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Will be glad to list anything you have for sale. We not only list your property (we sell it.) In the last two months we have sold a great many pieces of real estate, especially town property. Now is your time to sell while you have a chance. Put your prices reasonable and we can surely move it for you. Give us a trial, please.

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Office and telephone removed to Golden Gate stable, opposite Hotel Josephine, for July and August while our new stable is being erected.

## J. M. CHILES

The Pioneer Grocer

RELIABLE GOODS AT  
RELIABLE PRICES

A Specialty

FARM-CURED  
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THE FINEST EVER  
BROUGHT TO  
GRANTS PASS

Fresh Fruits of All Kinds

Tomatoes for canning.

Fruit jars, tops and rubbers

The Original.

Foley & Co., Chicago, originated Honey and Tar as a throat and lung remedy, and on account of the great merit and popularity of Foley's Honey and Tar many imitations are offered for the genuine. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered as no other preparation will give the same satisfaction. It is mildly laxative. It contains no opiates and is safest for children and delicate persons. For sale by H. A. Rotermund.

## New Prices for Undertaking Goods

Beginning August 1st, prices for Caskets will be as follows:  
All \$25 Caskets reduced to \$15  
All \$30 " " \$20  
\$35 & \$40 " " \$25  
Black Cloth Caskets reduced 50 per cent.  
Hearse and service in proportion.  
These prices are for cash only.

## A. U. Bannard

AT THE  
BIG Furniture Store  
North 6th St.,  
GRANTS PASS, OREGON.

Could Not Be Better.

The uniform success of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has won for it a wide reputation and many people throughout the country will agree with Mr. Chas. W. Mattison, of Milford, Va., who says: "It works like magic, and is the best preparation I know of. It couldn't be any better." He had a serious attack of dysentery and was advised to try a bottle of this remedy, which he did, with the result that immediate relief was obtained. For sale by all druggists.

## CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS.

GRANTS PASS TO BE MADE THE HANDSOMEST TOWN IN SOUTHERN OREGON.

Civic improvement has come to be the special province of municipal leagues and their work in this line has been exceedingly successful in many cities and towns. With their auxiliaries, the women's clubs, they have given many towns clean, well kept streets, lined with shade trees, handsome parks, a pride in having homes made cheery and attractive by lawns, flowers and perfect sanitary conditions. The real prosperity of many towns had its beginning with the better local conditions brought about through the efforts of the local municipal league and the women's club.

Grants Pass now has both a municipal league and a woman's club, and this city affords a most excellent field of labor for these organizations along civic improvement lines. Of things that could be easily accomplished, and which would do very much to give strangers a high opinion of the city, and to make it more homelike, more pleasant and attractive, and more prosperous the following are some of the more important:

Secure a park block in the residence section easy of access, yet so far from the main part of the city as not to be a rendezvous for loafers, where mothers, children and elderly people could go and have an outing and enjoy the fresh air, the trees, the flowers and the birds.

Get a park established on the summit of one of the hills near town with a driveway leading to it, where people could go for a stroll or a drive and when at the park enjoy the magnificent view that can be had of the Rogue River Valley, and of the hills in the foreground and the mountains in the background. This summit park could be made one of the chief attractions of Grants Pass to strangers.

Arrange with the Southern Pacific for the improvement of that section of the depot grounds between Sixth and Seventh streets and the main track and F street, and make it into a botanical garden where travelers on the trains and visitors to the city could see growing every tree and shrub indigenous to Southern Oregon, as well as all trees and ornamental bushes that could be grown in this climate. This park could be made one of the best advertisements to be had for Grants Pass.

Back up the county court and the school board in the work they have begun of making the court house square and the grounds about the three city school buildings beautiful spots instead of the eyesores they have heretofore been. Public grounds, as also public buildings, are unfailing criterions to judge of the progressiveness of a community.

The Grants Pass cemeteries are not in the presentable shape that they should be, for the brush and weeds with which they are overgrown are in striking contrast to the green grass, the flowers and the trees that adorn many cemeteries and give to the dead and of awakening in the living the finer feelings that go to make mankind better. The moral tone of a community is reflected by the cemeteries for if there is no thought of the dead there is little thought for the living.

Get shade trees planted along all the residence streets and have them trimmed to a height of eight or 10 feet so their branches would not bear umbrellas and knock off hats, as is now the exasperating experience of pedestrians with many shade trees about town, and also to allow the street lights to better light up the sidewalks. And also have all hedges trimmed so the twigs will not switch the eyes and during the rainy season, wet the clothes of persons traveling the sidewalks, for there is much provocation for justifiable profanity from this cause in Grants Pass. Were all the streets lined with shade trees the beauty of the city would be so much improved and the cool shade would bring comfort to many a perspiring person on a hot summer day. Have all gates swing some other

place than over the sidewalks, and awaken property owners to the needless expense that gates and fences cause them, as well as the disfigurement of their yards. Grants Pass is no longer a village cow pasture and has no need for fences.

The second day after one of the new concrete bridges was completed across Gilbert creek this summer, it was made unsightly with patent medicine advertisements. The fine steel bridge across Rogue river, at the foot of Sixth street is literally covered with all manner of signs in every state of repair and raggedness, and even overlapping each other in their crowded state. From this bridge a most beautiful vista of the river is to be had but the scene is sadly marred by the glaring signs that cover the bridge and its approaches. To get the county court and the city authorities to prohibit the disfigurement of bridges and other public structures would be a decided gain in the effort to make Grants Pass the handsomest town in Rogue River Valley.

The free and easy way that some of the residents of Grants Pass have of using the streets and sidewalks for garbage dumps, for old shoes, chicken feathers, old cans and boxes, leaves and other refuse from their yards—there are yards though where most of the rubbish is on the inside of the fence—should be made unpopular by heavy fines, as should also the habit that some of the business men have of sweeping the refuse from their stores and offices into the streets. The throwing of ashes and the burning of rubbish should be prohibited for that makes more dust to fly into stores, and the bent nails from the old boxes are liable to ruin a horse's foot or puncture an automobile or bicycle tire. The leaving of trash on the streets where wood has been piled should be prohibited. Clean streets are one of the best advertisements a town can have to draw house-seekers of the better class.

Get the business streets improved with macadam or some other substantial covering, and gutters put in that will thoroughly drain the streets, and that can be readily flushed whenever required. The loose boards that have been placed on the streets, to the injury of vehicles, the hindrance of horses and the annoyance and discomfort of persons riding, should be removed, and all gravel hereafter used for street covering should be screened. Well paved business streets, and clean, smooth residence streets are proof to prospective investors of a town's solid prosperity.

The Grants Pass sidewalks of Grants Pass are a decided improvement over the board sidewalks of other towns. Only last week a young lady, of Medford, and a daughter of one of the councilmen, had a limb broken by a fall caused by a defective wooden sidewalk. Granite sidewalks never cause broken limbs, but in the glare of the summer sun they are hard on people's eyes, and they grind off shoes equal to an emery wheel. If the municipal league could demonstrate, with a sample section, that crude petroleum, or some other substance, would do away with the glare from the sun, and give a smooth, hard surface to the granite that would prevent it being destructive to shoes, and from tracking into houses to the ruin of carpets and oiled floors, and to eliminate the grinding noise that the grains of sand make when a person walks over it, a public good would be accomplished that would be far-reaching in its effects. The decomposed granite, of which there are great hills along the Southern Pacific railroad just west of Grants Pass, would then become the sidewalk material of all the towns within a reasonable shipping distance, and thousands of tons would be shipped and a great industry built up. It would also give Grants Pass sidewalks of which the city could be proud and which would add greatly to the good appearance of the streets and to the comfort of persons using them, and be a most effective method of advertising the metropolis of Southern Oregon.

them as to their business in being out so late he noticed something on the ground and picking it up found it a chicken, freshly killed by having its neck wrung. The young man stoutly denied all knowledge as to how the chicken got there. While the circumstantial evidence was very strong against them yet the proof was not sufficient to warrant the officer in arresting the young men.

Chicken stealing has been extensively carried on of late in Grants Pass, and so shrewd have been the thieves that no arrest has been possible. Both chicken owners and the police are keeping a sharper lookout and some fellow may get a charge of shot that will terminate his thieving career, or at least land him in the city jail for a time.

Full of Tragic Meaning.  
are these lines from J. H. Simmons, of Casey Ia. Think what might have resulted from his terrible cough if he had not taken the medicine about which he writes: "I had a fearful cough, that disturbed my night's rest. I tried everything, but nothing would relieve it, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which completely cured me." Instantly relieves and permanently cures all throat and lung diseases; prevents grip and pneumonia. At all druggists guaranteed. 50c and \$1.50. Trial bottle free.

## STORE NEWS THIS WEEK

Just arrived beautiful New Couches in the latest patterns and shapes, besides a host of other New Goods too numerous too mention, such as CHINA, CUT GLASS—such as for quality and price Southern Oregon has never seen.



### COOKING STOVES AND RANGES

ALL THE WAY FROM

\$9.20 TO \$50.00

Big reduction on Heaters \$4.50 to \$7.50

All the between prices.



Fine New Line

### China Closets

\$19.95 to \$31.00



New Rockers  
and  
New Dressers

in great variety at  
popular prices.

Dressers look like  
\$20.00 goods. Our  
price \$15.75.



THE NEW  
Stands and  
Fancy Rockers  
are arriving daily  
—buy now.

Still some specials left in CARPETS. Bring the measure of your room with you and get a bargain in a Carpet for 10 to 20 per cent off regular prices.  
20 per cent reduction on WALL PAPERS.

## THOMAS & O'NEILL

Housefurnishers to Southern Oregon

### SEWER BONDS SELL AT A BIG PREMIUM

Grants Pass Has High Standing in  
Financial Circles—Sewer  
Contract Let.

An adjourned meeting of the city council was held last Friday evening at the city hall. The mayor and all the members of the council were present.

A petition was read asking that Eighth street be opened to vehicle traffic across the railroad grounds. The matter was referred to the committee on streets. Councilman Fetsch at this asked what had become of a similar petition asking that Fourth street be opened across the railroad grounds. He said that this petition had been presented six months ago, referred to the street committee and that was the last of it. He hoped the present petition would not go into oblivion the same way.

George Finch having resigned as city marshal, Mayor Good nominated Lincoln McGrew, who has been patrolman for the past year, for the position and the nomination was unanimously confirmed by the council. The sealed bids that had been filed with the auditor for the purchase of the \$19,000 of bonds, to provide for the construction of the Second and the Seventh street sewers, were opened, but no award was made, that matter being left for final action at the adjourned meeting which was decided to be held this Monday evening.

The following is the amount of premium that was offered by each of the bidders for the \$19,000 of bonds:  
N. W. Harris & Co., Chicago, \$770.00  
H. L. Gilkey, agent, Grants Pass, 210.00  
M. A. Butler & Co., Chicago, 210.00  
N. W. Haley & Co., San Francisco, 305.20  
C. H. Coffin, Chicago, 301.00  
Browne-Elmhurst Co., Chicago, 563.00  
Parson, Leach & Co., Chicago, 190.00  
Fuller & Co., Cleveland, 122.00  
Morris Bros., Portland, 89.00  
Rudolph Kiebelte & Co., 565.00  
Denison, Price & Co., Cleveland 571.00

Oregon Fire Relief Association  
McMinnville, a bid of \$40 for one bond of \$1000.

For constructing and furnishing all the material for the Second street sewer of 8645 feet length and the Seventh street sewer of 3296 feet length the following bids were submitted:  
J. I. Calvert, Grants Pass, \$17,665.71  
F. A. Etison, Salem, 18,500.00  
E. M. Moore, Tacoma, 16,800.00  
George Kearns, Grants Pass, 16,716.75  
Herbert Scott, Portland, 18,731.00  
C. A. Dickson and O. R. Swearingen, Grants Pass, 15,500.00  
Beckell Bros., Portland, 17,945.52  
J. R. Simpson, Portland, 12,186.00  
For Seventh street sewer, 5,132.20  
Total, 20,312.00  
Simon Klovedahl, Eugene—  
For Second St. sewer, 9,308.00  
For Seventh St. sewer, 6,219.00  
Total, 15,527.00  
No award was made that being put

over to the adjourned meeting for Monday.

For the three lateral sewers to connect with the Fifth street sewer, one in the alley in block 31, of the original townsite, between D and E streets, of 360 feet length; one in alley of block 66, between I and J streets, of 270 feet; one in the alley of blocks 61 and 62, between H and I streets, of 450 feet, the following bids were put in:  
J. M. Doyle, \$500.00  
Geo. H. Rims, 519.00  
J. L. Shaska, 450.82

The contract for the construction and material for the three sewers was awarded to J. L. Shaska.

Council adjourned until Monday evening.

### Monday Evening's Session

The second adjourned meeting of the council was held Monday evening at which Mayor Good and Councilmen Hair, Williams, Rundle, Hall, Chassee, Smith, Dean and Fetsch, Recorder Booth and Deputy City Attorney Blanchard were present.

The consideration of awarding the sale of the sewer bonds was again taken up and the bid of N. W. Harris & Company, of Chicago was accepted. This firm's premium of \$770 was the highest offered for the \$19,000 in bonds. The auditor was ordered to at once notify by telegraph Harris & Company of the acceptance of their bid, and the city attorney was authorized to prepare the certified transcript of all the proceedings pertaining to the issuance of the bonds as required by Harris & Company to be based upon by their attorney as to the legality of the bonds. Councilman Hall, who was formerly in the banking business in the East, stated that Harris & Company had a high standing in Eastern financial circles and the large premium they had offered for Grants Pass securities was a splendid compliment to the city's credit and faith in its future prosperity.

The contract for constructing the Second and Seventh street sewers, the contractor to furnish all the material, was awarded to Simon Klovedahl, of Eugene for \$15,512. City attorney Hough was authorized to prepare the necessary bonds and contract for Mr. Klovedahl to sign. City Engineer Reynolds was ordered to keep a close supervision over the work on the sewers.

Mr. Klovedahl is city engineer of Eugene. His bid was much lower than any of the other bids, being some \$2000 lower than the average bids. That he could do the work for the price was a surprise to local contractors, who would have the work done by hand. Mr. Klovedahl has a powerful machine operated by steam for digging the trench and expects to make rapid headway in opening the trenches. But men familiar with the soil conditions in Grants Pass think his machine will not do the work so fast as he expects.

Work on the sewers is to be commenced within 10 days after the contract has been signed up, and the sewers are to be completed within 90 days thereafter.

### HOPS BEING STORED IN GRANTS PASS

No Sales Made — Applegate  
Growers Favor a Rogue  
River Valley Union.

The first hops brought to Grants Pass for storage were the crops of W. F. Bowler and Louis Loesch, they bringing in their first loads last Saturday and completed the hauling this week. Mr. Bowler has 42 bales and Mr. Loesch 97 bales. Both lots were in prime condition, being well grown, perfectly matured, free from mold or trash and cured so as to fully retain their color and aroma, and the bales were firm and symmetrical. Mr. Bowler has eight acres to hops on his place on Williams creek and Mr. Loesch 35 acres on the Applegate near Provolt. They are not discouraged at all over the slump in prices, but will hold their hops some time yet until the market has revived or it is reasonably certain that no raise is to come. They will give their yards the best of care next season and anticipate better profits than is likely for this year.

Each is strongly in favor of organizing a union of Rogue River Valley hopgrowers and thinks that all the other growers will join. These gentlemen hold that it has become necessary for the hopgrowers to organize, as have the fruitmen and nearly every vocation and business interests of the towns. The union by selling in car lots could secure better prices and lower freight rates, and all supplies could be bought at wholesale and given to the members at cost. By placing all the insurance with one company, on a bid, lower prices could be had with the possibility in the future of the union carrying its own insurance.

No sales of Rogue River hops have yet been made, or even an offer made. The growers are firm in their determination to hold in anticipation of a raise, while the buyers are holding off and refusing to bid evidently expecting that the growers through financial needs or discouragement will let go. The present indications are that it will be a month or more before a definite condition of the hop market is gained.

How's This,  
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. E. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known E. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. Wm. D. Wallace, Kinnear & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Eyes carefully tested and glasses fitted to correct any defect of vision by Dr. W. E. Kremer, Courier building. Prices reasonable.

## UMBRELLAS.

REPAIRED

-- at --

## Paddock's Bicycle Den..