

500,000 Acres of Oregon School Lands Open to Settlers

FACTS AND FIGURES COMPILED BY G. G. BROWN OF THE STATE LAND OFFICE

STATE LANDS IN OREGON.

Baker	14,080
Benton	26,338
Crook	480
Gerry	34,960
Gilliam	720
Grant	3,480
Harney	138,740
Jackson	280
Josephine	280
Klamath	6,920
Lake	91,720
Lincoln	360
Malheur	176,260
Morrow	1,080
Sherman	1,480
Tillamook	180
Union	1,680
Wallowa	3,480
Wasco	3,600
Wheeler	7,040

The State of Oregon has for sale about 500,000 acres of school lands, located in the following counties:

This land consists of the sixteenth and thirty-sixth sections in each township, where not already sold. With the exception of land hereafter to be surveyed it is offered at not less than \$7.50 per acre. That hereafter surveyed will be sold to the highest bidder, but no bid of less than \$7.50 per acre will be accepted.

Any person over the age of eighteen years, who is a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such, may purchase three hundred and twenty acres of school land. The applicant must declare under oath that he desires the land for his own use, and that he has made no contract, directly or indirectly, to sell the same. No residence upon the land is required. Payment for the land may be made in four payments—one-fifth down, one-fifth in one year, one-fifth in two years and two-fifths on demand. The demand payment can run for five years from date of issuance of the certificate. The first payment must be made when the application is filed. Deferred payments draw eight, seven and six per cent interest. All applications must be acknowledged within this date.

State land is sold under the direction of the State Land Board, which is composed of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer. The business of the Board is conducted by a clerk, who has his office in the State Capitol. All communications relative to State lands should be addressed to the clerk of the State Land Board, Salem, Oregon.

is fully recognized. Students graduating from his institution find no difficulty in securing and holding positions. The curriculum includes English, grammar, spelling, penmanship, commercial law, bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting, while such insight is given to banking that graduates are able to enter prominent financial establishments or add very greatly to their efficiency in positions with houses and firms of any nature. At 437 Court street commodious quarters are occupied. Instruction may be had individually or in classes as desired, and in either event the charges are very nominal. Students may enter at any time. Full information may be had by addressing Principal Staley.

GEO. GORDON—CONTRACTOR.

Of all of the public work which has been undertaken in the city of Salem or this part of the west none has ever been of a more satisfactory character than the Marion street extension of the Salem sewer system and which has been done by the well known contractor, Geo. Gordon of Portland. Mr. Gordon has been engaged in the general contracting line for a considerable period of time and has executed a large number of important contracts. He has provided ample equipment for any undertaking and the satisfactory manner in which he has handled the Marion street sewer extension has further proven his efficiency in his line. About five miles of sewer has been laid by him under his contract, the work being rushed from the time it was started until completed, requiring less than three months. A large number of men have been furnished in the work and this has meant much wages being paid by Mr. Gordon on all his work of any nature. The total contract for the Marion street sewer extension was about \$28,000. This, with the other sewer work under way will modernize Salem and insure better sanitary conditions than ever before in the history of the city. Under Mr. Gordon's able direction this work has been accomplished along most approved lines and is of a character to insure the greatest faith in public works contractors. However, throughout his entire career Mr. Gordon has enjoyed a reputation for the strictest integrity and wherever he has had contracts entire satisfaction has resulted. Whatever the nature of the work only the best of material is used and skilled workmen employed wherever necessary to insure that degree of perfection essential to the contracting work. Mr. Gordon has already been stated, has done much public contracting in the west and is prepared at all times to undertake contracting anywhere in west, no work being too large for him to handle.

J. A. PATTERSON.

Established in the city for some time and being at all times in a highly successful state of operation there is no house in the city which has contributed more to the general prosperity and activity of Salem than that of Mr. J. A. Patterson at 285 North Commercial street. Mr. Patterson handles one of the most complete and up-to-date stocks of wall paper, house-furnishings, silver tableware, cutlery, glassware and aluminum ware, hardware, etc., to be found in the city and his prices are always as low as possible considering the quality of the goods. Mr. Patterson is an excellent business man of shrewd intelligence and he has gained success through honorable and fair treatment of his patrons as well as his strict integrity in all business matters. He is well acquainted throughout the city and country and answers his friends by the score. He delivers goods to any part of the city with care and promptness and employs a sufficient number of competent assistants to handle the trade which he so thoroughly enjoys. He is one of our representative and progressive merchants and worthy of more than passing mention in this review of those interests which will have done most toward making a greater Salem.

W. T. RIGDON.

Because of the modern methods employed in the conduct of undertaking establishments of today much of the gloom and sorrow incident to the laying at rest of relatives and friends is removed and no one these days entertains the horror of such occasions as formerly. Salem business men are all strictly up-to-date, but particularly is this true of those engaged in the undertaking business, among whom Mr. W. T. Rigdon stands preeminent. Mr. Rigdon has been nearly twenty years in the business in Salem and he has done much in the time that he has been established here to mitigate the sorrow of a great many citizens by the manner in which he has looked after the dead and every detail of the funeral. He has lately moved to 252 N. High street where he has well equipped and thoroughly modern establishments purely on the residence plan and where he carries a full and complete line of caskets and funeral supplies of all kinds. A chapel where funerals may be held is among the many a large and gloomy place than a large church. A telephone is maintained and calls are answered either night or day and a sufficient number of competent assistants are employed to insure promptness at all times. Mr. Rigdon is a man worthy of the highest esteem and we are glad to count him among our most wide-awake and progressive citizens.

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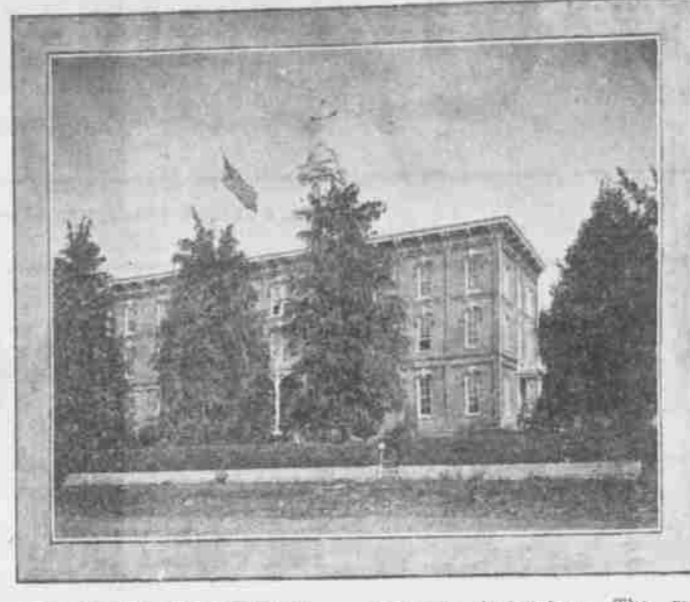
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SACRED HEART ACADEMY.

The city of Salem has long been recognized as one of the leading educational centers of the West and the splendid institution conducted by the Sisters of the Holy Names has played no unimportant part in maintaining this well established reputation. For forty-eight years it has been imparting knowledge and training to young people, and each year there is always a profusion of beautiful flowers in the garden of the flowers in Ruef Brothers Greenhouses which are located on the Garden Road and which are under the personal supervision of Mr. E. H. Ruef. A saloon is maintained at 123 North Liberty street which is one of the show places of Salem for there is always a profusion of beautiful flowers of various kinds in season which are sold at the low price possible. Flowers are furnished for funerals, parties, weddings, banquets and all state occasions and special attention is given to the prompt delivery of all orders. It would be hard to find two more energetic or public spirited citizens than the Messrs. Ruef and we are glad to accord them this prominent mention.

T. J. CRONISE.

Every trade and every profession has undergone great improvement within the past decade, and in none have there been greater changes than in photography. We find this perfection no more strongly exemplified than at the studio of Mr. T. J. Cronise of this city, which is located in the Bush-Breyman building. Mr. Cronise has been established here since 1903 and during the intervening period he has met with much more than ordinary success and he counts among his patrons many of the best people of this section of the state. His operating room is fully equipped with every thing considered necessary to the operation of the business, including the very best lenses to be found in the market, while the back grounds used in the pictures were painted by the well known scenic artists, Stanley Bros. of New York and are considered by all who are familiar with this class of work to be of the most artistic design. An artistic electric lamp is also used thereby enabling Mr. Cronise to take pictures at night. Up-to-date photography is executed in a scientific manner and the most perfect satisfaction follows the patient photographic studio, for a standard of excellence is maintained which is hard to equal. Mr. Cronise is a genial, gentleman whom it is a pleasure to meet and he does everything in his power to please and satisfy his patrons.

THE WILLAMETTE SANATORIUM.

It makes no difference how wealthy people are or what conveniences have been provided in their homes in the way of luxurious furnishings and comfort of every nature, when they are sick it is not possible to give them the same care and attention that is possible in the modern and well conducted hospital. Their homes were not intended for that purpose and, also, the requisite facilities are never at hand. How much less, then, is it possible to properly care for the sick in the more poorly furnished home. In any event in the end it is far more economical from a monetary standpoint to go immediately to a hospital with the added consideration that chances for recovery are many fold greater. This is especially true of people living some distance out of the city where the physicians charge for daily visits would need those of both hospital and physician. The Willamette Sanatorium here in Salem is, without question, the most modern and complete institution of its kind anywhere in this part of the country outside of Portland and is equally well conducted and equipped as the larger institutions of that city. The very latest and most approved appliances have been provided in the various departments and patients receive as painstaking care as they constantly with their relatives or friends advantage lies in the fact that trained nurses who thoroughly understand all diseases look after them day and

WILLIAM A. LISTON.

Of the men at present engaged in the real estate business in Salem there is none who more thoroughly appreciates the opportunities offered for profitable investment, or who is better prepared to serve those seeking a safe place for their money where large returns are practically assured, than Mr. William A. Liston, whose offices are located at 431 Court Street. Mr. Liston is generally conceded by those who are in the best posted real estate man in the entire city. He has been connected with this line of business for 17 years, and he has made a business of keeping closely in touch with the market at all times, hereby enabling him to judge readily the present and prospective values of lands, anywhere in the section in which he operates; and he is consulted by more people in connection with investments than almost any other realty specialty of high grade property of all kinds; and he has a large list of both city and county property, which he is offering at rock bottom prices and on terms which it is hard to beat. Mr. Liston will gladly give any desired information to those who are looking for property for investment purposes or for home building and such information may be regarded as absolutely correct. He has long been identified with the business affairs of Salem and is generally looked upon as one of our most enterprising citizens, a firm believer in the future greatness of the "Cherry City" and the rapid development of the surrounding territory.

H. H. HUNTER & CO.

Although the above named company is comparatively new, having been in business in the city only about two years it has already taken an important position in the business world of Western Oregon. Mr. H. H. Hunter, the manager of the company is everywhere recognized as one of the finest electrical engineers of this section and associated with him are several experienced and expert electrical workers. The office and sales room of the company is located at 126 South Commercial street where a large stock of electrical supplies of all kinds may be seen and which are sold at the very lowest possible prices. Every description of electrical work is done, including armature re-winding, elevator repairing, inside wiring, general repair and installation. The latter including the installation of entire plants and systems; also fire and burglar alarms, etc., with dispatch and skill. Their prices are at all times the very lowest consistent with a high grade of work and comparing favorably with those of similar establishments whose work is decidedly inferior in every way. A large amount of private and public work has been done by the company in this and other cities and in every instance it has been of the highest quality. Their stock which is sold either wholesale or retail includes the well known Tungsten and Tantalum lights besides a large stock of Edison globes all of which are sold at reasonable prices. Mr. Hunter is regarded as an authority upon electrical matters and is in every way well worthy of the highest esteem and regard. He is active and energetic and a firm believer in the future of Salem, always lending his support toward her up-building and progress.

J. P. VEATCH—CONTRACTOR.

Salemites have more recently awakened to the fact that properly constructed cement sidewalks, curbs, driveways, etc., not only add very materially to the general beauty of the city as a whole, but also add much more than their cost to the value of property, the result being that a large amount of work of this nature has been done during the past year or two with much more contemplated for next season. As an indication that he is regarded as the foremost contractor in that line it may be mentioned that the name of J. P. Veatch appears on more sidewalks in the city than that of any other man engaged in that business. For many years past he has been following the general contracting business on cement work of all kinds, including sidewalks, curbing, foundations, collars, floors, septic tanks, etc. He has secured a splendid equipment for prosecuting any undertaking and on all jobs uses only the best cement obtainable, insuring a high quality of finished product. However, this is only in keeping with the well established reputation for absolute business honesty which Mr. Veatch has so long enjoyed, no citizen of the Capital City standing higher in the esteem of those who enjoy his acquaintance. Mr. Veatch has seen the present proportions, having first come here in 1865. He has always taken an active interest in the growth and prosperity of Western Oregon and is invariably among the foremost to lend his support to any legitimate project having in view the further upbuilding of Salem and development of the Willamette valley. Mr. Veatch may be seen regarding work in his line at 828 Marion street or appointments made by telephoning Main 608.

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EARLY PIONEERS NOW FORGOTTEN

About a quarter of a mile from the junction of the Salem and Falls City Railroad with the Southern Pacific, in Polk County, is an old pioneer cemetery. It contains some few, beautiful new monuments, but is principally notable for being the last resting place of many pioneers. There are scores of old tombstones, weather stained and overgrown with moss. The inscriptions on many of them have become almost illegible, defaced by time and the elements.

Two of the oldest graves contain the remains of men now almost forgotten. One of them was Cyrus C. Hooker, and the little marble slab, almost sunk out of sight, contains the inscription, 1854. Between the graves has grown up a fir tree that is fully three feet in diameter at the ground. In this cemetery is conclusive proof of the rapid growth of the Oregon Fir. I should not be surprised to hear of the forest reserve officials sending out an expert to take the measurements of this tree.

In this cemetery lies buried Nathaniel Ford, who died in 1870. It is this Colonel Ford who organized a surveying expedition to explore southwestern Oregon in the forties? His wife, Mary A. Ford, lies buried beside him. Her tombstone is marked, 1856.

In the Hill family plot is a monument of Mrs. C. P. Hill, who died in 1856; and of Martha A. Virgia Hill who was born in 1834. The Hills were pioneers of 1847, as indeed were many who were buried in this cemetery.

The oldest marked tombstone is that of Mrs. A. Mary Miller who died in 1851. Ira T. Hooker died in 1857 and his wife, Hilda Hooker died in 1860. They are resting peacefully side by side. I don't imagine they ever had any family quarrels, but here is one place where all discord ceases.

While some of the plots in this cemetery are well cared for, a great deal of them are sadly neglected, growing up to thickets of bramble and briars. Large spaces of the ground are covered with the trailing myrtle. It is to be hoped that this historical old burying ground, where rest the bones of pioneers may some day be renovated and beautified as they richly deserve. Most of the marble slabs are very small, as in the early days marble was a precious article and few could afford the more elaborate monument that are erected in these days.

Linger a moment and light be thy tread,
Pause at the graves of the pioneer dead;
Moss-covered marbles bearing their name,
Alone tell posterity the tale of their fame.

J. C. SIEGMUND.

Successor to Union Title Abstract Co.

The above named is one of the foremost abstract companies doing business in this section of the state, and continuous efforts have been made by Mr. J. C. Siegmund, the proprietor, to keep fully abreast of the times in the handling of abstracts of title in Marion County, and the very liberal patronage accorded the Union Title Abstract office is sufficient proof that its methods have the entire approval of those wishing unquestionably correct information regarding title of any lands in Marion County. Abstracts and certificates of title furnished promptly and at the most reasonable prices, while a specialty is made of looking up titles for non-residents, the charges for these services being low in the extreme. The records of his office are kept up-to-date and every precaution is taken to prevent mistakes in the transcribing of the records. Mr. Siegmund is a man of experience in the business and he employs no one but experienced and competent assistants. He is a man who has always enjoyed a most enviable reputation for honesty and integrity and strict business honor and we are pleased to recommend him to those in need of abstracts of title, which is considered most necessary by those purchasing property of any kind. Mr. Siegmund is a Booster for a greater Salem and is among our most representative, substantial and progressive citizens. His office is conveniently located at 345 State street.