

# ITALIAN PRUNE TREES

If you want to plant any Prune trees this season, had you not better be getting your trees ordered. This variety is quite scarce in the country and prices are liable to advance. Send us the number you are going to require and get our prices. Order now and save money.

In apples, we can furnish clean thrifty four to six foot, one-year-old trees in the following varieties; also some splendid two-year-olds suitable for "filling in" purposes:

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| ALEXANDER          | NORTHERN SPY       |
| ARKANSAS BLACK     | OREGON RED WINTER  |
| BLACK BEN DAVIS    | RED ASTRACHAN      |
| BALDWIN            | ORENCO             |
| COOS RIVER BEAUTY  | R. C. PIPPIN       |
| DUCH. OF OLDENBURG | ROME BEAUTY        |
| FALL PIPPIN        | SPITZENBERG        |
| GRAVENSTEIN        | SPOKANE BEAUTY     |
| GRIMES GOLDEN      | WAGENER            |
| KING               | WEALTHY            |
| SPINTOSH RED       | STAYMAN'S WINESAP  |
| MISSOURI PIPPIN    | YELLOW TRANSPARENT |
- Y. N. PIPPIN

The above are only a few of the varieties we carry, our list complete, if you will send us a list of your wants in Apples, Pears, Cherries, Plums, Prunes, Small Fruits, Ornamental Shrubbery, etc., will be glad to quote our best prices.

## ABOUT WALNUTS

Remember, we are sole propagators of the Vrooman PURE STRAIN FRANQUETTE WALNUT, conceded to be the best strain of Walnuts now being offered the planting public. For the slight difference in cost, you cannot afford to plant an inferior grade. Space here will not permit of an exhaustive explanation, but call at our office or write us, if you are interested. We have special literature on "Walnut Culture"—you should have it.

Address all communications,

# Oregon Nursery Co.

Salem, Oregon.

A FEW MORE RELIABLE SALESMEN WANTED

### Salem Has to Be Thankful for the Way of Improved Post-office Service.

During the past year \$15,000 was expended in improving the grounds surrounding the federal postoffice building at Salem. Four beautiful light fixtures were installed, in which John Farrar, Clerk, Zaidée Farrar, the postmaster, was helped by Manager Page of General Electric Co. The business of the office has increased about 25 per cent the past year, two new clerks and one clerk having been added to the city force. A number of improvements have been made in interior arrangements to make work easier and expedite mail delivery in and coming out. The office is composed of the postmaster, who takes a full hand at all hours every day in the year. His deputies are John Farrar, Clerk, Zaidée Farrar, Estelle Kaylor, Effie Boggs, Taylor, U. S. Rider, T. E. Mitchell, H. Ware, R. A. Kaiser. The clerks for the city are Geo. Hatch, Howard, F. A. Baker, H. A. B. T. Kumler, L. P. Bennett, A. D. Welsh, Frank N. Tooth, Janitors are W. P. Ringle, E. Rhodes, and one more man much needed to take care of the grounds. The rural carriers are Remington, W. H. Squire, Mrs. Pugh, Frank P. Litchfield, Jas. O. L. Fisher, Percy Pugh, South, J. W. Cox; substitutes, Remington, August Hilke, W. Potter, Pannale M. Chittenden, Geo. M. Grille. The upper part of the postoffice is used for rooms for the carriers, for civil examinations, for the post-inspectors, and the U. S. bank. Three rooms are vacant.

One feature of the postoffice is a mystery to the public. There is an entrance to which only the government secret service men have a key. This entrance leads to a secret stairway in each end of the building, and at the top of this is a lookout where a detective can sit unseen and observe the movements of any employe suspected of taking mail, or doing anything unlawful. This is one of the delightful arrangements made by Uncle Sam to encourage honesty on the part of employes.

### Salem High School Has a Splendid Equipment Backed by a Strong Harmonious Organization.

An educational institution of which Salem has just cause to be proud is her high school. For years the great need of a high school was felt by many residents of the Capital City, and though the ninth and tenth grades had been carried for several years, it was not until the fall of 1904 that a full high school course was established. The enrollment reached 190 the first year with a corps of five teachers. From this beginning has grown the present splendid student body numbering 320 under the tuition of nine instructors. Originally three rooms in the east school building were devoted to high school classes, but in the spring of 1905 the people of Salem decided that a separate building must be provided and the present beautiful structure was accordingly erected.

The new high school building was formally dedicated and opened for classes January 1, 1906. The building is modern in every respect. The magnificent assembly room with separate study desks for the entire

student body is on the third floor. It is well lighted, is furnished with a table of reference books, and is in every way an ideal study room. On this floor also are four class rooms. Four of the eight class rooms on the second floor are at present occupied by primary grades; the library and city superintendent's office are on the second floor. On the ground floor are the laboratories, physical and chemical provided with nearly \$1500 worth of equipment; two class rooms, two bicycle rooms and a large furnace room are also on this floor. The building is heated and ventilated by the forced draft system.

The social and athletic life of the school is active and healthy. The football team this fall has been unusually strong and successful. Strong teams will be put out in both boys and girls basketball.

A lively interest is shown in debate, a series of three debates are being held to tryout a team to represent the school in the Oregon High School Debating league. The H. S. tennis club has a good court on the school grounds and much interest is shown in this sport. Last spring a tennis tournament was held with Willamette University tennis club in which the H. S. club carried off all the events.

Probably the most successful H. S. enterprise from an artistic standpoint is the orchestra. The high school is very fortunate in having among its students some musicians of exceptional ability. For two years Dr. Epley, a member of the board of directors, volunteered his services in organizing and directing a glee club. This year Dr. Epley was unable to continue his work with the club and Mr. Charles Roth has been secured as director.

All of these enterprises with the exception of the tennis club are financed and managed by the associated student body, an organization of the students, which through its executive committee and various managers handles several hundred dollars and conducts its affairs in a thoroughly business like manner. As proof of this the Salem high school student body is out of debt and has a substantial surplus in the bank.

The instructors are Barry C. Eastham, physics, chemistry and geometry; John E. Smith, physical geography and botany; Edna Pearl Luckey and Lottie Deyoe, English; Elizabeth R. Topping, history; Jean Tuttle, mathematics; Lila V. Swinford, German; Sophie E. Townsend, Latin; E. T. Marlatt, Prin., political economy and bookkeeping. In addition to the above departments an innovation in the form of a training class for teachers has been organized, and is under the personal supervision of City Superintendent James M. Powers.

Four literary societies are maintained by the students all of which are doing splendid work.

### President August Huckestein of the Salem Business Men's League Has Some Cheering Words for Home Manufacturers.

During the past year Salem has taken such an advanced position that it is creating a surprise among our own citizens as well as those who formerly resided here, but who still take active interest in all things that have a tendency to keep Salem to the front.

We have three live organizations that are working hard to build up Salem, and the surrounding country. But in order to accomplish that for which we are in existence, it is absolutely necessary that we have the moral and financial support of all who call this city their home.

Enthusiasm is necessary, but we must act as well as shout. Through the efforts of the board of trade, a firm has located in our midst, who are going to manufacture gasoline engines and other products along the same line. Let us stand by them and do all in our power to help them along by speaking a good word for them, and demanding their products in preference to all others. By so doing we will help build up an industry that will be a credit to Salem.

Let us all insist on home made soap and washing powder, a product equal to the best, and thereby keep the cost of production circulating among the merchants of Salem. We have a paint industry, whose product should be on sale in every place in Salem where paint is sold, and the merchants should delight in speaking a good word for it because it is a home product that has been tested and not found wanting. We also have in our midst an electric fixture manufacturing concern that has a large payroll, that is deserving the support of all who want to see Salem grow. That is the real purpose of our organization, to promote our industries and thereby add to the receipts of our merchants. Sa-

# To Appreciate a Thanksgiving

Properly, one must be comfortably clothed. One of the small, but most important part of dress, essential to comfort, is the footwear. Are your feet comfortable? Not only is a pair of good fitting shoes essential to comfort but they are NECESSARY to complete the appearance of any well dressed man or woman. Have you about decided that both style and comfort are not for you? If so, reserve final judgment until you have worn a pair of our shoes



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lem lost one of her broom factories that furnished employment to quite a force, but which did not get the support of our people and our merchants. The result is he is running his factory in Portland. We have our flour mills, vinegar and pickle works, cigar factories, foundries, merchant tailors, Hickory Bark Cough Remedy, Eppley's Baking Powder and other industries that should have your support.

We delight in hearing of an industry coming in our midst, so let us put aside our prejudices and give the home made product our support, and Salem will be known as a real live manufacturing city where people find employment twelve months in the year. Our newspapers, both The Journal and the Statesman are doing all within their power to build up our city, having large payrolls and boosting for Salem twelve months in the year, speaking to thousands of people about the beauties and opportunities of the Capital City. So let us all work together and we will be able to make Salem the home of 25,000 inhabitants by 1910.

### Why We Should Be Truly Thankful.

To be truly thankful we of Oregon and the Willamette valley in particular, have only to recall the abounding prosperity in almost every line of effort and walk of life.

To specify, the abundant crops and almost universal good prices. The advances by bounds in so many lines of improvement and manufacture and great increase in wage to the wage earner.

We have shared in this general prosperity in every way not all to the same extent but enough to make us truly thankful.

Again for a chief executive, governor and city council that "does things" even if all are not suited.

Our schools for the intellect. Our asylums for the afflicted and unfortunate. Our churches for spiritual uplift.

And that rare combination of water, earth and air found nowhere as in the dry air sunny skies and rich soil of eastern Oregon. While our own Willamette valley with her mild winters rival old England in her scarcely checked blooming of flowers springing of grass and never failing crops.

Let us not forget old ocean a source of wealth, pleasure and awe—some reverence, setting a bound for our state but not for our prosperity, as a view of our increasing traffic with the Orient opens up.

The prosperity of one is the prosperity of all, so let us envy no man in this universal prosperity but all work together for an all-the-year-round expression of thanksgiving.

DR. G. T. WHITE.

### Sketch of Salem's Greatest Employing Corporation.

The Oregon Nursery company of Salem has great cause for thankfulness over the rapid growth of business in the Willamette valley and throughout the northwest. On the other hand the people have still greater cause for thankfulness that this company has been able to build up a business in growing and selling fruit trees and nursery stock that reaches into the millions annually and consists of carload lots sent to

all parts of the United States and Canada. The rapidity with which the fruit and nut industry is forging to the front, surpassing all other lines of production in rapidity of extension, shows that here is an almost unlimited field for coining wealth in supplying nursery stock, which is nowhere grown to such great advantage as at Salem and vicinity. Yearling trees grown on our rich lands and fine climatic conditions, surpass in size and rugged physical quality trees grown anywhere in the world. The plant of the Oregon Nursery company for packing and fumigation and inspection in unsurpassed on the Pacific coast. One packing house 200 feet square holds forty carloads of trees at one filling, and inside of two weeks will be filled to overflowing

with stock ordered for spring shipments. The firm employs between 150 and 200 men and disbursements the past year for labor amounted to upwards of \$130,000.

The benefits to a city like Salem flowing from such an enterprise in our midst cannot be overestimated. What would our city be without such concerns and such payrolls? Salem people surely feel thankful and appreciative for the presence here of the Oregon Nursery company and try to get more like it.

### A Salem Real Estate Man.

I know of no people who are more highly favored by the "Giver of All Good," "God" than we, whose lot is cast in this fair valley—"the Willamette."

R. H. RUTHERFORD.

J. P. ROGERS, Pres.

E. W. HAZARD, Cashier

D. W. EYRE, Assistant Cashier

# SALEM STATE BANK

Capital . . . . . \$50,000.00  
Surplus and Profits . . . . . 8,500.00

Transacts a General Banking Business

AMPLE Resources, Courteous Treatment, Absolute Safety, and a desire to extend your business and serve this community faithfully and intelligently warrant us in soliciting your business.

We want the business of young men, of business men, and especially do we want the accounts of the farmers of Marion and Polk counties.

To no one is a bank account more of a protection or convenience than the farmer. Our dealings will always be as liberal as safe banking will permit. A bank is not a luxury for the rich man; that idea is fast disappearing. The people from all classes are beginning to recognize the importance of a bank connection.

## How Is It With You!

We trust that the HOME-SEEKER, the stranger within our gates, will make free to command our services at all times. He is assured of a cordial welcome.