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 ONLY ONE GOOD RESULT.

The violation of the law to enforce the law ought never to be necessary, and in the advanced stage of our civilization is not necessary. The members of the mob who hung the murderers at Ellensburg are guilty of murder, in the eyes of the law, and morally are equally guilty with the men whom they put to death in cold blood. The provocation was great, and no doubt their act will go unpunished, so far as courts are concerned; but the effect upon the community is sure to be bad, and the effect upon the men themselves, who participated in the hanging, is likely to be evil, both now and during the remainder of their lives.

There was a time on the Pacific coast when law was impotent, and the direct punishment of murder, or even lesser crimes, by lynching, became necessary; but that time has long since passed. Courts are often slow in the administration of justice, and sometimes fail entirely; but the ultimate effect of their dilatoriousness and failure is far less evil than the violation of law and order, as in the case at Ellensburg.

The only good result is the removal of two accursed and worthless wretches; but this good, great as it is, is of no consequence in the light of the evil grafted upon the lives of the actors. If they are men whose reasons are clear, and whose consciences are active, the hanging of the two murderers will be a cloud they will not soon dispel. Better that two murderers should have entirely escaped punishment—a result not at all probable in this instance—than that fifty or an hundred men should have allowed themselves to yield to the excitement, and become unlawful slayers of their fellowmen.

A WAY TO AVOID DEBTS.

The O. R. & N. Co. is to be sold under foreclosure, a great misfortune to the road, stockholders, directors, and other officers. But there are others who are unfortunate—the hundreds of creditors who have furnished supplies to the road, or rendered it services, or on other grounds have valid claims against it. There are several such persons in this community, whose claims are from a few dollars to many hundred; people who cannot afford to lose their hard-earned money.

The property will be sold under a foreclosure for a sum not exceeding the mortgage; will be bought in by the larger stockholders, and the property will be re-mortgaged, and be ready to incur further debts. When the indebtedness is large enough to warrant it, the process will be repeated, and the small creditors be left holding the sack. We do not undertake to say this is the purpose of the present foreclosure proceedings, for we don't know anything about it; but we have been told that that is the way railroads have of getting rid of a lot of small debts and robbing people who can't afford to be robbed; at least for the benefit of railroad stockholders. The road is now in the hands of a receiver; is under the control of a court of equity, and, under the rule that he who seeks equity must do equity, it may be Judge Bellinger would require the receiver to pay off these material men and laborers before permitting the sale. We are glad we have no claim against the company; if we had we should give Judge Bellinger a chance to help us out.

Twice within a week the Coos bay stage has been held up and robbed, probably by the same person. Other stages in Southern Oregon have had similar experiences of late until it is quite the fad in that section. To a man safe within an editor's sanctum, where there is no treasure for loath or rust to corrupt, or thieves to break through and steal, it looks as if they needed a sheriff down there who is willing to do a little run-ting. Perhaps the putting of sheriffs on a salary is not entirely a good thing.

Twenty-two bright young men and women are sitting in the county court room stirring their brains over perplexing questions, and rapidly writing the various answers that seem to fit the case. No one enter into this test of knowledge without feelings of uncertainty and a wish that it was successfully over. We wish the applicants the best of success, and trust that the outcome will show them all winners. May their nerves grow steadier and their minds more active as the questions get harder.

If Wasco county is to have a county fair this fall, it should be something else than a horse race. Horse races are good things in their place, but at county fairs they are usually a game in which the professional gamblers do up the local sports and unwary, but venturesome, farmers. If we can have an exhibition of the products of the county—an illustration of its resources—the fair will be a benefit; but if it is simply a slide for dollars from the pockets of the people to the purses of the transient professional sports, we better have none.

The effect upon our city of the construction of new sidewalks is remarkable. Nothing throws discredit upon a city so entirely as delapidated walks and filthy streets. Just at the present time our town is being advertised extensively, by reason of its business activity, and many outsiders are looking this way. The appearance of neat walks and well-kept streets will do much to convince those who may come to us that we are as thrifty as we claim to be, and really are. Let the good work go on.

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