



COTTAGE GROVE IS BUILDING

Many Good Substantial Houses are now in Course of Construction and a Large Number Planned

CARPENTERS ARE VERY BUSY,

Several New Additions have been Added to the Town and Lots in Nearly all of them Sold, Besides Acreage Property.

The Eugene papers have been boasting of the great amount of building going on in that bustling little city and while the showing is exceedingly good and proves beyond a doubt that Lane county's metropolis is enjoying a large degree of prosperity so prevalent throughout the entire State of Oregon, yet a comparison with Cottage Grove shows that the metropolis will have to get a brilliant move on herself or she will have to deliver the distinction to Cottage Grove. We hope however that the growth of Eugene will be sufficiently healthy to meet us halfway—at Creswell—within the next four or five years.

The report shows 144 new houses for Eugene claiming a present population of 5,000, which would of course mean 28 new houses for every 1,000 population, a pretty good showing and one to be proud of. Cottage Grove however claims the banner of the state, population considered, and it is believed a thorough investigation will show that she is more than entitled to it.

With a population of 15,000—a conservative estimate—Cottage Grove shows up 68 new houses since January 1st, which includes those now under construction and would give Cottage Grove 43 new houses for each 1,000 population or very near double Eugene's standing. A Nugget reporter made a special visit Wednesday throughout the town to learn something of the general improvement going on and found in every part of town carpenters with saw and hammer shaping the lumber into neat cottages for the busy laborers and business men now engaged in the many new enterprises of this little city.

In the D. G. McFarland 5th addition, being handled by Fingal Hinds and A. H. King, 34 new lots were laid off and placed on the market, and all are sold excepting two. In the Curran's Park addition 20 lots placed on the market and 10 are left, and one of them will be used by Mr. Curran. The James Henry McFarland addition was plotted and the lots offered for sale last week and six were sold by Tuesday night. One block having been reserved in this pretty addition to the school district for school purposes, it being claimed that this block is the best location for a school house and with the present scholarship increase, a new school house will certainly be necessary in a very short time as the old school building is now full to its entire capacity, in fact overflowing.

A large sale of lots both in the Perkins addition and Perkins acreage tract is reported, it being impossible to obtain the exact number, but the property being very desirable, it is evident that it is selling readily. The Landless and Jones additions, both report large sales and many new houses.

In the Long & Bingham addition the original plat was of 44 lots all now sold but 17, 12 lots in the 1st addition and all sold; 80 lots in the 2nd addition and all sold but 23, the 3rd additional sold. This tract lies east of the S. P. tracks and has some ideal building sites and comprises in all 166 lots all of which have been sold except 40 and many new houses will be built besides those already constructed. Besides the addition laid off by the Long & Bingham Co., they also presented an extensive strip to the railroad companies and have sold a tract to the O. & S. E. for 100 ft. house and terminal facilities and another tract near their mill to W. H. Abrams for the electric light plant buildings just completed. This large tract added on the east side of town gives room on that side that was badly needed and which will be rapidly built up by those who want homes near the mills and railroads. The men employed in these places are receiving good wages and can easily own their own homes if they desire, which the majority of them do.

A sale of 32 lots in the Long & Landless addition by Medley & Milne is reported for the past month.

When one considers the large number of lots that have been sold and that the majority of those who have purchased have done so with the intention of building, it gives something of an idea of the good healthy growth that is on in town.

Among the many new houses that have been built during the past 8 months and that are now building, the following list has been compiled, though not entirely complete:

- T. K. Campbell residence on Water street at a cost of \$2500.
- John Stoneberg 5 room residence near the McFarland butte.
- Joe Young now building 6 room residence on Water street.
- Henry Rissue 5 room residence in Long & Bingham addition.
- Mark Garoutte, two residences in Long & Bingham addition.
- Fingal Hinds 6 room residence on Wall street.
- George G. Hess small cottage at end of Wall street. Mr. Hess has a 1/2 acre tract adjoining the D. G. McFarland 5th addition.
- Joe Miller 5 rooms, bath and pantry, a very neat cottage.
- Jas. White four room cottage on Wall street.
- Hope Feaster 7 room residence.
- Van Allison 4 room cottage.
- Harry Metcalf 4 room cottage on Wall street.
- W. C. Conner a large 9 room residence on South side of Wall street. Mr. Conner has an acre tract and will make a beautiful home.
- Will Wolff 5 room house on Wall street.



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- W. C. Sharp 4 room cottage on Wall street.
- W. T. Kayser Central Hotel, two blocks north and one block west of S. P. Depot. This building was partly built last season but a large part of it was finished up this year.
- W. T. Kayser 8 room residence in Northwest part of town just being completed. Mr. Kayser has also purchased and refitted and almost made new two or three other cottages, besides has purchased several lots and contemplates other buildings this year.
- LeRoy Woods a 9 room residence in northwest part of town. This property will be one of the prettiest on the west side when completed as Mr. Woods is sparing no expense in making it an excellent home.
- A. G. Knapp 5 room residence in northwest part of town.
- Charles Walker 6 room residence on west side a very pretty home and well finished throughout.
- Bert Willard 5 room residence on West side.
- L. F. Woolley 5 room cottage on Railroad street.
- Archie Thompson 5 room residence in McFarland's 5th addition.
- Mrs. M. A. Mount's residence on Water street.
- D. E. Welsh residence to cost about \$1200 on west Wall street.
- J. Cochlin cottage near McFarland butte in northwest part of town.
- G. W. Ritchey a modern 7 room cottage in the Long & Bingham addition to cost about \$1400.
- Marion Inabnit large residence in Long & Landless addition.
- K. C. Hansen residence on east side, Landless addition, 5 room cottage.
- C. C. Roberts 4 room residence in the Inabnit addition.
- Mrs. Leonard 5 room residence.
- Bert Woods two story, 11 room residence on 4th street. A good substantial building.
- Herbert Eakin 6 room residence near park.
- Geo. Hubbard 5 room cottage in Long & Landless addition.
- C. C. Roberts a 7 room cottage in Long & Landless, will commence building in about a week.
- Mrs. D. E. Fields, 2 story business house on Main street.
- U. S. Martin two story rooming house on Main street.
- J. E. Young 2 story business house on west side.
- Miller Bros, large livery barn on west side.
- Prof. A. L. Briggs residence in Park addition.
- J. T. DeSpain will build a 5 room residence. Work will begin in about two weeks.
- Marion Inabnit residence on Second street.
- Marion Veatch residence on 4th, a very neat one.
- Al Nichols 5 room cottage in southwest part of town.
- G. W. Rathbun a new 4 room residence in the Long & Bingham addition.
- Jones & Phillips brick block on Main street two stories high with three rooms down stairs 30x60 and office rooms and Lodge Hall up stairs, will be one of the best buildings in the city and will be completed about Oct. 15.
- W. H. Abrams electric light building in Long & Bingham addition near mill 40x80. Machinery now in.

MINING NOTES.

Felix Landess after several months of the steadiest kind of work in the Musick mine, is in for a few weeks recreation.

W. W. Masterson visited the Champion Basin Mining Co. this week, and reports things looking splendidly.

Fred Byrne and wife left this week for Bohemia, where they will remain for several weeks on the Grizzly of which Mr. Byrne is secretary.

It is reported that the Hammond Manufacturing Co., has now a force of ten carpenters at work on the building of the Oregon Securities Co., and will complete the contracts as soon as possible.

J. M. Fidler, of Kelso, Wash., who accompanied Mr. Ely into Bohemia on a tour of the camp, last week, returned Saturday, and reports being favorably impressed with the district. Mr. Fidler is engaged in the saw mill business in Washington. While he was not quite positive, he intimated that he might become a resident of Lane county in the near future. He was very enthusiastic regarding the timber that has come under his notice on his trip here.

The purchase of the Broadway group, from Griffin & Reed, by the Oregon Securities Co., makes that company the largest and most complete property in the district. This purchase throws the property of the Oregon Securities in a horse-shoe shape at the head of Champion basin, and with the aid of the big tunnel, all the property joining. The company is spending many thousands dollars, but through very conservative business management, and the result will be that those who own stock in the company will reap many handsome dividends in the years to come.

A tale of a prospector's luck which borders on the marvelous, comes from the mining camp of Ontario, about five miles from Lordsburg, New Mexico, which has been annoyed for some time by skunks that took up their residence in some rocks in a nearby canyon. The nuisance becoming unbearable, one of the prospectors named Williams determined to rid the camp of them. He therefore slipped up to where the odoriferous rodents were lying and threw a stick of dynamite among them. In a few moments there was a terrific explosion and portions of skunks were seen flying in all directions. The next morning Williams went around to where he had thrown the dynamite and found he had uncovered a ledge of mineral-bearing rock that was quite rich. Now the story goes that he located a claim on the lead and has sold to a man named Davis for a neat sum. Dynamite is taking the place of the mule in making rich discoveries—Mining and Engineering Review.

Attorney F. G. Eby returned last Saturday from a visit to Grants Pass and Galice Creek, where he inspected several mining properties. Speaking of that section, Mr. Eby expresses himself well pleased with Southern Oregon as a mining country. He feels confident that the values are there, but states that the great trouble at the present time is the supply of water for the summer's run. This will be remedied by creating reserve reservoirs, and by building flumes, as the district takes on development.

While in the southern country, Mr. Eby secured an option on a property located on what is known as the "Big Yank" ledge. The property now under option to Mr. Eby consists of four full quartz claims and 500 acres placer ground. He brought home with him some fine samples of base ore from the tunnel on one of the quartz claims, which are well worth seeing. This property is equipped with flumes, ditches and water rights, and has about 800 feet of piping and a partially constructed reservoir. It has a 500 foot tunnel, which shows a very large body of concentrating ore, carrying good values.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS AT THE BLACKBUTTE MINE.

One of the most delightful spots in the state is to be found at the Blackbutte quicksilver mine, sixteen miles south of this city, and during the present summer many of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dennis have been availing themselves of the hospitality of the genial host and hostess. Among the visitors thus far this summer have been Miss Willis M. of New York; the Misses Dennis, of Spokane; Mrs. D. M. Littlefield and Miss Helen Smith, of Port Townsend; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMaster, Miss Allen, Mrs. S. B. Linthicum, Mr. Alexander Linthicum and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Ladd, of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Ladd returned to Portland last Saturday after a ten day's hunting, fishing and recreation trip at the Butte. The visit was especially enjoyed by Mr. Ladd, since it afforded much needed rest and recreation from his arduous and confining duties at his Portland bank. It was his first visit to this part of the state and to a Nugget reporter he expressed himself as much delighted with what he saw of the resources of this part of Lane county, expressing himself as especially pleased with the vast timber possibilities. While here he visited the Pacific Timber Company's plants at Latham, Amos and Alca. His limited time did not permit him to look into the mining resources, and although Mr. Dennis had planned to take him to Bohemia and the O. & S. E. people had generously proffered him a special train, he was obliged to give up this part of the trip. Since he needed rest and recreation he preferred to spend as much time as possible with Mr. and Mrs. Dennis at their delightful summer home at the Blackbutte. He expressed himself as greatly surprised to find such extensive development work as Mr. Dennis has done at Blackbutte mine, commenting especially upon the careful, systematic and thoroughly scientific work that was evident at every turn in the development of this great property, for which Mr. Dennis has already gained a wide reputation. While expressing his own surprise at finding so great a quick silver mine brought up to such a high state of development, Mr. Ladd remarked that he doubted whether many people in Oregon were aware of the state's possession of so valuable a property and its possibilities in quicksilver production.

Mr. and Mrs. Ladd have promised Mr. and Mrs. Dennis to spend a week or two with them later in the fall, at which time he will undoubtedly visit the Bohemia gold camp.

BOOTH-KELLY SAW MILL.

The Booth-Kelly People Figuring on a large Sawmill on Mosby Creek may Absorb Other Plants Now in Operation.

CAPACITY OF MILL 75,000 PER DAY

The Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., are negotiating with the O. & S. E. Ry. Co. for terms for the hauling of lumber from a point about 6 miles up Mosby Creek and also negotiating with the company for the building of spurs from the main line out into the large bodies of timber owned by the company in that district.

The Booth-Kelly mills, located at Sugraw have about sawed out all the timber just at present convenient to the railroad and are seeking this location as a permanent one, because of the fact that their holdings are all conveniently located and consist of some of the best timber in the state of Oregon today.

The mill, with a capacity of 75,000 feet per day, will be one of the largest in this part of the country and will be quite an addition to Cottage Grove's already large list of lumbering companies. It is stated authoritatively that the Booth-Kelly people will purchase one of the Mosby creek mills and also about four thousand acres of choice timber.

VISITS THE GOLDEN RULE.

J. D. Hoyt, Muncie, Indiana, one of the prominent stockholders of the Golden Rule Mining and Reduction Co., arrived last Thursday week and has made a visit to the company's holdings, returning to this city and thence to San Francisco last Tuesday. Mr. Hoyt not only visited his own property but spent some time in acquainting himself with the district in general, and he is surprised and more than pleased. He predicts that Bohemia will be one of the greatest districts in the United States. He says all Bohemia needs is capital and development. Speaking of the Golden Rule, Mr. Hoyt states that the property meets with his expectations and is just as it was represented to him. The Golden Rule owns three groups of claims and are at present doing development work with the view of patenting. The gentleman thinks the Golden Rule has a bright future, and believes it is the making of one of the best properties in the district. The company has completed a large cabin on the mill site of the Golden Rule group, and will begin development work on the Nomadic claim immediately. This company is also the owner of the Benson property, and Mr. Hoyt says that it is one of the best country hotels he has had the pleasure of stopping in. The company has recently refurnished and re-furnished the house at an expense of about \$1000. The company has a force of men at work driving a tunnel on the Consolidated group, on the Ibea claim, opposite the Benson hotel. After a few week's visit with his brother in San Francisco, Mr. Hoyt will return home, but expects to visit the property in the near future.

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MAKE GOOD SCHOOLS.

There has been some talk that the coming school term would be decreased from nine months to eight. It is to be regretted that the board will for a moment contemplate such a thing. Every town in Oregon of half the importance and scholarship of Cottage Grove, holds nine months of school. When there is anything wrong with the schools of a town people begin to wonder. The school is the index to the town. A short term will do more to drive home-seekers from Cottage Grove than any one thing. It will even go so far as to cause many large families to pull up and go elsewhere. Several living in Cottage Grove have hinted as much this week. By all means let us have a nine months school.

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