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CULTIVATE THE SPIRIT.

If there is one thing which every small town needs, it is the cultivation of a broader spirit—a spirit which will be animated by something more than self-interest; a spirit which will look upon the affairs of a town as the concern of all its citizens; a civic spirit which believes that the growth of cities can be controlled, that civic spirit which can look at things from the standpoint of a community; that will not allow money which should be spent at home to be sent away to support the monopolistic Mall Order houses.

Most every city or town has its business men's organizations, commercial club, chamber of commerce or board of trade, the missions of all of which are to promote closer business relations, to obtain the lowest freight rates, encourage and induce manufacturers to locate, and such things as directly relate to the general business welfare of a town or city.

But the civic spirit—the interests and co-operation of the ordinary citizen has not been cultivated, and until it has been, no great progress can be made in a town's welfare.

Cultivate, therefore, the civic spirit; arouse civic spirit and work harmoniously for your own community's good, and your reward will be a busy, prosperous, flourishing community.—Ex.

WOMEN THE WORLD'S BUYERS.

Did you ever realize that women are the world's purchasing agents? They are the court of last resort for the butcher, the baker, the clothier, the jeweler, the grocer, the house builder and the dry goods merchant.

All the foodstuffs, nine-tenths of the clothes, half the fuel, seven-eighths of the light, nearly all the precious stones and jewelry are bought by women. The only things that men purchase to a greater extent than women are tobacco and spirituous liquors.

Merchants in writing their advertisements should remember this and make their appeals directly to the women. The wise and successful merchant always does this.

It would be simply another freak in Oregon politics to have a case at issue where the presiding judge would be Senator Fluton, the prisoner at the bar, Hon. Binger Hermann, and the prosecuting attorney Francis J. Heney.

Any one who heard Tom Richardson last evening can easily see why he brings things to pass. His address also gave an insight as to how large things are brought about in Portland.

Cheer up! Spring will soon be here. The bulbs in your flower garden are beginning to make their appearance.

Tom Richardson certainly gave the ladies of the Park association words of cheer.

Cooper Trial Finished Soon.

Nashville, March 2.—Attorneys for Colonel Cooper, and Robin, his son and John D. Sharpe, being tried for the murder of former Senator Carmack, announced today that after introducing three witnesses, the defense will rest its case. The morning hearing was devoted to an examination of Dr. Thompson, who testified regarding Carmack's movements prior to the shooting.

A creamery at Baker City seems assured.

RATE REDUCTIONS

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between 50 and 25 cents per 100 pounds. This is a first reduction on first-class articles, and second on fifth-class.

The reductions on other classes range between these figures.

Spokane complained of having to pay, in a majority of cases, the rate to the Pacific coast, plus the local rate from there back to Spokane, which the railroads add was necessary because of water competition.

The Washington decision holds that the rates charged from eastern points to Spokane are unjust and unreasonable. Class rates from St. Paul to Spokane are reduced 16.2-3 per cent, and a substantial reduction was made in rates from Chicago to Spokane. Rates from points east of Chicago were not considered.

The commission sustained the railroads in connection with complaint by Spokane that rates from eastern cities to Seattle and other more distant points are less than they are to Spokane. The decision holds that rates from the east to points on the Pacific coast controlled by water competition and that higher rates to interior points like Spokane are not necessarily unlawful.

A striking victory for the shipper in the Spokane rate case bring with it promise of prompt reduction of freight rates in La Grande. The chief complaint registered by La Grande shippers and consumers has been that transcontinental freight rates to Portland have been charged and local rates from Portland back to La Grande added to it. According to the decision of the commission these double charges are unjust and wrong.

This is not to be construed as meaning the local rates between La Grande and Spokane are reduced. Spokane distributors will have less charges to pay in shipment of goods to them from the east and can therefore sell cheaper to La Grande and other inland points.

The Spokane instance was taken as a test case and is applicable to La Grande as to Spokane.

WETS OUTWIT THEIR ENEMIES

LOCAL OPTIONISTS IN WASHINGTON SWEEP AWAY.

By Clever Ruse Wets Succeeded in Scoring Another Decisive Victory in House at Olympia—Question Will Come Up as in Original County Unit Measure.

Olympia, March 2.—In the local option fight, resumed in the house this morning, the wets gained a complete victory, wiping the dries off the boards. The wets victory was so complete that probably the whole fight will be taken up again, starting out with the county unit plan, as originally contemplated in the McMaster's bill. The wets sprung a surprise the first thing when Slayden moved the adoption of the dry majority report of the house public morals committee. The report made cities of the first, second and third class, units by themselves. The debate went off the house to witness the local option fight.

The committee report required a population of 1500 in order to be a unit. By agreement Beach reduced it to 1000. This was the first compromise. The next came in an amendment from the dries, providing fourth-class cities with a population of 700 should be the unit. This was defeated. The third compromise was offered by the dries, reducing the population to 500. This was also defeated. When the last compromise was offered, Jackson announced that if it lost, he would bring up the old local option fight on the county unit basis.

Boiled to Death.

McGill, Nev., March 2.—Mrs. A. V. Smith, proprietress of a boarding house here, saw her child, 18 months old, boiled alive in a tub of hot water in which it had fallen. The infant was practically dead when taken out.

A 40-acre apple orchard is to be planted near Corvallis.

START NEW WAREHOUSE

Ground was broken for the Wool-growers' warehouse Wednesday by Contractor E. B. Knapp, who says, barring accidents and a prolonged stretch of very bad weather, the building will be done in contract time, June 1 next, says the Enterprise News-Record.

A half dozen scrapers and fresnos are rapidly scooping out the big excavation required for the basement, and hill rock is being hauled for the foundation.

The big hole impresses one with the immense size the building will be, 50-x150, besides 12 foot covered platforms.

The directors of the company receive congratulations on the choice of material, as concrete has been proved to be fireproof. Concrete structures in the midst of burning blocks of other buildings are unhurt by the flames or heat, except for discoloration. It means absolute safety from fire for all goods stored in them.

Lewis-Adams.

Henry W. Lewis and Mrs. Josie Adams were united in marriage in the parlor of the Baptist church at 6 o'clock last evening. Rev. W. H. Gibson officiating. The happy young people will make home at the residence of Mr. Lewis on Cove avenue, in this city. Their many friends wish them great happiness.

RHODES IN CITY AGAIN

I. B. Rhodes, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Oregon and Idaho, is here today meeting a number of leading citizens with a view of sowing additional seed that will later result in a movement to secure one of these great institutions in La Grande. Mr. Rhodes has just returned from Boise, where he assisted in a campaign to sell the present Y. M. C. A. quarters, built eight years ago but which is now entirely too small, and also at Nampa, building is shortly to be launched. Payette, Idaho, has just completed a building which cost, furnished, about \$20,000, and her citizens have every reason to be proud of their achievement.

For expert piano tuning, see Thomas Bruce. 1-281f

Pirates of the Air "They come like thieves in the night, dropping hundreds of feet from high up in the sky, catch themselves, circle once or twice, then come at the owl like a thunderbolt."

A quotation from the unusual and interesting story of decoying hawks, which is but one of the many splendidly illustrated articles which appear in the big March issue of

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