

CITY WILL SOON HAVE FREE DELIVERY OF MAIL

And Houses Numbered Before Uncle Sam Will Give the Service—Work Should Begin Now.

The time is not far distant when the city council will have to take up the question of placing the names of the streets at each corner and order the numbering of houses. This will be the first demand that the postoffice department will make on the city when it is placed in the free delivery list. The receipts at the local office indicate that the stipulated amount will have been reached when the fiscal year expires, and it will then be up to the city to see that every street within the free delivery limits is properly marked.

Inasmuch as the service will not be inaugurated until this condition is complied with, and as it takes a considerable time to do the work, it is none too early for the city fathers to be looking into the matter and taking the preliminary steps necessary for the prompt carrying out of their orders when the time arrives for them to issue them.

The character of the signs that shall mark the streets is something that should not be passed by lightly. Many cities have made the expensive mistake of purchasing street signs that lasted but a short time, necessitating the doing over again of the work. It has been found that the most ornate and durable sign is the blue enamel background with the name of the street in white. These may cost a little more than the less attractive sign, but since they are a permanent improvement, cheapness should not be the first requisite. They are manufactured by a large number of concerns, and consequently no monopoly exists and the city will be able to get them at the lowest price consistent with first-class material.

A uniform style should be followed in the numbering of houses. The antiquated method of starting at one end of a street and continuing without interruption until the city limits are reached should not be followed here. The more modern practice of allotting to each block the numbers between one and one hundred should be adopted, the even numbers being uniformly on the same side of the street. This will enable a person to direct strangers to the exact location of a particular number, as well as being of great assistance to business men in locating the residence of their patrons. These matters in themselves are small affairs, but in the aggregate play an important part in the life of a city. Portland realized its mistake too late for correction without entailing considerable expense, but even now the question of renumbering the city is receiving a great deal of attention from its residents.

A SHOE STORE FOR ALL

If you are hard to fit in shoes, our store is the best place in town for you. In the first place we have such shoes as O'Donnell's, United Workmen, Foster's High-Grade for women. They are the world's best in high-grade footwear. High tops for out-of-doors, and a score of other dependable makes. In the second place, our shoe men know how to fit shoes, and are a help in finding just what you need.

If your ideas are harder to fit than your feet, you will find in our stock of shoes at \$3.99 to \$8.99 (and all the prices between) every conceivable shape, style, weight and leather. We have the best selected assortment of shoes in Klamath county. Our service is directed entirely to fitting shoes to feet—not feet to shoes. We find that if we look after the service the sales take care of themselves. If you are not satisfied, we refund your money. Our repairing department is the best in the state. We also sell leather, tacks, cement, etc. J. R. Ritter, Klamath's Exclusive Shoe Store, next door to postoffice.

THE CITY BEAUTIFUL

In North Yakima the women have enlisted in a war against unsightly billboards, unclean streets and the litter of vacant lots. Without avail men have protested at various intervals throughout the country against these outrages and the other delinquencies of municipal housekeeping, but women are infinitely better fitted than the masculine portion of humanity for the handling of a crusade against the general unsightliness of these nuisances. Woman's sphere extends beyond the home and the bridge club and they are the ones to organize and conduct the work of beautifying this city, for they are the expert housekeepers and masterful housecleaners, and understand.

William Dean Howells declares that the sense of humor is more fully developed in England than in America, and a sarcastic editor remarks that if corroborative evidence were required, this statement would seem to supply it.

POSTMASTER EMMITT OPPOSES THE BENSON IDEA
Scheme Is Impracticable and Would Result in Landowners Paying More Instead of Less.

Editor Herald: In 1904 the reclamation service, through the secretary of the interior, withdrew from settlement one-fourth each of four townships—an area of thirty-six square miles, in the vicinity of Keno, Ore., for the benefit of the reclamation project. This order, being heralded by the press to the world, created the impression by inference to all people who were not familiar with the facts, that this land was unclaimed government land, and as soon as the United States reclamation service could irrigate the land it would be placed on the market in some form.

That there would be an opportunity for homes or speculation, hundreds of letters of inquiry were received.

The facts are that not one foot of that land was owned at that time by the United States. It was all in the hands of private owners, and had been from fifteen to thirty-five years. The order withdrew from settlement the farm of the writer which he had owned for almost thirty years. This was deception No. 1.

About one year later the California and Oregon legislatures each passed an act ceding or giving to the United States all tule or marsh land within the Klamath project that might be drained by the United States reclamation service.

Now, the solons of these two great states no doubt gained the admiration of an indulgent public for the magnanimous spirit exhibited. What is the result? They gave something that they did not own, and could not give. There are none so liberal as those that have nothing to give. They might as well have given a quit-claim deed to Mt. Shasta, or anything else they did not own. The land conveyed to be conveyed was all in the hands of the speculators.

And last, comes the proposition from Briggs and Benson to drain the deep water lakes, sell the beds thereof for actual cash value and apply the proceeds to the cost of irrigation of the Klamath project, which appeals to the writer to be the worst deception yet practiced.

These lakes include Upper and Lower Klamath and Tule lakes. No one of these first-thinkers have ever satisfied anyone yet that the beds of these deep water lakes would be of any value after being drained. But admit that the land will be of the most valuable—did anyone ever think of the damages that would accrue to the boats navigating the waters, the floating logs, the sawmills, the electric power, light and water companies? The damages prior to drainage construction would approximate one million dollars. Successful drainage of the Upper Klamath lake would necessitate the blasting of a channel 200 feet wide 20 feet deep for at least one-half mile through solid rock, besides a drainage canal through the bed of the lake for a distance of 20 or 30 miles. To drain the Lower Klamath lake would require the dredging of the bed of the river channel from 12 to 15 feet deep 200 feet wide for a distance of about 15 miles, besides a drainage channel for 20 miles more.

The United States reclamation service is now experimenting with the drainage of Tule lake at the present time by opening a channel into the notorious lava beds of Modoc war fame, hoping against hope, that the water will find a subterranean passage into Pitt river under a high range of mountains some 40 miles distant. There is no other manner by which the waters of Tule lake can be drained, it being the lowest altitude of any point in the Klamath Basin. The prospects of success of this experiment is not considered with sufficient seriousness to cause the speculative price of land in the bottom of the lake to rise in the market.

The cost of draining these lakes would more than probably cost more per acre, counting cost of construction together with accruing damages, than the present cost of irrigation of the dry land. Instead of a surplus, we would be confronted with a deficiency.

Theories are easily formulated, but practical construction requires money and muscle. The writer admires legitimate advertising of the prospective resources and opportunities of the country, but most strenuously opposes deception or false inferences. At the present this locality is in extreme demand of a class of people who will procure small home farms and employ their whole time, force and energy to procure the best possible results from each tract. We are already over-burdened with a class who were attracted by deceptive inferences and are in search of a "something for nothing" proposition.

Commercially this county is now entitled to appear on the map. Our

social and commercial interests are entitled to respect. In order to procure and hold that respect we should maintain an attitude toward others that we would not reject ourselves under like circumstances.

It matters not how much money is expended as long as we get value received; but when it comes to moving approximately one million cubic yards of rock and dirt to drain the Upper lake and three million for the Lower lake, it will be found that with all the hard work of the senators and representatives in congress we will still be far short of the object desired.

The theory is simply a myth and a delusion.

R. A. EMMITT.

HELP FIGHT WHITE PLAGUE

Local Business House Has Purchased a Supply and Will Attach One to Each Package.

Klamath Falls is going to take its place among the cities of the state that are lending their aid in the fight that is being made against tuberculosis. This campaign has become world-wide, and one of the principal agencies aiding in the work is the sale of Red Cross stamps. These stamps are issued at Xmas time and sold by the American Red Cross. The plan is to have merchants throughout the United States purchase them and on each package sold to place one of these stamps. The Portland Store of this city has purchased a supply of them, and every package leaving its store will have one of these stamps attached to it.

The sale of these stamps in Oregon are in charge of the Visiting Nurses' association of Oregon. They are sold for one cent each, the proceeds, after deducting a small percentage which goes to the American Red Cross, to defray the expense of issuing the stamps, will be used in Oregon for the prevention and cure of tuberculosis in this state. Oregon has purchased 1,000,000 of these stamps, and it is expected that every one of them will be sold before New Year's day.

In Portland a strong effort is being made to have the people have one of these stamps attached to every package, bill, letter, invitation, announcement or check, and if it meets with success it will give a tremendous impetus to the fund, and make next year's fight against the white plague easier to win.

Oregon, fortunately, is comparatively free from this dread disease, but with the increase of immigration the time is not far distant when it will play as important a part in the state's deathrate as it now does in older and more thickly settled communities. The time to prevent this is in the beginning, and every penny given toward the promotion of this campaign is that much gained over an enemy that has claimed more victims than all other diseases combined.

That in the future this city will play a more important part in this campaign is certain now that a start has been made.

UPPER LAKE NOTES

Mr. Blair, who will occupy Mr. Withrow's houseboat "Red Wing" this winter, has been called back east by the illness of his father.

There will be a Christmas tree at St. Cloud, Buena Vista addition. The Shippington people will co-operate to make the holidays come and go pleasantly.

Major Worden's big houseboat "Lady Vera" has been leased by the Southern Pacific people for a boarding house at their waterfront during the winter.

The steamer Eagle has gone into winter quarters. The last benevolent act of the benevolent Captain Wickstrom was to haul the steamer Hornet and a loaded barge off a mud flat in Agency lake.

A new steamer is to be built for the lake trade and Capt. Wickstrom of the Eagle is the man who will build her. The new boat will be 65 feet over all, and 14 feet beam. She will be a stern wheeler of about 100 horse-power and be used exclusively as a tug.

For some months past we have been anxious to locate the bull calf that chewed the skirt off our last shirt, but we are much surprised to find that said calf is connected with the Express in the capacity of Shippington correspondent. Most everyone knows that all kinds of cattle chew their end, but

"Tis said if bovines young or old Should chance to lose their cud They'll always after loosed be, And don't see as they should."

L.O.D.

The presidential Thanksgiving proclamation declared: "We have lived in quietness." But that was before Cook and Peary arrived or Jeffries and Johnson decided to wear each other out before the big match by talking about what they could and would do to each other.

DANGER IN DELAY

Kidney Diseases Are Too Dangerous for Klamath Falls People to Neglect.

The great danger of kidney troubles is that they get a firm hold before the sufferer recognizes them. Health is gradually undermined. Backache, headache, nervousness, lameness, soreness, lumbago, urinary troubles, dropsy, diabetes and Bright's disease follow in merciless succession. Don't neglect your kidneys. Cure the kidneys with the certain and safe remedy, Doan's Kidney Pills, which has cured people right here in this locality.

Judge W. M. Thomas of Yreka, Cal., says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills, and am glad to say that they gave me great relief. I was suffering from kidney trouble for a long time, the most annoying symptom being too frequent passages of the kidney secretions. I also suffered from severe headaches and dizzy spells. I was in a bad shape when Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention and I procured a box. I began using them and felt better in a short time. I was finally cured of the lameness in my back and all the other symptoms of the trouble entirely disappeared. I have no hesitation in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills to anyone suffering from kidney complaint."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

LOWEST TEMPERATURE FOR A BEGINNING OF WINTER

Rainfall and Temperature Has Been Exceptional—Precipitation Exceeds That of Last Year.

Thursday night the thermometer registered just 12 degrees above zero. This was as low as the mercury fell during the month of November just past, when on the 15th of the month the mercury registered 12 above. The hottest day during the month—a record for freaks and unprecedented weather—was the 3d, when the mercury stood as high as 63.

November, 1909, broke all records for 23 years. This happened not only in Klamath county, but throughout the Northwest. Floods, rivers breaking their channels and sweeping across the fields cutting new courses as they went, frost, snow, and record rainfalls are some of the new records made by this eccentric month of this year. On five different days snow fell, though each time but a trace; yet the mere fact that it should snow so frequently at this season is almost unknown. The total rainfall for the month was 5.30 inches, exceeding by almost 4 inches the amount of rain that fell during November of last year. The greatest rainfall for any one day was .93 of an inch.

The terrible rainfall has flooded many of the fields and made ponds there and in the roads, causing a vast amount of delay and inconvenience to the farmers, ranchers and builders throughout the county.

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS QUITE NUMEROUS IN KLAMATH

Several Hundred Dollars' Worth of Hides Already Brought in This Early in the Season.

Now that the trapping season has started in earnest, it is in order to note that the variety of fur-bearing animals to be found in this section is extremely large. Otter and mink are every year trapped around the various lakes in large numbers, and as their furs bring good prices, the time and effort expended in catching these little fellows bring excellent returns. Then through the marshes the traps set out catch skunk and racoon, both having hides highly valued by the furrier.

Those who hunt in the mountains bring back as a result of their winter's work fishers and marten, silver-tipped—though these are very rare—and cross fox, coyotes, black bear, bobcats, panther and lynx in abundance. There are still left up on the higher ridges a few of those timber wolves which formerly hunted in this vicinity in large bands, killing the deer and cattle. In the fall these old marauders follow the deer across the hills to the lowlands near the coast, coming back in the spring as the deer again turn toward the mountains. On this side of the Cascades the deer are mostly blacktail, while east of the mountains the mule deer roam and feed up through the ravines and in the forks of the rivers. A few mountain sheep are still left, but these are now protected by law, as are the great bands of antelope which range across the plains. These deer are swift of foot, and can outdistance the old cowhorse and leave the swift coyote hound far behind. Restless and wary, they still have that terrible

E. W. GILLETTE & CO.

"Won't you walk into my parlor?"
Said the Spider to the Fly.
"Tis the prettiest little parlor
That ever you did spy."

Of course it was a pretty little parlor, for that Spider was a wise one—wise beyond his generation—and had furnished his pretty little parlor at the store of E. W. Gillette & Co. (Mang Block, Sixth street), where he found that he could get everything that goes to make a home pretty and comfortable at prices that were easily within the means of a Spider that had to do his own drumming up of business. The fable goes on to relate that this particular pretty little parlor was so cozy and "comfy" that Mr. Fly could not resist the temptation to enter, with disastrous results to Mr. Fly, but to the entire satisfaction of the Spider.

The story goes to show that when you want to furnish a house—parlor and all other rooms—if you will hire yourself to E. W. Gillette & Co. you will find that you can furnish it complete in the most comfortable and attractive manner, and make it so pleasing to the eye that an invitation into your "pretty little parlor" will be sure to be met with pleasure. Another thing about this house is that it doesn't take more to furnish the house than it does to build it. But you will find prices so reasonable that you will wonder why you didn't take advantage of it and have all those nice things long ago. Just drop in some day and get their prices on all house furnishings. You will be surprised. You will find that you can afford that easy rocker; that new carpet; one or two of those pretty rugs or art squares that you have wanted so long to brighten up some particular room. And get the prices on some of the other things that you think you can't afford at present; you'll find that they are not beyond reach after all, but that you can afford them now and not have to wait.

Sixth St., Mang Block

Dependable Hardware

Heating Stoves, Household Utensils, Guns and Ammunition, Cutlery—in fact everything in Good Hardware—No shoddy or shelf-worn goods.

Agents celebrated Ellwood Fences—and everything the farmer needs.

GEO. R. HURN, the Hardware Man



City Meat Market

MEISS & ARMAND

PROPRIETORS

ALL KINDS OF FRESH, SALT

AND SMOKED MEATS

SAUSAGES OF ALL KINDS

curiously peculiar to all deer, and if you happen to be riding on one of the plains where they are feeding, will circle around and around, ever getting nearer and nearer in an effort to see what you are and why you came.

All hides are prime at this season of the year, with the perfect prime about February, and as hides of all kinds are bringing a good price, those engaged in the fascinating sport of ensnaring the unwary wood folk find that they are amply repaid for all their work.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE

For Colds or La Grippe most people prefer the mild vegetable laxative in "Weeks' Break-Up-A-Cold Tablets" to the Calomel laxative in other cold remedies. Sold by Underwood's pharmacy.

Joe Wright and family drove over from Ashland, where they have been residing, and will make their residence in this city in the future. Mr. Wright is a brother of Mrs. George Luttrell.

County School Superintendent J. G. Swan attended the school meeting in the Plevna district, five miles south of the city Wednesday. At the meeting the board voted to sell bonds and build a new schoolhouse.

The Lady Macabees gave a dance in the Redmen hall Wednesday evening which was well attended and very successful in every way. After the dance an excellent supper was served.

The meeting of the Masons, which was called for Sunday afternoon, December 5th, has been postponed until Sunday, December 12th, on account of the Elk's memorial services.

"Dry town," thought the old-timer as he waded across the street.

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Klamath. Suit in Equity for Decree of Divorce.

Arthur Newby, plaintiff, vs. Minnie Newby, Defendant.

To Minnie Newby, the above-named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit, on or before the 20th day of January, 1910, that being the day of the last publication of summons, and the last day within which you are required to answer, as fixed by the order of publication of this summons. If you fail to appear and answer, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. Said suit is brought to secure dissolution of the bonds of matrimony existing between yourself and plaintiff.

This summons is published in the Klamath Falls "Republican," a weekly newspaper printed and published at Klamath Falls, Oregon, by order of Honorable George Noland, Judge of said Court, and dated December 6th, 1909; the first publication to be made on the 9th day of December, 1909, and the last publication thereof on the 20th day of January, 1910.

12-9 1-20 BENSON & STONE, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

A FEW BARGAINS.

Five lots, signly location, \$1500. Can loan \$750 on the deal.
A nice cottage with bath, large lot, \$1700. A good buy.
A large residence, fine lot, \$3500.
Three cottages on three lots. Room enough for another cottage; \$2250.
MASON & SLOUGH.

Died, Friday, December 3d, Al. D. Barker, aged 46, at the Upper lake.