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OVER ZEALOUS.

When an individual is advocating something for dollars that he does not believe in, he is very apt to overdo things in his effort to earn the coin. We believe this is the only plausible explanation of a news story and editorial comment in the Democrat last week in regard to the appointment of a county clerk. Middle is registered as a republican and so declares himself, so you must sympathize with him in his effort to write from the democratic standpoint. In order that you may draw your own conclusions here is the whole story. John Houston was appointed postmaster of Vale, he knew of this appointment several weeks before the commission came, but did not resign until the arrival of the commission and then left the office. Arthur Moody, his deputy, was an aspirant for the appointment of clerk for the balance of the term, but told the County Court that he would not serve with a republican, either as clerk or deputy, and when the new man was appointed immediately left the office.

John Houston has been in the pay of the county for years, but he did not have the courtesy to show his successor anything about the office. His deputy, Moody, was of the same frame of mind, leaving the office on the arrival of Doolittle, hoping thus to place the county in a hole.

The republicans have been electing democrats to this office for years and this is the way they show their gratitude.

The county court tendered the office to V. B. Staples, the republican nominee, but he declined it with the statement that he was a candidate for the place, expected to make a campaign for the election, and did not think he should do so while employed by the county. Then the office was tendered to Henry Doolittle, who accepted, qualified and took the place and the people will find in him a thoroughly qualified county clerk.

It has been the custom to give the public the impression that it required a man specially trained to fill any of the county offices, this has been done so that the deputies could step into the offices. Most any successful business men could fill any of the offices.

IS IT ANOTHER TRICK?

A great many people view Carranza's present role of "good Indian" with suspicion, and with reason.

Carranza is tottering on his throne. His power is on the wane. His army is disgruntled and his generals are dissatisfied and defiant.

And there's a reason. The self-styled first chief is out of money, and without money or loot or the prospect thereof the Mexican does not fight. He prefers to loaf around in the sun and roll cigarettes.

There appears to be but one source from which the Mexican government can secure the financial assistance of which it stands so distressingly in need. That is from the United States. And we, strangely enough, seem to be willing to furnish the gold that will enable them to regain their position and ultimately turn their guns against us again.

No sooner had Carranza announced his desire to reopen diplomatic relations with Washington than the information was allowed to filter out that he was in the market for a big loan, and American financiers immediately pricked up their ears in anticipation of another slice of interest "bacon." Their patriotism appears to begin at one end of the pocket-book and end at the other.

The Mexican is an adept at playing good Indian when he has something to gain, and the first chief greatly desires American gold.

He may get it, but if he does we will probably soon be receiving bullets in return for it instead of interest money.

Keep both eyes on the good Indian, and don't let him come too close to you in the dark.

MAKING A NAME FOR A TOWN.

The citizens of every town have it within their power to make or mar their own municipal name. It will be good or bad, just as they choose to make it.

We of this town are no exceptions to the rule, and the citizen who loves

his own home will always bear it in mind.

There are many good points in favor of our community, and when the stranger comes to our midst we should not fail to impress these facts upon his mind.

We should take him in hand, exhibit the community as you would a blooded horse, let him understand that he is among a fair minded, energetic and generous hearted people, and when he goes to other climes he will speak as he has been spoken to.

That is the way reputations are made.

But there is another side, and it is there that mischief is too often done.

The stranger enters our door and we immediately begin to complain of the community and of the people. Nothing just suits us. Nothing is as it should be. Everything is wrong and the town is on the way to the dogs.

And again the stranger speaks as he sees and hears.

That is the way reputations are destroyed.

Which is it to be with us?

TAKING THE HOME PAPER.

Do you know of a person in this whole community who would be willing to go through life month by month and year by year without a knowledge of the news features of the township in which he resides? Would you like to be that person? It is difficult to convince the average reader of the real value of his home paper unless he has at some time or other been forced to do without it. Then it is that its value is brought home to them. Most people subscribe for the home paper, read it, enjoy it, and absorb the news it contains as a matter of course, giving scarcely a thought to the vast amount of labor entailed in the production of the issue. And yet that issue means a tremendous concentration of thought and energy and perseverance on the part of both the editor and his entire force of employees. The work thus represented on an issue of this paper, for instance, costs the reader the trifling sum of two cents. Would you like to fill the editor's shoes for a week, or a month, or permanently? Would you consider that the labor thus involved had met with just compensation?

BLOW AT INDUSTRY.

The revenue bill drafted by Secretary McAdoo is another blow at the business of the Western states. There is to be a tax on mined copper. Considered in connection with the Seaman's law, which was calculated to drive American deep-sea ship ping out of the Pacific, the attitude of the administration toward the oil industry in California and the revocation of terminal and other equitable transcontinental railroad rates to and from California, this is ample cause for assuming that the treasurers at the capital view the west as a legitimate field for exploitation and deserving of nothing better.

Add to this the proposed Pinchot conservation policies to tie up western waterpowers and eastern politicians have the natural resources of the west bound hand and foot.

Taken all in all, it almost looks like a conspiracy of eastern interests and politicians to retard manufacturing on the coast.

It is high time the people here awakened to the gravity of the situation.

Four years ago Teddy said the republican party was made up of and controlled by the big interests and corporations, and it was not safe to trust the country's business in their hands. The same leaders controlled the convention this year that were in control four years ago but Teddy says forget our difference, and get together. In other words the corporations have won him over to their cause.

The above has appeared in many democratic papers and is evidently sent out from democratic headquarters in an attempt to deceive the people. The bosses had nothing to say in regard to the republican nomination, their man was Root or Cummings, some one who could be depended on by the machine. Hughes has always been against the machine.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

The pastor is convalescing nicely and will soon be able to be out again. Mrs. B. F. Farmer of Vale spoke last Sunday morning to a large and appreciative audience. She used for her central thought, "God's Call to Moses." She applied this thought to that of God's call to every man and woman to service. She will speak again next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 7:15. The union service will be held at the Congregational church in the evening.

D. E. BAKER, Pastor.

THE PAID LOCAL ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE—Good one horse cultivators at McDowell's Exchange Store.

Piano Tuning—A. R. McCarty, an expert piano tuner is permanently located at Nyssa. All work guaranteed. Phone 14j. 14tf

Good second hand Buick automobile for sale, cheap. Enquire J. W. McCulloch. 16tf

WANTED—A girl for general housework on ranch. Leave address at Argus office.

MONEY TO LOAN ON IMPROVED RANCHES. W. J. PINNEY, ONTARIO, OREGON. 16tf

EXCHANGE FOR AUTO—Two fine residence lots, each 25x160 in Ontario Park addition. Give particulars of your auto. Ontario Argus.

SUNDAY EXCURSION RATES.

Half rates for Sunday trips. On sale every Sunday. Also tickets good from Saturday to Monday at a little bit more. Ask O. S. L. agents for details.

W. W. Letson is looking for the person who borrowed his .22 target pistol. He needs protection from the jack rabbits. Have pity and return the pistol.

WEEK END EXCURSIONS.

Attractive rates for excursion tickets good from Saturday (or Sunday) to Monday—on sale every week. Still better rates for tickets good Sunday only. Ask O. S. L. agents for details.

LOST—On the street Tuesday, the 18th, in Ontario or on the Boulevard road near town a bale of binder twine. Will the finder please notify the Argus office. 29p

WILL TRADE—160 acre ranch 7 1-2 miles from Cambridge, Idaho, on county road, improvements and fenced for small tract near Ontario. Address Box 41 Riverside, Ore. 29-20

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Bring in two old tires and we will make one that will run from 2000 to 5000 miles more for you. Kroesin Harness Co.

FOR SALE—On easy terms 5 room cottage and 2 lots, 5 blocks from center of town. W. L. Turner, the insurance man. 1f

LOST—Seven jewel gold watch. Equity movement. A. J. W. engraved on back. Leave at Argus office. \$2.00 reward.

WANTED—COMPETENT GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSEWORK. MRS. HARRY COCKRUM 'PHONE 96-J.

FOR SALE—Ford touring car almost new, equipped with self starter and other accessories. Phone 20 N 2

GIRL WANTED—Phone 20 N 2.

The Fox film for Monday at the Dreamland will be a "Woman's Part with Nance O'Neil as the star.

Charlie Chaplin in "The Floorwalker" Tuesday evening.

Lou Telliger Wednesday evening in "The Explorer."

The baseball team did not have a game last Sunday but expect to go to Nampa on Sunday next.

The Misses Riley, of Twin Falls, were here this week, looking after business and visiting with Mrs. Osborn, Mrs. Bender and Mrs. Slagle of Weiser.

James Whitcomb Riley died a few days ago and the papers of the country are filled with the splendid qualities of this much loved poet. His poems will probably become even more popular now than they have been for years.

Road Supervisor DeBoer is building a bridge at Lockett gulch and reports good progress. The bridge will have a 40-foot span, constructed of steel, with cement abutments, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$1000.

The neigh of a horse bespeaks the quality of the heart of the master. Their instinct is never at fault.

7th Annual Malheur County Agricultural Fair Sept. 19-20-21-22

Fastest Harness Races Ever Held in Snake River Valley

Twelve entries for the 2:10 pace

Six entries for the 2:14 trot

15 horses from California, 12 horses from Montana, 6 from Colorado, also others from Alberta, Utah, Idaho Washington, Oregon and Wyoming.

Over fifty entries in 2:20 class. Also fastest running races ever given here with many entries in each race

Novelty races will be pulled off between the main harness and saddle races.

Something doing every minute from the sound of the first gong to the last

State will make Fish and Game exhibit, said to be the best in the United States.

Stockmen are going to have more and better animals than ever shown before.

Fruit, grains and vegetables will be there in abundance showing what Malheur county can do in an off year

The ladies are especially interested this year and have been working so they can excell all past displays.