

# Garden Seeds

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## DIXON the Grocer

not a matter of the few trees in your own orchard, or lot, but it concerns the whole community, and particularly the commercial orchardists of the valley. A number of people never feel like doing anything until the inspector comes, and then feel that the inspector wants to do them harm. An inspector never destroys property, but he does abate nuisances; and this in accordance with his instructions. It is remarkable that people who would not think of disobeying a quarantine order in case of small-pox or scarlet fever, pay no attention to orders of the very same nature given by the horticultural inspector. Of course, the reason is evident, because in the former event, to disobey would mean fine and imprisonment, perhaps; in the latter case the law has seldom been enforced.

The county inspector has already given out a legal notice through the papers for everyone to clean up. His order must be obeyed or unpleasant consequences will follow. Time was when the law was not enforced, but that time has passed. The commercial orchardist must be, and will be protected. The county is paying for this protection, and the inspectors will enforce the law. Everyone who owns trees, whether fruit trees or ornamentals, must look after them. It will be much cheaper to look after your own trees than to have the inspector clean up for you. At this time, look every pome tree over very carefully and eradicate pear blight, if you find it. If you do not know what blight is, please call at my office and find out, or ask any inspector. Whether your trees have scale or not does not matter; they must be sprayed just the same. The material to be used is the commercial lime-sulphur diluted one gallon to eight gallons of water. If you have no spray pump, do not try to put on the mixture on the trees with a whisk broom or garden sprinkler. Better hire some one who has a good pump and can do a good job or cut your trees down and burn them up. By doing either one or the other you will save money.

To those owning trees within the city limits permit me to say that you should take pride enough in your city to have clean trees in your backyards, and not have them over-

grown with pests. Let each one consider himself an inspector working for the good of the whole community, and when disease is found either report the matter to the proper authorities or eradicate it. Remember you are your brother's keeper.

P. J. O'GARA,  
Assistant Pathologist.

### They Are Doing Good Work.

Property owners on those streets which are to be paved at once are fast signing up so as to take advantage of the Bancroft bonding act. This work is being done under the direction of City Recorder Opdycke and J. D. Fry, representing the property owners on the streets to be paved. These gentlemen are doing good work and hastening the time for paving to commence. In all these matters some one always has to do no small amount of work for which they are not paid, but being patriotic they labor for the public good. They are certainly deserving of the thanks of our citizens.

### Jacksonville Elects.

Last week, Tuesday Jacksonville held its annual election and as the result the following citizens will preside over the destinies of that place: Mayor, T. T. Shaw; Councilmen, W. T. Grieves, Emil Britt, Fred Fleck, Chas. Dunford, Sr.; treasurer, James M. Cronemiller; marshal, Melvin D. Jones; street commissioner, James Young. Total number of votes cast, 175.

### Demonstration Train for Farmers.

Street Commissioner McLehn has put in a street crossing on South Sixth street, about four hundred feet north of the steel bridge. This crossing has long been needed and now that it is an assured fact it will be enjoyed to the full by a large number of people.

### Card of Thanks.

We take this means of expressing our gratitude to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and consequent death of our infant son and thank those contributing the floral offerings, the singers and Mr. Bailey for his kind words at the grave.

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### "CLEAN UP," SAYS PROFESSOR O'GARA

With the advent of fine weather comes the necessity of cleaning up the orchards before the blossoming season begins. This will be necessary in order to prevent wide-spread infection through various pests into all the orchards of the country. The most important disease which should be closely guarded against is pear blight, which affects all pomaceous fruits, viz.: apple, pear, quince, loquat, service berry, haw and mountain ash. Therefore, all trees above named should be carefully examined, and, if found diseased, the affected parts should be destroyed. Remember that pear blight is a bacterial disease which can not be cured. However, its spread may be prevented by carefully removing all cases of infection which have held over from the previous year. The germ does not live in the ground, nor does it fly about in the air; it lives only in the bark tissues and the cambium layer of infected pomaceous fruit trees. To show how dangerous this germ is, a single organism, if permitted to produce under ideal conditions, would give rise to 1,140,000,000,000,000 organisms in twenty-four hours. Insects are the agents of distribution, and, when it is known that the average flower on

fruit trees may be visited at least twenty times during its life, we see the chances for infection through this source are very great, providing living germs are in the immediate vicinity where insects may come in contact with them.

Besides pear blight, we have another enemy which must be fought—the San Jose scale, or Chinese scale, as it should be called. The commercial orchards are particularly free from this insect pest, but the town lot orchards are very badly infested. This insect, according to Professor C. L. Marlatt, U. S. department of agriculture, is so prolific that a single female, during a single season, would have 3,216,080,400 descendants. Think of this enormous number coming from a single female! Supposing that all these insects from a single female, which had been permitted to winter over, had secured a foothold on the fruit of an apple orchard, and allowing 20 scale insects for each apple, 1,236,954 boxes of apples, with an average of 130 apples per box, would be rendered unsalable. Think of one scale insect rendering unsalable 2000 carloads of fruit! As a matter of fact according to the state horticultural statutes, a single scale insect found upon a fruit would render it unsalable.

We are giving these enormous figures in order to make everyone feel the necessity of cleaning up. It is

### ROGUE RIVER BOATING THE PRESENT SEASON

Much Pleasure Looked Forward to by Lovers of Aquatic Sports in Grants Pass.

Boating on the Rogue river will become a popular amusement this year at a very early season. Canoes and rowboats to a considerable number will be added and a boating club will be organized, which will become a strong feature in our pleasure world. An attempt was made last year by the Commercial Club to inaugurate an undertaking to open the rapids on the river between this city and the Ament dam, thus enabling gasoline and other boats to make the six mile round trip. The agitation of the subject was commenced late in the season, and while considerable headway was made, the committee having the matter in charge was unable to make a final report before the season was over. This year the subject will receive early attention and it is believed that before the summer is over a passage will be made up the river so that boats can make the trip successfully. The plan is to have a dock at the William V.

Johnson place, another at the Hamilton place and still another at the Adams place and a landing at the dam.

### Subscription Blanks Open.

The committee selected for the incorporation of the Rogue River Valley Fruit Growers' Union met at Medford Thursday and completed the plans for final organization and have gotten out a complete draft of the by-laws and articles of incorporation.

Dr. Reddy has consented to take charge of the subscription books and as soon as he returns from California, which will be in a day or so, will open the books and make a strong effort to secure the subscription of 51 per cent of it by the 16th day of April, which is the day set for the first stockholders' meeting, at 11 o'clock, at Medford. There is a great deal of enthusiasm in getting the organization under way and much good feeling and the absolute necessity of the organization is conceded by everybody interested in fruit.

Dr. Reddy, the original Medford booster, enthusiastically into the proposition some of the Medford "bug" there seems nothing in the way of success.

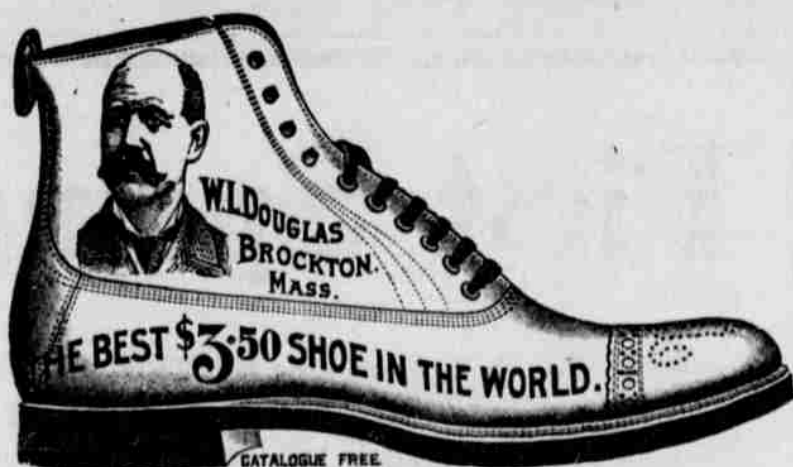
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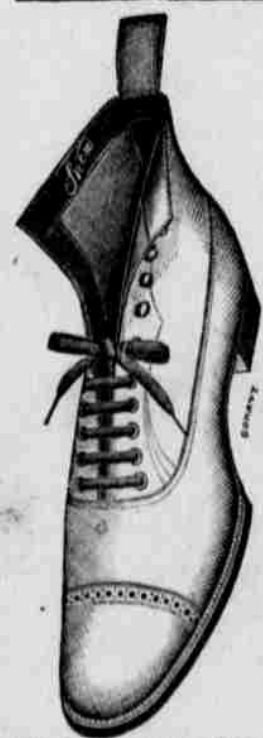
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