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A RED LETTER DAY

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1909 WAS a great day for Coos Bay and a great day for Marshfield. It marked the commencement of the Coos Bay and Boise Railway and the final settlement of the differences and difficulties existing between Mayor Straw and the city council. The dove of peace has come back to her perch in the city hall. The future is rosy with the promise of peace, progress and prosperity.

It is a time for rejoicing and congratulations all around. The Times congratulates Mayor E. E. Straw on his two splendid selections to fill the aldermanic vacancies, congratulates the council on their acceptance, congratulates the city of Marshfield on securing the services of two such capable business men to help solve municipal problems and finally The Times congratulates Messrs. A. H. Powers and Patrick Hennessey on the fact that their appointments have solved a most perplexing problem and that in honoring them the city honors itself.

Perhaps, too, in passing the bouquets it would not be amiss to give a blossom or two to Hugh McLain and W. P. Murphy who have given much time and exercised their finest brand of Celtic art in diplomacy in helping to effect a settlement of the existing differences.

Rarely indeed does any city draw to its service and support two business men of the capacity and capability of A. H. Powers and Patrick Hennessey. Both have won much greater than average success in their individual callings and both are practical men of affairs. They are strong, brainy men. Neither one will wear any man's collar or be influenced by any man's compliment.

The appointment of these two men met with instant and universal approval of not only the business interests but the electorate of the city. No men stand higher in the estimation of the public than the two men named. Both men frankly state the chief consideration influencing them to acceptance of the place is to do their share as public spirited citizens in bringing order out of the chaos in which municipal affairs are now involved. Both men bring well trained business minds to aid in the solution of the financial and other problems that confront the city.

According to the most authentic sources of information everyone is now satisfied and the three H's Harmony, Happiness and Hustle should take up their abode at the city hall and the three P's Peace, Progress and Prosperity reign throughout the city.

A MODEL TO CONSIDER.

IT IS BEGINNING TO appear as though the aged athlete, Edward Payson Weston, will finish his 5,000 mile hike within the time allowed by his rather stiff schedule, and without serious consequences to himself. He has completed the first half of his long journey with his head up, shoulders back and the long, boyish stride which belies the seventy years he has lived.

Weston is a delightful anomaly. He has reached the age when most men are content to doze away the daylight hours in a chair, or hobble about the restricted area of a garden with a cane. It is his privilege to be feeble and senile. But he has not chosen to take his age seriously. "A man is as young as his legs," Weston says. And if that be true, the dean of pedestrians is a boy. He actually believes himself still a stripling. Faith of that sort seems to be a fine thing to have. It enables a man to walk 5,000 miles at 70, for instance. But that is not all. Better than the exploit itself is the fun Weston is deriving from it. He has a prodigious appetite, he sleeps like an infant, and he takes a boyish delight in the mild and adventures of the road.

A couple of days ago Weston met an old farmer in Missouri who gave him a drink of milk and ventured the assertion that he, personally could not walk five miles without fatal results. In referring to this acquaintance, later Weston said:

"Not to cast any reflections on my kind old friend, but a middle-aged man may acquire the disease habit, just as a boy acquires the cigarette habit. He may even reach the point where he flatters himself that he is ill, and talks of it as of an accomplishment. He gets to think in terms of liver pills, liver pads, electric belts, essences and extracts, and finally scares himself to death. There's no enemy that can run a bigger bluff and get away with it than sickness."

Weston illustrated the value of his own theory earlier this week when he had a touch of the sun at the end of a long day's walk. He arrived at a little Missouri town towards evening, staggering and apparently exhausted. They wanted to give him stimulants and stow him away in a hospital; but he laughed, called for eggs and milk, and went to bed. He was up by daylight the following morning, feeling fit and frisky, and covered an astonishing distance before the coming of darkness.

Weston is a striking example of a man who has taken care of himself. He has treated his body rationally, respectfully—as a man would treat a valuable watch. He has always been temperate in his eating and drinking. He has lived in the open as much as possible and has taken exercise religiously. At 70 he can outwalk the average man of half his years. It pays a man to have consideration for the physical part of himself.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

Hypocrisy, detest her as we may, and no man's hatred ever wronged her yet, may claim this merit still, that she admits the worth of what she mimics with such care.

COWPER.

Now doth the sweet girl graduate
Begin to dream of what
Her graduating gown shall be,
And what the ribbon knot
Upon the essay which for weeks
Has kept her working late
In those profound diversions which
Make sweet girl graduates great.

Of course a sweet girl graduate
Should dress in simple taste—
A modest pancy in her hair,
A rosebud at her waist,
A gown of white, pale pink or blue,
Up to the neck and down
To meet her dainty slipper bows,
Her golden hair her crown.

P. S.

Her essay ribbon need not match
The essay's brilliant thought,
But it must match the gown, of
course,
To be just what it ought.

Behold the sweet girl graduate
Of other Junes than this,
A radiant rosebud of a dream
'Twere bitter loss to miss;
A sunbeam dancing down the line
To make life's darkness good;
A promise, all in fluffy stuff,
Of glorious womanhood!

—Selected.

Nothing cures a case of cold feet
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the banana fiber, women may find it
easier to slip into their clothes.

After clothes have been placed on
the free list the saloonkeepers may
give away one or two with every
drink.

"Hoopskirts knock at fashion's
door," says a woman writer. If
fashion lets them in she will find the
men knocking next.

A scientist asserts that a fly will
survive an electric shock that would
kill a horse. Too bad. We shall
have to continue the old method of
slapping the fly to death.

Seven stitches were taken in the
heart of a Philadelphia woman, but
they were made necessary by a stab
wound, not by the usual fracture fol-
lowing misplaced affections.

"I was born," said Col. Grimes,
"I was born without a cent in my
pockets."
"And I," said Dorsey Kreitzer as
he winked the other eye, "I was born
without any pockets."

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