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OREGON-IDAHO CONGRESS.

In organizing the Southern Idaho and Southern Oregon Development Congress as a permanent institution, Coos Bay will accomplish the greatest feat in her history and the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce will have subsequent cause for self commendation, since that city has initiated the scheme. There is an old and worn saying that in union there is strength, and the back-woods territory of Oregon which has been struggling along for years without concerted effort is coming into a realization of this incontrovertible fact. One community can make considerable noise as an individual if she chooses, but when the results of the onslaught are summed up, they are usually as devoid of issue as could be imagined.

Proof of the effectiveness of united effort is demonstrated in the good which the Oregon Development League and the Willamette Valley Development League have accomplished in the past three years. The Railway Commission and the tax on telephone and telegraph receipts are the most important accomplishments of these bodies. Their success has been beneficial to the whole of Oregon, yet there are sections of the state which need further active work along certain other lines if this territory is ever to become of commercial importance. There is a vast country in central Oregon, and in southwestern Oregon, and southern Idaho which, while rich in timber, mines and agriculture, is hampered and hindered by the absence of railroads. Had this country transportation facilities it would develop and increase in population and wealth in wonderful strides. It would, in ten years, be an empire of itself.

The community of interests which the congress will be the means of organizing, will find its needs realized with greater promptness than if the several sections were left to work out their salvatory embraced needs. First of all, a seaport. Coos Bay will furnish this. The second need is a railroad and branch lines to cover the fertile sections of southern Idaho and Oregon. There are other needs, but these are the principal ones and the others would develop in course of development. Coos Bay is directly west of the extension of the Northwestern railroad which is nearing the Idaho line. The Idaho contingent of the congress can work towards influencing the road to build directly to Coos Bay, which in fact, is understood to be the intention of the directors of the road. Meanwhile, the people of southern Oregon can busy themselves in a campaign of vigor towards securing proper recognition of the importance of Coos Bay as a seaport and in securing proper aid for deepening the harbor to admit the largest of ocean craft.

With a railroad crossing the continent and terminating at Coos Bay, a line along the coast from Astoria down to San Francisco would soon be found necessary to accommodate the coast traffic and open the way to the lumber, fish and dairy markets which are now of great importance and would materially increase with such a transportation line.

It is to be earnestly hoped that this coming congress will be attended by delegates from every community in the territory interested, for a movement of this nature will have a wholesome effect and will bring about much good. Curry county is interested as well as every other section and should plan to be represented by several well posted men of ability. The deliberations of this congress will be watched with great interest by all of southern Idaho, and even by the northern portions of both states—Wedderburn Radium.

Join the crowd for Charleston Bay next FRIDAY. Baptist Sunday School.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

In opinions look not always back; Your wake is nothing, mind the coming track, Leave what you've done for what you have to do; Don't be consistent, but be simply true. —Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Growing Old.

A little more tired at close of day; A little less anxious to have our way; A little less ready to scold and blame, A little more care for a brother's name; And so we are nearing the journey's end, Where time and eternity meet and blend.

A little less care for bonds and gold, A little more zest in the days of old, A broader view and a saner mind, A little more love for all mankind; And so we are faring a-down the way That leads to the gates of a better day.

A little more love for the friends of youth, A little more zeal for established truth, A little more charity in our views, A little less thirst for the daily news; And so we are folding our tents away And passing in silence at close of day.

A little more leisure to sit and dream, A little more real the things unseen, A little nearer to those ahead, With visions of those long loved and dead; And so we are going to where all must go, To the place the living may never know.

A little more laughter, a few more tears, And we shall have told our increasing years; The book is closed, and the prayers are said, And we are a part of the countless dead, Thrice happy, then, if some soul can say: "I live because he has passed away."

ROLLIN J. WELLS.

If you have no enemies the chances are that your backbone needs attention.

Some Coos Bay people go on the theory that while buttin' in may be objectionable it is better to but in than not to be in at all.

A MODERN FABLE. Once upon a Time there lived a Prominent young Business Man who conducted a store in a Country Town, but who was all to the Good in a Knowledge of the World and its Ways. He was also Full of Overflowing with Wisdom and Information Concerning All Things. The Only Great Sorrow that ever darkened the pathway of this Paragon was his Grief that there should be so much Ignorance in the World. The countless errors and Mistakes

made every day by the Ignorant and Careless cast a Pall over his Bright young Life and brought Gloom to a mind as sharp as Keen Kutter tools. Now, it so happened that in this same Country Town lived a country Editor who printed a Small Daily Paper. The Prominent Young Business Man was in constant State of Irritation because of the many mistakes he alleged appeared in the Paper. It kept him awake nights Worrying about it. The Paper never did get anything right. "Ain't it awful, Mabel," he would exclaim that we must have so many Mistakes perpetrated every day. If the Paper printed a personal mention that "Bill Jones went to the City to visit his Sister," the Prominent Man would hurry down and tell the Editor that it was Dreadful, the Terrible Mistake in the Paper. Why every one should know that Bill Jones went to the City to visit another fellow's sister and Here it was printed in plain black and white that he was visiting his own sister. Or may be Bill Jones had gone to visit his sister-in-law and the Prominent Man would lecture the Editor about the Importance of having things Right. "The Mistakes of Moses" were insignificant compared with the Mistakes of the Editor.

One day there appeared upon the streets of the Country Town a Rumor that the Prominent Young Business Man was no longer connected with the Store where he was accustomed to Dispense Tons of Knowledge and Ten penny nails. The Editor was Thunderstruck that the store could be continued without a man who was so Wise. He hastily searched for the Prominent Man and asked Him about it for, you see the Editor really wished to have the news Correct. The Man flew into a Rage. "It was all a Lie." There was nothing in it. He was still connected with the store and was just going away on a Little Visit. It was terrible the number of mistakes and False Stories that were being circulated in the Country Town every day. It gave the Man a Pain in the Diaphragm to think of all these things and Particularly did it Pain him that the Paper should ever Print anything but what was true. Later, it developed that the Rumor was True, and the Man who was always Right was Wrong. And the editor Marveled Greatly thereat. "Oh! woe! is me!" said the editor, "If the People who know the Real Facts will change them and tell Falsehoods about them how is it possible to print a Paper without mistakes?" Then, when the Paper printed another little item about the Prominent Man who was such a Wise Gazabo, the Man flew into Another rage and said it was all Wrong and the Paper never did get anything Right. But the editor remembered that the man had said the Same Thing about the Rumor and the Rumor was Right and the man was wrong. Anyway the editor consoled himself with the thought that the man who found so many mistakes in the Paper was only human after all and was not infallible and therefore made mistakes. This Tale has two morals:

MORAL NO. 1.—To err is Human —to blame the other Fellow is natural.

MORAL NO. 2.—It is better not to know so much than to know a Whole Lot that Isn't So.

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