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THE EARLY PARADISE.

♦ So many blessings given—
 ♦ So much life to win—
 ♦ If the world rolled close to
 ♦ heaven
 ♦ Wouldn't care to step right
 ♦ in!

♦ A holiday
 ♦ With joy below
 ♦ Beneath Paradise
 ♦ You do not know.

♦ A day off in the Maytime
 ♦ Beneath a sky o' blue,
 ♦ And heaven itself is comin',
 ♦ In a cloud o' light to you.

♦ O joyous country—
 ♦ Framed in light,
 ♦ With all of Paradise
 ♦ In sight!

—Frank L. Stanton.

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A FAVORABLE OUTLOOK.

Not for many months has the business outlook been as bright as at the present time, considered from a general standpoint as well as locally.

In Umatilla county the outlook for a favorable wheat crop is good. Though the rainfall during the first three months of the year was deficient the rain of the past month has practically made up the shortage and a normal crop or better seems assured.

In the wool market the prices paid at the Pilot Rock sale were most encouraging. They were a considerable improvement over the prices paid earlier in the season and were a cent or two per pound above what the Pilot Rock growers themselves expected.

It is fortunate too that the wool market is looking up. If there is any industry in eastern Oregon entitled to sympathy just at present it is the sheep business. Due to the tariff agitation and other causes the price of wool was beaten down to a point far below what it should be. The low price of wool and the restricted reserves have together "played hob" with the price of sheep. So the growers have been hit going and coming and fortunate is the concern that has made any money during the past year. So the better prices now offered for wool are truly welcome.

The above paragraphs deal with local conditions. The situation throughout the country is also encouraging. The end of the Mexican revolution is a blessing to the business world for a war so close to home was necessarily a disturbing factor. Especially so since there was a possibility of intervention by the United States would be necessary.

The decisions of the supreme court in the Standard Oil and tobacco trust cases have also done much to "clear the atmosphere." It is plain that wholesome results, from a business standpoint, have followed those decisions. The trusts now know where they are at. They are not in danger of promiscuous slaughter—but each will get a trial upon its merits if brought into court. Nor should the public suffer by the decisions. It is quite generally regarded as hopeless to restore competition by means of anti-trust laws. Hope for the public lies in barring unreasonable monopolies and in governmental regulation of service and prices. There has been wrong doing by trust magnates and the gully men should be placed in jail. But all the trusts, good and bad, should not be killed because some men have abused their opportunities and violated the law to the harm of the people.

With the general situation favorable, with prospects for good crops and with over a million dollars in building work in sight for Pendleton there is no reason for pessimism at this time and some who have been feeling badly may well cheer up. Business is quiet throughout the country it is true, but nevertheless things are moving along at a very satisfactory clip.

SHOW HIM UP.

It would be bad business for the

United States and for the people of eastern Oregon to establish an eastern Oregon judicial district with headquarters at Baker. It is true that Baker is a good town and has a splendid citizenship but its geographical position should make it an impossible aspirant for the eastern Oregon federal court.

Outside of Baker county there are just two counties that would profit through having the federal court headquarters at Baker. They are Malheur and Harney, both sparsely settled counties that have little if any federal litigation. There are seven counties in the proposed eastern Oregon district that would be condemned by having the court located here. They are Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, Sherman, Crook and Lake, Grant, Union and Walla-walla people are as close to Pendleton as to Baker.

Pendleton has railroad accommodations such as Baker never can have. Railroads enter and leave Pendleton from five directions and a total of 22 passenger trains arrive and depart each day.

Another factor that should be considered in the location of the eastern Oregon court is the immense amount of litigation arising from the Umatilla Indian reservation. More federal litigation arises out of the reservation than from all of Baker, Malheur and Harney counties combined. Why make these litigants go away from home for the trial of their cases?

Under the circumstances it would be a blunder and a crime against good government to take the federal court headquarters from Pendleton and locate it at Baker. Congressman Lafferty is taking an opportunity to pay a political debt. To please the Bakerites who voted for him he would "throw down" all the rest of the district. Perhaps he feels safe because he will not again ask for the votes of eastern Oregon people. But he is in small business and his scheme should be shown up and defeated.

FOR PUBLIC DOCKS.

The Oregon Journal is a staunch advocate of public docks and it is doing good work for the people of Portland by such advocacy. It is poor business for Portland to allow its waterfront to be monopolized by the railroads who will naturally deny wharf room to competing ocean lines. It would be silly for Portland to have the Columbia river deepened and improved and then fail to see that ships may secure dock facilities at Portland. With the completion of the Panama canal drawing near and with the knowledge that the canal will make water competition far more effective than at present it is especially necessary that public docks be provided at Portland. Nor is it a matter in which merely the people of the metropolis are interested. Every merchant of eastern Oregon, every sheepman and every wheat-grower also has an interest in the subject.

The railroads have the land. Don't let them take the ocean also.

Medford wants the proposed Harriman university and is willing to give 1000 acres of land and \$50,000 besides to get it. If they want a private school they could buy the defunct Pendleton academy for half that price. This town is now putting its money on its public schools.

Whether the high school debating team wins or loses in the state contest at Eugene today at least this city will have the satisfaction of having had a team in the final contest for three successive years.

Pendleton is certainly a metropolitan city. We are promised a cafeteria.

Diag may find it about as uncomfortable in Spain as in his own country.

Now that the Warner case is settled the newspaper correspondents will lose. The case was the source of many stories.

With East Ala street paved the patrons of the churches on that street will be able to drive to worship if they wish.

Spring was afraid so her sister, Summer, came instead.

JUNE 1 IN HISTORY.

1533—Ann Boleyn crowned Queen of England.
 1679—Graham of Claverhouse defeated by the Scottish Covenanters at Drumclog, Scotland.
 1835—Otto, King of Greece, his minority having ended, ascended the throne at Athens.
 1848—Defeat of the Danes by the Germans.
 1854—Four British steamers attacked and destroyed the ships, docks and stores at Uleaborg.
 1898—Admiral Sampson joined Commodore Schley off Santiago de Cuba and took command of the United States fleet, comprising sixteen warships.
 1909—Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition opened at Seattle.
 1910—The British Antarctic expedition started from London.

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startled to hear a gentle voice inquire: "Sister Kate, will thee go to the counter and have a milk-punch on me?"—June Lippincott's.

A REAL LADY.

Among the youngsters belonging to a college settlement in a New England city was one little girl who returned to her humble home with glowing accounts of the new teacher.

"She's a perfect lady," exclaimed the enthusiastic youngster, "that's what she is!"

The child's mother gave her a doubtful look. "How do you know?" she said. "You've only known her two days."

"It's easy enough tellin'," continued the child. "I know she's a perfect lady, because she makes you feel polite all the time."—June Lippincott's.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY SKETCH.

John Marshall Harlan, associated justice of the supreme court of the United States, who hit that "reasonable doubt" decision such a hard knock with his dissenting opinion in the Standard Oil case, is seventy-eight years old today. He was born in Boyle County, Ky., and graduated from Centre college, Kentucky, after which he took courses at Bowdoin and Transylvania Universities. At the outset of his career he practiced law at Frankfort. He married Malvina P. Shunklin of Evansville, Ind., in 1856. Shortly after his marriage he entered politics and has served as county judge, district judge, congressman and presidential elector. He has been a candidate for governor of Kentucky also for vice president of the United States.

Justice Harlan has been a member of the supreme court of the United States for nearly thirty four years, and is the dean of the present bunch. If he lives another year he will have served longer than any other justice of the court. He is six feet tall, broad shouldered and active in spite of his weight of years, straight as a pine and his blue eyes are kindly except when bent on a judicial problem. He has been eligible for retirement on full pay since June, 1903, but he has no thought of retiring.

He proved his physical courage in the war and has not yet a full sum of that moral courage that has enabled him on more than one occasion to write opinions dissenting from the great lawyers who formed the majority of the court. It has been said that if it were not for his years, Justice Harlan could head his party in the national campaign next year.

Like every Kentuckian in good standing, Justice Harlan has a skilled appreciation of the good things his state produces. He is a devout churchgoer and plays a mighty tidy game of golf.

QUAKER SLANG.

A visitor to Philadelphia, unfamiliar with the garb of the Society of Friends, was much interested in two demure and placid Quakeresses who took seats directly behind her in the Brook street station. After a few minutes' silence she was somewhat

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