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A FRUIT GROWERS UNION.

CALL HAS BEEN issued for a meeting of Coos Bay fruit growers to be held in the Chamber of Commerce in Marshfield, Saturday morning, January 16. This is a matter of real importance not only to the fruit growers but to every one interested in the development of the varied resources of Coos county. There has been some complaint among the apple growers that the prices realized for the products of their orchards were not sufficient to warrant any particular effort being made to improve conditions. There is some justice in the complaint of low prices but the fruit growers are themselves responsible. It is only within the past year or two that any attention has been given to the proper development of orchard products either in quantity or quality. When urged or compelled by the fruit inspection law to prune, spray and otherwise to care for his orchard the fruit grower will promptly reply that at present prices on Coos Bay it does not pay. This is no reason, however, to abandon hops and go along in the same old rut leaving trees uncared for and deteriorate until almost worthless. There is a remedy and one that is easily applied. Form a strong fruit growers union, develop the orchard into good condition, producing first-class, fine flavored fruit and then the union will be able to increase the price of apples. The Hood River union has within four years raised the price of Spitzenberg apples from 85 cents per box to \$3.15 and yellow Newtowns to \$2.50. Coos Bay fruit growers may not equal this but with a union and proper care and attention they can advance prices until there will be a handsome profit in the business. The Gravenstein and King apples offer a most excellent field of effort for Coos county fruit growers to develop an apple market of their own and the results that would follow intelligent and concerted action would prove surprising.

There are some fruit growers so blind to their own interests that they look indifferently upon the formation of a union and think it would be useless. If these men could have heard the comments of a recent visitor on Coos Bay who came here to secure an orchard they might get a different view. This man who is an experienced fruit grower said: "What is the use of buying fruit land here? What fruit trees you have are not cared for. No price for what apples you do raise and you have not energy enough to form a union. I can buy land as cheaply where they have live unions as I can here with the advantage of a good market for everything I raise at good prices and a live progressive community in which to live."

This is the view of an experienced fruit grower from outside and should be studied by local orchard owners. A strong union will not only develop quality but will also increase the quantity so that the Coos Bay market will attract buyers from abroad and the advance in prices will be immediate.

This is an age of centralization and organization. Strangers base their estimate of a community largely on the spirit of unity and progress that is evident in the efforts to advance local interests.

Coos Bay has an excellent example in the benefits and advantages of organization in its cooperative creamery. Contrast the difference between the ranchers on Coos River before the establishment of the creamery and what it is today. The same splendid results will follow the organization of a fruit growers union.

Wake up!
Organize!

SUPER-SENSITIVE SOULS.

THERE ARE, on Coos Bay, as in other lively communities, men who are super-sensitive about newspaper comment. They are always glad of the friendly paragraph or story in which they figure, however much they may, by way of mock-modesty, deprecate the public mention; they are rarely averse to the pleasant note and comment in which they or theirs are paraded in kindly fashion, and there have been instances of real gratitude, felt and expressed, for the saving grace of the public-prints when some of the graver episodes of life have confronted them. But, once hale a man within the range of newspaper criticism, direct, or implied, and he grows venomous with hate and incoherent with rage at the liberty taken with his name or relation to the matter under review.

It is one of the farces of life, and the newspaperman has a grim appreciation of it that verges near the mark of contempt when he scans his general treatment of men and finds them so helplessly and hopelessly childish. For be it known, that in all the relations a paper assumes with its reading patronage, the personal equation is the one most religiously observed at all times; mistakes will often occur; but in the main they are caught on the long line of careful scrutiny that pervades a newspaper office and before they are uttered in cold black and white. There is justification of some kind behind every personal mention and allusion in a responsible newspaper. This must be remembered at all times, in justice to the public, the person, and the paper.

There is one way of suppressing the super-sensitive soul who cannot stand the counter-point of journalistic animadversion, and that is to bar all mention of him under any and all circumstances; this is a cruelty seldom resorted to, but always available; and often as editors and reporters are tempted to use it, they, as often, refuse to probe, or flatter, the vanity, that has brought the individual under such contemplation. The paper is a creation of a day, and in its absorbing processes and high duties, it rarely stoops to the pitiful alternative, choosing the pleasanter task of forgetting.

WIRES DOWN AGAIN.

Little Telegraph Service For Coos Bay Again Today.

The Western Union Telegraph Company's wires are down again today and in consequence The Times is able to give little Associated Press news to its readers. Manager Schetter hasn't the slightest idea of when service can be restored so that there will be any certainty as to the length of time it will continue.

FRENCH LESSONS by Prof. C. A. Gabernache, (the real Parisian French is taught)—Four month's study will insure a good knowledge of conversation.—Phone Carleton Jewelry Store.

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"TIME" FOR A BURGLAR.

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 13. — Armed with an alarm clock, E. D. Levey of this city routed a burglar about midnight. Levey was awakened from sleep by his wife, who told him some one was coming in through the window of the next room. As an alarm clock was the only weapon Levey would lay his hands on he hurried it at the intruder just as he was about to step inside. The clock glanced from the man's head and went on through the window while the fellow dropped to the ground below and disappeared on the run.

ASSEMBLY CLUB MEMBERS see me before January 19, SURE, for masquerade costumes for both LADIES and GENTLEMEN. Do not overlook this if you want a costume.—GEO. GOODRUM.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

Mean ideas besmirch the spirit like dust in a house. MAUPASSANT.

You can make your labor double If you worry over it. Carrying the burden with you After other folks have quit, Laying it as a companion On the pillow by your head When you really should forget it As you nestle down in bed.

Worrying, dear little children, Will not get you anywhere, Nor will it the paces quicken Of the staid and ancient mare. If, when you have missed connections, Will not make the train delay, Nor will it the bill collector From the doorstep chase away.

Worrying won't buy the baby Shoes to warm its little feet, Worrying will never purchase A supply of things to eat. Worrying will not unaided Prove a remedy for corns, Nor present you a dilemma Minus such a thing as horns.

Nor can worrying exactly Be an amusement classed, There are other joys that truly Have it very far surpassed. But perhaps, dear little worry, You may argue it is cheap, But that doesn't make it lovely— Cut it out and go to sleep!

The day after is an occasion long to be remembered—if that were possible.

A woman always has faith in a man's judgment. She has previously seen to it that it is right.

It is a question whether it is better to have loved and lost than never to have sinned at all.

The only time that a young man can attend to a girl and business, too, is when the girl is the business.

People who don't understand sense and can't talk nonsense may be classed among the impossible people.

You can't always tell how a thing will turn out, and sometimes you can never.

(SAVE HANDS AND WEY THIN) 

Every man wants to be a hero, but when the chance is offered him he is apt to object to the brand.

A serene confidence in the ability of his dollar sometimes misleads a man.

A good opinion of yourself, while desirable, isn't worth much as collateral.

It is hard to understand low some people figure and why others do.

Moving Spectacle. 

"I figure the world owes me a living." "Why don't you collect it?" "Blamed thing won't stand still long enough."

Chance For Them. "You know the fortunes of many of our best families were founded by pirates." "That is tough on future generations as there are no pirates these days." "You are mistaken," spoke up the great author with the threadbare coat, who was pushing a copyright suit. "We still have literary pirates."

One Thing Left. "Positively can't you sing or play for us?" "Positively. I haven't a single accomplishment." "You have to do something, you know, to hold up your end, and if you can't do anything else I will have to ask you to throw a fit for the ladies."

Will Learn Better. "Funny notion they have in Turkey." "What's that?" "That a congress will cure all of their ills."

Plenty of Time. "So Mabel is going to get married at last." "Why say 'at last'? Leap year is not much more than half over."

LOVE IN ONE OCTAVE. SUNDAY, Madge, you seemed so fair, Love, the rascal, came to blind me; Monday morn I feared your stare; Tuesday you thought fit to mind me; Wednesday—well, perhaps you'd care; Thursday saw your lips resigned me; Friday came the solitaire; Saturday the vows that bind me! —Thomas Walsh.

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