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GOOD ROAD SAMPLE NEEDED.

Some thirteen months ago the first street paving was constructed in Medford. As a result, ten miles of additional street paving are already petitioned for this year and the close of the year will see thirteen miles of paved thoroughfares and Medford the best paved city in the northwest.

It only needed a demonstration of the advantages of paving to make everyone want it. It only needs a demonstration of the advantages of good roads to make everyone want them.

The methods of building roads in Jackson county are wrong. It has been thoroughly demonstrated that gravel is almost worthless in comparison with crushed rock. The \$79,000 spent last year upon the roads has not brought \$79,000 worth of results, and the highways will never be satisfactorily constructed until modern methods are adopted.

One mile of good road will have the same effect upon the county that one paved street has had upon Medford, and it would not be long until every section was clamoring for it.

ADVANTAGES OF IRRIGATION.

Few realize the immense advantages that will accrue to the valley by the construction of an up-to-date irrigation system, such as that projected by Engineer Cummins and associates and already under way.

Irrigation will bring into cultivation many thousands of acres now barren and bring into the valley thousands of homeseekers. There is no land that with water cannot be made to produce some kind of a profitable crop.

The average farmer in Oregon has never appreciated the value of irrigation as a crop insurer. It may not be needed all years, but it always assures a good crop in what otherwise might be off years because unusually dry.

Foothill lands are made by water more valuable than valley bottom land because freer from frost. Eventually in the progress of the valley every acre will be in demand and under cultivation, hence next to the Pacific & Eastern, the irrigation project means more for the Rogue River valley than any scheme yet under way.

BIDS RECEIVED FOR TELEPHONE BUILDING

The contract for the construction of the Home Telephone Building to be let this week.

E. C. Sharpe of the Home Telephone company, returned from a trip to San Francisco Sunday accompanied by Mrs. Sharpe.

The bids for the contract for the construction of the building for the Home Telephone company are all in and the contract will be awarded this week.

The building is to be located on the north side of Sixth street between Grape and Holly on what is known as the Soliss property and will be 25x80 feet and two stories high.

"Orders have been placed," said Mr. Sharpe, "with the Dean Electric company of Elyria, Ohio, for the telephone equipment, and with the John A. Longan & Sons' company of Trenton, N. J., for the cable, and the delivery of the equipment will be rushed. The contract for the construction will be let this week and work will be commenced at once. If the contract is awarded Wednesday—for instance—the work will be in full swing by Monday following. We wish to hurry this matter and take the advantage of all the good weather possible, so that when our equipment begins to arrive we can house it.

"Orders for poles will be placed within the next few days."

WATERWAYS REPORT FILED

The lack of reliable statistics on water transportation and a condition of government reports termed chaotic are condemned and it is recommended that a uniform method of collecting statistics be enforced. The construction of a canal is not encouraged because of the expense of acquiring lands and the immense cost of construction and the commission recommends that natural waterways be used wherever available.

GRANDDAUGHTER OF JOHN A. LOGAN, WHO IS TO WED WEALTHY BELGIAN.



A wedding soon to take place which is of interest both in and out of society is that of Miss Marie Louise Logan of New York to Henri de Simey of Brussels, Belgium. The engagement was recently announced by Mrs. Edith Andrews Logan, the young woman's mother. Miss Logan is a granddaughter of General John A. Logan of civil war fame; her father, John A. Logan, Jr., lost his life in the Philippines. Mr. de Simey is the son of a Belgian duke, a wealthy zinc mine owner in Belgium. Young de Simey came to this country to study the zinc industry and spent a part of last summer at Newport. While there he met Miss Logan and fell in love with her.

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

By A. C. Howlett

Killiam Blier and W. H. Wall, one of the new arrivals from the east, called at the Sunnyside for dinner last Thursday. They came out on the P. & E., stopped off at the Butte creek bridge went down the creek to look at a tract of land Mr. Miller had bought of Lonnie Duggan, and after tramping through sticky for a half a dozen miles, tried to do justice to dinner, after which they took a tramp up the hill to Eagle Heights to look at what is known as the Stoddard tract. Mr. Wall seemed to be very favorably impressed with this part of the country and talked as though he would buy property here.

Mr. McCray, chief engineer of the Fish Lake ditch company, and Mr. J. L. Shaska called here for dinner last Thursday on their way up to the Fish Lake ditch. Mr. Shaska said that he was to have a gang of men go to work and clean out and enlarge the ditch so as to carry water enough to supply the demand. Mr. McCray tells me that he has the reservoir at Fish Lake arranged so as to hold a vast amount of water as a reserve and yet the dam is perfectly safe.

Rev. Stayton, the Sunday school missionary for the Baptist church, Rev. McKee, the Bible colporter for the Baptist Bible society, and Rev. La Mar, the pastor of the Baptist church, at Eagle Point and Talent, were here last Thursday and Rev. Stayton gave a very interesting talk to the school children in the afternoon after school and at night gave a talk to the adults on the subject of Sunday schools.

Mrs. Martha Brown and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. George B. Brown, were pleasant guests at the Sunnyside last Thursday night. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Howlett have been old time friends for over 46 years, and it seemed like old times again to have them together talking over the changes that have taken place since they first became acquainted in 1864 when we were all young. They had been to Medford to have some dental work done and returned as far as Eagle Point on the P. & E.

Ira Tungate, formerly one of the forest rangers, but now a plain citizen of Medford, stayed with us last Thursday night, his health, though not good, is improving, and he thought best on account of the exposure to which the rangers are subjected that he had better resign his position.

S. H. Harnish had the misfortune to have one of his horses run a 20-penny spike nail into his foot about an inch and a half that is causing the animal a great deal of pain, and fears are entertained that he may have an attack of tetanus. He is one of his driving horses, and the loss of such an animal would be quite severe on Mr. Harnish.

Last Thursday the two Misses Ewen went to Jacksonville to take the necessary steps to try to get possession of their part of the farm that belonged to their father, who died several years ago without a moment's warning, and it is claimed that there was some irregularity in the settlement of the estate.

Mrs. S. B. Holmes went to Medford last Thursday.

SHAM BATTLE IN AIR IS PLAN

French War Office Believed to Be Back of Scheme, Though It Is Ostensibly Private Parties.

PARIS, Jan. 24.—Aeroplane and dirigible, armed, so far as is possible, like the fighting ships of the water, will engage in a sham aerial battle near Paris next September, according to an announcement here today.

While private enterprise was supposed to be behind the plan for the exhibition when it first was suggested a week ago, it is believed today that the French war office is providing no small proportion of the necessary funds. Minister of War Brun is known to believe that the dirigible has reached the limit of its development, and he has long been in favor of actual tests that will prove or disprove his contention.

Dirigibles and aeroplanes will be used in the battle. Both will carry munitions of war and will be directed from flagships. Farman, Bleriot and Antoinette aeroplanes also will be pressed into service. Latham is said to be making secret trials with a new Antoinette machine which he will direct in the engagement.

The field for the battle has not yet been selected. It is thought, however, that either Juvisy or Rheims will be the choice.

GUARDIAN'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, guardian of the person and estate of Lloyd Elwood, a minor, by virtue of an order of the county court of Jackson county, Oregon, duly and regularly given and made and entered of record on the 29th day of December, 1909, and an order of said court supplemental thereto duly made and recorded on the 13th day of January, 1910, will on or after the 21st day of February, 1910, offer for sale and sell at private sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the following described real property, belonging to said minor, to-wit:

Lot numbered nine (9) in block number one (1) of Whitman Park, in Jackson county, state of Oregon.

Dated this 15th day of January, 1910.

E. D. ELWOOD,

Guardian of the Person and Estate of Lloyd Elwood, a Minor.

W. E. PHIPPS,

Attorney.

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Some Snaps in Shoes This Week at

Van Dyke's

Lett Over From Our Shoe Sale---Broken Sizes in Heavy and Fine Shoes-- Women's Men's and Childrens'

Lot 1 The Lots of \$1.98 and \$2.98 Ladies' Shoes This Week at pr \$1.75

Lot 2 The Childrens' \$1.48 Lot of Dress Shoes at the same price \$1.48

Lat 3 The Men's and Boys' \$2.48 Lot Special this week at per pair . \$2.15

New Shipments

We are showing Spring Styles in Fine Shoes for Women & Men--Shipment Just Arrived

Some Special Prices on Sweaters for Women & Grls in Red White

THE ROADS ARE NEVER BAD, THE WEATHER IS ALWAYS GOOD, WHEN YOU WANT TO GO.

CALL UP

THE UNION LIVERY

R. O. DUNCAN,

Proprietor.

RESOLVED

The best resolution for you to make is to come to us for your next suit, if you want something out of the ordinary. We do the best work and charge the lowest prices.

W. W. EIFERT
THE PROGRESSIVE TAILOR