PROSPERITY SMILES ON CITIES AROUND OREGON

ALBANY ACCEPTS BID OF PORTLAND FIRM

Seven Blocks in the Business Section of the City to Be Paved—Work Will Start at Once.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Aug. 29.—The city council has accepted the bid of the Warren Construction company of Portland and will immediately enter into a contract for the paving of seven blocks in the business section of the city. The mayor and recorder were empowered to enter into contract with the successful bidders and expedite the work in every possible manner.

The streets to be paved are traversed by the street railway lines and before the paving project can be carried out an agreement must be reached with the railway company. It is understood that an adjustment of these matters will be made some time next week.

COMBINED HARVESTER PLANT AT PENDLETON

Machine Is Invention of Local Man and Has Been Used Successfully in This Season's Harvest.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Aug. 29.—A company of local capitalists is making preliminary arrangements to begin the manufacture of a new combined harvester in this city. The new machine has several features not possessed by the older machines and is the invention of A. D. Reynolds of this city. It has been used successfully in Umatilla county this season.

Three of the machines were manufactured at the local factory and orders for several more were refused because the limited facilities of the factory could not turn them out in time for harvest.

MARBLE WORKS PLANT FOR FOREST GROVE

The Industry Is Backed by Henry Lee and J. C. Jones—Building Will Be Constructed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Forest Grove, Or., Aug. 29.—This city is to have a new industry, a marble and granite works.

Henry Gee and J. C. Jones, the men who will conduct the plant, have leased ground and will immediately begin the construction of a building suitable to their needs. The new industry will give employment to a large number of men.

High School at Newport.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Newport, Or., Aug. 29.—Newport is to have a high school this winter. It will open September 21 with a full high school and business course.

NORTH BEND WILL ERECT NEW SCHOOL

Building Will Cost $39,500 and Will Be Equipped With a Salt Water Swimming Tank.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

North Bend, Or., Aug. 29.—The North Bend school board has awarded the contract for a new high school building at this place to cost $39,500. John G. Horn of North Bend secured the contract. A local firm will supply most of the material. A feature of the building will be a salt water swimming pool in the basement, where North Bend boys will be taught to swim. The school is near an inlet of the bay and at high tide the salt waves have to be pumped only a few feet to the pool.

Notaries Commissioned.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Aug. 29.—Commissions as notaries have been issued to Joseph A. Morris, Mapleton, E. M. Lance, Portland, and J. E. Hosmer, Silverton.

DR. STRATON DENOUNCES EDITORIAL CRITICISM

Dr. John R. Straton, the writer of the following protest against the unfair criticism which a local paper has accorded him, is pastor of the Seventh Baptist church, Baltimore. Dr. Straton is a well-known lecturer and speaker and was recently awarded the $1,000 prize offered by the Commercial club of Portland for the best article written about Oregon. His letter to the Journal follows:

"To the Editor of the Journal—The following editorial about me appeared in the Oregonian of last Tuesday:

"'Dr. Straton's theme at the White Temple Sunday was the Bible, and in elaborating it he seems to have taken great pains to discredit the results of modern scholarship and enlightened research as much as he possibly could. What any Christian denomination has to gain by obscuring perfectly well-known truth it is difficult to conceive. For example, Dr. Straton undertook to defend the moral character of the Jehovah of the Pentateuch.

"'To defend Jehovah or any other tribal deity implies that we ought still to conceive of the Almighty as the primitive barbarians did. We must renounce all those attributes of love, justice and mercy which we have enshrined in the modern concept and return to the being who hated everybody but the children of Israel, who delighted in slaughter and who spared neither old nor young in the fury of his vengeance.

"'One cause of the weakened influence of the churches is the reluctance of many ministers to accept demonstrated facts. They cling to errors as if there were something sacred about them. Once a mistake is made in forming a creed or interpreting the Scriptures, these deluded leaders seize upon it with avidity and never give it up.'

Radiating Darkness.

"In reply to this editorial, I have to say that I had rather radiate darkness (meaning faith in the Bible as God's word), than to radiate skepticism, doubt and misrepresentation, as this writer for the Oregonian seems given to doing.

"I had occasion last summer to expose the editor's flagrant misrepresentation of the sermon which he reviewed editorially at that time. That short controversy convinced me that the spirit of fairness is not abundantly present in the Oregonian's editorial sanctum. I therefore send this card to the Journal.

"The discussion last summer took the form of the evil influence of the Sunday newspapers. I charged in one of my letters to the Oregonian that the Sunday papers were vicious in their influence because, for one thing, they keep their employes from attending Sunday school and church. The editor replied that the papers did give their employes one day of rest in seven. I then took the trouble to inquire at the subscription department of the Oregonian, and found, as I had expected, that they had a small army of newsboys employed distributing and selling their papers every day, Sunday included. Nearly 100 of them get up before day in the morning and go to this labor seven days in the week, which makes, as I charged, their attendance upon Sunday school and church impossible.

Refuse Publication.

"The letter showing up this palpable misstatement of the facts by the editor, was refused publication by the Oregonian! They said that 'they preferred to have the controversy stop where it was,' thus denying me the opportunity for a final reply.

"The editor had been caught with the goods on him, and so they discreetly sidestepped the exposure and continued to 'radiate darkness' about working their employes on Sunday. It reminded me of the old negro down in Georgia who was before the court, charged with stealing a hog. 'The evidence was known to be pretty clear against him, but the judge asked him: 'Jerry, have you got a lawyer?' 'No sah, jedge,' said Jerry, 'I aint got no lawyer.' 'Well, Jerry,' said the judge, 'What do you propose to do about it?' 'Well, jedge, I'll tell yo',' exclaimed Jerry with a flash of inspiration, 'if it's de same to yo' I'd des as soon drap de whole thing right heah.'

"In the light of last summer's experience, I was not much surprised, therefore, to read the editorial of Tuesday, and to find that it again grossly misrepresents both the sermon, which it undertook to criticize, and the whole spirit of my ministry. For example, the editor charges that I took 'great pains to discredit the results of modern scholarship and enlightened research as much as I possibly could.'

Misstating the Facts.

"This is a deliberate misstatement of the facts. So far from doing any such thing, I say explicitly in this very sermon: 'We are not to underestimate the part that scholarship plays in our religious interests. Those who love the Bible owe a debt to reverent scholarship which they can never pay. We may be sure, too, that down the ages new light is to break from the sacred page, as the holy spirit leads us into all the truth. Some modifications of our views at certain points are undoubtedly necessary today. But it has also become now perfectly evident that much of the criticism of the age has been born of vanity instead of humility, and that its work has been carried forward in the spirit of doubt rather than that of devotion. In opposing the destructive criticism, those who love the Bible are not opposing the search after truth.

"'All should desire the truth from whatever quarter it may come. But the sober second-thought of the world is coming to see that the methods of the destructive critics are, for the most part, unfair, vain and presumptuous to an astounding degree.'

"This quotation from the sermon represents my real attitude on the question and shows the injustice which the Oregonian does me when by its editorial utterances it leaves the impression that I am an enemy of truth and opposed to progress. I took some 10 years out of my life to go through preparatory school, college, seminary and university. I even 'finished off' in the skeptical university and divinity school of Chicago. For true scholarship, I have the greatest respect and reverence, but there is a vain and spurious scholarship, born of the spirit of old world infidelity, which, though it arrogates all true learning to itself and assumes that it alone holds all of the perfectly well known truth, nevertheless is entirely superficial in its attainments.

Unbalanced Criticism.

"The destructive critics of the Bible are frequently so swept away by their egotism and self-sufficiency that they proclaim as ultimate truth, their own hypotheses, theories and guesses. For example, Wellhausen asserted that Moses could not have written the Pentateuch, because in the day of Moses society was very crude and writing, if known at all, was known only by a few. Therefore, he concluded that the idea of a carefully elaborated code of written laws, coming under such circumstances and at such a time, was unthinkable.

"On these dogmatic assumptions Wellhausen proceeded to erect a mighty fortress from which to bombard the battlements of revealed truth. A short time after he wrote, however, the 'Code of Hammurabi' was discovered. It was an elaborate code of written laws, coming from the same part of the world in which Moses lived, and antedating the time of the Hebrew law-giver by about 1,000 years! Thus position after position of the critics has been overthrown and destroyed, and they are everywhere on the defensive today. In Germany, the home of skepticism and criticism, as well as in England and America, we see the plain signs of a conservative reaction, which seems destined to usher in a new era of faith and devotion to the Bible.

"The editor of the Oregonian, however, is evidently a camp-follower of this school of 'scholars.' To the editor's mind the ancient Jews, who gave us the Old Testament estimate of God, were 'primitive barbarians.' Moses was a 'primitive barbarian,' though he has left us the greatest system of laws and the most eloquent and finished orations the world has ever known! The exquisite beauties of Job, Ruth and Isaiah were the literary product of 'primitive barbarians.' The Twenty-third Psalm, by common consent the most perfect poem ever written, was penned by one of these 'primitive barbarians.' How inexpressibly absurd! How unspeakably ridiculous! Though different from ours, the ancient Jew had a civilization as great and wonderful as that of today, and a culture even deeper and rarer.

God Not a Monster.

"The God of the Old Testament is not the monster that the editor blasphemously pictures when he calls him 'a being who hated everybody but the Children of Israel, who delighted in slaughter, and who spared neither old nor young in the fury of his vengeance.' What a horrible misrepresentation. The God of the Old Testament, though just and stern in his condemnation of sin, was also the loving God and ruler of all men. So far from being merely a 'tribal deity,' even the early Jews regarded him as 'the God of all the earth.' He was 'the Lord of hosts,' the loving God who sent Jonah to heathen Nineveh to redeem and save it, and who had selected the Jews as his chosen race to establish the true religion and give it to all the world. Though it was necessary for God to perform some moral surgery in that day in order that he might wipe out idolatry and establish the true religion in the earth, he was nevertheless the one 'who redeemeth thy life from destruction, who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies, who satisfieth thy mouth with good things so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide, neither will he keep his anger forever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heaven is above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him. For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.'—Psalm, 103.

Doubt in the Churches.

"In regard to the editor's remarks about 'the weakened influence of the churches,' and 'those who cling to errors, etc.,' it should be said that only those churches are weak which have departed from loyalty to the Bible as the word of God, and have gone out after man-made methods and plans. During the years of my ministry in Chicago, this truth was impressed with tremendous force upon me. The churches which are following the revealed truths of God are strong and flourishing. Those where the destructive criticism is in vogue are weakening more and more, and degenerating merely into literary societies and social clubs.

"And only those ministers are truly efficient today who cling to the old book, who love it and preach it. Witness Truett of Texas, Dixon of Chicago, Broughton of Georgia, Henson of Boston, G. Campbell Morgan of London, and Torrey, Chapman and Gypsy Smith among evangelists. What the church and the world needs is not more looseness and doubt, but more loyalty and devotion to the truths of the Bible. And it is to be greatly regretted that a magnificent and influential public journal like the Oregonian should put itself in editorial policy on the side of the negations and scepticism which are threatening the very foundations of our modern life.

A Word of Advice.

"In closing I would commend to the editor's consideration the words from Paul, as found in the first chapter of I Corinthians. 'It is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For seeing that in the wisdom of God the world, through its wisdom, knew not God, it was God's good pleasure through the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. * * * because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.'

"JOHN ROACH STRATTON."

ARIZONAN OBJECTS TO SCOTTY'S ALLEGED HOME

To the Editor of The Journal—I note in your paper of this afternoon an article on the front page touching upon the much-vaunted "Death Valley Scotty."

Scotty is a great man. He makes a great impression upon a great many people. He has a fame which is peculiarly his own. Death valley itself, has had its horrors, its horned toads and cactus more widely advertised by Scotty in a few years than is was ever advertised in the last 20,000,000 years before. More than twice as many people have heard of that valley in the short space since Scotty's meteoric appearance upon the scene, than ever heard of that land of gold and gore before. The Santa Fe railroad company was accused of trying to turn to the unfair use of advertising its lines when it leased this Death valley Croesus a train for the purpose of making a record-breaking run across the country. The people of certain towns in Nevada have been accused of being selfish in their greed to get hold of more than their share of the wild oat crop of gold which Death Valley Scotty is wont to sow.

Now, in view of the fact that so many people in so many places in the country have been accused of trying to get more than their just share of the Scotty glory, let me, a lone, and strange wayfarer from one of Uncle Sam's orphan colonies, poor little old Arizona, enter a plea for justice to the great state of Nevada.

Arizona, be it said in truth, hopes some day to be a great state like Nevada, but up until this good now, she cannot make the claim that she might make under your front page Scotty story of today. True, Arizona has wastes, but on "waists" which have been seductive enough in their charms to capture Scotty. Nevada owns him, and he owns Nevada. "She is his'n and he is her'n," and far be it from any sturdy son of dusky, dinky, little, old Arizona to ever stand idly by and see, hear or believe that he hears or sees any one trying to thrust greatness upon us which belongs to our great neighbor to the north.

So, Please, Mr. Editor, make some kind of a correction, so that Nevada won't feel that it was by some means brought about by some Hassayamper from Arizona, that your paper referred to a great man of "their'n" as being from Arizona. It may be another 1,000,000 years before Arizona can ever produce or discover such a man as Scotty to bring notoriety home to her, but she will have to stand her seclusion wrapped in her black veil of grief that she came so near belonging to and owning Scotty. But fate was in favor of Nevada. Arizona does not complain at fate for favoring the great wastes of Nevada. At some future day mayhap that fate will point her finger unerring, though said to be cold and bony, at Arizona, and then her day will have come to be favored from ocean to ocean on account of possessing some curio approaching in greatness, that imperial one, Scotty. Till then Arizona must wait.

We feel sure that Arizona would be tickled into ecstacies if Scotty should pay her a brief visit, but, oh, no she would never consent to taking, accepting or in any manner condoning his kidnaping from his beloved Death Valley and her fabled lakes or rivers or mountains or whatever it is of gold. No! Not Arizona.

The undersigned knows, for he has feasted upon toadtails, cactus spines and gila monster tongues, and rinsed them down with Hassayampa water for 10 years, and he knows that no Arizonan would momentarily lay claim to Scotty for he does not belong to Arizona.

So, please, Mr. Editor, be just to Nevada, and try to see that hereafter she gets credit for Scotty.

Yours for a square deal with the corners on it. ELI S. PERKINS.

TOLEDO READY FOR VETERANS

Forty-Second Annual National Encampment Will Open Tuesday.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Toledo, Ohio, Aug. 29.—Although the opening of the forty-second national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is still three days distant, the vanguard of veterans and other visitors put in an appearance today and the large number of early arrivals indicates that the attendance will exceed the most sanguine expectations of the local committee of arrangements.

The arrangements for the week were completed today. The city is extensively and handsomely decorated in honor of the occasion and the courthouse, public library and other public buildings, the hotels, clubs and leading business houses bear electrical illuminations of unusual brilliancy. Flags and bunting and patriotic decorations are to be seen on all sides and the great parade next Wednesday will move through streets spanned by magnificent arches and lined with garlands of red, white and blue hung from Venetian masts.

The Andersonville Problem.

In connection with the meetings of the Grand Army there will be held the annual gatherings of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Veterans, the Ladies' Aid society, the National Army Nurses association, the National Association of Naval Veterans and the National Association of ex-Prisoners of War.

The meetings and reunions of the various organizations will continue until Saturday and at some of them much important business is to be transacted. The most important matter to be brought before the Woman's Relief Corps will be in regard to the Andersonville prison property. For many years the W. R. C. has taken care of it, but the organization feels now that the large sum of money required could be expended more wisely for the care of the old soldiers, and they will ask the government to take over the property.

Candidates in Auxiliaries.

For national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, the candidates this year include Mrs. Mary Gilman of Boston, Mrs. Davis of California, Mrs. Belle Harris of Kansas and Mrs. Jennie Berry of Iowa.

For president of the Ladies of the G. A. R. the strongest candidate now seems to be Mrs. Genevieve Longfield of Illinois, who for many years has been one of the most prominent members of the order. With the Daughters of Veterans it has been the custom to advance the national senior vice-president to the presidency, but Mrs. Nettie Fox of Ohio, who held that office, died recently and it is expected the junior vice-president, Miss Clara Hoover, of Chicago, will be made the new national president.

Parade and Campfire.

The big event of encampment week will be the parade of Grand Army men on Wednesday. It is expected that some twenty thousand veterans will be in line. Out of consideration for the age of the marchers the route of the parade will be but a little over a mile long. Occupying seats on the reviewing stand will be the governors of four or five states and a number of other notables.

On Tuesday evening the mammoth campfire of the Grand Army will be held in the Valentine theatre. Governor Harris of Ohio, Mayor Whitlock of Toledo, Department Commander Shearer of the Ohio G. A. R., and J. Kent Hamilton, chairman of the executive committee, will extend greetings, and the invocation will be by Bishop Fallows, chaplain-in-chief. Judge Charles G. Burton of Missouri, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., will respond, after which Mrs. Kate E. Jones of Ilion, N. Y., national president of the W. R. C., will extend greetings for the order. One of the impressive features of the campfire, aside from the speeches and music, will be the flag presentation of the army nurses. The demonstration when these heroic women are presented to the old veterans it is expected will be unparalleled.

Commander Candidates.

Other features of the encampment will be the unveiling of the Meigs monument at Perrysburg, and excursions to Sandusky, Cedar Point, Put-in-Bay and other points of interest along Lake Erie. The dedication of the Meigs monument, marking the place where General William Henry Harrison defeated Proctor, the British general, and Tecumseh, his Indian ally, in 1813, will be attended by the governors of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky and Virginia.

Much interest centers in the choice of the new commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. For this office there are already several prominent candidates, among them Judge Henry M. Nevins of New Jersey, former Governor S. R. Van Sant of Minnesota, and former Attorney General W. A. Ketchum of Indiana.

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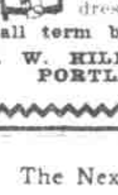

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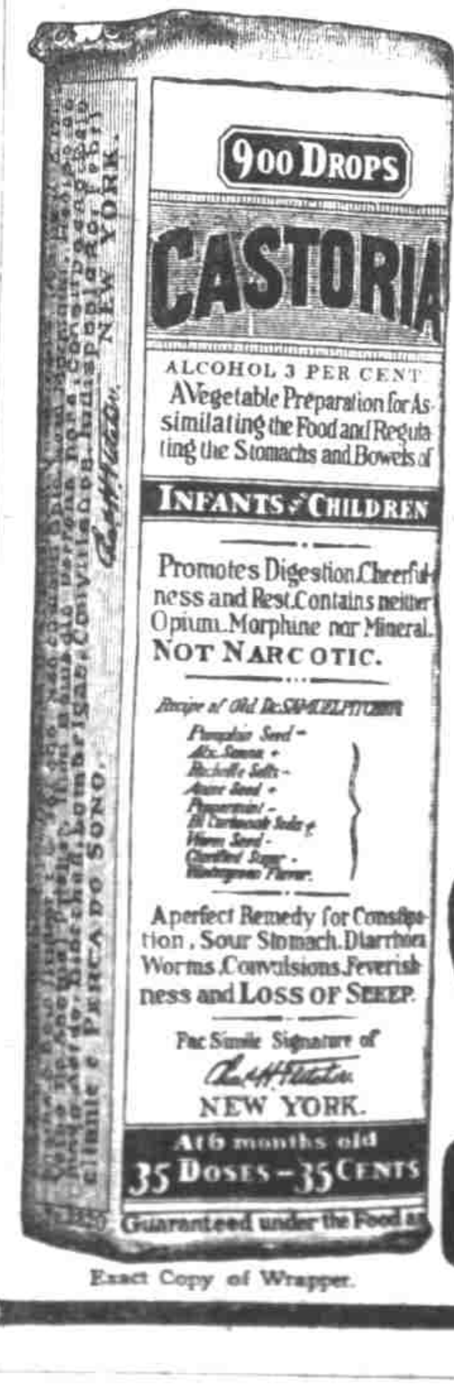

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