

Sunnyside

About 80 acres of land in the Sunnyside district will be planted to sorghum cane this spring.

(It was found a very profitable crop last year and W.M. Card who is one of the growers has a sorghum mill with a capacity of 75 gallons per diem--Yakima Herald, March 7, 1895.

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All the lady visitors at Mr. Chisholm's broom factory are presented with a choice broom. Perhaps this accounts for the large number who go out there. Yakima Herald, March 21, 1895.

Not to be outdone by Zillah and Yakima City, Sunnyside has organized a dramatic society with the following officers:

Manager Mrs. Joseph Lannin; assistant manager, C.A. Anderson; secretary, Mrs. Willis Cannon; treasurer B.M. Brewer; musical director, Robert Sterling; stage managers, L.D. Gordon, William Stobie and J.W. Pearce-- Yakima Herald, March 28, 1895.

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Rowland, Lichty and Harrison, Sunnyside.

Nowhere in the pulse of a community more distinctly felt than through its real estate transfers. Therefore we give here a brief history of the Dunkard colony movement at Sunnyside.

C. Rowland, Lanark, Ills., H.M. Lichty and S.J. Harrison, Sunnyside are the promoters of the Christian Co-Operative colony and a few words can be properly said of this firm.

The men are of Pennsylvania Dutch extration. They were all brought up on farms; they were liberally educated; one was for several years editor of their church paper; one holds degree of bachelor of arts with honorary degrees from his alma mater. All have been teachers. Mr. Rowland is president of one of the banks at Lanark, Ill. Mr. Lichty was president of a bank in Nebraska for ten years; Mr. Harrison is president of the Sunnyside bank.

In coming to Sunnyside four years ago the e men at once acquired lands and proceeded to apply the water. They have demonstrated their practibility in these lines. The papers on file in their office show the following figures.

They have located 152 families and sold on commission and direct sales 9,167 acres of irrigated land. They have brought under the Sunnyside canal on personal account 1,250 acres; most of this large area they have graded and seeded to grass. They sold 650 acres and are still holding title to 600 acres. Besides this they bought the Sunnyside townsite of 310 acres and seeded or contracted to seed all of this ; sold all the acreage and many of the residence and business lots. They have continually backed up the enterprise they have talked by their own investments. Their three distinctive fields being grading and seeding land, stock raising and dairying. Oh Not only have these men been promoters of farm and tow property. They have taken aggressive steps in church and school

development. They have been identified with the leaders of the church of their peculiar faith. They came to Washington to establish an ideal people and so far as possibly a distinctive Christian community.

They named their effort the Christian Co-operative colony. Largely to early cooperative steps in church work is due the successful efforts of this line. This suggested the Sunnyside church federation, a corporation under the laws of the state a religious "trust."

Six denominations federated, built the largest church building in the county. The Dunkard and Episcopal denominations have their own buildings and all are doing successful work at Sunnyside.

It has always been the plan to make a college town of Sunnyside. The foundation is certainly well laid in the establishment of a christian community. A high school is organized which is a forward movement in that direction.

..Yakima Herald, Sept. 30, 1902.



## Sunnyside Library

Mrs. Jos. Lannin, president of the Library association of Sunnyside has nearly \$2,000 pledged toward the establishment of a public library in that place.

Mrs. Lannin believes that such an institution in connection with an amusement room in a community like Sunnyside will be a large factor in keeping out saloons and questionable resorts.

The association now has a membership of 134 and is officered as follows:

Mrs. Jos. Lannin, president; v ce president, Rev. Lee Johnson; treasurer, John C. Longer; secretary, H.E. Perrine. There are 12 trustees. A membership fee of \$2 is charged—Yakima Herald, Dec. 30, 1902.

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A petition signed by 64 citizens of Sunnyside will be presented at the next meeting of the board of commissioners asking that body to call an election at Sunnyside to decide whether or not that thriving community shall be incorporated as a city of the fourth class—Yakima Herald, July 29, 1902.

The county commissioners have granted the petition of the Sunnyside people to hold an election ~~October~~ to vote on the question of incorporation. The special election will be held at Odd Fellows hall, Sunnyside, September 2--Yakima Herald, August 12, 1902.

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The Sunnyside people are becoming ambitious and this fall will establish a high school curriculum. It is also their intention to put up a ~~600~~ ten or 12 thousand dollar school building--Yakima Herald, Sept. 19, 1902.



The Sunnyside dairymen are also organizing a creamery association.

Up to the present time the cream has been made into butter by E.E. Ferson in a home plant. It is now proposed to erect an up to date creamery in the town of Sunnyside. Mr. B.F. Reed of Ellensburg, the president of the State Dairymen's association has been called in to advise and direct.

Mr. Reed is so certain that he has agreed to take one third of the stock and manage the concern under the advisement of the dairymen stockholders. This will combine the strong features of co-operation of dairymen and successful creamery men. It is well known that producing the butter is just half of the work. Marketing the same being the other and some thought to be the "better half." So the Sunnyside Creamery association is to be co-operation in the fullest sense of the word. Five thousand dollars is to be the capital subscribed of which \$3,000 will be paid up. It is proposed to add as the plant grows and enter into broader fields than simply the making of butter--The Sunnyside Sun, Sept. 7, 1904.

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W.L. Walker of North Yakima was before the city council Monday night with a plan to establish a water system in Sunnyside says the Sun.

The question was thoroughly discussed, Mr. Walker will submit a proposition at the next meeting of the council which will be held in the mayor's office on the 18th inst. Sunnyside needs a water system badly and it is hoped that Mr. Walker and the council may get together on some good plan-The Yakima Herald, April 13, 1904.

Sunnyside, Nov. 27, 1906- At a meeting of the Pastors Charles , Porter and Smith to consider the fuel famine which has forced many to send teams to the hills for sagebrush a committee of pastors was appointed to present recommendations.

The committee recommended the appointment of a committee of three businessmen to take any honorable means to obtain prompt relief. The businessmen appointed are S.J. Harrison, W.H. Cline and J.B. George.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Christian Cooperative Telephone association to say it was decided to call a meeting for December 3 to amend the charter from a cooperative association to a profit sharing company. Those present were unanimously in favor of the change. The business of the association has been very satisfactory. -The Okla. Herald and The Sunnyside Sun.



The Sunnyside valley, now under government irrigation, six years ago was a desert. It was isolated from the outside world.

It had no telephone, telegraph or railroad and only a house here and there. Now there is a rural population, including the different towns under the canal of approximately 10,000 people.

About two years ago the citizens of the Sunnyside valley with a united effort succeeded in inducing the Northern Pacific Railway company to build the Sunnyside branch of the Northern Pacific. It leaves the main line at Toppenish and terminates at Grandview, eight miles east of Sunnyside and thirty miles from Toppenish.

The first barbecue at Sunnyside was held February 2, 1906, in celebration of the first train into the city. Since the building of the railroad the county has made a wonderful progress. There have been one story brick business blocks erected on ten lots 25 x 125 feet, one two-story brick on two lots and the foundations are laid for two more. Also seven frame store buildings on business lots. The foundation is laid for the Methodist church which, when completed, will cost \$6,000. During the year seven residences at a cost of from \$1,000 to \$3,000 have been erected in the city and six in the immediate territory.

The railroad for the year ending April 30 hauled from Sunnyside 60,119 tons of hay, 1,779 tons of fruit, 502 tons of potatoes, 520 tons of livestock, 39 tons of hops and 41 tons of wool. There are two trains each way daily. The Western Union telegraph company maintains an office in Sunnyside.

Sunnyside has a Commercial club of 75 members who have a modern club room with up to date weathered oak furniture. The club



club has published a panoramic view of the city for free distribution.

The city council is now paving with cement gravel seven blocks on Mayhew street, 10 blocks on F street and one mile on Sixth street at a cost of \$20,000. A special election has been called for June 1 to vote on bonding the town for \$8,000 for the purpose of a comprehensive drainage system.

The second bank was put in this spring. Each bank has a paid up capital stock of \$50,000 and deposits equal to the North Yakima banks ten years ago.

The business firms of the city are two large department stores, one grocery, two furniture, two clothing and tailoring, three millinery, two drug stores, two markets, two harness shops, one hotel, three restaurants, three printing office, two plumbing, one jewelry, two lumber yards, four real estate firms, three physicians, two dentists, two lawyers, two creameries, a nursery two complete telephone systems and connections with the Pacific States telephone system.

There are church organizations of Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregationalists, Baptists, Dunkard, Brethren, Christian, Episcopal and Free Methodist.

One hundred and eighty acres of a point of Snipe's mountain which extends into the city limits and has an elevation of 150 feet above the city has been platted for residence property and named Grandview Addition to Sunnyside.

The population of Sunnyside valley is composed largely of Puget Sound and Eastern men and women who went there for their health and are located on hay or fruit ranches--The Yakima Herald, May 29, 1907.

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David R. McGinnis

David R. McGinnis, one of the founders of Sunnyside, and recently promoter of the Celebrated North Star Press association of Minnesota, Wisconsin and the Dakotas and at the present time Pacific coast representative of leading farmmagazines was in the city Tuesday and spoke enthusiastically of Sunnyside when it was a sage brush plain.

McGinnis was one of those who carried for the motto, "Ten Acres is Enough." and though laughed at by his friends for believing that land like the sage brush wastes which were then the site of Sunnyside should ever be productive enough to make the motto a true one.

He was in Sunnyside in 1893 and 1894. He states there were no buildings there at that time and the site of ~~the town~~ the town was barren of everything except sage brush and Indians. Mr. McGinnis has no interests there at the present and believes that scores of people in Sunnyside ~~who did not know~~ never heard of him but whenever he visits the town he looks about with a fatherly pride to see that his idea of the ten acres has prove to be a happy reality--The Yakima Herald, May 29, 1907.



The First National bank, the second bank for Sunnyside has opened its doors for business.

The room in the Boutell brick block formerly occupied by Boutell Bros. department store was remodeled and very tastily furnished with modern bank fixtures of oak and marble. The officers are Lee A. Johnson, president; H.M. Lichty, vice president; C.M. Scott, cashier; R.C. McCready, assistant cashier--The Yakima Herald, April 3, 1907.

Sunnyside--Eureka

water. Rattlesnake hills

H.E. Nicholi has made a discovery which he thinks will solve the problem of the water supply for the city of Sunnyside and also water for irrigation for a large area of the arid land above the present irrigation canal.

For more than a week he has been prospecting in the Rattlesnake hills north of Sunnyside for springs and a reservoir site.

He found several wet places where rose bushes and rye grass were growing. He began work on one spring from which enough water oozed to fill a basin holding two or three barrels, at which the range horses were accustomed to drink.

After scrapping the ground away to a depth of two and one half feet the horses began to mire. He made a crosscut with a shovel and by noon of the first day had a stream of water flowing four gallons a minute and by night the water came so fast it could not be measured with an ordinary bucket.

He now has excavated an opening 10 feet in diameter and six feet deep from which here flows over a weir, placed for measurement, four-fifths of a cubic foot of water a second. This amount of water is nearly enough to water a quarter section of land.

Several weeks ago he appropriated and filed on the water on seven of these springs and also obtained a water right on Blackrock creek where he expects to put in a reservoir. At first he appropriated one cubic foot but after getting this marvelous flow he has raised the appropriation to 10 cubic feet a second on this one spring.

The one he is developing lies at the base of the foothills right on the road to spring valley. It is 12 miles from Sunnyside and estimated to be 600 feet above the town. The highest spring is at least 1000 feet



1000 feet above this one.

He has named his find Eureka. Two of the others have always been known as Twin Springs; another one as Sulphur Springs. It is his purpose to have water put on his desert claim two and one half miles distance by means of pipe next March and later furnish water to Sunnyside.

If this prospect proves a success it will mean much for Sunnyside as all the adjacent land, if supplied with water is the finest fruit land imaginable. It has long been suspected that there was artesian water in that vicinity.

One or two unsuccessful efforts have been made to drill for water lower down. The Yakima Herald, Dec. 3, 1907.



There is lively prospect for an electric line of railroad to the Sunnyside and up the Ahtanum. The representatives of two different companies have been here during the past week with that object in view. 6-18-91