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It was born to hustle. He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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IRA L. CAMPBELL, who, with his brother, J. R. Campbell, has been prominent in Oregon newspaperdom in connection with the Eugene Guard, has retired from business. Ira's many friends among the pencil pushers of the state will be sorry to learn of his vacation of the editorial tripod, but hope that this will not prevent him from occasionally "meetin' up" with the newspaper boys to give and receive the "glad hand" of fellowship.

The First Judicial district now has two district attorneys, under the law passed by the late legislature and which was signed by the Governor last week. The bill provides for the division of the district, giving one district attorney to Klamath and Lake counties and one to Jackson and Josephine, and names L. F. Conn, of Lakeview, to fill the office until the next election. The salary of the attorney for the eastern division is fixed at \$1500, and that of the western official at \$2000. The former law provided for one district attorney at \$3000, so that the new law reduces District Attorney Reames' salary \$1000, and increases the expense of the district \$500. In effect it makes an additional judicial district.

Why wouldn't it be a good idea for a lot of us to get behind every project that is brought up which has the elements of a good thing for the town in it and give it a push toward success. What do you say to stop being so very critical about people who start the thing, just so "the thing" itself is all right. If John Jones, who is your pet aversion, advocates something which you know will be of benefit to the city and the country at large, don't oppose it just because Jones wants it; but forget all about your antipathy to the promoter of the enterprise and get in and help make it a success. You will be surprised to find out after awhile that Jones is a pretty good sort of a man after all and that you have not only helped the town, but you have helped yourself. You'll get in the habit of that sort of thing pretty soon and you will find your self back of every progressive movement in your community. You will find out that people will ask your opinion about matters and things concerning the growth of the city. You will be looked upon as a progressive citizen, finally you will discover that instead of being just one of the helpers in progressive movements, you have become one of the leaders. Then, in after years, when you see around you a healthy, prosperous, growing city, with every thing within its limits that goes to make up the modern municipality, you can reflect with pride that you have helped do all this; and you and your erstwhile enemy can have many a pleasant hour talking over the things you have done together. Of course, it

takes work to do this. It is a whole lot easier to stand around and predict failure for every enterprise and poke fun at its advocates, but the man who predicts failure will prove a false prophet in so many instances that he will lose his reputation after a short time; while the fellow who gets in and helps things along is so busy that he hasn't time to worry over one failure until something else requires his attention; and when success is achieved in one effort he forgets that there ever were any failures. Let's quit being pessimistic; let's look on the bright side of things. If we can't do anything for a progressive movement in the town except talk, why, let's talk, keep talking about it and it may interest some one who can do something besides talk. Let the other fellow stand on the street corner and criticize, while we get in and work. We'll win in the long run.

TO ADDRESS STOCKMEN

Dr. Withycombe, of the state experiment station of the Agricultural College, will be in Medford on Saturday and will deliver an address to the stockmen of Jackson county, who will meet for the purpose of organization on that day, March 7th.

Dr. Withycombe's talk will be of special interest to the stockmen, as he is conceded to be one of the best posted men on the Pacific coast on breeding and raising fine stock. He has devoted many years to experimenting and working in that line and is prepared to give a great deal of information of value to raisers of stock—fine or otherwise.

The stockmen of Jackson county generally have very well bred stock, but there is always room for improvement and no one who is interested in this industry should fail to be present at this meeting, if he possibly can arrange it, as he will be sure to acquire some useful knowledge.

We wish to reiterate the importance of the movement for organization, both to the stockmen themselves and to the community at large. Organization means frequent meetings and discussions as to the best means of conducting the stock business successfully. Successful stock raising means better stock; better stock means better prices and better prices means more money in circulation in the community. This is only one of the good results to come from this organization. We have touched upon the others before.

Again we say to the stockmen, don't stay away from this meeting. Even if you are not in favor of organization—we haven't heard of any of you who are that way, but there may be some—come anyway and hear the arguments on the other side of the question, and above all Dr. Withycombe's address.

Death of M. R. Ish.

The death of Matthew R. Ish, which occurred at the Ish farm, near Jacksonville, on February 26th, adds another to the long roll of pioneers of Oregon who have passed away.

Mr. Ish was a native of Loudon county, Virginia, and came to Southern Oregon in 1855, remaining here several years and then returning to Virginia to bring out several other members of his family.

He was one of the three original owners of the famous Gold Hill mine and his death leaves but one survivor of the trio, John X. Miller, of Trail creek, this county.

Mr. Ish was 72 years, 11 months and 8 days of age at the time of his death, which resulted from an illness of several months duration. He was never married and leaves a brother, Richard Ish, of Vancouver, and a sister who resides in Virginia.

Among the Churches.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH. Revival meetings will commence March 15th and on Monday evening Ed. Pritch, from Kentucky, will take charge. Come out to hear the able preacher and see how you like him. He will surely give you the truth. You can't afford to miss his sermons.

M. L. DARBY, Pastor. FIRST M. E. CHURCH. Preaching morning and evening, Epworth League 6:30. Sunday school 10 a. m.

Preaching at Independence school house 3 p. m.

W. B. MOORE, Pastor. EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Sunday March 8th. Second Sunday in Lent. Sunday school 10 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon 11 a. m. All are welcome.

L. M. IDLEMAN. Presbyterian-in-charge.

We sell the greatest of blood purifiers, Acker's Blood Elixir, under a positive guarantee. It will cure all chronic and other blood poisons. If you have eruptions or sores on your body, or are pale, weak or run down, it is just what you need. We refund money if you are not satisfied. 50 cents and \$1.00. Medford Drug Co., Druggists.

SENATORIAL AFTERMATH.

Harvey Scott, of the Oregonian, and Hon. Geo. C. Brownell, president of the senate, are saying mean things about each other, all on account of an innocent little telegram sent to Senator Brownell during the closing hours of the late legislature. The following clipping from the Sunday Oregonian explains the matter pretty fully, and there are doubtless many citizens of Oregon who are not sorry that Mr. Scott made a mistake as to that particular moment being the time for the redemption of the pledges made by Mr. Brownell. Incidentally this telegram and explanation seems to show a contemplated treachery on the part of Mr. Brownell toward Senator Fulton, to whose influence the former owed his election to the presidency of the senate.

"Senator Brownell publishes, or allows to be published, the following telegram:

"Hon. George C. Brownell, Salem, Or. Now is the time. If you can help me it will be appreciated. H. W. Scott." "Received by Brownell at 10:15 p. m., Friday, February 20, 1903. "This telegram was sent to Mr. Brownell in response to his own invitation. He had visited Mr. Scott a few days before, and proffered his support, when it might be available or should be wanted. Mr. Scott answered that he had no intention of becoming a candidate; whereupon Mr. Brownell said that many were desirous of using Mr. Scott's name and requested that Mr. Scott should notify him if the time came when he could be of service. At a late hour it was decided by the Multnomah delegation to submit Mr. Scott's name. Therefore in pursuance of Mr. Brownell's invitation and request, he sent the above telegram. On his own account he cares nothing about the publication of it. To the judgment of the public he leaves Mr. Brownell; about whom, however, there is likely to be much more to say.

Going to Quit Nebraska.

One of our real estate agents has received a letter from a gentleman in Nebraska, from the tone of which it can easily be seen that he is getting desperate and has decided upon a change of location. This letter is only one of the many received by people in southern Oregon, and they are all similar. We print below a few extracts from this particular letter:

"I will be in Medford in the spring or early summer. I have a fine farm here of 160 acres, good soil, mile and a half from town, plenty of wild and tame hay, two flowing wells of good, soft water—and I am offering it at \$20 an acre. We have had the coldest weather this winter we have experienced in years. The ground is covered with snow and ice. I want to buy improved land near Medford. Several families here will leave for Medford when I do. I will want a ten or twelve acre tract of land not more than a mile from Medford."

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Fire at Klamath Falls.

A destructive blaze occurred at Klamath Falls on Sunday night, resulting in the burning of a row of business buildings on Main street, involving a loss of between \$15,000 and \$20,000, with little or no insurance. The telephone office, post office, H. H. Van Valkenburg's jewelry store, R. L. Hammond's notion and tobacco store, and Ky Taylor's barber shop went up in smoke. In the post office, the entire equipment, and all mail, blanks, etc., were destroyed, causing a loss very difficult to estimate and impossible of restoration. Postmaster Murdoch has borrowed blanks, etc., from other postmasters and has opened a temporary office.

This is the biggest fire that Klamath Falls has had since the big conflagration of September, 1893, which wiped out the whole business portion of the town and caused a loss of over \$150,000. Curiously enough the big fire burned itself out at the very point where the last one occurred.

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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The regular monthly meeting of the city council was held on Tuesday evening, March 3d. Present—Mayor Crowell; Councilmen, Willeke, Wilson, Humason, Elwood, Van Dyke. Absent—Pickett.

The matter of the improvement of J street was held over until the next meeting.

Reports of superintendent of light and water, city recorder and treasurer were approved.

The following ordinances were presented, read first, second and third times and passed:

For the prevention of domestic fowls from running at large at any season of the year and fixing the penalty for violation of the ordinance at not less than \$2 nor more than \$10. This ordinance goes into effect in 30 days, the other ordinances go into effect from and after approval by the mayor.

Transferring the duty of keeping streets and alleys clean and of notifying property owners to abate nuisances from chief of police to street commissioner.

Making the street commissioner ex-officio health officer, and conferring authority to act in all cases.

The petition for the improvement of 11th street was referred to the committee on streets and alleys, with instructions to draw an ordinance covering the grading and graveling of same.

The same order was made regarding the petition for improvement of H street, between 7th and 11th.

Official bond of Chas. Strang as city treasurer, approved.

Petition of M. D. & R. Co. for license to sell liquor was referred back for correction.

The matter of the use of city water by the Davis Flour Mills without compensation, referred to the committee on Light and Water with power to act.

An order was made for the removal of all stationary awnings on the south side of 7th street within 30 days.

It was resolved that the council consider itself a committee of the whole to see that strangers and prospective settlers receive proper entertainment and information concerning the resources and advantages of the country.

The city recorder's report showed disbursements from the General Fund during the month of February, amounting to \$212.10, and receipts to the amount of \$78.50. Light and Water Fund—Disbursements, \$129.10; receipts, \$528.70. Street and Road Fund—Disbursements, \$31.97; receipts, \$18.21. Total disbursements, \$1533.17; total receipts, \$625.41. Excess of disbursements over receipts, \$908.76. Approved.

Bills to the following amounts audited and warrants ordered were drawn on the several funds: General Fund, \$208.12. Light and Water Fund, \$202.74. Street and Road Fund, \$307.24. Council adjourned to meet again on March 11th.

Wood! Wood!

You can now enter into cash contracts for furnishing the

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with four-foot, body fir wood made from live timber. If you want to make a contract, call on J. R. Wilson, chairman of the Light and Water Committee, or Ivan Humason, chairman of the Finance Committee.

WM. S. CROWELL, Mayor

"The Poetry of the Orange."

"It appeals to you, when the fruit hangs ripe and sweet on the tree late in February, or early in March. Then the blossoms break out, and the trees are yellow with golden globes, and white with orange flowers. It may be that a flurry of snow has whitened the mountain tops, and then you have an artistic background for a tropical forest. The air is full of sunshine, and heavy with fragrance as night comes on, and when the moon is shining, you may hear at midnight through open windows, the song of the mocking bird in the scented grove, and it never seemed so melodious before.

An experience like this is possible any winter, and it is worth a journey of a thousand miles, while you can have it, by taking the scenic Shasta Route through the grand and picturesque Shasta and Shasta Mountains, to Southern California. Complete information about the trip, and descriptive matter, tell about California, may be had from any Southern Pacific Agent or W. E. COMAN, Gen. Pass. Agt. S. P. Co. Lines in Oregon, Portland, Oregon."

Estray Notice.

Came to my place in Climax precinct, one gray mare, about 15 years old, black mane and tail, heavy built, weight about 950 pounds, no brand visible, has a colt. Owner call, pay charges and remove same.

J. D. ANDERSON, Climax, Ore.

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Another Pioneer Gone.
William T. Leever, one of the oldest pioneers of Southern Oregon, died at his residence in Central Point on March 2, 1903, aged 74 years.
Mr. Leever came to Oregon from his native state, Ohio, in 1854. He was married in 1856, and to him and his wife were born ten children, all of whom are living.
During the Civil war Mr. Leever was a member of the 1st Oregon volunteer regiment.
For nearly all of the time he has lived in Oregon he has resided on his farm in Central Point precinct, where most of the children of the family were born.
The funeral took place on Wednesday, March 4th, services being held at the Baptist church in that town, Rev. T. L. Crandall, of Medford, officiating. The interment was made in the Central Point cemetery, under the auspices of W. H. Harrison Post, G. A. R.
Suicide Near Woodville.
Jas. Franks, a German, by occupation a gardener, committed suicide at his home a few miles above Woodville, on Evans creek, last Thursday night, by taking an overdose of opium with suicidal intent. Dr. Lone, of Grant's Pass, was summoned and certified to the cause of death. There being no suspicious circumstances, an inquest was not deemed necessary.
Franks came to Ashland some four years ago and purchased property there, supporting himself and two sons by market gardening. Recently he sold his Ashland property and bought a piece of railroad land on Evans creek, where the death occurred.
It is reported that he had often threatened to make away with himself, giving domestic troubles as a reason.
Farm implement for Sale.
I have for sale a mower, hay rake; two horses, Victor cultivator. The above nearly new. One good sulky plow, one fanning mill, hack and harness. Good barrel spray pump with hose, ready for use. Also have a variety of smaller implements. Call at my residence in Medford.
D. B. SOLISS.
Estray Notice.
Taken up and posted by the undersigned, living in Table Rock precinct, one roan and white spotted heifer, about three years old, marked with crop, split and under bit in right ear; swallow fork and under bit in left ear. Appraised at \$18.00 by C. G. Gail, J. P. Dated this 25th day of February, 1903.
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GEO. STACY.
For Sale.
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C. D. REED.

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