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## Happy New Year

This is the last issue of the RECORDER for 1909, and as the new year is almost upon us we take this opportunity of wishing all our readers and their friends a most happy and prosperous new year. The year 1909 has been a good one in many ways. Prosperity and good cheer has been dominant in the land and the year of 1910 dawns with much greater promise than did the year just drawing to a close.

If we were to take a retrospective view of the year's accomplishments, we would find many improvements in our own city, but time and space would hardly permit.

The people of Bandon are awake to their opportunities and there promises to be greater progress in the city during the coming year than at any time in the history of the city. There are movements on foot now, which, if they all materialize, will bear out this statement. When January 1, 1911 rolls around, we shall expect to see a much larger city at the mouth of the Coquille river and at the same time many improvements in the country adjacent.

## Cooperation in Industries

On another page we print an excellent article by A. Haberly on the results attained by cooperation in the fruit growing industry of the

Rogue river valley and shows what can be done by such action. The same results can be accomplished in southwest Oregon, not only in the fruit industry, but dairying, farming, and in fact everything that goes to make up the country. Cooperation is necessary to great success. The possibilities of this section are limitless and with the proper method of intensified farming, and cooperation in preparing and marketing of products, this country has one of the richest futures of any section on the coast. There is just beginning to be a partial awakening of the people to their opportunities and the results, to a limited degree are already apparent, but there can be much more accomplished, and in fact there will be. Within a few years, the people of this section will be as thoroughly organized as they are anywhere and then the good results will be attained.

## A Wholesale Reformer

There are many reformers of various kinds. Many men who know just how to adjust matters so we will have heaven on earth, but now comes a Chicago man named Davis who has the whole thing figured out. He writes a book entitled "Why Not Now," in which he undertakes to show just how the mill citizens, and as a rule this idea is well founded, but there are time

when there might be more of the spirit in evidence. Everyone is interested in seeing every project materialize that will add in any way to the business interests of the city and surrounding community, but at times there is a lack of enthusiasm over some of the things that will be the means of bringing about the greatest amount of good. Up to this time a few of the business men have been struggling along trying to keep up an organization, known as a Commercial Club, but only a few have demonstrated any interest in the organization on tomorrow evening this club will give a grand ball in Bank hall, which should be patronized by every man who is interested in the development of the city. Whether you dance or not, you can certainly pay a dollar for a ticket, to help out the cause of advertising the resources of the city. Let us all get in and work the remaining two days, that the dance may be a great success, both from a social and a financial point of view.

## Uncle Sam's Big Stick Job

Uncle Sam is patrolling Central America as a big stick policeman, beat on preserving peace and ending a reign of violence, anarchy and graft that has prevailed ever since the days of Cortez. Uncle Sam has acquired canal interests on the isthmus, his citizens are risking their money and lives in the five revolutionary republics, and he feels obliged to act the role of peace-maker also for other big nations, in order to keep up their respect for the Monroe Doctrine.

Hence President Taft finds himself sending warships and marines to the two ocean shores of Nicaragua

and exercising a guardianship over the affairs of each of the four make believe republics. It is not a job that this country relishes overmuch and question arises whether the United States should concern itself with the graft, pilage and murder carried on at almost regular intervals by successive dictators and their satellites. But the United States has put its hand to the job and evidently cannot turn back. So the best way out seems to be that of cleaning up the business in Nicaragua and holding the big stick also over Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala and Costa Rica.

This treatment of the Central America divisions of course will increase the suspicions and hostility of South American countries toward the United States. But there seems no way to avoid the result. Central America is no longer a far-away land; it is almost as close home as Cuba and Porto Rico, and trade routes that are to pass by its shores to and from the Panama Canal will bring it very near Uncle Sam's doors.

Self-government has been a miserable failure in the five republics ever since they declared their independence from Spain nearly ninety years ago. They were nominally a united nation for a short time, but jealousies and designs of politicians broke up their union and have kept them in perpetual turmoil. They have been a serious menace to maintenance of the Monroe Doctrine, owing to their disregard for foreign interests. President Taft has undertaken an unwelcome task, but he must see it through and make the best of it. Oregonian

## Unity of Action

Bandon is noted over southwest Oregon for the unity of spirit that prevails among its business men and lenium may be brought about in three shakes of a lamb's tail. In eight fiery chapters he reads the tariff off the face of the earth, adopts woman suffrage, abolishes race prejudice, welcomes the Chinese and Japanese regardless of numbers, establishes the equality of negroes and whites, throws the ownership of all public utilities into the hands of a heterogeneous democracy, abolishes war and alcohol, wipes out ignorance and selfishness from the nations of the earth, does away with capital punishment, pensions the aged, brings the church back to the common people; revamps the schools and establishes a new political party with God at the head, besides suggesting a few hundred other little things which the reader may find in the book for himself.

That's going some, as the fellow remarked when he fell off the roof of a 20 story building.

A story told to the Hudson Bay Company by an Indian trapper would seem to clear up the mystery of the disappearance of S. A. Andree the Swedish explorer, who attempted to drift across the North Pole in a balloon a few years ago. The Indian told of having met a party of Eskimos who had been hunting on one of the islands of the Arctic Ocean, and one day they beheld a peculiar apparition in the sky. When it finally landed three men stepped out. They started to approach the natives who were in a state of terror and made hostile demonstrations. One

of the men fired a gun, and a fight followed, in which the natives were victorious, killing all three of the wanderers.

Though it is admitted in Salem that there have been and are a good many cases of typhoid fever there, very few of them have been fatal. This is not a sufficient reason for that city to neglect or delay to get a supply of pure water, which it owes to itself and the state to do, but it indicates that typhoid like smallpox, diphtheria and some other diseases, is not nearly as deadly as it used to be. Either the diseases are milder in form latterly, or else better modes of treatment are practiced. The world is constantly gaining in healthfulness and power to suppress or avoid dangerous diseases.—Portland Journal.

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