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A tiny streamlet trickling from a spring. Will turn for but a pebble in its path. Yet to a river grown, its strength will fling. And dash aside huge bowlders in its wrath. So, mother fond, the child you clasp today. Your tender word and smile may guide aright. But ah! in after years what power can they. A man's strong will, resilient in its might? -Nellie F. Milburn.

In view of the disastrous railroad accidents and shipwrecks. Harney county rejoices that she is out of the zone of danger and still worries along with the stage coach and the pack mule.

It is so certain that C. P. Strain will be re-elected assessor of Umatilla county that it was deemed unjust to mention him among only probable candidates in yesterday's political forecast.

The only way Pendleton ministers can get away from their flocks is to resign, as three of them have done this winter. The city is peculiarly fortunate in having an able corps of ministers and it is regretted that any of them decided to change to other fields.

There are certainly 50 farmers in the vicinity of Pendleton who are willing to lay up a bank account by selling milk to a creamery. All the farmer is requested to do is to keep track of the income. The boys will milk and the creamery company will do the rest.

If war breaks out in the Orient it is almost certain that many innocent white women and children will be slaughtered in obscure places. The hatred of the lower class of Orientals for the white race needs but little provocation for an outrage. Already the Korean press is urging riot in the cities.

The reported rise in the price of live beef for immediate delivery is unfounded. All beef cattle are quoted at the same low figures that have prevailed for two months. The only rise in price is in purchases made for time delivery in two and three months. The same depression that exists in the cattle business in Eastern Oregon is reported to exist in every state represented at the livestock convention. It is universal calamity.

If the city marshal will do as well collecting poll tax as the street commissioner did during the past year in collecting money for street liens, the street funds will not be so badly warped. The voters of the city are exempted from county road tax, with the understanding that they pay \$2 each into the city treasury as street poll tax. This, many of them refuse to do, and past marshals have failed to enforce the law except upon a few of the willing, law-respecting citizens. By refusing to pay this tax the citizens of Pendleton escape all road or street taxation. They throw the burden upon the property holder and cause the city to deny the citizens needed improvements and conveniences because of a lack of funds. Taxation is the basis of the city government. If everybody refused to obey the law, the city would have to go out of business.

The sons of Oregon pioneers who toiled across the plains with ox teams, half a century ago, to settle in the wilderness of the West, are now being feasted and feted and given audience by the chief men of the nation at the capital of the United States. Never in the history

of the West has a Pacific Coast state received the wide attention that is being showered upon Oregon and the Oregon country. The conception of Jefferson and the achievement of Lewis and Clark are just now beginning to be appreciated by the world. Easterners are hunting up old history. They are rummaging through old records. They are casting aside old maps and are forgetting old prophecies about the eternal barrenness of the Pacific Coast. When Harvey Scott, Jefferson Myers and the Oregon delegation in congress get through talking about Oregon, at this session of congress, there will be a lurid glow of Oregon oratory and facts hanging like a pleasant dream over the East. The pioneers are being repaid for their privations in settling the Oregon country, in the honors now being showered upon their sons.

The newspapers of Pendleton pay out \$3,000 per month in salaries, which amount, in turn, is spent among Pendleton business men. Forty people are furnished remunerative employment by this industry, and these employes largely own their homes or rent from Pendleton owners, and thus add a permanent class of citizens to the city. Every enterprise that now exists or is added to the city is aided by repeated free advertising in the news columns. No matter how often a man turns around in a public manner, the newspapers push his business by complimentary notices. The papers give away more advertising space every month than they get pay for, and yet, space is the principal resource of the paper—just as the shelves of goods and the funds of the banks are their resources. Does it not seem unfair for enterprising business men, proud of the city and pleased with the publicity given their business and the entire interest of the community by the papers, to send out of town for printed supplies or deny the newspapers any business patronage which they have to extend in that line? It seems that instead of hunting up cheap concerns which can in no way reciprocate the patronage, that home business firms should do as they ask to be done by, and give all their trade to the legitimate industries that are helping to build up the country and bring in increasing trade for all who have money invested in the county. The newspaper plants have money invested in property and machinery, they pay wages, taxes and insurance and contribute in money and space to every public call, just as other business enterprises. Should some unappreciative printing concern get the natural patronage that rightfully belongs to the papers?

The Standard Oil Company has refused to comply with the law requiring interstate corporations to file reports with the secretary of commerce and labor. Every other corporation has cheerfully responded. Every other concern has respected the law of the land and has filed its sworn report as required. The arrogant octopus of which that arch-hypocrite, John D. Rockefeller, whose right hand is in the pocket of the poor, and whose left hand is busied attempting to placate an outraged providence by "giving" to institutions as empty of good as his own heart—this pious tyrant and blood-sucker, defies the United States government and says that the law requiring a company to report its business secrets to the department is unjust and should not be obeyed. Was there or can there ever be stronger evidence than this that this company's methods are rotten to the core? Would anybody but a thief desire to cover up his tracks? If the practices of this enemy of the people and the government were not crooked and dishonest, would it have anything to conceal? This is anarchy of a dignified type. It will drive the people to take control of all such law-defying concerns, out of sheer self-protection. The millions wrung from the people by this criminal trust are spent by its agents in buying special laws in congress and state legislatures. Its booty fished from the helpless public is used to pay bribes in power to overlook its violations of the law, and it is safe to say that the attorney-general or any one else sheltered under the wing of the trusts, will ever enforce the law against it. This kind of anarchy is hurrying along government ownership.

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