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OUR BUSINESS HOUSES

Articles Dealing with the Business Interests of Stayton

Business Men of Stayton are on a Par With the Same Class of Men in Other Localities

For the last two and one half months we have taken up some one of the Stayton manufacturing industries and published an article about them and their products each week. This week we are beginning a series of articles dealing with our business houses and it is our purpose to write an article each week dealing with some line of business carried on in Stayton. Where there are two or more houses handling the same line of merchandise they will of course be grouped.

Our article this week deals with the Banks of Stayton. We have here two banking institutions and they are good strong banking houses and are able to take care of the needs of our citizens along their line and handle a much greater volume of business than they are now handling.

Up until about six years ago there was but one bank here and the deposits in the one bank never reached over \$165,000.00 while the combined deposits of the two banks at the present time aggregates over \$300,000 thus showing a very substantial increase and displaying in a small way the immense amount of business these institutions handle.

Still another item of comparison might be mentioned and that is Loans and Discounts which aggregate more than

\$100,000 in excess of what they ever were with only one banking institution in the city.

Both of these banks are officered by men of integrity and business acumen who realize that this section of marion county is bound to grow and that there will yet come from this immediate vicinity untold wealth and they have provided these institutions for the convenience of their patrons and those who are coming to help develop this community. You will not find any better equipped financial institutions in towns considerably larger than ours for the transaction of all kinds of banking business.

ARTISANS HAVE OPEN MEETING

The Artisan lodge of Stayton held an open meeting Tuesday evening in the Odd Fellows hall attended by a goodly number. A short musical and literary program was rendered much to the pleasure and enjoyment of those present. District organizer and from Portland were present. After the program a clam supper was served and enjoyed by the gathering followed by games in which all participated. The evening entertainment was concluded by the Small family and Miss Ryan singing a German song accompanied on the organ by Miss Selma Schuff.

NICE FLOCK OF SHEEP

Cecil Schaefer has a nice flock of sheep of which he is justly proud. Starting in 4 years ago with one sheep he now has a fine band of 20 old sheep and 14 lambs. It is such work as this that encourages our boys and makes them grow into men with a desire to do something worth while.

PORTLAND TO COME FROM UNDER

For years the metropolis of Oregon has been terrorized, hindered its industries crippled by a small bunch of professional boycotters and picketers.

A state law was enacted to make picketing and boycotting a crime but like all similar contrivances of politicians it contrived not to accomplish results.

Now a bill is to be initiated and submitted to a vote of the people to prevent conspiracies to injure trade, business or commerce of anyone doing business in the city of Portland.

The bill will make unlawful any form of boycott or picketing the place of business of anyone by any kind of an organization, such as carrying banners in front of business places.

This will be a real initiative as no hired signature by the solicitors will be put out, but the 6,000 names will be secured by the business firms of the city, large and small.

At the election the people of Portland will have a chance to decide whether they will vote for property and business interest or for a small group of professional agitators.

Large industries have been hounded and tormented, and small merchants have been driven out of the city by the lawless boycott and the terrorizing picketing system.

The indications are that Portland people will prefer to come out from under the cloud of terrorism, lawlessness and destructivism that hindered development

There was a large attendance at the local Grange Saturday. The usual excellent dinner was served, short talks were made by members, making an especially pleasing session of this popular organization.

PETITION MAKES STRONG CHARGE

Sam Martin, who was married in Salem Saturday to Mrs. Lucinda Briggs of West Stayton against the protest of the woman's two sons, G. F. and J. F. Mack, is declared by the sons to have exerted a spiritualistic influence over her by claiming to be able to converse with some of her children who have long been dead. This declaration is made in a petition which was filed with the county court before the marriage Saturday, asking the appointment of a guardian for Mrs. Briggs.

G. F. Mack lives at Stayton and J. F. Mack at Aumsville. Both men stand well in the communities in which they live. They say they have only the best intentions toward their mother and that they are attempting to have a guardian appointed as a protection for her and her property, realizing that she has reached an age where she needs care. The petition states that Martin has gained control over her property. That the petitioners have no designs upon their mother's property is apparent from the fact that they have not suggested any person for the court's consideration in naming a guardian but have left that at the discretion of the court.

Mrs. Briggs, according to the petition, has a dower interest in property in Hood River the value of which is unknown to the petitioners, a half interest in real property in the state of Washington said to be worth \$13,000, real property in West Stayton of the probable value of \$1500, and has an income of \$625 a year from a life insurance policy.

The sons assert that their mother has a limited education, and that because of the infirmities of old age her mind has been failing for the last few years and that her eyesight is very poor.

A further assertion is made in the petition that Martin, who married Mrs. Briggs, has no visible means of support and that his reputation is bad. Mrs. Briggs is said to have given him money. Martin is blamed for the estrangement that has taken place between the woman and her children, and he is accused of having threatened indirectly to shoot the petitioners if they came about him.

The woman is declared in the petition to be past 71 years old. Martin's age on the marriage license is given as 67.

STATE FAIR PREMIUMS WILL TOTAL \$28,000

At the meeting of the state fair board Saturday, it was decided that the premiums for the '17 fair should be \$28,000, which is \$4,500 more than the premium for last year. Of this large amount \$17,500 comes from appropriations by the legislature. The remainder comes from gate receipts and from the concession.

The total premium for the county agricultural exhibits was fixed at \$8,000 which is an increase of about \$2,000. The increase goes for larger premiums on sheep swine and dairy cattle. On account of difficulty last year in the goat section, no premium will be given them this year. On account of their being little competition on Dorset sheep and Essick swine, the premiums on these breeds were eliminated.

The board added \$2,500 from

CLOSING OUT SALE

of Serges, Silks, Poplins and Ottomans

Owing to the Extreme high prices of all kinds of dress goods, cloakings etc., we have decided to close out all of our cloakings and dress goods at a much less price than the same goods can be bought for today wholesale. This department will be discontinued until after the war is ended. Sale will continue until last yard is sold. Mills too busy on Blanket orders.

Wilbur Woolen Mills Co.

its funds to the \$4,000 appropriated by the legislature for the purpose of connecting the fair grounds with the Salem water system.

For the accommodation of the public the board decided to install 73 patent lavatories, eight more drinking fountains. Fire hydrants will be placed in the principal buildings and all facilities for protection and safety improved.

There was some question as to whether or not the horse show will be held this year. That matter was not decided at this meeting.—Capital Journal.

CHICKEN DINNER

Saturday March 24 the Loyal Sons Class of the Christian church will give a chicken dinner at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. Small. Price 25 cents. The proceeds to be added to the class room fund. Golden West coffee will be served, all are invited to come and enjoy a good dinner and incidentally help the boys along.

NOTICE

E. G. Siegmund has been appointed by the grange to look after the interests of a wool and mohair pool in eastern Marion county. Any one interested write Mr. Siegmund at Stayton, Ore. or phone 118. Or G. H. Johnston, Lyons.

O. L. Weddle and family moved last week to Salem, where they will reside.

We are not having any weather to brag on here, at present, but in the east trains are still being blockaded by snow storms.

SOME CONSTRUCTIVE LEGISLATION

The Oregon legislature not only did not enact any bad laws but enacted some of constructive character. The anti-picketing law failed but only because there was not much need of strengthening the present law.

Following are some of the acts of the legislature that are of a constructive character as affecting business:—To encourage establishment of shipping lines by municipalities by giving a bonus or direct aid.

State highway law to connect up the center of population and producing sections of the state.

Changing gasoline test law to enable consumers of this state to buy at same rate as other states.

Act changing irrigation securities laws so that such projects can be undertaken in this state.

Law making it possible to manufacture denatured alcohol in this state from sawmill waste products. Giving smelters rights of eminent domain and encouraging establishments of such industries here.

Defeat of the 48 hour a week law that would have crippled Oregon industries in many respects. Law providing for licensing kelp fields and encouraging establishment of potash industry in Oregon.

Amending eight-hour and minimum wage law to allow operation of fruit canning and packing industries. Defeating the alien land law bill to prohibit Chinese and Japanese from owning lands in Oregon.

If you are troubled in mind or body see the Naturopath.

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