

WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

New Payrolls, Improvements and Factories and Enterprises that Will Give Labor Employment, and Matters Affecting Industries and Investments.

SALEM, OREGON, Sept. 27.—The new Motor Vehicle Law will produce \$400,000 revenue.

Portland—Weinhard Brewing Company will manufacture near beer.

Hood River is harvesting second crop of strawberries.

St. Helens—A. R. Badger has order for 400 incubators from a catalogue house.

Portland will rebuild Tanner Creek trunk sewer, to cost \$50,000.

Prineville Journal has it that A. R. Rogers Company will build mill and railroad to their timber holdings.

Work is to start again on the Sutherlin, Coos Bay & Eastern railroad.

Oregon's Sunday law is to be construed to stop baseball.

There is an opening for a state bank at Tigardville.

Hood River—J. C. Butcher is establishing a \$10,000 arsenate of lead spray plant.

Eugene—A. G. Brauer and E. G. Conley bought Hughes furniture store.

C. E. Taylor has bought Stayton Electric Light plant and will make improvements.

Kenton—Coast Culvert & Plume Company is building a 40 by 60 foot two-story addition to factory.

Monument and Clatsop Plains are planning union high schools.

Junction public schools add industrial course.

Sherwood has completed two fine new business blocks.

Yaquina Harbor port districts will defray half expense of proposed improvement.

Hon. S. L. Moorhead of Junction has bought the St. Helens Mist.

Astoria city tax for 1916 to be 1.2 mills less than for 1915.

Albany—New paper mill project will be incorporated in another state so that, as the projectors say, "the company may not run a chance of being hindered at any time by politics in this state."

Clatsop Plains cranberry industry is yielding 50 barrels to the acre.

The S. P. Company is negotiating for the purchase of 80 acres additional ground at Springfield for car shop purposes. It has already purchased 245 acres.

Rail laying on the Willamette-Pacific has begun south of the Siuslaw river.

Springfield received 681 carloads of logs in August, 1915, as against 200 in 1914, and shipped out 105 this year as compared with 3 last year.

Heppner—C. G. Huber of Seattle will build a concrete bridge over Willow Creek, to cost \$2,970.

Lane County citizens are asking 30 per cent reductions in valuations.

Municipal theatre is advocated by Prof. Lowers of U. of O.

M. H. Squires plans \$40,000 fireworks factory to be located at Gresham.

Our Misnamed Ruins

Many visitors to the prehistoric Cliff Dwellings of the Mesa Verde National Park in southwestern Colorado are astonished to find

that what is commonly described as a dwelling is not properly a dwelling at all but a village or city. The celebrated Cliff Palace is not a palace. Neither is Spruce Tree House a house, nor Balcony House a house. Each of these is a complete town which once, in the dim ages before the earliest Indian tradition, was an organized community, often of considerable size.

The arrangement of houses in a cliff dwelling of the size of Cliff Palace, for example, is characteristic and intimately associated with the distribution of the social divisions of the inhabitants. The population was composed of a number of units, possibly clans, each of which had its own social organization more or less distinct from others, a condition that appears in the arrangement of rooms. The rooms occupied by a clan were not necessarily connected, although generally neighboring rooms were distinguished from one another by their uses.

Fireblight Featured

One of the interesting features of the Plant Pathology Department at the State Fair will be an entire pear tree badly infected with fireblight. By means of inspecting carefully the characteristics of fireblight and the symptoms as they appear on the tree, growers will learn a great deal in regard to identifying fireblight, and from panels and charts, also on display, they may learn how to control it.—Press Bulletin.

PICTURESQUE AMERICA.

Scenic Beauty of This Country Rivals the Best in the Old World.

The American tourist is prone to take too patronizing an attitude toward the sights of his own country. He hesitates to express enthusiasm about anything that isn't stupendous—that isn't in a class with the redwoods, Niagara and the Grand canyon. But when he reaches Europe the guides tell him what he ought to like, and he admires even the lesser "sights."

From Scotland's capital he journeys into the "bristling country" of the Trossachs, and if he has never seen the highlands of the Hudson or the Ozark hills of Missouri and Arkansas he will say again, "Nothing like this in America!"

Utter nonsense! Many an Ozark glen matches anything in Scotland for wildness and beauty, and there are scenes along the Hudson which are enough like the Scotch lake country to pass as twin sisters. The reason why every one has heard of Inversnaid and nobody knows about Hahatonka (a place far more wonderful), is because Inversnaid has had more publicity.

What may be even more difficult to believe, but it is none the less literally true, is the fact that there are stretches of the shore of the Missouri river which are as beautiful as the shores of "lovely Loch Achray." And I would defy the most expert to attempt to tell a picture of Ellen's isle, made famous by Scott's "Lady of the Lake," from snapshots of some of the little islands in the St. Lawrence or the Hudson.

If you crave the European flavor there is plenty of Europe in America. Bits of Charleston, Boston and New Orleans counterfeit some of the old world's city streets. I can show you a piece of Italian hill town in Kansas City; a bit of old France, even to the windmills, in Nantucket island; a German hamlet in central Missouri; a glimpse of an English country estate in the south parks of Chicago. I could lengthen this list to a column.—Charles Phelps Cushing in Leslie's Weekly.

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Palestine is Steeped in Atmosphere of Legend and Marvel.

Palestine is a country poor in any natural resources. There are practically no minerals, no coal, no iron, no copper, no silver, though recently some oil wells have been discovered in the Jordan valley. Neither are there any large forests, and though the land may have been better wooded in the days of Joshua than it is now, there is little reason to think that the woods were of trees sufficiently large to constitute a source of wealth. A comparatively small area is fit for tillage. To an Arab tribe that had wandered for forty years through a barren wilderness, Canaan may well have seemed a delightful possession, but many a county in Iowa, many a department in France could raise more grain or wine than all the holy land.

The holy land is steeped also in an atmosphere of legend and marvel. As the traveler steps ashore at Jaffa he is shown the rock to which Andromeda was chained when Perseus rescued her from the sea monster. (It is the only Greek story localized on these shores.) Till recent years he was also shown the remains of the ribs of another sea monster, the "great fish" that swallowed and disgorged the prophet Jonah, whose tomb he will see on the coast near Sidon, says the National Geographical Magazine.

When he proceeds toward Jerusalem he passes Lydda, the birthplace of St. George, where that youthful hero slew the dragon. A little farther comes the spot where another young champion—Samson, the Danite—had in earlier days killed a thousand Philistines with the jawbone of an ass. Still farther along the railway line he is pointed to the opening of the valley of Ajalon, where, according to the book of Joshua, the sun and moon stood still while Israel pursued their enemies.

An hour later, as the train approaches Jerusalem, he looks down on the rocky gorge in which St. Sabas, himself a historical character, famous and influential in the sixth century, dwelt in a cave where a friendly lion came to bear him company, and from Jerusalem he can note the spot at which the host of Israel passed dryshod over Jordan, following the ark of the covenant, and near which Elisha made the iron swim and turned bitter waters to sweet.

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Books as Carriers of Disease

The last report of the Commissioner of Education undertakes to reassure persons who are fearful of the spread of disease through books by recording the results of a recent investigation at Yale University. During the cleaning of the library, a chemical analysis of the dust was made. About half of this was found to be mineral matter, while the other half was organic, including paper fiber, wood fiber, and molds. No mouth bacteria were found, and in general, the analysis showed the harmlessness of the dust.—Scientific American.

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