

The Marshfield Hospital.

FOR many years the need of a local hospital in this section of the state, has been evident to all observing men. Our isolated position, the difficulty of transportation to any institution of the kind, with the attending dangers to the seriously ill or maimed, and the inconvenience, and extra expense to relatives and friends of the afflicted, have been most keenly felt. Besides this, the best efforts of our local physicians have been often neutralized by lack of that after treatment which is best supplied by the systematic nursing afforded by a well equipped up-to-date hospital.

About two years ago I was approached on this subject, and requested to try and take some steps toward the establishment of such an institution. Realizing fully this great need I promised to do what I could in the matter, and opened up correspondence with various communities who make this business a life work. But the field being so large and the laborers so few, the answers were far from encouraging and I was about to abandon the project, when I found that I could get sisters, who are now connected with one of the leading hospitals in Chicago, to take up the work. As soon as I was assured of this I began to look about for a suitable site, and succeeded in purchasing the Graham block in the R. R. addition.

To start an undertaking of this kind for the benefit of this whole section of country would involve a large outlay of money. Steps were taken to secure, from the people interested, a suitable amount to make a beginning. A meeting was held under the auspices of the board of trade, as a result of which a committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. John F. Hall, Dr. McCormac and myself to solicit subscriptions for this object.

The matter was now on and had to be met. I am happy to say that the kind and courteous manner, and the generous response of our business men helped to overcome the natural diffidence of the collector. Only a few of the large firms failed to respond.

that a beginning is assured as early as possible in the spring, some material for the stone basement being already on the ground. As soon as the amounts subscribed are all paid in, I will give a full list of all the subscribers together with the amounts. In the meantime as this institution is for the use of the entire community it behooves all to lend a hand to increase the amount raised to such a sum that the burden of debt

The matter is in such shape now necessary to carry on the work to completion will be as light as possible.

It will not only supply a want long felt, but will be a permanent improvement to this section and in a business point of view be the means of hundreds of dollars per month being spent here which go elsewhere now.

Besides a large sum of money which will be spent here in the erection of the

hospital building, nearly all of which will come from elsewhere, the expenditures incident to the maintenance of the institution will add to the volume of business transacted here. Apart from the financial view, the lives that will be saved and the suffering averted by the establishment of the new institution form one of the strongest pleas for its speedy erection. E. A. DONNELLY.



Marshfield Hospital, Southeastern Elevation.



Standard Oil Co.'s Warehouse

An Extensive Business.



NE of the busiest places in our town is the Standard Oil Dock which is under the management of Mr. F. S. Dow.

Mr. Dow needs no introduction to our people; he came here five years ago from Eureka, Calif. and by his careful and thorough manner of handling the affairs of his company has made a host of friends for himself and the Company.

It was through his influence that the Standard Oil Co. concluded to build their large dock and warehouse and carry the stock of their products which has not only been a great convenience to our merchants but added several thousand dollars to the tax roll of the town.

Mr. Dow in addition to the above has leased the warehouse and dock from the Standard and handles the Sperry flour Co.'s acct. The sale of their flour has been enormous in this section reaching in one month 5000 sacks or 125 tons.

They also carry a full stock here, and like the Standard Oil Co. have made the price cheaper by so doing.

As agent for the Oregon Coal & Navigation Co.'s steamers Arcata and Empire Mr. Dow has given our merchants a service that cannot be bettered any where. He realizes that all want their freight in a rush and has so arranged the company's system of free delivery that all the freight is in the owner's hands within 12 hours after the boat has docked, it being no uncommon event for the teams to handle 100 tons in that time.

Mr. Dow tells the MAIL reporter that the companies he represents spend \$600 to \$700 a month in this section that formerly went to San Francisco, this together with the fact of their locating here and being one of us should commend them to our people and give them a continuance of their liberal patronage they receive.

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Grissen Music Co.'s Store.

New Enterprise.



THE CHAS. GRISSEN MUSIC CO is a new business enterprise on Coos Bay with Robt. C. Lee as manager and one that indicates the growing condition in this section; also that Coos Bay is fully abreast with other sections on the Coast in music culture. A fully equipped music store speaks well for Marshfield. Mr. Chas. Grissen shows his faith in this section by establishing a business here where the best makes of pianos and organs, all kinds of small instruments, sheet music and every thing in the music line can be had.