

BOWERS SUB-DIVISION HAS AWAKENED CIVIC SPIRIT

With Coming of Fair Weather Work on Improvements Has Commenced and Will Be Rushed To Completion.

The Bowers subdivision put on the market by (A. R. Pedder, is one of the best things that has hit Davis for many a day. Conservative persons have been quick to grasp the opportunity and the result is the lots are in demand.

In exactly four days after the subdivision was opened one-fifth of the lots were taken. Those who purchased realize that Pedder has the right idea and that by buying in the addition they are getting, not only the latest improvements, but a lot for a small sum which in time will undoubtedly increased.

Contractor Vance commenced laying sidewalks on the Olive street side of the subdivision Wednesday morning and announced that he has a contract for 32,000 square feet of walk. The walk will be first built completely around the lots so as to give persons desiring to look over the tract opportunity to do so. The cross streets will come next. Contractor Smith will start his tractor engine grading the streets for the crushed rock just as soon as the weather permits.

One good result is already apparent, that the coming of the subdivision men has given employment to many local persons who believed that winter would see them make but little. Building will be started within three weeks thus giving the carpenter, plasterer, plumber and other mechanics some employment.

All of this helps a town and Manager Pedder has shown that he spends his money where he makes it by giving the contracts to none but local men, a policy, which he

declared he will follow out to the last.

The Mt. Diablo company is highly pleased with their first week's efforts in Davis and considering the heavy downpour of the past few days, which has delayed improvements, they have accomplished wonders.

The crushed rock for the walk foundations and street crowns has been ordered and as soon as this arrives the work will be pushed so that buyers can really see what is being done. The company is paying a top notch price for all work thus insuring the purchaser against a cracked or defective walk.

A crew of men has begun installing curbs, according to the grades laid out by Surveyor Arnold. The company will also lay under-ground culverts where they are needed to eliminate any possibility of standing water during the rainy season.

As soon as the streets are graded and rocked, sidewalks and curbs under way and ornamental trees being planted, the addition will become a big boost to Davis of which we can well feel proud. Manager Pedder has assured us that homes will soon start on the new subdivision.

Rummelsburg & Bierbaum are engaged taking stock in their large mercantile establishment.

T. G. Schmeiser has been extending his water system considerably this week, running leads to J. B. Anderson, J. W. Campbell and Rummelsburg & Bierbaum. A one and a half inch faucet was installed in the rear of the last named place that would do good service in case of fire.

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Wednesday morning, January 22, workmen begin laying the sidewalks that are, in large part, still there today.

Sikes at his home in Davis succumbed to the inevitable as a result of old age and the consequent infirmities. He had been somewhat feeble for some time and gradually grew weaker and three or four days prior to dissolution it was realized that there was little hope for the strong will and constitution to again rally. His heart was very weak and slowly but surely the task of sustaining life waned until finally it ceased its fruitless endeavor to continue the all important function and the aged veteran sank quietly into the rest that knows no earthly waking. He was surrounded by the members of his family with the exception of one absent daughter.

Deceased as a pioneer settled on a piece of land three miles south of Davis, where he continued to abide until about three years ago when he turned his farming operations over to his son Alvin, erected a comfortable home in Davis, where with his devoted wife and daughter to care for him, he continued his residence. He was truly a type of pioneer that gave the best that was within him for the development of his section and enjoyed the friendship and confidence of all whom he associated. Honorable and just in all his dealings, knowing naught but the strictest integrity, none ever hesitated about taking him

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259 was held last evening in Odd Fellows hall was the occasion of a large gathering of members of the order and well commemorated.

District Deputy Grand Master Robert Schmeiser assisted by the staff of Grand officers, Arthur Scott of Madison, D. G. W.; G. R. Hurlburt, of Madison, Sec.; G. W. Pierce, Treas.; W. S. Wright, Prelate; Jas. Early, I. G. The following named were installed for the ensuing term of six months:

John Drummond, N. G.; C. T. Fisher, V. G.; F. W. Wilson, Sec.; J. B. Anderson, Treas.; Appointive officers: Jas. Early, Warden; W. S. Wright, Conductor; G. W. Pierce, Chaplain; J. T. Donnewith, R. S. N. S. G.; Jake Snider, L. S. N. G.; Geo. Ooste, R. S. V. G.; C. T. Nickolei, L. S. V. G.

Mrs. Lydia Hurlburt, District Deputy Grand President, assisted by the Mesdames Chaney, and Campbell and Miss Louise Schmeiser, and Miss Mamie Snee as prelate installed the officers for the Rebekah Lodge: Miss Amie Ooste, N. G.; Mrs. Tessica Early, V. G.; Mrs. Virginia Sanders, Sec.; Mrs. Jennie Read, Treas.; Appointives: Miss Elmine Schmeiser, Warden; Louise Schmeiser, Conductor; Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Chaplain; Mrs. Carrie Wright, R. S. N. G.; Mrs. G. W. Pierce, R. S. V. G.; Irma

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STONE IRRIGATION PROJECT ENTERS ANOTHER STAGE

Idaho Engineer, Man of Wide Experience, Takes Up Work For Stone and Development Will Be Pushed.

Edward S. Smith was a recent arrival from Idaho and is with R. T. Stone. Mr. Stone rented the corner from Mr. Schmeiser for offices for his irrigation proposition.

Mr. Smith comes from the city of Gooding, Idaho as a fully accredited civil engineer and is now busily engaged preparing drawings and plans for Mr. Stone on his Sacramento river intake irrigation scheme. He is working on plans of various proposed structures in connection therewith, such the intake from the river, the canal, head gates etc.

Mr. Smith held the position of city and county engineer, also director of highways. He is quite enthusiastic about the necessity for incorporation for Davis. He declares the time is fully ripe for the same and with incorporation as a starter many other good things would naturally follow in rapid succession as a result. He would undoubtedly be the right man to take up the work of mapping, platting and of giving for the town an official grade that would prepare the way for building and laying of concrete sidewalks and which is an absolute necessity before that kind of improvement can go ahead in a satisfactory manner. It would indeed be gratifying to see a few miles of concrete sidewalks laid during the coming year, but the work cannot be satisfactorily done until the grade has been established officially. Work down out of grade and fine is exceedingly unfortunate as is already demonstrated in some small degree in walks that have been previously laid in town. It would be

a nice thing should Mr. Smith continue his residence in the town until such time as he could be employed to do this line of work, as if a resident he would be continuously on the ground to watch and to supervise lines and grades. As a matter of fact he might be utilized by property owners on certain streets who may desire to build or lay walks as he could efficiently work out certain units of the general scheme for grades, etc., for certain work might be laid out so that it would fit in.

STONE PROJECT INTERESTS CAPITAL

At this writing negotiations are reported as progressing favorably for the consumation of what would undoubtedly prove the most important proposition that could be launched in this section. In past issues considerable space has been devoted in explanation of irrigation projects that Mr. R. T. Stone has been engaged working out. From information at hand, it seems Mr. Stone is well on the road toward having his efforts crowned with success.

Mr. Stone has been in San Francisco for the past two or three weeks and is reported to have interested unlimited capital in his irrigation projects. He is still in the city at this writing and it is reported completing details of the negotiations.

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