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SONG OF THE ROAD.

Sing a song of the open road,
The "long, broad road" unending,
That wanders over the edge of the world,
To alien lands and skies,
To enchanted realms of "Other-where"
Whither our youth are tending.
In vain pursuit of the ancient quest—
Adventure and fair emprise,
And we who have followed the endless trail
And journeyed the wide world over,
And won at last a guardian
That lured us on to roam,
Well know that 'tis idle, useless,
Advising the youthful rover;
He must for himself discover
That what he seeks is home.
—Selected.

IMPORTANT GUESTS.

Pendleton has entertained larger conventions than the one now in session at the Eagles-Woodmen hall but no organization more important than the state bankers' association ever assembled in this city. This because the men who are here represent a most important calling.

By the very nature of their work bankers are the leaders of the business world. They handle the power that moves the wheels of industry and commerce. They more than any other class of men are responsible for the safety of the business machinery within their communities. This responsibility makes bankers habitually conservative. Sometimes it occurs that this conservatism grows upon them until they become over-cautious and they are then accused of being a retarding influence within their communities. On the other hand there are occasional bankers who go to the other extreme. They become maddened by the power that is intrusted to them and becoming reckless bring on disaster.

Fortunately there are few bankers in Oregon who belong to either of these classes. When reckless bankers do appear they are soon eliminated by the process of natural selection. No man who is weak or dishonest can stay in the business and succeed. Neither can one succeed if too timid. The good banker must be a man of force and balance.

So it comes about that only picked men remain in the banking business or at least at the heads of financial institutions. This being the case Pendleton should feel highly honored in having the annual convention of the state bankers' association. As a matter of fact the people of this city do appreciate the presence of the bankers. Pendleton feels honored by their visit and is endeavoring by every means at hand to make their stay pleasant and profitable. May the financiers enjoy their sojourn in this little city—the metropolis of eastern Oregon.

A STINGING SWIPE.

Hudson Bay grange has passed a resolution that serves as a stinging swipe to those who are backing the move for an assembly. The resolution was passed at the last meeting of Hudson Bay grange and in detail is as follows:

Whereas, this grange at its regular meeting of March 19, 1910, placed itself on record as being in favor of the direct primary and the referendum, and,

Whereas, we are in direct opposition to the return to the convention system of selecting candidates for either the state or the county; and,

Whereas, we are utterly opposed to machine politics and machine domination, we learn with surprise and indignation that one E. W. McComas, has recently called a meeting in Pendleton, which meeting had the audacity to speak for the republican voters of Umatilla county without in any public way consulting with the elec-

tors, or even with those whom they named as delegates; and, Whereas, they have had the impertinence to place among the list of delegates the name of the overseer of this lodge, Mr. James Kirk, a gentleman who stands for clean politics, for straight-going republicanism and who is, moreover, a staunch friend of the direct primary, this lodge places on record its abhorrence of this self-constituted committee and all its works, and begs to assure them that any man who comes into this section of the country asking for the support of the electorate who is in any way branded with the ear-marks of the machine, will receive our unflinching opposition.

Unanimously adopted by Hudson Bay Grange No. 361, June 18, 1910. (Signed)

W. H. WITHERITE, W. M.
E. HOON, Secretary.

(Seal)
If this resolution is an index, as it doubtless is, to the sentiment of the people of this county with respects to the assembly then Judge Lowell knew whereof he spoke when he declared the bulk of the republican voters are opposed to the scheme. Hudson Bay grange has declared itself in language so explicit that any one should be able to understand the same.

SAFEGUARDS NEEDED.

The terrible accident which resulted yesterday in the death of O. F. Harper, manager of the Pendleton creamery, again illustrates the need of safeguarding the lives of those who work in plants where machinery is used. Had there been proper guards about the machinery in which Mr. Harper became entangled he would still be alive. In this connection it is interesting to note that the deputy factory inspector, Mr. Dalzell, says he made some recommendations at the time the creamery machinery was installed and had his suggestions been followed the accident would not have occurred. There should be the fullest co-operation between owners of plants and the factory inspectors with a view of eliminating just such accidents as occurred yesterday and which caused the death of a valuable citizen and businessman.

Pendleton has entertained many friends during the past year, among them the woolgrowers, the Knights of Pythias, the Inland teachers and the bankers. This is the convention city of eastern Oregon.

If we had the "Deutschland" here we could take the bankers to Wenaha springs by airship. However the run by auto is not bad.

In the central states they need rain badly, but the northwest will harvest a good crop this year.

If those nine new counties are created the tax levies throughout this state will be increased accordingly.

"Neither a borrower nor a lender be" is alright for a motto. But even Shakespeare failed to follow it.

MACHINE POLITICS.

(Freewater Times.)
The appointment by a small committee of delegates to the Portland assembly of the republican party is one of the most bare-faced attempts of the machine men to convey the idea that Umatilla republicans are in favor of the assembly (with a small "a"). Years ago nine tallors met in a room in Looley street, London, and sent a petition signed by themselves only, and beginning, "We, the people of England." So 14 men, headed by McComas, gathered in Pendleton and profess to speak for the Umatilla county republicans. Not only did they speak but they had the audacity to appoint delegates to the assembly (with a small "a"). Some of these delegates are enraptured with the idea that the old times have come back again, and the good old days when these men went to Pendleton and to Portland to appoint the rulers of county and state, are with us once more. One of the gentlemen appointed is indignant at finding his name on the list. He is a believer in the direct primary and the referendum, and takes it as a supreme impertinence that his name should appear on the list. We are sure of one thing, that these men do not represent their precincts. Outside of Pendleton there is not a precinct that favors the assembly (with a little "a"). We hereby challenge Mr. McComas and his machine cohorts to call a meeting in North Milton, Ferndale or Valley precincts and see if his machine appointees can carry the primaries in favor of the assembly. This county will stand by the primary and all that it involves. We speak for this section when we say that any man who is nominated by the assembly and its county machine will surely go down to defeat. The machine men are desirous of wrecking the party. Let all good citizens swear by high heaven that the power wrested from the politicians and placed in the hands of the people shall forever remain with the people, that government by the people shall never perish from the earth.

The Wife—"I've been to a bridge party, and I have a splitting headache."

The Brute—"Well, I don't understand it. Your tongue might ache, or your stomach—but why your head?"

—Kansas City Journal.

IRRIGATION BASEBALL MEETS FOR BUSINESS

EMPIRE'S DECISIONS IN PROTESTED GAMES UPHOLD

Directors Meet in Echo—Rov War Elected Secretary—Echo and Hermiston Awarded Protested Games—Other Short News Notes.

(Special Correspondence.)
Echo, Ore., June 24.—A business meeting of the Western Umatilla Co. Irrigation Baseball League was held here yesterday morning in the office of the Bank of Echo. Fred Phelps, president, presiding. The following officers were present: Phelps, president; McNaught, manager and director, both of Hermiston; Gilbert, director, Echo; Neal and Carr, manager and director respectively of Stanfield, and A. B. Stevens manager and director of Umatilla. Among the business transacted was the election of Roy Ward of Echo, as secretary, on account of departure of M. Starcher, former secretary.

In regard to the disputed game played here May 8th, Hermiston's protest was ruled out and the game was awarded to Echo in accordance with the umpire's decision given at the time. The dispute over the game played at Stanfield on May 22 between Hermiston and Stanfield was likewise disposed of by awarding the game to Hermiston. To avoid further disputes hereafter the two umpires will be used in all games played by this league.

It was decided that the four teams would play at Stanfield on July 4th, and after expenses were paid the gate receipts are to be divided at the ratio of 60 and 40 per cent respectively to the winning and losing teams.

A. B. McCarty is here from Strathmore, B. C., looking after his business interests. Mr. McCarty is one of our extensive wheat raisers. He went to the Alberta country last fall and bought cheap land, but he still retains a large body of wheat land here which is rented. Mr. McCarty says the land is very fertile and the district in which he lives is populated principally by Americans, a great many being from Umatilla county. He expects to be here during harvest.

Chas. Scherer returned yesterday from a business trip to Seattle.

Mrs. R. B. Stanfield and children went up to Pendleton this morning on the motor, returning in the evening.

Frank Harrison of Hermiston spent the day here yesterday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Harrison. Mr. Harrison has just returned from Pullman, Wash., where he attended the commencement exercises of the school from which he graduated years ago.

Mrs. Hugh Smith returned yesterday from a short visit to Pendleton.

Mrs. E. H. Brown of Stanfield was here yesterday the guest of Miss Beulah Barker.

R. B. Stanfield is in Pendleton attending the state bankers' association, which meets there today.

Walter Gillette received a combine harvester this morning from Portland.

On Wednesday, June 22, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Jos. Hinkle of Butter creek, occurred the wedding of Miss Florence Cooper and Mr. Ora Ingram, both of Cranbrook, B. C. Rev. F. H. Walker of Hermiston officiating. The following friends and relatives were present: Mrs. G. W. Cooper and Miss Hazel Cooper, of Cranbrook, B. C.; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cooper of Spokane, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Garfield of Pendleton, Ore.; Mr. Floyd Cooper of Spokane; Miss Ellen Canfield of Hermiston; Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hinkle and family of Butter Creek. Mr. and Mrs. Ingham left yesterday for Spokane, where they will visit a short time before going to Cranbrook, where they will make their home.

Two carloads of wool were shipped from here this morning. One to Pendleton, Ore., and one east to Rock Island.

NAMED AFTER ROCKEFELLER.

"I chanced to drop off the train at a little station in Georgia and walked around the platform while the locomotive took water," said Manager Kimble of the Continental hotel, "when I saw an old negro and his little grandchild.

"Rather likely plectaniny you have there, uncle," I said. "Named George Washington, eh?"

"No, sah," laughed the negro on the baggage truck. "Dat chile's name am Petro."

"Petro? Why that's a queer sounding name for a plectaniny."

"Might seem a little queer to you, sah, but Massa Rockefeller was down here some time ago and gib me a quarter for totin' his grip. Ah named de plectaniny in his honah, sah."

"But Rockefeller's first name is John."

"Yes, sah, but yo' see dis chile's full name am Petroleum, on we calls him Petro for short."—Philadelphia Times.

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