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"We know nowadays that even a universal education supplies only the basis for a healthy republican state. Next to education there must come abundant, prompt, and truthful information of what is going on in the state, and frank and free discussion of the issues of the times." H. G. Wells, "The Outline of History."

INTRODUCING BEND

Following the editorial convention held here, Polk county learned of Bend and Deschutes county through the medium of nearly two columns of editorial comment published in the Polk County Observer. The larger part of the editorial is reprinted here, as follows:

"The editors of the state of Oregon gathered in Bend during the past week in their annual summer convention. Most important of the actions taken was the decision to have in Oregon a code of newspaper ethics.

"Nothing is so important to the profession. The newspaper business has in most instances been run on the hit and miss plan, without any regard for the other fellow, and it is proposed to adopt in Oregon a code of ethics that will govern the business, and particularly mark for all onlookers the men who are regular and those who are otherwise. It has been found necessary in all professions to adopt a code of ethics. In no other way is it possible to discern at first sight the real from the imitation.

"The state of Missouri led the country in this regard. It has a code of newspaper ethics. The result in that state is that one newspaper no more thinks of criticizing another publisher in his publication than he does of 'roasting' any other business man. Also the code lays down a rather strict line as to what is news and what is not. While no effort is made to regulate the method by which the newspaper business is to be conducted, the code does make for honesty and does lessen personalities. A newspaper man under a code who indulges in personalities and uses his newspaper against another editor, or against any other citizen for private reasons is not highly regarded.

"A committee was appointed to take charge of the matter and report to the winter conference to be held in Eugene. There is no doubt but that a code will be adopted. There is a decided need for such a voluntary law surrounding the newspaper business and the men engaged therein are the only ones who can put it in force."

"While there were many things of interest to the business discussed, and a strong set of officers named, most interest from the public standpoint lies in what the editors saw and discovered while on the trip. These editors were made acquainted with some of the country and with many of the problems faced by Central Oregon. It is truly a wonderful country over there, entirely different from that in the Willamette valley and the western section of the state. Lumbering and stock raising are the principal industries, even where irrigation has been adopted and carried out. These irrigated lands are wonderfully productive of grasses and other products not subject to frost. "But the glory of the Bend district lies in its mountains and scenery. Immediately contiguous to the

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All over town the coppers run, to pinch the man who wields a gun not wisely but too well; they risk their lives and strain their thews, and wear out costly cowhide shoes to put him in a cell. The gent in jail has rank renown; he is the toughest thing in town, a terror to all men; he is a wolf in human guise, and it would seem a process wise to keep him in the pen. But in these mad and maudlin times we would "uplift" the man of crimes, and rid his life of care; he should be jailed a hundred years, but in a fortnight he appears, paroled, as free as air. And when he leaves the cooler cool, does he attend the Sabbath school, or, haply, join the "Y"? Ah, no, he gets another gun, brass knucks and sandbags by the ton, and makes some voter die. No wonder that the cops lose heart, or that the briny teardrops start, and make their hangdowns wet; why toil upon the sinner's trail, if he, when landed safe in jail, becomes the village pet? Why comb the alleys and the slums for murderous and thieving bums, hyenas masked as men, if Justice taps them on the wrist, and sees them by fool women kissed, and turns them loose again? We have our carnival of crime, for criminals don't serve their time, but get a reprimand; and if the reprimand's severe, a lot of mushy goops uprear, and wail to beat the band.

town are located such well known snow-covered mountains as Jefferson, Three Sisters, Bachelor and Broken Top. Scattered through these mountains are a series of lakes that are unexcelled in beauty and which are becoming more and more frequented by those who love the great outdoors.

"The editors were made intimately acquainted with one of these, Elk lake, sitting at the foot of Bachelor mountain. This lake is about 30 miles from Bend, but the party was driven 52 miles to reach it, passing through a part of the Deschutes national forest, where the government maintains a forest reserve of a million and a half acres. Many sights of interest were witnessed on the way out. The editors were shown the remarkable beginning of rivers which, in 100 yards, become 50 or more feet wide and carry an immense quantity of water. These rivers gush from the ground—extra dry ground at that—in huge streams as large and larger than the head of a barrel. This water is supposed to come underground from the lakes higher up on the mountains. It is ice cold as it fairly tumbles from the ground.

"Most of these streams join the Deschutes river and pass through that long series of barren mountains lying between The Dalles and Bend. The Deschutes river is famous for having created a canyon second only to that of the Colorado river."

"And the scene at the mountain lakes was just as wonderful. Set amid scenery that is wonderful on its own account, these wonderful bodies of water, located far back from the settled portions of that section of the country, are truly beautiful. On the shores of Elk lake, one of the prettiest of these bodies of water, the

Oregon editors Saturday evening sat down to their annual banquet. The piece de resistance of this feed was trout caught from the lake on the shore of which the scribes were sitting.

The editors remained the guests of the hospitable Bend people until Sunday afternoon, when they started homeward. Some came by train, many others crossed the mountains in their cars, and still others remained in the section to enjoy a few days or a few weeks of mountain air. On the way out Sunday afternoon the editors were treated to a mountain thunder storm. It was a glorious exhibit of the elements for the half hour that it lasted. The rain came in torrents for about 30 minutes, but so dry was the soil that the roads were again dusty before many miles had been traveled."

"It is truly an empire, this section of the state over which Bend presides as the principal town. It will some day maintain a big population. The people there are the kind that build cities. They are optimists in all things that pertain to their city and section of the state. They see the beauties of their forests, they realize the potentiality of their wonderful water power, and, above all, they take a joy in living that fairly sets the blood a-tinging. There is something superb and wonderful in their contention that they possess the greatest out-of-doors on the continent. It is a wonderful country. Every newspaper worthy of the title will tell you so this week. For the Bend people certainly spread themselves in entertaining the editors. Nothing was too good for the gathered scribes. They were the guests of the city and of each individual citizen thereof. To merely show that you wanted or needed something was

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Left an "Imprint." While in my sophomore year at college I was acting in a play in our assembly hall, writes a correspondent of the Chicago Journal. It was a sort of Romeo and Juliet affair written by the mother of one of the students, and, as in most plays, we were "made up" lavishly. In the midst of the love scene, I being the Juliet of the performance, was just kissing the Romeo, when to our surprise, the audience burst into shrieks of laughter. Then I discovered the cause. On the cheek of Romeo was a little round red spot—the imprint of my kiss!

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