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STREET TREES RAISE VALUE

INDEX OF THE CHARACTER OF ANY COMMUNITY

Give Each Tree Enough Room so
That When Fully Grown Its In-
dividual Beauty Will Not be Lost.
Care of Young Stock.

Street trees and their condition are largely an index, for they have much to do with the character and growth of a city or town. While they add much to the comfort and pleasure of the inhabitants, the evident determination to be comfortable bespeaks the character of the people. Not only do street trees concern the present, but assures one of still better results in the future. If one but takes the trouble to look the matter up it will be found that a majority of the larger cities east of the Mississippi started as well planted, well cared for villages. Often this marvelous growth may be traced back to where some enthusiastic individual or small band of workers determined that their village should be made beautiful and attractive to home seekers.

Many could, if they would, start this work with a swing and gait that could not fail to succeed, thereby adding to the property values of both self and neighbors. "Why stand ye idly by?"

Don't overplant streets. Allow each tree sufficient room so that when full grown its individual beauty will not be lost. Trees so planted always make the more satisfactory growth. Their root system starts forth equally distributed in all directions. If placed too close to each other when of large size the space between the trees is soon exhausted of plant food and completely filled with roots; then the fenders make a frantic rush at right angles to the row, seeking plant food wherever most easily obtained. In country districts this often results in these starving trees sending their roots into orchards comparatively near the surface and nearly destroying the nearest row of fruit trees.

A most thorough preparation of a deep soil bed for the young trees will start a rooting system down deep in the nearest reservoir of plant food, and the feeders will not then push up near the surface to forage because of short rations at home. Roots reaching into and interfering with orchard or garden may in the case of old trees be cut by digging a trench parallel with the row and cutting them off. If the tops are also properly pruned, the tree will not need such an extensive root system to support it. If the street tree is given an occasional feed and cultivation, as is always the case with orchard trees, it might be induced to board at home for all time. The need of ample room, if we are to secure the best tree development, is strikingly shown in the common blue gum, a forest tree. When grown in commercial plantations or shelter belts it sends up a tall, straight shaft with scarcely a branch of any note. When standing alone it develops a handsome, umbrageous form and often makes an ideal shade tree.

One of the most serious drawbacks to street tree planting is the inability to obtain capable men to do the work in spite of the fact that men on every hand may be found who claim to be trained gardeners, very few are at all competent to plant trees or care for them after planting. Even the best gardeners are seldom trained in those lines which have to deal with street trees, and a well trained orchardist is to be preferred for the planting, while special training is required for intelligent pruning. If more good men were available, our larger cities and towns might be encouraged to appoint tree wardens or city foresters. As it is, the authorities feel somewhat helpless, and the matter drifts along, the property owner planting and the wind or wire stringer pruning until no respectable trees are left. Some day the city awakes to find it has no street trees worthy of name, and a movement is made to begin all over again, reclaiming such trees as are still of value, rooting out and replacing old marred stumps, and only by general upheaval is it possible to place the municipality on the road towards the city's beautiful goal.

Lane counties new industry
Lane county has the largest asparagus field and will soon have the first asparagus cannery in the state.

George A. Dorris is now erecting a cannery on his farm near Springfield with sufficient capacity to handle his own crop of 25 acres and the crops of his associates, Messrs. Dunn, Woodcock and Williams, who are planting 50 acres. While 75 acres is not a large acreage of asparagus whether or not Oregon can produce asparagus as firm as that which has contributed much to the fame and millions to the wealth of California.

Mr. Dorris has investigated the subject quite extensively for the past few years, and is convinced that the asparagus grown in Oregon will surpass the California growth in quality if not in quantity. In this opinion he does not stand alone. But it is not necessary that we excel the quality of the California product. If we can equal it, a new and unsuspected resource, and a great wealth producer, will be added to the varied resources which are making Oregon known throughout the world.

Mr. Dorris also has about 10 acres of peaches and about 15 acres of strawberries, which he intends to send to his cannery when the price of the fresh article does not suit him. He may also can stringbeans and possibly some other vegetables.

It is not his intention to do a general canning business, but simply to take care of his own crops as they come fresh and in perfect condition from the field or orchard, and thus secure a small pack of higher quality than is possible in larger commercial canneries where quantity often counts for more than quality.

There are great possibilities in the field that Mr. Dorris has entered and we predict that as a result of the start he has made California will some day have to recognize the supremacy of Oregon asparagus, as she has had to acknowledge the supremacy of Oregon apples, pears, peaches and cherries, all of which belongs to the country near Independence.

BEGINS WORK ON SEWERAGE

J. M. Hall has been hired by the city of Independence to make the surveys for the sewerage system. As soon as instruments can be secured with which to run the lines of putting in the system will be commenced.

Mr. Hall is a competent engineer, having had charge of various big enterprises in this state and Washington. The last work in which he was employed was the Yakima Irrigation Co.'s ditches in Yakima county, Washington of which work he was superintendent.

Mr. Hall is well known in Independence, residing at the present time three miles north of this city.

All kinds of legal blanks for sale at this office.

Married in This City

Frank L. Smith of Corvallis and Eliza J. Floyd were united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. W. Webber of this city at 5:30 p. m. Sunday March 21, 1909. Mr. Smith is a prominent young farmer of Corvallis, and the bride is a graduate of O. A. C. The ceremony was performed in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Webber and Miss Minnie Floyd. Rev. McCain, pastor of the M. E. church performed the ceremony.

For sale—Good rubber-tire buggy inquire at this office.

ALL EXHIBITS ARE IN PLACE

BUILDINGS ARE COMPLETE AND STREETS ARE PAVED

All Displays Will be in Position Within Thirty Days and Gates Will be Ready to Swing Open to Great Exposition June 1, 1909.

At this time, more than two months before the official date of opening of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, the buildings stand complete, the streets are paved and exhibits to fill acres of space are arriving in Seattle. Canada's magnificent exhibit that attracted the attention of thousands of visitors to the Franco-British Exhibition at London last year has arrived and from Italy comes several carloads of rare exhibits for the foreign section and big manufacturing concerns throughout the United States are forwarding their displays direct to the exposition grounds where now a long row of heavily laden freight cars waiting to be unloaded is a daily scene.

Within thirty days every exhibit building on the grounds will be well filled and the United States government will have its display in readiness early in May. When the gates of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition open June 1, 1909, the show will be complete in every detail, an example of western spirit and enterprise.

OLD POLK COUNTY LANDMARK

"Brush College" School House Will Be Replaced

"Brush College" one of the oldest school houses in Polk county, wherein three generations of Polk County people have attended school during the past fifty years, is soon to be replaced with a new building, says Salem Statesman.

The school house is located near the Wallace fruit farm about four miles west of Salem, and the name "Brush College" is merely the title by which it has been known for half a century, so called, no doubt by reason of its location in a grove which was more brush when the building was erected.

There has been discussion in the district for some time past that the location of the school should be changed to a spot on the river road near what is known as Michigan City, and the notices, announcing that the matter of a new school house would be before the meeting, brought out a large attendance of the patrons of the school on Saturday night last.

It was urged by those favoring a change of site that the school should be located in a more prominent place and on the road having the greater traffic. It was also maintained that the building should be located nearer the center of the district.

Chairman Beckett, of the board, stated that the building in its present site was as near the center of the district east and west as it could be, and that it was not far off north and south when the uneven boundary lines were carefully considered. The present location is on the only cross road in the district.

The proposed change to Michigan City would have taken the building half a mile north and the same distance or more west.

Two ballots were taken, the first on the matter of building a new house and the latter on changing the site. The first ballot stood 14 to 6

in favor of a new building and the second vote was 16 to 4 that it be located on the former site.

The board was authorized to proceed with the construction of a building not to exceed \$1200 in cost.

A good many are taking advantage of the offer of the magazine—Human Life—free with a year's subscription in advance to the Enterprise. It is a splendid magazine. Call and get a sample copy while they last.

Corvallis Breaks all Records

Corvallis beat all records for enthusiasm when she inaugurated her progressive movement on St. Patrick's Day with two bands playing, every place of business closed, and a genuine old-time Fourth of July sentiment prevailing everywhere. On the lapel of every coat was a tag bearing the message "Be a Booster", while delivery wagons carried the same message in box-car letters. There was a card in every show window and when the subscription paper was opened two banks led with \$360 each and in a few minutes \$3600 was subscribed and this means not less than six thousand dollar fund.

Real Estate Men Organize

Real estate men of Polk county held a meeting at Independence Friday night to organize a Polk County Association. The attendance was not as large as was promised, owing to bad weather, sickness and other excuses, but enough were present to assure the success of the organization. A committee was appointed on constitution and by-laws and appointment of a meeting for Dallas in the near future for permanent organization.

The subject of contracts and commissions were discussed. The matter of publicity was also considered, and that Polk county will get some good advertising through the association is assured on completion of organization of the association—Salem Statesman.

If you like the Enterprise, give it your patronage. If you can spare the money, pay something on subscription. Your expiration is printed on your paper.

WHAT CORVALLIS IS DOING

Mr. Charles E. Hicks,
Independence, Oregon.

My dear Mr. Hicks:

The meeting at Corvallis was a wonder. They had a procession of school children six blocks long, two bands dispersing music, every horse and delivery wagon had a banner, everybody carried a tag, a big banner was stretched across the street, the newspaper got out a special edition about the approaching meeting, the opera house was packed like a box of sardines, all stores being closed.

Very truly yours
Tom Richardson
Manager

For Sale—Team of horses, weight about 1200 each. Well broke to single and double driving. For information apply to Joe Laundree or phone 50x.

County Treasurer's Notice

Notice is hereby given that all Polk county warrants which were presented and endorsed "not paid for want of funds" prior to November 7 1908, will be paid on presentation at my office.

No interest will be allowed on the same after date of this notice.

Dated this 26 day of March, 1909.
Ed C. Dunn, County Treasurer.

You'll Find Better Values This Season than Ever Before

Men's Shirts

Shirting material of every kind costs less this year than for many years past, and our shirt factory used a higher grade of fabrics to sell at a certain price than has been possible before. That's why the entire line of shirts this season shows such an improvement. Our line of SUMMIT SHIRTS is now complete. All who have looked at

Men's Clothing

this season have been surprised to find that they can buy stylish pure worsted Suits at prices that were asked for half cotton Suits last spring. Owing to the decline in price of Men's Suits Fabrics it is possible for us to sell you a better Suit for \$12.00 this spring than we could sell you for \$15.00 a year ago. All Clothing Lines are decidedly cheaper and more attention than usual has been paid to the fit and finish and general make-up of the garment. The COLLEGE CHAP style of Young Men's Suits leaves nothing to be desired by particular dressers.

Boy's Clothing

Requires great wear-resisting and tear-resisting qualities. That's the kind we carry and the style are strictly correct

Credit Stores Can't Match Our Prices

BARNES' CASH STORE

E. T. BARNES, PROPRIETOR

SALEM, : OREGON



FOR SALE BY

R. M. Wade & Co.

W. E. CRAVEN, Manager

Independence - Oregon

MAY WIPE IT OFF THE EARTH

A Simple Home-Made Treatment Said
To Overcome Rheumatism

Few people here know that you can cure that dreaded American disease Rheumatism, with just common, every day drugs found in any drug store. The prescription is so simple that any one can prepare it at home at small cost. It is made up as follows: Get from any good prescription pharmacy Field Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three

ounces. Mix by shaking in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. These are all simple ingredients, making an absolutely harmless home remedy at little cost.

Rheumatism, as every one knows, is a symptom of deranged kidneys. It is a condition produced by the failure of the kidneys to properly filter or strain from the blood the uric acid and other matter, which if not eradicated, either in the urine or through the skin pores remains in the blood, decomposes and forms about the joints and muscles causing the untold suffering and deformity of rheumatism.

This prescription is said to be a splendid healing, cleansing and invigorating tonic to the kidneys, and give almost immediate relief in all forms of bladder and urinary troubles and back ache.

Independence, Situated in Center of the Great Willamette Valley

Polk county, situated in the central portion of the Willamette Valley and favored by both river and rail transportation, it is enviable as to position and is undoubtedly one of the best counties of Oregon.

I can attest to the fertility of her soil, and her forest wealth is so great that she counts her standing timber not by millions, but by billions of feet. One will have to travel far to find a more pleasing scene than that presented by the groves and orchards, the well kept fields and attractive cottages along the eastern foothills of the Coast Range in Polk county.

Your hop fields are proving veritable mines of wealth, and your mohair industry is rapidly assuming importance.

Your educational facilities are in keeping with the wealth and intelligence of your citizens, and in addition to public schools, and Colleges, you have our leading State Normal School, at Monmouth.

E. L. SMITH, President State Development League.