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### There's a Reason

You may rightly ask, "How can we afford to do it?" This is the quietest period of the year in the men's clothing business. The great success of our January Clearance Sale enables us to surpass the same month of last year by far, and we want to say the same thing of February.

We have bought heavy for spring and the goods have commenced to arrive—we have no room to add new balconies and no basement for storing surplus stock—so we must reduce. To do this at this time of year we must make a sacrifice.

We are not only sacrificing profits, but are actually selling below cost—profits will be unknown at this store during the coming months—that's our reason.

Good medium weight clothes suitable for spring wear. Come in greys, browns, blues, blacks, olives, and tans. All late models. A few of the famous Kirschbaum suits included.

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### We Expect Fast Selling

The people of this county can buy good desirable clothing here now, at less than we paid the factories for it.

For this reason you had better come in quick, before the lines are broken, and get your favorite pattern and correct size while we can supply you.

You may not need a suit just now—then buy for next spring or summer. \$20.00 suits for \$7.75, a saving of \$12.25—how could you ever earn this amount quicker or easier.

Take advantage of this loss on our part to better your appearance as well as pocketbook.

While the line is large at present, you had better hurry to be one of the most fortunate ones, as good suits will not remain on our counter long at this price. Come and look whether you buy or not.

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### DON'T FORGET.

- Strive
- With all your might;
- Keep hope alive,
- Keep your goal in sight!
- Be fair,
- Be square;
- Be worthy of success;
- Let your hands be clean,
- And your soul serene;
- Keep no room in your heart for bitterness.
- Deserve the praise
- You long to hear;
- So shape your ways
- That fear
- May never haunt you in the night!
- Be strong, be right;
- Hold honor dear,
- And when
- Another is pressed in a splendid fight
- Don't forget to cheer
- For him now and then.

### SOME HUMBLE SUGGESTIONS.

In view of the fact the city of Pendleton must soon make a new street lighting contract with the Pacific Power & Light company some data contained in a news story published by this paper today may be of passing interest to councilmen and others.

The showing, which is from the electric trust itself indicates the concern is doing well. It has a beautiful business indeed. The physical value of its plants in the northwest totals the sum of \$4,910,103, which figure is given as the replacement

value by the vice president of the company.

The company has outstanding a bond issue of over \$5,000,000, and a capitalization, totaling \$9,500,000. The report also says that the net earnings are more than twice the annual interest charges on all bonds now outstanding.

In other words the trust has no real money invested in its business at all if its showing is properly interpreted. It is all borrowed coin. It is a fine system from their standpoint. It is beautiful work because they get big profits for nothing. The vice president has a right to brag about the status of affairs.

But it is most too good a thing. Men should not be allowed to get something for nothing. At least not too much. It tends to breed indolence and arrogance. It is also the cause of anarchy and discontent. People do not like to see a few men rake in millions without effort on their part when there are others who must struggle hard all the time for a bare livelihood.

Perhaps the Pendleton city administration can do something to relieve the situation. When the new street lighting contract is made maybe more favorable terms can be had. Perhaps a clause can be inserted in the contract to the effect the city won't have to pay for lights unless they burn. Perhaps we can get a few more lights so as to brighten up the dark spots where the "Jack the Grabbers" hold forth. Maybe Pendleton can get rid of its sixteenth century street lighting service in the business district and get municipal cluster lights installed at regular intervals as they should be. Maybe the electric trust can be induced to use some of its profit money removing the unsightly poles and dangerous overhead wires that menace the lives of firemen and others whenever there is a blaze in the business district.

In making these humble suggestions the East Oregonian realizes fully its own wickedness. We realize we are "assailing business and driving capital from our fair city." We are muckraking and hounding genial gentlemen who draw good salaries and try to earn them. We are very unworthy from the standpoint of the electric trust. Nevertheless, the suggestions are put forth and our honorable city fathers may make such use of them as they desire.

### THE AMERICAN VOICE.

An Englishman who is a resident

among us and who once a month in a London review enlightens British shades of woman's voice have been up the subject of the American voice, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

Our tones are louder and higher than he likes; "the soft and carefully modulated voice, in both men and women, is rare enough in America to be noticed." Our critic is inclined to believe that the unmelodious American voice, along with the cursory and peremptory American manner, has come through our necessity for bossing "a great mass of rude and uncultivated aliens."

However that may be, the American voice has become conscious of its peculiarities—witness the hundreds of "schools of expression" which are trying to tone it down. This ameliorating influence thus reaches at least the feminine sex, so that if the softer readers on American affairs has taken sacrificed by directing rude and uncultivated aliens in the kitchen betterment may presently ensue.

However, other influences that militate against carefully modulated tones remain to be combated. Passing over that of climate, two at least may be mentioned. The average woman is all too willing to back up her vocal apparatus against the uproar of the train and the trolley. Also, she is never averse to enter into a contest with the general hubbub of a reception or an afternoon tea.

The struggle is gallant but unequal. She can never win; what is one poor, thin pipe against a tumult but little less than infinite? Put on the damper then, especially when he game is going dead against you. Keep silent on the "L" and don't try to swim against the conversational Niagara at your club.

### A PECULIAR SIGHT.

If there was ever a journalistic bird that befouls its own nest it is the local sheet that has been squawking against the West Extension. Pendleton started the move for the west extension and wants the extension built. A few weeks ago the subject was reconsidered here upon request, and after listening to two nights of able debate the members of the Commercial club voted, with only one dissenting voice, to stand by their past action asking for the extension.

Immediately after the meeting certain people headed by Dr. H. W. Coe, who has been a persistent Pendleton knocker, undertook a boycott upon this city. They sought to arouse and unjustly prejudice farmers against

the city. He went to Walla Walla and made a spectacle of himself by trying to talk up an electric road from Stanfield to Walla Walla in hopes of hurting our town. He wanted to make "grass grow in the streets of Pendleton."

All this because the people of this place did their plain duty as they saw it. Because they were unwilling to stand in with the obstructionists and help knock out a great public enterprise in order to benefit a few promoters at Stanfield. Because we would not help those promoters work to secure the O.-W. R. & N. freight division when it is moved. Because we would not help Dr. Coe and his friends in building a magic city of air and sand with the price of lots sky highward. Because we would not help get the government to abandon the West Extension so as to make Dr. Coe's own water filling become effective.

Pendleton people were absolutely right in the position they took from a

standpoint of self interest and from the standpoint of justice. They should have the loyal support of every Pendleton institution. Yet there is a sheet here that for reasons unseen to the eye has gone over to those who fight this city. It has been doing its utmost to flimflam upper river farmers and get them to be catspaws to pull Dr. Coe's chestnuts out of the fire. It has worked to unjustly turn those men and others against this city and its business men who provide it with what legitimate support it receives.

It is a peculiar spectacle and hard to understand. But maybe it is the normal result when a socialist runs a reactionary republican newspaper with the aid of an office force recruited from the ranks of drunks, degenerate sons and forged check artists. Again it is barely possible there is a sequel to the \$250 tale recently told by local gentlemen, some of whom by the way are with the anti-extension brigade.

### ART NOTE.

It is estimated that J. Pierpont Morgan's art collection is worth \$20,000,000. What a wonderful thing it is, somebody says, to be able to invest \$20,000,000 in art! But is Mr. Morgan's collection of any real benefit to the world? Has his investment helped in any way to develop art? His collection consists almost exclusively of things that were produced by men who have long been dead and much of it is safely stored behind doors that are closed against the public. The man or woman who makes a collection of a ton of coal which is placed at the disposal of people who are suffering does a much greater thing than one who invests \$20,000,000 in junk that goes by the name of art merely because it is old or has been handled by kings. Neither Jane Addams nor Dean Sumner has, or is ever likely to have, much of a collection of art. We suspect, however, that each of them does more every week for humanity than Morgan has done along that line in all his life.



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