

4. Extracts from a Diary.

I WILL TRY HIS PLAN

"I've been thinking over what the foreman told me about his way of saving money. I have resolved to give it a trial when I next get my pay.

"This 'hand-to-mouth' existence is too much of a risk for me to carry. If I should be taken sick or accidentally hurt and laid off, I would not only run into debt but be an expense and burden to my friends.

"I believe I can save several dollars every month. Now! to figure just what are my living expenses".

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Our Big Celebration

The "Railroad Day" celebration that is being planned by the Redmond people to signalize the advent of the Oregon Trunk railroad into the city, will be the biggest celebration ever pulled off in Central Oregon.

It will be such a big affair that two days will be necessary to put on all the attractions.

The date has not yet been decided on, but will probably be in the fore part of October. The Redmond people will see that there is something of interest doing every minute of the celebration, and that all who attend get the best there is in the house.

It has been stated that an excursion party of railroad officials and business men from Portland, accompanied by a high class band, will be here to help make things hum.

It behooves every citizen to do his utmost and show the visitors that, though we have been living in the sage brush for a number of years, we are not "asleep at the switch", and can give a celebration equal to the king's coronation.

If there are ten people who want to secure a property somewhat like that which you have for rent or sale, nine of them will never, by any possibility, hear of your property unless you advertise it in the Classified Columns of The Spokesman.

When it comes to playing ball the Redmond married men surely can "come back"—as they demonstrated by winning two ball games from the bachelors.

YOUR WANT AD will "talk" up your property to the people who ought to know about it—if printed in the Classified Columns of The Spokesman.

The first locomotive that pokes its nose into the city limits we are going to shake hands with for old acquaintance sake.

If the fall colonists don't start for this part of Oregon too soon after the colonist rates go into effect, they can ride into Redmond on the "choo choo" cars.

That persistent "curiosity" to know whether there's a want ad in this paper that YOU ought to answer is a valuable quality—and will make you prosperous.

Only thirty days more, perhaps sooner, and then you will hear the conductor holler out "all aboard for Portland", as he gives the engineer the "high ball" sign.

Shoppers expect, as a matter of course, that a store which offers a lot of bargains will do a lot of advertising.

A liar in business is a mighty poor proposition in a community. The Spokesman ran up against one of them the other day, and

he lied so persistently in trying to square himself for some dirty work he did against the paper that he raised blisters on his tongue.

With the date of the arrival of the Oregon Trunk Ry. at this point set by Chief Engineer Budd, it will be in line for the committees having the "Railroad Day" celebration in charge to get a move on.

Would you consider it "important" if your chief competitor doubled his advertising appropriation for space in this paper? Wouldn't you consider it wise, as well as audacious, in him? And if such a policy would be good for him, could it be bad for you?

What has become of the reported gold strike on Tumalo creek, that originated in Bend recently.

Strange how quick some people "drop out" of a society or organization when they fail to get elected to a coveted office.

The Spokesman is getting a good circulation in the Willamette valley among people who are interested in this section of the state.

It is to be hoped that the threatened strike of railroad employes does not take place until after the completion of the Oregon Trunk road to Redmond, and after we have our "Railroad Celebration Day" affair pulled off.

Get your "glad clothes" out and be in readiness to greet the first train that will soon arrive in Redmond.

CATGUT STRINGS.

How the Tough Sheep Membranes Are Fitted For the Violin.

"Catgut" strings are made of the intestines of sheep. The raw material from the stockyards is first thoroughly cleansed of fat and fleshy fiber by dull knives arranged on a drum turned by a crank. Then the white, tough membrane that is left in them is turned over to a workman, who deftly splits the material into even strands by bringing it against the blade of a safety razor set upright in the table before him.

The next step is to spin the strands together and place them on the drying frames. A violin E string of American manufacture takes six strands, the European string four. The strands, which are at one end fastened to an upright post, are twisted together while still damp and pliable by means of a spinning wheel. When they are taken from the drying frame the strings are cut into lengths, coiled and boxed in oiled paper for shipment.

To polish the strings there is used a very fine emery paper laid on a grooved aluminium block. While the strings are still on the drying frame the covered block is passed over the strings, polishing as many at one time as there are grooves in the block. The process of making the fine gut strings for use in surgery or the heavy strings three-eighths of an inch thick which are sometimes used for machinery belting does not differ materially from the methods followed in the case of the strings for musical instruments, except that the latter are handled with more care.—Exchange.

Putting It in New Form.

A teacher who is a lover of poetry and is a follower of the school of romanticists was trying to inculcate some of those principles in the minds of her youthful scholars.

She was describing a storm: "Peel after peel of thunder shook the earth, the lightning burst from the clouds and the orange orb of the west hid its splendor on the shoulders of the darkening hills." When she had finished she said, "Now, children, take this subject for your writing lesson and put it in your own words." They did.

One saucer eyed youngster wrote this: "Peel after peel shot down like lightning from the cloudburst, and the orange of the west sunk an orange in the shoulder of the hills, when the light went out."—Philadelphia Times.

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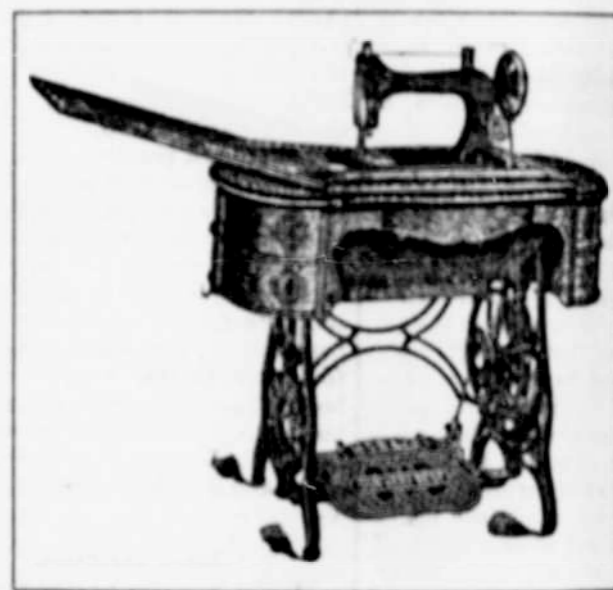
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