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Call no chain strong which holds one rusted link. Call no land free that holds one fettered slave. Until the manacled slim wrists of babes are loosed to toss in childish sport and glee. Until the mother bears no burden, save the precious one beneath her heart, until God's soil is rescued from the clutch of greed, and given back to labor, let no man call this the land of freedom. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

WELCOME, TO PENDLETON.

If it were as easy to build good roads over the sage brush hills as it is pleasant and delightful to welcome the good roads delegates to Pendleton, surely Umatilla county would have marble boulevards and country highways putting to shame the boasted turnpikes of Italy or England.

Umatilla county not only needs good roads, but she needs a good roads enthusiasm, which it is hoped she will freely imbibe from this convention. She needs a good roads theory which will enter into future expenditures for county highways. She needs a systematic plan of making roads—a plan that will prevent the repetition of washouts and chuck holes, year in and year out, with a continuous stream of county funds pouring into these familiar old chuck holes, year after year, with no sign of abatement.

From the high officials, experts, students and enthusiasts, it is hoped that Umatilla county draws a lasting and profitable inspiration. She needs it. She needs a plan that will build good roads, if she builds but a mile a year, rather than to build 100 miles of temporary road which must be rebuilt at greater cost next year.

Umatilla county is not alone in this pressing need of better roads. All of Oregon can safely attend these conventions and learn, for there is little systematic roadbuilding anywhere in the state.

It is hoped that your enthusiasm is contagious and that Umatilla county is seized with a mania for good roads that will not be satisfied until the 1500 miles of roads in the county are rebuilt on an imperishable basis.

Welcome! There is no one to tell you to stop talking. Pendleton is a graceful listener!

EDUCATION AT THE FAIR.

Until the people of Oregon visit the Lewis and Clark fair and come in actual contact with the great resources of their own northwest land, they will not thoroughly comprehend the scope and value of this exposition.

It will be a carnival of education, a continuous round of instruction from the day it opens until the last door closes on October 15.

As an example of the education to be received, it is only necessary to mention outlines of the exhibits of the western states. Even these western exhibits will offer a study that will be worth the fair and all its cost to the people, to say nothing of the vast variety of other state and foreign exhibits.

Wyoming will have on display 300 distinct exhibits of oil, from the most highly refined and purified typewriter and sewing machine oil, to the crude locomotive lubricant. How many Oregonians know of this vast possibility of the state of Wyoming? The same state will present 30 distinct grades and qualities of coal, one exhibit of coal to consist of a lump weighing

over eight tons, enough to last a family nearly a year.

Idaho will have on display over 100 varieties of fruit. Utah will present the most varied exhibit of any western state, and it is said will show 200 distinct industries growing out of irrigation.

All this will be an education to the westerner, worth all the cost of the fair. Oregonians will come home from this exposition, bigger, broader, more cosmopolitan, more polished than ever.

THE ROOSEVELT EPOCH.

When future historians write the annals of Oregon, they will stop short and draw a long breath when they arrive at the year 1905, and behold the first sharp outlines of the Roosevelt epoch in state politics.

The wild carnival of political corruption and boss rule that has converted the state into a plaything of ringsters and turned the conduct of federal and state officers into a saturnalia of get-rich-quick methods, is, on this memorable year, brought to a sudden and discomfiting halt, and the Roosevelt era, clad in fearless honesty of purpose and cleanliness of mind places on Oregon a new and bright personality.

Despite the guarded gates of the corruptionists, Roosevelt invades the precincts of the high officials, with a sacrilegious tread that has sent consternation to their guilty souls.

He asks no advice, but only says, "Let the ax descend." He seeks no council, but only says, "Take charge of Oregon and cleanse it of fraud."

Future generations in Oregon will bless this fearless man, Roosevelt. If he does nothing more than to rescue the state from the hands of politicians and give it over to the people again, his administration will not have been in vain.

It is too near the opening of the Lewis and Clark fair for the state commission and the corporation to engage in a war over the question of authority. It would be unfortunate for the state and would cast discredit on the fair. Let the fair proceed, and let the state's money be expended as intended. The money has been appropriated and is now for the most part used in preparation for the fair.

But let the state learn a lesson from this and not engage in the exposition business again. Let us keep our hands clean of any future fair organized and promoted for personal gain by professional promoters. The state cannot afford to "flake" now, as the gates are about ready to open. Stand up and take the medicine even though it removes the hide, but let us not get mixed up with a fair corporation again.

Sheriff Tom Word is now raiding the private poker games of Portland, and declares that he will close all forms of gambling in that city. He will come very near doing as he says, too, although the city administration is dead against him. If Tom Word, single-handed and alone, can crush out this vice in Portland, a city of 120,000 population, what utter folly to say that it cannot be crushed out in a measly country town of 7000 people.

HER LAST WORD.

The family gathered round her bed, And many a teardrop fell The while she struggled hard for breath

To bid them all farewell, In youth's full bloom she found her fate, Crushed by a crowd malign While striving for the bargain hats At a dollar ninety-nine.

Ah, never more those dainty feet Will course from dawn till night Through the dry goods district's crowded ways Or in bargains take delight, And never those fast glazing eyes Will glow with joy intense O'er the capture of a dollar prize Reduced to sixty cents!

She strove to speak, With halting breath

Her last instructions gave, Then turned with a beseeching look To her husband, sad and grave, "Oh, promise me," she hoarsely spoke "You'll choose an undertaker who Give purple trading stamps!" —E. D. Pierson, in New York Herald.

COLDEST CITY IN THE WORLD.

In the dead of winter many people are apt to think that they are living in the coldest city in the world. That distinction belongs to Yakutsk, in eastern Siberia. It is the capital of the province of that name, which, in most of its area of a million and a half of square miles, is a bare desert, the soil of which is frozen to a great depth. There are about 400 houses of European build in Yakutsk. They stand apart, the intervening spaces being occupied by winter yurts, or huts, of the northern nomads, with earthen roofs, doors covered with hairy hides, and windows of ice.

Fifteen eastern Washington high schools and several from Idaho, are participating in the interscholastic field meet at Pullman.

WHERE TRAMPS COME FROM.

"The great class of homeless men in this country is constantly being recruited from the best boys of America, not the worst. I say deliberately that the majority of homeless men, our tramps, and casual labor men, are American born, and in some cases they come from the best American families."

This was the significant statement made by Raymond Robbins of the Northwestern University Social Settlement of Chicago, who addressed a large audience in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, the other night, after a residence of four years in the slum district of Chicago, studying the homeless man problem, on which he is now an authority.

"I have spent \$600 in investigating a single case, and in all I have run through 7000 individual cases of homeless men, and I know whereof I speak," continued Mr. Robbins. "To be sure, I found foreigners, not a great many proportionately but a considerable number. But it has been proved that the foreigners stand so much harder treatment than the American boy, that they are every day displacing the American boy in our great industries, and he is going out on the streets and on the road."

The reason for the great army of homeless men that we now have in America, Mr. Robbins said, was the frontier of a hundred years ago offered to the youth who would try their mettle with nature. "Today," said he, "that great opportunity is closed, the frontier is gone forever, and from the country districts of New England, the great Middle West and the West come the youth to try their fortunes in the cities like Chicago and New York. Under what different conditions does the boy start out today than he did 50 or 100 years ago. The mining camp of the West was incalculably safer than what confronts the boy in our city now."

One group of the homeless class, Mr. Robbins described as the "people who never get started." "They will never reach manhood and womanhood," he said, "with enough rich blood to make them what the country needs. It is in our tenements that boys and girls are being educated for the casual labor class, are being fashioned for it hour after hour. I know that strong men can come out of tenements, but I am talking of the average man, and it is to the average man that the country should give a chance. People say there is plenty of room at the top, but I want room at the bottom; I want things so the average man has a chance."

Wild Horses in Nevada.

Wandering across the deserts of Nevada are large bands of wild horses. These enterprising animals have inflicted so much damage upon ranchers and travelers in general through a habit of stampeding and kidnaping domestic stock, at which they are experts, that all humanity is against them and no opportunity is neglected to kill them. This has created such a distrust in the minds of the equine savages that it is practically impossible to get within shooting distance of a band unless they are asleep, as often happens.

The Queets river has shifted its channel and there is now an acrid dispute over boundary lines between Jefferson and Chehalis counties, Washington, which will develop litigation.



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