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WHAT A FREE COUNTRY MOST NEEDS.

Emerson says: "It is long ere we discover how rich we are. Our history we are sure is quite tame; we have nothing to write, nothing to infer. But our wiser years will run back to the despised recollections of childhood, and always we are fishing up some wonderful article out of that pond; until, by and by, we begin to suspect that the biography of the one foolish person we know is, in reality, nothing less than the miniature paraphrase of the hundred volumes of the universal history."

No doubt the sage who wrote those words felt them, for he had read all books, explored all sciences, measured himself against the brightest intellects, and then there came to him a feeling that the vision of all that he had seen and learned was before his eyes when he was but a lad, that what he had obtained by his long life-work was the experience that he had really learned little, that all that he knew was but the expansion of a germ that was in his soul from the first; that had he grown up without books or libraries or contact with high minds, he would, nevertheless, have had a clear idea of all the freight with which his mind was stored, and would have been fitted, like Socrates, to lecture to his fellow men.

But the really impressive thing about the above words is the glimpse they give of the human mind and its sovereign power for good or for evil, and how necessary it is, not that the laws of a land shall be perfect; not that any government can save and advance a people, unless the units that make up that people are trained in the right; unless their patriotism is nurtured and made strong while their hearts are plastic to receive impressions; unless they early learn to hate wrong for wrong's sake; unless their acts are so timed as to make sure their self respect and keep their honest pride unblemished.

So as men return in thought to their childhood, if possible, there should always be before their eyes the vision of a loving, happy and self-respectful home; for that is a vision that men cannot afford by any unworthy act to dim. That memory is better to carry out into the world than a title. Next to that is the early school. If people only realized how much there is in the school where their children first come in contact with a little miniature world they would be more careful.

And then the first teachers! Why, they should be the wisest and most patient people in the world, for the plants they tend are so tender and will, unless ceaselessly watched and tended, grow crooked or be choked with weeds. After all, the great worry of the American people should not be about the government, for that will be what the people make it. The great anxiety should be about the children, to see that they become perfect men and women.

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CITY ELECTION IS IMPORTANT

P. C. Levar Outlines Views On Questions to Be Decided Next Tuesday.

Editor Times: Marshfield is face to face with a crisis. This cannot be put too strongly, for upon a thorough realization by the people of the true significance of the situation, right now, at this time, depends in great measure the future of the town. A question is to be decided next Tuesday, a wrong solution of which is certain to set the town back for years and undo a great part of the good work that has recently been accomplished.

This question, stated baldly, is whether the town shall go ahead or go back—whether we want a greater Marshfield or a littler Marshfield. Stripped of all fog and confusion, this is exactly what next Tuesday's election means, and he who cannot see it is not to be congratulated on his clearness of vision. Both in the selection of councilmen and in passing on the proposed bond-issue, the decision of the voter will be, must be, fixed according to his position on the greater question, of progress or retrogression. The opposition has been formed into a body; they have put up candidates; they make their campaign on a basis of condemnation of the course of the administration, of its course in the matter of street work and street paving, of its course in the matter of city employees, of its course in the matter of buying things, no matter what, for the city. It is all wrong. The mayor is wrong; the council is wrong; the whole business is wrong. What does this mean? It means that the miles of new streets that have been opened and of elevated roadways that have been built, the paving that has been put down, ought never to have been opened or graded, or built, or laid. It means that the disgraceful old pippen of a jail, built in 1875, ought to still be in use, that the city hall ought to still be a third of its present size, because it was big enough twenty years ago. It means that the spirit of progress and of dauntless faith in its own future that has distinguished Marshfield above any other known town or city in the United States, during the trying times of the past year, was all wrong. It means that the work of civic improvement that has been going on, led by the city council, and which has aroused the enthusiastic admiration of every intelligent person from the outside world who has visited Coos Bay, was all wrong; that we should have followed a course of pinching "economy," should have cut down expenses, should have done no street work, built no new roads or bridges, laid no pavement, made no provision for the future, nor even met the demands of the present if they could possibly be avoided, that we should have given notice to all visitors that even the city council had no faith in the town nor in the ability or willingness of its citizens to contribute toward its up-building.

It is not likely that all members of the opposition understand their own position in just this way, but their influence is all in the direction indicated. When you condemn the course of the city council in toto and elect a council on that platform of opposition, you point out the opposite course as the proper one. When you condemn progress, you tacitly endorse the other thing. Do you know what it means when you argue that the expenses of the town for the past year or two should have been kept inside of the income, forgetting that the town has doubled in size and population, and necessary expenses have increased faster than income, as is always the case under such circumstances? Would you do away with the additional police protection that has been provided, with the increase in population, and go back to Jack Carter at \$60 a month and one night watch. Would you refuse to employ a competent man to give his attention to the fire apparatus, and go back to a monthly inspection of the engine by a machinist? Would you leave the fire department crippled for want of adequate equipment and take the chances on seeing the Front street fire that we have been dreading for the last thirty years lick up the town, while the water escapes through rotten hose? Would you discard the city engineer, and continue on the ancient system of setting grades, laying sewers, etc by the hit-or-miss and piecemeal methods, with no reference to any general plan—a method that has

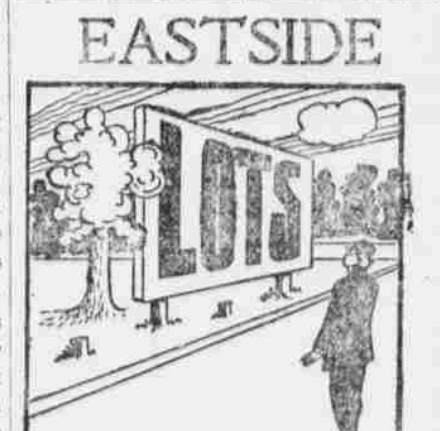
already caused all sorts of trouble in the endeavor to make the new grades connect with old and to shape up the town on some kind of intelligent and comprehensive plan? But it costs money to even formulate an intelligent and comprehensive plan. Perhaps that is one of the "extraneous" that should be hooted down. These things are mentioned only to more clearly define the issue, not that the writer thinks that any member of the city council needs his help. In fact, no member of the administration is a candidate for reelection. But it is pretty clearly understood that the election of the candidates of the "opposition" will mean a condemnation of the course of the administration. This is the crux of the whole matter. It cannot be argued that the candidates of the opposition are better fitted for the office than their opponents. The question is whether we shall condemn or endorse a progressive policy. But while deciding on an answer, it is well to clearly understand that, if, on account of some one action of the council of which we do not approve, we endorse the opposition, it really has the effect of a condemnation of foresight, of the larger view, of the courage which dares to do what seems best for the town, even in the face of adverse criticism.

The endorsement of the opposition by the election of their candidate means—reaction. It means looking backward. It means saving at the spigot and wasting at the bung-hole. It means penny-pinching. It means work undone that ought to be done. It means poorly paid and too few employees. It may mean the town going up in smoke for lack of adequate fire protection. It means no more pavement; no more new streets opened, if some parsimonious property-owners object.

It means more. It means that the splendid record of progress for the past two years is to be repudiated and crossed off the books; that notice is given to the outside world that this thing of opening, grading and paving streets, of laying out an intelligent and comprehensive engineering plan for the future growth of the town, of forcing reluctant property owners to line up with their more progressive neighbors for the good of the place—that all this does not meet the approval of the citizens; that Marshfield prefers an administration that will do nothing but pinch the eagle.

This is the whole thing in its simplest terms: to go ahead or to go back. And the result of the ballot will be properly construed in just that way. It is up to the people of this town to get in right on this question, and not make the mistake of zigzagging back at the wrong time.

As a partial apology for spreading my views in this manner, I wish to say that I have watched this old town from its pinafore days, that it is the only town on earth for me; and I want to see it begin to fulfill its destiny before I get too blame old to enjoy the spectacle. P. C. LEVAR.



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