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Gratitude is the fairest flower that sheds its perfume to the human heart.
Plant within the heart the seeds of truth and friendship and from the boughs will spring the blossoms of faith and sincerity.—Emerson.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Without pomp, and with almost no disturbance to the machinery of government a revolution in Russia caused the abdication of the Czar and the institution of a new government. Aside from the Great war itself this is, perhaps, the greatest single event of a century marked by great epochs in the affairs of nations.

While the culminating events took place in just a few short hours, these can not be called those in which the movement was born and matured. The very success of the revolution demonstrates how there must have been the preparation. The success is in reality due to the propaganda which has been in progress for generations, which has sent thousands to death in Siberian prisons. These early patriots, the most radical of whom have been known as Nihilist, bore fruit quickly when the opportune moment was struck, and the manner in which the public responded demonstrates how deeply seated in the Russian hearts was the desire for a change.

That there may be counter revolutions is altogether likely. There are nearly 130 nations in the Russian Empire, which has a total of 160 million people. That such a vast number of people can be ruled by a representative form of government, without some friction is beyond the reason, especially since so many of them are in dense ignorance of the primary attributes of self government.

We citizens of the United States do not consider our government a failure yet. We had to fight one of the bloodiest wars in history before our government was firmly established, and now with 130 years of self government behind us, with the greatest public school system of the world, we have witnessed a division of our people on a vital question of national honor and integrity.

The Russian peasant may be saved by his own ignorance and his trust in leaders. That he will easily follow these leaders seems probable, or long ere this he would have revolted against the rule of the Romanoffs. The question is, will the leaders appear, or have they appeared and will they be able to hold the faith of the people until the infant nation outgrows its swaddling clothes and takes on the stature of man in the council of nations?

If it is possible that the 160 million Rus-

sians have gained political freedom and can maintain it, then indeed history will record that the great war with all its loss of life and property will not have been fought in vain.

THE REAL SPIRIT.

There was a real exhibition of the "go-get-em" spirit at the meeting of the Commercial club Monday evening. Not in a long time have so many men of the city attended a meeting of the club and considered the problems that face the community.

Do something. That was the spirit of the meeting. Instead of building air castles the men present urged the necessity of laying the foundation of progress here by working for the upbuilding of some permanent industry connected with the agricultural interests already represented.

There is sound philosophy in the movement to improve conditions by helping to make this a better market for the ranchers and to look first to the welfare of the ranchers who are here now, letting their prosperity be the magnet which will draw the additional settlers who will make possible the growth of a greater Ontario.

To make possible the accomplishment of a few things for the improvement of the city by the club emphasis was made on the necessity for more members. This is the first essential. A start was made at the meeting and the sixty contributing members was increased to 80, a gain of one third in one evening. There is no reason why the membership should not be 200, and it will be if the plans outlined for the work to be undertaken by the club materialize.

In their determination to increase the social activities the board is recognizing as fundamental the proposition that no organization can long hold a membership which receives no tangible return for the dues spent. Merely loyalty to the city and an interest in its growth is not a magnet for a sufficient number, but loyalty combined with a measure of pleasure will bring to the club many members who otherwise would not be attracted. And once they join the club their interest in other than social activities can more readily be secured.

Senator Julien Hurley as a member of the legislative road committee is in a position to do a great work for Malheur county and Eastern Oregon. His recent success in getting the Highway commission to include in its plan for state roads the extension of the road from Huntington to Ontario to connect with the post roads proposed from Bend to the Idaho line is the first step he has taken and should serve to unite the road enthusiasts of this section behind his efforts.

The press dispatches failed to carry the message of congratulations which Cousin Wilhelm the Kaiser sent Cousin Nick the Czar when he got canned. Bill must be wondering if he is next.

Ontario agrees with Vale on the question of good roads. That is one thing, at least, on which the communities can agree and unite in boosting.

The biggest and best store in Ontario to do your shopping.
WHY

RADER'S

We carry the largest stock and at the right price.

A child can shop here with absolute safety.

Come See the New Suits, Coats, Dresses

You'll Marvel at Their Smartness at Such Low Prices as We Have Marked Them---Look them over.

NEW PONGEES---

They are in plain as well as in the New Japanese designs.

CHIFFON TAFFETA---

In the new sport stripes 36 inches wide in all the latest shades. priced at \$1.50 to \$3.00 yd

ASK FOR MUNSING WEAR UNION SUITS

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For Men, Women and Children.

THE MOST POPULAR UNION SUIT IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE MONEY. QUALITY CONSIDERED. Those that have used the winter weight will appreciate the fact that we are going to carry a full line of Spring and Summer weight from now on.

SILK COMBINATION

In an exquisite shade of pink, Crepe de Chine and China Silk of splendid quality in several new and distinct styles priced at \$1.50 to \$5.00

SILK PETTICOATS Surely you will want one of these attractive silk petticoats to match your new suit or dress and such an array of new shades as you'll find at Rader's

THE DELINEATOR AND PATTERNS FOR APRIL ARE IN.

The biggest and best store in Ontario to do your shopping.
WHY

RADER'S

We carry the largest stock and at the right price.

A child can shop here with absolute safety.

COMMERCIAL CLUB SMOOKER IS A HUMMER

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the city does not develop, he declared, it will not hold its own boys and girls when they are grown but they will seek other towns and cities which are progressive and so give them the opportunities they need."

J. R. Blackaby talked on the need of better roads and laid stress on the benefits which will accrue to Ontario in the building of the system of highways proposed by the bonding bill. He urged that the club get behind the movement to get out a big favorable vote.

Vice President J. M. Lewis was called upon to outline the activities and schemes of operating the Caldwell Commercial club of which he was president last year. This he did briefly telling of their dual organization whereby the club dues are used for the ordinary expenses and the publicity work done thru a special fund collected among the business interests for that purpose. He said that particular prominence is placed on the social features of the club so that every man who pays a dollar per month gets a dollar's worth of pleasure or profit from the club. His idea of such a program for the Ontario club was seconded by many of the speakers who followed.

Rev. Herbert Livingston touched the funny bones of the crowd with his talk on "Commercial Clubs I Have Known." He said that the west was suffering too much of the old fashioned hot air commercial clubs whose principal business had been to send out booklets relating conditions so ideal that had they been true there would be no need for ministers in that region. Instead of continuing that practice, however, he said that he was glad to note that like the Ontario club most of these organizations were now engaged in doing real constructive work.

Mayor W. H. Homan said that the board of directors wanted to do all the

things which the various members had outlined but that they could not be accomplished without co-operation. "The members have to get away from the practice of letting George do it," said the Mayor. They must stop the saying, "what are you fellows going to do" and get in the habit of saying, "we are going to do this or that."

Judge Dalton Biggs started a rejoicing of the club movement and expressed his pleasure at the revival of interest in the welfare of the organization.

District Attorney R. W. Swagler urged a greater sociability as the means of getting the younger men of the city interested and told of the pleasure the business men of Caldwell take in their organization. He

said that it was a pleasure to note that the club was throwing off the lethargy with which it had been enshrouded for some time past.

The Beanguard orchestra delighted the crowd with several selections while James Conway and the Welnerwart Trio, Messrs. Byron Turner, Herschel Brown and A. F. Riddle divided the vocal musical honors all of which were joyously received. Harry Morrow, Harry Farmer and William Laxon provided the coffee and sandwiches at the proper hour and before the meeting adjourned twenty new members were added to the rolls and on motion of A. L. Cockrum the President was authorized to have a committee of five named to plan a membership campaign.

WELL KNOWN YOUNG MAN BECOMES A BENEDICT

The friends of Chester T. Lackey were surprised this week to learn of his marriage last Thursday to Miss Ruth Bracewell at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McConnell at Fruitland. Only a few of the immediate friends and relatives of the young couple from Ontario and Fruitland were present. Rev. C. L. Walker officiated at the ceremony.

Following the ceremony the wedding party motored to Ontario where the wedding dinner was served at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lackey. The bride and groom have gone to housekeeping at the Lackey ranch nine miles south of Dieitz, and in the meantime are receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

MISS EDITH HUSTED IS CALLED TO REST

Edith Agnes Husted who was born in Ontario, October 21, 1892, died at the family home Sunday afternoon. The funeral took place Tuesday morning under the direction of Rev. Herbert Livingston. Miss Husted spent her entire life in Ontario. An account of ill health she was unable to continue her school work beyond the 2nd year High School. Five years ago she went to Portland in the hope of regaining her health and returned showing marked improvement, but the constant attention needed by her father, who was ill for several months before his death, was too much for her strength. For several years she has made a brave fight against ill health, never losing for a moment the courage which has been her most marked quality. Her end was quiet and peaceful, sinking easily into a sleep from which she did not awaken.

The deceased is survived by her younger brother and sister, Jay and Viola Husted, students in Ontario High School and by her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wellington, of this place, with whom she has lived for several years past. Her mother, Isabelle Jane Husted and infant brother died in Ontario in 1895. And her father in the spring of 1914.

She leaves besides, other relatives and many friends who have been won by her fine spirit, cheerfulness and wonderful courage.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends who by acts of kindness and sympathy gave us aid in our hours of sorrow during the illness and death of our aunt, Mrs. Sarah A. Randall. E. N. Wood and family.

The funeral services for Mrs. Sarah A. Randall who died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wood took place Thursday morning and the body was taken to the old home in Pringham, Iowa, for interment.

Don't forget that the book sale is now going on at Letson's.

H. C. Boyer left Monday morning for Portland, and will visit Bend and other interior cities before returning to Ontario.

Don't forget the Book Social to be held at the Library Friday evening March 30th at 8 o'clock.

James McRoe of Ironside was in Ontario on business this week.

Consult our Want Ads— You may find just what you are looking for.

Ontario Laundry

Down Town Office
Everhart's

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ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY WE WILL HAVE READY THE FIRST OF A NUMBER OF ESPECIALLY TRIMMED HATS THAT WILL BE

Just the thing for Easter They are Distinctive

Our force is busy every day trimming new hats to replace in stock the great number that are being delivered, of course these are not duplicated so with new shapes, and new trimmings the choice is just as varied now as it was when the season opened.

WE INVITE YOU TO SEE THE LATEST OFFERINGS. WE KNOW THAT YOU'LL BE PLEASED.

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