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IF I WERE YOU

I wouldn't think about distress, if I were you;
I wouldn't even once confess to being feeling blue;
But when the sun is well disposed to shine upon our friends and foes, I'd be content with even less, if I were you.

If I were you I wouldn't care how fortune went;
Just do your best—you'll have a share of sweet content,
If only you will have the sense to put your trust in Providence, and take what's sent!

Just let it rain, or snow, or shine; 'Twill bring no gain
To blame misfortune, or repine;
The longest lane will find some time, and every day
Blossoms will bloom along the way, because of rain.

Then sing your songs; cry if you must, but keep in view
The health, soul-inspiring trust, That's always due

To them that strive to live above
All earthly things—excepting love;
I'd let all other treasures rust, if I were you.

UNION COUNTY LEADS

Classified by the number of common laborers employed in 1904, Union county ranks third. By common laborers is meant those who perform the kind of work that is not classed with any of the 165 vocations specified in the report of Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff.

Three counties employ more common laborers than Union, according to the report of Commissioner Hoff, viz Multnomah with a total population of 130,046 in 1904 employed 2,678 common laborers or 2.55 per cent of its population; Clackamas county with a total population of 20,687 employed 819 common laborers, being 3.5 per cent of its population and Union county with a population of 16,725 people gave work in 1904 to 693 common laborers, being 4.14 per cent of the entire population. The whole state of Oregon, in 1904, gave work to 13,199 common laborers, the same being 2.81 per cent of the total population.

The above computations, which are made up from the data found in the official report of the Commissioner of Labor for Oregon, show that Union county gives employment to a larger per cent of common laborers than the two counties that excel it in the number employed and its per cent of com-

mon laborers employed is 1.33 per cent greater than that of the entire state.

Including the 698 common laborers there were 3,551 persons employed in Union county in 1904, according to the figures given by the Commissioner of Labor. Of this 698 were common laborers, 1,319 were farmers, 22 gardeners, 47 civil engineers, 48 blacksmiths, 101 carpenters, 124 clerks, 28 doctors, 20 attorneys, 154 merchants, 146 railroad employees, 29 painters, 13 ministers, 112 teamsters. A glance through the tables giving the numbers employed in the 165 vocations shows that the industries are so widely diversified in Union county that a person skilled in any vocation can find employment in this county, except those that are not compatible with our climatic or physical conditions.

Persons of almost any vocation can find an opportunity for employment in this county either as a wage earner in enterprises now in operation, or by inaugurating new industries. The county is growing in population and wealth, the soil is good, there is an abundance of water power unused, and a hopeful field opens to enterprise in any new industries along almost every line of effort.

THE FIRST REPORT

The Observer received a few days ago the First Biennial Report of the Bureau of Labor and Inspector of Factories and work shops of the state of Oregon from June 3, 1903, to September 30, 1904.

This document is intended to assist the Governor in executing the present laws on labor and to enable the members of the legislature to pass adequate laws on that subject. It is a modest pamphlet of 164 pages, but being the first report from that Bureau, it is of especial interest.

There are 32 states that have such bureaus. Pennsylvania led off in 1872 and Oregon is the last to fall in line, and in 1903 it created the bureau that has sent in its first report. This report gives the total population of Oregon for 1904 at 469,458. There were last year 36,115 persons in the state classed as farmers, 13,199 laborers. Union county has 693 laborers credited to it in the report, which number is larger than was employed in each of the other 33 counties in the state but Clackamas, with 818 and Multnomah with 2,678 laborers.

There were 534 bartenders reported, 1,019 blacksmiths and 3,591 carpenters in Oregon in 1904.

Heart-Fluttering

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1/2 h. p.	\$ 37 75	5 h. p.	\$192 00
1 h. p.	44 50	10 h. p.	279 75
1 1/2 h. p.	95 50	15 h. p.	367 75
2 h. p.	104 15	20 h. p.	462 50
3 h. p.	128 85	30 h. p.	555 65

To this price must be added freight from San Francisco to La Grande.

1/2 hp \$ phase	120 lbs	1/2 hp single phase	225 lbs
1/2 hp	155 lbs	1 hp	270 lbs
1 hp	242 lbs	1 hp	275 lbs
2 hp	343 lbs	2 hp	380 lbs
3 hp	425 lbs	3 hp	485 lbs
		5 hp	680 lbs
5 hp	form K	810 lbs	form L
7 1/2 hp	form K	950 lbs	form L
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