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The way to build up Oregon City is to give Oregon City people your patronage.

### A PARTING WORD.

Having embarked in a newspaper venture which will call me away from Oregon City, I shall, with this edition, close my editorial connection with the Enterprise. Pending a sale of the office Mr. J. E. Beegle will have the editorial and business management of the paper. Mr. Beegle has for the past five years been editor of the St. Helens Mist, which under his management has been one of the brightest weekly papers in the state. He is a writer of more than average ability, a thorough newspaperman, and a republican of unquestioned loyalty.

It is a feeling of deep regret that I sever my connection with the Enterprise and change my residence from Clackamas county, for no person ever had truer friends and more of them than it has been my pleasure to have while I have been a resident of this county. I shall remember them for their kindness to me in the days when I needed friends and I shall repay them as opportunity offers.

My interest in the welfare and prosperity of Oregon City and Clackamas county remains as strong as ever and in my new position I trust I shall be able to contribute my full share toward the upbuilding of the town that is destined to be the greatest manufacturing center on the Pacific coast, and of the county that will lead the state in the wealth of its resources and spirit of progressiveness.

Politically the Enterprise will continue to be loyal and consistent in its advocacy of the principles of the republican party—the only party that has, and can give prosperity to the country and peace and content to its people.

### A MUCH NEEDED ROAD.

In another column will be found a communication from Mr. H. E. Cross, in regard to the route and manner in which the remaining section of the Molalla road should be completed. Mr. Cross for years past has been an enthusiastic worker in the cause of good roads and it was he who passed through the legislature the law which permitted Clackamas county to adopt the cash system of road work. His interest in good roads has caused him to give much study and attention to the principle of road building and of the needs of Clackamas county, and the suggestions he makes in his article are all practical and to the point.

As Mr. Cross well says the Molalla road is of benefit to a greater number of people than any other road in the county and by reason of the improvements already made upon it, it can be made a splendid highway, passable at all seasons of the year, for but a small outlay of money. There remains but four miles of this road to build and when this section is completed Clackamas county will have in it a turnpike of over 20 miles in length that will compare with the best roads of the East. The location of the route for this uncompleted section is provoking a lively contention. The men who own the land along the present route stoutly oppose a change, while the people of Molalla and the southern part of the county insist that the road shall be given a low grade, even though a new route has to be selected for this route is their best outlet to market and they do not want it blocked by the heavy grade that the Howard hill would give to the present route.

With this road properly improved it would be the means of drawing to Oregon City the trade of 5,000 people who now go other places and its opening would so develop the Molalla country as to double its population within five years. So important is this road to the prosperity of Oregon City that the business men of this city should take hold of the matter and use their influence to get it located on a feasible route and then back up the county court with their money in the work of improving it, for on no road entering Oregon City can a greater return be had on the investment than in the Molalla road.

DURANT did not hang last Friday, the supreme court of California having granted a stay of proceedings, based on the grounds that Judge Bahrs had no legal right to sentence Durant until such time as a transcript of the judgment of the United States supreme court had been received. As this will probably take 60 days, the lawyers will have another chance to hunt up more legal technicalities to extend his life until this arch-fiend dies of old age.

With the incoming of a liberal cabinet Spain appears to be trying to bring about a settlement of the difficulties in Cuba. The most radical reforms in the administration of Cuban affairs is promised and political autonomy is pledged the Cubans provided they will lay down their arms. General Blanco, the new captain general, hopes to win the island back to Spain without employing the rigorous methods of General Weyler, but the Cubans treat the Spanish overtures with contempt and announce that nothing short of complete independence will be accepted for they have had fair promises before which were broken as soon as the Spaniards got them under their control. What little fighting has been done in the last few months has resulted to the advantage of the Cubans and it begins to look as though they will ultimately win their independence.

The Oregon Mist, of St. Helens, comes out this week under the management of Mr. Dave Davis, he having purchased the interest of his partner Mr. J. R. Beegle, who for the past few years has been associated with the publication of the Mist. Mr. Davis is a capable, industrious young man and a newspaperman of much promise and under his guidance the Mist will continue to be one of Oregon's brightest weeklies and a fearless advocate of the principles of the republican party.

### SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

The Yamhill Reporter sees much in the late elections in the Eastern states to rejoice over, as the following indicates: "There is considerable satisfaction after all, in the aftermath of the November election returns. The fact that our old county in Kansas elects the clean republican ticket, the first time in seven years, and that R. M. Pickler, republican nominee for district judge, carries every county in the district, mitigates our grief mightily over the swallowing of New York, democratic donkey and all, by the Tammany tiger.

The Silverton Appeal has the following observation to make upon the harmony now prevailing between the Oregonian and the populist papers of the state: "The way in which the populist and democratic newspapers and the Oregonian are hugging one another and exchanging blood brotherhood is very amusing. The Oregon City Herald, a rank populist paper, in a recent issue says that Harvey Scott is a powerful and fearless man. It says all sorts of nice things about Harvey. The Oregonian is plying the ax to grind it nicely. Scott puts them on the back. They are barking around in his fight. Scott's ability is heavy but his principle is lighter than a feather."

All Oregon is prospering. Of the revival that has come to Union county and how it is affecting the farming interests the La-Grande Chronicle has the following to say: "An unusual amount of farm property in Grand Ronde has changed hands within the past few weeks. These have not been transfers in the form of sheriff's deed, but by solvent owners for actual cash and at favorable figures. This is a certain indication that there is a very appreciable advance in the estimation of value of a Grand Ronde farm. And these investments are not wholly speculative enterprises, because the fact still holds good that a farmer who is out of debt is the most independent man in the whole county. An elderly gentleman of wide experience remarked the other day that the man who owns a good farm in this country is the 'Equal to a Lord of England.' This is certainly true, if the farmer is free from debt. No crisis in the world of finance, or upheaval in commerce and the various lines of industry can deprive him of sustenance for himself and family. And under usual circumstances every useful comfort enjoyed by even an English lord is at his command. A great percentage of the farmers of this country are emancipated from the ban of debt. Many of them have had hard times and were near the verge of despair, but the crisis is over, and the hard times have not been altogether barren of benefit, since there is left a valuable lesson of experience for the future. 'Hard times' and future financial smashes will have but little terror to the farmer who is out of debt."

Under the constitution of Oregon no county is allowed to issue bonds, and as most of the counties are heavily in debt which draws interest at the rate of eight per cent, how to reduce this debt and the interest charges has come to be a very serious question for county financiers. The Rogue River Courier offers the following plan to afford relief to these debt burdened counties: "The county of Josephine ought not to pay 8 per cent interest upon its indebtedness. What we should do is at the next meeting of our next legislature to try to have a law passed authorizing us to convert our debt into 20 year 3 1/2 or 4 per cent interest bearing bonds by means of which we would save nearly, or quite \$3000 annually in interest. This \$3000 should be made a sinking fund and invested in first class securities to meet the bonds at maturity which it would more than do 20 years hence. Thus at the end of that time, we would pay off the last dollar of our indebtedness without raising any more by taxation than we are now doing by the present hand-to-mouth method. What business man, worth as much as Josephine county and owing no more, would pursue such a policy as we are now doing? The first step to prosperity for Josephine county is to stop this leak in the public revenue."

### THE MOLALLA ROAD.

OREGON CITY, Nov. 15.—(TO THE EDITOR)—No local question in county affairs begins to compare, in point of importance, with the necessity of the early construction of good roads.

Much has been accomplished since the inauguration of the cash system in 1893. Much more remains to be done. A good deal of wise forethought has been devoted to the subject. Mistakes necessarily have been made.

The law has its strong points and it has some weak ones along the line of the fallibility of humanity. Selfishness and some politics, some times more than less, will creep into what ought to be a strictly business proposition. The road law ought to know no man nor party. Its administration ought to spread out equitably over the

whole county and embrace all points. No section ought to be built up at the expense of another. When dollars are so scarce, however, they ought to be put where they will do the most good to the most people, having permanent results in view.

No new roads ought to be established except for the most urgent reasons and then only upon the favorable report of the county road-master. No permanent improvements on main county roads should be permitted or undertaken except on a careful survey by the road master or a civil engineer. A permanent road should be laid out with as much care and particularity as a railroad line. No grade in main arteries should be allowed of more than 7 per cent as the maximum; six per cent would be better, and would pay a large rate of interest on the investment.

The desirability of an early completion of the Molalla road was in mind and was the inspiration of general road axioms here stated. A mistake has been made in the Molalla road, in not uniting it with the Highland road, as a trunk line for the first eight miles out from the county seat. Much good money would have been saved and a far better route obtained, although a little longer. This may be the best thing to do yet.

A large sum of money has been expended on the old Molalla road this last summer, and the work has been well done and at a very reasonable expense. The fact is, the work and the grade, so far made, is so good that a mistake in the balance of the distance is unthinkable. Only four miles remains to complete the road to Howard's mill and from thence a good level road leads into the rich Molalla country.

When shall the gap be filled in, and what shall be the character of the improvement? A great many people felt that the Molalla road had received more than its share of the road fund for this last season. But the largeness of the appropriation and the character of the results is a very strong argument for the early completion of the road.

The present improvement benefits a comparatively few people, the expenditure being all out of proportion to results except the road be extended on speedily. It is thought and suggested that perhaps a good dirt road could be made for this four miles next year, if a proper route and grade can be found. We understand that the engineers have resurveyed the present route over what is known as the Spangler hill and report a nine per cent. grade as the best obtainable. This is certainly to great a percent for a large main road. It ought to come down at least two per cent. Perhaps a more thorough survey will eliminate this difficulty. If not, another route should be sought out. If the route is to be changed it is to be regretted that certain neighbors along the old line will feel aggrieved at losing the main road, but surely no merely personal interest on the part of a few will weigh as against the interest of the whole southerly portion of the county.

There ought to be no feeling about it whatever as it is but a simple business proposition. If the opposition to a change to a nearby pass defeats the project of a better grade, then the only thing to do is for the county to stop the present improvement until such time as a proper grade can be secured. No more heavy grades in main roads in Clackamas county, ought to be the motto of every farmer who desires better things for the future.

If the present road will not admit of a proper grade and the opposition to a change is successful, then the county court ought to concentrate the work on the Highland road, and from the foot of Singer hill thence to Howard's mill and to Molalla.

There is no intention of dictating or advising the expenditure of a large sum of money on the road, as against other interests, only that when the road is completed no mistake shall be made in location.  
H. E. CROSS.

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