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COMMERCIAL BODY MEETS

REPORT OF MANAGER WHYTE READ AND INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN AS TO MATTERS CONTAINED IN SAME.

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held in its rooms in the Odd Fellows' Building last evening, a goodly number of the members being present. The report of Manager Whyte was read as follows:

Report of Manager John H. Whyte, to the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, held November 18, 1907:

The Filling-in Proposition.

While several members of the Chamber and myself were in Portland last week we secured the promise of G. B. Hegardt, the well-known engineer who for so many years had charge of the jetty-building work at Fort Stevens, to come to Astoria in the near future and consult with our members and with the promotion committee on the most feasible way to begin and then as quickly as possible, execute the filling-in proposition. Our people would without doubt have more confidence in Mr. Hegardt than in any other engineer, because of his familiarity with local conditions. Mr. Hegardt has expressed his preference when he comes to quietly and informally talk over the plans he will have for this proposition, which he assures us he believes can be practically done at a cost that will be entirely satisfactory to all our citizens. It is his opinion that the work should be divided up into three districts and that the center, or most populous district should first be completed. Then it would be such an example to the other two districts that there would be the greatest possible celerity in completing them also.

The Telephone Situation.

I have received through Mr. Brunold, county manager for the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company this letter from Division Superintendent J. W. Gilkyson, under date of November 12th:

"This is to advise you that under date of November 1, the construction department was ordered to proceed with estimate 2502, Astoria, Oregon and orders for material to be shipped direct to Astoria were placed on that date. This estimate provides for a complete overhauling of your outside plant and cutting over a large number of open wires into new cables. We expect that the construction department will very shortly begin this work."

I have replied to this letter through

Mr. Brunold and asked him: "Am I to understand that these improvements will include a modern exchange board and new instruments? I think that you will agree with me that the faults which our people complain about, are the slowness with which exchanging is done because of the antiquated board, and the old-fashioned instruments which are entirely out of date everywhere in this country."

Advertising Results.

It was the determination of the Portland Commercial Club as reached at its monthly dinner last Tuesday night, at which several members of this Chamber were present, to continue publicity work for the business reason that to stop it now, on the excuse of financial depression, would be to stop it when there was the greatest opportunity of inducing investments in the solid securities of the west.

During the past week we have received a postal card from South Africa inquiring for our literature and a letter from Manila. To this date we have received and answered more than 5000 letters, replies to 55 classified advertisements that have been inserted in 829 publications in this country, Canada, England and Europe at an average cost of \$1.70 per publication. The circulation for all these publications has been about 90,000,000. If five people read each publication as generally estimated, then 450,000,000 people have had an opportunity to read advertisements.

During the past week we have received with us an expert brick-maker who came in answer to our advertisement saying this was a splendid place in which to establish a brick-making plant. He has looked over the situation thoroughly and has told us that we have not only the best of ordinary kinds of clay with which to make bricks, but that he has discovered throughout the city and this locality the very rarest qualities of shale out of which the more valuable face bricks for building purposes can be made, and out of which vitrified brick for paving purposes can be most successfully manufactured.

His opinion is that a local brick market will have to be cultivated, but that it could be made most valuable, but desires the cooperation of local business interests to that end, especially an assurance from them on the subject of using vitrified brick for paving purposes.

We have two inquiries from prominent sources about the conditions here for starting a paper mill. One of these inquiries is from Chicago and asks for any inducements there may be here to manufacture a fire-proof paper, the kind that is used in wrapping steam pipes. This paper can be made through a chemical process from any kind of pulp.

The other inquiry is from Canada and wishes to know the possibilities for promoting and establishing an ordinary paper mill. Both of these propositions would probably be of interest to the holders of timber land, as through them

important sales could easily be arranged.

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One of them is from Pennsylvania and asks what inducements are offered. The Pennsylvania concern manufactures mostly laundry and household soap. The other is from Chicago and the company makes a specialty of toilet and perfumed soaps, including a brand of shaving soap. Full particulars may be had by reading the letters in detail in the office.

An excellent proposition is offered from a man who wishes to establish a woolen mill here. He has an option on machinery that cost \$100,000 which he can set up in this city for \$10,000, plus the cost of boxing and shipping, which he estimates at from \$4000 to \$5000 more. If any of our business men are interested, he will let them have the machinery at the ten thousand-dollar option price and leave his status in the enterprise to the men who put up the money. He says the mill will produce as much goods as the Portland-St. Johns mill. He believes he can show any parties that may be interested that he can make an investment out of this mill paying 20 to 25 per cent on \$50,000 or more. This mill was bought to boom Coos Bay but so far it is impossible to get the necessary wool into that place and will be until after a railroad has been completed. Even then it will be a difficult task, so it is stated.

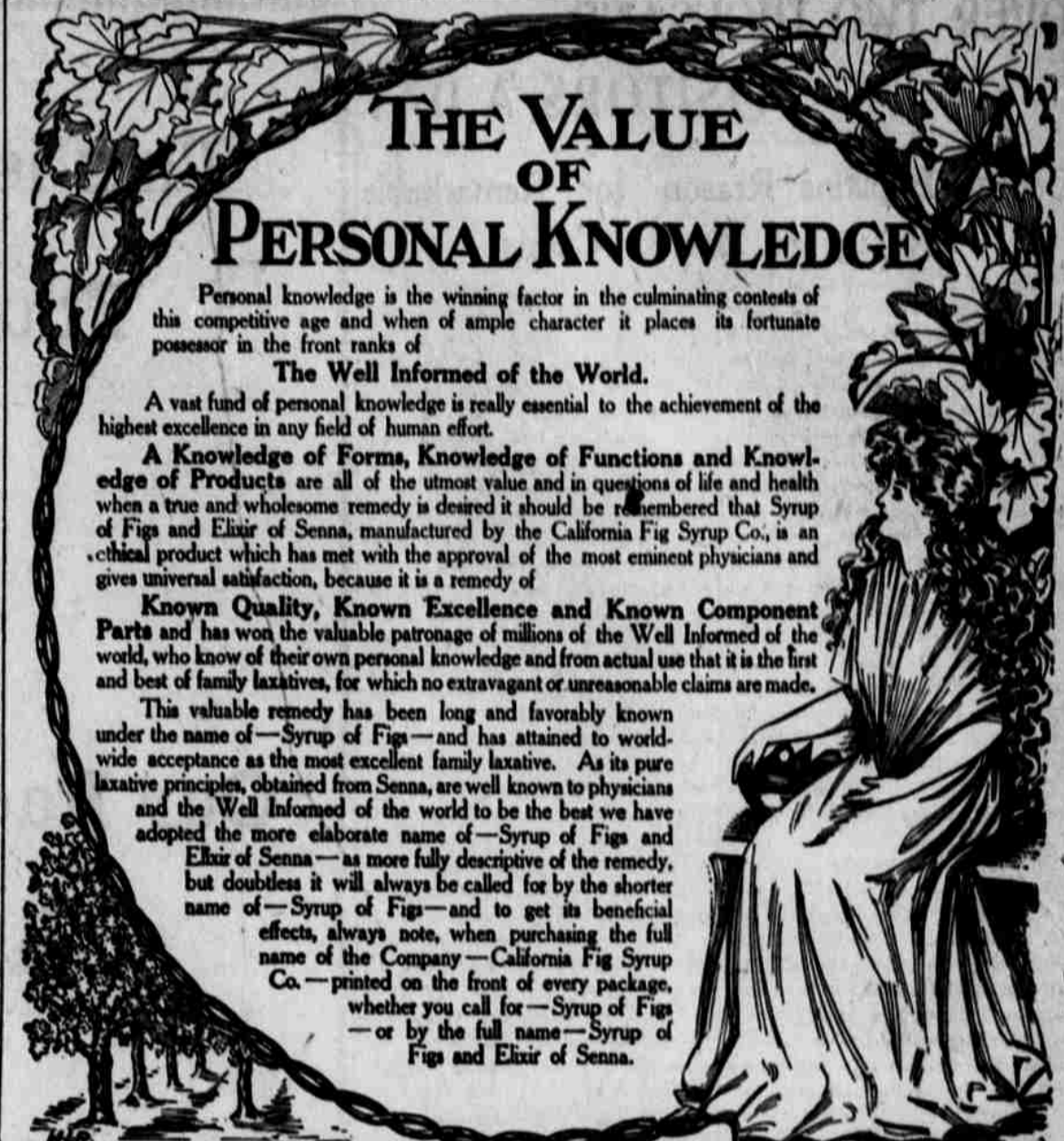
This is probably one of the very best propositions that has yet come before the Chamber of Commerce, should there be any interested parties who would like to take the matter up with the writer of the letters which are now on file in the office.

Another proposition worthy of especial note and which might be turned to great advantage here in Astoria is the offer for sale of a flour mill of 145 barrels capacity, a full detailed printed inventory of which appears along with the letter and description. The mill was installed in Tacoma, Washington, in 1897, and all of the machinery is declared to be in first-class condition, while some of it has not been in use more than six months.

What appears to be an important concern from the Central States, writes asking for full details of the possibilities of locating a plant here to manufacture sanitary pottery. It desires a five-acre location such that it could use both the railroads and sea-going vessels from the same point. These people ask for no bonus or inducements of any kind and assert that they will locate on the Pacific Coast at the point that proves the most satisfactory after a thorough investigation which they propose to make if we give them sufficiently encouraging answers to their numerous interrogations.

A San Francisco, California, concern, has written in minute detail inquiring as to the prospects of locating here a paper mill that will manufacture paper out of the refuse products of the ordinary sawmill. The writer of this asserts that his paper mill can be operated in connection with any saw or planing mill, and all of the waste now considered worthless thereby turned into profits. Pitch pine is as good as white pine. The writer is very desirous of hearing from any interested parties.

The report of Manager Whyte was unanimously adopted and he was instructed to write to the people presenting the different propositions as to the



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A Knowledge of Forms, Knowledge of Functions and Knowledge of Products are all of the utmost value and in questions of life and health when a true and wholesome remedy is desired it should be remembered that Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., is an ethical product which has met with the approval of the most eminent physicians and gives universal satisfaction, because it is a remedy of

Known Quality, Known Excellence and Known Component Parts and has won the valuable patronage of millions of the Well Informed of the world, who know of their own personal knowledge and from actual use that it is the first and best of family laxatives, for which no extravagant or unreasonable claims are made.

This valuable remedy has been long and favorably known under the name of—Syrup of Figs—and has attained to worldwide acceptance as the most excellent family laxative. As its pure laxative principles, obtained from Senna, are well known to physicians and the Well Informed of the world to be the best we have adopted the more elaborate name of—Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna—as more fully descriptive of the remedy, but doubtless it will always be called for by the shorter name of—Syrup of Figs—and to get its beneficial effects, always note, when purchasing the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—printed on the front of every package, whether you call for—Syrup of Figs—or by the full name—Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna.

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Writers of modern romance, have given us suggestive and interesting glimpses of the presence of gentlemanly instincts operating in this difficult field of thievery; but their lagging imaginations never conceived the possibility of a burglar with a conscience, such as the specimen developed last week in Bloomfield, N. J.

He rose almost to ethical heights. When his threatening revolver had induced the lady of the house to bring a two hundred dollar roll of bills from its hiding place he took but twenty and apologized for being compelled to take that. Furthermore, he promised on his word of honor as a gentleman to return it.

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The greatest tea-drinkers are full-bottom Dutchmen. There isn't much nervous prostration in Holland.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we pay him

One of the more ponderously impressive of these has just appeared in the New York Press, which takes up two columns of double-headed editorial mat-

ter in its attempt to prove to Mr. Roosevelt that in selecting Taft he is "on a dead one." The Press is strongly a Hughes paper, and the way it goes about proving that Secretary Taft is out of the race is laughably the illogical. After eliminating Mr. Roosevelt from the race by putting the President on his honor, so to speak, the Press declares that with Mr. Roosevelt out, then, any of his advisers from New York can tell him only one thing as to this State. "It is that Mr. Taft has no more chance of winning its delegation than Mr. Fairbanks or Knox or Speaker Cannon or Cortelyou.

"Likewise, consulting his friend from Pennsylvania, he will learn that the Jeffereson of that State cannot be delivered to Mr. Taft. Those whom he consults from Indiana will have the same message for him about that State. Those who go to tell him about Illinois will convince him that Mr. Cannon, not Mr. Taft, will control the delegates from there. He will hear that Wisconsin is for La Follette. Mr. Roosevelt has many friends in New England. They will tell him, just as the others do, that while he could have the nomination with the consent of New England, it is an entirely different matter to think about obtaining New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut for Taft merely because the President would prefer to have the Secretary of War nominated.

"Now, it is preposterous in politics" continues the Press, "to talk about nominating for President a candidate who cannot obtain the support in the convention of New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, the possessors of the electoral votes that must choose a Republican President if a Republican President is to be elected to succeed Mr. Roosevelt."

After a deal more of this sort of "argument," the Press, flatly, announces that Hughes, and only Hughes, can get the nomination without resultant party discord. Of course the proposition is preposterous. Favorite sons have received their state's complimentary votes at nearly all national conventions—but the support of a states' favorite son ceases as soon as a few ballots indicate the popular candidates.

From this leader in the Press, and from the utterances of other Hughes organs one thing, however, can be determined definitely. That is, that the Chief Executive of New York state is in the presidential fight to stay until it is proved that he is not wanted.

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