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WORDS THAT WILL APPLY TO THE DALLES.

THE CHRONICLE is glad to note that the business men of The Dalles are taking active steps looking to the increase of the city's trade. In this connection all members should attend the meeting called by the Commercial Club this evening, where matters pertaining to the welfare of the town will be discussed. The time has come when a town or city will not progress by its own momentum alone. Other incentives are needed, and these can come only from the enterprise of its citizens. Portland has learned this, too, and its recently-organized chamber of commerce is doing a commendable work in caring for the commercial needs of the city.

President Mason's address at a meeting of the Portland chamber of commerce, clearly emphasizes what we are seeking to say. In commenting upon the need for united, aggressive work, Mr. Mason said:

The outlook for business prosperity was never better than at present, and the unanimity of feeling among our business men to work together has never been more manifest than in the last year. Working for a common end, and a determination to bury selfishness, will accomplish much for our city and state. I would suggest getting together much oftener than we do, discussing questions for the public good, compare views, and adopt means for the advancement of our common interests, and when a line of policy has been adopted by your deliberations, let each one put his shoulder to the wheel, and thus can we move forward the car of progress and prosperity, and have the happy satisfaction of not only building up our city and state, but each one will benefit by the general prosperity.

Every one of these words is applicable to The Dalles. Let us determine that this year will mark the successful outcome of an attempt to secure for The Dalles the establishment of some manufacturing industry which will consume a portion of our raw products and afford employment to labor. Such a result is well worth striving for, and as citizens we should not cease our efforts until the prize is obtained.

A QUERY AND AN ANSWER.

The Oregonian, in its last chapter of lamentations over the iniquities of the city of Portland and county of Multnomah governments, wails thus: "There is no thought of reducing anything, and estimates of expenditure are made as if the resources were unlimited. Is it to be made impossible to own property or do business in Portland? There are a hundred ways in which reductions might be made, beginning with reduction of unnecessary public lighting and running down to the pound-master. County government, in many ways, has run as much to excess; in particular about the courts and in the office of the district attorney. Is it going to be impossible to get any reduction, or is the community to be taxed into total pauperism? For five years this has been discussed and protests have been offered without avail. Meanwhile the public debt, incurred through current expenses, is steadily increasing. What, let us ask the authorities of our local government, is to be the end of this? If they cannot now retrench, when can they? When is the piling up of the debt to stop?" etc.

When can the city of Portland

have a more economical government? When can the district attorney be limited to a salary and the temptations to commence unnecessary prosecutions be removed? How long, oh! how long, are the poor capitalists of Portland to be preyed upon? When are all these iniquities to cease?

We cannot answer further than to suggest: Never until Joe Simon and his allies will consent that Oregon shall have a legislative session; never, so long as its Simoneses, its Maxwells, its Boyers, its Poveys and its Davises will conspire with Bourne, Uren and the other Pops, in holding up the legislature.

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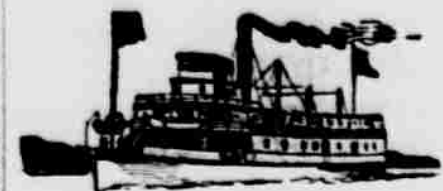
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