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**LABORERS IN THE UNITED STATES**

A little time spent in coning over the figures of the United States census for 1900, would be time well spent by those enthusiastic labor agitators who seem to believe that numerically the laboring people are in a large majority in the United States.

It is true that more than one half of the people in the United States, about 58 per cent, do follow some gainful occupation for a living but among these are owners of their own shops, professional men etc.

In 1900 there were 21,329,819 males of voting age in the United States. In 1900 there was a total of 18,821,090 males ten years old and over engaged in some gainful occupation, but this number includes 7,887,042 agriculturalists, and 632,646 professionals.

A Russian, who escaped from Port Arthur by Pigeon Bay June 29, states that the earth trembled under the terrific concussion which began July 26, and ended during the night of July 28, when the battle ceased. The Chinese who arrived here on separate junks confirm the Russian statement that the Russian killed and wounded during the assault numbered between 5000 and 6000. The Japanese in their repeated assaults against the eastern forts on the hills through barbed wire entanglements and over mines, displayed fanatical bravery. They were mowed down by a hail of shells and bullets and the explosion of mines under their feet. Their losses are estimated at 20,000.

The Russian declares the Russians held all the eastern forts leading to Golden Hill and the Japanese, shattered and exhausted, retired eastward.

**UNGOVERNED BOYHOOD.**

Four boys, the oldest 19 and the youngest 16 have been arrested in Chicago, charged with burglary as a profession and confessing to the charge and turning up goods of the value of thousands of dollars. In addition to burglaries innumerable, the boys have confessed to the commission of two murders. The police are inclined to believe the confession. Goods have been identified as belonging to a particular store whose proprietor—a small shopkeeper—was found murdered behind his counter where his cot was located. The boys are something on the order of the four car barn murderers, and frankly state that the career of the famous four was the main incentive to their own careers. Chicago will deal with them promptly.

The boys in this instance are native born and children of American parents in comparatively comfortable circumstances, able to give their children the comforts of home, but who preferred, it seems, to allow their children the fascinating discomforts of the streets

and the education so easily acquired on the night side of a big city. Therein is the solution of the Chicago car barn murders and of the burglaries and murders committed by the latest juvenile quartet. In their cases it is shown that an unequivocal surrender of parental control was made and concluded.

It appears that whether the boys attended school or followed their own sweet wills was all one to the parents. Whether they were home at a reasonable hour or whether they roamed the streets was all one to the parents who are now bitterly repenting their course—when it is too late. Chicago is not the only city where parental control is surrendered and youthful burglars and murderers are being trained up in the way to the penitentiary.

The establishment of Juvenile Courts is a long step in the right direction and an additional number of truant officers would be another, with a curfew bell added. After a fixed hour boys have no business on the streets unaccompanied by parents or others in the place of parents. At the bottom of the trouble is the indifference of parents if that could be overcome—and Chicago is teaching the lesson—truant officers would have less to do and the penitentiaries would not have so many slummi graduates from the streets.—Cincinnati Tribune.

**Japs Lose Heavily.**

Okeefeon, Aug 4—A desperate three days assault on the inner defenses on the northern and eastern sides of Port Arthur has failed, according to advice brought by two junks which arrived here yesterday, and today.

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**Base Ball.**

Pacific Coast.  
 Portland—Tacoma 4, Portland 3 (15 innings.)  
 Los Angeles—Seattle 2, Los Angeles 9.  
 American  
 Chicago—Washington 1, Chicago 5.  
 St. Louis—Philadelphia 9, St. Louis 3.  
 Detroit—New York 2, Detroit 1.  
 Cleveland—Boston 4, Cleveland 1.

**THEY WILL NOT MERGE.**

A report emanating from some source, which has no foundation whatever, has been called to our attention to the effect that the United States land office at this place was to be consolidated with the La Grande office and established in Baker City in the new federal building to be erected there, says the Burns Times Herald.

Such a report has no foundation and we have information that is reliable in every respect, that no such work is contemplated by the government. There is no occasion for such a move in the first place, and every reason for the local land office to remain here, particularly at this time. The records of the office show that there are something over 7,000,000 acres of unappropriated land in this district and that the present location of the office is most convenient and central.

**Price of Wheat**

The price of wheat jumped to 60 cents and over yesterday and several thousand bushels in Umatilla county were sold. The selling, although quite free, was not so large in Pendleton as in Athens and Adams. M. A. Ferguson, editor of the Adams Advance, came down last night and said that fully 25,000 bushels were sold there yesterday. Reports from Athens are to the effect that the selling was very heavy. There are reports from the farming districts of 65 cents being offered by buyers going through the country.—Pendleton Tribune.

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(July 30)  
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 Chicago—Sept wheat opened 89 3/8 a 89 5/8 and closed at 90 1/4 Barley 42 a 50, flax 1.17-1.2, northwestern \$1.24  
 San Francisco—Cash wheat \$1.37  
 Portland—Wheat Walla Walla 67, Bluestem 72, Valley 75.  
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