

RICH VIRGIN AREA AMAZES VISITORS

District of 200,000 Acres Has Big Future Within Few Years Now.

ESTACADA BUSINESS HUB

Results of Experimental Station Show That Soil is Best Adapted to Fruits—Productive Section Near City.

Picking strawberries under the very shadow of Mount Hood, and watching an expert explain summer pruning of fruit trees may not be particularly attractive to every resident of a city, but it proved to be the chief charm that drew 200 clubmen and clubwomen into the Garfield fruit district last week. Members of the Portland Ad Club and of the Portland Realty Board indulged in an outing over the Oregon Water Power Company's line to Estacada, and from that point were taken in hay-racks up over the range until they had reached an elevation of 1200 feet. Here in a beautiful valley, with Mount Hood towering high and almost within grasp, so near as hand did it seem, the 200 men and women passed a most enjoyable afternoon. The district is sometimes referred to as the Eagle Creek Canyon section. It is a rolling plateau, composed of rich red soil and productive of a vigorous verdure. From a scenic standpoint it is considered one of the most remarkable of the many valleys in Oregon.

The wives of the farmers in the neighborhood provided the party with a most delicious luncheon in Grange Hall located a short distance from Garfield. A mile to the north is located the experimental station of the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis. After partaking of the luncheon and a few moments spent in the Standish strawberry patch, the visitors were taken to the experimental farm, and there Professor Gardner gave an illustration of the correct principles involved in summer pruning.

This section of Oregon lies 35 miles south and east is said to contain over 200,000 acres of land capable of being tilled and made the most productive within the reach of the Columbia basin. It consists of a range of hills, varying in altitude from 1000 to 1200 feet. The hills are so rounded out that they furnish a gentle slope for excellent tillage and drainage.

Wood block paving for car tracks through Eastmoreland and Westmoreland will be installed by the Ladd Estate Company. Car tracks throughout the city hitherto have had either Belgian block or hard brick paving. These materials while having satisfactory wearing qualities, possess the serious drawback of creating much noise, it is declared. This has been felt particularly in residence districts where the early morning traffic causes considerable annoyance.

Wood block is said to be the highest class and most costly of all pavings and this, together with the asphalt at the sides of the tracks and on all other streets and avenues of Eastmoreland and Westmoreland, will keep these districts almost entirely free of all noise from vehicular traffic.

WOOD BLOCK PAVING IS USED

Eighty-pound steel rails are being used in construction of the new carline, together with "four cypher" gauge trolley wire.

This extra heavy equipment is being provided for the purpose of allowing loaded freight cars to be handled over these tracks so that heavy construction material for Reed College and the homes now being planned, may have cost of hauling cut to the minimum. In this connection the viaduct at the entrance to Eastmoreland, will have steelwork of the weight called for in the heaviest class of railroad bridges.

These enormous expenditures by the Ladd Estate Company are in furtherance of its policy of providing every thing to make Eastmoreland one of the finest residential sections in the city and in character to correspond to the future greatness of Reed College.

Professor Gardner maintains that the trees are the nearest perfect of 3-year-old apple trees to be found in the state. They have been given scientific treatment, and their development has been watched closely as to pruning and spraying. They indicated to the Portland visitors the most remarkable uniformity of appearance they ever had the opportunity of witnessing. The question of their productivity still remains to be proved. The belief was expressed, however, with reasonable climatic conditions that the apples from this orchard, when a yielding year has arrived, would make a strong impression in the apple trade.

One of the features of North Plains is the natural park in the center of the town. This consists of several acres, thickly wooded. The Commercial Club has caused all the underbrush to be removed and benches and tables have been provided for the use of picnic parties. Free water has been piped to the park.

PORTLAND EXCURSIONISTS ENJOYING THEMSELVES AT ESTACADA.



PORTLAND CLUBMEN AND THEIR WIVES IN A STRAWBERRY PATCH



PROF. GARDNER EXPLAINING SUMMER PRUNING.

door, rich in phosphates and nitrates, without scarcely an equal, would produce more than five times an equal area to be found in Eastern Oregon. Attention was further called to the fact that the burden of transportation, as compared with Central Oregon, was virtually eliminated, and the certainty of securing the trade of that district was strongly evident. It was along these lines that Professor Gardner intimated that "Portland's first duty was to develop her backyards rather than tunnel a range of mountains seeking the favor of unknown gods."

James G. Woodworth, traffic manager of the Northern Pacific, with headquarters at St. Paul, Minn., who was a resident of Portland several years ago, has selected a spot on the Oregon coast as a palatial summer home. Mr. Woodworth was prominent in railroad circles in the Northwest for many years, having been connected with the former O. R. & N. corporation.

During his former residence here, Mr. Woodworth made many trips along the Oregon and Washington coast. Of all the places he visited there was only one which, in his opinion, was not only the "most delightful place in Oregon, but the most beautiful spot in the world."

W. H. Harrison, a hotel man of Logansport, Ind., purchased the furnishings of Elton Court Apartments, at Eleventh and Yamhill streets, last week, from George W. Brown. Mr. Harrison also secured a long lease on the property. The consideration was \$3000. The deal was made by A. E. Vaughan. Mr. Harrison is delighted with Portland and its climate.

Indianan Locates Here.

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OREGON COAST SCENIC

J. G. WOODWORTH PLANS TO BUILD PALATIAL HOME.

Former Portlander Selects Part of Old Ben Holladay Tract—Costly Improvements Are Planned.

That was the old Ben Holladay tract, at the mouth of the Necanicum River. Mr. Woodworth purchased a site containing over 23 lots in Cartwright Park. A Summering place which is a part of the old Holladay farm. The deal was closed last week through the agency of W. R. Streeter, the consideration being \$12,500. On part of the site there is a beautiful grove. Mr. Woodworth plans to erect a costly residence at once, expecting to occupy the place for a large part of each year upon his retiring from railroad work. He will have a private boathouse and yacht.

In addition to this sale, 11 other purchasers have secured Summer home sites in Cartwright Park. Four lots were purchased by Watson Eastman, president of the Western Co-operative Company, for \$2500, and eight lots by S. Freeborn, recently of Wisconsin, for \$2600.

WEST STAYTON BEGINS SYSTEMATIC IRRIGATION

First Unit of Project Opened Last Week, When Water Was Turned on at Demonstration Farm.

WATER was turned from the irrigating canal at West Stayton last Thursday on the experimental station and the adjoining demonstration farm, owned by the Willamette Valley Irrigated Land Company. Professor H. D. Scudder, of the Oregon Agricultural College, who is in charge of the station, has had the land divided into one-tenth-acre plots for

the purpose of experimenting with various plant products. There are plots without irrigation to establish the exact benefit of the water applied to the same plant on the same soil under otherwise exactly identical conditions. Some plots are manured, others are fertilized with various chemicals and combinations of fertilizers, while others are not fertilized at all. Just what chemical ingredient this particular soil requires. It was the intention to irrigate the plots by means of galvanized iron conduits, but owing to the delay in receiving them and the urgent necessity of applying the water, it was at last applied through the customary ditches into regular furrows. Clover and alfalfa were irrigated by flooding.

The experiment station is attracting neighboring farmers, who, especially on Sundays, drive from miles around to see the progress made. It is located at the Southern Pacific depot at West Stayton, in the center of the first unit of irrigated land.

From West Stayton the canal will be continued on towards Turner. The West Stayton, or first unit, comprises about 1000 acres. The company owns and controls about 4000 acres, with water rights for 20,000 acres, being thus in a position to sell water to other farmers.

On account of the considerable rainfall in May irrigation has not been necessary and a first cutting of alfalfa and clover has easily obtained. But from now on water will make a wonderful showing. Things will continue to grow all summer, while the non-irrigated lands have to lie dormant and nonproductive. Then, again, the alfalfa will rejuvenate the lands, which for nearly half a century have been devoted principally to oats and vetch.

The land about West Stayton is all planted in five and 10-acre tracts and several persons have purchased, while others have already moved on. With a family on every 10 acres, country life will lose its great drawback of loneliness caused by the big ranches and consequent sparse settlement.

Wonder Beans Planted. The company has, among other things, put some of its land to Kentucky Wonder beans and intends to demonstrate that with irrigation a man can make more off 10 acres of beans than off 200 acres in grain or hay. Small orchards have also been set out and a syndicate is now forming to plant eight 10-acre tracts to orchard, having obtained an option from the irrigation company for this purpose. Beans, potatoes or berries planted between the young trees will pay for the land, it is expected.

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ing season is less in this Valley than in arid states and irrigation therefore is considered fully as necessary. Hand in hand with it, however, goes drainage.

MUCK CARRIES SUIT UP

Land Owner Would Compel Court to Approve Addition Plat.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 22.—(Special.)—Mandamus proceedings were filed here Thursday against the County Court, asking the Circuit Court to compel it to approve the plat of what

is known as Overlook Addition to the city. The suit was brought by Henry Muck, who purchased the land several months ago and platted it for an addition and has been placing the lots on the market. When first presented, the court turned it down, declaring the addition was too far out and not in a desirable location or desirable property to be added to the city at this time.

A second attempt was made by an attorney sent here from Portland by Muck, but the County Judge and Commissioners again refused to approve the plat. Following this refusal, action was started, and the merits of the case will be argued before Circuit Judge Benson. The representatives of the addition declare if they lose lo-

cally they will carry their case to the Supreme Court.

Montesano Bank Cashier Resigns. MONTESANO, Wash., July 22.—(Special.)—C. L. Andrews, cashier of the Montesano National Bank, has resigned his position and will leave immediately for Alaska, where he will collect an Alaskan exhibit to be displayed in Mad-

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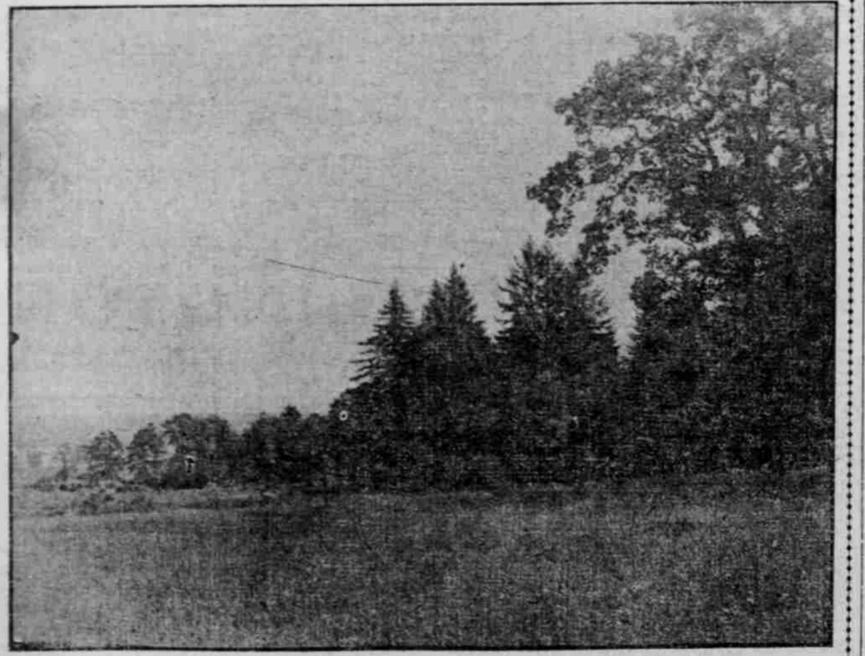


PARISH AT MILWAUKIE, WHERE EDIFICE RISES, ESTABLISHED FORTY YEARS AGO.

Work has been started on the new St. John the Baptist Church, in Milwaukee. It will cover 44 by 92 feet. Leo Shindler has supervision of the construction of the building, and is also architect of the rectory, which is under construction. The rectory is 22 by 32 feet, and will be for the resident pastor, Rev. B. Hugenroth. This parish is one of the oldest in the state, having been organized over 40 years ago. The new site comprises an acre, and will provide space for other buildings when required.

The church will be dedicated in October. Rev. Father Hugenroth, who was recently assigned to this parish, came to Oregon from La Crosse, Wis. Archbishop Christie assigned him to the Milwaukee parish, with the result that the site of the new church was soon secured and plans for a new church adopted. Father Hugenroth is an educator and for a time was professor in the Josephinum, the missionary school at Columbus, Ohio.

NEW TOWN PREPARES TO INSTALL MODERN MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS.



VIEW OF NATURAL PARK AT NORTH PLAINS, IN TUALATIN VALLEY.

North Plains, Or., 23 miles from Portland on the United Railways, has undertaken an unique plan for advertising the agricultural possibilities of the northern part of Tualatin Valley. While only a few months ago, the town is making rapid growth and proposes to secure a share of the home-seekers who will come to the Pacific Coast next year.