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Immigration experts predict that Oregon will double in population within the next five years.

Over 2,000,000 pamphlets have been pledged the Harriman syndicate to advertise Oregon.

That was a good suggestion of Mr. Dave Calbreath to have Saturday evening concerts during the summer months. The cost is trifling compared with the benefits resulting therefrom. Start the music.

Instead of our towns and villages shriveling up and dying by slow stages Oregon will soon take on new life and grow and expand under the impulse of the trained efforts of the immigration bureau. It takes people to make a state great.

If you want the best county paper and the best weekly paper giving the general news, and the best farm paper send \$3 to this office and get the ENTERPRISE, Weekly Oregonian and the Pacific Homestead. There is nothing that can approach them in their several lines.

It is desired to have an early meeting of the committee appointed last Friday to take charge of the matter of properly advertising Polk county. It is thought that Independence and Dallas could easily cooperate and jointly get out a pamphlet that would do justice to both towns and the county at large. In this way a whole lot of trouble and expense would be saved and just as much gained in the end. We believe it would be a good idea to call a meeting of the committees and see what can be done on a joint basis.

Statistics are pretty dry reading these hot days, but the following facts and figures concerning Oregon is something you ought to know. An exchange says: Population is what we need most of all. Oregon became a state in 1859. For 42 years we have enjoyed statehood privileges without making the best use of them. We have a surface area of 94,500 square miles, filled to the brim with the greatest natural resources of any state in the West, yet the census of 1900 gives us the meager population of 413,536, or 4.4 people to the square mile. One-fourth of this population is centered in and around Portland. The population of the cities, towns and villages of Oregon aggregates 184,000, while, thinly spread over 94,000 square miles of territory is found the other 229,000 giving us a rural population of 2.4 to the square mile.

The last reports from Tracy state that he is still rusticated somewhere in Western Washington and improving in health. The body of Merrill, his companion in crime, was buried last Thursday in the penitentiary graveyard at Salem. "He who had lived by the fruits of his own crime died at the hands of a criminal, and no man wept over his departure." No reward has yet been paid Mrs. Wagoner for the finding of the body.

**New Telephone Line.**

Ballston, Ore., July 22, 1902.

EDITOR ENTERPRISE:—A rural telephone line, reaching from Ballston to Henry Clandfield's place, six miles south of Ballston, is now being built. Quite a number of the farmers and hop men in that section will put private 'phones in their homes. They will rent the 'phones from the company at a cost of about fifty cents per month. By renting the 'phones of the company they will be allowed the use of the company's lines to other points. A switchboard will be put in at Ballston. W. J. White, who has a large hop yard five miles from town, has taken a very active part in working the line through. Mr. Clandfield, who is one of the largest hop growers in this section, is also much interested in the work. By this means they will be placed in immediate connection with Portland, which will greatly facilitate getting hop supplies and the farmers in ordering supplies of any kind during the crowded harvest season. They expect to let those who have no 'phones use the line for a small fee. This is a move in the right direction and will be of great benefit to this section. It will probably not be long until all the large farmers will have 'phones to connect with their houses.

When the line is completed we will give the cost of building us other neighborhoods may want to do likewise.

**I Have**

Something new and up-to-date in the

**Photo Line**

To show you. All the latest things in

**Mountings**

And Novelties, and would be pleased at any time to show you samples and give you prices.

**McCaleb's.**

C Street, Independence.

**Fire Insurance.**

**V. O. BOOTS**

Monmouth, Oregon,

.....REPRESENTS THE.....

Fire Association of Philadelphia

AND THE

London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co.

Losses promptly paid.

**NOW**

That the stock, in our several lines, is full and our store crowded on every floor, we feel that it is time to tell the people of Independence and vicinity of a few of the things which we are offering at very close prices. If you are needing anything in the line of

**FURNITURE**



You will likely find what you want at our store. We have a good assortment of *Child's Cribs*, both in wood and iron.

Our line of  
**Iron Bedsteads**

Is not surpassed by those of any

store in the valley. Nearly everybody nowadays buys Iron Bedsteads in preference to the older and more objectionable wooden ones. You should consider their advantages before buying.



You can bank your money on our

**Dining Tables**

Being good values. They are the finest make and finish we ever had. The style is up with tables of higher cost made by other factories. They are made 6, 8, 10 and 12 feet in length. We have them as low in price as \$4.50.



Some people do not know that they

can get a **Lounge** made to order at our store, which will out last several common lounges and not cost any more. We make all of our upholstered work and by so doing put dollars into the pockets of every purchaser. Why? Because we make each piece upon honor. We try to see how good, not how cheap and poor, we can do our

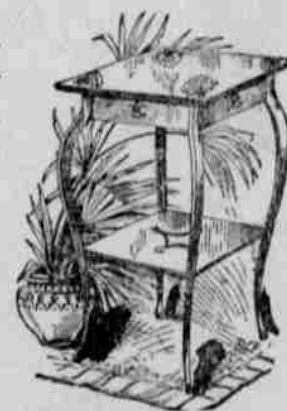


work. Box couches for cosy corners and bed rooms are quite popular at the present time, and quite a lot of our time is occupied with special orders of this kind. We have them as low as \$4.



If you are thinking of furnishing an office we would like to show you our office desks and revolving chairs. A full line of different sizes of roll and flat top desks in quarter-sawed oak.

We have Artificial Palms for decorative use. Why bother with live plants when you can have artificial ones with so much less trouble. From 60c to \$2.50 each



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**HOUSE FURNISHERS**

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