

ODELL  
BIG SUM SUBSCRIBED  
TO ADVERTISE STATE

By Roswell Shelley.  
Odell, East Hood River Valley, Jan. 17.—Forty thousand dollars is already subscribed by the business men of Portland to be used in advertising the state during the year 1906. This fund will probably be swelled considerably by outside communities. This money is to be used in bringing big people and entertaining large conventions representing different enterprises that are needed in the development of the state which is going forward this year by leaps and bounds. Brother Bennett of the Irrigation Irrigator in his talk last Friday before the press association said that a few years ago the country press and country people were saying a good deal about the Portland hog, but Mr. Bennett is now convinced that if that condition ever did prevail that it is today a thing of the past. Bennett says that this Portland hog has been killed and we are living off his fat. We commend this statement, coming as it does from the country, for we are of the opinion that there is a spirit of fellowship and unity between city and country, such as never before prevailed. For some time we have felt that way, but our convictions along this line were materially strengthened by attending the meetings of the Oregon State Development League, and the Oregon Press Association held last week in Portland. The state is too small (large as it is in area) to foster sectional strife. There is too brilliant a future for the state of Oregon within easy reach of us to stop and fight selfishly for the lion's share of it for any special locality. We are also glad to note as we grow big as a state we grow broader and more charitable toward other localities. This is as it should be. There are plans for every section to gather, so let us all pull together to the end that we all get rewards. The immense amount of money which will be distributed in railroad building in Oregon and Washington, (Oregon getting the larger part of it) will increase the pay roll to such large proportions that this feature alone means much to Oregon, to say nothing of the larger benefits which will accrue to the state through increased taxation of permanent improvements and investments that legitimately follow the channel of trade. Summing up the many good things that are reflected through the bow of promise for this year, we should surely be content to lend a helping hand and not have to watch Oregon grow as Tacoma does, but be right amidst this growth and grow some ourselves. Within a few weeks there will be a drama placed in front of the foot lights in one of the Odell theatres that will eclipse anything yet presented during the season of Odell's pleasant winter entertainments. In this you will agree with the writer when I tell you that the whole "boom" show will be in charge of Miss Nettie Kemp.

the unanimously and well deservedly popular orator Odell. While your eye is on Odell remember that history is being made and that more than one person will go into history as having aided in making Odell famous and along the lines of education. It takes no prophetic finger to point to Nettie as having, during the village days of Odell occupied a conspicuous place on the roll of honor. First get the date and then rustle the price of a reserved seat, and come and have the time of your life. Particulars later when tickets will be on sale at the opera house on the Streets of Clair.

While attending the state development league last Friday in Portland, the Hood River contingent was a prominent factor. With the Hon. E. L. Smith as its president. While in the audience we saw the faces of E. B. Shepard, A. L. Mason, Joe Wilson, Mr. Carter, P. S. Davidson, H. F. Davidson, C. H. Stranahan, E. R. Bradley, A. D. Moo, J. C. Porter, H. M. Poole, Frank E. Runcorn, Wm. Ehrick and others whose names I do not know recall and when I listened to the silver tongued orator, Judge Lowell of eastern Oregon, who in turning words of eloquence pictured the untamed west, the greater west being harassed and moving toward an upward along the lines of commercial success, commanding the respect of the nation, and when in one of his loftiest of eloquence and by way of comparison, Hood River was the present ideal and the best developed spot in the west, it was that I rejoiced over the fact of a happy home in Hood River valley.

Our neighbor and competitor across the way is closing out and will return the grocery business. We understand that he has purchased 10 acres of land from Chas. M. Busy and will be a resident of Odell. Just who Mr. Boardman's successor will be we are not informed, yet report has it that a grocery will still be conducted there.

We should have extended our thanks to the patrons of the Little White Store for their liberal patronage during the past year, sooner. It requires some time to lay the foundation for a successful business in any place. Yet in building of the Little White Store we built better than we know. Three years ago the forest on our corner yielded to the erection of the store, the name of which throughout the valley soon became a household word. Its management has been such that its business has steadily grown and passing through the throes of competition last year its business was never better and today we are glad to say that it has passed the experimental stage and few stores are better known than is the Little White store. It is the intention of the management to enlarge its stock in accordance with the demands of the trade and the public can rest assured that the business will continue right along at the old stand until the end of our lease which has a life of seven years yet.

While I was absent at the meeting of the literary last Friday evening, but wife informs me that there was a delightful and interesting program rendered, several members being en-

cored, notable among these were the Neffa, Miss Nettie Kemp, Miss Rogers, Miss Blanche Wilson and P. T. Shelley. The entire program was well rendered and a pleasant evening was enjoyed. Odell is there to stay.

Among those attending the development league at Portland last week from Odell were, Wm. Ehrick, H. M. Poole, Frank E. Runcorn and the writer.

C. L. Rogers was doing business this week in Portland. An old friend of Mr. Rogers and also an acquaintance of the writer of the notes, Mr. C. S. McDuffey of Portland will soon move to Odell with his family. Mr. McDuffey is a good citizen and his and his family will find a welcome here.

Mr. Thomas E. Avery, one of the Eggermout people received a prize at the apple exhibit last week in Portland. The prize was a cup and he won out on the famous Newtown. We congratulate Mr. Avery for he is our neighbor, living not far from Odell and this leads us to ask: Who said Odell was not the hub of East Hood River? We extend you the glad hand, Thomas.

We again desire to say to all political aspirants in this neck of the woods that we are now ready to register voters for the June election. It should be remembered that petitions for candidates can only be signed by voters who have registered. Some of the petitions for candidates are on my desk which can be signed by voters who desire after they register.

Last Saturday I received a letter from Frank W. Benson, of Roseburg, a prominent republican who is a candidate for secretary of state. Mr. Benson I consider both qualified and worthy for the position and I should say that it is my opinion that his candidacy should be considered by the voters throughout the state at the primary election.

**MOUNT HOOD.**  
A party of Portlanders arrived here Saturday on their way to Cloud Cap Inn. Bert Sandman, Peter Felthausen and Mark Weygant made the trip Friday to break the road and take up provisions. Bert and Mark returned Saturday morning to assist the crowd. They report the snow drifted to the depth of 20 to 50 feet. The party, twelve in all, left Weygant's on twice at 12 o'clock and expected to reach their destination by 3 p. m., provided that everything went well. They will not get word to any one until their return, which they expect to make Tuesday morning. They had a number of cameras, and no doubt will get some fine pictures to show their many friends.

We understand the singing and literary class will be conducted under the name of "Morton's private class." The members report a very enjoyable time for the first meeting, there being over 20 members present.

The Baldwin Sporting club elected officers Saturday evening at the regular meeting. They are as follows: O. R. Knox, president; Chester Monroe, vice president, and J. P. Cooper, secretary and treasurer. Three new members were also admitted to the club.

Peter Mohr is taking care of things on the ranch for his brother-in-law.

On Friday evening, January 13, there is to be given at the hall an entertainment for the benefit of the school library. The laughable farce, "An economical boomerang" is to be presented by a splendid cast. The eastern band will make its first appearance at Mount Hood on that evening. Other interesting numbers will be given by the children in a general way is clearing up his land opposite his dwelling.

B. F. Edleman has been quite busy the last few days hauling spuds to Rockford. B. F. took in about 50 sacks of new spuds. Good for you.

J. H. Merriam says that he has got a pointer from Rockford about the egg business, he says to get good returns, you must have good stock and then take care of them, then the eggs will rool in, summer and winter.

Men and teams have been passing through this district on their way to where the new irrigation ditch is to be dug and as soon as the snow is gone the dirt will be moving.

C. E. Markham and wife have been spending a few days in Portland last week, soth is gave his first team a little rest.

The Rock crusher question should be agitated right through the valley and let Muesler take a part, a few mills have been laid, the outfit—well—then we could keep it in the valley and Mosier, this is the only way to secure permanent roads.

This is a fact, Rockford is now selling a 50 cent can of condition powder for 20 cents, and it has already been proved that condition powder is a good and now is the time to get them to tone up your stock during the cold winter months.

Will Davenport and family took advantage of the snow by taking a sleigh ride Sunday.

As we look out of our window and see another earth covered with a beautiful mantle of white and the snow is still falling, it looks cold and dreary whilst we are enjoying an oak wood fire, our mind goes out to the starving poor, some who have been brought into such circumstances by misfortune, it seems to me that we should have more charity and as we look at our own individual selves how ungrateful we have been for the many blessings and comforts received during the past year it would be well for us to inquire what can I do to help the poor and spread the Gospel seed that the Divine hand of providence has so richly blessed us. We brought nothing into this world neither can we take anything out; let us then have more charity and sympathy, so that the Master will say unto us "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least ye did it unto me."

**Offices and Rooms.**  
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**Weak Throats**

Bert Sandman, who is at Cloud Cap Inn.

W. B. and J. C. Davidson attended the literary at Odell Friday night. They say it is a long way to go, but they have none at home. After literary they took in the dance given by Mr. Crowley.

Perry Higgins also stayed with Jess Davidson while this fall, has returned from an extended trip through California to his old home at Centerville, Ohio. Mr. Higgins is telling the people there what kind of apples we raise here by spraying, cutting, thinning and pruning. Then he tells what kind of prices we get for our fancy pinks and you can just bet your old hat that most of them would like to see the apples for themselves. If they will only come to the land, the big red apples they can then see how gold is picked off the trees.

E. P. Adams of South Bend, Wash., is looking around over our neck of the woods with the expectations of returning next summer to invest in some fruit land. Mr. Adams thinks there is no place like Mount Hood for fine fruit.

D. R. Cooper and his wife are at Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. George Perkins.

Work has ceased once more, for winter is here in proper shape this time. It started last Thursday with a northeast wind which seemed to make the old timers hunt the stove.

J. C. Parrish left for Portland Tuesday for a few months' visit.

D. C. Miller returned to Portland Tuesday after a week's stay in our district.

A. B. Billings recently sold two lots of land, R. N. Gible purchased 10 acres and Mr. F. H. 20 acres.

A. M. Kelly, one of our local saw mill men, made a business trip to Portland Thursday, returning Saturday.

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**CLEAN UP SALE**

This is the time of year we are preparing for our annual invoicing and general cleaning up, getting our business generally in shape to know the results of the year's work, and starting in to the new year with as clean a stock and slate as possible. We have a lot of seasonable goods that we will put prices on that will certainly move them before commencing the invoice. We invite you in to enjoy some of the great bargains we will have for you.

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Strange Story of How the Sewing Machine Riddle Was Solved.  
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**THE FOUR AGES.**  
So Life Goes, Always Has Gone and Always Will Go.  
Here are man's four ways of time: "You still have forty years to live," said the guardian spirit to the youth. "It is a long, long time," the youth replied, "and I will do a great deal before it is past." "You have thirty years yet to live," the guardian spirit said to the still young man. "Well, that is quite awhile," was the reply. "Probably I cannot do all I had intended, but I will make quite a showing." "You have twenty years to live," the spirit said to the middle aged man. "Only twenty! Well, I suppose I will have to do the best I can in that length of time." For the last time the guardian spirit appeared. "You yet have ten years left," he said to the rapidly aging man. The man sighed. "But ten years," he whispered in reply. "And what can one do in those few days?" "Look backward and moaned, "I am leaving it nearly all undone!"

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**ART OF CONVERSATION.**  
Spontaneity is a Necessary Ingredient of Eloquence.  
"What I wish," says an essayist in Cornhill Magazine, "is that people would apply the same sort of seriousness to talk that they apply to golf; that they should desire to improve their game, brood over their mistakes, try to do better. Why is it that so many people would think it priggish and effeminate to try to improve their talk and yet think it manly and rational to try to shoot better? Of course it must be done with a natural zest and enjoyment or it is useless."

"What a gusty picture one gets of the old fashioned talkers and wits, committing a number of subjects to memory when they are dressing for dinner and then turning over a commonplace book for opposite anecdotes and jests adding dates to those selected that they may not tell the same story again too soon, learning up a list of epigrams, stuck in a shaving glass, sallying forth primed to bursting with conversation!"

"It is all very well to know beforehand the kind of line you would wish to take, but spontaneity is a necessary ingredient of talk, and to make up one's mind to get certain stories in is to deprive talk of its fortuitous charm."

**FIDDLERS AND DRUMMERS.**  
The Two Classes of Insects That Produce Audible Sounds.  
Insects that produce sounds audible to human ears have been roughly divided into two classes—fiddlers and drummers. The grasshopper is a fiddler and makes music by scraping its fore wings against the rows of spinelike teeth that ornament its thighs. The katydid also plays an entomological fiddle. It produces its notes by rubbing the inner side of the hind legs over the front wings.

The locust, on the other hand, is a drummer, and a loud one too. His drum is formed by a membrane stretched at the base of the fore wing, and he can make a forest ring with it. The cicada, or seventeen year locust, carries a drum at the base of the abdomen and makes with it a noise that seems to be quite as terrifying in the insect world as that produced by the gorilla pounding its resounding chest in among wild beasts. It is said that the cicada sometimes frightens away its enemies with the rattle of its drum.

There are other drumming insects which make good music, but the violinists, after all, carry of the palm, for the great insect soloist, the cricket, is a fiddler.

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**AN IRISH TYPE.**  
The Placid, Well Born Girl of the Little Green Isle.  
"The Irishmen never worry," said a woman who has mixed much in the upper circles of the little green isle; "therefore they preserve their youth better than the women of any other nation. A peculiar type of personality has been left in Ireland. England and America have drained off the progressive and bustling—England from the upper classes, America from the lower. Those who are left are of a placid, contented type, from whom the restlessness of present day civilization seems far removed. The dullness of the life led by the average well born Irish girl would be pathetic if it were not that she seems to thrive so well on it. Year after year she follows the same monotonous round, meeting the same people at tennis in summer or hockey matches in winter. If her home is in a hunting district, no matter how low an ebb the family finances may be, they will manage to give her a good mount, but for the girls who do not hunt the long, wet winter, with few neighbors and few books, passes almost as drearily as in a medieval castle."—New York Tribune.

**ANGER AVERTED.**  
If a man should cross a deadly snake in his pathway, he would quickly crush it beneath his heel before it could sink its poisonous fangs into his flesh. He would not step out of the way and temporize with the dangerous reptile. And yet how many people are there who temporize with a still more deadly enemy—consumption. Like a silent serpent, it glides along almost unnoticed. First a cold, or sore throat, then a slight cough, then catarrh, then bronchitis, then bleeding from the lungs. The way to crush out the threatening evil is to fortify the system and purify the blood with Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The first sign of derangement of stomach, liver and blood, look out! It is only a question of time until the lungs will be attacked through the impure blood, and the danger will be most deadly.

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