of 1000, and this will be one of the big events of the head camp session. Mr. Reid will appoint committees and start the work at once. Candidates will be brought to the city from all the 220 camps in the state.

SUFFERS SPRAINED ANKLE.

Brakeman Falls From Train While in a Tussle With a Hobo.

Claude Blair, a brakeman on the Cottage Grove local, met with a serious accident on Saturday night while making his regular run from Portland. A hobo was riding on the platform behind the tender, and thinking perhaps the man was one of the escaped convicts, he was delegated by Conductor Veatch to bring him into the car. A tussle ensued, during which Blair fell from the train, which was running at thirty miles an hour, spraining one of his ankles, and sustaining numerous bruises. He returned to Portland on Sunday. It will be some days before he will be back on duty.

ARRESTED FOR STEALING.

Former Resident Taken to Kelso on a Serious Charge.

Thomas J. Boyd, formerly a Cottage Grove printer, was arrested in Roseburg at the instance of the Kelso, Washington, authorities, on the charge of theft, and returned to the place of his alleged crime without extradition papers. The Roseburg News says: "Boyd is well known in this vicinity, having been employed on the old Plaindealer, under the administration of Editor Conner. When the latter left for Cottage Grove, Boyd accompanied him, remaining there for some little time. Since then he has been roaming around the northwest, working wherever he could secure a position."

Change of Ownership.

Mr. D. J. DuBrille has sold his interest in The Leader to his partner, W. Connor, who will hereafter conduct the business "on his own hook." The Sentinel extends the hand of fellowship to the new sole proprietor, and wishes him every success.

Says It's Splendid.

The Western Oregon, published by our friend Bath, has been absorbed by The Sentinel, published by Lew. A. Cates. The Sentinel is a splendid paper and has a good advertising patronage.—Newberg Graphic.

Sustain Loss by Fire.

The Booth-Kelly company sustained a loss of several thousand dollars by the burning of their well-filled stables at Wendling. The horses were saved, but the winter supply of hay and grain was burned.

BLASTING AT THE ROCK

University of Oregon Attacks Faith of Our Fathers.

DENIES DIVINITY OF CHRIST

Professor Quotes Freely From Destructive Critics, Infidels and Deistic Writers in Lectures at Oregon's Institution of Learning.

Prof. H. C. Howe, of the English department of the Oregon State University, seems to think that he cannot earn his salary by adhering to his defined duties, and launches into realms of theology. After making the assertion that there was no foundation for the doctrine of the immortality of the soul in the New Testament, and finding himself rather hard-pressed by some of his hearers, he announced that he would give an hour to discussion of the vital Christian doctrines on Monday and Wednesday evenings of this week.

From his lectures The Sentinel infers that he denies the Divinity of Jesus, claiming that he is no more divine than any other man. The doctrine of the Atonement, as taught by the church, was branded as "repulsive." He did not use the bible, but quoted freely from the destructive critics, from infidel and deistic writers, Strauss, Renan and Paine seem to be among his favorite authors.

When asked how he accounted for the fact that the philanthropic work of account was done by those who believe in the "Obnoxious Atonement," he insisted that he could cite many that were uplifting humanity and were denying the Atonement. When pressed to give the name of some such society he mentioned the Phillip Older's society of New York. But the learned professor could neither tell the date of its origin, its headquarters, nor where literature of its good works could be found, nor an instance of its philanthropy named. He begged for time to study up on that point.

It is said that only last year Professor Howe required one of his mixed classes to read from a French novel, the character of which was so degrading that it is not read in the lowest society, and that the head of the French department petitioned President Campbell to put a stop to the further reading of the book in class.

There are citizens in Cottage Grove who believe that an institution supported by people of a great state, ought not to tear down religion even if it does nothing to build it up. The Sentinel believes that such teaching will have a tendency on the part of many parents to send their sons and daughters to the denominational colleges unless the University of Oregon does something to square itself with its tax-paying constituents.

OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY.

Entertain Friends to Celebrate Tenth Year of Married Life.

Ten years ago last Friday Mr. George McQueen and Miss Bertha Griffin were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, and 'twas but fitting that the anniversary of the event be appropriately observed. Mr. and Mrs. McQueen, therefore, entertained a number of relatives and friends at six o'clock dinner, after which the evening was pleasantly spent in social intercourse. The host and hostess were made the recipients of a number of gifts commemorative of the occasion, and those present departed wishing their entertainers a continuance of their happy and prosperous journey adown the turbulent stream of time.

Shows Large Earnings.

The annual report of the Southern Pacific company has been received at the railroad commission, which shows that the net income of that corporation in Oregon for the year ending June 30, was \$2,971,393.67. The revenue for the company in Oregon is \$7,099,081.23. Expenses including taxes, \$4,127,887.65. Taxes paid to the state of Oregon reach \$266,617.32. The total earnings of the Southern Pacific for the year ending June 30 were \$21,066,550.83. Dividends declared, \$17,336,710.74. Seven per cent was declared on the preferred stock and six per cent on the common.

List Only Partial.

Elsewhere in The Sentinel today is published a partial list of new buildings erected this season and in course of construction, and the showing is very gratifying indeed. We fully realize that the list is incomplete, it being quite impossible for the management of The Sentinel to get all, because of the fact that his residence in Cottage Grove has covered a period of only one month. We expect, however, to cover the matter more fully in some future issue.