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THE GREATEST EVENT. The East Oregonian is familiar with the history of the fairs of eastern Oregon, and it says unhesitatingly that the greatest fair in point of attendance, interest and genuine amusement and instruction ever held in eastern Oregon will close its doors in Pendleton tonight. The Umatilla-Morrow county fair sets a pace in eastern Oregon. It is now an established institution, a permanent and fixed event in the district and the object of the people of both counties should be to add to it annually until it really becomes the one chief attraction in the entire eastern Oregon section every year.

THE DE CAPRIO CONCERT. The rendition of good music is a high form of worship. Nature gave to man the innumerable harmonies that he might sing his praise to the Creator. Next to sincere prayer, good music is the most sacred expression of the soul of man. That the mercenary world of today should pause to listen to fascinating music is the surest evidence of its high and all-pervading influence. From the counting rooms, the stores, the blacksmith shops, the fields, the mills and the street corners, the rugged and hardened man mingles with the artist from the studio and the dreamer from his books, and pauses enraptured under the spell of good music.

IS IT LACK OF PATRIOTISM? An old soldier complains to the East Oregonian that the people attending the county fair this week have utterly failed to arise to their feet in the perfunctory fashion, when the "Star Spangled Banner" and other patriotic selections have been played by the De Caprio band.

FALL WEDDING STATIONERY. of the very latest styles and correct form is our specialty. The finest style of engraved marriage announcements, wedding invitations, church cards, at home and calling cards, dinner and reception notices. Our facilities are of the very best, and our judgment and taste in designing pronounced especially good. We also carry a full line of correct social correspondence.



pavilion. Pendleton will do her share as she has done even more than her just share in bearing the expense of the fair just closing.

DOLLARS ARE NOT DREAMS.

In the estimation of the plutocrats and their willing followers, it may be a "dream" for the common people to advocate government ownership of railroads, but the millions of dollars paid out by the inland empire in the past quarter of a century in excessive freight rates, in discriminations, in lack of railroad facilities and in double rates from the east to Portland and then back to interior points, are not "dreams" by any means.

Sufficient money has been extracted from the people of 29 counties in the inland empire in eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho, in excessive and unjust rates, to build a line of railroad from Portland to Boise City. The eternal fight of the railroads thru paid lobbyists in state and national legislatures to secure favorite legislation, by which they may be authorized by law to fix their own rules, rates and regulations are not "dreams." Three and four cent passenger fares are not "dreams" when Australia and New Zealand charge on government systems but 1 and 2 cents.

Millions of dollars paid out to state and national railroad commissions to watch the roads and force them to deal justly with the public are not "dreams." Securing rights of way in "dreams." Securing rights of way into for years without bidding into those sections are not "dreams." Holding back the development of rich states thru mutual agreements on part of the combined systems not to grant reductions in rates and not to build branch lines nor grant any recognition to the public until forced to do so by state or national legislation are not "dreams."

In fact, there are a number of features of public ownership which are not dreams, but which impress very forcibly the fellow who has paid the bills and contributed to \$2,000,000 annual profits on short railroad systems which have but a few hundred miles of road in operation.

PLANTATIONS IN SAMOA.

Consul General George H. Inrod, of Apia, responds to American inquiries as to tropical agriculture in Samoa, as follows: Land suitable for planting can be leased from natives from 25 to 75 cents per annum. The area of freehold land is limited and the cost varies from \$10 to \$20 per acre, clearing expenses running up to \$14. The cost of planting coconuts and bringing them up to the eighth year, when a return can be expected, is \$135 per acre. The cost for cocoa plantations until the sixth year runs from \$150 to \$175 per acre, and rubber \$150 to \$165. Vanilla does not pay to fertilize.

In Samoa most of the land near the water front is owned by the natives and is studded thickly with coconut palms, planted without order or system. They extend back from the coast for miles to an elevation not exceeding 600 feet, and in such proximity to the coast that the palms get the benefit of the moisture carried by the trade winds from the sea.

In plantation systems the trees are placed 20 to 30 feet apart. The average yield per acre is from 700 to 1000 pounds, though 1200 to 1400 pounds is not an uncommon yield. The large planters use the hot-air system for drying copra, and copra thus treated can be used for confectionery purposes. The average price of copra in Apia during 1905 was \$27.50 per ton, delivered f. o. b. ship.

COST OF GROWING GRAIN.

How many farmers are there in the country who know how much it costs to produce a bushel of wheat, corn or other staple product? The claim is made by experts of the department of agriculture that efforts along the line of saving in cost of production are almost unknown to the average American farmer, and that in this failure rests the explanation for so much dissatisfaction among farmers even in times of comparative high prices for farm staples. The department is about to publish the results of an investigation into cost of production on farms.

The importance of this inquiry is brot home to the students of agricultural conditions in this country on account of the fact that it is generally admitted that the day of cheap farm staples has gone, not to return. Farm values are tending upward. Practically all the land now available is in the arid belt, and is to be brot under cultivation only by irrigation, which makes the first cost of the farm lands almost as high per acre as is land in the older agricultural districts. It is asserted by the experts of the department that the

Roosevelt makes no secret of his pleasure at the nomination of Hughes for governor of New York.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP WOULD STOP PLUNDERING.

The Saturday Evening Post, an organ of the plutocracy, unconsciously makes an excellent argument in favor of government ownership of railroads in an article in the last issue, on the Union Pacific stock manipulations of the past month.

If the government owned the road, the manipulations of the stock market to inflate values for speculative purposes, resulting in ruined fortunes, ruined characters, bankruptcy, disgrace and suicide for some and affluence and opulence for others thru the legalized plundering of the stock exchange, would all be avoided.

The Post says: The Union Pacific was hit in good part by the public. The direct debt to the national treasury for aid extended to the enterprise amounted with accrued interest, to upward of \$50,000,000 at the time of the reorganization. The road was also given an empire in public lands. It has been selling these lands for 30 years but still has about 4,000,000 acres with land assets valued at nearly \$10,000,000. Keep this in mind.

The directors met on a Wednesday and authorized the declaration of a dividend for the half year (the previous dividend having been at the rate of 6 per cent a year). The next day the executive committee declared the dividend, but kept its action secret. At the opening of the Stock Exchange Friday it was announced that the dividend had been increased to 10 per cent a year. Union Pacific stock advanced \$17 per share. Over 600,000 shares were sold.

Next day there was some further advance, with enormous sales. Newspapers blossomed with headlines about the immense winnings of the Harriman pool in the stock. In two wild days about half the total outstanding stock of the road was handled on the exchange at an average price of about \$150 a share. A month before the stock had sold under \$140 a share. Estimating the profits of the pool, with a numeral and seven eighths, was, naturally, a pleasant exercise for reportorial imaginations. Merely operating a railroad is much too slow and dull a game for a really up-to-date captain of industry. Manipulating its stock on the exchange is far livelier and more profitable. We often wonder why these gentlemen bother about government regulation, maximum freight bills and the like. They can rig the stock market just the same.

The constant tendency of high finance is to divorce the interest of the men in control of great properties from the interests of the properties themselves. The profit that a Union Pacific director could have made by increasing the tonnage or lowering the operating cost of the railroad would be a mere bagatelle compared with the gain he could have made by buying a proper block of stock when he knew that the dividend was going to be increased and selling it out after the other stockholders and the public knew. Why should a Hepburn bill trouble them?

Money may pay the pressing obligations of temporal judgments; but at best money is merely a counter in the game, and he who cheats to get the counters has not won the game. William Allen White in The American Magazine for October.

A ferryboat carrying 200 Hindus across the Indus river, capsized and 170 of the passengers were drowned.

Idaho Sheep King Sells Out. It has just come to light that Chris Theissen has disposed of all his sheep holdings to British Columbia and North Yakima parties. It seems that some time ago Mr. Theissen sold to J. DeHaven, representing the Pat Burns company of British Columbia, 6000 head, that he has been making deliveries on the same at different times and that the last delivery, amounting to 2000 head, was made a few days ago.

About the 17th of this month Mr. Theissen sold to M. Berg of North Yakima the bulk of his holdings, about 12,000 head. Out of all his vast flocks Mr. Theissen has only one buck left to remind him of his former days as one of Idaho's sheep kings.—Lewis-Tribune.

OF VITAL INTEREST TO EVERY CITIZEN.

Special attention must be paid to the economics of production if the industry of agriculture is to be accompanied by profitable returns, without such rapidly increasing cost of farm staples as to become a serious burden upon the consuming public.

Much attention is paid to plans for saving in the cost of distributing staple commodities, by efforts at holding down transportation rates, and it is the opinion of the government experts that some material results may be obtained by more careful attention on the part of the American farmer to economy in production.

WEARINESS.

O little feet! that such long years Must wander on thru hopes and fears, Must ache and bleed beneath your load;

I, nearer to the wayside inn Where toil shall cease and rest begin, Am weary, thinking of your road!

O little hands! that weak or strong, Have still to serve or rule so long, Have still so much to give or ask;

I, who so much with book and pen Have toiled among my fellow-men, Am weary, thinking of your task!

O little hearts! that throbb and beat With such impatient, feverish heat, Such limitless and strong desires;

Mine, that so long has glowed and burned, With passions into ashes turned, Now covers and conceals its fires.

O little souls! as pure and white And crystalline as rays of light, Direct from heaven, their source divine;

Refracted through the mist of years, How red my setting sun appears, How lurid looks this soul of mine!

—H. W. Longfellow.

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MR. HERMAN ROESE. A Man of Prominence in School Circles and Overseer of the Poor Says Peruna Has Proven a Most Efficacious Remedy.

Herman Roese, 18 New Butternut St., Syracuse, N. Y., is President of the Board of Trustees of Webster graded schools, Dist. 8, in the town of Salina. He is also Overseer of the Poor, which position has afforded him ample opportunity for noting the causes of disease, as well as the best means of preventing and curing the same.

He expresses his approval of the use of Peruna as a very effective means of solving a problem of such vital interest to the community, as follows: "Exposure seems to affect the lungs and kidneys of the poor and I have seen hundreds of these who were broken down in health from this cause. I am pleased to tell you that Peruna has proven a most efficacious remedy in a number of cases where no other medicine was used. I consider it a specific for any disorders of the respiratory organs."

The Sunrise Store JAPANESE GOODS BAMBOO FURNITURE CHINAWARE AND POTTERY ORIENTAL WORKS OF ART Harry Hiraiwa, Prop. 305 E. COURT ST.

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