

WE DECIDED

That the Furniture Trade of this vicinity is being done by Simeral & VanDenburg or it ought to be



Nowhere have we been able to find so complete a line of Dining Room Furniture as we have found upon investigation to be carried at that New Store of Simeral & VanDenburg, and nowhere else are the prices so fair or so reasonable.

SIMERAL & VANDENBURG

"THE FURNITURE DEALERS"

COTTAGE GROVE LEADER.

Tuesdays and Fridays.
THE LEADER PUBLISHING CO. (Inc.)
W. C. CONNER, Editor and Manager.

Entered at the Cottage Grove postoffice as second-class matter.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES
One Year \$1.50
Six Months .75
Three Months .50

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1909.

CITY COUNCIL SHOULD TAKE EARLY ACTION.

All of this inconvenience to business traffic, damage to goods and property occurring at repeated intervals every winter from back water on the south side of Main street could be overcome with slight expense by the construction of a dam or levy across a small ravine just below the mill dam on the east bank of the river in the southern suburbs of this city. In fact, one constructor was overheard to say yesterday that he would be willing to contract to stop this source of annoyance to east Cottage Grove for the sum of \$100. If this work can be done for even twice this amount it should not be delayed another month as the cost to merchants in piling their goods up on boxes and counters, scrubbing and drying out their stores after a freshet, replacing fences, sidewalks and crosswalks, aggregates twice this sum every season. The Leader is told that the property owner where this ravine leaves the river positively forbids the city to build a dike thereon to stop this flooding of the town on the grounds that it would divert the flow to his property on the opposite side of the river. With the great fall in the river channel at this point the Leader maintains that the diverting of the comparatively small volume of water from east Cottage Grove by this proposed dyke would have no perceptible effect on the overflow of property on the opposite side of the river and we deny that it would in any wise divert or change the main channel of the river or direct it in anyway toward the bank on the west side of the

river, and further, we are willing to submit our contention to any set of engineers and are perfectly willing to abide by their decision in this matter.

This overflow through this ravine is a menace and a public nuisance to east Cottage Grove and if no other way the courts should be called upon to empower the city to abate this nuisance and menace to health and property. Let the city council act.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY.

On the way in which we decide to handle this great possession which has been given us, on the turning which we take now, hangs the welfare of those who are to come after us. Whatever success we may have in any other line of national endeavor, whether we regulate trusts properly, whether we control our great public service corporations as we should, whether capital and labor adjust their relations in the best manner or not—whatever we may do with all these and other questions, behind and below them all is this fundamental problem. Are we going to protect our springs of prosperity, our sources of wellbeing, our raw material of industry and commerce, and employer of capital and labor combined; or are we going to dissipate them? According as we accept or ignore our responsibility as trustees of the nation's welfare, our children and our children's children for uncounted generations will call us blessed, or will lay their sufferings at our doors. We shall decide whether their lives, on the average, are to be lived in a flourishing country, full of all that helps to make men comfortable, happy, strong, and effective, or whether their lives are to be lived in a country like the miserable worn-out regions of the earth which other nations before us have possessed without foresight and turned into hopeless deserts. We are no more exempt from the operations of natural laws than are the people of any other part of the world. When the facts are squarely before us, when the magnitude of the interests at stake is clearly before our people



Each of the chief organs of the body is a link in the Chain of Life. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, the body no stronger than its weakest link. "Weakness" is caused by lack of nutrition, the result of weakness or disease of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. Diseases and weaknesses of the stomach and its allied organs are cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. When the weak or diseased stomach is cured, diseases of other organs which seem remote from the stomach but which have their origin in a diseased condition of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, are cured also.

The strong man has a strong stomach. Take the above recommended "Discovery" and you may have a strong stomach and a strong body.

GIVEN AWAY.—Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, new revised Edition, is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send 21 one-cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or 31 stamps for the cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

RANGES

Everyone a bargain at from \$30. to \$65.

ROASTERS

Indispensible at this season of the year. Cost only 75c to \$2.50

Large Stock and Fine Line of SILVER ARE

THANKSGIVING TURKEY

We have everything to prepare the Great American bird Ready for the Table

Griffin-Veatch Company

EVERYTHING IN HARDWARE

CARVING SETS

Largest stock in the City at from \$1. to \$10. per set

Game Carvers

Some Special Bargains at \$2.50 per set

Big stock of sporting goods and AMMUNITION

it will surely be decided aright. GIFFORD PINCHOT.

The Leader heartily endorses Mr. Pinchot's position on these great national questions, of particular interest to the territory west of the Rocky Mountains. Yes, we are with him first, last and all of the time.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thursday will be Thanksgiving day. Surely Cottage Grove and South Lane county has much to be thankful for.

The past year has been filled with blessings. The words of the Psalmist are appropriate: "Thou hast anointed my head with oil, my cup runneth over."

General good health has prevailed; the harvests from field, forest and mine have been very great.

This city has grown beyond all precedent during the year past and all the premonitions are for a still greater growth in the year to come.

New enterprises have crystalized into form; new incentives have been offered to strangers to come here and engage in the work of making a greater city and greater country and new grand assurances have been given that in due time Nesmith county will be in full line with her sister counties and be keeping perfect step with the others to the sublime music of a Greater Oregon.

The folly of grading and graveling the city streets without making ample provisions at the same time for taking care of the surface water during the rainy season was apparent in the McFarland addition Monday, where many door yards were flooded that were never flooded before, owing to street grades having been thrown up across the natural water drains in that part of town and no ample culverts or other means of drainage provided. Here will be a problem for the city council to solve as the property owners in that part of town will insist upon some means being provided to take care of the surface water in that resident part of the city.

Strange as it may seem, there were forty citizens present at the school meeting Saturday who voted against maintaining the schools up to their present high standard and who would for a few paltry dollars, deprive the bright boys and girls of this school district of a common school education. Lucky for Cottage Grove's educational interests that there are but forty such citizens in this enterprising and progressive community.

C. A. Smith, of Minneapolis and Marshfield, announces he has made an offer of \$10,000 to the Oakland & Tidewater Railway Co. for a ticket from Oakland, Ore., to Coos Bay, provided he can use it within 18 months. "This," he said, "is one of the best ways I could think of to 'boost' the line. Ten thousand dollars will help."

Instead of building a new addition to the Eugene court house the county court is now discussing the proposition of adding a third story and operating an elevator thereby preserving the architecture of the building and saving ground space, the court yard already being none too large.

Subscribe for the Leader.

Report of the Condition

The First National Bank

at Cottage Grove, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, Nov. 17th, 1909.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 130,291.71
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	3,662.17
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	85.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	44,165.13
Banking House, furniture, fixtures	2,965.00
Other real estate owned	9,360.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	22,871.51
Due from State Banks and Bankers	4,574.95
Due from approved reserve agents	52,058.07
Checks and other cash items	163.40
Notes of other National Banks	140.00
Fractional paper currencies, nickels and cents	146.56
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	29,800.00
Legal tender notes	29,800.00
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625.00
Total	\$301,911.93

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	25,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, less expense and taxes paid	18,727.12
National Bank Notes outstanding	12,500.00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	236,199.63
Individual deposits subject to check	4,548.58
Certified checks	1,800.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	136.30
Total	\$301,911.93

State of Oregon } ss
County of Lane }
I, T. C. Wheeler, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
T. C. WHEELER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of Nov., 1909.
PINGAL S. HINDS, Notary Public.

CORPORATE ATTEST:
S. W. White
Herbert Rakin
Oliver Veatch } Directors.

SPECIAL RATE TO THRESHER MEETING

A one and one third fare on the certificate plan will be made from all points on the Southern Pacific (lines in Oregon) to the Dallas and return. Tickets on sale November 29th, 30th, December 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Final return limit December 6th.

Important addresses will be made by Representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Department of Good Roads, Prof. Phillip S. Rose, Madison, Wis.; B. D. Clark, Editor American Thresherman, Hon. Lionel R. Webster, Portland, Oregon; and others, on subjects of importance. \$200 in gold will be given as prizes for the best wheat raised in Oregon.

Silver cup for outfit threshing \$100 prize bushel of grain. For further information call on any S. P. agent or write to Wm. McNurray, general passenger agent Portland, Oregon. D-2



The Teeth

should be cared for from the cradle to the grave. We have a large assortment of good Tooth Brushes and several kinds of Tooth Powder warranted to be pure and beneficial.

Nail Brushes

Hair Brushes, Bath Brushes, Fine Soaps, domestic and imported, splendid Shampoo for the hair, and all Toilet Requisites of good quality at moderate prices.

Benson's Pharmacy

Cottage Grove, Oregon

Still We Grow

and there is good reason for our steady and satisfactory growth. The fact that we have not only held our business but practically doubled it with all competition, indicates that the public mind has not lost sight of the essential requirements that make a bank sound and safe. The principles of conservative banking that have governed our development in the past will shape our future policy.

Start an account with us and grow with a GROWING PROGRESSIVE BANK

Capital & Surplus \$30,000

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Undivided Profits \$17,000

Latest Songs

Kayser Transfer Co.

W. T. KAYSER PROPRIETOR

All Kinds of Hauling and Heavy Dray Work

Moving Pianos a Specialty With Special Equipment

OFFICE at J. V. Thornton's Confectionery. PHONE

Office, 1426 Residence, 593

DIAMONDS

Practically at cost Sold on Easy payments

HOLIDAY GOODS

The most useful, highly prized and appropriate holiday gifts. Reserve them now

Watches, Clocks, Rings, Jewelry and Cut Glass

H. C. MADSEN

See our "WALTHAM PIANO." Nothing better on the market

Barrels 14 to 55 Gallons

Carpets and Rugs

Made to order and Satisfaction guaranteed both as to workmanship and prices. Apply to

J. M. Comer Phone 386 near Adventist Church

VETCH SEED

Car load 15 tons at \$3.75 per 100 lbs in lots of 300 lbs and over. Cash with order.

Brownsville Warehouse Co. TANGENT, OREGON

Come In And See Us In Our New Quarters

New Woodward Brick. New Stock of Groceries, Some Fine Bargains in Shoes, Country Produce Bought and Sold.

Cook & Son